

# The NEWS LINE

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## Linemen Answer the Call for Help

As Hurricane Ian battered the Florida coast and then headed towards the Carolinas in the early morning hours of Thursday, Sept. 29, Rutherford EMC crews stood ready to respond. Our electric system was spared, with only a few scattered outages. However, some of our sister co-ops were not so fortunate.

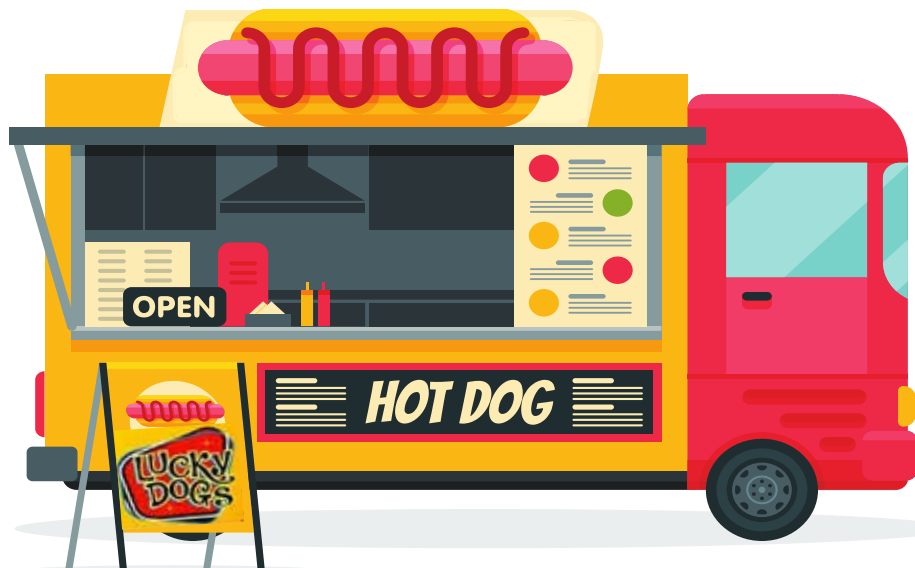
Approximately 35,000 co-op members across the state lost power due to the devastation that followed Hurricane Ian into cooperative territory late Thursday night and into Friday. Once the storm blew through and safe working conditions were recognized, Rutherford EMC received the call for help from near-by cooperatives.

Rutherford crews were dispatched to assist Pee Dee Electric in Lylesville, NC, Central EMC in Sanford, NC, and EnergyUnited in Statesville, NC. Contract crews assigned to Rutherford EMC's territory were also released and began their trek towards Florida to provide assistance.

Cooperative line crews worked together safely and brought most of the power back on before sunrise on Sunday morning. During these times of need North Carolina cooperatives stand ready to provide the man power, specialized equipment and experience when they are needed most.



## REMC MEMBER APPRECIATION EVENTS WERE A SUCCESS!



Rutherford EMC's Member Appreciation Events had a great turnout! It was certainly nice to celebrate our members during each of these fun filled events. Everyone from the young to the young-at-heart enjoyed great fellowship, some delicious hot dogs, ice cream, gift bags, balloons, lineman bucket photos and more.

Lucky Dogs catered lunch for a total of 1,406 people. The Morganton office location hosted the largest crowd with a total of 335 folks stopping by for lunch.

Thanks to all of the members who took time out of their busy schedules to stop by and join us for this great time of food, fun and fellowship. REMC could not be happier with the turn out of our members.





## 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](mailto:cbailey@remc.com).  
No phone calls, please.

## FOR SALE

**273** New Holland square baler, \$1,600. Iron Station, N.C. 980-429-2228.

**Old** Hoosier cabinet w/flour bin/sifter, bread drawer & spice rack, \$375; space heater, \$25; custom bar, \$1,250; home winery equipment including: 15 gallon fermenters, \$100, wine labeler, foil heater, and more. 828-659-3168.

