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Talquin Electric Board Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month at the Talquin Headquarters location in Quincy, Florida at 7:00 p.m. Notice of any changes and special meetings will be posted at business offices.

Talquin Pleased to Announce New General Manager



Talquin Electric Cooperative’s Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Tracy Bensley as General Manager for the electric cooperative. Mr. Bensley moves into the General Manager’s position from his most recent role as Vice President, Engineering and Operations, at Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation in Paducah, Kentucky, where he has worked since 2006. Prior to that, Mr. Bensley served as Sr. Vice President of Electric Operations at Lumbee River EMC in Red Springs, North Carolina. His day-to-day management responsibilities have included finance, transmission, distribution, the implementation of Smart Grid technologies and member relations. Mr. Bensley has a very diverse background within the electric utility industry, bringing more than 19 years of experience and leadership to the organization.

“I am honored to become a member of the enthusiastic team at Talquin Electric. I am also excited about the opportunity to return to Florida and am looking forward to serving the Members of the Cooperative,” said Mr. Bensley after Talquin’s Board of Trustees announced his appointment.

Mr. Bensley has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from Florida State University and is a licensed Professional Engineer. He will start with Talquin on November 7, 2011 after moving here with his wife and two daughters.

Welcome to Talquin Electric, Mr. Bensley!

FOOD DRIVE

In the month of November, Talquin Electric will be holding a food drive in all Area Offices to benefit America’s Second Harvest of the Big Bend. Second Harvest serves eleven counties, including Leon, Liberty, Wakulla and Gadsden. More than 100,000 people in Second Harvests’ coverage area live in poverty – over 24,000 of those are children. Second Harvest distributes 5.5 million pounds of food every year. HELP us to do our part and help our neighbors.

Canned and non-perishables only please.
Deadline for donations is November 30th

HOW SUSCEPTIBLE IS GROUND WATER TO CONTAMINATION

The most basic test for bacterial contamination of a water supply is the test for total coliform bacteria. Tests for total coliform give a general indication of the sanitary condition of a water supply. Total coliforms include bacteria that are found in the soil, in water that has been influenced by surface water, and in human or animal waste. Testing for bacteria is the only reliable way to know if your water is safe.

Coliform bacteria in and of itself is a harmless bacteria. It is used as an indicator organism in well water testing. If it is found, other pathogenic bacteria are assumed to be there.

Fecal coliforms are bacteria that are associated with human or animal waste. Presence of fecal coliforms in water may not be directly harmful, and does not necessarily indicate the presence of feces, however it does indicate an increased likelihood of harmful pathogens in the water. *Escherichia coli*, commonly known as *E. coli*, is a type of fecal coliform bacteria commonly found in the intestines of animals and humans. The presence of *E. coli* in water is a strong indication of recent sewage or animal waste contamination.

Every month Talquin routinely tests water throughout all water systems to confirm the absence of total coliform bacteria. Rarely do samples test positive for coliform bacteria. Additionally, each well raw water source is sampled prior to any disinfectant being added to test for total coliform bacteria.

Anytime there is an interruption in water supply, whether due to a main break or a planned outage, a Precautionary Boil Water Notice is issued to the affected Members. The vast majority of notices are done by placing a placard at the home of the affected Members. If there are a large number of Members that are affected, then the notice is communicated through radio and television. After the system is restored to service, water samples are collected to test for bacteria. When none are found, the Precautionary Boil Water Notice is rescinded.

Recently, a test of the raw water from the Spring Creek well in south Wakulla County tested positive for total coliform bacteria and *E. coli*. Because of the presence of bacteria in the raw water source, Talquin issued an advisory following the EPA's guidelines recommending all Members of Talquin's Wakulla Regional System boil their water prior to consumption until further testing of the water in the distribution system for bacterial contamination confirmed the water was safe. Samples taken throughout the system were found to have no coliform bacteria and the advisory was subsequently rescinded.

