

## DOOR PRIZES

Philips 7" portable DVD player  
Polaroid 8.0 MP digital camera  
Sony DVD player  
Holmes tower fan  
IGLOO rolling cooler  
Smith & Hawken garden tote  
Accurite weather station  
First Alert smoke & carbon monoxide alarm  
Black & Decker screwdriver set  
Chefmate 17 pc. BBQ set  
Solar Rock floodlight  
Crockpot 4 qt. slow cooker  
Brita 6-cup pitcher  
Earth Quencher soaker house (2-pack)  
Rayovac 18W fluorescent lantern  
Digital Décor picture keychain  
Lasko 20" box fan  
Smith & Hawken strawberry pot/grow kit  
Smith & Hawken bird feeder  
Smith & Hawken bird house  
Smartstrip surge protector  
Black & Decker 3-speed rotary tool  
Chefmate 2-slice toaster  
TopsyTurvy tomato planter  
TopsyTurvy strawberry planter  
Chefmate 2-slice waffle maker  
Sunbeam electric kettle  
Black & Decker 5-cup coffee maker  
KitchenAid barbecue rib/roast rack  
George Foreman grill



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## Annual Meeting Giveaway



2002 Ford F-150  
4x4  
short-wheel base  
V-8 engine  
automatic transmission  
power steering  
power brakes  
ladder rack

One lucky Co-op member will take home the 2002 Ford F-150 pictured above at the 2011 Annual Meeting on May 21.

How could you be that member? First, mark your calendar and plan to attend the meeting on May 21 at Inborden Elementary/Enfield Middle Schools located on Highway 481 in Enfield.

Second, arrive between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. to register. Make sure you register prior to 11 a.m. because the business session begins at that time. If you are not registered before 11 a.m., we cannot include your name in the prize drawings. So,

plan to arrive early and have the rest of the morning to enjoy breakfast, visit the health fair, check out the vendors and booths, let the kids play outside and enjoy the entertainment provided by The Mills Family!

Third, stay for the business session. You must be present to win any door prizes, including the truck! Door prizes (see the list at left) will be drawn at the end of the business session and right before the lunch catered by Bill's Barbecue of Wilson.

We hope you will join us on Saturday, May 21, and who knows, you may find yourself driving home with our grand prize.

**Charles H. Guerry**

*Executive Vice President & General Manager*

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**Business Hours**

8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

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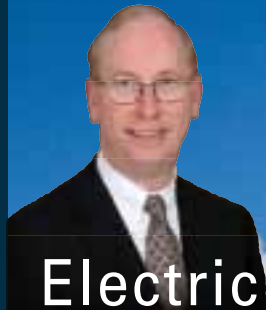
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Return your comments/questions along with your payment, or e-mail them to [bamartin@halifax-emc.com](mailto:bamartin@halifax-emc.com). Specific account questions will be answered personally. Remember to include your account number for these types of questions.



## Electric Lines

“Make it a year-round priority to practice electrical safety in every aspect of your life.”

by Charles H. Guerry

*Executive Vice President & General Manager*

Statistics from the National Fire Protection Association reveal that in 2007, there were approximately 51,800 home electrical fires resulting in 450 deaths, 1,640 injuries and \$1.2 billion in property damage. Additionally, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, nearly 400 people in the United States are electrocuted each

year. The loss of life, injuries and economic losses caused by electrical hazards can be reduced with education and awareness, which is why North Carolina's electric cooperatives recognize the upcoming month of May as Electrical Safety Month.

Electricity, once considered a luxury, is now a convenience for most Americans, but taking this convenience for granted can be deadly. Take time this month to look for possible electrical hazards around your home, workplace and outdoor areas.

- Electrical outlets should not be overloaded; too many items plugged into one outlet are a fire hazard to you and your home.
- Be sure that all electrical outlets have safety covers, especially if children are present in the household.
- Check your electrical cords regularly for frays, cracks or kinks and replace them immediately if they are damaged.

- Look for a certification label from an independent testing lab such as UL (Underwriters Laboratories) or ETL (Electrical Testing Laboratories) on products and packages. For extension cords, look for an attached certification label on the cord near the plug. For power strips and surge protectors, inspect the underside of the casing and make certain

that it is marked with the manufacturer's name and the testing lab.

- Make sure all wiring in your household is secure and constructed correctly.
- When unplugging an appliance, pull by the plug, not the cord.
- Stay away from downed power lines and assume they are full of electricity. Call 911 or your electric cooperative immediately to report any downed lines.
- Never dig in your yard without first calling “Call Before You Dig” at 811 or 1-800-632-4949. You could possibly strike a utility line and cause damage to yourself or those around you.

