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Featured above: Nolin RECC Electrical Advisor  
Jason Mattingly, 7 years of service

## News you can use

# Celebrate National Electrical Safety Month

The electrical power that Nolin RECC provides is a potent, even phenomenal, resource. But electricity must also be respected. If safety isn't a priority, what changes our lives for the better could in an instant change them for the worse.

May is National Electrical Safety Month. Few people are more aware of electricity's potential dangers than the line technicians at Nolin who climb poles and work from bucket trucks in all kinds of weather, at all hours of the day or night, to make sure your home or business has reliable electrical service.

Being an electric line worker is ranked by the U.S. Department of Labor as one of the 10 most dangerous jobs. That's

one reason safety has been part of the fundamental culture at Nolin since we began energizing lines back in 1938.

Wise safety techniques for line workers haven't changed over the years, because electricity hasn't changed. Our line technicians must unfailingly obey basic rules.

When line workers deal with energized wires, they protectively cover every source that could shock them; they also wear rubber gloves and protective sleeves. When they're dealing with power sources that supposedly have been de-energized, before any work is started, they perform procedures to make certain the power is off.

Before starting any job, line workers evaluate and discuss all safety risks involved. In addition, line workers must routinely participate in electrical safety training as required by federal regulations such as OSHA and state regulations from the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

The line workers at Nolin are trained to work safely around electricity—you are not! That is why Nolin continuously warns members about potential dangers of electricity. We want you to stay safe! We offer free safety-education programs that we'll bring to your school, civic group, or other organization for the asking. You can read more about these indoor electrical safety demonstrations on the following page. If you'd like to host one of these, call us at (270) 765-6153 or visit our Web site at [www.nolinrecc.com](http://www.nolinrecc.com).

In the meantime, always stay away from downed power lines, never venture past the tall fences surrounding substations, and be cautious of power lines that run through trees. Teach your children to take those precautions.

At Nolin RECC, we work with electricity every day. And safety is our number-one goal.



Dennis Yates has been working with high-voltage power lines more than 34 years as a Nolin RECC line technician. He is wearing some of the protective equipment that helps ensure his safety on the job.

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## Electrical Safety Classroom Style

# Students learn how to play it safe around high-voltage power lines

**P**lay it safe around electricity...that's the message Nolin RECC Energy Management Coordinator Todd Drake delivered when he recently visited Woodland Elementary School in Radcliff. Loud popping noises and flames caught students off guard as they listened and watched an electrical safety demonstration.

Using a 6-foot display board with simulated 7,200 volts, Drake tries to create a sense of seriousness in his 45-minute presentation. The board can be transported easily into the classroom and set up as a tabletop demonstration. Drake shows students the dangers of high voltage and the safety equipment a line worker must use. He also demonstrates what happens when kite strings, ladders, grain augers, and various other materials come into contact with power lines.

A glass figure made with neon tubing is used to show students the effects of electrocution. When Neon Leon comes into contact with electricity, his entire glass body is illuminated.

The free electrical safety program is offered to all area schools in an effort to teach your child about the power of electricity and the dangers surrounding improper use and contact with electricity. The instructional unit also includes discussion on how to use energy wisely. Drake reminds students about the costs associated with electricity usage, and gives them some simple tips on conserving energy.

Ongoing electrical safety education in our community is one of Nolin's major priorities, and we are totally committed to our responsibility to teach you and your children safe habits around electricity. Anyone wishing to schedule an electrical safety class should call Todd Drake at (270) 765-6153. ■



Nolin Energy Management Coordinator Todd Drake, top, looks up to catch the reaction from students as he lights up Neon Leon with electricity.



Fourth-graders at Woodland Elementary, above, learn some valuable lessons from Nolin's electrical safety class.



Woodland Elementary fourth-grader Noah Bohannon, left, shows his peers some of the electrical safety gear worn by Nolin RECC line technicians.

