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**MEMBER
APPRECIATION DAYS**
May 22-24, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

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**OFFICIAL REGISTRATION CARD
AND PRIZE DRAWING TICKET**

Bring this card to our office to register for a \$1,000 grand prize.

**Coastal Electric Cooperative
Member Appreciation Days**

May 22-24

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

3700 U.S. Highway 17 S., Richmond Hill

1265 S. Coastal Highway, Midway



FROM THE CEO

It's that time of year again! Coastal Electric Cooperative is gearing up for Member Appreciation Days beginning Monday, May 22, capped off by the Virtual Annual Meeting of Members on Thursday, May 25.

Member Appreciation Week is a special time for our members to stop by one of our office locations, have some face time with Coastal Electric employees, hear from your co-op leadership and, perhaps most importantly, elect the directors who will make decisions on behalf of their fellow members.

Coastal Electric employees work hard to make Member Appreciation Week as convenient, inviting, helpful and relevant as possible to our members. We encourage you to stop by and exercise a few of the many rights you have as a member of a community-owned electric cooperative. We know the registration gifts and prize drawings are compelling reasons to participate, but there is so much more to this event.

Did you know Member Appreciation Week is an occasion to learn more about issues affecting our community? All cooperatives serve an economic and social purpose. While safe, reliable and affordable electric power is crucial to our mission, improving the quality of life for all members is at the core of what we do every day.

During the Virtual Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 25, you'll hear updates and behind-the-scenes insight from Coastal Electric leadership about the topics that impact you, and what we as a co-op can do to address our most pressing challenges. We'll let you know what we've been up to over the past year and share specifics about what the future holds.

Our country and community face many challenges—challenges we like to think of as opportunities for good. Taking hold of what could be will only happen if we come together. The good news is, as a cooperative, Coastal Electric is positioned to bring together all members of the community for the common good as few other organizations can.

We look forward to greeting you face to face during the Member Appreciation Days, May 22-24, and we hope you'll tune in and participate in our Virtual Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 25, at 10 a.m.



Chris Fettes

Member Appreciation Days
 May 22-24
 Virtual Annual Meeting of Members
 at 10 a.m. on May 25.

Your email could be worth \$250!

Write your email address in the blank to be entered into an additional prize drawing for \$250 cash.



Email address

Email addresses will be used for communication purposes by Coastal Electric Cooperative. We will not spam your account, share your information outside the cooperative or sell your email to third parties. The winner of the \$250 drawing will be notified by email the week after the Virtual Annual Meeting.

ON THE COVER: Recognize our cover model's smiling face? He is Chuck Gaskin, who has served on the Coastal Electric Cooperative Board of Directors since 2020. A resident of Townsend, Mr. Gaskin is pictured in an outdoor kitchen at the beautiful Dorchester Shooting Preserve and Lodge in Midway, which he founded.

He is holding this year's Member Appreciation gift, a 10.25-inch Lodge Seasoned Cast Iron Skillet and Lodge Silicone Hot Handle Holder.

Register to WIN \$1,000

during Member Appreciation Days!



Coastal Electric CEO Chris Fettes presents last year's \$1,000 grand prize check to Dorothy Blige, a lifelong resident of Richmond Hill (Ways Station before that) and a Coastal Electric member since 1954.



Stop by Coastal Electric Cooperative's Midway or Richmond Hill offices May 22-24 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to register to win \$1,000 during Member Appreciation Days! Be sure to bring the perforated portion from the front cover with you to make the registration process as quick and easy as possible.

The winner of the \$1,000 will be announced during the Thursday, May 25, Virtual Annual Meeting, which will be livestreamed on *CoastalElectric.Coop/live* beginning at 10 a.m.

Every member who registers during the May 22-24 Member Appreciation Days takes home a 10.25-inch Lodge Seasoned Cast Iron Skillet and Lodge Silicone Hot Handle Holder. Members must register in person to receive the Lodge registration gift and be entered into the grand prize drawing.

Every member who registers takes home a Lodge Seasoned Cast Iron Skillet.

OFFICIAL NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

To members of Coastal Electric Cooperative:

The 2023 Annual Meeting of Members will be a virtual event viewable by all members, and attended in person by the officers and board members of the co-op. They will meet at Coastal Electric Cooperative on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 10 a.m.

The meeting will be livestreamed for members' viewing on **CoastalElectric.Coop/live**. Officers and board members will attend in person to take action on the following matters:

1. Determination of a quorum.
2. Reading of the notice of the meeting and proof of mailing.
3. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Presentation and consideration of reports of officers and directors.
5. Report of the Nominating Committee.
6. Election of three directors for terms of three years to fill the expiring terms for a Bryan County, Liberty County and McIntosh/Long counties seat on the board.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.
9. Adjournment.

By order of the secretary of the Board,

Laura McGee

Secretary/Treasurer

Coastal Electric Cooperative
Board of Directors

In accordance with the cooperative's bylaws, the following Coastal Electric Cooperative members have been nominated by the 2023 Nominating Committee, which consists of Donna Moore, Mark Schlag, Tim Beaty, Barbara Smith, Jerry Adkins and Gary Smith, to serve on the Board of Directors:



Laura McGee
Bryan County
Incumbent



John T. Woods III
Liberty County
Incumbent



Reagan Odom
McIntosh/Long counties
Incumbent



All information herein was correct at press time. Plans for the Annual Meeting of Members and Member Appreciation Days were made with current information available at the time, but unforeseen circumstances could change these plans with little notice.

Please follow our social media channels for the most up-to-date information available. You can follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

To watch the Annual Meeting livestream beginning at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, please visit **CoastalElectric.Coop/live** or scan the QR Code above.

If you have questions, feel free to contact us:

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contact@coastalelectric.coop

