

MEMBER NEWS

A Monthly Magazine For Members of Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative

A Touchstone EnergySM Cooperative 

September 2001

ANNUAL MEETING SET FOR SEPTEMBER 29, 2001

Survey Included In September Bills

The Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative **Annual Meeting of Members** is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2001 at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City. Doors will open at 4:30 p.m. with Registration to begin at 5:00 p.m.

Entertainment by *The Southernaires* will begin at 6:00 p.m. and the Official Business Meeting will start promptly at 7:00 p.m. Exhibits and health screenings will be available for your enjoyment from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Screenings will include blood pressure checks, blood sugar checks and glaucoma examinations. Exhibits will include garden club displays, Wetlands Restoration, the Isaac Walton League, Coastal Federation and various wildlife and environmental related booths. Hot dogs, soft drinks and chips will be available from 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Pursuant to the by-laws of the Cooperative, three directorate seats are slated for election: District #2, District #6 and District #8. These seats are currently held by Roger W. Jones, J. Henry Davis and Thom Styron respectively. Since there was no challenge in any District, these gentlemen will be confirmed as Directors during the business session.

This year's meeting will feature all cash prizes with the grand prize being \$400 to some lucky member. In addition, three people will win \$200 each, five will win \$100, ten will win \$50 and twelve people will go home with \$25 each for a total of \$2300!

We are exploring ways to improve the Annual Meeting and reach more members. One possible change involves moving the meeting date to the Spring of the year. By doing this, we can avoid the hurricane season. Also, we will be able to invite our area high school choruses and bands to perform. In addition, area young people selected to receive a scholarship could be honored at the event. You should find enclosed in your September electric bills, a survey asking for your input on this topic.

Options for your consideration include not only moving the meeting to a Spring date but also changing the day. Possibilities include Thursday, Friday or Saturday evenings. Hopefully, you will fill out the survey and return it with your monthly payment in September. We'll inform you of the results in a forthcoming issue of the Member News.

So, make plans now. Place it on your calendars. And, attend the **Annual Meeting of Members** on Saturday, September 29, 2001. We look forward to seeing each of you.



Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative

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From The Manager.....

*Craig A. Conrad
Executive Vice President*

This issue of the *Member News* deals with several items facing our Cooperative. First, our **61st Annual Meeting** which will be held on Saturday, September 29, 2001 at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City. As a cooperative, you, the members own us, and this is your opportunity to join your Board as they conduct the yearly business of the Cooperative. This meeting will be an excellent time for you to meet your Directors and the Cooperative staff and discuss issues facing the electric business. In addition, your attendance will also qualify you for a chance at a number of cash prizes.

As the Cooperative grows and changes, we are also trying to make our Annual Meeting more appealing and interesting. This year, our exhibits and displays will have a new theme as we deal with issues concerning our environment. We will have a broad range of displays and information for you.

You will be able to speak with experts on gardening and gather information to make your yard that showplace you've always wanted. Representatives will be on hand to inform you about wetlands restoration and how the Cooperative's commitment to the Jumping Run Creek Project may one day increase the usable shellfish area in our county. Others displays will focus on how we can all coexist while still conserving our valuable natural resources.

Secondly, you will also note from the front page story that we are asking you to help us with a **survey**. Your opinions are important and this survey will enable us to plan an Annual Meeting that meets your needs and interests. You will be receiving the survey in your September electric bills. We ask that you please fill it out and return it

to us with your payment. One question refers to the meeting date.

Why change the meeting date? A spring date will get us out of hurricane season. We think more members will be able to attend if the meeting is moved to the Spring. In addition, your Cooperative has always placed a strong emphasis on education and on our youth. A Spring meeting will allow area school choruses and bands to perform as entertainment during the meeting. A Fall meeting precludes the appearance of these young people because school has just begun and preparation for a performance takes time.

One of the biggest advantages to a spring meeting is that it will allow our Carteret-Craven Electric Foundation to award scholarships to deserving seniors during our meeting. This opportunity will allow us all to publicly recognize these outstanding young people for this achievement.

