

Join Us for our

## Member Appreciation Event

Fun for all Ages

Wednesday, September 14, 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Office, Rockwell City

Come for supper (Calhoun County Pork Producers grilling),  
bucket rides, gifts and refreshments!

## Official Notice Annual Meeting

You are hereby notified that the 86th Annual Meeting of the Members of Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association will be held at the **Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association Headquarters in Rockwell City, Iowa** following the Member Appreciation Event Wednesday, September 14, 2022, to take action upon the following matters:

1. The reports of officers, directors and committees;
2. The election of two (2) directors of the Cooperative for a term of three years each;
3. All other business, which may legally come before the Meeting or any adjournment or adjournments, thereof.

This is your official notice. More information will arrive in the annual report mid-August.

*Jason O. McKenney*  
Jason McKenney, Secretary

## Board Approves Return of Capital Credits


During the June 2022 Board Meeting, Directors approved returning \$211,029.22 back to the membership on the statements for July. This marks the largest return of capital credits to date.

One of the benefits of being a member of a cooperative is that you share in the ownership of the business. That ownership has value, such as reliable service, affordable rates, board representation and the earning of capital credits.

As not-for-profit entities, cooperatives return left over margins (or profit) not used for the overall operations of the business in the form of capital credits. Be sure to look on the statement you receive this month

to see your portion of the capital credits that are being returned. During its 86-year history, CCECA has returned more than \$3.3 million to its member-owners.

This year's capital credit return completes the repayment of the 2004 and 2005 patronage allocations and returns a portion of the 2021 allocation as well.

 <p><b>Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association</b> A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative</p>		<p><i>July 2022</i></p>	
<p>To: <i>CCECA Members</i></p>		<p><i>\$211,029.22</i></p>	
<p><i>Two hundred eleven thousand twenty-nine &amp; 22/100</i></p>			
<p><i>Special Capital Credit Payment</i></p>		<p><i>CCECA Board of Directors</i> <small>Authorized Signature</small></p>	

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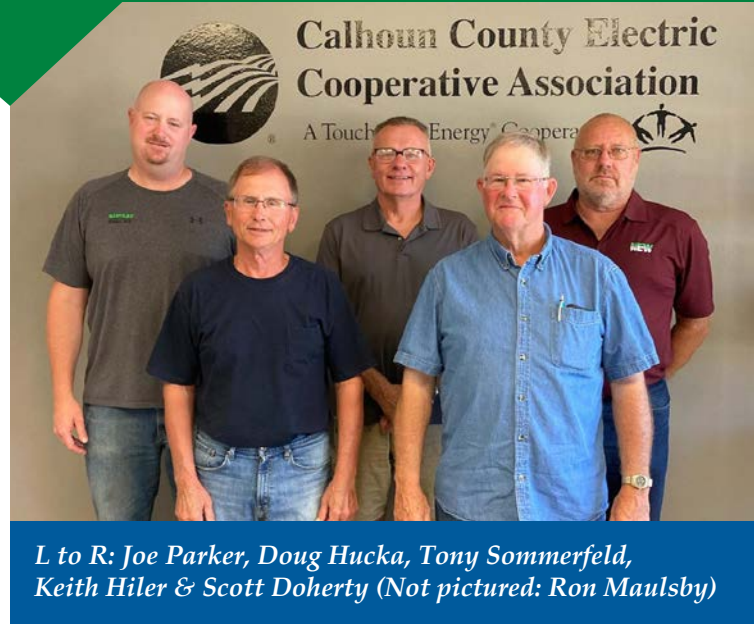
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# REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee met July 11, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at the Calhoun County Electric Cooperative office in Rockwell City. The Nominating Committee of Calhoun County Electric Cooperative Association, duly appointed by Board of Directors, hereby nominated the below members of the Cooperative for the office of director for a term of three years.

These candidates will be voted on at the 86th Annual Meeting to be held September 14, 2022.

Ballots will be sent out in mid-August and can be returned by mail or brought to the Annual Meeting on September 14th.



## 2022 Director Candidates

### DISTRICT 4:

#### LaVerne Arndt (Incumbent)

- ▶ Resides 2.5 miles southwest of Lytton
- ▶ Married to Colleen, 2 children, 2 grandchildren
- ▶ Owner operator, raising corn, soybean and hay for 38 years
- ▶ Cow and calf operation
- ▶ Retired FSA CEO for Calhoun County
- ▶ Member of Farm Bureau
- ▶ Member of CCECA since 1993
- ▶ CCECA Director since 2013 and current Vice President
- ▶ Corn Belt Power Director since 2018



#### Darcy Dougherty Maulsby

- ▶ Lives between Lake City and Yetter
- ▶ Married to J. Maulsby
- ▶ Assists with her family's Century Farm, a corn and soybean operation
- ▶ Earned her MBA from Iowa State University
- ▶ Has owned her own marketing/communications business since 2002
- ▶ Author of seven non-fiction Iowa history books, including Iowa Agriculture
- ▶ Past president and current director on the Calhoun County Farm Bureau board
- ▶ Member of CCECA since 2006



