Operation Round Up® awards scholarships

Nineteen recent high school graduates will receive scholarships for their freshman year of college thanks to the generosity of North Arkansas Electric Cooperative members enrolled in Operation Round Up^{*}.

Members who join the program agree to have their monthly bill "rounded up" to the next even dollar. That money (an average of \$6 a year per member) is placed in a trust and administered by an independent board of directors. The board consists of community leaders who serve on a voluntary basis.

For the 2017-2018 school year, Operation Round Up will award \$17,500 in scholarships. That will bring the total amount of scholarships awarded to more than \$146,500 since its inception in 2005.

If you would like to support area students through Operation Round Up, please visit www.naeci.com/operation-round-up or call NAEC at 870-895-3221 to enroll.

Added together, our spare change can help change lives in our communities.



HANNAH BRINDLEY Mammoth Spring



BRENNA CANNON Mountain Home



PAYTON DIXON Cotter



MAYSA FOUTS Mountain Home



ASHTON GIBSON Ash Flat



BRIANNA HIMSCHOOT Hardy



ALEXIS COROCH

Mountain Home

MORGAN JENKINS Mountain Home



HUNTER JOHNSON Calico Rock



JONATHAN MARTIN Elizabeth



ETHAN PHILLIPS Franklin



BAILEY McBRYDE Ash Flat



IAN RUEGSEGGER Norfork



LANCE NEAL Salem

KACIE SALLEE

Mountain Home



EMILY PATE Salem



JACOB SIMERS Mammoth Spring



EMILY PERRYMAN Viola



ALEX WALTRIP Elizabeth

Forget reminders: Sign up for auto bank draft

Automatic bank draft provides a convenient alternative to having to remember to pay your electric bill each month. In addition, you are not out the expense of checks or postage.

The free service is an electronic transfer from your bank account to the co-op's. With your permission, your bank deducts the amount of the electric bill each month from your checking or savings account. Participants still receive an itemized statement of their bill. Ten days after the bill is mailed, the amount is deducted from your account and reflected on your bank statement. (If 10 days falls on Saturday or Sunday, it is deducted Monday.)

Enrollment can be done in a coop office, in the Member Account Portal at www.naeci.com or via a phone call with required documentation. Co-op offices may be reached at 870-895-3221, 870-425-2141 and 870-994-2191.



From left, Seth McCurley, Hannah Rios, Callie Cole and Logan Stuart explore the nation's capital while on the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in June. They are pictured in front of the Washington Monument.

NAEC sends teens on Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.

Callie Cole of Franklin, Seth McCurley of Oxford, Hannah Rios of Horseshoe Bend and Logan Stuart of Salem were among 42 Arkansas high school students who toured Washington, D.C., in June on the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour.

The Arkansas group flew to Washington on June 10 and returned to Little Rock on June 15. The trip is sponsored each year by North Arkansas Electric Cooperative and the state's 16 other electric distribution co-ops. It included tours of major sites, such as the U.S. Capitol, the museums of the Smithsonian Institution, Mount Vernon and the Jefferson, Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., Vietnam, Korean and World War II memorials.



NAEC offices will be closed Monday, Sept. 4, in observance of Labor Day, but crews will be on hand in the event of an outage.

If you experience an outage, please report it by calling 870-895-3221, 870-425-2141 or 870-994-2191.