

Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric awards 17 scholarships in 2025 to high school graduates

Steele-Waseca Cooperative Electric awarded \$1,000 scholarships to 17 high school seniors who graduated this past school year.

A portion of the funds to support these scholarships come from unclaimed capital credit equity.

Steele-Waseca's scholarship program has awarded \$249,250 in scholarships since the program was established in 1954.

The recipients are a dependent of a Steele-Waseca member and will be attending on a full-time basis ranging from a three-month post-secondary certificate program to a four-year college degree. This was a change this year from the requirements of previous years. The recipients were selected by their respective high schools. They include:

- **Marianna Hager**, Bethlehem Academy, the daughter of Jon and Selena Hager, Lonsdale.
- **Grady Steckelberg**, Blooming Prairie, the son of Tricia and the late Karl Steckelberg, Blooming Prairie.
- **Olivia White**, Faribault, the daughter of Carl White, Faribault.
- **Christopher Thompson**, Hayfield, the son of Don and Barb Thompson, Hayfield.
- **Madeline Hoehn**, Janesville-Wal-dorf-Pemberton, the daughter of Dan and Kendra Hoehn, Waseca.
- **Cohen Melcher**, Kasson-Man-torville, the son of Kerry and Cresta Melcher, Mantorville.
- **Ross Aldorfer**, Kenyon-Wanamin-go, the son of Mike and Holly Aldorfer, Kenyon.
- **Laura Smith**, Medford, the daugh-ter of Kristin Gedicke, Owatonna.
- **Derek Brezina**, New Prague, the son of Jenna Brezina, Lonsdale.
- **Sierra Misgen**, New Rich-land-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva, the daughter of Sara and Mark Misgen, El-lendale.

- **CJ Stalberger**, Northfield, the daughter of Clinton and Sheila Stal-berger, Dundas.
- **Lilly Trager**, Owatonna, the daugh-ter of Jeffrey and Michelle Trager, El-lendale.
- **Adeline Lotton**, St. Clair, the daughter of Wade and Andrea Lotton, Minnesota Lake.
- **Zoey Finkenbiner**, Tri-City Unit-ed, the daughter of Matthew and Julie Finkenbiner, Lonsdale.

- **Naomi Lebak**, Triton, the daughter of James and Anna Gardner, Blooming Prairie.
- **Katlyn McMurphy**, Waseca, the daughter of Paul McMurphy, Waseca.
- **Gabe LaCanne**, Waterville-Ely-sian-Morristown, the son of Brenda La-Canne, Morristown. ~~SW~~

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