

NOLIN News



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Featured above:
Nolin RECC Staking Technician Richard Rogers, 39 years of service

News you can use

Caring about youth is the cooperative way

Do you recognize any of the five students on the cover of this month's *Kentucky Living* magazine? These bright and ambitious teenagers are your 2015 Nolin RECC Washington Youth Tour delegates and they competed with 17 other local youth to earn a trip in June to Washington, D.C., for the 51st Annual Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. Young people who experience Youth Tour have the opportunity to explore our nation's capital, make lasting friendships, learn a bit about 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. You may have participated when you were a teenager, or perhaps your child applied to be a part of the program. But electric cooperatives, like Nolin, go far beyond Youth Tour when it comes to making a difference in our young members' lives.

Nolin is invested in youth education and engagement programs throughout our local community. In addition to the Washington Youth Tour, we award college scholarships. On page 26F and 26G you will learn how eight individuals collectively received over \$15,000 in scholarships. Nolin is also very active in Hardin and LaRue County's American Private Enterprise Systems (APES) and proudly serves as the primary sponsor for this two-day business and economic seminar for high school juniors.

We're even extending our commitment to youth beyond the local level. We are happy to be a part of the State Youth Seminar and the National Institute on Cooperative Education, which is an extension of the local APES program that brings youth from across the state and nation together for a more intense study on the cooperative business model. In fact, at the national level, students get to create and run a co-op! They pay dues (\$1-\$3) to become a part of the co-op and proceed to handle co-op business – from voting on board members and choosing a general manager, to setting prices and determining inventory for their chosen business.

Year-round education on electrical safety has been and will

always be a part of our commitment to members – that includes our younger members as well as the entire community. We provide indoor and outdoor electrical safety demonstrations at schools, civic groups, and businesses.

There are many great co-op sponsored programs out there that focus on youth education and engagement. 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!



The Nolin RECC delegates pose for a quick snapshot with chaperone Allison Coffey (fourth from left) at the Lincoln Memorial. Altogether, 10 chaperones traveled to Washington with 85 students representing cooperatives from across Kentucky. From left are the 2015 Nolin RECC Washington Youth Tour delegates Zach Epperson, Grace Flanagan, Taylor Brawner, Allison Coffey, (Nolin RECC), Mary Zeitler, and Jarret Fogle.

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Co-op programs save you money

Nolin RECC is dedicated to making sure you receive electric service at a price your family can afford. But it doesn't stop there. Did you know we offer programs to help you reduce energy use and save on your monthly bill?

Need an energy audit? We provide this service free of charge! Need to make some home energy upgrades? We

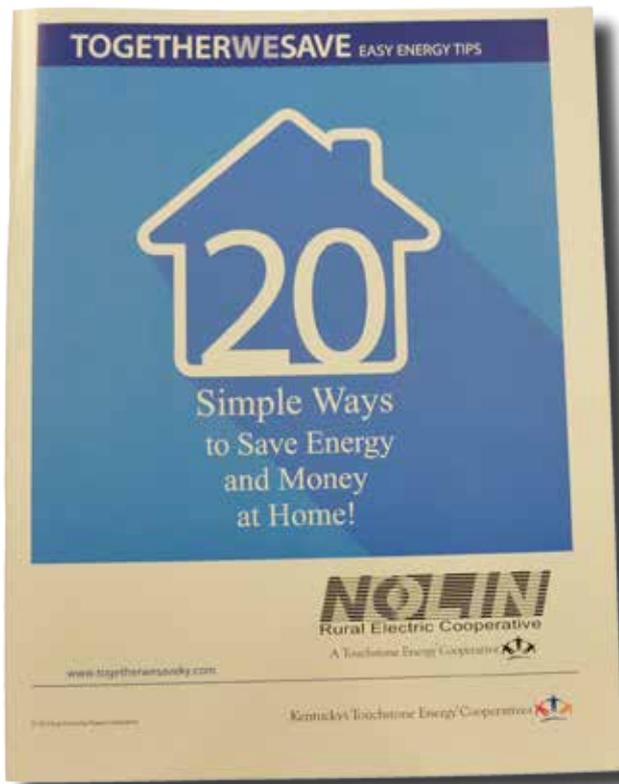
offer incentives to members who improve their home's energy efficiency through the Button-Up program! Replacing your existing heating source with a high-efficiency heat pump? Nolin offers incentive rebates up to \$1,000. Need to purchase new home appliances? We pay rebates on ENERGY STAR-certified appliances! In fact, after you purchase a new refrigerator or freezer, we offer to pay \$50 for the inefficient one you're replacing if it's still in working condition.

