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Featured above: Nolin RECC Customer Service Rep Jennifer Pyles, 14 years of service

Comments from the President and CEO

Taking Care of Our Future



BRENT GILKEY

Grayson Stinger, Keeley Slade, Amelia Cox, Katrina Ingalls, and Skyler Hornback in front of the U.S. Capitol.

What an exciting feeling it must be for five local teens to see their faces on the cover of this month's *Kentucky Living* magazine! These bright and ambitious students are your 2017 Nolin RECC Washington Youth Tour delegates and they competed with other local youth to earn a trip in June to Washington, D.C., for the 53rd Annual Electric Cooperative Youth Tour.

Young people who experience Youth Tour have the opportunity to explore our nation's capital, make lasting friendships, learn how our government operates, and see the impact electric cooperatives have on the legislative process.

Youth Tour is one of the programs for which electric cooperatives across

the country are best known. These five students traveled in chartered buses along with 78 other youth representing co-ops in various parts of Kentucky. When they reached their final destination, around 1,800 teens along with dozens of chaperones converged on Washington for a fast-paced week of fun and education.

Nolin sponsored five delegates on the all-expense-paid experience: Amelia Cox, Skyler Hornback, Katrina Ingalls, Keeley Slade, and Grayson Stinger.

"I made friendships that will last a life time, memories that will stay with me forever, and had an experience that I never thought could be so amazing," says Cox. "Everyone should get a chance to go

on a life-changing trip like this...it's a trip like no other and will never be forgotten."

Ingalls says Youth Tour exceeded all her expectations. "I gained more friends, saw more sights, ate more food, and made more memories than I ever thought I would, all while growing in my appreciation of our government, leaders, and armed forces," says Ingalls.

This week meant building lifelong friendships with people who were strangers seven days prior, while seeing unforgettable and life-changing sights in D.C. – Keeley Slade

This program, along with others we sponsor, offers Nolin a unique opportunity to become involved in the successful development of our young citizens. We're extremely proud of our commitment to this community and embrace programs that promote growth and leadership skills in our youth. One common thread to these programs is that Nolin RECC continually strives to give our youth the opportunity to see and reach their potential. The difference we're making in our community is ageless!

This issue of the *Nolin News* is dedicated to our young members—our future community partners and leaders. On the next two pages, you will meet some remarkable students who have already accomplished much success and who are determined to excel in all they do now and in the future.

Washington Youth Tour – It's a Cooperative Thing

Students earn a seat on a chartered bus headed to our nation's capital

“Our society takes electricity for granted,” says Central Hardin High School student Amelia Cox. “As long as the power is on, we do not think much about it. But as soon as the power is off, we realize how important electricity is in keeping our routines going. Electricity is in every facet of our lives, and we are dependent upon it. Maybe if we all took a day without electricity, we would realize how greatly it impacts us. So tomorrow morning when you get out of bed, start noting the steps in your routine and see how electricity is a must.”

The comments above were taken from an essay submitted by Washington Youth Tour delegate Amelia Cox. Although her intentions were never to challenge anyone, it may prove interesting to see just how many things are directly influenced by electricity in one day.

Cox was one of five local students who earned a FREE trip to Washington,

D.C., this past June. Although the students enjoyed an all-expense-paid trip, the application process required commitment and accountability from all 14 participants. Each was asked to write a 500-word essay, complete a quiz, and visit the Nolin RECC office for a personal interview.

Interested high school juniors whose parents are members of Nolin apply for the trip with a simple form that takes no longer than three minutes to complete. Watch for applications in your February *Nolin News*. All students completing the application and interview are treated to a day in Frankfort to tour the Capitol building and the Kentucky Vietnam Memorial.

There is nothing hard about the process, and the rewards are well worth the time students invest in the program.



