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# NewsLine

September 2017

Mark your calendar for  
**Colquitt EMC's**  
**81<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting**  
Spence Field, Moultrie  
Tuesday, Oct. 31, 2017

Business/Financial Updates,  
Great Food, Prizes, Health Fair,  
Entertainment....

### *Don't Miss It!*

Due to the size and growth of our Annual Meeting, we are asking members to register only for themselves— not other members. **There is a limit of 3 meals per membership.** These rules have been implemented as a courtesy to all members.



prizes



food

entertainment



"Omega Quartet"

**BUSINESS UPDATES • GREAT FOOD • GAMES • PRIZES  
FELLOWSHIP • ENTERTAINMENT • HEALTH FAIR • AND MORE!**

## LUNCH RESERVATION FORM FOR COLQUITT EMC's 81<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL MEETING



Although your meal is tasty enough for leftovers, we ask that you enjoy your lunch on the premises.

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2017**  
Lunch from 11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.  
Registration - 11:00 A.M.  
Business Meeting: 1:30 P.M.  
Expo Site, Spence Field in Moultrie

**Limit  
3  
meals  
per member**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Account # \_\_\_\_\_  
Member's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Including myself, you may plan on \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) for lunch.

*Deadline for reservations is October 17, 2017*



**The Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition will celebrate its 40th Anniversary show October 17-19, 2017.** Over 1,200 exhibitors will display and demonstrate products and welcome thousands of visitors to the 100 acre show site. The Sunbelt Ag Expo brings together all segments of agribusiness including farmers, educators, policy-makers, ag-enthusiasts and families. All who attend the show will see the latest innovation and technology that the agriculture industry has to offer.

Education is the key component of the show with over 300 seminars and demonstrations offered over the 3-day event. These seminars and demonstrations are taught in exhibit areas for beef, dairy, poultry, forestry, pond management, equine and cattle management. Farmers and ranchers attending gain beneficial knowledge on the latest in cutting edge techniques from industry leaders and university specialists. The Expo works with 21 different education sponsors to host a strong seminar and demo schedule. These education sponsors include major universities and colleges with six of these having permanent exhibit buildings on-site.

The Hoss Tools Sustainable Living Center focuses on topics for the smaller specialty gardener. If you are interested in learning how to garden year round, visit this section.

A crowd pleaser is the 600-acre research farm's field demonstrations. These demos showcase harvesting and tillage equipment for cotton, peanuts, corn, soybeans and hay. Over 60-acres of hay will be harvested during the 2017 show. These demos will provide visitors the opportunity to see 80 different types of hay harvesting equipment run in a true farm setting.

Expo is honored to have Tennessee as the 2017 Spotlight State. The Tennessee Spotlight State Committee has put together an all-encompassing exhibit themed "The Soundtrack of America – Made in Tennessee". The exhibit will showcase Tennessee's cultural diversity, agricultural history and the many wonderful places and experiences the state has to offer.

There's never a dull moment during the 3-day show and attendees will find there is something for the entire family. There is a daily rolling Antique Tractor Parade, the American Grand Finals Stock Dog Trials, Equine demonstrations, and even a Cow Milking Contest. Add in rural lifestyle fun, truck, tractor, and ATV test drives and sports and the venue is perfect for rural enthusiasts.

Chip Blalock, Show Director, says, "The Sunbelt Expo is an unbelievable showcase of rural living blanketed with agriculture's newest ideas and technologies. Its 3-days of fun, education and dreaming about agriculture's future as we team together to feed, clothe and house a growing population around the world."

The Sunbelt Ag Expo opens Tuesday through Thursday, October 17-19 from 8:30 AM to 5:00 (T,W) and 4:00 (Th). Admission at the gate is \$10 per person per day. Advance and discount tickets can be purchased online. The show site is four miles southeast of Moultrie, GA on Hwy. 133. For more information, see the show website at [www.sunbeltexpo.com](http://www.sunbeltexpo.com).

# District Director Elections

The Colquitt EMC Bylaws allow for district director elections. This means that the only members who will be voting for director positions are those who have memberships in the districts (counties) of the directors who are up for election (Brooks, Berrien, and Cook). Members vote for directors via mail with the election results presented at the Annual Meeting. No later than September 29, Annual Meeting notices will be mailed to each member who membership was active on August 31. Ballots/voting information will be mailed to members in the districts (counties) of the directors who are up for election. Ballots must be returned by mail or hand delivery to any Colquitt EMC office by October 13.

