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ACC INSTRUCTOR TO CLIMB 60 UTILITY POLES FOR 60TH BIRTHDAY FUNDRAISER

Roy Smith Attempts to Raise Money for ACC Utility Technology Program Support Fund

Forget being over the hill! While many of us struggle to climb out of bed in the morning, longtime ACC utility technology instructor and alumnus ('91) **Roy Smith** is planning to spend his birthday doing something people half his age would have trouble accomplishing.

Not content to just celebrate with cake and ice cream, Roy decided to mark this milestone birthday doing what he loves most to help out the students he's dedicated his life to educating. Roy is not only **challenging himself to spend his 60th birthday October 26th climbing 60 utility poles**, but he's also challenging you to **donate \$60 in his honor to benefit the ACC Utility Technology Program Support Fund**, which is held at the ACC Foundation and helps UTT students travel and compete in the annual lineman rodeo. When ACC's lineman team last competed—which was in 2019, before the pandemic—it took first place in the national competition. All funds raised in honor of Roy's 60th birthday climb will go directly to help ACC UTT students prove they're still among the best in the country by competing in the 2022 lineman rodeo.

It's easy to give! Donate online (<u>https://discover.alpenacc.edu/donate.php</u>), or mail your payment to:

ACC Utility Technology Program Support Fund

ACC Foundation 665 Johnson Street Alpena, MI 49707

We need your help to make sure Roy's pole-climbing marathon is worth more than bragging rights, so whether you donate \$60, \$600, or \$16, every gift motivates Roy to climb closer to his target and our students closer to the 2022 Linemen Rodeo!

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