**Snapper** lawnmower, good for parts or restoration, \$200; antique sofa w/2 chairs, white fabric upholstery, great for bed & breakfast or farmhouse décor, \$300; old side board, very sturdy & attractive, needs refinish-ing, \$60. 828-287-5069.

**Dog** kennel — 10'x10'x6' chain link fence, \$100; medium sized dog house, \$30; 110,000 Btu Torpedo heater, burns kerosene, \$75; fertilizer spreader w/500 lb. capacity, never used, \$300. 828-817-4708. No Saturday calls please.

**Four** wheeler — 2017 Kymco MXV 450 I, 97.2 hours, ex. cond., used very little, just reduced to \$3,500 obo. 704-530-5767 before 9 pm.

**Fifth** wheel hitches — Curt Q24 fits 2018 Ford F350 w/OEM legs & dual jaws, \$450; Reese 20k that needs rails, \$350; 2 sliding glass doors, \$20 ea. or \$30 for both. 980-241-0255.

**1922** Singer treadle sewing machine & White brand sewing machine in cabinet, \$85 for both; Vintage Iron-stone England wash stand, \$30; handcrafted birch corner TV cabinet, measures 53" x 82", \$75; vintage late 1800's claw-foot organ stool, \$80. Pictures available upon request. 828-245-3595.

**Lane** cedar trunk, very nice, \$350; Alvarez Yari guitar, \$750; 2 decorative room dividers, \$400; Gibson guitar. 843-670-9727.

**Registered** Rottweiler puppies, parents on site. Maiden, N.C., 704-530-0858.

**Solid** oak king bedroom suite w/nightstand & armoire, complete set w/ sheets & accessories, all for \$600, pictures upon request. Lincolnton, N.C., 704-735-1110.

**CKC** registered Shih/Poo's — D.O.B. 6/17/22, 2 males, de-dew clawed & tails docked, first shorts & worming's. 828-433-1374.

**Gaylord** upright piano, \$475 firm. 828-433-1374.

**2021** Sport Trek Model 251 VKR, has never been used, one slide out, fireplace, theatre seats and more. On consignment at Carolina Camping Corner, make offer.

**Appalachian** State Teacher's College 50th anniversary edition (1903-1953) year book (Rhododendron), \$60; 1954-56 yearbooks, \$20 ea., Marion, N.C., 828-442-6322.

**McDowell** High yearbooks (Odyssey) 1981, 82, 84 & 89, \$40 ea.; 1973, 74 & 91, \$75 ea. Marion, N.C., 828-442-6322.

**1965** Ford Mustang, all original, automatic, 6 cyl., red in color, garage kept, \$22,000. Lincolnton, N.C., 704-735-9315.

**1968** Chevrolet truck, has been restored, \$21,000. Lincolnton, N.C., 704-735-9315.

**New** UGG boots. Size 10, originally \$400, asking \$50; 3 couch covers for sofas, colors are brown, beige & maroon, \$5 ea. 704-735-9315.

**NKC** Miniature Pinschers & AKC Shelties. 828-334-4257.

**10** pc. Cordon Bleu cookware w/paperwork & cookbook, \$280; stainless steel automatic skillet w/liquid core, \$40; nail apron from John Beam Lumber Co., \$10; ladies 2 pc. cream colored wedding suit, satin lapels w/pearls & sequins, size 18, has been cleaned, \$50. 828-320-4574.

**2007** Toyota Yaris, have maintenance records, very good cond., gets 38 mpg, \$3,300. 864-441-7921.

**Martin** guitar - Model HD28 custom, ex. cond., \$1,200. 864-441-7921.

**Climber** tree stand, very good cond. \$35. 864-441-7921.

**Barcelona** Red A.R.E. fitted hard cover for pickup, fits bed approximately 61" long, originally fitted for a 2010 Toyota Tacoma, asking \$600, price neg. 828-803-7930.

