

# NewsLine

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## Colquitt EMC Awards \$292,500 in Scholarships

Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation recently awarded \$292,500 in scholarships to deserving students. One hundred seven students were honored with scholarships to colleges and universities with campus locations/degree offerings in Colquitt EMC's service area.

Since 2006, Colquitt EMC has granted \$2,716,500 to 964 students in academic scholarships. "We are proud to have the opportunity to support members in furthering their education" said Danny Nichols, General Manager of Colquitt EMC.

The scholarships are made possible through Georgia legislation that allows unclaimed capital credits to be used for education in the communities served by EMC's. Colquitt EMC, a member owned cooperative provides electricity to 44,272 members in Colquitt, Cook, Berrien, Brooks, Lowndes, Tift, and Worth counties.



Colquitt EMC hosted a Scholarship Reception at VSU's University Center. Pictured are attendees, Front Row (L-R): Jhonelle Chambers, Amber Daughtrey, Ansley Paulk, Shelby Mosley, Shelby Yates, Deshanna Van Cleave, Virginia Rogers, Patricia Mitchell, Haley Hysmith, Hanna McCambridge, Serenity Proffitt, Brittanye Blake, Meredith Reitz. 2nd Row (L-R): Katelyn House, Katie Riley, Angela Uyeno, Kelsie Williams, Kenzie Williams, Kirsten Howell, Logan Stone, Carissa Zaun, Rachel Cannington, Jodie Nobles, Kaley Culpepper, Faith Johnson, Kerri Arnold, Stephanie Bell, Ryan Trevino, Andrew McBrayer. Back Row (L-R): Zackary Kilgore, Michael Pannell, Mary Beth Sebring, Heather Strickland, Carla Gervin, Michael Ross, Brentley Odom, Thomas Wood, Trey Fulford III, Caleb Maine, Drew Cleveland, Timothy Lovett, Dawson Lehman, Ally Tankersley, Sahil Kazi, Kellsie Davis.



Colquitt EMC hosted a Scholarship Reception at Southern Regional Technical College's Moultrie Campus Conference Center. Pictured are attendees, Front Row (L-R): Alexis Griner, Mary Grace Watson, Julie Ramirez, Jamaya Shelton, Nancy Luna, Alexis Hawkins, Alyssa Croft, Keri Brown, Jaycee Perry, Alyson Brannon. 2nd Row (L-R): Maggie Moore, Anna Davis, Walt Brown, Erica Morton, Angelie Alderman, Billy Johnston, Kelvin Robinson Jr., Bryan Gallardo, Katie Westberry, Shelby Griffin, Amber Dees, Drew Jacobs. Back Row (L-R): Lacey English, Haley DeMott, Bryce Mathis, Kameron Robinson, Michael Crosby, Bryce Peugh, Cole DeMott, Luke Edmondson, Andrew Newton, Christian Pittman, Reece Hill, Andrew Godwin.

# Sunbelt Ag Expo to celebrate 41 years

The Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition will celebrate its 41st Anniversary show October 16-18, 2018. Over 1,200 exhibitors will display and demonstrate products and welcome thousands of visitors to the 100 acre show site.

Crowned as North America's Premier Farm Show® and the largest Farm Show in America with field demonstrations, the Sunbelt Ag Expo brings together all segments of agribusiness including farmers, educators, policy-makers, ag-enthusiasts and families. All attending 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. New this year, the Expo will feature Youth Educational Challenges for 6th-12th graders as a competitive and fun opportunity for students to demonstrate their knowledge in six different content areas.

Other features include the Hoss Tools Sustainable Living Center offering a bounty of information on gardening tips, tools and more in the demonstration garden, a 600-acre research farm, the daily Antique Tractor Parade, the American Grand Finals Stock Dog Trials, and test tracks for trucks, tractors, and ATVs. Expo is honored to have Kentucky as the 2018 Spotlight State. The Kentucky Spotlight State Committee has put together an all-encompassing exhibit themed "Kentucky Start to finish: Pioneering Innovation."

The Sunbelt Ag Expo is open Tuesday through Thursday, October 16-18, 2018. Admission at the gate is \$10 per person per day. Advanced 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.



