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Horry Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a non-profit, memberowned organization providing information and energyrelated services on a fair and equitable basis.

Your Touchstone Energy® Partner

We observe Electrical Safety Month–for you!

EVERY MAY, we celebrate Electrical Safety Month. It's a time when we place a spotlight on ways we keep you, our members, safe.

This year, we're focusing on how to keep safe after a storm rolls through. No matter the type of weather or damage to electrical equipment and infrastructure, resulting safety hazards are generally the same.

To stay safe after a major storm or natural disaster strikes, Horry Electric Cooperative urges you to develop a family action plan. Designate a place for everyone to meet after an event. Map out ways to evacuate your home. Create a laminated card with emergency contact names and numbers for each family member. Consider listing a relative or friend who lives far from your community as the point of contact—if your family gets separated, that person can let others know who is safe.

Don't forget pets in your family action plan—many rescue shelters will not accept pets after a catastrophe of some sort, so it's important to decide beforehand where Spot or Tiger can take up residence for a while.

It's not hard to understand why safety remains a top priority for Horry Electric. Working around electricity is a life-or-death situation every day for many of our employees. As a result, we work hard to instill a culture of safety that our folks can take home with them and live 24/7.

We also strive to raise safety awareness among Horry Electric Cooperative members. That's why we offer safety demonstrations for schools and community groups. We also provide safety tips in *South Carolina Living*, on horryelectric.com and in a variety of other printed materials.

Pledge to honor Electrical Safety Month by fashioning an emergency action plan for your family today. Learn more about weathering storms safely at ready.gov.

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Access FEMA's website ready.gov for safety and disaster preparedness tips, resources, and educational games for kids.

Horry News

Co-op Connections bring spring savings

Co-op Connections[®] Card

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Co-op Connections is your source for exceptional discount offers.

THE LIST OF local businesses participating in the Co-op Connections discount card program continues to grow! We hope you'll take advantage of the deals being offered exclusively to members of Horry Electric and the other participating Touchstone Energy Cooperatives.

▶ Bloomers Florist & Home Décor, located at 4505 Highway 501 West in Conway, is offering Co-op Connections cardholders 10 percent OFF their entire purchase. Bloomers is a fullservice florist. For details, call them at 365-2837.

► C & D Landscaping Services, located at 8354 Huntington Court in Conway, specializes in ground maintenance, landscaping, installing irrigation systems, irrigation repairs and flower beds. They also maintain shrubbery and install/replace sod. Show your Co-op Connections card and get 20 percent OFF your landscaping projects today! For details, call (843) 907-0169.

► Conway Air Conditioning, located at 300 Smith St. in Conway, is open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and offers 24-hour service calls. You can get \$25 OFF your service call by showing your Co-op Connections card. For details, call (843) 248-4111 or visit them at conwayac.com.

► Daisy Fair Flowers, located on 4th Avenue in Conway, is offering Co-op Connections cardholders 10 percent OFF all local orders over \$50. Offer excludes wire orders. For details, call (843) 248-7222 or visit them at thedaisyfair.com.
Diet Center, \$101 for the 3-Month STARTER Diet or \$275 for FULL Diet Program, 256 Seaboard St., Myrtle Beach, SC 29577, (843) 839-9572, dietcenter.com.

▶ Gordy the Handyman, headquartered in Longs, is offering 10 percent OFF services to homeowners or property managers with a Co-op Connections card! Business hours are Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. For details, call (843) 390-1444 or email aparker@hometask.com. Check out their website gordythehandyman.com.

▶ Griffy's Secret Pressure Washing, located on Pollen Loop Road in Murrells Inlet, is offering 20 percent OFF any service rendered to Co-op Connections cardholders. For details, call (843) 446-4748 or visit them online at griffyssecret pressurewashing.com.

► Jordan's 501 Nursery and Florist, located on Church Street in Conway, is offering 10 percent OFF the total purchase of Co-op Connections cardholders. For details, call (843) 365-2036 or visit them online at jordans501florist.com.

• Low Country Carpet Care in Conway is offering 10 percent OFF any

Lost your card?

