

## Season's Greetings

Season's Greetings from our family to yours! Everyone at SLECA wishes you and your family the best of holidays and the richest blessings as the old year draws to a close and the new one begins.

### HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSING

SLECA's Houma and Amelia offices will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24-25, 2012 and Monday, Dec. 31 and Tuesday, Jan. 1, 2013. A standby crew will be on call at all times to handle emergencies during the holidays and can be reached at 876-6880 or 1-800-256-8826, Houma; and 631-3605 or 1-800-256-8836, Amelia.



## SLECA News



Joe Ticheli, General Manager  
Alexander Doyle, President  
South Louisiana Electric Cooperative Assn.  
P.O. Box 4037, Houma, LA 70361 (876-6880)



## SLECA employees recognized for service to members

The 15 employees shown here are recognized for their many years of dedicated and professional service to the members of SLECA.

Our valued employees are responsible for maintaining over 1,400 miles of power line in Assumption, Lafourche, St. Martin, St. Mary and Terrebonne parishes serving over 16,000 members.



Ivy Deroche  
40 years



Eric Lapeyrouse  
35 years



Kyle Authement  
30 years



Mike Dubois  
30 years



Curtis Pellegrin  
30 years



Arleen Simmons  
30 years



Tommy Trahan  
30 years



Curtis Chaisson  
15 years



Elaine Robertson  
15 years



Farley Triche  
15 years



Aaron Duplechin  
10 years



Jonathan Fanguy  
10 years



Lee Aucoin  
5 years



Donna Bernier  
5 years



Brennan Blanchard  
5 years

## SLECA employees receive advanced lineman training



SLECA employees are shown after recently participating in training sessions as part of the Louisiana Lineman Training Program administered by the Association of Louisiana Electric Cooperatives in Baton Rouge. Above, Adrian Redden, Andre Dupre, Melvin Brown and Neal Foret Jr. completed Module 3, Levels 6-10. At right, Gabriel Mustiful, Jesse Fanguy, Steven Portero, Drake Rollins and Corey Davis completed Module 1, Levels 6-10. (Acct. No. 94126001)



## Enter SLECA's Christmas Lighting Contest

Light up your home this Christmas and win a \$100 Cash Prize! Entries will be accepted through December 14, 2012.

### RULES:

1. Contest open to SLECA residential members only.
2. SLECA directors, employees, retired employees and/or their families are not eligible to win.
3. Electricity is required. Outdoor lighting only.
4. Suggested themes: Religious, Contemporary, Novelty.
5. Entries must be received at SLECA by December 14, 2012. Judging to be held December 17.
6. Winners will be notified by telephone.
7. 2011 winners are ineligible.
8. Cash Prizes (\$100 in each of SLECA's nine member districts) will be awarded.

To enter, complete this form and return by December 14, 2012, to SLECA, P.O. Box 4037, Houma, La 70361. (Acct. No. 200512001)

### SLECA's Christmas Lighting Contest

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Account No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Or simply call SLECA's office in Houma, 876-6880, 1-800-256-8826; or Amelia 631-3605, 1-800-256-8836.

## You can win a Youth Tour EXPERIENCE!

Two local SLECA students will have the opportunity to be winners of the 2013 SLECA Youth Tour Contest and spend the week of June 14-21, 2013, with about two dozen other students from across Louisiana on a "Government in Action" Youth Tour of Washington, D.C.

The trip to Washington, D.C. has been described as "the experience of a lifetime" by past winners, offering an opportunity to learn about our government and meet many important figures while making a lot of cool, new friends.

For over 30 years, SLECA has reached out to local students, offering them the opportunity to participate in the Youth Tour Program. If you are interested, this is what you need to know:

### Eligibility Requirements

- High school sophomores and juniors are eligible.
- Electricity to your residence or parent's business must be provided by SLECA.

### Youth Tour Contest Guidelines

1. Students must write a letter approximately 500 words long to an elected official. The entry must be submitted in the proper letter format to be eligible.

2. The students should voice their opinion (positive or negative) to the respective local, state or federal official in a letter format on any issue, problem or matter they believe to be critical to South Louisiana.

3. The topic of concern should be stated and thoroughly discussed and the letter should be addressed to the official the student has selected.

4. On a separate sheet attached to the essay, the student must write his/her name, Social Security Number, name of school and grade level, parents' names, address, and telephone number.

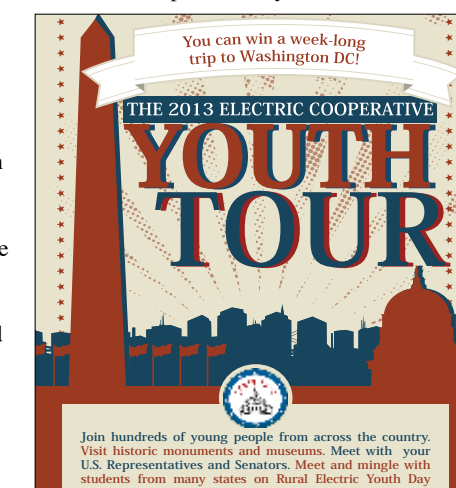
5. All entries must include a current photo with their submission for use in news releases at the conclusion of the contest.

Entries should be mailed to Youth Tour Essay Contest, c/o SLECA, P.O. Box 4037, Houma, LA 70361, or delivered to SLECA's main office at 2028 Coteau Road, Highway 660, Houma, LA, or SLECA's branch office in Amelia, 2903 Lake Palourde Rd., Morgan City, LA 70380; P.O. Box 1126, Amelia, LA 70340. (Acct. No. 90242001)

All letters become the property of South Louisiana Electric Cooperative Association.

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN Feb. 1, 2013.

A judging committee will select two top letters and one alternate. Letters are judged on knowledge of subject, originality, composition, neatness and grammar. For more information, contact SLECA at 876-6880 or 1-800-256-8826.



## SLECA SWEEPSTAKES

Did you know that each month SLECA gives away CASH just for reading LOUISIANA COUNTRY? It's true. Every month, four lucky SLECA consumers have their account numbers randomly selected by computer. The numbers are then hidden in the articles in the SLECA News section of LOUISIANA COUNTRY. Then it's up to you. If you see your account number, call SLECA and win \$25.00 in cash or have your winnings applied to your bill. It's that simple. So, if you are not reading LOUISIANA COUNTRY you're missing out on great local articles and the possibility of winning extra money.

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Merry Christmas &  
Happy New Year  
to all SLECA members  
from your Board of Directors  
and employees



Finance & Accounting



Amelia Office



Engineering



Member Services &  
Corporate Services



Purchasing



General Manager & Staff



SLECA's Board of Directors wishes all their friends and neighbors a happy holiday season. The board includes (foreground) Tracy B. Duval, (center row, left to right) Roger DeHart, Eroy Acosta, Terry Trahan, David Luke, Lloyd Gibson, (back row) Brian Rivet, Alexander Doyle, J.D. Boudreaux and Larry Daigle



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