## **2018 Board Candidates**

The Nominating Committee of Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation met Thursday, June 7, 2018, and nominated the following individuals whose names will be placed on the ballot and voted on by the Colquitt EMC membership prior to the October 30, 2018 Annual Meeting.

Members vote for directors via mail with election results presented at the Annual Meeting.

No later than September 28, Annual Meeting notices will be mailed to each member whose membership is active on August 31. Ballots/voting information will be mailed to members in the districts (counties) of the directors who are up for election.

<u>District 1</u>
Colquitt County
Sam Gay
Brian Robinson
Clay Underwood

<u>District 5</u> Lowndes County Bobby Exum

<u>District 7</u> Worth/Tift Counties Gary Branch

# **Fall Home Energy Tune-up Projects**

The sweltering heat of summer is beginning to subside so now is an excellent time to consider these home energy tune-up projects.

## Clean the outdoor air conditioning unit.

A summer's worth of vegetative growth and grass clipping from mowing can restrict the airflow around the outdoor air conditioning unit. Cut back any plant growth at least 2 feet from the coil and rinse away grass clippings and dirt with a garden hose.

## Change any outdoor lighting to LED bulbs.

Long life LED bulbs will use less energy than standard bulbs.

### Check windows, doors, wiring and plumbing penetrations for air leaks.

High humidity, high temperatures, and intense solar radiation can cause caulking around doors, windows, and areas where wiring and plumbing enter the home to shrink and separate, causing gaps and air leaks. Seal the gaps with a fresh application of caulk and spray foam.

## Check outdoor water fixtures for leaks.

Tighten hose bibs and replace washers as needed.

## Examine the exterior of your home for water damage.

Water intrusion will damage your home's insulation envelope as well as its structural integrity. Repair any leaks immediately.

### Repair or replace damaged window screens.

Fall offers an opportunity to air out your home and take advantage of free cooling courtesy of Mother Nature. It's the perfect time to repair or replace any damaged window screens. If the windows get a lot of direct sunlight you might consider installing sun blocking "solar" screens.

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## Mark Your Calendar

## Colquitt EMC's 82nd Annual Meeting of Members Spence Field, Moultrie • Tuesday, October 30, 2018

Business/Financial Updates, Great Food, Prizes, Health Fair, Entertainment by the Omega Quartet...Don't Miss It!



## **LUNCH RESERVATION FORM FOR**

## **COLQUITT EMC's 82nd ANNUAL MEETING**

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

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018

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 16, 2018

# Recipes of the Month



## **Caramel Apple Cheesecake**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1 (21 ounce) can apple pie filling, divided
- 1 10 inch graham cracker crust
- 2 (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup caramel topping
- 12 pecan halves, plus
- 2 tablespoons chopped pecans

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Preheat oven to 350°. Reserve 3/4 cup apple pie filling. Spoon remaining filling into pie crust. Beat together cream cheese, sugar and vanilla until smooth. Add eggs and mix well. Pour over apple filling. Bake 35 minutes or until center is set. Cool to room temperature. Mix reserved apple filling and caramel topping in a small saucepan. Heat, about 1 minute. Arrange apple slices around outside edge of cheesecake. Spoon caramel sauce onto the cheesecake and spread evenly. Decorate with pecan halves around edge. Sprinkle with chopped pecans. Refrigerate until ready to serve.



## **Chocolate Chip Apple Cookies**

#### **INGREDIENTS**

Serves: 30

1/3 cup margarine 3/4 cup sugar

1 egg

1 cup all-purpose flour

1/2 cup whole wheat flour

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

1 cup apple, peeled, cored, and grated

1/2 cup quick-cooking rolled oats

3/4 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

#### **DIRECTIONS**

In a large bowl, cream together margarine and sugar; beat in egg. In seperate bowl, mix flour, baking soda and cinnamon. Stir flour mixture into creamed mixture; stir in apples, chocolate chips and oats. Drop mixture by rounded teaspoons onto cookie sheets. Bake at 350F for 12-15 minutes. Makes 2 1/2 dozen.

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