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## Randolph EMC Celebrates 77 Years at Annual Meeting

“Focus on the Future” was the theme as a crowd of members braved the rain to attend Randolph EMC’s 77th Annual Meeting, held on June 19, at Southwestern Randolph High School. Nearly 500 REMC members registered at the meeting for their chance to win one of several door prizes and to receive parting gifts that included a bucket, LED flashlight/lantern, and handy first-aid kit.

Members enjoyed free homemade ice cream from Gilbert’s Old Fashioned Homemade Ice Cream, informational booths, a children’s program by “Captain” Jim Light, and live bluegrass music by New Southern Ground.

During the business meeting, REMC Board President Bob Wright updated members on the cooperative’s recent Capital Credits retirement. Chief Executive Officer Dale Lambert reported on several new projects, including a Smart Thermostat pilot program for members, a large equipment storage building and Community Solar project

located on REMC’s Asheboro campus.

Members also heard the financial report for the cooperative from Secretary-Treasurer Sue Spencer, as well as an update of



Randolph EMC’s community involvement over the past year from Lauren Ingold, Public Relations Coordinator.

In a special presentation, REMC’s 2014 Rural Electric Youth Tour Delegate, Tanner Henson, shared his experience in Washington, D.C., last



summer. Tanner also entertained the crowd as a member of New Southern Ground before the meeting began.

In addition, all three incumbent directors—Delbert Cranford (District 5), Steve Harris (District 8), and Billy Maness (District 9)—were re-elected.

Randolph EMC would like to thank all of the members who attended this year’s annual meeting!

*See More Photos from the Annual Meeting on the Following Page!*

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# Scenes from the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting



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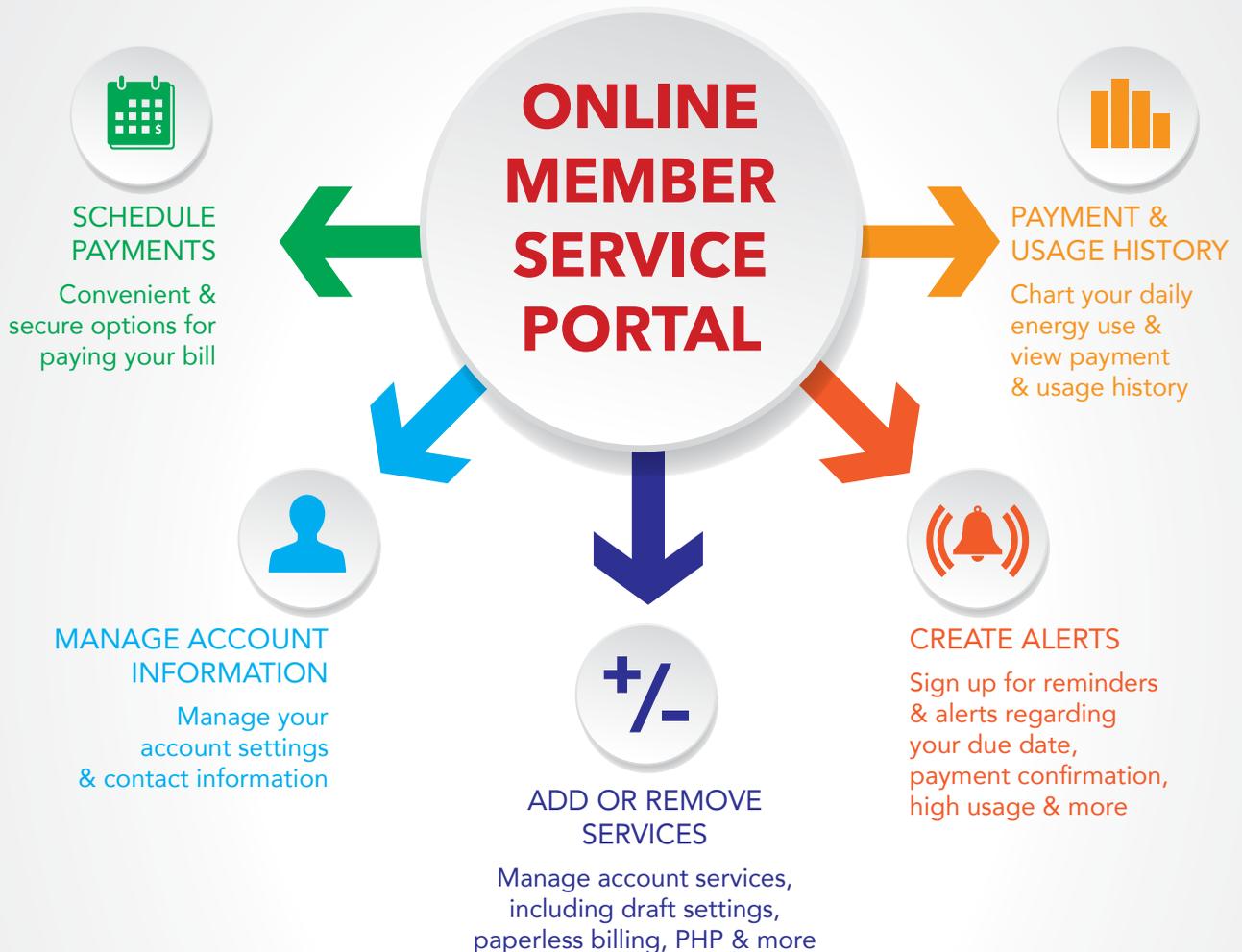
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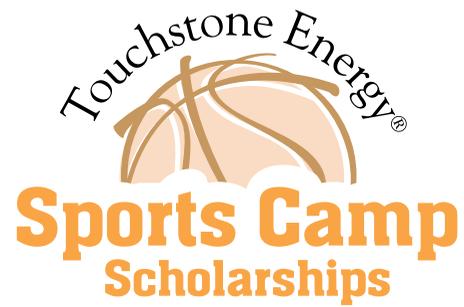
## You Spoke...We Listened

