

BOARD MEMBERS UP FOR RE-ELECTION DURING THE 2022 ANNUAL MEETING



AMY BRANDT

CAROLINE COUNTY

Amy Ireland Brandt, a true local of Caroline County, graduated Valedictorian from North Caroline High School. As a junior at NCHS, she participated in Choptank Electric Cooperative's Youth Tour, a week-long summer leadership program in Washington, D.C. designed to educate young adults on the cooperative business model as well as the legislative process of our government. Amy went on to earn her Bachelor of Science in Accounting from the University of Maryland, College Park.

As a Certified Public Accountant with over 25 years of experience in public accounting, Amy is a partner in Accounting Strategies Group, LLC. She oversees the accounting and auditing divisions, as well as the firm's quality control. Accounting Strategies Group has offices in Preston and Centreville.

Amy serves on the Board of Directors for Queenstown Bank. She lives in Denton with her husband Nick and three daughters. Amy enjoys spending her time with family, watching her children participate in their many activities, and attending a variety of sporting events.

As a lifelong resident of Caroline County, Amy learned from a young age about the cooperative principles and its business model, which gave her first-hand experience in the Co-op world. She sees the importance of the cooperative to this community and would like to be a part of its continued success on the Eastern Shore.



MATTHEW HOLLOWAY

WICOMICO COUNTY

The incumbent Choptank Electric Cooperative Board member for Wicomico County, Matt Holloway, was born and raised in Salisbury, Maryland. He attended Wicomico County Schools, graduating from Parkside High School in 2000. He went on to attend Virginia Tech and graduated in 2005 with a degree in Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences with a focus in Turfgrass Management.

In 2002, Matt and his father started Quantico Creek Sod Farms Inc, and today they employ over 50 employees and till nearly 2,500 acres. In 2010, Matt successfully ran for the President of the Wicomico County Council where he served for 8 years. In 2011, Matt and his wife, Kate, started Baywater Greens LLC, a greenhouse that produces hydroponic lettuce and field grown heirloom vegetables for local restaurants, as well as large grocery stores.

Matt was also the Wicomico representative on the Critical Areas Commission for the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays for seven years and was the Agricultural representative for the Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission since 2014. He enjoys sailing, surfing, and downhill skiing on his own time, and is an avid duck hunter.



DONNA WEST

WORCESTER COUNTY

Donna Richardson West was appointed to represent Worcester County on the Choptank Electric Cooperative Board of Directors in September of 2018 and was elected to a full term in April of 2019. She was also elected to the Board of the Virginia, Maryland and Delaware Association of Broadband Cooperatives in December of 2020.

An Eastern Shore native, Donna is embedded into the local community. As the daughter of Fay and Roger Richardson, she has worked on her family's farm her entire life and has seen all aspects of the business, where she provides support for daily operations. Donna is the Treasurer for Makemie Memorial Presbyterian Church and is on the Board of Directors for Snow Hill Christian Nursery School.

Donna graduated from Snow Hill High School and attended Wor-Wic Community College.

Engaged to Kenneth Lambertson Sr., she has three grown children and nine grandchildren. In her spare time, Donna enjoys time with her family, being on the water either boating or jet skiing, travel, and watch sporting events.