

Watts Working

Together, We Can Make a Difference with PHP

The “power of change” has been at work in Randolph EMC’s service territory since 2000, thanks to generous members and the People Helping People (PHP) program.

Our members volunteer to have their monthly electric bill rounded up to the next dollar, with the excess change going to help fellow members who have been met with a hardship that is outside of their control. By joining with their neighbors to put their pennies to work for the common good, PHP participants have helped more than 800 cooperative families across Randolph, Moore, Montgomery, Chatham and Alamance counties since the program began.

PHP also recently established a separate Community Grants program made possible by funds received from CoBank’s Sharing Success matching grant program. Together with a matching donation from Randolph EMC, PHP is able to set aside this money from outside sources to support projects from local non-profit agencies that benefit REMC members.

A board of directors made up of seven volunteer REMC members reviews donation referrals and administers the funds for PHP. The money donated by members’ rounded-up bills goes directly to other members in need.

“PHP was born out of the true cooperative spirit of neighbors working together to help neighbors, and I feel blessed to have served on the PHP board,” said Mary Priscilla Clay, who recently retired from the PHP board of directors. “My hope for the future of the program is that each and every Randolph Electric member would sign up to participate. It’s just pennies a month that we’re donating, but together, we’re making a big difference in the lives of fellow members who are truly in need,” she added.

Participating in PHP is easy! You can opt into the program by visiting the Services section of your account on the online member service portal on RandolphEMC.com.



Attention, Sophomores & Juniors...
You could win a FREE trip to Washington, D.C.!

Who:

Rising High School Juniors & Seniors

What:

The highlight of your summer! On your all-expense-paid trip, you’ll join more than 1,600 other students from across the U.S. in our nation’s capital to visit museums & monuments, chat with legislators, enjoy a harbor cruise, & learn more about the cooperative business model.

When:

June 12-16, 2017

Download your application at RandolphEMC.com and submit it to us by **December 31, 2016!**

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REMC offices will be closed Nov. 11 for Veterans Day and Nov. 24 & 25 for the Thanksgiving holidays.



Lighten Your Load with Auto Pay Options

You have a full plate, tons of fish to fry, and too many irons in the fire. We have a suggestion that will shorten your to-do list:

Sign up for Bank Draft or set up Recurring Payments and have your monthly Randolph EMC payment automatically deducted from your checking or savings account or from the debit or credit card you authorize. You save time and postage while you gain peace of mind.

Opt in and manage these and other services by logging onto your account on our online member service portal at RandolphEMC.com. Go one step further and elect to only receive an electronic bill and enable text alerts to keep track of your usage throughout the month to have an idea of how much you'll owe before your bill arrives!

As a teacher, I understand the environmental benefits of solar energy and appreciate Randolph Electric's efforts to incorporate a program that supports renewable and clean energy.

— Mary Forkner, SunPath® Subscriber

Learn how you, too, can enjoy the benefits of SunPath® Community Solar at RandolphEMC.com



SWAP SHOP

FOR SALE

2005 NorTrac Tractor 4WD, front end loader, GC, needs motor. \$2,000. 336-625-4298.

1965 Pontiac GTO, Chevy 350cu Vortec, 650 Holley, TH350, PS, PB. Original 10 bolt posi, 390 gears. Winter mint green paint, aluminum rims, new radials. Great looking & reliable. Older frame off restoration. Not a hot rod. \$15,000. 336-460-7022.

Curio cabinet with glass shelving & lighting, very nice condition. Dimensions: 19.5 W x 10 D x 70 H. \$40. 336-521-0191.

1964-1/2 Mustang, 289 4bbl, 4 speed w/Rally Pac and console, black with black interior, 6,000 miles on rebuilt engine, original matching numbers car, garage kept. Serious inquiries only please. \$17,500. 919-837-5170.

Recording King RK-50 Banjo, no marks or scratches on body, comes with strap, books, tuner, stand, & hard case, all in EC. \$550 OBO. Hohner Chromonica 270 w/case, made in Germany. Seven 532/20 Blues Harps, made in Germany w/cases. Cords A,B,C,E,F&G. Eleven Johnson "The Blues King" harmonicas with 11 different cords in a hard side case lined with velvet that zips for carrying. \$250. 336-953-3280.

