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REMC MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENTS



ENJOY LUNCH ON US!

Attention Members - SAVE THE DATE:

Stop by an REMC office on the date listed, and enjoy some food, fun and fellowship as we celebrate you! We have certainly missed shaking hands and sharing stories about the co-op way of life, so come by for lunch and pay us a visit. Gift bags available for members, while supplies last. We look forward to seeing you at one of these celebrations!

VISIT OUR OFFICES
July 26th Forest City
July 28th Cherryville
Aug. 2nd Morganton
Aug. 4th Gastonia
Aug. 9th Marion
Aug. 11th Lincolnton

SWAP SHOP

Rutherford Electric Membership Corporation provides Swap Shop ads as a free service to its members. Guidelines are as follows: Ads are published first-come, first-served. When the space allotted for ads each month is full, remaining ads will be held over for the next issue. Ads will not be run more than once unless re-submitted. Commercial ads will not be accepted. We reserve the right to edit, condense or deny publication of any advertisement. Rutherford Electric Membership Corp. assumes no responsibility for the content of any advertisement and does not endorse or warrant any of the goods so advertised. Please include your account number with your ad.

Mail your ads to:

Newsletter Editor, Rutherford EMC, PO Box 1569,
Forest City, NC, 28043-1569 or e-mail at cbailey@remc.com.
No phone calls, please.

FOR SALE

Food grade totes, \$100 ea.; soap totes, \$75ea.; feed barrels, \$20 ea.; solid top plastic barrels, \$10 ea.; burning barrels, \$15 ea.; 15 gallon jugs, \$20 ea.; Hickory, NC. 828-327-4782

1968 Chevrolet truck, has been restored, automatic, 307 engine, has been kept in storage, \$21,000, Lincolnton, NC. 704-735-9315.

Kitchen Aid microwave & hood combination, Model KHMC1857, white exterior w/stainless interior, 30" wide x 16" deep x 17" tall, user's manual included, great cond., \$100; GE Profile 27" drop in electric range w/coil heating elements, Model JMP31, measures 27" wide x 24" deep x 29" tall, white in color, good cond. \$100. Pictures available upon request. Rutherford, NC. 828-429-9719.

1977 Gibson MK53 acoustic guitar w/maple body, rosewood fingerboard & spruce top, comes w/hard shell case, in very nice cond., \$1,200; pair of 1980 Fisher ST-830 floor speakers w/ 15" woofer, 5" mid-range & 3" tweeter, speakers stand 32" tall x 18" wide x 13" deep, very good cond., \$150; Gold Seal Ice Cream vintage advertising clock, lighted & in very nice cond., measures 25" wide x 12 1/2" long x 4 1/2" deep, new bulb & starter, runs quiet & keeps correct time, \$300; wooden soft drink cases — Lotta Cola & Pepsi Cola, \$25 ea. Pictures available upon request. 828-448-0338.

1965 Ford Mustang, all original, automatic, 6 cyl., red in color, kept in storage, \$22,000, Lincolnton, NC. 704-735-9315.

Lifetime Daylite 8' sit on top kayak w/paddle, also includes: 3 rod holders, anchor, 2 piece outrigger standing stabilizer system w/2 floats & rods, paddle

grips, paddle holders, paddle board carrier, 10 piece pad eye kit, waterproof repair tape, paddle leases, and 1 adult sized Onyx life vest, all items new & unused, \$350. 980-429-2201.

Permobil battery powered M3 Corpus wheel chair vehicle, swing-away headrest hardware, fully equipped w/headlights & tail lights, lifts up, lays back, etc., have all manuals and tools for chair, cost over \$16,000, will sell for \$2,000, only used for 5 months. 704-674-1107.

Drive Medical heavy duty suction machine, all accessories included, paid \$170, will sell for \$50. 704-674-1107.

Oak computer desk, \$10. 704-674-1107.

Husqvarna riding lawn mower — Model GT-48DXLS, Kawasaki FR600V engine, garage kept, serviced & maintained, \$1,500. 704-718-2747.

Crystal 12 piece large animal collection, asking \$500, have \$750 invested; Teeter Inversion, like new, \$200; 2 burial plots w/vaults at Burke Memorial Park in Morganton, NC, \$6,500; Vesta dish washer for a camper, \$150. 828-430-6590.

Heartland vintage dishes w/country design, have over 100 pieces that have never been used, downsizing, pictures upon request, \$225. 704-689-8258.

