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Golfers kicked off the tournament by participating in a "derby ball" to get closest to the hole and split the pot. Two golfers rolled the ball in the hole and split the winnings!

Putting Up for 4-H

The 26th Annual 4-H Superball Golf Tournament to benefit the Halifax County 4-H Youth & Day Camp was another success! Held on June 5 and sponsored by Halifax EMC, BB&T, First Citizens Bank, Southern Bank and the NC Cooperative Extension, this year's event raised over \$9,400!

Once again, Texas Steakhouse & Saloon of Roanoke Rapids sponsored and served lunch to the golfers. Several Hole-In-One opportunities were held throughout the course, sponsored by Collier Harley-Davidson. Danny Wheeless, of team Pin High, claimed a hole-in-one on Hole 16! Collier Harley-Davidson sponsored this hole and Mr. Wheeless won a brand-new set of golf clubs!

Green Engineering, PLLC placed first in this year's tournament. Each player from that team was awarded with a \$100 gift card.

Members of the Huckleberry Swamp 4-H Club and staff from the 4-H & Youth Day Camp volunteered throughout the day.

Thank you to all who helped make this year's event such a success.



Danny Wheeless poses with his new set of golf clubs presented by Collier Harley-Davidson of Roanoke Rapids.



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Electric Lines

“Anything attached to utility poles can create serious hazards for our line personnel.”

by Charles H. Guerry

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What do yard sale signs, basketball hoops, deer stands, satellite dishes, and birdhouses have in common? They're often found illegally attached to utility poles. But this isn't only a crime of inconvenience. Safety issues caused by unapproved pole attachments place the lives of lineworkers and the public in peril.

It may seem innocent, but a small nail partially driven into a pole can pierce a lineworker's glove, stripping away critical protection from high-voltage electricity.

Halifax EMC line crews climb utility poles at all hours of the day and night, in the worst of conditions. Anything attached to utility poles can create serious hazards for our line personnel. Sharp objects like nails, tacks, staples, or barbed wire can puncture rubber gloves and other safety equipment, making linemen vulnerable to electrocution.

Halifax EMC lineworkers have reported more poles used as community bulletin boards, satellite mounts, and even support legs for deer stands, lights, and carpools. Not only do these attachments put line crews at risk—anyone illegally placing these items on poles comes dangerously close to energized power lines with thousands of volts of energy pulsing overhead.

It's always wise to keep any structure at least 10 feet away from utility poles.

Unauthorized pole attachments violate the National Electric Safety Code. With this danger in mind, many states make it a crime to attach any unapproved item to a utility pole. In North Carolina, willful injury to property of a utility is a misdemeanor.

Please help us keep our linemen—and our community—safe. Remove any unauthorized items attached to utility poles. Fixtures not belonging to the cooperative or another utility will be removed by Halifax EMC line personnel. The Co-op is not responsible for any losses if an item is damaged or destroyed during removal.



Satellite dish mounted on one of HEMC's poles at a member's home.

This article is based on articles by Firelands Electric Cooperative, OH, San Bernard Electric Cooperative, TX, Crawford Electric Cooperative, MO, and Big Horn REA, WY—thanks to everyone for sharing!

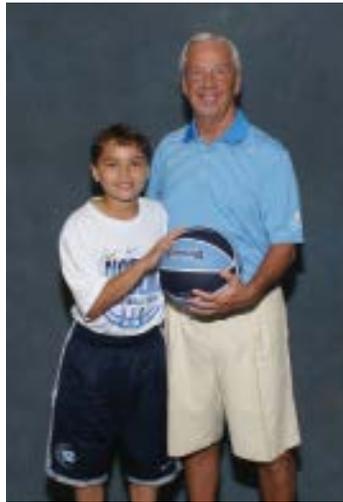


Co-op Sends Youth to Basketball Camps

Local middle-school students shot hoops and ran drills at basketball camps hosted by two of the state's largest universities this summer, thanks to Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarships from Halifax EMC.

Ja'Nelle Edmonds attended the Wolfpack Women's Basketball Camp June 14-17 at NC State University in Raleigh. Ja'Nelle is the daughter of Shawn Burton of Warrenton.

Trevor Hedgepeth took to the court June 20-24 at the Roy Williams Carolina Basketball Camp at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.



Trevor is the son of Fred A. Hedgepeth of Warrenton.

Ja'Nelle and Trevor earned the all-expense-paid scholarships by completing an application that included academics, community involvement and enthusiasm for sports. They are two of 59 students selected in a highly competitive process to receive Touchstone Energy Sports Camp Scholarships from North Carolina's electric cooperatives this year.

This is the 12th year North Carolina's Touchstone Energy cooperatives have sponsored young women to attend an NC State women's basketball camp and the 10th year the cooperatives have sent young men to the Roy Williams camp.



Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month



Periodically inspect your dryer vent to ensure it is not blocked. This will save energy and may prevent a fire. Manufacturers recommend using a rigid venting material - not plastic vents that may collapse and cause blockages.

Source: energy.gov



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Tomato, Mozzarella, and Basil Salad

- 6 small tomatoes (or 4 medium)
- 1 lb fresh mozzarella
- 10 to 15 basil leaves
- 3 Tbs olive oil
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

Slice the tomatoes and mozzarella and arrange casually with the basil leaves on a large platter. Drizzle with olive oil. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and serve at room temperature.

Source: foodnetwork.com

Retired Manager's Scholarship Recipients



Christopher T. Braddy



Patrick W. Jones



Tykeshia L. Daniel

Three outstanding students were recently chosen to receive the Halifax EMC Retired Manager's Scholarships, formerly known as the Slade/ Ellen Scholarships.

Christopher T. Braddy, son of Chris and Jane Braddy of Scotland Neck, is a graduate of Hobgood Academy. Christopher will attend North Carolina State University and plans to study agriculture and environmental technology.

Patrick W. Jones, son of Patrick and Alisha Jones of Enfield,

graduated from the Roanoke Valley Early College and has been accepted to East Carolina University. He plans to pursue mechanical engineering.

Tykeshia L. Daniel of Enfield, is the daughter of Tressy Daniel. Tykeshia is a graduate of Southeast Halifax High School and will be attending North Carolina A&T State University this fall. She plans to study accounting.

Best wishes to these exceptional young people as they pursue higher education!



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New Delinquent Notice Charge

Please note the new Delinquent Notice Charge effective August 1, 2015:

\$2 minimum or 1% of the past due amount, charge not to exceed \$100

Holiday Closing

Halifax EMC
will be closed on
Monday, September 7,
in observance of
Labor Day