

Nominating Committee Report

We, the Members of the Nominating Committee, appointed by the Board of Directors of A&N Electric Cooperative on March 28, 2019, after due consideration, do hereby nominate the following members for Directors to be elected at the Annual Meeting of Members to be held on Aug. 22, 2019:

Edward V. Parks, Jr.
Residing in District 1

Addison W. Nottingham, Jr.
Residing in District 3

Given under our hands this 9th day of May, 2019.

H. Bruce Richardson, Jr.
Michelle Marsh
Jacqueline Davis
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Bruce Freeman

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A&N Electric Cooperative Director Nominees



Addison W. Nottingham, Jr.

Addison "Add" W. Nottingham, Jr., resides in upper Northampton County and was appointed on April 1, 2004, as a Class II Director. Nottingham currently serves as the chairman of the A&N Electric Cooperative Board and ex officio member of all committees. He also serves as vice chairman of the Members Helping Members board.

He has attended several national and state cooperative meetings and is enrolled in NRECA's Electric Cooperative Directors Institute, having completed his Credentialed Cooperative Director certificate

to the level of Director Gold.

Nottingham is a local farmer and has retired from the Eastern Shore Soil and Water Conservation District. He has served on the Marva Farm Credit Board, and now serves on the Northampton County Farm Bureau Board and as president of the Eastern Shore Marketing Co-op.

Nottingham has served on the Farm Service Agency County Committee and is the treasurer of the Virginia Potato and Vegetable Growers Association.

He is a member of Franktown United Methodist Church, having served as past chairman and vice chairman of its board. Nottingham also serves on the Northampton County AFD Advisory Board, is a member of the Exmore Rotary Club and is its past president.

Nottingham and his wife, Cheryl, reside on Holly Grove Farm in Nassawadox, Virginia.



Edward V. Parks, Jr.

Edward "Ed" V. Parks, Jr., Class II Director, who resides on Tangier, represents District 1 and was appointed on May 24, 2004, to the A&N Electric Cooperative Board of Directors.

Parks has completed all certification courses in NRECA's Electric Cooperative Directors Institute to obtain Director Certificates including CCD, BLC and Gold.

He currently serves as a Tangier town councilman and is a former mayor. In addition to his current duties on the town council, Parks serves as president of the Tangier Interactive Museum and Culture Center.

For two years, Parks served as vice president of TaSC, a community service-based organization for watermen's stewardship.

He retired from E.I. DuPont, where he was a licensed certified millwright.

While living in Mechanicsville, Virginia, he served four years as school board chairman at Liberty Christian School and was also a deacon at Liberty Christian Church for six years. Parks is a former licensed FAA pilot.

He attends New Testament Church on Tangier where he serves as a deacon.

Parks and his wife, Susan, reside on Tangier Island.

A&N Electric Cooperative competes in regional lineman rodeo



A&N Electric Cooperative recently competed in the 17th annual Gaff-n-Go Equipment Operator's and Lineman's Rodeo.

Held May 10-11 at Meadow Event Park in Doswell, Virginia, the rodeo attracted hundreds of co-op friends, family members and spectators who watched more than 150 talented lineworkers from six states ply their trade in a friendly yet competitive environment.

"We're really proud that this has grown from pretty humble beginnings into one of the largest regional rodeos in the country," said John C. Lee, CEO of Mecklenburg Electric Cooperative and chairman of the Rodeo Committee. "We're also really proud to stage an event where our lineworkers can demonstrate the hard work, the determination, and the mental and physical toughness this profession requires."

The Virginia, Maryland & Delaware Association of Electric Cooperatives (VMDAEC) hosted the event, which was sponsored by TEREX in partnership with NESCO Specialty Rentals.

Friday's equipment operator's rodeo tested each three-member team's ability to maneuver trucks and equipment used in electric distribution systems.