Yakima 4 bike rack, fits 1 1/4" or 2" hitch receiver, \$175; Haul Master aluminum cargo carrier, measures 49"x22"x8", fits 1 1/4" receiver, but can be converted to fit 2", \$125. Lake Lure, NC. 704-675-1812.

Full size Serta Perfect Sleeper Bayport, new & never unwrapped, firm, \$250 obo; The Old Curiosity Shop china service for 12, has many platters & servers, \$75, obo; scrape blade, \$250. 828-286-3345 or 828-748-3803.

Kubota KH021 mini excavator w/18" & 24" buckets, 25-30 HP, \$7,500. 828-502-3839.

Miniature Pinscher puppies, D.O.B. 3/10/22, up to date on shots & deworming's, parents are full blooded, \$500; also have a 1 1/2 year old male Miniature Pinscher, \$250. 828-289-3905.

Kenmore electric flat top stove, black in color, \$100 obo; Whirlpool gas stove, black in color, \$200 obo; Kenmore stainless gas stove, \$300 obo. 828-289-3905.

Set of 4 factory wheels & tires for GM truck, size 265-18, good condition, \$400, can send pictures upon request. 704-477-4997.

DK Power commercial wood chipper, Model OPC503, chips brush up to 3", 7 HP Kohler engine,

has trailer tow hitch, only used twice, paid \$1,200, make an offer. 828-606-4447.

Monitor brand hot water heater, provides instant unlimited hot water on demand, and runs off K1 kerosene, pictures available, \$275. 828-334-0223.

Vintage US Silver Mint coin sets, \$35 ea., also have some silver dimes & quarters, Lincolnton, NC. 704-748-3258.

Bathroom cabinet w/china sink, plumbing & counter top, perfect cond.; Airline box record player, Model GA-177 w/45 insert, works but does need needle; AT&T Dect 6.0 cordless phone set w/5 extensions, great cond., \$10; complete white crib set, \$20; DB speaker in box, \$5; Little Tykes kitchen toy w/sink, stove & cabinets, \$5; 1989-90 National Geographic magazines, \$5; Piano music & records from the 50's, 60's & 70's, all kinds, 10 cents ea. 704-616-2630.

New Holland baler #630, New Holland hay bines #471 & #472, New Holland rakes #55 & #56, asking \$8,000 for all. 704-740-5475, no calls after 9 pm.

EGO power 56 volt, 21" cut cordless electric lawn mower w/7.5 Ah battery & charger included, 45 minutes of run time, 6 cutting height adjustments, 3 in 1 function for mulching/bagging/side discharge, push button start, LED headlights, 2 bushel grass collection bag, 50 minute recharge time, like new, only used 5 times, \$375 firm, Polk County, NC. 864-909-3679

MISCELLANEOUS

For Rent: 3 summer rentals in Myrtle Beach, SC: Ocean front condo, sleeps 4-8+, 3BR, 2 1/2 BA; rental at Heron Lake condos, 2 BR, 2 BA, pool, tennis courts, swimming & paddle boats; condo at Compass Cove, sleeps 4, oceanfront. 704-300-6001.

For Sale or Rent: The Christie Lodge — an all-suite property in Beaver Creek, Avon, CO. 1 BR timeshare condo for rent, \$995 weekly or \$150 daily — negotiable, sleeps 4, on site & close by amenities, just minutes from Vail, CO. w/easy transport to and from the Denver airport. Condo is also for sale as a deeded property with annual use during Red Winter floating weeks (mid December — mid April). 704-732-8678.

WANTED

Nascar ticket stubs & brochures or concert ticket stubs. 704-685-7251.

Rutherford EMC to Host 2022 Annual Meeting Online

Rutherford EMC's Annual Membership Meeting will be held online once again for 2022. This decision was made due to the great success and member involvement we have experienced over the last few years. Tune into the live-stream on our website remc.com at 11 am on October 29. For members who are not able to view the meeting live, a recording will be posted on our website.

The 2022 Board of Director's election will be conducted via mail-in ballot prior to the Annual Meeting. More details to come in the September issue of the Carolina Country magazine and on our website at remc.com.

**SAVE THE
DATE!**

**October 29, 2022
@ 11 a.m.**

Can I Get Your Number?



At Rutherford EMC we are constantly striving to improve our operational efficiency so we can provide the most reliable electric service possible for our consumer-members (that's you!).

We rely on data for nearly every aspect of our operations, which is why we need your help. By making sure we have your most accurate and complete contact information, we can continue to provide the high level of service that you expect and deserve. Accurate information enables us to improve customer service and enhance communications for reporting and repairing outages. It also allows co-op members to receive information about other important programs, events and activities.