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# Co-op Connections Card Offers Everyday Savings

The Co-op Connections card serves as much more than a Nolin RECC membership card. This card, offered through Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, offers discounts to electric cooperative members at local, state, and national businesses. More than 14,000 businesses across the country honor the card.

Jeff Hazle, owner and operator of The UPS Store in Elizabethtown, is one of the newest local businesses to sign up in the discount program. Hazle will give all his Nolin customers a 10% discount on all services except U.S. Postal mailings. "We ship everything from a single-page document to a refrigerator," says Hazle. The full-service store is open Monday through Friday 8 AM-7 PM and Saturday 9 AM-2 PM. They offer domestic and international UPS shipping, packaging, faxing, laminating, printing, personal mailboxes, US Postal mailings, and even notary services.

Other new local Co-op Connections participants include:

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Yates Body Shop, Auto Sales,  
Towing & Recovery Inc.

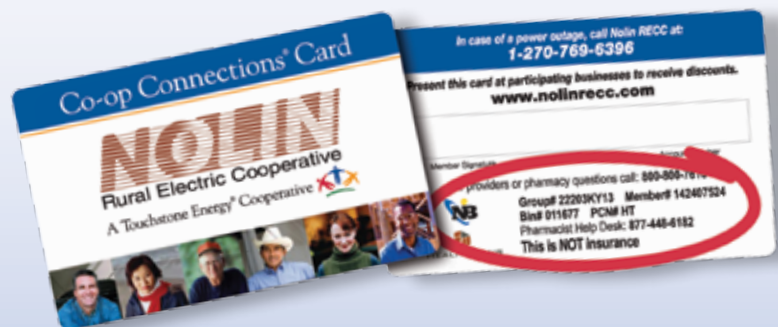
## Elizabethtown

AAA Kentucky  
Borders Custom Framing & Fine Gifts  
Borders Shoe & Boot Outlet  
Coffee Tree Restaurant & Lounge  
at Country Hearth Inn & Suites  
Denny's Restaurant #2238  
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Gondolier Italian Restaurant  
Julie's Café Bakery  
Modern Supply  
Texas Outlaw BBQ

For a complete list of local businesses visit [www.nolinrecc.com](http://www.nolinrecc.com) and click on "Co-op Connections".



Owner and operator of The UPS Store in Elizabethtown, Jeff Hazle invites all Nolin RECC members to visit his store located in the K-mart Plaza Shopping Center (across from Kroger) to take advantage of their Co-op Connections discount.



## More ways to save with Co-op Connections

Discounts at restaurants and businesses are not the only benefits you will receive by using this card. Last year, Nolin members saved up to 60 percent on prescription drugs just by using their Co-op Connections Card. During the first quarter of 2010, more than 2,000 prescriptions were filled by Nolin members, representing a total savings of nearly \$24,000.

For a complete list of pharmacy providers, call (800) 800-7616 or log onto [www.locateproviders.com](http://www.locateproviders.com) and use the Group and Member numbers from the back of your card to search for providers. You can also obtain a list from the Nolin RECC office by calling (270) 765-6153.

# 2010 Annual Meeting



RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CORPORATION

**Friday, June 11**

John Hardin High School  
Elizabethtown, KY

Registration: 5:30 p.m. EDT

Business meeting: 7:00 p.m. EDT

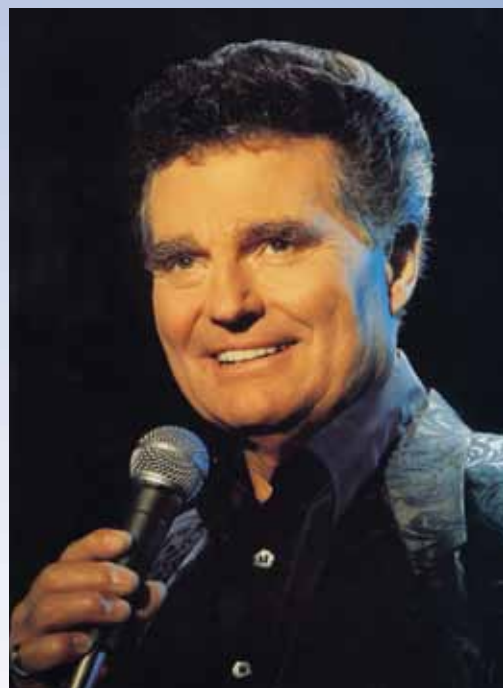


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for members who  
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Caricaturist  
**Denny Whalen**