Nolin provides our members with a variety of energy-efficiency services and print material. The 31-page booklet *20 Simple Ways to Save Energy and Money at Home* is available to you FREE of charge.

One of the best services we offer saves you money on everything from clothing to automotive services, from dining to travel – and so much more. The Co-op Connections card is a valuable member benefit that not only saves you money but helps local businesses in our community.

The Co-op Connections card gives co-op members discounts on everyday expenses and features a cash-back mall, where you can get paid to shop online at nearly 3,000 retailers. It also provides health savings. The card includes discounts on prescriptions at over 60,000 locations. Co-op Connections cardholders have saved over \$64 million on prescriptions since its inception! You can receive discounts on chiropractic care, lab work, imaging, vision services, and dental care. The card can even help you save on energy efficient appliances. Learn more about the Co-op Connections card by visiting touchstoneenergy.com.

To learn more about the programs we offer, visit our Web site at www.nolinrecc.com or call our office at (270) 765-6153.



NOTICE OF TARIFF FILING

Pursuant to the Kentucky Public Service Commission's ("Commission") regulation 807 KAR 5:011, Section 8, Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation gives notice that a tariff requesting approval to implement a low income weatherization assistance program called Community Assistance Resources for Energy Savings ("CARES") Program will be submitted to the Commission on September 3, 2015. If Nolin RECC's request is approved, the tariff will be effective October 3, 2015, at which time qualified residential end-use members of Nolin RECC receiving efficiency upgrades from their local Community Action Agency ("CAA") weatherization program will be able to receive up to \$2,000 in weatherization assistance provided through the CAA, subject to detailed eligibility requirements. A person may examine this tariff filing at Nolin RECC's offices located at 411 Ring Road, Elizabethtown, Kentucky 42701. A person may also examine this tariff filing at the Commission's office located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or through the Commission's Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>. Comments regarding this tariff filing may be submitted to the Commission through its Web site at <http://psc.ky.gov>, or by mail to Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. The incentive contained in this tariff filing is the incentive proposed by Nolin RECC, but the Commission may order an incentive that differs from the proposed incentive contained in this tariff filing. A person may submit a timely written request for intervention in this tariff filing to the Public Service Commission, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602, establishing the grounds for the request and including the status and interest of the person requesting intervention. If the Commission does not receive a written request for intervention within thirty (30) days of this notice, the Commission may take final action on the tariff filing.



HONOR ★ FLIGHT

ONE LAST MISSION

Nolin RECC will again proudly sponsor a group of veterans on One Last Mission – an Honor Flight on Sept. 26 to Washington, D.C., where they will tour the World War II Memorial and other national monuments.

And then, that evening, we will once again welcome home these heroes -- at Lexington's Bluegrass Field.

Visit www.honorflightbluegrass.org for more information or to apply for a future Honor Flight.



Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Electric Rates

The following rates and charges for the consumers of Nolin Rural Electric Cooperative were in effect as of June 1, 2011.

(kwh=kilowatt-hour)

SCHEDULE 1 Residential, Farm, Non-Farm, Trailers & Mobile Homes		SCHEDULE 4 – Industrial	
Rates:		Demand Charge	
Customer Charge	\$9.04 per month	Per Kilowatt of Billing Per Month	\$4.95
All kwh Charge	.08598 per kwh	Energy Charge	
The minimum monthly charge for single-phase service is \$9.04.		First 3,500 kwh per month	.08248
		Next 6,500 kwh per month	.06789
		Over 10,000 kwh per month	.06410
SCHEDULE 2 Commercial, Small Power, Single-Phase & Three-Phase Service		SCHEDULE 5 – Rural Lighting	
Rates:		High-pressure Sodium	
Customer Charge	\$16.82 per month	100-Watt	75 kwh \$10.06
All kwh Charge	.09274 per kwh		
The minimum monthly charge for single-phase service is \$16.82.			
SCHEDULE 3 — Large Power			
Customer Charge	\$28.50 per month		
Demand Charge			
Per Kilowatt of Billing Demand Per Month	\$4.95		
Energy Charge			
First 2,500 kwh per month	.07845		
Next 12,500 kwh per month	.07337		
Over 15,000 kwh per month	.07184		

FUEL ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

All rates are applicable to the Fuel Adjustment Clause and may be increased or decreased by an amount per kwh equal to the fuel adjustment amount per kwh as billed by the wholesale power supplier plus an allowance for line losses. The allowance for line losses will not exceed 10% and is based on a 12-month moving average of such losses. This fuel clause is subject to all other applicable provisions as set out in 807 KAR 5:056.