**Feed** barrels, \$20; solid top plastic barrels, \$10; water totes, \$60 - \$100, metal burning barrels, \$15; 15 gal. solid barrels, \$10. Hickory, N.C., 828-327-4782.

**Brooks** black leather bikers jacket w/belt, size 44, "The Fonz" style, all zippers work, in good cond., \$50; 2003 Yamaha 1100 V-Star, \$2,000. 828-433-5783.

**Golf** clubs: 1 Titleist 9.5 degree, 11 Ben Hogan's, 3 Callaway Big Bertha's, 1 Ram heel toe putter, 1 Wilson dyna balanced putter & 1 Mac Gregor VIP tourney; Wilson golf bag w/stand, 2 boxes of golf balls & a bag of tees included, \$200 for all, can send pictures upon request. 828-803-7930.

**Firewood** — quality oak, bring your truck, \$85 a load; also have fall dark honey. 704-748-3258.

**1974** Plymouth Roadrunner w/newly rebuilt 440, engine built by certified mechanic & has never been installed, invoice for rebuild available, \$14,000 or will separate car & engine, pictures available upon request. 704-739-6552.

**20** ton vertical wood splitter, \$600 firm. 704-435-3548, before 9 pm.

**Coleman** tall sleeping bags, new, 30/50 degree, \$50 ea; Adventure Ridge sleeping bags, new, 33"x75", \$50 ea; new Ozark Trail tall sleeping bags, 40/60 degree, \$50 ea; Coleman 8'x7' instant tents, fit a queen sized air bed, new in box, \$150; Coleman Max cooking system w/perfect flow regulator, \$50; Coleman 8 pc. enamel cooking system, new, \$50; Coleman perfect flow 2 burner stove, 20,000 Btu, new, \$75; 5 gal. plastic gas containers w/easy flow spouts, \$15 ea., 2 new Manchester Steel propane cylinders, filled w/20 lb., \$50 ea. 980-429-2201.

**Delta** 48" wood lathe, in good condition, \$600. 828-437-1866.

**Men's** XL black leather jacket, \$25; women's black leather jacket, size SP, \$25; men's blue denim jacket by

Lee, size LG, \$15; collection of 45 ball cap's, \$200 for all or \$6 ea. for picks. Lawndale, N.C., 336-932-1165.

**Kobalt** 10 amp electric string trimmer, new in box, \$40; 3 manual typewriters w/carrying cases & owner's manuals, \$85 for all 3; pair of men's Ariat brown leather square toe boots, size 11D, very nice cond., \$40. 828-448-0338.

**Craftsman** radial arm saw mounted on a Craftsman table, includes extra blades & Dado sets, \$150; Red Devil Load Hog pull behind dump cart, about 5' long, \$90; 100 lb. pull behind broadcast spreader, \$75; antique mule plows: single turn plow, \$20, cultivator, \$20, planter, \$20. 704-487-6090.

**Potbelly** piglets, sweet & friendly, D.O.B. 8/27/22. \$50 ea. 828-223-8580.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**For Rent:** Lot with well & septic tank, great for a camper or mobile home, located on Duncan's Creek Rd. in Ellenboro, N.C. 704-922-5011.

## WANTED

**Looking** for an annual with memories of my Army training. 1957 Company C-13 BLT, Fort Jackson, S.C., will pay if reasonable. Marion, N.C., 828-652-4214.

**Electrician** helper in Rutherford Co., 828-287-5069 or 828-429-1910 for more info.

**Craftsman** DYS 4500 versatile time saver mower, either good or parts machine. 828-437-5586.

**Mid-size** or larger 4x4 tractor w/loader or trade a Kioti 4x4 w/loader & implements and pay cash difference, Kioti is 24 1/2 HP w/313 hours. 828-437-5586.