### DISTRICT 6:

#### Brent Bergquist

- ▶ Resides north of Lohrville
- ▶ Married to Dana, 4 children
- ▶ Owner operator, raising corn, soybeans, oats and alfalfa since 1995
- ▶ Also has cattle, goats and poultry
- ▶ Member of CCECA since 1998



#### Joe Parker

- ▶ Resides west of Lohrville
- ▶ Married to Heather, 3 children
- ▶ Employed at NEW Cooperative for the last 15 years
- ▶ Pheasants Forever – Calhoun County
- ▶ Lohrville Lions Club
- ▶ Member of CCECA since 2013





## GRAHAM CRACKER ICE CREAM SANDWICH

### INGREDIENTS:

- 18 graham cracker squares
- Hot fudge
- 1 quart ice cream, slightly soft (favorite flavor)

### DIRECTIONS:

1. In an 8 x 8 baking dish lined with parchment paper, scoop the ice cream into the pan and press down to make an even square layer. Place in the freezer for a few hours up to overnight.
2. After the freezer, remove and lift the parchment paper out of the baking dish and move the ice cream to a flat surface or cutting board. Cut ice cream into 9 squares.
3. Lift an ice cream square and place it onto one graham cracker square.
4. Spread the hot fudge onto the other graham cracker square and then place that on top of the ice cream square to create your sandwich. Continue with the remaining squares and ice cream.
5. You can serve immediately or place back in the freezer for 5-10 minutes to harden up. Enjoy!

## Metering Project Implementation

In our March issue, we discussed the pilot project that was implemented to help determine the next steps for our metering project. The pilot project was successful and steps are being taken to begin implementing this across our entire system.

Over the next few months, the line crew will be installing communication equipment as part of the metering project. This will require them to visit numerous locations across our system - so, if you see them working near your property the device they are installing will help boost the signal from our meters back to our office.



*This device helps boost the signal from our meters back to our office.*

***Electric cooperatives are committed to powering local agriculture.***

**STOP BY AND SEE US AT THE RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES OF IOWA EXPO HALL AT THE FARM PROGRESS SHOW IN BOONE, IOWA**

**AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 1**

 Rural Electric Cooperatives of Iowa

**WE WILL BE  
CLOSED  
ON  
LABOR  
★ DAY ★**

**Monday, September 5th**

## Stop by and see us at the Iowa State Fair!

Visit our booth in the 4-H Exhibits Building on the southwest end of the fairgrounds. We'll have plastic hard hats and suckers for kids (*while supplies last*).



Try on some real lineworker gear and pose for fun photos in our safety selfie station!



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## Gentry Hardware Inc. – Revolving Loan Fund

Gentry Hardware recently purchased Swanson Hardware located in Rockwell City with assistance from our Revolving Loan Fund program. This purchase included the property, inventory and equipment. Gentry Hardware will continue to be a general hardware store providing basic tools, paint, plumbing, and hardware supplies, a greenhouse providing seasonal plans, and rental equipment offerings for residential and commercial use.

CCECA is committed to enhancing the communities we serve and are proud to support growth and development by partnering with Gentry Hardware.



From L to R: Keaton Hildreth, CCECA CEO, Nathan and Emily Gentry, Owners of Gentry Hardware Inc.

## Calhoun County Expo

Kayla Wiederin, CCECA Communications Manager, handed out Ice Pops to youth attending the Swine Show at the Calhoun County Expo on July 8, 2022.

*Pictured is Allie Vogel, daughter of CCECA members Andy and Becca Vogel from Lohrville, enjoying her ice pop!*



Thanks to CCECA employees Chad Krukow and Doug LeMonds (plus their families) for representing CCECA in the Expo parade!



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# August Member Challenge



1. The CCECA Annual Meeting is being held on September \_\_\_\_, 2022.
2. How many directors are running for office in District 4? \_\_\_\_
3. Cooperatives return \_\_\_\_\_ to their members in excess of those needed for daily operations in the form of patronage dividends.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



Find the answers within the stories, features, and content of this newsletter and you could win a prize. Send your answer to [kwiederin@calhounrec.coop](mailto:kwiederin@calhounrec.coop), clip and mail to: Calhoun County Electric Cooperative, PO Box 312, Rockwell City, IA 50579 or submit on our website: [www.calhounrec.coop](http://www.calhounrec.coop). You may mail your entry along with your electric bill payment, but remember there is a deadline! Entries for this issue **must be received by September 1st**. Three names will be drawn from all correct entries. Members will receive a **\$10 credit** on their account. Members who answer the questions correctly and participate at least three times throughout the year will be eligible for a \$100 bill credit, through a random drawing, at the end of the year.

**Congratulations to the June member challenge winners:**

**Dale & Nancy Bruns, Althea Betten, and Jan Collison**