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Upshur Rural Electric  
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# ELEC-O-NEWS

## Area Students Attend *ETREYS* 2016!



Front Row L-R: Rebecca Martin. Second Row L-R: Tidache Waters, Madison Ollive, Kaitlyn Moore, Martha Fajardo. Third Row L-R: Lula Johnson-Chaperone, Mikaelyn Settles-Youth Director, Josie Heflin, Aubrey Williamson, Sara Williamson, Julissa Ugalde. Fourth Row L-R: James Venters-Chaperone, Todd Cain, Bryce Venters, Mason Haught, Jerry Lemons II, Garrett Humphreys and Chad Wade-Chaperone.

Upshur Rural Electric sent 15 students to the East Texas Rural Electric Youth Seminar (*ETREYS*) that was held on the campus of East Texas Baptist University in June. Students spent the week listening to some great speakers, learning a lot about leadership and how cooperatives work as well as making many new friends! While there, our students were also able to compete for scholarship monies. Congratulations to Jerry Lemons II and Mason Haught for winning scholarships!

*ETREYS* applications for next years' seminar will be accepted in the spring! Sophomore and Junior students are eligible to apply. For more information on *ETREYS*, visit our website at [www.urecc.coop](http://www.urecc.coop).

## Isabella McAvoy Represents Upshur Rural Electric at Youth Tour



Isabella on the Capital Steps

Many memories of an all expense-paid week in Washington, DC will last a lifetime for Isabella McAvoy, a 2016 graduate of Gladewater High School.

For many high school students that grow up in rural east Texas, getting the opportunity to visit Washington DC might sound like a dream. Upshur Rural Electric has joined forces with Texas Electric Cooperatives (TEC) and the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) in making this a reality to one student each year.

In June, the Government in Action Youth Tour sent students, sponsored by their local electric cooperatives, to the nation's capital to see history come alive. There were over 100 students from Texas and over 1,700 students from across the country that attended the nine day tour.

Students visited monuments, museums and historical sites as well as got the opportunity to meet their members of Congress. The week included listening to inspirational speakers, watching the Sunset Parade at the Marine Corps War Memorial and attending the wreath laying ceremony at the Arlington National Cemetery. They visited the Supreme Court, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives' chambers as well as the Library of Congress.

Isabella made many memories, learned a lot and made many new friends. We are very proud of the way she represented Upshur Rural Electric, Gladewater High School and our little portion of northeast Texas.

Students that have attended the East Texas Rural Electric Youth Seminar (*ETREYS*) have the opportunity to apply for next years Youth Tour. For more information on *ETREYS* or Youth Tour, visit our website at [www.urecc.coop](http://www.urecc.coop).

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