Cooperative Education and a FREE Trip to Washington, DC



The Washington Youth Tour is an excellent way to learn while having fun. The five Nolin RECC delegates joined 80 other high school juniors from across the state as they toured historic monuments and museums and learned how our government operates. In addition, the group met with their elected representatives in the U.S. House and Senate to discuss the process of government and mounting concerns that affect our country. The weeklong trip provided students opportunities to learn firsthand what it is like to be involved in politics, community service, and today's pressing issues.

While in Washington, the Kentucky group was joined by almost 1,500 other high school students from across the United States. The activity is part of a nationwide youth



The five Nolin RECC Washington Youth Tour students are featured on the cover of Kentucky Living. The 2015 delegates are front (left to right) Mary Zeitler and Taylor Brawner. Back row: Zach Epperson, Grace Flanagan, and Jarrett Fogle.

program sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Arlington, Virginia.

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. But the selection process after this point becomes very competitive!

This year, Nolin received nearly 30 applications for the trip and narrowing that number to five was difficult. Students were

required to write a 500 word essay, complete a test on cooperatives, and visit the Nolin office for a personal interview. All students completing the application process were treated to a day in Frankfort to tour the Capitol building and the Kentucky Vietnam Memorial.

There is nothing hard about the application process, but it does require commitment and accountability from participants. The rewards are well worth the time students invest in the program.



Nolin RECC delegate Grace Flanagan was selected to represent Kentucky on the Youth Leadership Council (YLC) of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA). As a member of the YLC, Grace will participate in the 2015 NRECA annual meeting in New Orleans in February. She will also address electric co-op leaders from across Kentucky at the annual meeting of the Kentucky Association of Electric Cooperatives. In July, Grace attended a four-day leadership conference at NRECA in Washington, D.C.

INTERESTED IN APPLYING?

Applicants for the Washington Youth Tour must be juniors in high school and their parents or legal guardians must be a member of the co-op and live on Nolin RECC lines. The process is very simple and includes a brief essay, quiz, and personal interview. Watch for next year's application in the February 2016 *Nolin News*.



Each participant in the Washington Youth Tour competition was asked to write an essay on “My Life without Electricity.” Here are a few lines from each of the Youth Tour students’ essays.

“Almost all of the jobs in today’s society rely on electricity. Factory workers, technicians, doctors, and many more professions wouldn’t be able to survive without it. If it weren’t for electricity many jobs would not be needed, and people would struggle to support their families.”

– Taylor Brawner



“Communication is vital and has greatly improved over the years. However, we wouldn’t be able to communicate like we do now without electricity. In fact, the loss of it would be devastating.”

– Zachary Epperson

“Electricity is more than just the outlets and the power – it’s lighting and warmth that enhance our well-being. Electricity has integrated itself into every facet of our lives. Throughout the course of my grandparents’ lifetimes, electricity has evolved from a luxury to a necessity.”

– Grace Flanagan



“Most people have become oblivious to how much they rely on electricity. Simple, everyday tasks would be completely different without electricity: transportation, communication, and even food storage. Life would be very different without electricity.”

– Jarrett Fogle



“As people living in a generation where electricity is becoming more and more of a dominating force in our lives, I feel that we don’t really realize how our lives would change if, for some reason, we were to lose our access to electricity. Is it good that we have this valuable resource available to us all the time? Or, is it bad that we are so dependent on electricity that we aren’t capable of imagining our lives without it?”