The Spring Creek well is used very infrequently and pumps approximately 3% of all the water serving Talquin's Wakulla Regional System. The water produced from the Spring Creek well basically supplies enough water to serve those Members within the vicinity near the well. So the vast majority of the Wakulla Regional Water System Members were out of harm's way. Fortunately, the water from the Spring Creek well was disinfected and had more than sufficient contact time; approximately 3 times the minimum time needed, to kill or inactivate the bacteria before entering the distribution system; thereby, protecting those within the vicinity of the Spring Creek well from harm.

The Spring Creek well will remain out of service until a thorough investigation is completed. The well will be cleaned and disinfected, then a series of no less than 20 samples will be tested to confirm the absence of any bacteria before the well is placed back into service. If even one (1) sample shows the presence of bacteria, the well will either be removed from service permanently or re-permitted to include the required continuous monitoring of the disinfectant in the water prior to its introduction to the distribution system to assure the minimum amount of contact is achieved to kill any potential bacteria in the raw well water.

While this event occurred in Talquin's Wakulla Regional System and subsequent tests of the water from the distribution system indicates the contaminated well had no harmful effect on the Members, each water system and their respective production wells are vulnerable to contamination. Talquin visits each well site daily to assure it is operating properly and looks for changes in the surrounding area that may have the potential to contaminate the ground water. In order to provide the highest level of protection to our Members, we will be investigating each well to determine if additional disinfectant contact is needed to assure that, if a future sample tests positive for bacteria, ample contact is provided to kill or inactivate the bacteria and work to make modifications as needed.

Members who use private wells may contact the local Department of Health to see about having your wells tested if you are concerned with the quality of your well water. Local labs can also test your well water for a nominal fee.

Attention, High School Juniors!
Are you a leader in your school,
community or church?



Students, are you making a difference in your community? Talquin is looking for leaders like you to serve as Talquin delegates to represent your school in the 2012 Talquin Youth Tour. Chosen representatives will visit the Florida state capital for a two day overnight conference on February 8-9, 2012. While in Tallahassee, students will be introduced to the Cooperative business model and Florida's legislative process while visiting the state's capital. Students will vote on issues while visiting the House of Representatives' Chambers and attend a mock session in the Supreme Court. During this conference, four students will be chosen to represent Talquin in Washington, D.C. for the National Rural Electric Youth Tour held June 16-21, 2012. The Washington, D.C. trip will include visits to the Lincoln Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Mt. Vernon, and many more historic sites with hundreds of other students from around the nation. More highlights include watching the United States Marine Drum and Bugle Corps and the Silent Drill Platoon perform in the Sunset Parade at the Iwo Jima Memorial, and visits to the Smithsonian Museum and the Holocaust Museum.

In order to qualify:

- Students must currently be enrolled as a junior in a local high school or home school;
- Student must have a relative who is a current Talquin Member;
- Students must currently live in Talquin's four county service area (Leon, Gadsden, Wakulla or Liberty County).

Submit application, essay and letter of recommendation to any Talquin Area Office. Applications may also be mailed to Kim Gay c/o Talquin Electric
 P.O. Box 1679, Quincy, FL 32353-1679, faxed to (850) 627-2553 or emailed to
 kim@talquinelectric.com
 no later than December 10, 2011. Applications may be downloaded on Talquin's website at
 www.talquinelectric.com under "Your Community/Youth Tour".

Talquin Youth Tour Application 2012

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email address _____

Date of Birth _____

Student's Phone # _____

Contact Phone # for Parent/Guardian _____

Name of School _____

Grade _____ G.P.A. _____ Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

Career Interests _____

School Related Activities and Years of Participation:

Extracurricular Activities and Years of Participation: _____

Public Speaking Experience:

Name and Address of Family Member who is a Talquin Member: _____

A letter of recommendation from a school counselor, teacher, or administrator is required. Interested students should complete the Talquin Youth Tour Application and include a 250-500 word essay titled, "Why I want to be a Talquin Electric Youth Tour Representative in 2012".

For video coverage of the 2011 Youth Tour go to
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BmZmGPiypcQ>
For more information, call Kim Gay at (850) 627-7651.



