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"OWNED BY THOSE WE SERVE"

### <u>James 1:17</u> King James Version

<sup>17</sup> Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.



# 33rd Annual KEFENOKE 3314 AIIIICA. REMC Golf Tournament

Benefitting the Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc.

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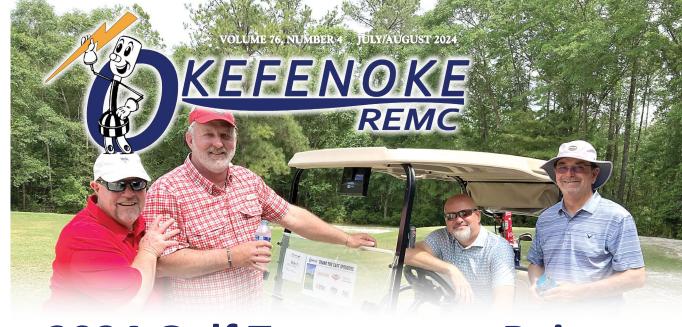
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You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child.

-Dr. Suess



# **2024 Golf Tournament Raises** \$23,000 for Cancer Care

Just six months after hosting its 2023 Golf Tournament and donating a record-breaking \$25,000 to the Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc., OREMC moved the annual event back to spring and held its 2024 Golf Tournament in April. The tournament raised another \$23,000 for the Southeast Cancer Unit. These funds will directly benefit cancer patients undergoing treatment in Brantley, Pierce and Ware counties with medical and travel expenses related to their care.

Linda Henderson, coordinator of the Brantley Branch of the Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc., accepted the check expressing a great deal of heartfelt emotion, "Thank you so much. You keep us going. We have 170 patients we are helping right now and we couldn't do it without all the hard work OREMC puts in to the tournament fundraising."

"To have raised and donated \$48,000 to the Southeast Cancer Unit in six months is a testament to our players and sponsors who give so generously to support our OREMC community," stated OREMC Director of Communications & Marketing Michele Hutchins. "This tournament has grown tremendously over the past seven years—attracting new sponsors and selling out our foursomes well in advance of the tournament date.

Much like our cooperative, the tournament is by the community, for the community. It certainly takes a village to make this type of impact."

Presented by Oglethorpe Power Corporation/ Georgia Transmission/Georgia System Operations, the OREMC Golf Tournament's major sponsors included: EnerVision, Links/Hospitality Sponsor; Balch & Bingham, LLP, Range Sponsor; Altec, Towel Sponsor; Southeastern Bank, Golf Ball Sponsor; Cart Sponsors Asplundh, Davison Farms, Inc., Greer Wealth Advisors, Irby Utilities and Pike Electric; Fairway Sponsors Ace Pole Company, Pierce Timber, Tri-State Utility Products. Helena Agri-Enterprises, Meridian Cooperative and Mountaineer Electric; and Prize Sponsors AMSCO Incorporated and King and Prince Golf Club. A special thank you also goes to player Pat Shelton for his donation of potato salad to feed the golfers and volunteers.



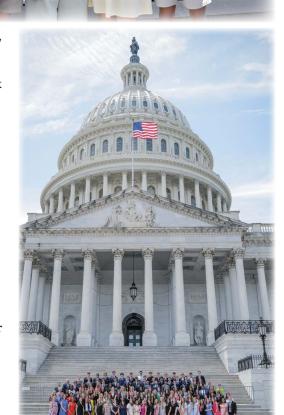
## YOUTH RAISED THE ROOF IN D.C.

OREMC's 2024 Youth Tour Delegates returned home from their week in our nation's capital with new friendships, new perspectives and experiences and great memories. Throughout the week, delegates shared photos of their adventures from the White House, the

Capitol, selfies with senators, memorials, the waterfront, and even appreciating art at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden.

Delegate Karis Richardson summed it up with, "Thank





## 85th Annual Meeting of Members is Sept. 14

The 85th OREMC Annual Meeting is an official business meeting, but also a celebration of service, ingenuity and a testament to the people behind the power—then and now—who work diligently to power the lives over our communities every day. This is your opportunity to meet and mingle with your elected Board of Directors, the leadership team and employees, as well as learn about OREMC programs, initiatives and business updates.

