



# COLQUITT EMC NEWSLINE

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## 1 THIS MONTH IN 1936

**Boulder Dam**, now called the Hoover Dam, is fully completed.

**Bette Davis and Victor McLaglen** win at the 8th Academy Awards for Mutiny on the Bounty.

**Babe Ruth** turns down Reds to make a comeback as a player.

**Mary Joyce** ends a 1,000 mile trip by dog sled in Alaska.

**Benny Goodman's song**, "Goody Goody" dominates the airwaves and charts.



**Massive floods** devastate Pittsburgh, PA and across the Northeast causing 36 deaths and severe destruction

**The first intravenous radioisotope injection** on a human was performed.



## LOCAL FFA STUDENT TO COMPETE AT STATE COMPETITION

The FFA South Region Area 5 Agricultural Electrification CDE Competition took place on January 20. A Colquitt County FFA Student will move forward to compete at the state competition this month. **Parker Jarvis** of Colquitt County High School placed second at the Area 5 competition, and will move on to compete at the State CDE Competition in

Covington. The overall objective of the Agricultural Electrification Career Development Event (CDE) is to promote and expand educational programs in electrification for students enrolled in agricultural education. To achieve this objective, CDE reinforces classroom instruction and FFA supervised activity projects in three stages – a problem solving exercise, practical wiring exercise and an oral demonstration. *Colquitt EMC is proud to partner with our local FFA programs!*



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## COMING SOON!

### COLQUITT EMC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Colquitt EMC Scholarship Applications Available April 1 – June 15! Applicants must:

- Reside in the household of a Colquitt EMC Member
- Be enrolled in a college or technical college with campus locations/degree offerings within Colquitt EMC's service area.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5
- Submit a complete application with two letters of recommendation, proof of enrollment and transcript.

Undergraduate and graduate students may apply. Previous scholarship recipients are not eligible. Applications will be available at [colquittemc.com](http://colquittemc.com) April 1 and will be due by June 15.

If you have any questions regarding the Colquitt EMC Scholarship, please contact Shelby Cloud at 229-985-3620 ext. 1246.

### UNCLAIMED CAPITAL CREDITS

In compliance with O.C.G.A. Section 44-12-236 of "The Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act" of Georgia, Colquitt Electric Membership Corporation is attempting to locate former members and heirs whose capital credit checks were issued December 1, 2020 for electrical service received in 1999, but which have been returned by the U.S. Post Office as "undeliverable" or have been otherwise unclaimed.

A current list of these members, with their last known address, is available to view on Colquitt EMC's Website. Please call your local office if you are listed. The last possible date to claim these funds is June 30, 2026. All funds not claimed by this date will be donated for charitable uses, as permitted by Georgia Law (OCGA Section 44-12-236).

## Colquitt EMC Mourns Passing of Longtime Director

*Bobby Exum passed away at the age of 82 on Thursday, January 29, 2026. He served Colquitt EMC Lowndes County District 5 with honor and distinction for over 19 years. We extend our condolences to his family.*



## COOK COUNTY CHAMBER'S JOB SHADOW DAY

Colquitt EMC's Adel office had the pleasure of mentoring Bella Cain during Job Shadow Day! This event is sponsored by the Cook County Chamber's Education Development Committee, and the goal is to showcase career opportunities within the county to high school students.



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ENERGIZING OUR FUTURE.

CELEBRATING ALL YEAR LONG!

## SPRING CLEANING YOUR WAY TO LOWER ENERGY BILLS

**Why it matters:** Spring cleaning isn't just about a tidier home — it's a chance to cut energy waste and lower your electric bill.

### 1. Start with airflow

- **Swap your HVAC filter.** Dirty filters force your system to work harder and cost you more. **Do it:** Check and replace every 1–3 months.
- **Clear the vents.** Dust and pet hair block airflow. A quick vacuum helps your system run smoother.

### 2. Brighten your lighting

- **Clean your bulbs and fixtures.** Dust dims light — leading you to turn on more. Wipe bulbs, lampshades, and fan lights.
- **Upgrade to LEDs.** They use far less energy and last much longer.

### 3. Seal out drafts

- **Check windows and doors.** Cleaning these areas makes it easy to spot leaks. **Fix it:** Add weather stripping or caulk to stop unwanted airflow.
- **Clean window tracks.** A tight seal helps your HVAC work less.

### 4. Freshen appliances and electronics

- **Tackle hidden dust.** Vacuum behind refrigerators and wipe accessible coils. It keeps appliances efficient.
- **Unplug idle electronics.** Chargers and devices still draw power when off. Use a power strip for easy shutoff.

### 5. Tune up ceiling fans

- **Dust blades.** Cleaner blades = better air movement. **Switch direction:** Set fans to spin counterclockwise in warm months to feel cooler without dropping the thermostat.

### The bottom line

Spring cleaning is an easy win: *a cleaner home, lower bills, and better comfort.* Small fixes add up fast.



Colquitt EMC is an equal opportunity provider.

# Recipe OF THE MONTH



## **Sour Cream Banana Bread**

### **INGREDIENTS**

½ cup margarine or butter  
1 cup sugar  
2 eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 ½ cups flour  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 cup mashed banana  
½ cup chopped nuts (optional)  
½ cup sour cream

### **DIRECTIONS**

Grease 1 large loaf pan. Cream margarine, sugar, eggs and vanilla. Add dry ingredients, then bananas, nuts and sour cream and mix well. Bake at 350 F for 1 hour.

## Church of the Month



### **CDC: City of Praise**

2061 E. Park Ave. • Valdosta, GA  
Apostle James Smith

### **Service Schedule**

Sunday Intercessory Prayer	8:45 AM
Sunday Worship	9 AM
Wednesday Intercessory Prayer	6:30 PM
Wednesday Bible Study	6:45 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 or email [marketing@colquittemc.com](mailto:marketing@colquittemc.com). Please include service schedule, address and pastor's name.

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

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

~ 2 Peter 3:9