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ENERGYUNITED'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR MEMBERS



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# SMART HOME, SMARTER SAVINGS

Automation is part of our daily lives and homes today, and we now have the power to control almost everything from our smartphones—from home security systems to entertainment like music and movies. Voice assistants, like the Amazon Echo and Google Home, are making these tasks even easier. The addition of smart home devices can make your home more energy efficient and help you save loads of money over time.

Plus, our cost-saving tool, Energy Advisor can help you forecast costs based on weather, home model and your smart home technology. For example, setting your thermostat just 3 degrees higher during the summer can save you \$5 every day. That's as much as \$35 a week during those hot summer months. Forgot to set it before you left home? Just open the corresponding app to adjust your settings remotely. It's a simple tool but it can save you significant amounts of money.



**FOR MORE ENERGY SAVINGS TIPS, VISIT [ENERGYUNITED.COM/ENERGYADVISOR](https://www.energyunited.com/energyadvisor)**

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fax: 202-690-7442; or email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

**THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER.**

**CONGRATS TO MARCH  
EMAIL SIGN-UP WINNERS.**

These five lucky winners scored \$50 Visa gift cards just by signing up for emails!

# HOW TO SIGN UP FOR **ENERGY ADVISOR**

Energy Advisor is a free tool to help you better manage your energy use.



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[ENERGYUNITED.COM/  
ENERGYADVISOR](http://ENERGYUNITED.COM/ENERGYADVISOR)



CREATE A  
HOME PROFILE



MANAGE ENERGY  
SPENDING, AND LET  
THE SAVINGS ROLL IN

## LETTER FROM THE CEO

From its humble beginnings, EnergyUnited has grown into the largest not-for-profit electric cooperative in North Carolina. We got where we are today not by staying the same, but by driving innovation and operating on the cutting edge for the good of our members. The launch of Energy Advisor is the most recent example of our forward-thinking approach, and this month we celebrate its one-year anniversary. This amazing tool has enabled members to better manage their energy use.

Energy Advisor is a powerful resource designed to help you manage the full gamut of your energy consumption and save on your monthly energy bill. Savings Tips, for example, awards your home an efficiency rating and offers professional advice and helpful energy-saving product information. Energy Forecast takes your local weather into account and lets you adjust a "visual thermostat" to predict the impact of usage adjustments. And Interactive Energy Home covers an entire housing blueprint to identify opportunities for energy savings, from the garage to the attic. The best part? These features are only scratching the surface of Energy Advisor's capabilities.

Since last July, our members' regular use of Energy Advisor has steadily increased. They've taken advantage of our Bill Analysis Tool to proactively plan for high energy use, receive mid-cycle alerts and get timely savings tips right to their phones. Many members have initiated household DIY energy-efficiency projects and conservation efforts to keep the savings rolling in.

As you ease into the Carolina summer, I strongly encourage you to explore Energy Advisor and all it has to offer. The tools are intuitive, and the savings speak for themselves. It's all easily accessible by logging in to My Account on our website, making sure we have your email address up to date, and then visiting Energy Advisor after you've logged in to your account. Once inside, you'll discover an Energy Advisor dashboard customized to you and your home. Then let the savings begin.

**H. Wayne Wilkins**



**Tyler Holman  
Kelly Smith**

**Jeffrey Crouse  
Emily Graham**

**Stephen Hedglin**

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# SIGN UP FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR

Ever wanted to power your home with the clean energy of solar but didn't want the hassle of installing your own panels? Now you can! We have an allotment of solar panels exclusively available to our members. Receiving solar power is an incredible asset to our co-op and environment.

The cost is a one-time \$25 signup fee (to cover administrative costs) and \$2.38 per month on your next bill. You will also see a credit for 8.8 cents per kWh generated—which will negate the cost based on the power you use. To sign up today, contact a customer care representative at 1-800-522-3793.



Power your home by the clean energy of solar.



Receive exclusive access to one of our allotted panels.



No installation or maintenance hassles.

## MEET YOUR CREDENTIALS & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

Our co-op is run by you: our members, and your vote matters. Meet your board appointed 2019 Credentials & Election Committee.

### DISTRICT 1

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## AMI UPGRADE

We are in the process of initiating a capital improvement program to upgrade our Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI). Our current system was installed almost 10 years ago and facilitated our ability to read meters electronically and is due for some maintenance. Within the next few years, you will receive a phone call to notify you when EnergyUnited authorized personnel will plan to be in your area to upgrade your meter. You do not need to be home during our visit, which will only take a few minutes.

To learn more about how this strategic initiative will impact you, visit our website: [EnergyUnited.com](http://EnergyUnited.com).

## #WHOPOWERSYOU

We will be participating in the fourth annual #WhoPowersYou contest, created to honor inspirational community members across the country. This is an opportunity for members to nominate someone who has made a positive impact in their community. In addition to being nationally recognized, the person you nominate could win one of four (4) cash prizes. Last year, our very own Rich Gustin received honorable mention and a prize of \$500!

**SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATIONS FROM AUGUST 5 - SEPTEMBER 6, 2019 AT [WHOPOWERSYOU.COM](http://WHOPOWERSYOU.COM)**



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