

Season's Greetings

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSING

SLECA's Houma and Amelia offices will be closed on Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013 and Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014. 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 FOOD DRIVE

In the spirit of the holiday season, SLECA is holding a food drive for those less fortunate in our community. Members are encouraged to bring a non-perishable item when visiting our offices and place it in the lobby receptacles. You can help make the season merrier for someone in need.

Across the Board

October 7, 2013

Present were directors Alexander Doyle, president; David Luke, vice-president; Brian Rivet, secretary; Terry Trahan, treasurer; Tracy Duval, J. D. Boudreaux, Eroy Acosta, Roger Dale DeHart, Larry J. Daigle, and Advisor to the Board, Lloyd Gibson. Also attending were Joseph Ticheli, general manager, Jamie Funderburk, attorney, Kenny Berrigan, Brooks-Harbour & Associates, and Elaine Robertson, member services supervisor.

After the invocation and pledge, the board approved the minutes and summary of the regular meeting dated September 9, 2013, the ALEC minutes and 188 new members

The financial report, approved by the board, highlighted interest earnings, cash on hand, rate comparison showing SLECA having the lowest rates compared to other area utilities, line loss, kilowatt hour sales for the month, cumulative sales to date, cost of service, equity, TIER and electric and total revenue verses cost per kilowatt hour. (Acct. No. 86371001)

Following an update on upcoming schools, meetings and events, Mr. Ticheli reported on the following: (1) SLECA continues to have the lowest rates in the area; (2) SLECA employees and directors can receive flu shots at the Houma office on October 15th; (3) The board Christmas dinner will be on Thursday, December 12th at Scully's Restaurant in Stephenville; (4) SLECA received a check from Federated in the amount of \$27,150.16 to cover costs associated with the damaged transformer in Landry Substation; (5) SLECA now has a Facebook page that will include current outage numbers as well as information on co-op events such as district and annual meetings; (6) SLECA employees will have a safety supper for having worked another quarter year without a lost time accident; and (7) SLECA filed an answer with FERC to NERC's request for a rehearing and are now waiting FERC's response to NERC's request.

The board then approved going out for bids to replace Unit 211 which is an Amelia meter reader pickup truck; a RUS loan draw down; and the safety report showing employees have worked 2,786,194 hours without a lost time accident since December, 1996. The board then approved the attorney's report and fees. Following executive session, the meeting was adjourned.

You may obtain copies of the minutes by contacting SLECA, P.O. Box 4037, Houma, LA 70361 or by calling (985) 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, SLECA account numbers are randomly selected by computer. Four account numbers are 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.

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 seven employees who are shown here are recognized for their many years of dedicated and professional service to the members of SLECA. (Acct. No. 101498001)

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.

Congratulations to all!



Craig Fournier
20 years



Suzanne Woods
15 years



Steve Giroir
15 years



Raymond Hines
10 years



Julia Bourg
5 years



Diana Foret
5 years



Neal Foret
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. Shown below are: Vaughn Henry, Janssen Stoufflet, Caleb Davis and Joey Bourg. Shown at right are: Jesse Fanguy, Gabe Mustiful, Drake Rollins, Corey Davis and Steven Portero. Shown at bottom are: Brian Landry, Lenny Guillot, Andre Dupre and Timmy Trahan. Shown bottom/right are: Andre Dupre, Neal Foret, Melvin Brown and Adrian Redden.



Enter SLECA's Christmas Lighting Contest

Light up your home this Christmas and win a \$100 Cash Prize! Entries will be accepted through December 13, 2013.

RULES:

- Contest open to SLECA residential members only.
- SLECA directors, employees, retired employees and/or their families are not eligible to win.
- Electricity is required. Outdoor lighting only.
- Suggested themes: Religious, Contemporary, Novelty.
- Entries must be received at SLECA by December 13, 2013. Judging to be held December 16.
- Winners will be notified by telephone.
- 2012 winners are ineligible.
- Cash Prizes (\$100 in each of SLECA's nine member districts) will be awarded. (Acct. No. 42146002)

To enter, complete this form and return by December 13, 2013, to SLECA, P.O. Box 4037, Houma, La 70361. Also enter by calling the Houma office at 876-6880 or the Amelia office at 631-3605.

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 2014 SLECA Youth Tour Contest and spend a week 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 31 years, SLECA has reached out to local students, offering them the opportunity to participate in this 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.

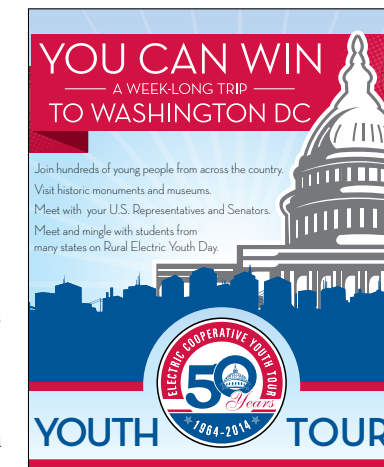
Youth Tour Contest Guidelines

- 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.
- 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.
- The topic of concern should be stated and thoroughly discussed and the letter should be addressed to the official the student has selected.
- On a separate sheet attached to the letter, the student must write his/her name, Social Security No., name of school, grade level, parents' names, address, and telephone number.
- 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. 10260001)

All letters become the property of South Louisiana Electric Cooperative Association. ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN Feb. 1, 2014.

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.



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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



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 Dalgie



General Manager & Staff



Operations