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Area High School Seniors Earn Electric Co-op Scholarships

(Arrington, VA) Four area high school seniors have each earned a \$1,000 college scholarship awarded by the Education Scholarship Foundation of the Virginia, Maryland & Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives (VMDAEC). The 2016 recipients are:

- Jesse Craig, a senior at Nelson County High School and the son of Frank and Maria Craig of Afton.
- Samantha de Sibour, a senior at Nelson County High School and the daughter of Henri and Peggy de Sibour of Faber.
- Jane Hubler, a senior at Cornerstone Christian School and the daughter of Geoffrey and How Kum Hubler of Appomattox.
- Shelby Wise, a senior at Buckingham County High School and the daughter of David and Sherry Wise of Dillwyn.

These students were eligible for consideration because their parents are consumer-members of Central Virginia Electric Cooperative. Recipients are chosen based on three major criteria: financial need (40 percent), academic achievement (40 percent) and community involvement (20 percent). Applicants must also provide evidence of their acceptance in a post-high school educational institution or program.

This year, the VMDAEC Education Scholarship Foundation is awarding 50 \$1,000 Worth Hudson scholarships to students who live in areas served by electric cooperatives in Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. These grants can be used to pay for tuition, fees and books.

The scholarships are named in honor of Worth Hudson, the Foundation's first chairman and former chairman of the board of directors of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative in Chase City, Va. Since its inception in 2000, the Foundation has awarded 567 scholarships totaling \$466,500. The Foundation is funded through tax-deductible donations and bequests from individuals, proceeds from benefit fundraising events and Co-Bank's Sharing Success Program. It also participates in the Amazon Smile Program.

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Headquartered in Lovington, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative is a member-owned electric-distribution utility serving nearly 35,000 meters in 14 counties across central Virginia. For more information, visit www.mycvec.com.

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