Featured Entertainment  
**Leroy Van Dyke**



Children's Entertainment  
**Pino and Bonzer**

- entertainment • free health fair and exhibits •
- door prizes • games and rides •
- food and ice cream •

# Leroy Van Dyke to sing at annual meeting

The legendary Leroy Van Dyke will entertain you at this year's Nolin RECC annual meeting at John Hardin High School on June 11. He is known around the world for his famous *Auctioneer* song. Van Dyke has recorded more than 500 songs and had a starring role in the 1967 movie *What Am I Bid?*

Leroy's multi-million seller *Walk On By* stayed in the charts an incredible 42 weeks, 19 in the number one position, and was later named by *Billboard Magazine* as the biggest country music record in history! He was founding co-host of *Country Crossroads*, the most widely syndicated show in radio history.

The annual meeting will also feature some familiar favorites like caricaturist Denny Whalen, children's games and rides, and a health fair.

Don't miss your opportunity to win the annual meeting grand prize—you get to pick from an iPad or a laptop computer!



Children will enjoy the inflatable slide and fun house again this year at the Nolin RECC annual meeting.

## Don't forget your member registration card

Members were very pleased last year when they discovered how easy it was to register for the annual meeting. Those who remembered to bring their registration cards did not have to wait in a long line to register!

When you receive your ballots in the mail, tear off the top portion of your official annual meeting registration card, and bring both address cards with you to the annual meeting. **Do not separate the two address cards.** The cards will be scanned electronically and members will be automatically registered for the meeting and all prize drawings.

Don't forget to cast your vote for two directors. All ballots must be received at the Nolin office no later than 5 p.m., June 10.

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NOLIN RECC ANNUAL MEETING  
FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2010  
JOHN HARDIN HIGH SCHOOL  
W. A. Jenkins Road, Elizabethtown

REGISTRATION: 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM

See reverse side for director elections

# A Star Conference

## Local registered builders attend ENERGY STAR conference

Leading energy-efficiency authorities discussed green energy and the latest innovations in energy-saving construction and in retrofitting existing homes at the Midwest Regional ENERGY STAR Conference on March 25 & 26.

The conference was sponsored by Nolin RECC and Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives, along with the Home Builder's Association of Lexington and others.

More than 300 building professionals and business leaders attended the conference at the Hyatt Regency hotel in downtown Lexington to hear what the experts had to say about the future of the building industry.



Attending the conference as guests of Nolin RECC are (front, left to right) Clay Smith, Keith Bratcher, Joe Pearman, Blake Duggins, Charlie Harper, and Charles Ferguson. Rear, left to right: Eddie and Jerri Howard, Todd Drake, Bobby and Patsy Whitehead, Randy Weedman, Jimmy Howard, Paul Brantingham, Larry Ireland, W.R. Cecil, Jerry Phillips, Ed Cecil, Jason Mattingly, Ronnie Ellis, Rick Ryan, and Chuck Filiatreau.

## 2010 Theme Park Discount Tickets



Nolin RECC members can save money by purchasing theme park tickets at discount prices. Parks include Kings Island and Holiday World. Discount tickets may be purchased at the cooperative offices in Elizabethtown and Radcliff during normal business hours.

	Nolin Discount price	Regular price
Adult	\$23	\$48.99
Children under 48"	\$23	\$31.99
Senior 62 and up	\$23	\$31.99
Children under 3	FREE	

These tickets are available only to members of Nolin RECC.



