



## Monthly Newsletter for Kenergy Members

### WASHINGTON YOUTH TOUR

High School Juniors invited to vie for trip...

If you are a high school junior and your family is provided electricity by Kenergy, you are eligible to vie for an expense-paid trip in June to Washington, D.C.

Four winners will be selected. Additionally, the four Washington Youth Tour (WYT) winners and four semi-finalists will be provided a trip to Frankfort for Kentucky Rural Electric Youth Day activities.

A quiz is involved in the selection process. Study materials will be distributed to schools in February to guidance counsel-



ors or may be obtained by contacting Lisa Vincent at (270) 684-6100, Ext. 3293, or 1-800-844-4832. Contact your counselor or Lisa if you are interested in vying for the trips.

The weeklong trip to the nation's capitol includes leadership sessions, meetings

with U.S. senators and representatives, programs on the electric utility industry, and visits to historic sites in and near Washington, D.C.

Kenergy participants will travel by chartered bus with 50-plus other Kentucky students and join more than 1,000 youths from throughout the nation in Washington, D.C.

The state Rural Electric Youth Day includes tours of the state Capitol and Governor's Mansion, a luncheon, and informative sessions with state officials.

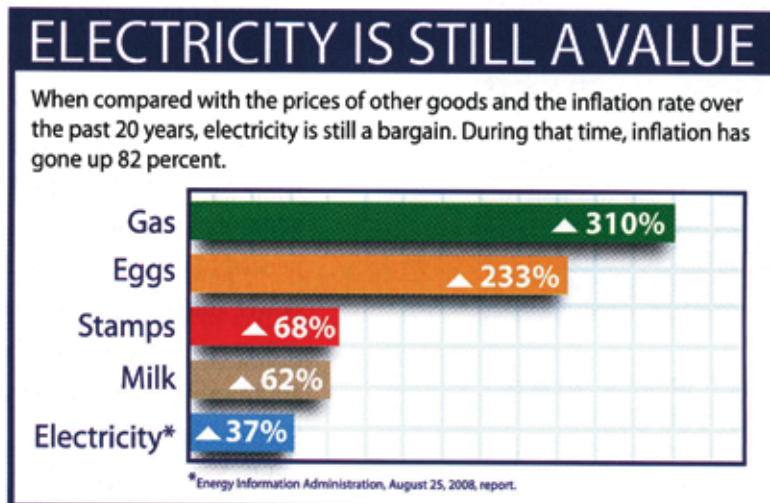
### ELECTRICITY IS STILL A VALUE

Compared with price increases of other commodities and inflation, electricity is still a bargain.

Over the past 20 years, gasoline has skyrocketed 310 percent. Eggs are up 233 percent. Postage stamps are up 68

percent. Even a gallon of milk is 62 percent higher than two decades ago.

Electricity is up about 37 percent over the past 20 years. During that time, inflation has gone up 82 percent.



### BUSINESS HOURS

#### MONDAY - FRIDAY

Offices in Henderson and Owensboro are open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Business hours for service centers in Hanson, Hartford, Hawesville and Marion are 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

*During regular business hours, customers residing in a county with a Kenergy office should call that office for information or to report an outage. At night or during weekends, call either the Henderson or Owensboro office, using either the local or toll-free number. Please have the following information available: the name under which your electric service is listed, your address, home phone number and your Kenergy account number. This information enables us to hasten our response time.*

**24-HOUR DISPATCH CENTER**  
(270) 826-3991 - 1-800-844-4832  
(270) 926-4141

## TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR ENERGY COST

Knowing that electricity is a good value doesn't change the fact that energy bills are going up. So what can you do to take control of your usage?

One thing you can do is visit our website at [www.kenergycorp.com](http://www.kenergycorp.com) to check out the Home Energy Suites and Energy Tips that can make your home or business more efficient.

The Home Energy Suite has three different energy calculators designed to provide information on the energy your home is consuming.



**The Home Energy Calculator:** This calculator will provide you with estimates of energy use costs based on your individual home specifications.

**Appliance Calculator:** This calculator will provide information on kWh usage for each of the individual appliances in your home and also show you a monthly average.

**CFL Calculator:** Enter the number of light bulbs in your home to see how much money you can save by making the switch to CFLs. CFLs cost more when purchased, but they use less energy. A 15-watt CFL supplies the same light as a 60-watt incandescent bulb and uses 75 percent less

energy. The CFL lasts up to 10 times longer and saves you up to \$30 over the life of the bulb.

### ENERGY Tips

For additional energy efficiency information we encourage you to visit the "Energy Tips Save You Money" section of the website. There is information for efficiency techniques for existing homes as well as for those who may be building a new home. Key areas are water heating, insulation, and heating and cooling.

## Hey Kids....



*Did you know that Kenergy has a special section just for you on our website?*

**It's called Kids Korner and it offers safety information, puzzles, and games about electricity.**

**Go to [www.kenergycorp.com](http://www.kenergycorp.com) and click on the kids Korner icon.**

## Simple Savings...

### Insulation and Sealing Air Leaks

Checking your home's insulation is one of the fastest and most cost-efficient ways to use a wholehouse approach to reduce energy waste and make the most of your energy dollars. A good insulating system includes a combination of products and construction techniques that protect a home from outside temperatures (hot and cold), from air leaks, and control moisture. You can increase the comfort of your home while reducing your heating and cooling needs by up to 10% by investing in proper insulation and sealing air leaks.

### Fixing Duct Leakage

Most ducts leak 30 percent of a home's heating and cooling air.

To fix that, simply apply a substance called mastic with a paintbrush to every duct seam.

