



“Our Energy, Our Future: Dialogue with America” Needs Your Help

Now is the time for all good men and women to come to the aid of their country. We need **your** help to create a ground swell of communications to our Congressional delegation. Glenn English, Chief Executive Officer of the National Rural Electric Cooperatives Association, is calling for one million e-mails or letters to Congress as part of the Our Energy Our Future Campaign. It is hoped that North Carolina cooperatives would contribute 150,000 of these communications.

Would you join us in sending a strong message to the Senate and House leadership that the electric cooperatives are/will be engaged in the potentially very expensive national energy policy discussions?

The energy industry is undergoing tremendous change. The buzz about climate change continues to swirl and Congress continues to debate new energy policy for our country. Cooperative members, as well as other utility customers, will experience significant impacts from future policy decisions. This is why it is so important for all of us to participate in the “Our Energy, Our Future” campaign and have our voices heard.

Cooperative leadership and employees are doing all they can, but we need your help so that we can have a strong voice that will be heard in the halls of Congress. Without the voice of the consumer, Congress will not understand that irresponsibly written legislation will have a drastic effect on the wallets of co-op families. The “Our Energy, Our Future” campaign is working

to ensure that any new energy legislation is balanced and keeps consumer’s needs in mind.

Participation is easy. Simply fill out the form below and return it to the Halifax EMC Enfield or Macon offices. We will send it in for you. You can get extra cards at our offices also. Ask your family, friends, and neighbors to complete one too. These cards authorize emails asking for a balanced approach to energy policy to be sent on the signer’s behalf to their Congressional officials. You may also sign up on our Web site at www.halifaxemc.com. Just click on the “Our Energy, Our Future” logo or you can go to www.ourenergy.coop.

A grassroots effort by you, our member-owners, as well as your employees, will create a tremendous impact on our legislators in Washington. Our energy future is at stake.

For those who have already signed on we thank you for your efforts. It will make a difference.





Start The Dialogue

NAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE (____) _____

EMAIL _____

I AM A MEMBER OF _____ CO-OP _____

SIGNATURE _____



America's Electric Cooperatives

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www.ourenergy.coop

Member Page

Recipe of the Month

Roasted Butternut Squash Soup

4 cup vegetable broth ½ small apple,
12 oz butternut squash peeled and cubed
peeled and cut into ¼ tsp salt
1 to 1½ inch cubes ⅛ tsp black pepper
½ lg Vidalia onion, ⅛ tsp nutmeg
cut into 2-inch cubes

In a large stock pot, combine broth, squash, onion, and apple; cover pot and bring to a boil over high heat. Uncover pot and reduce heat to low; gently simmer until squash is very tender, about 10 minutes.

Puree soup in pot using an immersible blender (or puree in a regular blender in batches, careful not to splatter hot liquid). Season with salt, pepper, and nutmeg. Garnish with chopped mint and serve.

Tell Us . . .

Halifax EMC is your electric cooperative, and your comments and questions are very important to us. Please tell us how we may improve our service to you.

Specific account questions will be answered personally.

Return your comments/questions along with your payment, or email them to bmartin@halifaxemc.com.

To: "Tell Us"

From: _____

Address: _____

Acct #: _____

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS: _____

Swap Shop

FOR SALE: Tractor; 3 trailers; camper shell; hide-away sofa & chair. **CALL:** 252-583-3662 (Littleton).

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FREE: Free firewood from fallen Pine tree; take as much as you want. Call: 252-586-7369 (Littleton)



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Cooperative Page



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We're Stepping Up to Keep Your Electricity Cost Down, But We Need Your Help to Keep Your Electricity Affordable!

Co-ops are leading the fight for affordable, reliable electricity through a grassroots campaign called "Our Energy, Our Future: A Dialogue With America." This campaign seeks to engage policymakers on critical energy questions, prompt policy change, and keep your electric bill as low as possible. However, we need your help. History has proven that when we band together for a common good, Americans can do great things.

Between now and the year 2030 consumer demand for electricity is expected to increase by 30 percent. Answering that challenge will require a smart blend of traditional and new sources of energy, as well as new ways of moving that power around.