KEELEY SLADE
John Hardin High School
(Parent: David Slade)



GRAYSON STINGER
Elizabethtown High School
(Parents: Russell & Charlene Stinger)

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AMELIA COX
Central Hardin High School
(Parents: Donald & Pamela Cox)



SKYLER HORNBACK
LaRue County High School
(Parents: Jeff & Barbara Hornback)



KATRINA INGALLS
Castle Hill Academy
(Parents: David & Judy Ingalls)

Investing in Local Youth – It's a Cooperative Thing

Nolin RECC 2017 Scholarship Recipients

Applications for the 2018 Nolin RECC Scholarship will be available in February

Eight local students are attending college this fall with a little help from Nolin RECC. This year, Nolin awarded \$13,000 in college scholarships to students whose parents or legal guardians are members of Nolin. Included in those awards is a scholarship recipient who is returning to school after spending time away from the classroom.

Thanks to all those who took time to submit scholarship applications. There are so many outstanding students in our community, and Nolin RECC recognizes your hard work and accomplishments!



Treavor Atwell

(Parents: Mike & Brandy Atwell)
Graduate of Elizabethtown High School

Plans to pursue a degree in business at the University of Kentucky



Madelyn Chambers

(Parents: Zane & Lesia Chambers)
Graduate of FAITH Homeschool Academics Cooperative

Will attend Western Kentucky University to earn a degree in English and library sciences



Dustin Gosselin

(Parents: Mark & Kathy Gosselin)
Graduate of North Hardin High School

Plans to attend Elizabethtown Community & Tech. College to begin studies in ag economics



Mary House

(Spouse: John House)
Continuing Education Scholarship Recipient

Working toward a bachelor's degree in systems management at Western Kentucky University



Dalton Moore

(Parents: Tim & Carla Moore)
Graduate of Central Hardin High School

Will attend the University of Kentucky to major in chemical engineering and pharmacy



Paige Noe

(Parent: David Noe)
Graduate of LaRue County High School

Plans to attend Elizabethtown Community & Technical College to earn a degree in education



Carson O'Daniel

(Parent: Jan Mitchell O'Daniel)
Graduate of John Hardin High School

Will attend the University of Louisville to earn a degree in finance



Kaylyn Marie Dick

(Parent: Julie Hayes)
Recipient of the Bob Wade, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
Graduate of Central Hardin High School

Will attend Western Kentucky University to earn a degree in nursing



Look up during the fall harvest

Farming is one of the nation's most hazardous occupations and many farm hazards are related to electricity. Nationally, about 35 farmers are electrocuted each year.

That's why it's so important to always be aware of your surroundings when driving any vehicle that could come in contact with overhead lines.

To be safe during harvest, look up and keep equipment at least 10 feet away from power lines and utility structures. If you are harvesting corn or soybeans this fall, be especially careful that the grain spout stays well below and clear of any overhead lines.

Before moving farm machinery, walk around the entire vehicle and look for hazards. Be aware of guy wires, transformers, and meter sockets.

Nolin RECC cares about your safety. Be alert. Be safe.

The Nolin RECC office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 4, 2017

Manage your account

SmartHub provides you with a secure way to manage your electric bill online. You can also make payments, report a service interruption, and compare monthly and yearly electricity usage. **Visit www.nolinrecc.com and click on SmartHub.**

New Member Credits

All members signing up for new service with Nolin receive a short survey. Members who return the completed survey to Nolin are automatically eligible to win a \$30 credit on their electric bill. Each month, one name is drawn and a lucky Nolin member receives a bill credit on their next statement. **Congratulations to our latest winner, Michelle Torres, of Vine Grove.**

We've Got Your Number! **\$25** **\$25**
WIN \$25 Worth of FREE Electricity

Nolin News features a contest called "We've Got Your Number." Hidden inside this issue are two randomly selected member account numbers. If you spot your account number, contact the Member Services Department at (270) 765-6153, and **win a \$25 CREDIT on your electric bill.** You must identify your number and call by the 15th day of the month's issue containing your number. Account numbers could be anywhere in your *Nolin News*!

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