



### Sweet Potato Casserole

By Rebecca Lang

Makes 6-8 Servings. Hands-on 20 Minutes.  
Total: 2 Hours, 50 Minutes.

#### INGREDIENTS

- 4-1/2 lbs. sweet potatoes
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup milk
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1/4 tsp. table salt
- 1-1/4 cups cornflake cereal, crushed
- 1/4 cup chopped pecans
- 1 tbs. brown sugar
- 1 tbs. butter, melted
- 1-1/2 cups miniature marshmallows

Preheat oven to 400°F. Bake sweet potatoes at 400°F for about one hour or until tender. Let cool to touch; peel and mash sweet potatoes. Reduce oven temperature to 350°F. Beat mashed sweet potatoes, sugar, and next five ingredients at medium speed with an electric mixer until smooth. Spoon potato mixture into a greased 11x17 inch baking dish. Combine cornflakes cereal, pecans, brown sugar, and melted butter in a small bowl. Sprinkle over casserole. Bake at 350°F for 30 minutes. Remove from oven; let stand 10 minutes. Sprinkle with marshmallows, and bake 10 more minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

Shop for sweet potatoes that are all about the same size to ensure that the baking time for each potato will be the same. This prevents having to leave larger potatoes in the oven longer than planned.

Recipe from  
*The Southern Vegetable Book*  
(Oxmoor House, 2016) by **Rebecca Lang**.

Creamy, rich sweet potatoes are speckled with crunchy cornflakes, pecans, brown sugar, and marshmallows for the ideal Thanksgiving combination in each serving.



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# KEFENOKE REMC

## OREMC Golf Tournament Raises Over \$11,000 For Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc.

Surprised. Overwhelmed. Grateful. Those are all words to describe Linda Henderson's reaction when she saw the \$11,114.53 check Okefenokee REMC presented to her to benefit the Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc. The volunteer organization was the beneficiary of the proceeds from the 29th Annual Okefenokee REMC Golf Tournament held on September 26 at The Lakes Course, Laura S. Walker State Park in Waycross.



Originally scheduled for May, the tournament had to be postponed due to the COVID-19. Despite the delay and the ongoing pandemic, the event was a sell-out with 96 players and 52 sponsors including: Oglethorpe Power/Georgia Transmission/Georgia System Operation as the Links Sponsor; Altec as the Towel Sponsor; Southeastern Bank as the Golf Ball Sponsor; Asplundh and Pike Electric LLC as Cart Sponsors.

"We are extremely grateful to all of our sponsors and players who 'chipped in' to make the tournament a success," said Michele Hutchins, OREMC member communication/marketing coordinator. "When we postponed the tournament back in May, we weren't sure what to expect. But it turned out to be a wonderful day of fellowship and fundraising."

OREMC General Manager John Middleton added, "We all know someone who has been

impacted by cancer. The funds we donate to the Southeast Cancer Unit stay right here in our community helping those in need, when they need it most."

The Southeast Cancer Unit, Inc. is a volunteer organization helping cancer patients in Brantley, Pierce and Ware counties with medical expenses while undergoing cancer treatment. Patients can receive assistance with gas vouchers, medical supplies and medication costs. For more information or an application to the Southeast Cancer Unit Inc., contact Linda Henderson at 912-288-4318 or the main office in Waycross at 912-287-9008.

**Matthew 1:21** King James Version (KJV)

<sup>21</sup> And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.



### Church of the Month

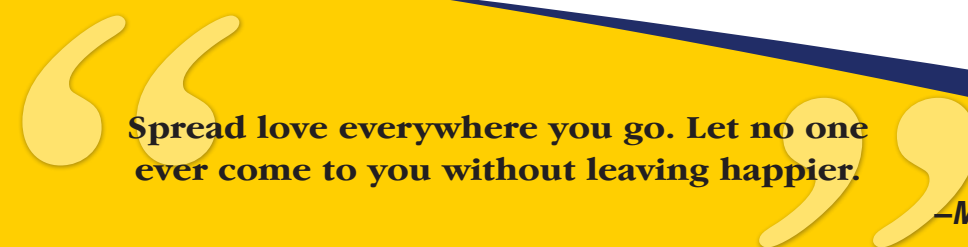
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Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier.

—Mother Teresa

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# Solar Energy: What You Need to Know

So, you are considering solar power options. First, you'll need to choose whether you want to subscribe to OREMC's Cooperative Solar program or invest in your own rooftop or ground mounted solar array. OREMC recently updated its policies related to both programs. These changes went into effect on November 1, 2020.

## Cooperative Solar Program

If you are interested in the benefits of solar but aren't sure you want to invest in your own system, have restrictive homeowner covenants or are a renter, OREMC's Cooperative Solar program provides an excellent alternative. OREMC has two 100 kW solar fields—

Kingsland and Hilliard— and a 1.86 MW solar site on HWY 82 in Glynn County, Georgia.

With the Cooperative Solar program, you can subscribe to blocks of energy based on the amount of solar energy that is right for you.

- Blocks of energy are billed monthly at \$20 each and produce approximately 120-200 kWh each per month.

- The electricity delivered to your home through the OREMC distribution system is calculated, then offset by the solar energy generated from your share of the total capacity each month.

- The monthly output from each share will vary due to the position of the sun, time of year and weather conditions.