– Mary Zeitler

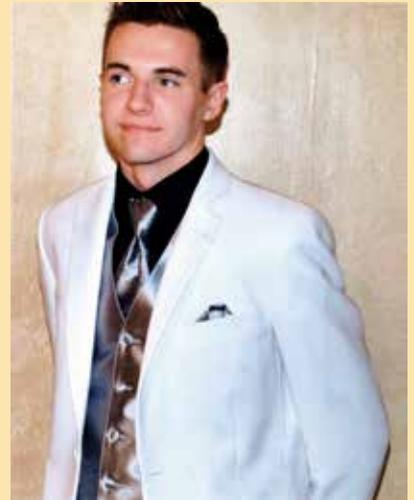
A Cooperative Investment in the Future

Nolin RECC 2015 Scholarship Recipients

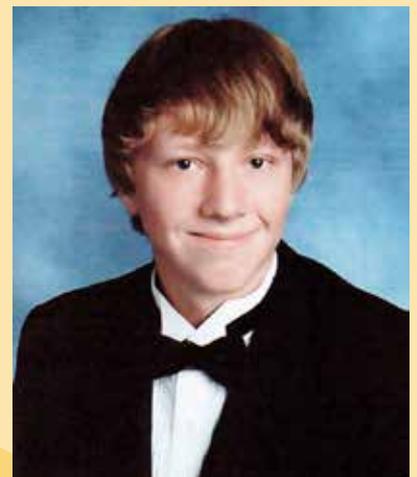
Eight local students are attending college this fall with a little help from Nolin RECC. This year, Nolin awarded \$15,500 in college scholarships to students whose parents or legal guardians are members of Nolin. Included in those awards is a scholarship recipient who is returning to school after spending time away from the classroom.

There are so many outstanding students in our community who deserve consideration for a scholarship. More and more young people are spending time helping to improve their community. In addition, they are excelling in advanced-level classes and most are participating in extracurricular activities.

The 2015 Nolin RECC scholarship recipients are William Anderson, Matthew Bailey, Kayla Hindle, Kristi Hosmon, Jason Key, Rachael Piscatello, and Wade Roemer.



William Anderson is the son of Allen and Sandra Morris. William is a graduate of Central Hardin High School and will be pursuing a degree in environmental science and agriculture.



Matthew Bailey, the son of Robert Bailey and Lynne Shape, is a graduate of North Hardin High School. Matthew plans to study accounting at Elizabethtown Community and Technical College.

Applications for the 2016
Nolin RECC Scholarship will
be available in February.



Kayla Hindle graduated from Elizabethtown High School. Her parents are Shane and Derisa Hindle. Kayla is enrolled at the University of Louisville where she plans to major in special education.



Kristi Hosmon is the Nolin RECC continuing education scholarship recipient. She and her husband, Jonathan, have two children. Kristi attends Western Kentucky University and is currently working on a degree in elementary education.



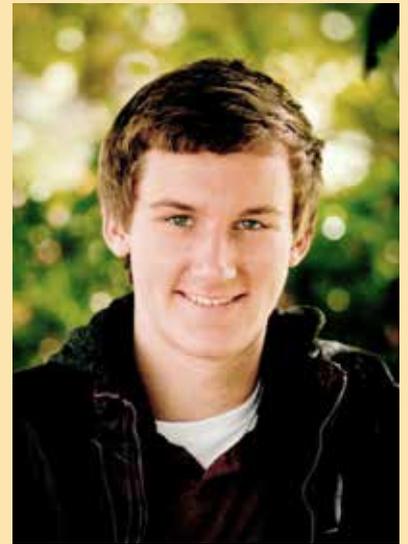
Jason Key is the son of John Key and Karen Barnes. He is a graduate of LaRue County High School and will major in chemistry and biology at Elizabethtown Community & Technical College.



Rachael Piscatello was homeschooled by her parents, Michael and Michelle Piscatello. She is enrolled at Geneva College (Pennsylvania) where Rachael plans to earn a degree in communications and public relations.



Carla Ramsey is the recipient of Nolin's \$5,000 Bob Wade Sr. Memorial Scholarship. Her parents are Steve and Tina Ramsey. Carla will be studying social studies at Western Kentucky University.



Wade Roemer, the son of Mike and Stephanie Roemer, is a recent graduate of John Hardin High School. Wade plans to earn a degree in English literature at the University of Louisville.

The Hole Truth

A leak here... A crack there... No big deal, right?

Wrong. Add up all the leaks in your home – around windows and doors – and it can equal a three-inch hole in the wall. That's your hard-earned heating and cooling dollars slipping outside.

You can find and seal those leaks by asking us about the Button-Up program. You'll save energy, money, and be more comfortable by making the suggested improvements. Plus, you may qualify for a rebate through participation.

Call us or visit www.nolinrecc.com to find out more.



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The Nolin RECC office will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 7, 2015

Online payments

Access your Nolin RECC account through our Web site at www.nolinrecc.com. Click on "YourAccount" to check your consumption history and make payments by debit card, Visa, or MasterCard. To apply for budget billing and automatic draft online, click on "Residential Bill Payment."

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, **Deborah F. Hatfield, of Radcliff.**

We've Got Your \$25 Number! \$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 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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