**Large** lawn tractor w/foot pedal hydrostatic drive. 828-437-5586.

**40's — 60's** pickup truck or car. What's in your garage or barn? Immediate cash for titled vehicles. Text or call 704-860-2662.

**Old** Nascar ticket stubs & brochures. 704-685-7251.

All Rutherford EMC  
Offices will be closed

**Nov. 24 & 25**

**FOR THANKSGIVING**

**VETERANS  
DAY**

**Honoring all  
who served.**

**NOVEMBER 11**





## In Memory of David R. Beam

It is with great sadness that Rutherford EMC reports the death of longtime employee David Robert Beam, age 63, of Ellenboro, NC. David passed away Sept. 10 following a sudden illness. He was a dedicated employee of 38 years and specialized in purchasing products and materials that kept the entire cooperative supplied with what was needed to get the job done. Whether

it be a new line truck or a pack of copier paper, David played an essential part in having it on hand when it was needed.

David was a graduate of East Rutherford High School in Bostic and held a degree in Business Administration from UNC-Charlotte, where he was a proud alumnus. He was a very active member of Salem United Methodist Church in Bostic where he served on the Pastor/Parish Committee, the Administrative Council and various other committees over the years. He loved playing in the church's praise band and had been a dedicated member of this group since its inception. He supported many Relay for Life events serving as Team Captain and was a member of the former Ellenboro Lions Club. He was also a proud Eagle Scout.

David was such a genuine person who treasured all the friendships that life had offered him. If you knew David there was no doubt his family was the most important part of his life. He enjoyed spending time with his two grandchildren and often spoke of taking them out for breakfast or traveling to Charlotte early on Saturday mornings to watch their ball games. David truly was a family man.

David was very well respected and loved by all of his Rutherford EMC family. His witty humor and grin would cheer you up, no matter how tough of a week you were having. He always had a listening

ear and true concern for anything that was presented to him. To say that David Beam will truly be missed at Rutherford EMC is a huge understatement, but the legacy he left continues to show itself daily!

"It is hard to come to terms with the fact that David is no longer with us," said Dirk Burleson, Rutherford EMC's general manager. "His memories will forever remain amongst his co-workers. It is simply amazing at how many lives he influenced, I just hope he knew how much he was loved and appreciated."

In addition to his father, David was preceded in death by a daughter, Stephanie Ann Beam. Survivors include his mother, Nancy Magness Beam, his wife of 41 years, Kellie Lovelace Beam, his daughters, Lindsay Beam Rochester and husband Daniel, and Sydney Beam, his brother Marty Beam and wife Janet, and his sister Carol Beam Maxwell, and husband Ray. Lastly, David was known as "Poppy" by his two grandchildren, Laurel and Holden Rochester. And what an outstanding "Poppy" he was!

Rutherford EMC's board of directors, employees and members extend their heartfelt sympathy to the entire Beam family.

## Keeping Pets and Energy Bills Comfortable

I don't know about you, but I consider my four-legged companions part of the family, and I can't imagine life without them. I know others feel this way, too. That's why during the winter months, we make sure our whole family, including our four-legged members, are cozy—without taking a big "bite" out of our budget.

This month, I'd like to share a few simple ways you can make your home more comfortable this winter, which can ultimately help you save on energy bills.

At the onset of the cold weather season, we replace the HVAC filter for better air quality and to help the unit operate more efficiently. You can also keep your home cozier by caulking and weatherstripping windows and doors. If your home is particularly chilly, you can tape or affix heavy, clear plastic to the inside of your window frames to create an additional barrier against the cold. Ensure that the plastic is tightly sealed to the frame to help reduce infiltration.

We know winter can be "ruff", so we set our thermostat at 68 degrees, a "purr-fect" temperature for people and pets. This is especially important for smaller, short hair and senior dogs—not just for warmth, but for their general health. Puppies, kittens and older pets with arthritis or other ailments may have a harder time controlling their body heat and need the additional warmth when it's chilly out.