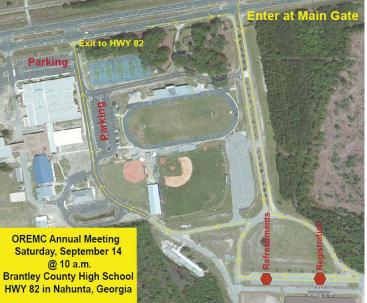
The 2024 OREMC Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 14, at the Brantley County High School, Highway 82 West, Nahunta.

- Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will be drive-thru with access through the Middle School gate.
- Please bring the preprinted registration card you will receive with your official annual meeting notification letter to register and receive your attendance gift.
- Attendance gifts will be presented to members at registration. Please note: Just as there is only one vote per member regardless of how many accounts are in your name, there will also only be one attendance gift per member. As the name suggests, it is a thank you gift presented to those members who choose to attend the Annual Meeting.
- Proceed forward to the refreshment stop where you will be offered donuts and choice of water and Coke® products. Additional beverages and coffee will be available at the refreshment counter located just outside the gym in the high school.
- You will be directed to follow the road around toward the high school for parking.
- Musical entertainment will be provided 8:30 -10 a.m. Activities will be available for the kids throughout the morning.

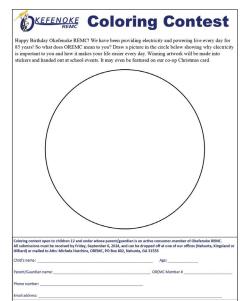
• Official business meeting will start at 10 a.m. During the business meeting, members will hear reports from OREMC's Board President and General Manager. Elections will be finalized for three members of OREMC's Board of Directors to serve for three-year terms representing: District 1 – Baker County (Florida), District 4 – Middle Brantley County (Georgia), and District 5 – West Brantley and Ware counties (Georgia).

Raffle prizes, superlative prizes and a grand prize will be awarded to those in attendance at the conclusion of the business meeting—you must be present to win.

Please contact us about any special needs or requirements for your participation in the Annual Meeting by calling our office at (800) 262-5131 or emailing us at member.services.com prior to September 14, or by contacting one of our employees at the meeting.



# will be invited to apply for the 2025 Youth Tour in December. What OREMC Means to Me Art Contest



OREMC is celebrating its 85th birthday in 2024 and is inviting its youngest members to join in the fun with an art contest. This is a chance for children to reflect on how electricity powers their lives every day, electrical safety, to honor lineworkers who restore power and/or maybe inspire them to work for OREMC one day.

Children 12 and under, whose parents/guardians are consumermembers of OREMC, are encouraged to use the OREMC art contest form to create original artwork in the circle. Winning entries will receive four tickets to the October 6 Jacksonville Jaguars game and have their artwork turned into stickers to be handed out at school events and be featured on our co-op Christmas card. Prizes will be awarded to the winner in each of three age groups: 5 and under, 6 to 9 and 10 to 12.

Entry forms are available online at oremc.com/news/art-contest or stop in one of our offices in Nahunta, Kingsland or Hilliard to ask for one. Submitted entries must be completely filled out and received by Friday, September 6. They can be dropped off at one of our offices or mailed to Attn: Michele Hutchins, OREMC, PO Box 602, Nahunta, Ga. 31553.



# Beyond the Headlines of the 2024 Hurricane Season

On the latest episodes of our *Plugged In* podcast we talk to Al Sandrik, Warning Coordination Meteorologist with the National Weather Service Jacksonville, who breaks down the 2024 hurricane forecast and the concern for the possible number, and severity of, storms this season.

In Part 1 he talks about the atmospheric systems lining up that create ideal conditions for hurricane development that could significantly impact the OREMC service area based on historical data. In Part 2 he focuses on the potential impacts to the OREMC service area and how to prepare.

Listen to the OREMC Plugged In podcast on Amazon, Apple or Google, or use the QR code to access the latest episodes on YouTube.





### Church of the Month

#### Folkston Deliverance Church of God

976 Kingsland Dr. Folkston, GA. 31537 Terry Mack Jr., Pastor

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

To nominate your church, contact Dewayne Johns at 1-800-262-513 Ext. 1143 or email dewayne.johns@oremc.com

## **Considering a Home Generator?**

The trip takes place every June. High school juniors

Have you thought about installing a backup home generator? They offer comfort, convenience and piece of mind when storms—whether they be summer thunderstorms, tropical storms or hurricanes—leave power outages in their wake. While providing safe, reliable power is our standard of service, storm damage assessment and restoration can take hours or days depending on the extent of the damage. Learn more about our Generac

home generator program, offered in partnership with GRESCO at oremc.com/generator-program.

