

In the spirit of the season

Another year has flown by, bringing us once again to the Christmas season. During this most wonderful time of the year the employees and members of Fleming-Mason Energy are busy demonstrating our holiday spirit in communities throughout our service area.

Though electricity is our primary product, Fleming-Mason Energy is also in the quality-of-life business every day of the year. We are steadfast in our commitment to care for the communities where our members live, work and play.

Here are just a few of the ways we demonstrated that caring throughout 2019:

- Presented free classroom programs to teach our children how to be safe around electric power lines and at home.
- Promoted environmental stewardship by offering our members the opportunity to participate in renewable energy programs such as Cooperative Solar.
- Sponsored the Special Olympics Kentucky Summer Games in June.
- Made it possible for two local war veterans to participate in Honor Flight, allowing them to visit Washington, D.C., monuments erected in their honor.
- Helped area families with sick children by collecting supplies and



Fleming-Mason Energy employees, from left, Melissa Tackett, William Jackson, Brandon Hunt, Tonia Lytle and Grover Money help load items for the Backpack Program at the Fleming County Extension Service office. Photo: Joni Hazelrigg

volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House in Lexington.

- Invested in our area's economic future by joining Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives in helping two teachers obtain advanced certifications and training in science, technology, engineering and math.

During this season of giving and throughout the year, your electric co-op is

committed to improving the quality of life for those we serve. It's simply the cooperative way.

In the spirit of the season, happy holidays from all of us at Fleming-Mason Energy.

At your service, 24/7

Should you experience an electric outage, cooperative employees are standing by to respond 24/7—even during a holiday. To report an outage, call 1-800-464-3144.



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Fleming-Mason Energy helps dedicate Morehead Generating Station

On a bright day at the beginning of October, Fleming-Mason Energy Cooperative joined North American Bio Fuels and American Disposal Services to dedicate a new renewable energy plant fueled by methane from the Morehead Landfill.

“We are excited to help make this possible for the communities we serve,” says Fleming-Mason Energy Joni Hazelrigg, president and CEO. The cooperative plans to purchase and use all the energy generated from the landfill.

Construction for the Morehead Generating Station began in the spring.

The new plant can produce 1.6 megawatts of energy, enough to power 600 homes.

The plant is owned and operated by North American Bio Fuels, a Michigan-based renewable energy company. The plant is located adjacent to American Disposal Services’ landfill, west of Morehead near Interstate 64. Two employees will operate and maintain the facility.

“This landfill gas plant produces clean, renewable power, and it is competitive on price,” says Rich Spranger, director of operations at North American Bio Fuels.



Fleming-Mason Energy President and CEO Joni Hazelrigg cuts the ribbon, along with Kentucky Representative Rocky Adkins, on her right, and others at the Morehead Generating Station dedication in October. Photo: Tim Webb

As organic waste breaks down in the landfill, flammable methane gas is produced. The gas is collected by a system of pipes in the landfill and is transported to the plant, where it is used as fuel to produce electricity.

The plant is very efficient for a renewable power plant explains Brian Evans, chief operating officer of North American Bio Fuels. “This plant runs 80% to 90% of the time.”

Our office will be closed December 24, December 25 and January 1. Have a wonderful and safe holiday season!



Just For Kids

COLOR SANTA & YOU COULD WIN A \$50 GIFT CARD

Fleming-Mason Energy is sponsoring a coloring contest for children ages 5 through 8. The winners, one from each age group, will win a \$50 gift card from Fleming-Mason Energy.



So color the picture and mail to:

Fleming-Mason Energy, ATTN: Lori Ulrich,
P.O. Box 328, Flemingsburg, KY 41041

Entries can also be dropped off at
our offices in Flemingsburg.

All entries must be received by Monday,
December 16, 2019, by 4:30 p.m.

So have fun and start coloring today!

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Age _____

Parents: _____

Fleming-Mason Account No: _____

2020 Washington Youth Tour

Each year, Fleming-Mason Energy selects up to four high school juniors from our service area to spend a week touring Washington, D.C., as participants in the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour. This all-expense-paid trip is a week full of activities including tours of the U.S. Capitol, Arlington National Cemetery, the Library of Congress, the Smithsonian Institution, and meeting with Kentucky's congressional delegation. This special event is sponsored by Fleming-Mason Energy and Kentucky Electric Cooperatives.

Up to eight semifinalists will be selected for a one-day trip to our state capital for the Frankfort Electric Youth Tour. From that group, up to four winners for the Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to D.C. will be selected.

To be eligible, you must be a high

school junior between the ages of 16 and 18 in good academic and disciplinary standing. Your parent(s) or guardian(s) must receive electric service at their primary residence from Fleming-Mason Energy. Each youth tour participant must complete an application form, receive a favorable report from their guidance counselor and English teacher, be involved in school and community activities, complete an essay, and agree to abide by the terms and conditions. Children or grandchildren of Fleming-Mason Energy employees, directors and attorneys are not eligible.

Contact Lori Ulrich at (606) 845-2661 for complete information or visit www.kyelectric.coop. You must also contact your high school guidance counselor. Deadline is February 14, 2020. Go to our website www.fme.coop to download an application.



Fleming-Mason Energy's 2019 Washington youth tour delegates, front, from left, Kaithlynn Kinsel, Macy Lewis and Xoe Witten; back, Max Moran. Photo: Tim Webb

The 2020 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour is scheduled for June 19–25. The Frankfort Electric Youth Tour date is March 17, 2020.

Sharing success

Each year, Fleming-Mason Energy participates in the CoBank Sharing Success Grant Program. The annual



Joni Hazelrigg, right, presents a check to God's Pantry's Julie Stephens, left, and Becky Messer. Photo: Lori Ulrich

Sharing Success grant opportunity is made possible by Fleming-Mason Energy's governing board of directors, in partnership with CoBank—a national nonprofit cooperative bank owned by the rural American cooperatives it services, including Fleming-Mason Energy.

Each year, CoBank establishes a fund to match charitable contributions made by cooperative members. This year, Fleming-Mason Energy applied for a \$1,000 grant for God's Pantry Food Bank which currently operates a distribution center

in the MMRC Industrial Park located near Morehead. Fleming-Mason Energy was pleased to match this grant bringing the total awarded to \$2,000.

Joni Hazelrigg, president and CEO of Fleming-Mason Energy, recently presented the grant to Morehead Regional Advisory Board Chair Julie Stephens and Warehouse Team Leader Becky Messer with God's Pantry Food Bank. Hazelrigg states, "Fleming-Mason Energy applauds the work that God's Pantry does in alleviating food insecurity in not only the eight counties Fleming-Mason serves but across Kentucky. "