Up-to-date contact information can potentially speed up the power restoration process during an outage. For example, the phone number you provide is linked to your service address in our outage management system. This means when you call to report an outage, our system recognizes your phone number and matches it with your account location. Accurate information helps our outage management system predict the location and possible causes of an outage, making it easier for our crews to correctly identify and plan for the potential problem before they even arrive on scene.

While we always do our best to maintain service, we occasionally plan outages to update, repair or replace equipment. In these instances, we can

provide advance notification to affected members through automated phone messages, text messages or email, if we have your updated contact information and communication preferences.

Keeping the co-op updated with your information helps us when there's a question about energy use or billing. Emails and text messages are also used to alert registered members of any unexpected changes in their daily usage. In addition, discrepancies on your account can be taken care of promptly if Rutherford EMC has accurate account information.

Many of you have been members of the co-op for years, and it's likely that your account information hasn't been updated for some time. We recognize that many members now use a cell phone as their primary phone service, and we might not have that number in our system.

We want to emphasize that in providing your contact information to the co-op, we will never share this information with any third parties. It is only used by Rutherford EMC to communicate with you. Please take a moment to confirm and update the contact information shown on your monthly electric bill. By doing so, you will be helping us improve service and efficiency so we can better serve you and all members of the co-op.

We Are Here For You!



REMC OFFICES & PHONE NUMBERS

FOREST CITY
(828) 245-1621 or
1-800-521-0920 (Toll Free)

MORGANTON
(828) 584-1410 or
1-800-228-9756
(Toll Free)

MARION
(828) 652-2136

CHERRYVILLE
(704) 435-5401 or
1-800-228-5331
(Toll Free)

GASTONIA
(704) 629-6226

LINCOLNTON
(704) 735-5381

REMC is committed to providing you with payment options to fit your lifestyle.

For more information on payment options, visit remc.com or call any of our offices listed above.

Stay Cool During the Dog Days of Summer with Home Energy Savings

It's the hottest time of the year, but you can take a few cues from Fido to stay cool during these dog days of summer and keep a tight leash on energy use!

Throw your air conditioner a bone.

When it's hot outside, your air conditioner needs all the help it can get. Open interior doors and vents to help air circulate and reduce the strain on your HVAC system. Along with that, close exterior doors and windows, as well as any blinds, shades or curtains, to help keep the heat of the day out and cooled air in.

Put your energy use on "paws."

Waiting to use major appliances, especially those that generate heat like the clothes dryer and dishwasher, until the late evening, overnight or early morning hours can help your home stay cooler.

Also avoid using an indoor oven or stove, and grill out or try a cold meal like a salad instead. Check out carolinacountry.com/grilling for inspiration! In addition, if you go out to eat, ask for a "doggie bag" and eat the leftovers the next day instead of fixing another meal.

Fetch a fan for easy savings.

Instead of turning down the thermostat, opt for a ceiling or portable fan. Make sure your ceiling fan turns counter clockwise during hot weather to push cool air down. Remember to turn fans off when you're not using them; fans cool you, not the room.

Get more bang for your bark with energy management tools.

Rutherford EMC offers a number of tools such as Energy Use Monitoring and PrePaid metering that can help you take control of your energy use and budget.

Contact us or visit remc.com to retrieve more energy-saving tips!



**Early Bird
Deadline:
August 15**



Apply early for a chance to win one of five \$100 Visa gift cards.



Join Rutherford EMC in Recognizing 8/11 as a Reminder to Call 811 Before You Dig

On Aug. 11 (8/11), Rutherford EMC is reminding members to dial 8-1-1 at least three working days before beginning a digging project. This free and simple step can save lives and reduce risk of injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages.

"Every time you break ground, even for something simple like planting a shrub or installing a mailbox, you should call 811 first," said Colon Saunders, vice president of operations at Rutherford EMC. "No matter your level of expertise, it's important to know what's below the ground to prevent the potentially serious consequences of hitting a utility line."

The national 811 "Call Before You Dig" phone number links residents to a local call center, which then dispatches local utility companies to mark line locations with paint or flags. These marked lines show you where it is – and isn't – safe to break ground. Once your lines have been marked, make sure to dig carefully around the marks, not on top of them. Because utility line locations can shift, it's important to call each time you are planning to dig.

Visit nc811.org for more information about safe digging and the "Call Before You Dig" process.