Don't wait until May to be safe. Starting now, make it a year-round priority to practice electrical safety in every aspect of your life. Please contact your local electric cooperative if you have electrical safety concerns. Don't take chances.



### Our Energy, Our Future

A Dialogue With America





# Annual Meeting **2011**

- April 30 Notice of Annual Meeting & Ballots Mailed
- May 18 Deadline for Ballots\*
- May 19 Validation & Counting Ballots
- May 21 Annual Meeting

\* Return your ballot by May 18 in order to be entered in a drawing for a \$200 electric service credit.



## HOW ABOUT AN ENERGY SMART LOAN FROM ELECTEL?

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\*apr=annual percentage rate \*\*maximum amount for mobile homes \$5,000



## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

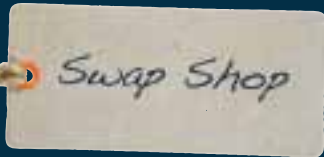
### Coconut-Key Lime Pie

- 1 can (14 ounces) sweetened condensed milk
- 1 can (13.5 ounces) unsweetened coconut milk
- 1/3 cup fresh or bottled Key lime juice
- 7 large egg yolks
- 1 graham cracker crust
- 2 cups cold heavy cream
- 2 tbs confectioners' sugar
- 3 tbs sweetened shredded coconut, toasted

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In a medium bowl, whisk together condensed milk, coconut milk, lime juice, and egg yolks until smooth. Pour into crust and bake until set but still slightly wobbly in center, 40 minutes. Let cool on a wire rack 1 1/2 to 2 hours, then refrigerate 3 hours.

In a large bowl, using an electric mixer, beat cream and sugar on high until stiff peaks form, about 3 minutes. To serve, top pie with whipped cream and sprinkle with toasted coconut.

Source: [MarthaStewart.com](http://MarthaStewart.com)



**For sale:** Antiques -- Edison Phonograph circa 1916, mahogany finish w/ 70 records, ex. cond., plays; bookcase & desk set combined, oak, good cond., Birdseye maple bedroom set includes dresser, chest w/ mirror, 1 rocker and 1 chair. Located on Lake Gaston. Call 757-436-2271 (Chesapeake, VA)

**Lawn maintenance:** Complete lawn maintenance for commercial/residential, fully insured, free estimates. For more details, Call: 252-904-1598 or 252-826-3957 (Lawn Ranger, Sonny Padgett, Scotland Neck).

## Holiday Closings

Halifax EMC's offices will be closed for the following holidays:

Good Friday  
**Friday, April 22**

Memorial Day  
**Monday, May 30**



*The Volunteers prepare to greet members at the 2010 Annual Meeting.*

## Volunteers Keeping Busy

**T**he Volunteers In Action have been very busy this year. After decorating the HEMC Enfield Office and Operations Center for the holidays, they jumped right in making plans for 2011.

In February, the Volunteers spread some Valentine cheer at the Enfield and Macon offices by sponsoring a jar filled with Hershey's Kisses at each location. Members were invited to fill out a slip of paper with their name, contact information and their guess at how many candy kisses filled the jar. On Valentine's Day, the guesses in both locations were sorted through and the person that came the closest to the exact number won the jar of "kisses." Emma Davis was the lucky winner in Macon and Doris Bunn was the lucky winner in Enfield. The Volunteers were pleased to hear just how excited our members were to participate in this activity.

The Volunteers also found time to send each employee a Valentine and

candy. They have been doing this activity for the last several years and the employees always look forward to a little chocolate fix.

Now the group is very busy preparing for the Co-op's Annual Meeting. Each year the Volunteers assist the Co-op by providing and serving a continental breakfast, as well as serving lunch at the meeting. For the second year in a row, they will also be selling tickets during the meeting for a "half and half" drawing (half of ticket proceeds goes to charity and half goes to winner). Last year's winner took home over \$250!

After the Annual Meeting, the Volunteers will be baking desserts for the 4-H Superball Golf Tournament. The golfers enjoy the homemade treats after a long, hot day on the course.

The Co-op is so thankful for this group's hard work and support. We couldn't do it without them!



## Save The Date

The 22nd Annual 4-H Superball Golf Tournament will take place on Friday, June 3, at Scotfield Country Club.

For more information or to request an entry form, contact Joe Long at the Halifax County Extension Office at 252-583-5161 or [joe\\_long@ncsu.edu](mailto:joe_long@ncsu.edu).