Pets that sleep close to the floor can be subject to cold drafts that enter your home through windows and exterior doors. If your pet's bed is near a window or door that feels drafty, tightly roll up a towel and place it near the bottom of the door or window to eliminate the draft. Cutting down on cold drafts helps everyone feel more comfortable during colder months.

If possible, elevate your pet's bed so it's not placed directly on a cold floor. An old chair or sofa cushion works well. If you don't use a dog bed, take some old blankets and create a donut shape on the cushion so the dog can snuggle and "nest" within the blanket. You can do the same for cats but on a smaller scale. Blankets enable pets to nestle into them, even when they aren't tired, and provide a comfortable place for dogs and cats to curl up.

During the day, open your blinds and curtains to allow sunlight to warm your home. Close window coverings at night for an added layer of insulation.

At Rutherford EMC we want to help you save energy and money. Check out our website at [remc.com](http://remc.com) for additional energy-saving tips.

We can't control the weather, but we can provide advice to help you save energy and keep your family and furry friends more comfortable during the winter season.



Source: Anne Prince of NRECA



# NC Electric Cooperatives Youth Tour

**SEEKING HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS:**

**Apply NOW for the Summer Leadership Experience  
of a Lifetime on the Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.**

Rutherford EMC is seeking applications from current high school juniors for the leadership opportunity of a lifetime: The Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to Washington, D.C. Join the state's future leaders on June 17-23, 2023, for a week of exploration, education and leadership training.

The Youth Tour allows students to experience Washington, D.C., and learn more about how they can make a difference as young adults. Youth Tour-ists will learn about the cooperative business model and values by running their own "H2O Co-Op", visit historic monuments and memorials, meet with elected officials and tour a variety of museums, all while building confidence and a peer network with young leaders from across the country.

Rutherford EMC will sponsor three local students to join North Carolina's delegation. A winner and an alternate will be chosen from each of our operating districts in January to represent the cooperative on the 2023 NC Youth Tour.

The all-expense-paid, weeklong tour is hosted by electric cooperatives nationwide and is a tradition more than 50 years strong. Be a part of the 40-plus outstanding high school students selected from electric cooperatives across the state to travel to our nation's capital.

Co-op officials and past Youth Tour participants agree: this is the perfect way for students to see democracy up close and in action. "The Youth Tour is an opportunity for students to have an eye-opening backstage pass to our nation's capital," said Dirk Burleson, general manager of Rutherford EMC. Our student delegates will meet with members of North Carolina's congressional delegation, connect with a network of extremely talented peers, and

grow their leadership skills as well as ambitions. Take a step out of your comfort zone and apply for this tremendous opportunity.

If you're a current high school junior who wants to grow as a leader, NC Youth Tour is the perfect opportunity to build your skills, gain new experiences and form valuable relationships with others. The Youth Tour has something to offer everyone and can help prepare you for future success on any path you pursue.

Not only will this opportunity look great on your college application, but as a Youth Tourist you will also have the opportunity to be eligible for one of three scholarships: the \$2,500 Gwen B. Price Youth Tour Scholarship, the \$2,000 Katie Bunch Memorial Scholarship, and the \$2,000 Youth Leadership Council Scholarship. That's at least three good reasons to apply!

For more information, complete the sign-up card enclosed with your November 2022 billing statement and return to: Rutherford Electric Membership Corporation, Attn: Youth Tour Coordinator, PO Box 1569, Forest City, NC, 28043-1569 by December 6, 2022. You may also submit your request online by going to Rutherford EMC's website at [remc.com](https://remc.com). The final deadline for completed applications is January 13, 2023.

The Youth Tour is an annual event coordinated by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) and the North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives (NCAEC). For additional information about The Electric Cooperative Youth Tour visit [ncelectriccooperatives.com](https://ncelectriccooperatives.com) or [youthtour.coop](https://youthtour.coop), you can also find it on Facebook by searching NC Youth Tour.