Randolph EMC's new Member Service Portal significantly enhances your account management options—just like you asked. Based on members' feedback, we've expanded on our bill-pay site to give you improved convenience, efficiency and control over your entire electric account—from paying your bill to updating your contact information to receiving payment reminders and usage alerts.

Visit [www.RandolphEMC.com](http://www.RandolphEMC.com) to access the new Member Service Portal and create an account using your new REMC account number found on your latest REMC billing statement.

If you have questions regarding this new site or creating an account, please call your local Randolph EMC office to speak with a Member Service Representative.

# Local Students Attend Wolfpack, Roy Williams Basketball Camps on Scholarships from REMC



**Mariah Brown**



**Lauren Resor**



**Brodey King**

Local middle-school students shot hoops and ran drills at basketball camps hosted by two of the state's largest universities this summer, thanks to Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarships from Randolph EMC.

Mariah Brown and Lauren Resor attended the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp June 14-17 at NC State University in Raleigh. Mariah is the daughter of Rick and Chandra Brown of Bennett. Lauren is the daughter of Mandi Hill of Asheboro.

Brodey King took to the court June 20-24 at the Roy Williams Carolina Basketball Camp at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. Brodey is the son of Angie and Mark King of West End.

"These scholarships are a fantastic way for young athletes to experience life on a college campus and learn from mentors at their favorite NCAA athletic programs," said Lauren Ingold, Public Relations Coordinator at Randolph EMC. "We're proud to continue our tradition of providing outstanding local students with opportunities to develop fundamental skills that will help them excel on the court and in the classroom."

Mariah, Lauren and Brodey earned the all-expense-paid scholarships by completing an application that included academics, community involvement and enthusiasm for sports. During camp, students stayed in dorms on campus and worked directly with coaches to hone basketball skills and practice working cooperatively with teammates. The staff of the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp included NC State women's basketball coach Wes Moore, and his coaching staff and players. The Roy Williams camp was led by two-time NCAA national champion coach Roy Williams, his staff, and current and past Tar Heel basketball players.

