

Watts Working

\$2.5 Million in Capital Credits Returned to Members in June

Putting money back into members' pockets with Capital Credits is just one unique difference that sets Randolph Electric apart from investor-owned utilities. This year, the Randolph EMC Board of Directors authorized a general retirement of \$2.5 million, with this year's estate retirements estimated at \$530,000. That's a total of more than \$3 million that's flowing back to our members and into the local economy in the five counties we serve.

This retirement will return 97 percent of the remaining patronage capital from 1993, and 31 percent of 2016's capital credits allocation.

As a cooperative business, Randolph Electric doesn't earn profits. Instead, any revenues remaining after all expenses have been paid each year are considered "margins." They are returned to the members after being used for a period of years as capital to help financemajor long-term reliability projects, includingsubstations and power lines and poles.

Each year, the Board of Directors decides on a capital credit retirement based on the financial health of the cooperative. The amount of capital



credits allocated to a member's account is based upon the amount of capital they contribute to the cooperative through payment of their monthly bills. The more electricity a member buys, the greater their capital credit allocation. Capital credits are allocated on a continuous cycle: the cooperative collects for current needs to deliver reliable electricity while returning funds collected in previous years. This helps offset the need to borrow funds, thereby helping keep your electricity rates lower.

Capital credit checks were mailed out to members in early June. Refund amounts less than \$20 were issued as a bill credit.

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Keeping Cool in the Kitchen This Summer

Cooking in the summer can be unbearable, and the last thing you want to do on the hottest, most humid days is turn on the oven to make dinner. Your air conditioner works extra hard during summer months to keep your home cool, so why not give it a break with these easy tips.



Use toaster or convection ovens for small meals rather than your stove or oven. They use one-third to one-half as much energy as a full-sized oven.



Plan a couple of no-bake meals or ones you can cook in the microwave.



Take advantage of longer days and use an outdoor grill to cook.



Run the dishwasher with full loads only, and if possible, use the energy-saving cycle.

For more ways to save around the house this summer, visit the [Manage My Energy](http://ManageMyEnergy.RandolphEMC.com) section of RandolphEMC.com. Explore the new Home Energy Adventure while you're there!

Swap Shop

For Sale

1978 FJ40 Landcruiser, 6 cylinder motor, 4WD, manual 4-speed transmission. Has been in the U.S. for 3 years. Came from Australia, off white, hard top, excellent running condition. 2004 Suzuki Grand Vitara RWD, automatic transmission, AC, Power windows & door locks, Keyless entry, Gold color, 131,000 miles, 2 owners, tinted windows, cloth seats, excellent interior. Suzuki is the same car as the Chevrolet Tracker \$4300. 336-834-8376.

Golf Sr. Special - 6 Tickets for 1 round of golf Monday - Thursday. Tillery Tradition. Value \$210. Will sell for \$140. Vintage Ladies Spaulding persimmon head woods 1-4 \$64 or with matched Spaulding irons & bag \$79. Otey Crisman wood shaft mallet putter \$35. Louisville Grand Slam wood shaft H&B Putter \$35. 336-288-4741.

Table saw. Five antique wash tubs. Western books by Zane Grey & Louis L'Amour. \$75 for 15 knives. Power adjustor for RV hookup. 336-625-4548.

Dining Room table with 6 chairs, \$125. Matching lighted china cabinet \$100 & buffet \$75. 2 large window air conditioners \$100 each. Large men's black leather chaps \$100. DOT men's helmets with flipped shields, like new \$100. 910-673-5052.

Brunswick-Balke-Collender pool table, 9-ft. size. Slate, felt, frame good. Cues, cue rack, balls, &

table light included. \$500 OBO. 910-947-2566.

2017 enclosed 6x12 trailer, V-nose, LED lights, rear ramp/door, side door, interior lights, roof vent, \$2550. Lawn edger, like new, used less than one hour, \$110. 336-381-3175.

1986 GT Convertible Mustang, red with white top, one owner. \$17,000 neg. Heirloom Quilts made in early 1940's. \$125 each OBO. 336-629-2560.

Curt trailer hitch, fits 2012 & other years Toyota Highlander, new \$175 OBO. Thule 2-Bike carrier for Reese hitch complete, has latch to raise arms & hitch from vehicle \$175 OBO. 1989 Honda Accord, nice, clean, runs good \$900 OBO. 910-690-2660 or 910-295-6520.

Extension ladders, step ladders, Miter Saw, & Nail Guns. 336-629-5866.

