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Investing in our future leaders

Jackson Energy sponsored four rising seniors on the Kentucky Electric Cooperatives Washington Youth Tour, a program that enriches students' understanding of American history and civic engagement while investing in our community's young leaders.

Natalie Sandlin and Jenny Jones from Jackson County High School, Preslee Cundiff from Lee County High School and Olivia Messer from Clay County High School were part of the 56-member student delegation from Kentucky, joining more than 1,800 other students from electric cooperatives across the country. As part of the all-expenses-paid trip, students visited national memorials, museums and historic sites like Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, George Washington's Mount Vernon and Arlington National Cemetery, where Kentucky's delegation laid a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

"Participating in the Washington Youth Tour was a transformative experience that sparked my dreams and aspirations for the future," says Sandlin. "As we explored iconic landmarks like the Capitol, Arlington and the Washington Monument and met with influential leaders, I realized the importance of investing in our network. This tour not only broadened my perspective but also gave me a

sense of responsibility to contribute positively to my community and beyond."

Students named Sen. Mitch McConnell as the first honorary Kentucky youth tour delegate for his service to the state and support of electric cooperatives. Mason Lovell, Kentucky's Youth Leadership Council delegate, presented the senator with a Kentucky youth tour pin to commemorate the special honor.

Students also toured the U.S. Capitol and met with several congressional staff members while on the Hill. "Exploring our nation's capital with the Washington Youth Tour has given me friendships and memories I'll always look back on" says Messer.

Coordinated by Kentucky Electric Cooperatives, the Washington Youth Tour gives students the unique opportunity to witness our government in action. "By exploring our nation's capital firsthand, students gain not only knowledge of history, but also a sense of their own potential to lead and innovate in the world around them," says Mallory Wafzig, manager of cooperative outreach and youth tour director.



Representing Jackson Energy on the Washington Youth Tour were Working Foreman Dwayne Wilson, left, students Jenny Jones, Olivia Messer, Natalie Sandlin, Preslee Cundiff and Beattyville Office Supervisor Renita Fox. Photo: Alan Coffey

"My experience on the Washington Youth Tour was truly unforgettable. I formed lasting friendships and created priceless memories with my fellow participants" says Cundiff. "I am forever grateful for all the hard work, dedication, and commitment given by everyone to make this trip possible."

Kentucky's co-ops have sent rising high school seniors on the Washington Youth Tour since 1972. "We are investing in our community's future leaders by equipping them with experiences that will inspire their growth and ignite their passion for making a positive impact in our community, state and nation," says Carol Wright, president and CEO of Jackson Energy.

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Your voice matters

If you've never attended Jackson Energy's annual business meeting, I encourage you to participate. Why? Because input from members like you matters and helps drive the direction of the co-op.

At the annual business meeting, we report on current initiatives and discuss our financial health and priorities for the coming years.

This is also a time to vote for new directors who will represent you and our community's interests in the co-op. As a member of Jackson Energy, you have the power to help shape our community's energy future.

Electric co-ops are democratically controlled by the members we serve, which means you have a say in who governs our co-op. By voting in the annual director election, you can weigh in on the leaders who will make important decisions about the future of the cooperative and our local energy needs.

Jackson Energy's board of directors are community-minded individuals with different skill sets. We rely on them to help us make more informed decisions on long-term priorities and investments. Jackson Energy has nine directors who live in the co-op's service area. We consider them the eyes and ears of the community because they provide their unique perspective on various local issues.

We want to make voting as convenient as possible for our members, so we offer a variety of ways for you to participate. We hope you'll join us at the annual business meeting on October 17, where you can cast your vote in person. If you're unable to attend, you can vote by proxy—visit our website at jacksonenergy.com for more information regarding proxy voting.

If you've never been to an annual business meeting or it's been a while, we hope you'll stop by. We look forward to seeing you at the annual business meeting on October 17 at 3 p.m. at our McKee District Office.

By President & CEO
Carol Wright



2024 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING OFFICIAL NOTICE



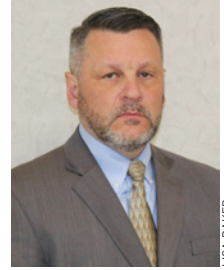
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Members:

The Annual Business Meeting of the members of the Jackson Energy Cooperative will be held at the Co-op Farm, 6.5 miles south of McKee, Kentucky, on October 17, 2024, at 3 p.m.

