

ELECTRIC CITIES *Connected*

It's Not Too Late To Make Your Reservation!

Please join us for some fun in the sun at Electric Cities of Alabama's (ECA) Annual Meeting and Governmental Affairs Conference at the Perdido Beach Resort in Orange Beach, Alabama, July 19 – 21, 2010. ECA will be hosting a number of events that you will not want to miss, from a tropical welcome reception honoring Alabama's Lieutenant Governor Jim Folsom Jr. to the tunes of The WannaBeatles; this year's conference promises to be one to remember.

Reservations are still available! Please contact Perdido Beach Resort today to reserve your room with a view. When making your reservation, be sure to reference ECA's group code: **4679**.

Events have been planned with you and your family in mind. For those traveling with young children, be sure to sign-up for ECA's Sand Sculpting Contest upon your arrival at the registration desk. Ribbons will be placed to honor the most creative sand sculpture so be sure to bring any carving tools you may need.

In addition to outdoor activities, ECA has a numbers of speakers sure to please. TVA President/CEO Tom Kilgore is schedule to speak as well as APPA's President Mark Crisson. ECA will also honor members of Alabama's State Legislature at ECA's Annual Dinner on Tuesday night, July 20. Cocktails will be served at 6:30 and dinner will begin promptly at 7:00. Please make plans to stick around after dinner to listen to music by the WannaBeatles.

Please see tentative schedule. ECA looks forward to hosting you at the beach!



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***ECA Welcomes Scottsboro Electric Power Board
James B. Sandlin, P.E., Utility Manager***

2010 ANNUAL MEETING GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JULY 19

2:00-4:00 P.M.: Exhibit Setup (Grand Point)
5:00-7:30 P.M.: Opening Reception (beach deck)
Honoring Lt. Governor Jim Folsom, Jr.

TUESDAY, JULY 20

6:30-7:00 A.M.: Exhibit Setup (Grand Point)
7:00-8:00 A.M.: Registration / Exhibits Open
7:00-8:00 A.M.: Continental Breakfast
8:00-11:30 A.M.: General Session
9:30-10:00 A.M.: Exhibits Open (Grand Point)
9:30- 10:30 A.M. Children's beach activities
NOON-6:00 P.M.: Free Afternoon
NOON-6:00 P.M.: Golf at the Peninsula
(Lunch provided)
NOON-6:00 P.M.: Deep Sea Fishing-Zeke's Marina
(Lunch provided)

6:30-7:00 P.M. Cocktails

7:00 P.M.: Dinner (Grand Ballroom)
2010 House Member of the Year Award: The Honorable Marcel Black
2010 Electric Cities of Alabama Award: The Honorable Arthur Orr
Entertainment: The WannaBeatles

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21

7:00-8:00 A.M.: Exhibits Open
7:00-8:00 A.M.: Continental Breakfast
8:00-10:30 A.M.: General Session
9:00-9:30 A.M.: Exhibits Open
10:30 A.M.: Exhibit Breakdown
10:30-11:30 A.M.: Electric Cities Business Meeting
(Sand Castel II)
11:30 A.M. Adjourn
NOON: Hotel Check-out

Coastal Conditions

For those that would like to hear and see firsthand the current conditions of the Alabama Gulf Coast, please log on to the Alabama Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau's website at <http://gulfshores.com/issues/>. Here one will be able to view a video that is updated daily on beach conditions, temperature and weather as well as different local attractions. Links to important websites such as the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration for the latest on the British Petroleum oil leak can also be found here.

Alabama's beaches are open for business!

ECA Trivia Grid

Welcome to ECA Trivia Grid. Each newsletter will have a floating ECA Trivia Grid question geared towards the utility industry. The first correct answer received by Debbie Williams at dwilliams@electriccities.org will win a \$25.00 gift card. Be on the lookout for the ECA Trivia Grid in future publications! Good Luck!

How many public power utilities currently exist?

1,156 b) 1,980 c) 2,008

Be the first to email the correct answer to dwilliams@electriccities.org and win a \$25.00 gift card.

Williams Joins ECA



Debbie N. Williams recently joined ECA as the Communications and Marketing Assistant after serving the past 20 years in the Alabama State Capitol and Alabama State House. Most recently, Williams worked with the Deputy Chief of Staff for Governor Bob Riley. Williams brings a wealth of knowledge of the legislative process, media relations and event planning to ECA.

While Williams has a love for state politics, her passions include spending time with her husband of 30 years, her two children and hunting for antiques.

Williams can be reached at the ECA office at (334) 943-3221 or dwilliams@electriccities.org.

Member Utility Honored

Tuscumbia Electric Department, located in Tuscumbia, Alabama, was recently honored by the American Public Power Association (APPA) for systems with 30,000 to 59,999 worker hours of exposure. Marc Gerken, chair of the APPA board of directors and presidents/CEO of American Municipal Power, Inc. said, "Safety is the top concern when it comes to working with electricity. These utilities have demonstrated that they are the best of the best when it comes to guaranteeing that safety is always top of mind."

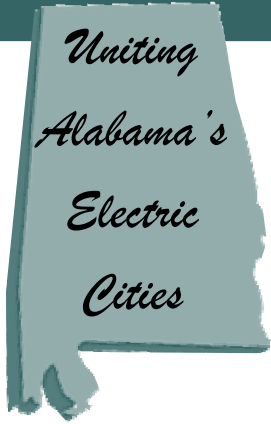
David Thornton, Tuscumbia Utilities General Manager said, "This was a great surprise for our utility as we have worked hard to ensure the safety of our employees over the years. "We are thrilled APPA honored Tuscumbia Electric with this award. "As a matter of fact", Thornton said, "We have had only one lost time injury in the past 20 years and we look forward to continuing our worker safety programs."

Congratulations Tuscumbia Utilities on a job well done.

Alabama League of Municipalities

The Alabama League of Municipalities recently elected Charles Murphy, Mayor of Robertsdale, Alabama, as their new president during the League of Municipalities Annual Conference held in Mobile, Alabama. Mayor Murphy will serve as the organizations 76th president, and is the second League president to serve from Robertsdale, Alabama.

As you may know, the Robertsdale Electric Department serves 3,000 customers and is a member of the Electric Cities of Alabama. "We are proud to have Mayor Murphy serve on this prestigious board," said Jonathan Hand, Executive Director of Electric Cities. Hand went on to say, "Mayor Murphy has always been a great advocate for Robertsdale and southwest Alabama, it is only fitting that he serve as the new president of the League and we look forward to continuing to work with him in under his new capacity."



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**CALENDAR
2010**



July 19-21, 2010

Annual Meeting and
Governmental
Affairs Conference
Perdido Beach Resort
Orange Beach, AL

July 21, 2010

Annual Business Meeting
Perdido Beach Resort
Orange Beach, AL

October 27-29, 2010

Engineering & Operations
Conference
Marriott Grandview
Birmingham, AL

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COALITION OF THE STATE'S MUNICIPALLY OWNED AND OPERATED ELECTRIC
SYSTEMS. ALABAMA'S ELECTRIC CITIES SERVE APPROXIMATELY ONE MILLION
CONSUMERS IN 36 CITIES THROUGHOUT ALABAMA.

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