Remember, the Annual Meeting is yours. We want to make it as interesting and relevant as possible. Let us hear from you. In addition to filling out the survey, drop us a note or go on our website at www.ccemc.com and e-mail us with your thoughts at info@carteretcraven.ncemcs.com. We'd love to hear from you. See you on September 29th.

And lastly, I had the privilege to assist in the selection of **Carteret County's Teacher of the Year** in June. I helped interview 15 educators who were selected to be each school's Teacher of the Year for the 2001-2002 school year. I learned a great deal about our schools and especially the bright, dedicated, and caring individuals who provide education and life training to our children. It was enlightening and inspirational to spend a day with these individuals who love children, help them aspire to higher goals and have the opportunity to influence our future through educating our youth. The decision to select one overall Teacher of the Year was especially difficult because each individual was outstanding. I would like to express our heartfelt congratulations to each school's individual winner and especially to Millie Temple from Croatan High School for being selected Carteret County's Teacher of the Year.



Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative 2001 ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAM

5:00 p.m.....Registration Begins/Exhibits Open

6:00 p.m.....Entertainment By The Southernaires

7:00 p.m.....Business Session Opens

Meeting Called To Order.....Roger W. Jones, President

Invocation

Recognition of Guests & Welcome.....Craig A. Conrad,
Executive Vice President & General Manager

Report on Number of Eligible
Voting Members Present.....David M. Chadwick, Secretary

Reading & Approval of Minutes.....David M. Chadwick, Secretary

Awarding of Prizes

“The State of the Cooperative”A Video Presentation

Registration Closes;Nelson W. Taylor, Attorney
Made Acting Chairperson.....Roger W. Jones, President

Report of Nominating Committee.....Betty Smith, Chairperson

Report of Election Results

Awarding of Prizes

Unfinished Business.....Roger W. Jones, President

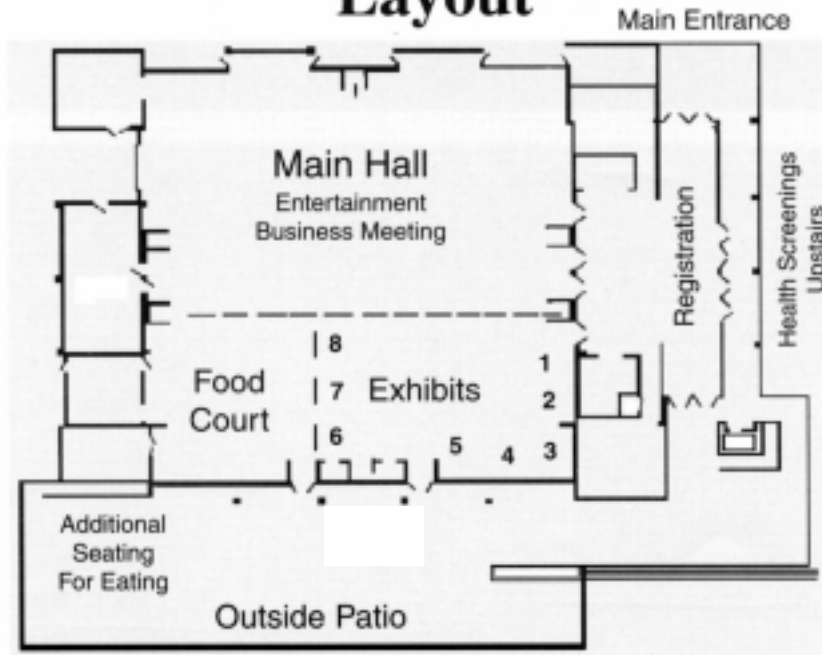
New Business.....Roger W. Jones, President

Awarding of Prizes(including Grand Prize of \$400!)

Adjourn



Annual Meeting Layout



Board of Directors By District



Ralph Freeman
District #1



Roger W. Jones
District #2



Arland Bell
District #3



Fred Fulcher
District #4



Nellie Garner
District #5



J. Henry Davis
District #6



David Chadwick
District #7



Thom Styron
District #8



Jerome Meadows
District #9