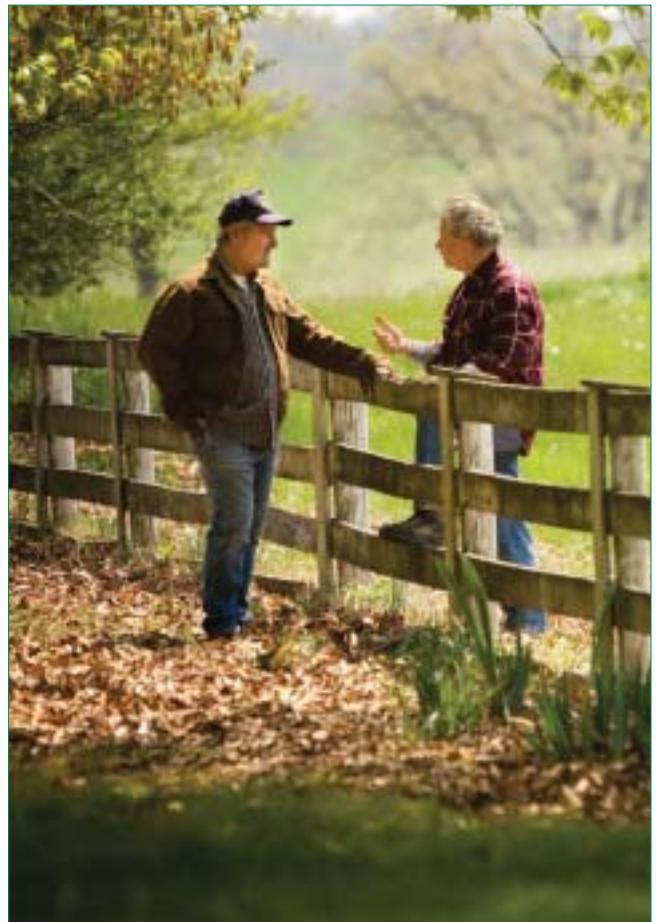
Building generation plants and transmission towers requires many years of planning and permitting approvals and runs a gauntlet of not only federal, state, and local governments, but also citizen and environmental activists. To meet this challenge will take teamwork between the government, utilities, and consumers. Together we can make a difference.

More than 70 years ago, a fledgling network of locally controlled, member-owned, not-for-profit utilities tackled the massive task of bringing safe, reliable, and affordable electric service to America's vast rural heartland. After meeting that initial challenge,

electric co-ops have continued to expand operations, and now serve more than 40 million consumers in 47 states. We changed America then, and we can do it now. Together we can keep your electric bill as low as possible by letting congress know we need answers now.

Special interests are also competing for Congress's ear and pulling their attention away from the problem at hand. If we are going to continue to have safe, reliable, and affordable electricity, it is up to YOU and ME, the American consumer, to let our congressional leaders know how we feel.

To do so, complete the dialogue card on the front page of this newsletter and return it to your co-op. We will send it in for you. Ask your spouse, your friends, your neighbors to do the same. You may pick up more cards at our Enfield and Macon offices. Or, you can call us and we will be glad to fill out a card for you. Remember, the squeaky wheel gets the grease, and if we can squeak louder than anyone else, then we can meet these challenges and solve them.



Community Page

Volunteers In Action Award Scholarships to Area Students

Halifax EMC Volunteers In Action awarded scholarships to the following area students:



Courtney Hale of Enfield, daughter of Gerald and Molly Hale, received a \$250 Volunteers In Action Educational Opportunity Scholarship. A 2008 graduate of Northern Nash High School, she is attending Peace College and plans to major in physical therapy.

Elizabeth Uzzell of Scotland Neck, daughter of Steve and JoAnn Uzzell, received a \$250 Helen Fleming Scholarship. A 2008 graduate of Hobgood Academy, she is attending North Carolina Wesleyan College pursuing a major in business administration.



Joshua Moone, son of Wynne and Kathie Moone of Enfield, received a \$250 Volunteers in Action Educational Opportunity Scholarship. A 2008 graduate of Halifax Academy, he is attending East Carolina University. He is undecided on his major.



Phillip Massey, Jr., of Littleton, son of Phillip Sr. and Beth Massey, received a \$250 Volunteers In Action Educational Opportunity Scholarship. A 2008 graduate of Halifax Academy, he is attending Halifax Community College pursuing a career in nursing.



A Dream Come True

At last a dream has come true for Kathyryne and Haywood Hamill of Enfield. After working 46 years with Halifax Electric Membership Corporation, Kathyryne's dream of a bed and breakfast is finally coming true. On Sunday, October 5, a Service of Dedication was held at Antioch Baptist Church followed by an open house and sign-hanging ceremony at Heathsville Haven Bed and Breakfast.

As you stroll through the beautifully landscaped grounds, you will find a "peaceful haven" away from the world's stress and turmoil. It is the way the world was meant to be. For those weary travelers who stay at Heathsville Haven, it will be a gracious and blessed experience that will rejuvenate them as they go on their way.

Friends, family, and county dignitaries were on hand to wish Kathyryne and Haywood success in this charming and elegant undertaking.

Holiday Closing



Halifax EMC will be closed on

**Thursday, November 27, and
Friday, November 28,
for Thanksgiving.**

Re-open on Monday, December 1.