## **Inter-County Energy welcomes new Casey/Taylor District board member**

n behalf of the Inter-County Energy board of directors and employees, we welcome our newest board member, John Henry Russell. Russell was recently selected to represent Inter-County Energy members in the Casey and Taylor County district. Russell fills the vacant position on the Inter-County Energy board formerly held by William "Bill" Peyton, who retired at the beginning of 2025 after serving nearly thirty years on Inter-County Energy's board of directors.

Russell is a native of Moreland. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering technology and land surveying from Murray State University. He is currently employed by AGE Engineering Service Inc. and has worked there since graduating college in 2009.

Russell is an avid hunter with a great love for the outdoors. He is a member of Southland Christian Church and is involved with yearly fundraising for Down Syndrome Association of Central Kentucky and Ronald McDonald House, which both hold a very special place in his family hearts. Russell is also involved with youth sports as a volulnteer and coach.

He lives in the Ellisburg area of Casey Count with his wife, Katosha, and two sons-Major, 9, and Woods, 7.



John Henry Russell

## **New employee Cody Warmouth**

nter-County Energy welcomes Cody Warmouth, our new facilities maintenance coordinator. He comes to us from AverHealth where he worked for five years. He lives in Boyle County with his fiancée Victoria Turbyfill and his two daughters, Brayley and Brooklyn Warmouth. He is also a fitness trainer and enjoys spending time with his family and the great outdoors. Let's welcome him to our co-op family!







## OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE 2025 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

OFFICIAL BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS INTER-COUNTY ENERGY COOPERATIVE

Where: Inter-County Energy's Main Office When: Friday, July 25, 2025 Registration Time: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Business Meeting Time: 4:30 p.m.

Pursuant to Article III, Section 3 of the Cooperative Bylaws, the annual membership meeting of this co-op organizes to take action on the following matters:

- 1 Call to order
- 2. Appointment of parliamentarian
- 3. Determination of quorum
- 4. Reading of the official meeting notice and proof of mailing
- Reading of the minutes of the previous annual meeting of members
- 6. Report of the credentials and elections committee
- 7. Election of board of directors for the Lincoln and Mercer districts

- 8. Unfinished business
- 9. New business
- 10. Report of the officers, board members and committees
- 11. Adjournment

# **Inter-County Energy sponsors Frankfort Youth Tour and Co-ops at the Capitol**

early 100 high school students representing Kentucky's electric cooperatives gathered at Kentucky's Capitol on March 13 for the Frankfort Youth Tour, a program offering rising student leaders a personal understanding of American history, civic engagement and their role as citizens and members of electric cooperatives. This year Inter-County Energy took three students, Norah Martin, Parker Miller and Olivia Rogers.

Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman welcomed students before they toured the Capitol. "Find your passion—and once you find your passion, get involved," she told students, encouraging them to think of themselves as leaders.

After touring the Capitol, students observed the Senate and House chambers while they were in session. East Kentucky

Power Cooperative provided live bucket truck and safety demonstrations, raising the bucket between the Capitol and Capitol Annex with Rep. Michael "Sarge" Pollock riding alongside EKPC lineman Dylan Ingram.

During a lunch hosted by the Kentucky Electric Cooperatives Youth Tour delegation and the Rural Electric Cooperative Caucus, students met with elected officials and co-op leaders and learned about the role of co-ops in shaping Kentucky's energy future.

Sen. Robin Webb and Rep. Wade Williams, two of the co-chairs of the caucus, spoke with students about the importance of electric co-ops in rural communities. Students asked thoughtful questions on grid reliability, environmental concerns and the legislative process.

For the 10th consecutive year, in



conjunction with the Frankfort Youth Tour, Kentucky's co-ops partnered with Secretary of State Michael Adams to launch the 2025 Co-ops Vote initiative—a nonpartisan effort to boost voter turnout in rural communities across the country.

