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Safety for All

Randolph EMC has always been dedicated to providing safe, reliable and affordable utility service to you, our member-owners. The lengths we go to keep you, your family and our linemen and other employees safe are a point of pride for us and are never taken lightly.

For your co-op employees, safety comes first in all that we do. As a matter of fact, as we start each new workweek, our engineering and operations staff gather for a group safety meeting. Our line crews begin each job in the field with one as well. Safety is not just a practice for those working directly with electricity, though. Randolph EMC's entire employee team is committed to meeting the strict criteria for safety accreditation through the nationally recognized Rural Electric Safety Achievement Program (RESAP), and all employees participate in hazard recognition, CPR and First Aid training, and meet regularly to discuss safety topics.

As a member-owner of Randolph Electric, you, too, have a role. If you see any potentially dangerous situations or practices, you should report them to us as soon as possible. You should also exercise extreme caution before performing tasks that could interfere with electric lines.

The more people we have in our communities who are knowledgeable about electrical safety, the safer we all will be!



Before this line crew begins work on replacing this broken pole, they meet to assess damage and discuss safety.

Remember to:

- Never touch or go near a low-hanging or fallen power line—you will not be able to tell if it is still energized. Call 911 to REMC to report any hazards.
- Call 811 to have all underground lines located before digging for any reason.
- Look up and around before cutting or trimming trees near power lines. Check with REMC before beginning your work or contact a professional for help.
- Know how to use your portable generator and make sure to have a transfer switch installed by a licensed electrician.

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REMC Offices will be closed Monday, May 30, for Memorial Day.



The deadline for PHP's Community Grants Program is quickly approaching! Nonprofits may apply for up to \$2,000 for worthy projects by May 31!

Round Up to Give a Hand Up

We know you love this community as much as we do. So here's good news: Through People Helping People (PHP), you can partner with Randolph EMC in our charitable work. The program is supported by members who "round up" their monthly electric bills to the nearest dollar. Extra change is contributed to worthy causes throughout the community.

For each participating customer, that's an average of just \$6 extra per year (or about 50 cents a month). It may not sound like much, but these pennies from many of our members add up quickly.

Now you can enroll in PHP in our online Member Portal System! Simply log into your account at RandolphEMC.com and navigate to People Helping People under the Services section.

Learn more at RandolphEMC.com



Avoid setting your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner. It will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense.

Service Rules & Regulations Revisions Approved

Your Randolph EMC Board of Directors recently approved the following changes to the cooperative's Service Rules and Regulations:

- Security deposit requirements will be determined using Online Utility Exchange's percentage-based score.
- Security deposits will be applied to a member's account after a period of 12 consecutive months of maintaining an 'A' credit rating.
- Upon closing an account, any remaining credit or security deposit amounts less than one dollar will not be refunded unless the member submits a specific refund request to the cooperative.

In addition to these updates, various rate descriptions were added to Appendix 1. The complete revision of the Service Rules and Regulations booklet is available online at RandolphEMC.com.

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Asheboro(336) 625-5177
(800) 672-8212
 Robbins:(910) 948-3401
(800) 868-7014
 Power Failures:(877) REMC-OFF
(877) 736-2633
 Bill Payments:(877) 534-2319
 Office Hours: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, M-F

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SWAP SHOP

FOR SALE

Gray camper shell w/side windows, custom, fits Chevy long bed truck. EC. \$400. 336-302-6807.

Barn, ~70 yrs. old, \$500. Tear down & clean debris. 910-572-5589.

3 Game Chickens & 2 Game Roosters, all \$50. Sleeper sofa, green cloth w/print. \$100 OBO. 336-879-2686.

Window shades, NIB from Select Blinds. (2) 30x72 & (2) 29x70. White, outside mount. \$60. 336-622-3690.

Dr. Brush trimmer, like new, \$750. Bog Harrow, 3-pt hitch, \$350. Singer pedal sewing machine, \$75. Singer electric sewing machine, \$150. 336-381-4710.

3 building lots in Salisbury, Wendover Heights Subdivision. ~1/2 acre ea. Cul-de-sac location. \$16,000 OBO. 336-301-2365.

Simplicity Rear Tine Tiller, 9HP Briggs eng., \$275. Merry Front Tine Tiller, 3HP Briggs eng., needs tune up, \$75. 336-581-3565.

10 assorted prom dresses, ≤\$50 ea. 336-460-0774.

Dining room set, oak table w/6 chairs, oval w/claw feet, 2 leaves, \$500. Outdoor patio set, rectangular table w/6 chairs, \$300. Diving board for in-ground pool, \$100. Decorative outdoor fan, \$50. Outdoor crank style umbrella w/base, \$50. OBO on all items. 336-498-2967.

Ammco Model 4000 Brake Lathe & all attachments, turns Disk or Brake Drums. EC. \$2,000. 910-528-5106 or 910-295-2307.

Grass catcher for John Deere LT 115 mower, \$150. 336-381-3175.

Oak coffee table w/matching end table \$70. 2 oak rocking chairs \$40 ea., \$70/pair. 2 coffee tables \$25 ea. Computer desk w/hutch, wood laminate \$60. Twin bookcases \$30 ea., \$50/pair. Oak dining room table w/6 chairs or hutch, \$100ea. 910-464-3914.

Couch, love seat, & chair. Genuine dark brown leather. EC. Retail \$3,000. Asking \$1800. 336-873-7659.

Casio Keyboard w/stand, EC, \$200. 336-301-2365.

Nigerian Dwarf goats, babies, both male & female \$75 - \$125. 336-672-3122 or 336-953-3776.

4 bow-back, curved & turned dining room chairs, 2 w/arms, 2 w/o, sturdy, \$90. Full size bed, headboard, footboard, & rails w/night stand & chest of drawers, 1970's white w/gold spray, \$300. 336-475-5411.