2011 Talquin Youth Tour Representatives

*2011
Annual Meeting*

Pictured center:
Grand Prize
Winner of 42" LCD TV
Edward F. Finuff



MISCELLANEOUS

50 fast food toys, \$10; **Box of dolls** \$15; **Disney vhs movies, stuffed animals**, 5 pk, Size L (500) **disposable vinyl gloves** \$10; **Digital B.P. Monitor** \$20; **8 doz, one size fits all adult diapers** \$20 385-8468

White wicker queen bedroom set. Good condition - Headboard, 2 dressers, desk, chair, chest, oval mirror. \$495 obo 339-4779

Leather furniture - sofa \$525 (light brown color) and leather chair (camel color) \$475. Excellent condition, soft & supple - over \$2000 new - \$895 for both. 339-4779

Remington Sportsman Camo 11-87 12ga 3" magnum shotgun. new \$730.00 will sell for \$475.00 Also Remington 270 model 7400 same condition \$300.00 Exe condition 562-6441

70" PETERBILT SLEEPER single bunk, no interior. Also "American Class" cabinets (right and left side) for a 70" Sleeper. 591-4551 or 524-4558

Friends of the Library Book Giveaway December 3rd from 9 - 12, Wakulla County Library, Crawfordville Highway South

Videographer for small events, functions, etc. Will edit film, add music, add still pics and put on dvd. 893-7106

"Nutcracker Suite"- ballet featuring the Bristol Ballet School and guest artists from "Dance Alive" Gainesville, FL Dec. 11 3:00 PM Veterans Memorial Civic Center 10405 NW Theo Jacobs Lane Bristol, FL 32321 libertyartscouncil.org

Junior League of Tallahassee: Jingle Jubilee Holiday Shopping Extravaganza, Friday, December 9 | 12 p.m.-9 p.m. | Saturday, December 10 | 9 a.m.-9 p.m. | Sunday, December 11 | 11 a.m.-5 p.m. | Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center. Daily passes \$5. www.jltallahassee.org

Bowflex Extreme (Exercise Machine) W/Software & Book. NEVER USED. REDUCED \$750 - MOTIVATED **Gun Cabinet** - Excellent condition. This cabinet holds 10 guns. REDUCED \$375 - MOTIVATED 643-8715

2003 Polaris Sportsman 700; V-Twin ATV w/ winch; 440 miles & garaged. Great hunting/work horse. REDUCED \$4800 MOTIVATED 643-8715

Handyman/Carpentry, painting, electrical, plumbing, flooring, etc. 25+ yrs exp. with references. 926-8904 or 566-5318

Firewood for sale; will deliver. Call 363-1870

Photography Equipment - Canon 40D Body \$600, **Vagabond Portable A/C Power Pack** \$200, **Benbo Tripod**, \$150, **Studio Mono Stand on rollers**, \$200 539-7173

Chest w/ 3 drawers and drop down desk w/ built in light. shelves. Great for sm. apt. or effc. \$45 HP printer // Fax machine Padded metal chairs \$5 each 539-8928

MI HUMMEL NATIVITY SET - 17 figures plus

the stable. (1 figure has been repaired) Tallest figure is 8" wiseman, bought in Germany over 30 years ago \$500 Other hummels available 877-4416

Bowflex Sport Home Gym w/accessories, manual & personal trainer software. User weight limit 350# \$300 cash & carry, message anytime 877-8641

8" diameter hard plastic stock tank 24" tall, with bottom drain \$225. Also; 300 sq. ft. of travertine tiles (12"x12"x3/8") \$300 445-0135

Compact Showtime+ Rotisserie & BBQ oven, \$65 China, Royal Doulton, Tapestry pattern, 8 place setting plus serving pieces \$650 421-4641

1911 Lakeside full upright piano. Clean, fully functional and holds a tune well. See Tally Craigslist for photos. \$300 980-7727

1 black, short prom dress w/ matching shoes, purse - \$50 **1 long, white wedding dress** - \$125.