Just print a new one!

If you lose your Co-op Connections card, just log on to Connections.coop and click on 'Pharmacy Discount' on the left. You'll link to a page where you can type in your name, select Horry Electric Cooperative, then print a paper card that participating businesses and pharmacies will accept.

Your Co-op Connections card is good for 10 to 60 percent discounts on prescription drugs at more than 60,000 national and regional pharmacy chain stores, including CVS, Walgreens, Walmart and Target. Check out the additional participating local businesses at horryelectric.com.

cleaning service to Co-op Connections cardholders. Carpet re-stretching and carpet repair are not included in this offer. For details, call (843) 347-7070 or visit them online at lowcountrycarpetcare.com.

Ocean Breeze Awnings & More, located on Sandy Lane in Surfside Beach, is offering 5 percent OFF any project OR \$100 OFF any project over \$1000-WHICHEVER IS GREATER, to Co-op Connections card-holders. For details, call (843) 238-4798. Business hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. You can also visit them online at oceanbreezeawnings.com or email them at info@ oceanbreezeawnings.com.

Unclaimed Capital Credits posted online



s A searchable database is now posted on horryelectric.com (horryelectric.com/capital Credits.aspx). You can find it by using the Search Engine on the page or simply by selecting 'Capital Credits' from the myCO-OP tab on the home page of our website. Horry Electric mails capital credit checks to members who have received service in past years. Many of these checks are returned to us by the postal service, and we are holding them for those listed on the website.

In order to claim funds, please contact Horry Electric Cooperative's main office in Conway between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at (843) 369-2211. Please reference your call as concerning unclaimed capital credits.

In addition to the online database, Horry Electric will be publishing the unclaimed capital credit list in *The Horry Independent* before June 1.

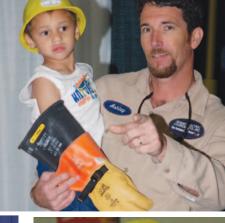
2012 Annual Meeting highlights

At high noon, members line up to register for their 2012 Annual Meeting.

Pretty little Kylie Anderson, 3, poses with Willie Wiredhand.

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Children could have their pictures taken as "linemen" this year. First up was Jordan Discuillo, 4, shown here with **HEC training** coordinator Ashley Johnson, pointing to the camera. Later Jordan got in the bucket with HEC lineman Phillip McClellan.





Savannah Taylor, 2½, tries on her lineman helmet.



Not only were kids "linemen" for a day, so were some of the grownups. Here's grandfather Marvin Nicholson with his grandson Isaiah Mabry, 2, who was a "fire chief." Isaiah had already played "lineman" and got his photo taken and made into a lapel button, which he's wearing.



Horry Extra

Danny Stanley and The Bluegrass Gentlemen entertain the afternoon crowd.

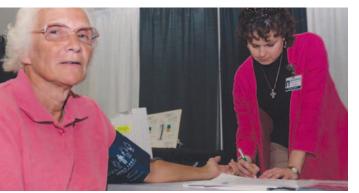




At the health fair, co-op member Margaret Osborne got a good blood pressure report from Stacey Mott of McLeod Loris Seacoast.

Elvis tribute artist Bryan Pittman gives us one of the King of Rock 'n' Roll's signature looks. Pittman also sang the national anthem to open the business meeting.

> The seats at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center are filled with members.





While the adults pay attention, John G. Poleto III, 4, sleeps in his grandmother Sherry Johnson's lap.





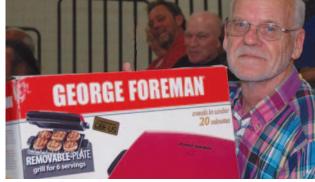
Jason A. Bussel and his friend, Lil Miss Princess, pal around as the prize drawings begin.



Gussie Motta won \$400 in the 50-50 raffle offered by the co-op's chapter of Women Involved in Rural Electrification.







Doug Price wins a George Foreman grill.



Smiles don't come brighter than this: Reece Pickett, 5, won \$15 in the youth drawings.



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Berklin Gause went home with a new 47-inch flatpanel HD TV.