

# New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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One of 14 electric cooperatives serving Pennsylvania and New Jersey

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## Electricity, Necessity and Value



**MARK MORRISON**

**COUNTRY MUSIC ARTIST MORGAN WALLEN** has a hit song, "More Than my Hometown," where he sings: "I'm a same gas station cup of coffee in the morning." This line describes many of our morning routines as we head to the office or job site ... it's simply how we start our day. We are creatures of habit, indeed.

As we all look for ways to save money in this age of increasing inflation, I think about my daily routine and how much value it provides me compared to the money I spend. A morning iced tea on-the-go costs me about \$2.50, a takeout lunch sets me back \$10 to \$15 daily, and my monthly streaming service is around \$80. All of these work-week expenses, when totaled up at the end of the month, come in at just about \$300. And what is the real value? Short-term satisfaction and a larger waistline?

Meanwhile, the average daily cost of electricity is about \$4.48, and the average monthly electric bill for members of New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative (REC) is about \$135. You could power your entire home every day for less than two iced teas. I could brew my own tea, cook my own meals, binge a series and run on a treadmill for less than the cost of those two drinks. Now to me, that's real value.

Electricity provides benefits we often take for granted. It goes well beyond short-term satisfaction by allowing us to charge devices, refrigerate food and heat water, all in a comfortable indoor climate.

As a member-owned cooperative, New Enterprise REC prides itself on ensuring safe, reliable energy reaches your home, farm or business and that electricity remains a great value for you, our members.

The cost of electricity can fluctuate due to supply and demand, infrastructure investment, maintenance, and operational expenses. Weather patterns also impact both demand and generation costs and capabilities, with extreme conditions leading to heightened energy use or disruptions. Government policies and intervention in energy markets, such as subsidies for renewable energy, restrictions on the ability to build new dispatchable generation, taxes, and unrealistic requirements, shape and sometimes distort electricity costs as well. Your electric co-op considers all these aspects when adjusting rates, and because we're a cooperative, we consider the impact of those costs on our members as well.

As our community continues to rely on electricity for nearly everything in our homes, schools, farms, and businesses, we need it to be reliable and affordable. You can be assured New Enterprise REC works each day to make sure electricity remains the best value for your money.

Please be sure to stop in or give us a call and let us know how we are doing. 📞

**MARK MORRISON**  
GENERAL MANAGER/CEO

# Youth Tour 2024

**BOBBI MCILNAY**, MEMBER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

**WHAT IS YOUTH TOUR?** “A trip of a lifetime” is how some may describe it.

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association began the program as “Youth Tour Week” in 1964. This past June, some 60 years later, cooperatives from Pennsylvania and New Jersey shared two motor coaches that left for Washington, D.C., with a total of 76 high school students on them.

Youth Tour offers students going into their senior year of high school the opportunity to visit the nation’s capital for a week and experience all of its beauty and history. Students learned about electric cooperatives, American history and U.S. government. They had the opportunity to see the U.S. Capitol, meet with legislative staffers, tour national monuments and memorials, and visit the National Zoo and the Smithsonian museums. They also attended events where they had the chance to meet students from all around the country. There were approximately 1,700 students from 42 states on Youth Tour this year. In addition to all these

wonderful experiences, Youth Tour students end up making lifelong friends while learning about the importance of rural electrification.

This year, New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative sponsored seven students from Northern Bedford and Forbes Road high schools: Avery Aungst, Savanna Hershberger, Jabin Foor, Carley Stallmen, Haley Taylor, Raquel Ortega Davila, and Summer Palmer. When asked about their favorite part of Youth Tour, Avery said the Holocaust Museum and the Planet Word Museum; Savanna’s favorite place was Planet Word; Jabin’s was the Smithsonian; Haley’s was Planet Word; Raquel’s was the Smithsonian and Planet Word; and Summer’s was the Holocaust Museum and Planet Word.

They enjoyed the whole week and everything that was offered. The students could not wait to tell others about this fantastic opportunity that they were fortunate enough to enjoy, and many are looking forward to going back in a few years to help with the tour. 🇺🇸



**ASPIRING ADVOCATES:** Students representing cooperatives in Pennsylvania and New Jersey visit the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, D.C., to meet with legislative staffers and discuss policy concerns during Youth Tour. This year, New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative sponsored seven students from Northern Bedford and Forbes Road high schools.



**REMEMBERING HISTORY:** Students representing New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative (REC) visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum during their weeklong visit to Washington, D.C., during Youth Tour. Shown, from left, are: Haley Taylor, Summer Palmer, Avery Aungst, Jabin Foor, Savanna Hershberger, Raquel Ortega Davila and Carley Stallmen.



**ZOO CREW:** New Enterprise REC delegates take one last photo together at the National Zoo before returning home after a week in Washington, D.C., for Youth Tour. Front row, from left: Summer Palmer, Savanna Hershberger, Avery Aungst, and Jabin Foor; back row, from left: Carley Stallmen, Raquel Ortega Davila, and Haley Taylor.



**MONUMENTAL MOMENT:** Jabin Foor, who represented New Enterprise REC on Youth Tour, sizes himself up against the Washington Monument.

**WE WILL BE  
CLOSED**  
*September 2*  
**FOR LABOR DAY**

★ **HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY**

## Yoo-Hoo ... Where Are You?

Every year, New Enterprise Rural Electric Cooperative returns capital credits to active and inactive consumer-members. We need your help to locate former members of the cooperative. Below is a list of people whose checks have not been cashed. We would like to find them and

give them their money.

If you know someone on this list, please contact the office at 814-766-3221, 800-270-3177 or [info@newenterpriserec.com](mailto:info@newenterpriserec.com).

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Karn Flowers - Raleigh, NC  
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Lee Friedline - Bedford, PA  
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Thomas J Fries Jr - Bellwood, PA  
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Susanna Garman - Mohnton, PA  
Angela Gesser - Altoona, PA  
William A Gesser - Altoona, PA  
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Steve Gorman - Roaring Spring, PA  
David W Grace - Bedford, PA  
Helen M Greenland - Orbisonia, PA  
Terry L Grum Jr - Breezewood, PA  
Rocky Harding Sr - Hopewell, PA  
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James D Hipple - Kaneohe, HI  
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Betty A Hoffman - Martinsburg, PA  
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Teah Huffman - Altoona, PA  
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