This is the 12th year North Carolina's Touchstone Energy cooperatives have sponsored young women to attend an NC State women's basketball camp and the 10th year the cooperatives have sent young men to the Roy Williams camp. The co-ops' partnership with universities provides a unique educational and athletic opportunity for our state's youth and keeps with Touchstone Energy's core values of accountability, integrity, innovation and commitment to community.

# Asheboro High School Teacher Katie Bunch Spends a Week with Randolph EMC

Each year, Randolph EMC hosts an educator for one week as part of the Asheboro/Randolph Chamber of Commerce's Summer Teacher Internship Program. The week-long program aims to help teachers gain real-world experience to better prepare students for the skills they'll need to perform various jobs in the area.

This year, the co-op welcomed Ms. Katie Bunch, a Civics and Economics teacher at Asheboro High School as our guest. During her visit, Ms. Bunch "shadowed" jobs, from the time a member signed up for new service through construction completion. She helped out on each step of the process and spent time with member service representatives, billing specialists, engineers, GIS technicians, energy use advisors and communications specialists.

Ms. Bunch plans to share her experience with students in the upcoming school year. Thank you, Ms. Bunch, for participating in the Chamber's Teacher Internship program!



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**FOR AN EDUCATIONAL GRANT OF UP TO \$2,000**

Applications should be for creative, innovative classroom-based projects that would otherwise not be possible. All applications must be submitted through the Bright Ideas website by the final deadline of September 18, 2015.



# Capital Credits Allocated for 2014

Capital Credits are one of the core differences between investor-owned utilities and co-ops. Because members enjoy ownership of the company, each year they receive a share of the co-op's net margins—the amount of money that is left over after paying all expenses for the year. The cooperative refers to these shares as Capital Credits.

Randolph EMC's net margins for Capital Credit allocation totaled \$2,410,503 at the close of 2014. This amount has been disbursed among the Capital Credit accounts of members who had an active electric account during the year. Each member's share is based on a percentage of the \$2,410,503, calculated by how much electricity the member purchased and the rate at which the electric account was billed.

*Remember, the check you received in June that included Capital Credits from 2014 only represents a portion of 2014's total allocation.*

## Calculate Your Allocation

- 1** Add together all of the energy-related charges from each monthly electric bill you received in 2014.
- 2** Add together the totals from each month's bill obtained in Step 1 to find the total for the year.
- 3** Multiply this total by 0.04003. This will give you the Capital Credits amount allocated to your account for 2014.

## SWAP SHOP

Lowe's Dump Trailer, pulls behind lawn mower. Used one time, \$75. Also 6-1/2 ft. pre-lit Christmas tree, Free. 336-857-0138 or 336-301-2365.

Murray riding mower, 17hp, 40" cut with grass catcher. New belts & battery. \$450. 336-381-3175.

Bowhunters special, cleaned deer corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6 each while supplies last. 336-622-2480 or 336-736-0390.

Leinbach Potato Plow with 1-point hitch attachment, both work on Farmall tractors. \$175. 336-879-8294.

Piano. VGC. \$1200 OBO. 336-241-2652 after 1:00 pm.

1950 Ballis Chalmers w/ cultivators, etc. \$1800. 910-673-2504.

Upright Piano & bench, GC, \$250. 440-371-6592.

Reese Spring Bars for a camper or tow trailer 12,000 pounds maximum trailer weight. \$100. 336-629-2560.

Coachmen 1850 pop up camper, \$975, sleeps 6. Gas stove, sink, ice box, new battery, jack stands. Troy area. 910-571-1388.

Simplicity 44" cut, 16 HP Kohler engine lawn tractor, \$650. Stehl Tow Car Dolly, \$800. 336-376-1928.

Kaufman trailer, gooseneck, 16 ft, steel floor, tandem ramps, \$1600. Denton area. 336-857-2368.

Oak light fixture, fluorescent 4 bulbs, very nice condition, \$50. 336-409-5450.

Two Cub Cadet mowers Model #3186, 20 HP Kohler engines, EC. Great for parts. \$400 for both. 919-663-4596.