Homelite Chain Saw, 14" Bar \$75. Set of golf clubs with bag, \$100. 336-581-3565.

Nigerian Dwarf Goat Kids, many colors available, prices range from \$75-\$125. 336-953-3776.

Pigmy goats, all colors, male and female. \$60 ea. 336-873-7805.

1998 Chevy S-10, ZR2, V-6, 4.3 Super Cab Automatic, 4WD, 152,000 miles. \$3,850. 2003 Ford Ranger, V-6 3.0, 5-speed manual transmission. \$2,000. 336-879-3433.

Troy-Bilt Horse Model Tiller, Electric Start, 6HP Tecumseh Engine, \$400. 336-824-7339.

Chore-Time Super Plus Selector PNT + AVS45 Part #33800F. \$1,000. 336-857-2368.

3,000 Red Sex Sal Link pullets, chickens at laying age 16 weeks plus, vaccinated & debeaked, \$6.90 & up. Liberty area. 336-708-2998 or 336-317-4105.

Mortar Mixer, practically new, processes 8 bags. \$1,000 OBO. 336-625-4298.

Tesoro Compare & Silver Umax metal detectors for \$225. Great Condition. 336-963-5706.

1986 GT Convertible Mustang, red with white top, one owner. \$18,000 neg. Heirloom Quilts made in early '40s. \$125 each OBO. 336-629-2560.

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

Alan Kulwicki #7 Racing Jacket, XL, red, blue, cream satin, never worn. New handmade quilts, F,Q,K. Also repair & finish quilts. Set of 15 pocket knives. 336-625-4548.

1999 Coronado 2BR 2BA furnished, 14' x 62' mobile home & lot. Well, septic, storage. Lot #244 Buccaneer Hills, Holden Beach. \$60,000. 336-824-8724.

46 acres of land (28 acres cleared field, 15 acres wooded and approximately 3 acres of adjoining building lots) in Southwestern Randolph school district. All property with highway & street frontage. \$180,000 for all. Will not divide. 336-963-2941 or 336-653-6040.

FOR RENT: 3 BR, SW Mobile Home, \$475/month. Also lot for rent located in High Falls area, \$150/month. 910-464-3459.

FOR RENT: 2 BR, SW Mobile Home in Franklinville area. 336-639-0323.

Members, email SwapShop items to
General@RandolphEMC.com

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 Robbinston(910) 948-3401
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 Power Failures:(877) REMC-OFF
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2016 Election State & Local Candidate List

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Thomas Mills (D) www.thomasmillsnc.com

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Pat McCrory (R) www.patmccrory.com

Lon Cecil (L) www.electcecil.org

Roy Cooper (D) www.roycooper.com

N.C. Lieutenant Governor

Dan Forest (R) www.danforest.com

Jacki Cole (L) www.facebook.com/JackiCole4NCLG

Linda Coleman (D) lindaformc.com

N.C. Senate

District 23 Chatham/Orange

Valerie Foushee (D) www.fousheeformc.com

Mary Lopez-Carter (R) www.marylopezcarter.com

District 24 Alamance/Randolph

Richard W. Gunn, Jr. (R) www.gunnformc.com

John Thorpe (D) www.johnthorpeformc.com

District 29 Randolph/Moore

Jerry Tillman (R) <https://www.facebook.com/jerrytillman>

District 33 Montgomery/Davidson

Cathy Dunn www.cathydunnformc.com

Jim Beall Graham jimbeallgraham.com

N.C. House

District 52 Moore

Jamie Boles (R) on Facebook at tinyurl.com/Boles-52

District 54 Chatham/Lee

Robert T. Reives, II (D) www.reivesforhouse.com

Wesley Seawell (R) seawellformc.com/wixsite.com/home

District 64 Alamance

Dennis Riddell (R) www.riddell4nchouse64.com

District 66 Montgomery/Richmond

Ken Goodman (D) <https://www.facebook.com/repkengoodman>

District 67 Montgomery/Stanly

Justin P. Burr (R) <https://www.facebook.com/Justin-Burr-22193783402/>

Billy Mills (U) www.billymills.net

Carson Roger Snyder (D) www.carsonsnnyder.com

District 70 Randolph

Pat Hurley (R) n/a

Lois Bohnsack (D) <https://electloisbohnsacknc70.com>

District 78 Moore/Randolph

Allen Ray McNeill (R) www.facebook.com/Allen-McNeill-for-NC-House-142734345873281

