

CCNC NEWSLETTER

To Educate, Connect and
Promote Cooperatives.

FIRST QUARTER 2019

Annual Meeting

March 27-28, 2019

The Annual Meeting was a successful event with plenty of shared networking, information and stories! We had fantastic speakers, **Doug O'Brien** of NCBA, during dinner and **Tom Laing** of NCEMC for our lunch. We learned a lot about where cooperatives are headed and how working with our members the right way can lead to more engaged and loyal members!

To discuss our legislative side, **Joe Mecca** of Coastal Credit Union moderated a panel including **Jay Rouse** of the NC Electric Cooperatives, **Evelyn Hawthorne** of the Carolinas Credit Union League, and **Britton Allan**, representing the Telephone Cooperatives, about how cooperatives see challenges of service and what we can do to share our message with our legislators. We discovered that really sharing why Cooperatives are different is a great start with many of our newer faces in the General Assembly! We have our "What is a Co-op" pocket cards if you need some sent your way!

During our Legislative Breakfast at the NC General Assembly, we had members share their stories with our Senators and Representatives. **Theresa Lee**, LGFCU member, shared how her credit union has been an advocate for her and how they were there when she needed financial assistance.

Our two-day event brought about some great re-connecting in addition to meeting new faces and welcoming three new members to the CCNC Board of Directors (continue on next page). Also, we awarded our **Jim Graham Scholar, Ty Randleman**, and shared some fantastic meals! We look forward to driving new relationships in the coming months!



Dinner speaker, Doug O'Brien from NCBA



Legislative Panel (from left): Britton Allan, Evelyn Hawthorne, Jay Rouse and Joe Mecca



Theresa Lee, LGFCU member, at our Legislative Breakfast



Lunch speaker, Tom Laing from NCEMC

All About Annual Meeting...



Three new members to the CCNC Board of Directors (from left): Richard Campbell of NCSU, Janet Jackson of Central EMC and Lisa Crawley of NCEMC.



Left: Camp conversations, facilitated by Emily Nail (top right), highlighted two past camp attendees, **Marshall Cherry** (far left) and **Beth Ferrell**, who are now working in NC as professionals around Ag and Co-ops. We heard from them about how the Leadership Camp made an impact on their career choices as well as the life lessons learned while at camp. They both share a passion for camp and are big supporters of the program.

And our **Jim Graham** Scholarship Award Winner is...

Ty Randleman

Sponsored to attend Cooperative Leadership Camp by **Star Communications**, Ty is an active and accomplished student. He participates in multiple clubs, including Beta Club, Deca Club and Key Club. Randleman is also on the Clinton High School cross country team and the golf team. In addition to volunteering at the Sampson History Museum and the Salemburg Food bank, he works as a salesperson at James Trading Company. His interests include swimming, hunting, fishing, music, basketball, science, and law. In addition to these achievements, he was a Duke Tip participant and traveled with the Clinton High School cross country team. After graduating from high school, Randleman plans to attend college to pursue a career in corporate law.



Co-op Leadership Camp

June 17th-21st, 2019

Cooperative Leadership is set June 17th - 21st! Select your teens to sponsor and send staff to volunteer for a week of building a t-shirt cooperative with our future Co-op Leaders! Future leaders gather from all corners of NC to learn about cooperatives, leadership, team building and connecting with other teen leaders to understand cooperatives!

Teens come together to build and manage a cooperative t-shirt company, receive experimental learning of the 7 Cooperative Principles, fine tune their leadership skills, problem solve with their peers and enjoy the beautiful White Lake, NC. During camp, the teens have fun building a cooperative, dealing with issues to strengthen their problem solving skills, and learning how to work with others in a casual setting to overcome the daily challenges of a business! Above and beyond that, campers can participate in the talent show, enjoy the luau and have a blast on the lake!

We are excited to continue to educate, connect and promote cooperatives through this experiential week long camp for teens!

Do you have news to share? Send it to us to get out to everyone!

Add our logo to your invoices, newsletters and any other mailings! Share your connection with CCNC and increase awareness of Co-ops!



**JOIN US
AT
CO-OP
CAMP!**

**BE A LEADER, COME TO CAMP JUNE 17-21, 2019
VOLUNTEER FOR THE WEEK OR PART OF IT!
CO-OP EMPLOYEES AND TEACHERS WELCOME!
EDUCATE OUR FUTURE CO-OP LEADERS!**

**COOPERATIVE
*Dynamics***

WORKSHOP

**Mark your calendars for
Co-op Dynamics!
November 20th, 2019**

This full day training is a great opportunity for education, networking across sectors, and learning all about cooperatives! The training is beneficial for new staff, board members and volunteers!

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