



Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative

# YOUTH LEADER LOOKS BACK ON YEAR OF OPPORTUNITIES

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This year I had the honor to experience the once-in-a-lifetime trip that is Youth Tour! It was an amazing opportunity with so many exciting people and places that we visited. It's hard to say, but if I had to choose my favorite memory from the trip, it would have to be running through the Smithsonian with my fellow Youth Tour delegate Dahlia Dorn for a scavenger hunt that we all participated in. Every so often we would receive a text with a clue and possibly a picture and then we would take off to find it. Dahlia and I were able to find the FFA jacket worn by former president Jimmy Carter during his time in high school. This was really cool for me as I am big into FFA, or I was before I graduated this past spring.

This picture (at right) has got to be one of my favorites from this trip, as it shows just how many great people you get to meet and the connections you create. With me are (back row, center and right) Molly Damm and Daniel Deutsch, (front row) Emma Steinke and Dahlia Dorn. This picture is taken on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. After looking around and reading all of the things that we could do inside, we went out onto the steps to enjoy the sun and spend some time together. Absolutely one of my favorite moments from this trip!

For this trip, I was sponsored by my local electric co-op, Chippewa Valley

Electric Cooperative. I just want to say thank you so much for working with me this past year. Between school, YLC, and FFA, you all supported me. And one more thank you specifically to Nicole Whipp-Sime, the member services director at my co-op. If it weren't for you I don't think I would have felt so strongly about YLC, so thank you for helping me get this opportunity and cheering me on when I got on the Youth Board!

After leading and attending Youth Leadership Conference this summer I will officially be off to University of Wisconsin-River Falls, where I will be majoring in agricultural education. GO FALCONS!

Last but not least I want to say thank you to Tina Walden, Judy Mims, and Trevor Clark for



chaperoning us on this trip, as well as pushing us beyond our limits to try new things and meet new people. Thank you, Tina, for putting this all together, the flights, the itinerary, and even finding us other things to do when something came up and threw us off. You kept us together, so THANK YOU!



# CAPITAL CREDITS DONATIONS PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS TO LOCAL STUDENTS



**D**id you know you can donate your capital credits to Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative's (CVEC) scholarship fund? CVEC awards scholarships each spring to graduating high school students of cooperative members. Please consider donating your capital credits to help graduates lessen the expense of continuing their education.

We ask that members, active or inactive, contact our office if they are interested in donating their capital credits to the scholarship fund. It is a simple process to donate capital credits to this worthwhile program.

The following former members have unclaimed capital credits from Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative and have the option of donating them to the scholarship fund or collecting payment. If you know any of these people, please tell them to contact CVEC at 715.239.6800 or by email at [cvec@cve.coop](mailto:cvec@cve.coop).

Any unclaimed capital credits will revert to Wisconsin Federated Youth Foundation, Inc. a charitable tax-exempt trust established by the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative Association for educational purposes (per WI Statute, Chapter 185).

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### October 1 – Service Upgrades October 15 – New Service

**W**hen the ground freezes in Wisconsin, all underground cable construction comes to a halt until the spring thaw. If you have construction plans that are not already scheduled, call Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperative TODAY!

We will do everything possible to meet your construction needs and install your electrical service before winter. However, all preliminary requirements must be met by October 1 for Service Upgrades or October 15 for New Service construction. All requirements must be completed to guarantee service installation before the ground freezes. Once the ground freezes, it will be too late to install the underground service you were hoping to have this fall.



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