Wood working equipment: Sears woodshaper with stand \$150, Shopsmith 12" planer w/ stand \$300, Sears 10" bandsaw \$75. Equipment for Cub Farmall Tractor, Sickle Mower \$100, Woodsaw with pulley \$100, Disc Plow \$100, Mott Mower \$300. 910-464-2331.

Left front & rear windows & left front & rear window regulators from 1995 Camry. \$50 each. 336-381-3175.

4 acres land, Patterson Grove area. 2 septic tanks, 1 well, w/ SW, 2-bedroom mobile home & 1 camper. 336-824-4308.

10 acres land in Bruton community off Pekin Road in Troy. Tax value \$27,900. 910-220-0633.

Complete frame shop with all equipment including blower system & industrial air compressor. 336-824-4308.

10.54 acres land, has some timber, easy access, has paved road frontage, located on Brewer Rd in Moore County near Dover Church. 910-464-3845.

7 acres land, 280 ft paved road frontage located on Brookdale Dr Franklinville Township in Randolph County. \$35,000 neg. 910-948-2145 or 910-585-3941.

Concrete float, Werner extension & step ladders, Dewalt Miter saw, Werner 12in x 24 ft walk board, nail guns, 1800 sq. ft metal building with 1 acre land. 336-629-5866.

Cleaned Feed Wheat, 50-lb. bag, \$9. 336-622-2480 or 336-736-0390.

Rare book, "From the Hills to the Sea" by Archibald Rutledge. Facts & Legends of the Carolinas, 1st edition, GC. \$35 + S&H. 910-948-3259.

9-ft Blanton Disc, Model #900, \$1,000. John Deere double bottom trip plow 16" Model F4E, \$500. Two all-purpose cultivators, 9 shank, \$400 each. Smoke exhaust fan for welder, one horse power Dayton motor, \$300. All GC, Asheboro area. 336-302-4965.

2007 Buick Lucerne, one owner, heated seats & steering wheel, VGC. \$4,100. 910-572-5589.

Convertible boot for Toyota Solara, original genuine part, grey leather, all snaps intact, no tears, from 2004 model, EC. \$125. 336-953-1969.

White twin bed with new mattress, box springs, headboard, footboard, rails, & 4-drawer white chest \$300 OBO. 336-683-5229.

New handmade quilts, F, Q & K. Will also repair & finish quilts. Paperback Western books for sale. 336-625-4548.

3,000 Red Sex Sal Link pullets, chickens at laying age 16 weeks+, vaccinated & debeaked, \$6.75 & up. Liberty area. 336-708-2998.

Members email Swap Shop items to [General@RandolphEMC.com](mailto:General@RandolphEMC.com)

# People Helping People “Shares Success” with 11 Local Non-Profit Agencies

Randolph Electric Membership Corporation’s People Helping People (PHP) Program recently awarded \$11,700 to 11 local non-profit agencies as part of a special Community Grants program. Funding for the awards was made possible by money that PHP received from national cooperative lender CoBank’s *Sharing Success* matching grant program.

Registered 501(c)(3) organizations in Alamance, Moore, Montgomery, Chatham and Randolph counties were eligible to apply for funding up to \$2,000 to implement programs or purchase needed equipment to facilitate a program that would help make a positive impact in the communities where Randolph EMC member-owners reside.

“All grant applications were carefully reviewed by the People Helping People Board,” noted Katherine Brady, President of People Helping People Board of Directors. “It’s amazing how many great projects our local non-profits are working on and we are honored to have the opportunity to help make a positive impact in our home communities,” she added.

“With such a great need in our communities, the board voted to add a little extra money from our reserves to raise the grants awarded to \$11,700. We are extremely proud to award these grants and know our support will impact many families, friends and members of the communities that we serve,” Brady said.

People Helping People enables members to “round up” their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar. The extra change goes into the People Helping People account, which is used to provide financial support to individuals and organizations within the five counties served by Randolph EMC. In 2014 alone, People Helping People supported 88 Randolph EMC members totaling \$11,825 in donations.