Chore-Time Super Plus Selector PNT +AVS45 Part #33800F for poultry house. \$500 each. 336-857-2368.

Dark brown vinyl recliner, \$25 cash. 336-301-2365 before 8pm.

Bass Buggy 18' Pontoon Boat with 150HP 2-Cycle motor with fish finder, electric trolling motor, large bait tank, Bimini top, trailer with new tires & new spare. \$3,000. 336-302-7993.

Western Paperback books. 156 Jake Logan by Tabor Evans. 93 Longarm by Wesley Ellis. \$.50 each. 336-498-2561.

Classic 1979 Airstream Trailer 31ft. Well cared for. Rear bath, twin beds with double mattresses. Kitchen with microwave oven, living-dining area. Blankets, bed linens, pots, pans & cutlery included. \$12,000 firm. 910-673-8354.

Pictures, B&W & color, 8x10 \$10 or 10x13 \$25. All bridges & mills of the Uwharrie River including the Pisgah Covered Bridge. 336-629-2533.

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.

Cleaned deer corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6 each. Cleaned Feed Wheat, 50 lb. bags, \$8 each. Cleaned cracked corn, 50 lb. bags, \$6.50 each. 336-622-2480 or 336-736-0390.

WANTED: Will pay cash for junk cars & trucks. 336-581-3423.

FREE: National Geographic, years 1961-2000. Some leather bound without ads, some in six months holders. 910-571-0144.

FREE: Mobile home 12x65 handyman special, no leaks, must be moved. 336-381-3175.

Members, email Swap Shop items to General@RandolphEMC.com



Randolph EMC Provides Zero-Interest Loan to Robbins Fire & Rescue

You've probably seen a new, shiny fire engine, loaded with the newest upgrades in fire safety and technology rushing throughout the Town of Robbins recently. This new truck purchase was made possible by a \$360,000 zero-interest loan from Randolph EMC back in April.

Randolph Electric was able to extend the loan through its Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund. The fund was established by way of the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant (REDLG) program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The program provides zero-interest loans and grants to local electric cooperatives, that, in turn, lend the money to qualifying recipients for projects in support of community and economic development in rural areas.

"The USDA's REDLG program is part of Randolph EMC's mission to support the communities we serve," said Steve Harris, who serves as REMC's District 8 Board of Directors. "As a member-owned cooperative, we are proud to be able to provide financial support for the purchase of equipment that will enhance the safety and well-being of not only those we serve, but the entire community served by Robbins Fire and Rescue Department.

The Robbins Fire and Rescue Department provides its surrounding community with fire and rescue services with a primary station located at 301 Branson Circle in Robbins. The department responded to 636 emergency calls in 2016. Fires accounted for 254 of the calls, while 382 were rescue or medical calls.

The new fire truck is decked out with the most advanced supplies and tools to more efficiently and safely help first responders during emergencies. The new engine can easily hold six firefighters, comfortably. Chief Jarius Garner says five of the six seats are equipped with mounts for self-contained breathing apparatuses, or "air packs." "The air pack seats make it possible for firefighters to make quick fire attacks on arrival," he said.

"Robbins Fire and Rescue is fully equipped to respond in any emergency situation and we are lucky to have a station with such new technological advancements in Moore County," said Jay Albright, who serves as Randolph Electric's District Vice President. Once repaid, the funds loaned by Randolph Electric will be re-loaned to assist with future projects in the cooperative's service area.



Now Accepting Applications!

REMC will award \$12,000 in grants for creative, innovative classroom projects.

Apply by Sept. 22, 2017 at NCBrightIdeas.com.

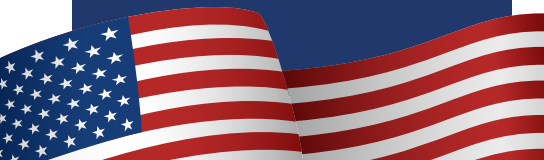
NC Renewable Energy Charge Adjusted

The monthly NC Renewable Energy Charge was adjusted for each rate class in the following amounts, which became effective May 1, 2017:

Residential:	\$.70
Commercial:	\$4.74
Industrial:	\$18.46

Have a happy & safe holiday!

In observance of Independence Day, Randolph EMC's offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4.



You're Invited to

REconnect

A Community Engagement Meeting for **R**andolph **E**lectric Member-Owners

When: Tuesday, August 22, 2017
6:30 p.m. (Light Dinner Included)

Where: Pleasant Hill Church Fellowship Building
1712 Pleasant Hill Liberty Road, Liberty

REVIVE Your Co-op Membership

Get connected with Randolph Electric!

