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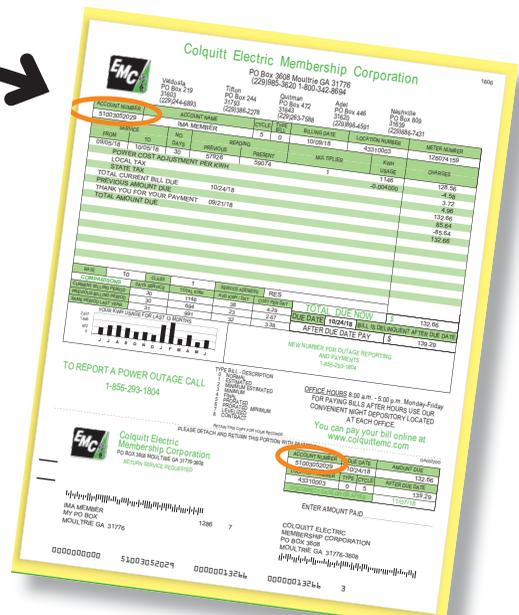
## AUGUST IS ACCOUNT NUMBER AWARENESS MONTH

Your account number is the key to managing your Colquitt EMC account! August is dedicated to educating our membership on the importance of knowing your account number and all the ways it can be utilized.

### Where is my Account Number?

Your account number is an 11-digit number located on the top left corner of your bill and on the payment stub.

We recommend storing your account number in your wallet or in your phone for easy access.



### Utilizing my Account Number

Your account number may be utilized to access our mobile app and online account portal—as well as, to access the automated bill pay and outage reporting system by calling 1-855-293-1804.

**Colquitt EMC's Outage Reporting  
and Automated Bill Payment #**

**1-855-293-1804**

Acct. # 247

**Now accepting  
Credit/Debit Cards inside all  
Colquitt EMC Offices!**

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*Save the Date*

**OCTOBER 31, 2023**

**COLQUITT EMC'S  
87<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS**

**— SPENCE FIELD, MOULTRIE**

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL IS BACK TO ENERGY SAVINGS TIME

It comes as no surprise that energy use increases when the kids are home for summer break. Every appliance, from the television to the air conditioner, must work overtime. Now that school is back in session, it's an excellent time to get your energy-use back into order.

One of the easiest ways to save energy when everyone is away for the day is to install a smart thermostat.

Smart thermostats save energy in a few different ways:

- **Automatic scheduling.**

Smart thermostats can be programmed to automatically adjust to your schedule. This means your heating and cooling system will only be running when you need it—saving you energy and money.

- **Geofencing.** Some smart thermostats can use geofencing to determine when you are home and away. When you leave home, the thermostat can automatically adjust the temperature to save energy. When you return home, the thermostat can automatically

adjust the temperature to your preferred setting.

- **Motion sensors.** Some smart thermostats can use motion sensors to determine when someone is in the room. When the space is empty, the thermostat can automatically adjust the temperature to save energy.

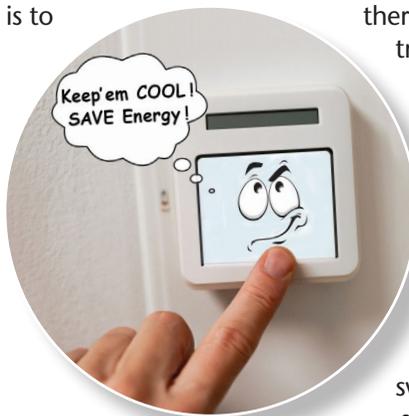
- **Learning algorithms.** Some smart thermostats use learning algorithms to track your energy usage patterns and adjust the temperature accordingly. This can help you save energy without sacrificing comfort.

Other tips for saving energy when everyone is away is to:

- Turn off all your indoor fans and lights when away.
- Be sure all electronics (TVs, Gaming systems, computers) are switched off.

- If you have a swimming pool, adjust the filter run time to the minimum needed. (Usually, 6 to 8 hours per day).

If you need more ideas on saving energy and money, please visit our website or contact your local EMC office to schedule a free energy audit.



# 2023 BOARD CANDIDATES

The Nominating Committee of Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation met Tuesday, June 6, 2023, 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 31, 2023 Annual Meeting.

In addition to nominations made by the Nominating Committee, any 50 or more members may make nominations by petition. The deadline to receive nominations by petition is August 7, 2023. Members vote for directors via mail with election results presented at the Annual Meeting\*.

\*Note: The Colquitt EMC Bylaws allow for district director elections. This means that 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.

## DISTRICT 2 – BROOKS COUNTY

### **Patti Price Niewoehner**

- Current Chairman of Colquitt EMC Board of Directors
- Serving Brooks County on Colquitt EMC Board of Directors since 2017
- Holds Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate
- Graduate of Valdosta State University, Bachelor of Business Administration & Marketing
- 25+ yrs Professional Career in the Agricultural Chemical Industry
- Manages day-to-day operations of family farm
- Holds Operational Excellence Certification with Six Sigma
- Current Secretary of Wiregrass Camellia Society
- Former Treasurer of Georgia Citrus Association
- Member of Quitman United Methodist Church



## DISTRICT 3 – BERRIEN COUNTY

### **Ben Griner**

- Serving Berrien County on Colquitt EMC Board of Directors since 2020
- Owner/Operator of Griner Farms, LLC in West Berrien
- Maintenance Supervisor at Chaparral Boats, Inc.
- Graduate of Berrien High School and Wiregrass Technical College
- Holds Machine Tool Technology Degree and Electrical Training
- Certified Volunteer Fireman with the West Berrien Volunteer Fire Department
- Member, Councilman and Building Committee Member of Tift Avenue Church of God



## DISTRICT 4 – COOK COUNTY

### **Simmie King**

- Serving Cook County on Colquitt EMC Board of Directors since 1984
- Former President and Vice-President of Colquitt EMC Board of Directors
- Holds Credentialed Cooperative Director Certificate
- Serves on Georgia System Operations Corporation Board of Directors
- Farms in the Fellowship Community of Cook County
- Member of the Baptist faith



# *Congratulations!* **2023 COLQUITT EMC SCHOLARS**



The following students were selected to receive the 2023 Colquitt EMC Scholarship. Please join us in congratulating the following Colquitt EMC Scholars.