You are cordially invited to attend and participate in the activities of your cooperative. The agenda of the business session will be as follows:

1. Report on the number of members present in-person in order to determine the existence of a quorum.
2. Appoint a secretary of the meeting.
3. Reading of the notice of the meeting and proof of the due publication or mailing thereof, or the waiver or waivers of notice of the meeting, as the case may be.
4. Reading or waiver of reading, and approval of the unapproved minutes of the previous meeting(s) of the members and the taking of necessary action thereon.
5. Presentation and consideration of, and action upon, reports of officers, directors and committees.
6. Report on the nomination of directors by committee or petition.
7. Election of directors
8. Report on the revisions to the Articles of Incorporation
9. Unfinished business
10. New business
11. Adjournment

In connection with the election of directors scheduled for this meeting, the following members, whose names shall be placed on the official ballot, have been nominated for director by the Committee on Nominations appointed by the Board of Directors pursuant to the official bylaws: District 7—Dr. Timothy Bobrowski, 115 Mainous Cemetery Road, Booneville, KY 41314; District 8—Blake Slone, 6909 Highway 52 East, Beattyville, KY 41311; District 9—William Larkey, 35 Hemlock Way, London, KY 40741.

The following members whose names shall be placed on the official ballot, have been nominated for director by petition as certified by the Credentials and Election Committee: District 7—Scotty Combs, 3950 KY 11 North, Booneville, KY 41314; District 8—Elizabeth Cundiff, 99 Union Road, Beattyville, KY 41311.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Teresa Dawes'.

Teresa Dawes,
Secretary
Jackson Energy Cooperative

Meet the candidates

District 7 – Owsley County

Tim Bobrowski

Nominated by committee

With over 34 years of experience in public education in rural Appalachia, I understand the challenges and obstacles that individuals face in our local communities. I have dedicated my career to fostering a supportive and enriching learning environments for students and their families. My personal journey in education concluded after receiving my Doctorate in Educational Leadership, and I have served in various roles including teacher (K-12 and higher education), administrator, superintendent, coach and mentor.

I have spent the past eight years as a member of the Jackson Energy board of directors. In this role, I have contributed to shaping policies and initiatives that ensure the provision of reliable and affordable energy to our community. My involvement with Jackson Energy

has allowed me to apply my leadership skills in a new context, focusing on electrical sustainability and community development. I understand the struggles of local communities and the complex operations of a cooperative serving 52,000 members.

I am a devoted Christian, and my faith plays a central role in my life. It inspires me to serve others with compassion and integrity. I am actively involved in my church and with local nonprofit organizations, where I volunteer and support outreach programs within our communities.

Family is vital to me. I am a proud husband to my wife, Tina, father to Cami and Caden, and grandfather of three wonderful grandchildren: Evan (5), Elaina (2) and Emily (8 months). Spending time with my family brings me immense joy and fulfillment. I cherish



BOBROWSKI FAMILY

every moment with my loved ones.

As a lifelong learner and dedicated servant, I continuously seek opportunities to grow and make a positive impact. I am committed to using my skills and experiences to contribute to the well-being of others.

Scotty Combs

Nominated by petition

I am 49 years old and a lifelong resident of Owsley County. I have been married to my wife, Tammy, for 28 years. My wife currently serves as principal at Estill County Area Technology Center, and we have two beautiful daughters, Hannah and Lindsey. I am a proud graduate of Owsley County High School. I am a college graduate and have completed two associate degrees at Lees College and a baccalaureate and a master's degree at Eastern Kentucky University. I am a licensed family nurse practitioner and work in family practice in Breathitt County.

I am a member of Community Christian Church in Beattyville and am thankful to God for the life he has allowed me to live.

I enjoy community involvement and helping wherever I can. I currently

serve as a member of the hospital board of directors at Mercy Health in Irvine. I also currently serve as a state board member for the Kentucky Coalition of Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Midwives.

I have previously served as a board member of the Owsley County School system for six years, a member of the Kentucky School Board Association Board of Directors for three years and have served on other boards and committees over the years.

I have volunteered in recent flood clean-up efforts and in other capacities within my community over the years.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my family, hunting, fishing and working on my farm in the Pebworth community of Owsley County.



TAMMY COMBS

I have had the great pleasure to see improvements in the utility services in our communities and want to be a part of continuing to grow the services provided and to help open doors for future opportunities that may become available to our area.

Meet the candidates

District 8 - Lee County

Elizabeth Cundiff

Nominated by petition

My name is Elizabeth Cundiff. I am the daughter of the late Ted Cundiff, longtime director for Lee County. I am seeking election to the Jackson Energy Cooperative Board of Directors to serve in my dad's former position. I want to represent my lifelong home on the board. I want to be able to help my fellow Lee Countians with any requests, problems or questions they may have regarding their electrical service. I am currently chairperson for Beattyville In Bloom, part of America In Bloom. We are a volunteer group working toward civic improvement through beautification. We work to make our city more attractive for visitors and new businesses. I would like to better serve my community as a member of the Jackson Energy board.