We're introducing a new series of casual member meetings where we can share tips and answer questions to help you make the most of your membership. Each meeting will be held at a different location each quarter, making it convenient for members to travel to a meeting near their home.

RETHINK Your Energy Strategies

- **Talk with our energy experts** to see how REMC's usage monitoring tools can help you be a master at managing how your energy's used.
- **Curious about electric vehicles?** Find out how these can be a savings tool for both EV owners and the cooperative, and how we plan to support this growing trend across the system.
- **What's new?** Learn about new services and programs your co-op has to offer.

RESPOND Today!

Let us know if you'll be joining us—registered attendees will be entered to win a bill credit!

Please RSVP to Ravonda Hanes at (800) 672-8212 or Ravonda.Hanes@RandolphEMC.com by August 11, 2017.

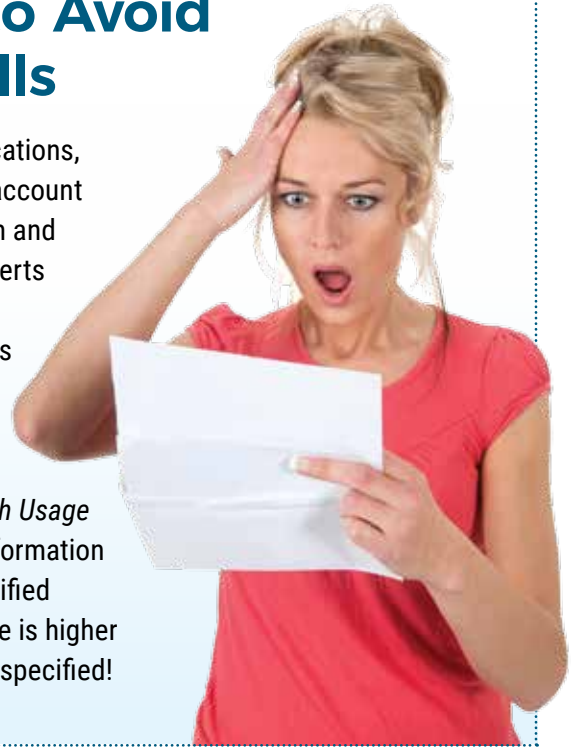


Set Up Alert Notifications to Avoid Unwanted ‘Surprises’ on Bills

Did you know that you can set up alert notifications to make you aware of high usage on your account? Our High Energy Usage Alert could come in handy if you have a heat pump, well pump or water heater malfunction that could drastically increase your monthly electric bill. No one wants a surprise like that!

If high usage alert notifications are received consistently for a few days, and seasonal temperature fluctuations can be ruled out, you might need to investigate further.

To set up alert notifications, simply login to your account at RandolphEMC.com and navigate to the My Alerts tab. Make sure your contact information is correct, then enter a dollar amount for your high usage threshold next to *High Usage Alert*. Submit your information and you'll now be notified when your daily usage is higher than the amount you specified!



Dale Lambert and Jereme Garner proudly display Randolph EMC's 15th certificate of achievement for the Rural Electric Safety Accreditation Program.

Randolph Electric Membership Corp. received recognition at the joint annual meetings of North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives (NCAEC) and North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC) in April.

The cooperative also received national recognition for its compliance with a comprehensive safety program called the Rural Electric Safety Accreditation Program (RESAP).

Randolph EMC Recognized at State Annual Meetings

RESAP is one of the few programs in the country that provides electric cooperatives a management tool for continuous safety and loss control assessment. The certificate—the 15th to be awarded to the cooperative—was presented to Jereme Garner, Journeyman Lineman and Underground Line Crew Foreman for Randolph EMC, at the annual meeting.

REMC's Chief Executive Officer, Dale F. Lambert, was elected to serve as president of the board of directors for North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC). NCEMC is one of the nation's largest generation and transmission cooperatives. As a member of this board, Lambert is responsible for planning, developing, operating and maintaining a power supply system to serve the capacity and energy requirements of most of the state's member cooperatives.

A Word About Randolph Electric

From CEO Dale Lambert



APPRECIATING OUR FREEDOM

Dear Members,

A couple of months back, a team from Randolph EMC was in Washington, D.C., with other electric cooperative leaders from across the nation talking to our members of Congress about issues that are important for the operations of your cooperative.

Active engagement and communicating with our elected representatives remains a critically important responsibility of your cooperative leadership—one your Board of Directors and management team takes very seriously. I always come away from D.C. with renewed patriotism and appreciation for the great nation we live in.

