

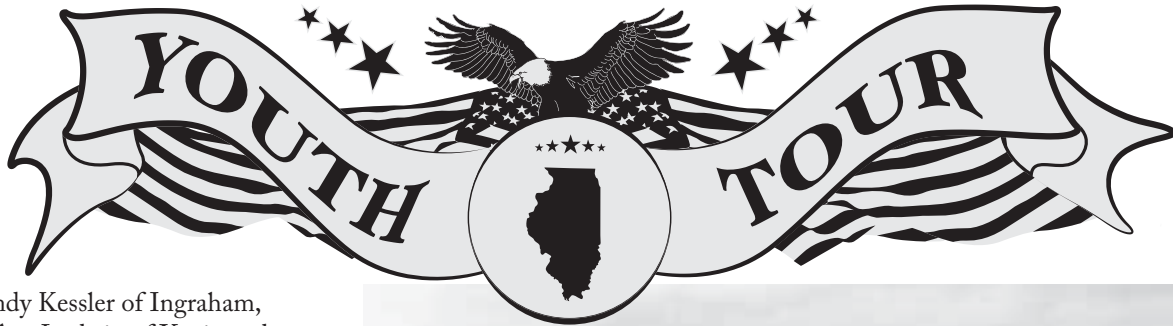
# CLAY ELECTRIC

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Andy Kessler of Ingraham, Ava Ludwig of Xenia and Johnathon Hinton of Louisville represented Clay Electric Co-operative, Inc. in Washington, D.C., during the annual “Youth to Washington” Tour, June 14-21. This event, sponsored by the electric and telephone cooperatives of Illinois since the late 1950s, is an introduction to our democratic form of government and cooperatives for rural youth.

The students met with Congressman John Shimkus and were among 65 rural Illinois youth leaders selected for the trip. The Illinois students joined more than 1,520 young leaders from across the country. In addition to the Capitol, they also visited Arlington National Cemetery, the Washington National Cathedral, several Smithsonian Museums, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the World War II Memorial, memorials to Presidents Lincoln, Jefferson, Washington and Roosevelt, the National Archives, the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia, the Newseum and a number of other historical sites.

Pictured from left: Kessler, Ludwig, Hinton and Congressman Shimkus.

To find out more about the tour go to [www.youthtour.coop](http://www.youthtour.coop) or [www.facebook.com/ILYouthtoWashington](http://www.facebook.com/ILYouthtoWashington).



# Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting

## Regular meeting May 30, 2013

**T**rustees present were: Frank Czyzewski, Bill Croy, Neil Gould, Frank Herman, Kevin Logan, Bob Pierson, Richard Rudolphi, Danny Schnepfer and Greg Smith. Also present were Executive Vice President/General Manager John Meng, and Cooperative Attorney Melanie Pearce. The invocation was given by Bill Croy.

**Approved** the minutes of the regular meeting held April 29, 2013.

**Accepted** 12 new members for service.

**Canceled** 7 members no longer receiving service.

**Approved** work orders in the amount of \$18,422.67.

**Accepted** the disbursement list for the month of April, 2013.

**Heard** a report by Trustee Logan concerning the recent AIEC Board

Meeting, including the Executive Summary and 2013 Proposed Resolutions.

**Discussed** upcoming NRECA Continuing Education Course 913.1.

**Reminded** of the upcoming AIEC Annual Meeting.

**Appointed** Kevin Logan as Delegate, and Richard Rudolphi as Alternate for the AIEC Annual Meeting.

**Heard** a report by Trustee Herman concerning the recent SIPC Board meeting, including the financials, and the Executive search process.

**Approved** the Managers report as presented by Gen. Mgr. Meng including Financial and Maintenance reports, Operating Expenses, Line Loss, Equity Level, and Rate of Return % & Tier

through April 2013.

**Heard** a report by Gen. Mgr. Meng including 3 policies associated with extensions. Following Review and Discussion Approved Revised Policies as presented.

**Updated** on the mapping system.

**Approved** one Purchase Power Agreement.

**Heard** and **Approved** the retirement of Capital Credits to the estate of one deceased member pursuant to Cooperative Policy.