Shelly Marie Abraham Azar  
Keona Karel Adams  
Abigail-Kathleen O. Adamson  
Karen Michelle Arredondo  
Melena Faith Baker  
Emma Payne Blanton  
Leah Marie Brisk  
Laura Hailey Bryan  
Laurie Jo Burt  
Juanita Bush  
Sarah Byram  
Chloe Brooke Byrd  
Alaina Campbell  
Hannah D Cannon  
Emma Makenzie Cargle  
James Brantt Carrington  
Bryant Charles  
Katie Lee Copenhaver  
Latoya M. Costello  
Kathryn Crawford  
Baylee Rae Curles  
Daley Truett Dalton  
Ashleigh Taylor Dees  
Carson Wade DeLoach  
Cayden Bryan Dixon  
Hope D Emanuel  
Carter Bren Exum  
Madeline Grace Flowers  
Katie Jane Flythe  
Lenore Camille Fountain  
Logan John Franklin  
Daliza Citali Gachuz  
Kevin Galvan Romero  
Haley Mei Girsch  
Abigail Rebekah Glass  
Sarah Elizabeth Glass  
Jaden Godwin  
Nathan Tyler Gray  
LaDonna Lynn Griffin  
Levi Preston Griner  
Gaylen Griner

Ximena Guevara  
Jonah Benjamin Hagin  
Henry Houston Haithcock  
Chesnee Beth Hammack  
Adalia Hernandez  
Magdaleno H. Coronado  
Jason Lee Hertzog  
Justin Adam Hill  
Tammie Sharyel Holley  
Jennell L Hunt  
Julian Abel Jaimes  
Shelby Joiner  
Sydney Nicole Jones  
Jack M Kennedy  
Avery Kilgore  
Annabelle Paige Kinsey  
Loy Evelyn Lane  
Kaitlyn Nicole Lewis  
Karsyn Diane Long  
Matthew Stephen Malone  
Harmon Maraman  
Bryan Andrew Martin  
Katie Martinez  
Marlie Ann Mathis  
Christian E. Mathis  
Cataline Ann Mezquite  
Mary Hannah Moss  
Aaron Scott Munger  
Tiffany C Newsome  
Thomas Owen Nichols  
Kaylee Jade O'Quinn  
Ermilo Ocampo  
Leigh Ann Overlaur  
Savannah Rai Pannell  
Taylor Addison Parker  
Anna Elizabeth Pate  
Sergio Perez-Sifuentes  
Ashley Jocelyn Perez-Torres  
Whitney Perryman  
Alexis Suzanne Powell  
Geselle Quintana

Sarai Ramirez  
Elizabeth Ramirez  
Margaret Scott Ray  
Sarah Grace Reaves  
Jackson Harding Reaves  
Aubrey Lane Reynolds  
Thomas Alexander Roberts  
Annabelle Grace Roberts  
Sharon Robinson-Smith  
Kaeli I Rountree  
Deidre Rountree  
Maycie Nicole Rowell  
Jonathan Santana-Pacheco  
Cooper Billy Scruggs  
Casen Bryce Sinclair  
Andrea Sinclair-Murphy  
Avery Elizabeth Smart  
Cohen Smith  
Lane Smith  
Piper Lawrence Smith  
Avery Brice Southall  
Isaac Stephenson  
Rhett Noah Stephenson  
Tameka Hughes Stewart  
Micole Strickland  
Courson Lee Taylor  
Aden Reese Tompkins  
Jenny Vazquez-Cruz  
Federico Viveros Galindo  
Halena Kay Walker  
Cameron Lee Walls  
Daniel G Warren  
Kendall Scout Weesner  
Preston Taylor Welch  
Annah Leigh Williams  
Morgan Brooke Willis

# Recipe OF THE MONTH



## **Chicken Marsala**

### **INGREDIENTS**

4 tablespoons butter  
4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves  
4 shallots, chopped fine  
½ lb mushrooms, sliced  
¼ cup dry marsala  
½ cup heavy cream  
1 teaspoon lemon juice

### **DIRECTIONS**

Pound chicken breast to even thickness. Lightly salt and pepper each breast. In large skillet, sauté chicken in 2 tablespoons butter until lightly browned, about two minutes per side. Remove from pan and set aside. Melt remaining butter in pan and add shallots and mushrooms. Cook until mushrooms are lightly browned. Add Marsala and bring to a boil, scraping browned bits from bottom of pan. Add cream and lemon juice and return to a boil. Season with salt and pepper. Return chicken to pan for about 3 minutes to reheat and finish cooking. Serve with buttered fettuccini pasta.

## Church of the Month



### **New River Baptist Church**

17 Old Brookfield Rd - Tifton, GA  
Michael Marchant – Pastor

### ***Service Schedule***

Sunday School	10:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 AM
Wednesday Night Service	7:00 PM

To nominate your church for Church of the Month, please contact Shelby Cloud at 229-985-3620 ext. 1246 with your church's information. Please include service schedule, address and pastor's name.

### **Bible Verse of the Month**

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him."

-1 John 4:16