# First Quarter 2016

# JPEC to Award Six \$1000 College Scholarships

Each year, Jackson Purchase Energy awards scholarships to high school seniors planning to attend an accredited Kentucky college or university. This year, JPEC will award six \$1,000 scholarships.

Scholarship applications will be available beginning January 4th at www.jpenergy.com.

Completed applications must be signed by the student and include an official transcript signed by the

guidance counselor. Applications must be returned by mail and postmarked no later than March 11, 2016.

To be eligible, the student's primary residence at the time of application must be served by JPEC, and the student's parent or guardian must be a JPEC member in good standing. Complete entry and eligibility information is on the application.

# Use Electric Space Heaters Safely

Space heaters have one function - to provide supplemental heat. Misusing space heaters will put you and your family at risk of fire or burn injuries.

When selecting and operating an electric space heater, follow these recommendations from the National Fire Protection Association:

- When shopping for an electric space heater, look for proof that the model you buy was tested by Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or another reputable testing organization.
- Purchase a portable space heater with an automatic shut-off that activates if the heater tips over.
- Turn off the heater when you leave the room or go to bed.

- Place the heater on a flat, solid surface.
- Keep everything that can burn, such as paper and bedding, at least 3 feet away from all sides of the heater.
- Keep children and pets 3 feet away from the space heater.
- Do not use extension cords with the space heaters. Plug the cord directly into an outlet.
- Do not use an electric space heater with a damaged cord or plug.

Recommendations from Jeff Beneke, Garage Experts, courtesy of About.com

# PSC Sets Interest Rate for Member Deposits

The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC), in accordance with revisions made to KRS 278.460 in 2012, has calculated the annual interest rate to be paid on member deposits for the upcoming year.

The statute requires the PSC to calculate the interest rate on an annual basis by averaging the one-year constant maturity treasury rate from September, October and November of each year.

Using this data the PSC has calculated an interest rate of 0.37 percent to be paid on member deposits for the 2016 calendar year, effective January 1, 2016.

The revised statute, frequently asked questions and historical information may be found at http://www.psc.ky.gov/

# Free Trips to Frankfort and Washington, DC, Available to **High School Juniors**

JPEC will award free trips to Frankfort and Washington, DC, to two area high school juniors this year. The winning students will represent JPEC in the Kentucky Rural Electric Frankfort and Washington Youth Tour programs.

In April, the winners will enjoy an overnight trip to Frankfort to meet state government leaders and tour the state capitol building along with 150 students from across the state.

In June, the students will participate in a week-long trip to our nation's capital. While in Washington, they will meet with Kentucky's senators and representatives, tour historic sites such as the Arlington Cemetery and the Lincoln Memorial, and enjoy activities including a Potomac River cruise along with 1,500 students from across the nation.

Visit kyyouthtour.kaec.org to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

To be eligible, the student's primary residence at the time of application must be served by JPEC, and the student's parent or guardian must be a JPEC member in good standing. Complete entry and eligibility information is on the application.

Applications for the Youth Tour will be available beginning January 4th on our website at www.jpenergy.com. Applications must be returned by mail and postmarked no later than March 4, 2016.

# Co-op Employees Pledge Record Amount to United Way

Jackson Purchase Energy employees pledged a record \$21,268 in donations to United Way for 2016 during a recent fundraising campaign.

The funds will be used by United Way of Paducah-McCracken County and its sister agencies in Ballard, Graves, Livingston, and Marshall Counties to support human service needs.

Organizations that will benefit from the funds donated by JPEC employees include, but are not limited to, American Red Cross, Ballard County 4-H, Grace Medical Clinic, Habitat for Humanity of Marshall County, Livingston County Helping Hands, and Merryman House Domestic Crisis Center.

The co-op's fundraising efforts were led by engineer Kevin Jones, engineering & operations administrative coordinator Michelle Miller, and customer service representative LaQuella Pryor.

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requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at program.intake@ usda.gov.

Revised by mandate of the USDA dated March 24th, 2014.



## Energy Efficiency Rebates

JPEC provides incentives and services to help our residential and commercial members invest in energy efficiency improvements. Call us at 270-442-7321 and ask to speak with a customer service representative or visit www.jpenergy.com to learn more.



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Jackson Purchase Energy will be closed on the following dates: January 1, 2016 - New Year's Day

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