**Informed** that petitions for Nomination of Trustees are available for Districts I, III, and IX..

**Adjournment.**



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## Update on Clay County Water

**A**s a result of under budget costs associated with the construction of Phase 3, CCW is in the process of expanding water lines in unserved areas for members that had already paid tap fees. If you see construction in your area, and are not yet members of CCW, and would like to be, please contact Doug Hockman at 618-662-6666 to get signed up.

# Former director passes away

**E**dwin T. Henson, age 84, of Xenia, IL passed away at 5:25 a.m. on Sunday, June 9, 2013 at his home in Xenia.

Edwin was born August 26, 1928 in Wayne County, IL to Ralph Cecil and Myrtle Mae (Burgess) Henson. He married Norma Jane Childers on August 15, 1950 in Flora at the United Methodist Church. Edwin was a lifelong farmer and drove a school bus for 21 years. In addition he served 42 years on the Clay Electric Co-Op Board, was on the Garden Hill Township Board of Trustees, and was a Xenia Fire Protection District Trustee and helped build



the firehouse. He was a loyal member for over 50 years of the Xenia United Methodist Church, serving as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and a Sunday School Teacher.

Edwin served his country during the Korean War in the U.S. Army and proudly earned his G.E.D. at age 77. He enjoyed wood-working and was a patient, gentle man who never met a stranger, always talking to people wherever he went. Edwin taught others to follow a Christian life and instilled a good work ethic in his family.

He is survived by his wife: Norma Jane (Childers) Henson of Xenia; a daughter: Brenda (Arnold)

Dutcher of Springfield; a son: David (Carolyn) Henson of Carmi; a foster son: Les (Stacy) Higgason of Flora; 2 brothers: Gerome (Nora) Henson of Orchardville and Bob (Wanda) Henson of Perris, CA; a sister: Louise (Lee) Hickox of Flora; 11 grandchildren: Heather, Shannon, Matthew, Matt, Mark, Candice, Chris, Shawn, Jeff, Brent, and Cameron; along with 17 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother (Howard E. Henson), a sister (Shelba Fatheree), and a daughter-in-law (Cheryl Henson).

## The Clay Electric Co-operative, Inc. 69th Annual Meeting Of Members

**Will Be Held Thursday September 5, 2013**

**At Charley Brown Park Fairgrounds On Old Hwy 50 West Of Flora.**



**Registration And Meal Begins At 5:15 P.M. And The Business Meeting Starts At 6:30 P.M.**

**A Pork Chop Or Chicken Dinner Will Be Provided.**

**Drawing For Five \$100.00 Bill Credits For Five Lucky Members In Attendance Along With Other Prizes**

**A \$10.00 Bill Credit Will Be Given To Each Member That Registers At The Meeting**

**If You Are A Current Member Of Clay Electric Cooperative Please Come  
And Participate In Your Annual Meeting.**

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# Loyal Connections

*Co-ops change lives in the communities they serve*

Loyalty is a prized virtue—to country, family, even the schools we attend. We keep those ties strong throughout our lives. We fly our flag and support our local veterans fund raising efforts whenever possible.

We at Clay Electric also have loyalties, to the members and communities we serve. We have deep connections here because Clay and the surrounding counties is our home, and you are our neighbor.

When you signed up for service with Clay Electric, you became a member, not a customer—because each of our 3,000 consumer-members owns a portion of the utility.

That means we care about improving the quality of life in the areas we serve. From sponsoring the prom at the high schools, helping to install the lights at the area ballfields, to shopping with our local merchants, Clay Electric invests in the places where you live and work.

Clay Electric doesn't exist to make profits for distant investors on Wall Street. We exist to provide you with safe, reliable, and affordable electric service—and doing so in a way that makes things better for future generations. Because electric co-ops operate on a not-for-profit basis, we have no need to increase revenues above what it takes to run our business in a financially sound manner. This structure helps keep your electric bills affordable.

We take our jobs seriously, but we also take our community roles seriously, too. That's why we offer scholarships to college-bound students, and send 3 high school juniors to Washington, D.C., every summer to learn about history and government.

We don't participate in these activities simply because it's nice to do, or even the right thing to do. We do it because we remain loyal to our members, our neighbors, our home—and a mission to make life better in the areas we serve.

