

SECPA announces scholarship winners

LA JUNTA – Southeast Colorado Power Association is pleased to announce that seven youth from the region have been named winners of college scholarships offered by SECPA, Basin Electric and Tri-State Generation and Transmission.

Eligible applicants for the scholarships were students whose parents are members of the Association and who are high school seniors graduating in 2009 with plans to attend a two or four-year college.

Winners were:

Southeast Colorado Power Association \$500 scholarship – Sara Gunkel of Springfield. The daughter of Debra Gunkel, Sara is a senior at Springfield High School and plans to attend Colorado College, majoring in biology or physics.

Southeast Colorado Power Association \$500 scholarship – Heather Pearce of Kim. The daughter of Mike and Joy Pearce, Heather is a senior at Kim High School and plans to attend Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, majoring in health services.

Southeast Colorado Power Association \$500 scholarship – Nicolas Kuhns of McClave. The son of Douglas and Elin Ora Kuhns, Nicolas is a senior at McClave High School and plans to attend Colorado State University at Fort Collins, majoring in natural sciences.

Southeast Colorado Power Association \$500 scholarship – Kelsey Larsen of Swink. The daughter of Scott and Wendy Larsen, Kelsey is a senior at Swink High School and will also graduate in May with an Associate's Degree from Otero Junior College. She plans to attend either the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs or the University of Northern Colorado, majoring in health services.

Tri-State Generation and Transmission \$500 scholarship – Samatha Sikes of Pritchett. The daughter of Ray and Stephanie Sikes, Samantha is a senior at Kim High School and plans to attend the University of Northern Colorado at Greeley, majoring in English with a minor in pre-law.

Tri-State Generation and Transmission \$500 scholarship – Nicole Idler of Lamar. The daughter of Greg and Becky Idler, Nicole is a senior at McClave High School and plans to attend West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Texas, majoring in pre-chiropractic.

Basin Electric \$1,000 scholarship – Kelsey Rushton of Holly. The daughter of Merlin and Judy Rushton, Kelsey is a senior at Holly High School and plans to attend Colorado State University in Fort Collins, majoring in agriculture business.