Since the inception of the youth tour program, co-ops have sponsored more than 1,800 Kentucky high school students in Washington, D.C., and even more in Frankfort. Inter-County Energy is proud to invest in our future leaders.

#### To protect against electrical hazards—

## **Know the pool rules**

othing beats a plunge in a backyard pool on a hot summer day. To ensure you're splish-splashing safely, take the necessary steps to protect against electrical hazards.

Know and follow these pool rules:

- All outdoor receptacles should be GFCI (ground fault circuit interrupter)-protected, covered and dry. Test GFCIs monthly to ensure they are functioning properly.
- All electrical equipment used for the pool, even the cleaning equipment, must be grounded.
- Keep electrical devices and cords at least 10 feet away from water sources.
- Don't handle any device that is connected to a live electrical current while wet or touching wet surfaces.
  Safer: Use battery-operated appliances.
- Carry long-handled cleaning tools horizontally and stay at least 10 feet away from power lines.
- Never string electric lights above or near swimming pools.



- Label power switches so they can be turned off quickly in an emergency.
- Watch for flickering lights, which may indicate an electrical failure or loose connection. Don't go into the water until a licensed electrician checks the problem.
- Never go in the water during a thunderstorm.

It can be easy to overlook, but electrical safety is extremely important around water. Remember and abide by the pool rules.



A Touchstone Energy Cooperative



#### **OUR MISSION**

Inter-County Energy accomplishes our daily mission by providing energy and services to our members through a culture of Safety, Accountability, Integrity, Innovation and Commitment to Community.

#### PRESIDENT/CEO

Jerry Carter

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Chairman

Joseph H. Spalding (Marion)

#### **Vice Chairman**

Jason E. Todd (Lincoln)

#### Secretary-Treasurer

J. Kevin Preston (Garrard)

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James Hadden Dean

#### **EDITOR**

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DANVILLE/BOYLE COUNTY OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M. (859) 236-4561

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### From the President/CEO

by Jerry Carter



## **Key ingredients**

What makes Inter-County Energy unique?

his special food issue of Kentucky Living is a reminder of how meals bring us together. A profile on chef Sara Bradley highlights the connective power of food, bridging generations and cultures. A feature on Kentucky comfort foodslike spoonbread, beer cheese, the Hot Brown and more-celebrates our state's culinary traditions.

Home cooks and restaurant chefs alike will tell you that great food starts with great ingredients. The simplest recipe will shine with fresh vegetables from your garden. On the other hand, the fanciest kitchen gadgets can't make up for lackluster produce.

Ingredients matter-and that's just as true in the electric cooperative world as it is in the kitchen. Inter-County Energy has spent the better part of a century bringing you safe, reliable power at the cost of service. But it's not our poles and power lines that make us unique. Our not-so-secret recipe is based on three building blocks that set us apart from other kinds of utilities.

#### **MEMBER-OWNED**

Your cooperative was built by the communities we serve. We were created in 1937 to bring electricity to this area, and that mission continues to this day. We don't work for outside interests, and we don't send profits to distant shareholders. As a not-forprofit organization, Inter-County Energy provides power at the cost of service-and we are owned by you, the people we serve.

#### **LOCALLY CONTROLLED**

Because you are both a consumer of the electricity we provide and a



part owner of Inter-County Energy, you have a say in the election of the directors who guide the coop's decisions. We encourage you to learn more about how we are governed by reading our bylaws at www.intercountyenergy.net, vote during election years and interact with us during our annual meeting.

#### **ENGAGED IN OUR COMMUNITY**

We don't just provide the electricity that powers your life. We are also committed to improving the quality of life in our communities, because we live here, too. Inter-County Energy sponsors community initiatives, offers electrical efficiency and safety resources, supports education and more. Co-op employees coach local sports teams and volunteer with local organizations. For all of us at Inter-County Energy, giving back to the community is the obvious thing to do-because we're your neighbors.

The ingredients of the co-op model may be simple, but when it comes to building trust, delivering value and staying connected to the communities we serve, they make all the difference.