As a proud graduate of Lee County Schools, I attended Eastern Kentucky University graduating with a BBA in accounting with a minor in agriculture.

I worked for Jordan Drug, Inc for 12 years as an accountant. I returned to ECU and obtained a BS in Elementary Education. I am currently employed by the Lee County Board of Education as a fifth grade teacher at Lee County Elementary. I also help on the family farm and with my sister's greenhouse business. My hobbies include photography, drawing and enjoying the great outdoors.

My decision to seek a seat on the board came out of a desire to continue/honor my dad's legacy. He dedicated almost to the cooperative, always putting the members he represented first. If elected,



KAREN REAMS

I will continue the same level of dedication to the cooperative members I represent and any other member that may need my assistance regardless of their home county. The cooperative members are the owners, and I will represent them to the best of my ability.

Wesley Blake Slone

Nominated by committee

I was recently appointed by the Jackson Energy Board of Directors to serve as representative for Lee County District 8.

I am a native of Jackson County, son of Tommy and Naoma Slone, and a 1988 graduate of Jackson County High School. Having lived in Lee County for more than 30 years, I served in the Kentucky Army National Guard from 1989-1994, earning the rank of Staff Sergeant E-6. I graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 2002 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Police Administration. Prior to earning my college degree, I graduated from the Kentucky State Police Academy and was assigned to Lee County in 1994.

While serving with the Kentucky State Police, I served as commander of the

honor guard, and early in my career as a trooper, my primary counties included Lee and Owsley. I worked my way up to Sergeant and then Lieutenant of Post 7 in Richmond before retiring as Captain of Post 13 in Hazard in 2017.

I currently serve as Lee County Emergency Management Director and oversee Lee County Emergency Management System (EMS) and Lee County 911 Center. My wife, Jacqueline, and I have two children, Kaleb and McKenzie, who are currently attending the University of Kentucky.

I also currently serve as president of the Lee County Saddle Club where I actively promote horse-related activities in the community.



LISA BAKER

Meet the candidates

District 9 – Laurel County

William Larkey

Nominated by committee; uncontested

In 2023, I was selected by the Jackson Energy Board of Directors to fill the remaining term of former director Keith Binder and represent our members in Laurel County District 9.

Born and raised in Laurel County, I am a graduate of Laurel County High School. Majoring in business administration and management, I graduated from Sue Bennett College in 1995 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Upon graduation, I pursued a career in the business-related industry and remained in Laurel County. My wife, Heather, and I have four children, Landon, Adison, Brennon and Jaxton.

I have served on the boards of Kentucky Home Builders Association as well as the Southeast Kentucky Home Builders Association. In giving back to my community, I have coached baseball for the last 18 years at North Laurel Little League and served as PTO president at East Bernstadt School. Being a coach, mentor and advocate to our youth plays an important role in my life.

My family and I are active members of Faith Assembly of God Church. I am the director of log procurement for Cumberland Cooperage/Robinson Stave in East Bernstadt.

As a lifelong resident of Laurel



TIM WEBB

County, it is an honor to be in this position where I strive to make a positive impact for the cooperative and the southeast Kentucky region. I want the best for my family and my community, and I will continue to work diligently in serving the members of Laurel County.

Showing our appreciation

Member appreciation event dates/locations

Oct. 15, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Estill County

Meade's Do-It Center - Irvine

Lee County

Jackson Energy's Beattyville District Office

Rockcastle County

Renfro Valley - Mount Vernon

Oct. 16, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Clay County

Jackson Energy's Manchester Office

Laurel County

Jackson Energy's London District Office

Owsley County

United Methodist Church Life Center Booneville

Oct. 17, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Jackson County*

Jackson Energy's McKee District Office

**Voting will take place during Jackson County's Member Appreciation event only.*



LISA BAKER

Members are invited to stop by and register at one of our seven member appreciation events and collect their free bucket, LED bulb and more!

Drive-thru registration will be available at all seven events.

Members may register at only one location; however, members can still vote in Jackson County regardless of where they register.

Annual Business Meeting October 17, 2024 – 3 p.m.

McKee District Office
103 Mildred Road
McKee, KY 40447

Meeting will be held in-person

THINGS TO NOTE ABOUT THE UPCOMING BOARD ELECTION:

- One vote per membership
- All members may vote regardless of their residing district
- Voting will be in-person and ballots will be submitted electronically
- Members will be asked to provide their name and address on their account and/or account number
- Photo identification is required
- Proxy forms are available on Jackson Energy's website and drive-thru locations

Member appreciation: 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Voting hours: 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Business meeting: 3 p.m.

Beautifying the Bluegrass

This year's Beautify the Bluegrass project was a total team effort when Jackson Energy partnered with Beattyville Main Street, Lee County Tourism and the City of Beattyville.