Kubota 900 RTV 4x4 Diesel \$8,000. 336-857-2368.

Baker's rack, metal & wood w/2 drawers & wood counter shelf, \$90. Solid wood cheval mirror, \$65. 336-953-9114.

Parts for 1997 Honda Accord EX-V6. Working parts, body & interior in EC. New tires, bad motor & transmission. 910-464-2617.

Cleaned deer corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6 ea. Cleaned Feed Wheat, 50 lb. bags, \$8 ea. 336-622-2480 or 336-736-0390.

Golf carts, \$1000 & up, gas & electric, repair service on all makes & models. 336-302-2286.

Red Sex-Link laying hens, 21-22 weeks old, \$18 ea w/volume discounts available. Farm Fresh Brown Eggs for \$3/dozen or better price if purchased by 30-dozen case. Seagrove area. 336-964-6277.

FOR SALE or TRADE: 3/4 acre land, Montgomery Co, Lake Tillery. In gated community with tennis, pool, walking trails, playground, fishing off bank, picnicking, boat docking w/inexpensive storage. We have our own campground also, reasonable. Would love to trade for equal land suitable for mobile home in nearby Montgomery, Richmond, or Stanly County. 910-220-0077.

FOR RENT

New SW MH 3BR 2BA in small park. Bear Creek area. 336-906-6612.

1-acre MH lot near High Falls. \$150/month. 910-464-3459.

2-acre lot for 2/3 BR SW or DW mobile home. Unrestricted w/well & septic. Patterson Grove area. 336-214-5642.

Members, email SwapShop items to
General@RandolphEMC.com

During a summer storm, indoors is the safest place to be

- Keep an ear to the weather forecast and an eye to the sky at this time of year and decide to stay inside if a thunderstorm threatens.
- There is no safe place from lightning when you are outside. If you can hear thunder, you are close enough to be struck by lightning. If you happen to be caught outdoors and are unable to take shelter in a building, get into a fully-enclosed vehicle with a solid metal roof.
- Do not seek shelter under tall, solitary trees or canopies, in small picnic or rain shelters or in an open-frame vehicle like a golf cart, mower, tractor or convertible. Stay away from power poles, flag poles, fences, gates and metal bleachers.
- After the storm, be alert for dangers that can be left behind. Downed power lines can be hidden in tree limbs and debris. Assume all power lines are energized. Stay away from the lines and anything that may be touching them. Contact REMC immediately.

We appreciate the prompt service after we lost power and several sections of our barn with the last windstorm. We saw the dedication and cooperation among all the workers. Our power was restored in three hours and they had to put up a new pole. Crew members came back three days later and fixed our yard and driveway. Please pass along our thanks to all the linemen. We are proud to be part of R.E.A.

Marian & Marie Johnson, Snow Camp

AWARE

a word about
Randolph Electric

by Dale Lambert, CEO



Dear Members,

Wow, how this past year has flown by! I was telling my Sunday school class recently how I was looking forward to retirement sometime in the far future, when time would finally slow down. There were a few chuckles from some of the retirees in the class, but I don't know why...

I know it's hard for you to believe, but preparations are well underway for Randolph EMC's 78th annual meeting of the membership. It only seems like a couple of months ago when we were together at our previous annual meeting.

So please mark your calendars now for the 78th Annual Meeting, which will be held on Friday, June 17, 2016, at Southwestern Randolph High School in their air-conditioned gymnasium. Our theme this year is: Powering a New Generation of Service. I encourage you to be an active member-owner and attend the annual meeting of your electric utility.

Your cooperative's electric distribution system covers over 1,500 square miles of area in five counties. It stretches from Mt. Gilead to Snow Camp, from Badin Lake to Goldston, and from Randleman to Pinehurst. Each year, for over three-quarters of a century, dedicated members from across Randolph EMC's service territory have converged to conduct the business of the cooperative. This is a tradition that should continue and grow even stronger in the future.

The annual meeting is important because it gives our members the opportunity to hear reports about the condition and operation of your cooperative over the past year. The electric utility industry is undergoing tremendous change, with many challenges and opportunities, and this gathering allows your leadership to provide updates on our strategic response to this changing environment.

Unlike investor-owned utilities, those receiving their electric service from Randolph EMC own the cooperative. The members have a voice in the operation of the business through their participation at the annual meeting.

In addition to the business portion of the meeting, members will elect three individuals to represent their

interests on the Board of Directors.

Randolph EMC's Board of Directors is

comprised of nine members who meet monthly to hear reports, make decisions and set the strategic direction for the cooperative. The three directorate districts that will stand for election this year are District 1, currently held by James Andrews; District 3, currently held by Larry Routh; and District 6, currently held by Sue Spencer.

The annual meeting is not all business, though. It's a great time to get together with old friends and a chance to establish new friendships from other parts of the Randolph EMC cooperative family.

There will be music, homemade ice cream and lots of information about conservation, energy efficiency and the many programs we offer that deliver value and help you to save money on your electric bill.

And don't miss the rescue demonstrations that our line technicians will be performing. Each lineman must be trained to rescue a co-worker if he is injured while working off the ground. It's been a few years since our talented line personnel have performed this demonstration for the members, but I think you will find it fascinating to watch.

Another reason to attend the annual meeting is that we award more than 100 really nice door prizes that range from small appliances to local pottery. We'll also have bicycles of all sizes and other fun prizes for the children who attend. No one leaves empty-handed, though. Each registered member who attends will receive a gift at the conclusion of the evening.

In next month's Carolina Country, you will receive the annual report and additional information about the annual meeting. I look forward to seeing you there!

Cooperatively Yours,

Dale F. Lambert,
Chief Executive Officer