One of the flaws in human nature is that, all too often, we take many things for granted. It seems our human nature looks for the negative in most things, which gets amplified, and ignores or minimizes the positive.

Just look at what is happening in America today. We are living in what could be considered—at least in recent memory—very divisive times. Just watching a few minutes of the 24/7 news shows or our nightly newscast highlights the many issues facing our nation. I've heard it said that "negative news is what sells." If that is true, there's a lot of selling going on somewhere. That also reminds me of the quote: "A lie can run around the world before the truth gets its boots on."

We do face many challenges in our nation.

And we do need our elected officials to work together to solve issues that, if not addressed in the near term, affect the very sustainability and viability of our country in the long term.

As we enter the month of July and celebrate the birth of our nation 241 years ago, I want to remind us all of the privilege we have of living in America, warts and all. The problem many times is, we have nothing else to compare against. And when you don't have anything else to compare to, it's easy to only focus on the negative.

Having been afforded the opportunity to travel a couple of times to other countries on missions trips, I've certainly had a couple of eye-opening experiences. One of the main ones has been the realization of all the things we in America take for granted, including the freedom we enjoy. It's all most of us have ever known.

We are solemnly reminded each National Memorial Day and when we hear of a service member dying on the battlefield protecting and serving our nation, that ***freedom is not free***. It is paid with a price by all the brave men and women who have donned the uniform and taken the oath of allegiance to serve and defend our nation. Many endure lifelong injuries, physical and mental, and some have paid the ultimate price of giving their lives. May we never forget their service.

In one of the Courier-Tribune newspapers this past March, there was an insert titled “The Presidency.” In addition to a really intriguing article about the ten men who held the loosely defined office of President of the United States while our nation was being formed and prior to George Washington being elected our first official President, the insert dedicated a page to each of our 45 Presidents. Included in this was a notable quote from each. Not that they were perfect, but their words of wisdom ring as true today as they did then. I would like to share a few with you.

John Adams, our 2nd President said, *“Because power corrupts, society’s demand for moral authority and character increase as the importance of the position increases.”*

James Monroe, our 5th President said, *“The best form of government is that which is most likely to prevent the greatest sum of evil.”*

Zachary Taylor, our 12th President said, *“I have no private purpose to accomplish, no party objectives to build up, no enemies to punish – nothing to serve but my county.”*

Grover Cleveland, our 22nd and 24th President said, *“A government for the people must depend for its success on the intelligence, the morality, the justice, and the interest of the people themselves.”*

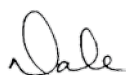
Calvin Coolidge, our 30th President said, *“To live under the American Constitution is the greatest political privilege that was ever accorded to the human race.”*

There were many other good quotes I’d like to share, but space is limited. It’s on my heart this month to honor those who laid the foundations for this fledgling nation to build upon and those who have served in the past and faithfully serve today in all capacities of elected office.

I want to especially honor those who have given of themselves to defend the freedoms we take for granted so often. There is a phrase attributed to Korean War veteran and purple heart recipient Howard William Osterkamp that sums it up well: “All gave some, some gave all.”

And we honor you as we celebrate America’s 241st birthday. May we all strive to be worthy of God’s blessings on America.

Cooperatively Yours,



Dale F. Lambert
Chief Executive Officer



Randolph Electric Membership Corporation provides safe and reliable power with exceptional value to more than 31,500 member accounts in Randolph, Moore, Montgomery, Chatham and Alamance counties.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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Set It & Forget It for a Chance to Win a \$100 Gift Card Each Month... PLUS, a \$500 Grand Prize!

Randolph Electric's convenient autopay options make it easy to pay your bill on time, avoid late fees and save on postage! These options also offer cost savings for the cooperative. As a thanks for participating, we're giving away one \$100 Gift Card each month for the rest of 2017! And all of those entries will be eligible for a \$500 Grand Prize drawing in early January.

Enroll your account(s) in Bank Draft or schedule Recurring Payments¹ using your credit or debit card or checking account and you'll receive one entry per account into our monthly drawing. Don't worry—if you're already participating in automatic payments, you'll be entered to win, too!

Log on to your account at RandolphEMC.com or give us a call at 1-800-672-8212 to speak with a Member Service Specialist for assistance.

¹One-time payments made over the phone, online or in-app are not eligible for drawing

Autopay Your Way:

Bank Draft

Have your bill paid automatically from your checking or savings account on the due date

Recurring Payment

Automatically pay your bill on or before your due date each month using a credit or debit card or e-check.