This is the third year People Helping People has received funding from CoBank’s *Sharing Success* matching grant program. In previous years, grants were used to build up the organization’s reserves; however, this year’s \$5,000 grant, combined with Randolph EMC’s matching \$5,000 donation, was earmarked to help non-profit agencies with high-impact projects.

**The 11 grants awarded through People Helping People are:**

- Central Asheboro Boys & Girls Club, \$1,200
- Christians United Outreach Center, \$1,000
- Communities in Schools of Moore County, \$1,000
- Communities in Schools of Randolph County, \$1,200
- Eastern Randolph Food Pantry, \$800
- Montgomery County 4-H, \$1,500
- Prancing Horse Foundation, \$900
- Randolph County Partnership for Children, \$1,200
- Randolph County Senior Adults Association, \$1,200
- Sandhills Moore Coalition, \$500
- Troy Elementary School, \$1,200

## PHP Helps Keep Meals on Wheels Rolling with \$1,200 Community Grant

Meals on Wheels is a much-needed program in Randolph County that delivers nutritious noon-day meals to homebound senior citizens.

“We are extremely appreciative of the financial support provided by People Helping People, allowing Randolph County citizens to maintain their independence through access to healthy foods.”

—Dawn Gartman,  
RCSAA Executive Director



*Randolph County Senior Adults Association's Executive Director Dawn Gartman (left), Nancy Merrill, RCSAA's Asheboro Center Director (middle) and Lauren Ingold, REMC's Public Relations Coordinator (right).*

# AWARE

*a word about*  
*Randolph Electric*

Dear Members,

by Dale Lambert, CEO

Well, it is that time of the year again. For the hurricane season, which officially runs from June 1–November 30, NOAA is predicting a 70 percent likelihood of 6 to 11 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher), of which 3 to 6 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher), including zero to 2 major hurricanes (Category 3, 4 or 5; winds of 111 mph or higher). While a below-normal season is likely (70 percent), there is also a 20 percent chance of a near-normal season, and a 10 percent chance of an above-normal season.

Sometimes, unless we are directly affected, it is hard to comprehend what others go through when a major weather event strikes an area. Our memories are relatively short. When we reflect back to Hurricanes Hugo, Fran and Floyd, we are reminded of the severe damage that a widespread, intense storm can cause. We are also reminded that, even though we live in central North Carolina, we can still feel the impact of hurricanes.

Being as prepared as possible is the key. Here are a few suggestions for disaster supplies to have on hand and preparations to make before a hurricane or major storm arrives.

- Have a kit with the following items readily accessible:
  - Several flashlights with extra batteries
  - Portable battery operated radio and extra batteries
  - Solar-powered chargers for mobile devices
  - First Aid Kit
  - Sufficient supply of non-perishable food & drinking water
  - Non-electric can opener
  - Sufficient supply of essential medications
  - Enough cash to use for a few days
- Fill the bathtub with water to be used as non-potable water.
- Fill up all vehicles with gas.
- Take necessary precautions for pets.
- Plan early for family members with special needs.

- Check often for official weather bulletins. Download the free weather alert app available from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for your mobile device or keep a NOAA Weather Radio with battery backup to receive alerts and warnings.
- Know the location of your nearest storm shelter.
- Secure lawn furniture and other objects susceptible to wind found in and around your yard.
- Use extreme caution when connecting portable generators. Incorrect installation can lead to accidental electrocution or damaged appliances.
- Inventory your property. A list of items and photos will help with any insurance claims.

I encourage you to visit [Ready.gov](http://Ready.gov) for a comprehensive guide on how to prepare for storms and other disasters. This site is designed to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to various emergencies. In addition, if you have a power outage, report it to 1-877-736-2633 and always stay away and keep others away from downed power lines!

I commit to you that Randolph EMC will be as prepared as possible in the event a major hurricane comes our way this year. I ask you to do your part for your family and take these suggestions to heart. They will help you and your family safely “weather the storm.”

Cooperatively Yours,



Dale F. Lambert,  
Chief Executive Officer