## **District 2** **Brooks County**

**Matt Carter**  
**Kurt Childers**  
**Patti Price Niewoehner**  
**Andrew Thompson**

## **District 3** **Berrien County**

**Jimmy Griner**  
**Kane Staines**

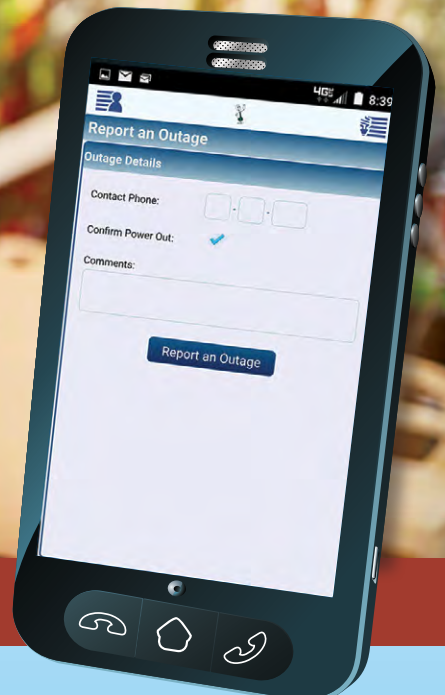
## **District 4** **Cook County** **Simmie King**

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## School Days are Energy Savings Days

The last days of summer are here. With the kids back in school, now is a perfect time to take advantage of a few simple lifestyle adjustments. This will help make a significant reduction on your energy bill. Follow these tips to make school days your energy savings days.

- **Set your air conditioner's thermostat to 85°F while everyone is away.**

Consider installing a smart thermostat to adjust the temperature automatically.

- **Turn off unnecessary devices when everyone leaves for the day.**

Make sure ceiling fans, lights and electronics like TV's and computers are switched off when everyone leaves for the day. Consider investing in "smart power strips" to eliminate the standby energy wasted by electronic devices.

- **Encourage after school activities.** Being involved in extracurricular activities can enrich a young person's school years and can lower energy use because everyone is out of the house longer.

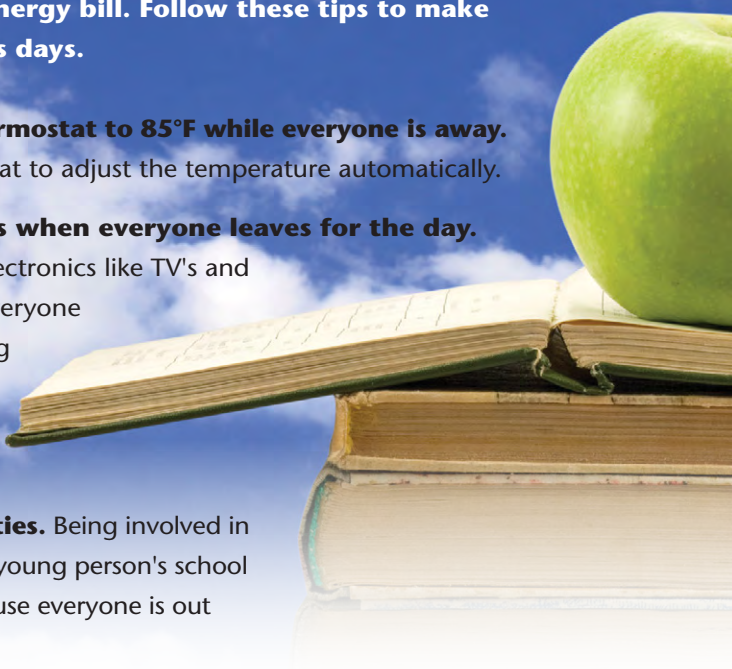
- **Use a desk lamp with a LED light bulb instead of the overhead lights.** Desk lamps, also called task lighting, provide better visibility when reading and doing homework while saving energy by not using higher wattage multi-bulb overhead ambient lights.

- **Designate a regular family hour.** Not only will it bring a family closer together, but you will save energy by eliminating the extra energy used when everyone is hanging out in their own rooms.

- **Choose a smart phone, tablet or laptop instead of a desktop computer.** Computers are now an integral part of school life. Smart phones, tablets, and laptop computers use a fraction of the energy of desktop systems and are portable.

- **Cook big batches and freeze the excess.** Cooking extra food and saving it for later saves time, money and energy.

- **Use a slow cooker.** Take advantage of using a slow cooker for less power usage and have supper ready when everyone gets home. It can even be used to have breakfast ready when you wake up. (<https://www.realsimple.com/food-recipes/recipe-collections-favorites/slow-cooker-breakfasts>)



# Recipes of the Month



## Tailgate Sandwiches

### INGREDIENTS

*Servings: 6*

12 Hawaiian sweet rolls, split  
1 lb black forest ham, shaved  
12 ounces gruyere or 12 ounces swiss cheese, sliced  
1 (8 ounce) container chive & onion cream cheese  
1/2 cup butter, melted  
1/4 cup parmesan cheese, grated  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
1 1/2 teaspoons dried onion flakes

### DIRECTIONS

Arrange bottom of rolls in a greased 9x13 dish. Layer with ham and cheese. Spread each top roll with cream cheese and place on top of sandwiches. In small bowl, combine butter, Worcestershire, parmesan cheese and onion. Spoon over sandwiches. Let stand for at least 30 minutes. Cover with foil and bake at 350 for 25 minutes.

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## Cheese Puffs

### INGREDIENTS

*Servings: 6 Dozen*

2 cups cheddar cheese, grated  
1/2 cup butter, softened  
1/4 teaspoon paprika  
1 cup sifted flour  
1/8 teaspoon salt

### DIRECTIONS

Soften cheese and work all ingredients together with hands, and roll into balls the size of marbles. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes.

**Note:** These can be frozen for months.

**To freeze:** Place on cookie sheet, freeze and then store in plastic bag. Bake when needed.