With Cooperative Solar you get all the benefits of harnessing the power of the sun without installation and maintenance costs of owning your own system. You can learn more about OREMC's Cooperative Solar program at [oremc.com/cooperative-solar](http://oremc.com/cooperative-solar).

## Rooftop Solar

Should you decide to invest in your own personal rooftop (or ground mount) solar array, you will need to initiate a Distributed Generation (DG) Facility Interconnection Agreement with OREMC. This agreement provides the groundwork for your rooftop system to be interconnected with OREMC's distribution system so that at night or on cloudy days when no power is being produced, your power will be provided by the grid.

Key components of the updated DG policies effective November 1, 2020 are:

- The residential system installation size limit has been increased to 100 kW/AC.
- All excess energy produced by the member-generator will be credited at the rate equal to OREMC's avoided energy cost. This rate is updated annually and represents OREMC's actual wholesale cost of energy.
- The current application fee for a Distributed Generation Facility Interconnection Agreement is \$200.

Existing member-generators with signed agreements before November 1, 2020, remain under the terms and conditions of the previous policies until such time as changes or upgrades to their current system are needed. At that time a new Interconnection Agreement would need to be initiated and be based on the updated terms.

For complete information on initiating your Interconnection Agreement, please visit [oremc.com/rooftop-solar](http://oremc.com/rooftop-solar) and download the Distributed Generation Member Information Package which includes:

- Step-by-step instructions for initiating and completing your agreement
- The related policies
- The Interconnection Agreement
- Application form
- One-line drawing diagram



## OREMC Donates to Hilliard High School Robotics Team

Okefenoke REMC presented the Hilliard Middle Senior High School Robotics Team—The Flash Drives—with a \$2,500 donation to support their efforts as they navigate their way through hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (S.T.E.M.) learning to build a robot and compete in a series of challenges against other teams. Donations such as this are made possible to qualifying organizations using funds from OREMC's unclaimed capital credits. Read more at [oremc.com/news](http://oremc.com/news).

## Capital Credits Issued

For the 60th consecutive year, Okefenoke REMC will be issuing capital credits to our consumer-members. OREMC's Board of Directors have authorized the refund of the balance of patronage capital from 1991 and a portion from 1992 totaling \$1,216,555.64, as well as an estate allocation of \$250,000 for a total of \$1,466,555.64. Checks will be mailed to members in December.

Capital credits are calculated by taking OREMC's annual margins (revenue minus expenses) and allocating a portion to each member of record based on their total billing that year. Margins are also assigned to OREMC by other cooperatives we are a member of, such as our power suppliers. OREMC retains capital credits for operating capital before being retired and returned to our consumer-members. The funds are used instead of borrowing capital, which reduces the co-op's interest expense, ultimately saving our members money.

Note: not all current members will receive capital credit checks in December.

- Refunds are only to consumer-members who received electric service from OREMC during 1991 and/or 1992.
- Refunds of less than \$25 will be made as an account credit instead of by check.
- Refunds of less than \$5 on inactive accounts will be held and refunded at such time the total refund is more than \$5.

Checks issued to deceased members should be forwarded to heirs or an estate administrator. They can work with our Customer Service Department to determine eligibility for a lump-sum payment of all accrued capital credits based on OREMC's Estate Refund policy. Call 800-262-5131 for more information.

## Time to Apply for OREMC Scholarships

Okefenoke REMC is now accepting applications for our Scholarship Program. To complete the application online or download to mail/email please visit [oremc.com/scholarships](http://oremc.com/scholarships). Applicants may be a high school senior or an undergraduate or vocational/technical student. Nontraditional students are also invited to apply. The deadline for all applications to be received at an OREMC office is 5 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2021.

**OREMC Scholarships:** OREMC will award 10 scholarships, each in the amount of \$2,000. Applicants must reside in one of the eight counties OREMC serves — Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Glynn, Ware and Wayne counties in Georgia and Baker and Nassau counties in Florida. These funds can be used at any accredited college, university or technical school in the United States.

**Walter Harrison Scholarship:** Funded by Georgia's electric cooperatives, OREMC will submit two applications from its 10 scholarship finalists to the Georgia Electric Membership Corporation. They will be judged alongside those submitted by other cooperatives from across the state. Applicants' primary residence must be an OREMC member or employee household and scholarship winners must use these funds at a college, university or technical school located in Georgia.

If you have questions or need more information, contact Member Service Representative Dewayne Johns at 800-262-5131 ext. 1143 or via email at [youthprograms@oremc.com](mailto:youthprograms@oremc.com)

## Plans for Annual Youth Tour Undecided



Typically OREMC sponsors four students to participate in the National Washington Youth Tour and invites all high school juniors living in the eight counties it serves — Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Glynn, Ware and Wayne counties in Georgia and Baker and Nassau counties in Florida — to apply to become a delegate. From monuments and museums, to history in the making, the Youth

Tour is a leadership experience that immerses young people from across the country in a historical and cultural trip of a lifetime promoting awareness and understanding of our nation's past, present and future.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the decision to have a Youth Tour will not be made until sometime in December. Applications, which are usually due the end of February, will be available online once a decision is made to hold the Youth Tour as usual, more of a statewide event, or not at all due to public health and safety concerns.

*Please check our website at [oremc.com/youth-tour](http://oremc.com/youth-tour) for the most up-to-date information.*