Left, from left, A&N Electric Cooperative's Jacob Pruitt, Trey Pruitt, Fred Smith, Virgil Wessells, George Floyd and Matt Jones recently competed in the 17th annual Gaff-n-Go Lineman's Rodeo. Top, Trey Pruitt competes in the apprentice hurt-man rescue during the Lineman's Rodeo. Right, George Floyd (left) and Matt Jones compete in an equipment operators event.

On Saturday, declared Electric Utility Line Workers Day by Gov. Ralph Northam, three-member journeyman teams and individual apprentices competed in events that allowed utility lineworkers to test their skills, to learn from different techniques and to compete in real-life scenarios.

A&N Electric Cooperative's three-member team consisted of George Floyd, Matthew Jones and Virgil Wessells. In addition to the journeyman linemen team, Jacob Pruitt, Trey Pruitt and Fred Smith competed in apprentice events.

"We enjoyed working as a team and learning new skills at the rodeo," said Jones. "We just put to work the things we've learned through our apprenticeships and throughout our careers. We had great weather and it's a great event each year."

"It is so impressive to observe these professionals as they work 40 feet above the ground on a course of utility poles, while always keeping safe and efficient work practices front and center," said Richard Johnstone, VMDAEC president and CEO.

Lee noted that the number of competitors has jumped to more than 150 from 119 in 2013. The 2019 field also included two U.S. Army teams from the 249th Engineer Battalion (Prime Power) stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

"These guys work with each other in major storm events in the middle of the night," Lee said. "I think it's highly comforting for them to know that the guy on the next pole is someone they met and got to know here at the rodeo."

Additionally, participants and spectators dug deep in their pockets to help raise nearly \$6,000 to support a Dominion Energy worker recently injured in the line of duty.

"We're proud to support our cooperative team and this event each year," said A&N Electric Cooperative President and CEO Butch Williamson. "The Gaff-n-Go Equipment Operator's and Lineman's Rodeo does a tremendous job promoting safety and teamwork through individual teams and across all the organizations that participate."



Annual Meeting is Aug. 22



Left, A&N Electric Cooperative CEO Butch Williamson greets members as they arrive for the cooperative's 78th Annual Meeting at Nandua High School. Above, prior to the start of the 2018 annual meeting, an attendee snaps a selfie with LED Lucy.

The A&N Electric Cooperative Annual Business Meeting will be held on Thursday, Aug. 22, at Nandua High School's Auditorium. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

A&N Electric is a member-owned electric distribution cooperative and its membership elects a Board of Directors.

As a member of the cooperative, each person receiving electric service is urged to take an active part in its business by voting for its Board of Directors.

Those members electing to vote by mail-in proxy will be entered into a chance to win one of four \$100 credits to count towards an upcoming electric bill. Members who would like to vote by

proxy are encouraged to fill out the form accompanying their electric bill and return it to A&N Electric Cooperative prior to the annual meeting.

Those members electing to vote in person should attend the annual business

meeting and arrive prior to 7 p.m.

A&N Electric Cooperative staff will be present at Nandua High School at 5:30 p.m. to welcome members and to begin the process of voter registration. Voter registration ends promptly at 6:55 p.m.

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Winners will be contacted about their bill credit after the cooperative's annual meeting in August.

AMI Update

A&N Electric Cooperative completed the testing phase of its AMI pilot project and will begin full deployment of the system this month.

The cooperative will begin installing the AMI system's network in July. The cooperative is not expecting to start any meter exchanges until after Aug. 1.

The upgraded meter system will enable the cooperative to perform several functions remotely, such as reading meters and reconnecting power, and will support additional value-added services for our members.

Winner of Co-op's Christmas Card Contest

Braleigh Green is the winner of the A&N Electric Cooperative Christmas Card Contest. Her drawing, seen here, will be featured on the upcoming cooperative Christmas card this holiday season. Green was also awarded a \$50 gift card for submitting the winning art.

Congratulations, Braleigh!



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