	Nolin Discount price	Regular price
Adult (one day)	\$35.50	\$41.95
Children under 54"	\$30.50	\$31.95
Senior 60 and up	\$30.50	\$31.95
Children under 3	FREE	

Admission to park includes free soft drinks while in the park. These tickets are available only to members of Nolin RECC.

# Update on Climate Change Legislation

Congress has moved the issue of climate change legislation from the top of their priority list. But they haven't taken it off the table, and it will continue to be a hot issue as we progress through the year. Health care reform, jobs, and the economy have moved ahead of climate change, but don't hold your breath; we certainly haven't heard the last on climate change legislation.

The desire by congressional leaders and the president to reduce greenhouse gas emissions will eventually lead to higher electric bills for everyone. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) found carbon dioxide to be a pollutant and can now regulate it under the Clean Air Act. Since no affordable technology currently exists to remove carbon dioxide from power plants, the obvious result will be higher electric rates.

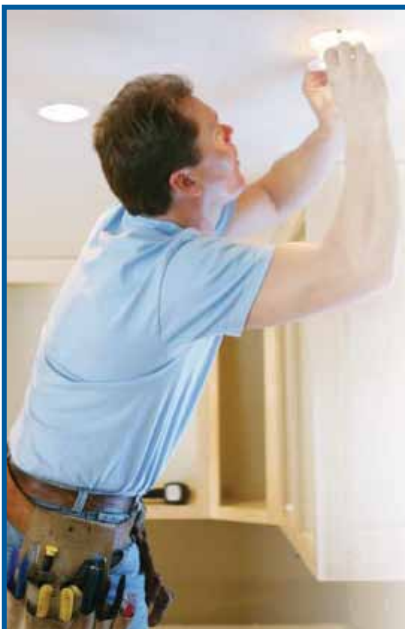
Electric cooperatives are urging Congress to prevent the EPA from using the Clean Air Act to regulate carbon dioxide from power plants. Several bills have been introduced in both the House and Senate that would help co-ops with our efforts, but the outcome of those bills is still uncertain.

Nolin has joined with other electric co-ops around the nation urging our leaders to take a balanced approach to this problem. This campaign is called "Our Energy, Our Future." Thousands of Nolin members have joined in this campaign to voice their concerns about climate change legislation and what it will do to the price of electricity.

If you would like to make your voice heard and learn more about this issue, please go to [www.ourenergy.coop](http://www.ourenergy.coop).



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*May is Electrical Safety Month*

## Should you do it yourself...

...or should you call a professional? Nolin RECC and The Electrical Safety Foundation International remind you that when it comes to electricity, safety should always be your first concern. For questions about home and business safety relating to electricity, go to [www.esfi.org](http://www.esfi.org).



**We've Got Your  
\$25 Number! \$25  
WIN \$25 Worth of FREE Electricity**

Nolin News features a contest called "We've Got Your Number." Hidden inside this issue are two randomly selected member account numbers. If you spot your account number, contact the Member Services Department at 765-6153, and **win a \$25 CREDIT on your electric bill.** You must identify your number and call by the 15th day of the month's issue containing your number. Account numbers could be anywhere in your *Nolin News!*

**New Member Credits**

All members signing up for new service with Nolin receive a short survey. Members who return the completed survey to Nolin are automatically eligible to win a \$20 credit on their electric bill. Each month, one name is drawn and a lucky Nolin member receives a bill credit on their next statement. Congratulations to our latest winner, **Vemihan G. Qaisi**, of **Elizabethtown.**

**Online payments**

Access your Nolin RECC account through our Web site at **www.nolinrecc.com**. Click on "YourAccount" to check your consumption history and make payments by debit card, Visa, or MasterCard. To apply for budget billing and automatic draft online, click on "Residential Bill Payment."

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101 West Lincoln Trail Blvd., Radcliff, KY 40160  
8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Mon-Fri • (270) 351-2199  
(Office closed from 12:30-1:30 daily)

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