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Featured above: System Engineering Specialist Steve Riggs
1.5 years of service

Comments from the President & CEO

Considering installing renewable energy sources? We're here to help.

The interest in renewable energy sources such as wind, biomass and solar is on the rise, not only among energy companies but also among homeowners. Options like home solar installations can be attractive as a potential way to reduce costs and lessen environmental impact.

However, as attractive as rooftop solar may appear, it is important for residents to fully understand its true costs, the operational reality of this form of energy and actual energy savings. To determine whether rooftop solar is right for their particular situation, homeowners should research the facts of what is available and feasible for them.

We're here to help.

Nolin RECC believes it has a responsibility to be a trusted energy advisor for our members. Just as we strive to find and communicate new ways to help you use energy more efficiently, as your member-owned cooperative, it is also important to us to help you save money.

Nolin is working to keep pace with the changing energy environment and evolving technology. We have developed more options that help you manage your energy use such as our Virtual Energy Assessment tool and

usage alerts on your accounts. We strive to take a more holistic, objective view of how to achieve energy savings.

Is rooftop solar right for you?

While rooftop solar certainly works for some people, it's not the answer for all. Our employees can help a co-op member know what information is necessary to determine whether rooftop solar is right for them. In addition, there are other considerations that are essential if a member want to install a home energy system:

- It is important that a member get in contact with Nolin before they install a system, as this will allow Nolin to ensure that the system is properly connected to the grid and the member gets credit for any excess electricity they produce.

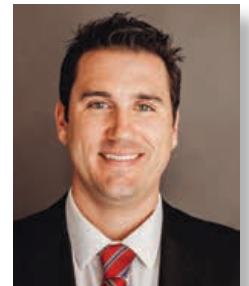
- Our Net Metering Tariff has important information on interconnecting a renewable energy source. It can be found on our website www.nolinrecc.com. This tariff agreement must be completed and approved prior to beginning installation.

- Prior to installing a renewable energy system, members are responsible for obtaining any necessary permits from Planning & Zoning.

When a member contacts Nolin, our energy advisors will provide perspective on the total energy puzzle. Taking into account current energy consumption, the home "envelope," age and efficiency of the HVAC system and home site, an energy advisor can help a co-op member determine whether rooftop solar is the best choice given the homeowners' objectives.

When assessing solar options, it is an excellent time to examine other potential energy efficiency improvements for your home. For example, it may make sense to insulate the attic or seal openings in the home.

Nolin recognizes that member interest in renewable energy sources is increasing, and we stand ready to help our members. We also offer programs like Cooperative Solar that provide an alternative to residential installations. Find more information and resources at www.nolinrecc.com or call us at (270) 765-6153.



Greg Lee
President & CEO

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to our 2021 scholarship recipients!



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Aaron Zajac
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*Congratulations to Nolin RECC's representative for the
2021 Kentucky Electric Cooperatives Youth Leadership Summit*
Ellie Paynter, Junior, Elizabethtown High School
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Ronald McDonald House Wish List Drive

Help families stay close to their children in the hospital receiving medical treatment by donating something from the Ronald McDonald House Wish List. This “home away from home” makes a difficult time a little easier and your donation helps make this possible! Drop off your donation at our E'town or Radcliff office during normal business hours July 1–31, 2021.

Wish List items (new and unopened): Disinfecting spray, laundry detergent, liquid bleach, toothpaste, paper towels.



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Happy Birthday Nolin!

Energizing the first lines in the Nolin RECC service area (formerly “Nolin REA”) was front page news in 1939. Rightfully so! Rural communities in the area were finally receiving electricity to their farms, homes and businesses—years after many of their urban neighbors. The groundwork had been laid during the previous year by local residents who joined together to form our cooperative—and by July 1, 1939, the lights came on.



The front page of the Hardin County Enterprise announces the first lines energized in Nolin RECC service area in 1939.

Spending time outdoors? Stay safe around electricity

After a long winter of staying indoors more than usual, outdoor fun is calling.

Keep yourself and your family safe by paying attention to your use of electricity outdoors. Some tips:

- Have an electrician check outdoor electrical outlets to make sure they are protected with ground-fault circuit interrupters that automatically shut the power off in case of contact with water. Outdoor outlets on older homes might not have this critical safety feature.

- If you must use an extension cord outdoors, buy a thick, weather-resistant model rated for outdoor use. Don't string cords together and don't leave them outdoors when you're not using them.

- Choose a wooden or fiberglass ladder when you are working near electrical wiring or electric lines. Metal can conduct electricity and shock anyone who is standing on a ladder if it comes into contact with a power source.

- Don't use your electric grill



outdoors if it's raining—even a little.

- Inspect electrical lawn tools for frayed wires and other damage. Don't try to repair the damage; replace the tool.

Stay safe over Fourth of July

Make your holiday a safe one for your family by following some common-sense rules for celebrating with and near electricity.

1. Keep fireworks far away from overhead power lines. If fireworks are legal in your community and you choose to set them off yourself, keep them at least 10 feet away from power lines and 35 feet away from high-voltage wires.

2. Keep an eye on your grill. Whether it's electric, gas or charcoal, do not leave a hot grill unattended, even for a few



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minutes. Its intense heat can easily harm children or pets. Plus, if flames are involved, you need to be there if they get

out of control. Cooking accidents are the leading cause of house fires.

3. If you need an extension cord to plug

in your grill or another cooking appliance, do not use that cord on more than one device at a time. And do not plug extension cords into each other; they're not designed for that. They can overheat and cause a fire.

4. Keep the grill, blender, TV and other appliances away from the pool and from all water sources.

Even if you're a safe distance away from the water, unplug the appliance as soon as you're finished using it.

5. Have a working fire extinguisher on hand.

OFFICE CLOSURE:

Our offices will be closed on Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day.

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