The project was the welcome sign that is strategically located on Highway 11, positioned as the gateway to city limits. A sign in this location should offer a welcoming first impression to its visitors and a neighborly greeting to its local residents.

The City of Beattyville received a donation by Jackson Energy to help fund this project, and supplies and materials were purchased from local lumber and hardware businesses.

The brick pillars were pressure washed, new landscaping timbers were installed with a fresh layer of mulch, old lights were replaced with solar lamps, the sign itself was given a fresh coat of paint, and flower planters were added for color—with the finishing touch being new flags flying high on each pillar.

Since the inception of Beautify the Bluegrass, Jackson Energy has worked alongside several community leaders and organizations to revitalize, rejuvenate and restore key areas of the communities that residents can appreciate, observe and enjoy. Past projects include the Monarch Waystation Garden

at West Irvine Intermediate School, Beattyville City Park, Three Forks Historical Center, the Manchester Splash Park and several projects in Rockcastle County.

The Beautify the Bluegrass initiative is just one of the ways employees of Jackson Energy demonstrate their commitment to the communities we serve.



LISA BAKER



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RENITA FOX



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Power in preparedness

We never know when to expect severe weather, but we know every single year we have storms that can turn severe quickly. Several of our rural communities are still recovering from damaging tornadoes. Remnants of hurricanes have done severe damage across Kentucky.

With severe weather always comes the possibility of a prolonged power outage or other emergency. Being prepared for that possibility means having enough food, water and other supplies to last at least a few days.

In conjunction with National Preparedness Month in September, Jackson Energy urges members to use the power of preparation as the fall thunderstorm and winter season approaches.

“Even at a modest level, preparation can help reduce stress and anxiety and lessen the impact of an emergency event,” says Thomas Nichols, the co-op’s safety director.

Take these steps recommended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Jackson Energy to be ready in the event of an emergency:

- Assemble a grab-and-go disaster kit. Include items like nonperishable

food, water (1 gallon per person, per day), formula and diapers for babies, batteries, flashlights, prescription medications, first aid kit, battery-powered radio and phone chargers. Add supplies for your pets, too.

- Create a household evacuation plan.
- Plan for medically fragile family members. Refill prescriptions and have medicine on hand. Have an available cooler and ice for refrigerated medicines. Those reliant on in-home, electricity-dependent medical equipment should have a backup power option.
- Develop a plan for communicating with family and friends (via text, social media or messaging app).
- Microchip your pets and keep the contact information updated.
- Have extra cash available. During a power outage, electronic card readers and cash machines may not work.
- Store important documents (birth certificates, property deeds, etc.) in a safe place away from home—such as a bank safe deposit box.
- Consider investing in a generator and transfer switch. Now, before you need it, is the time to buy. Choose from a portable generator to keep a few lights



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on, a standby generator that will automatically switch on when it senses an outage or one that’s powerful enough to light the whole house. Remember: It’s critical that any generator be installed and used safely. Another option is a GenerLink device that allows our members to connect their portable generator directly to their electric panel. This device also provides backfeed protection which keeps us safe.

Visit our website at jacksonenergy.com/storm-center for more information on preparing for and coping with power outages, including tips for medically fragile patients, generators, storm safety and power restoration.

End of summer cleanup

It’s time to dust off fall lawn tools and think about getting your central heating system checked. Before you start, however, take an afternoon to clean and store electrical equipment that you won’t be using again until next spring.

Here are a few suggestions:

Clean your lawn mower. Unplug your electric model, prop it up on its side and wipe down the top, sides and bottom. If your lawn mower is gas-powered, drain all gas from it and let it dry before storing it.

Remove window air conditioners. Gently vacuum the coils with your

vacuum cleaner’s brush attachment and clean the filter before storing the unit.

Turn off the power to your central A/C unit. Leaving it on a low setting could cause it to kick on when it’s not really needed—so be sure to turn the power off. Clear debris away from the outside part of the unit and cover it up to protect it from falling leaves and winter weather.

Remove A/C registers. If you have rooms in your house with A/C registers, remove them. Clean them by vacuuming both sides and by wiping them down with a damp cloth before replacing them.

Unplug and store battery chargers.

If you recharge any summer-only power tools or lawn tools, unplug and store the battery chargers. Leaving unused chargers plugged in is a waste of electricity.

Watch for fallen leaves. As the leaves drop, sweep them away from outdoor light fixtures, outlets and power cords.

Store summer clothes safely. If you pack up your summer clothes to make room in your closets for your cold-weather outfits, avoid stacking the clothes or boxes so high that they touch the light fixture on the ceiling. A lightbulb that contacts paper or fabric can set it on fire.