William (Bill) McCaskill n/a



Fall Into Energy Savings

As scarves and light jackets leave closets this fall, be ready to cut the chill and your energy bill with these seasonal tips:

- Set your thermostat no higher than 68 degrees and be sure to lower the temperature when you go to bed or are not at home. This saves money and keeps you warm.
- During the day, open shades and curtains to allow solar heating. Close them at night to retain the day's heat.
- Check your home's weather stripping for air leaks around doors, windows, baseboards, and wherever pipes, wires, and vents enter the house. Make sure the warm air you paid for won't escape.
- Have your heating system serviced by contractor who has a certification through the North American Technician Excellence (NATE) program, and replace furnace filters at least once every three months. Clean filters once a month during the heating season to keep the system at peak performance.

Want more home energy efficiency tips? See how little changes can add up to big savings at www.TogetherWeSave.com.

AWARE

a word about
Randolph Electric

Dear Members,

by Dale Lambert, CEO

We are nearing a very important time in the life of our nation. The upcoming election is a time when we select citizens, from among us, to be our representatives and leaders in government. In this month's Watts Working, we have provided you with a listing of the legislative candidates that wish to serve you, our members, in Raleigh and Washington. I want to encourage you, if you are not already, to be part of the election process.

Why should I vote? In a free country, where the citizens have the opportunity to choose our governmental leadership, it would seem this would be a question that is asked by only a few. You would think the masses would know the answer without giving it much thought. But sadly, that is not the case.

First, we as Americans should realize that the opportunity to elect our government came at a price. Through the centuries, from the first struggle to gain our freedom as a sovereign nation, to the war on terrorism, men and women have faithfully answered the call of service to our nation. They have placed themselves in harm's way so that we have the privilege to exercise the most basic, yet most profound, act of democracy—casting a vote. Through the years, many brave men and women have served, suffered, and some have even given their lives to preserve the freedom and liberty that we,

as a nation, take for granted more and more as the years go by.

Second, we should set the example and expect our young people to become a part of the election process. We as parents should teach our children about the responsibility that is expected from the inhabitants of a free nation, voting on Election Day. If our younger generation understands what is expected and why it is important, they will be more engaged.

I have heard it said, "I'm only one vote, my vote doesn't count". All elections begin with that first vote. It is just as important as the last one. After an election, there are many reports of races being won and lost by just one vote. When I hear these reports, it reminds me of the importance of being involved in the process.

I did a little research on the voter turnout from our last presidential election in 2012. The statistics are discouraging. According to the United States Census Bureau, only 62 percent of eligible citizens actually voted in the last election, down from 64 percent in 2008. We can do much better than that!

When we fail to vote, we miss out on the special opportunity to shape our local communities, our state and our nation's future. America is facing great challenges domestically and abroad. All of us should exercise our right to have a voice in the direction our great nation



should go. We are giving up part of our freedom when we neglect the privilege we have as Americans to participate in the electoral process.

We've included a list of candidates and their campaign websites so that you can do your research to determine where the candidates from all levels of government stand on issues that are important to you. Just showing up and randomly making selections is not the most prudent practice. I also encourage you to visit vote.coop to learn more about candidates and issues affecting electric cooperatives.

Don't leave democracy to someone else. That person or group may not share the same morals, ideas and concerns you do. President Dwight D. Eisenhower once said, "Politics should be the part-time profession of every citizen." President Thomas Jefferson stated, "We in America do not have government by the majority, but government by the majority that votes." These statements hold true today.

Be a voice in this upcoming election. The survival of America and our future liberty depends on you. Your vote does count!

Cooperatively Yours,

Dale F. Lambert,
Chief Executive Officer