2 girls dresses, fancy for a wedding - \$15 each 391-9922

Welder & Coat L new, air compressor new, 88 Chevy pickup, Scamp 16' camper, engine hoist, lawn mower, table saw, call for details 616-1107

Full size wood bed frame w/ head, foot boards. Dark color, slat design, great cond. \$80 421-1910

Large Man Clothes; 7XL Shirts & Pants, Dress and Casual, Clean and Great-Shape, 694-4122

Two large professional desks- \$40 or best offer 539-5751 evenings

HP ink cartridge #97 color, and an opened but not used #94 black and white remanufactured cartridge \$15; 926-7505

Frigidaire upright freezer, 20 cu. ft, white, approx 5 years old. Runs fine, but rarely keep anything in it. \$250; 567-5103

Tree Fellas formerly Jessie's Tree Service. Licensed and Insured. 20 years experience. Felling, pruning, clearing, hauling. 24 hour emergency service. 391-7698

1 - black wooden Japanese tea cart and 1 round wicker (white) glass top table w/4 chairs 570-5482 or 875-2627

Mounted moose antlers \$800 **Decoy ducks** both \$75 **English Saddle** \$100 **Refrigerator/freezer** \$350; 894-4507

Mobile Home Entrance Steps five steps, steel, good condition \$79 or best offer, free 5 miles delivery at full price 575-1189

5ft round tempered glass table top 1/2 inch thick, 1 inch beveled edge, weighs 160lbs, retail \$865 asking \$250 663-4046

Caregiver/sitter experienced, dependable and reliable transportation and references 878-2870

Mattress topper w/ cover exc. condition memory foam, fits K or Q \$75 Whirlpool window AC 8,000 BTU's \$100 878-2870

Clay pot holder post \$30 also clay & plastic pots, 321-2705

Entertainment center \$75 **Qsize sleeper sofa** \$150

Smoker cooker \$5,000 **Super A Farmall Tractor** \$1,500 **Wagner cast iron skillet** \$5-\$60 **Country**

charm electric stove \$800 575-6013

Antique lamps, metal bed frame full \$100 Kitchen counter top etc-make offer Tye beanie babies \$6 each 575-6013

Bridal dress, size 6, white **Full slip** white size 8, all from David's Bridal never used, make offer 562-9720 or 728-8007

Books (100) make offer **Shoes** (20) ladies size 10/11 never worn \$10 each 926-2196

"Show Time"-featuring youth from Liberty County Nov. 19 7:00 PM Veterans Memorial Civic Center 10405 NW Theo Jacobs Road Bristol, FL 32321 libertyartscouncil.org

Licensed personal care giver, will come to you if you can't get out, cut styles \$20, housecleaning \$60 4hr min, 627-4291

50 gallon gas hot water tank 3 years old 894-0751

Dream maker fantasy 2 person portable spa hot tub w/ cover-color Sand Stone \$1,200 or best reasonable offer 510-1461

Seasoned Oak Firewood & Littered Wood. Already Split. Will sell in any quantity and also take future orders. Free delivery. Call 210-9404

REAL ESTATE

Townhome in quiet, secluded Killlearn Lakes Scotswood Neighborhood; 3BD/2BA 1,315 sq ft all appliances stay; AC replaced in 2009 \$159,000 727-7553

LAKE TALQUIN WATERFRONT (Leon Side) 2BD/1BA fully furnished or unfurnished. Central heat and air & fireplace. No pets/smoking. \$1,100 month. Available long/short term. 524-4558

Beautiful Large Lot on Chipola Street in Panacea, for sale w/ 20% down, will finance balance Home on fenced acreage, Hwy. 90, West RV Space for Rent: Highway 90, West, Tallahassee 575-1436

SHELL POINT Large lakefront lot blocks from beach. Gulf access w/ dock on adjacent canal. Paved w/ utilities in place. \$91,500 509-0006

Carrabelle-New home for sale, 1/4 mile from water, new subdivision - Keough's Landing, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1980 Sq. Ft. \$160,000 528-2299

DWMH- 3BD/2BA, Liberty County; 2.08 acres; chain link fence; 2 bay garage; borders national forest. Buyer pays closing costs. REDUCED \$71,900 - MOTIVATED 643-8715

Vacation Rental Pigeon Forge, TN., 4BR/3BA, luxury mtn home for rent, fully furnished, Hot Tub, 2 Jacuzzi Tubs, Pool Table, TV in ea room, wireless internet, sleeps 16 AWESOME MTN VIEW (229) 563-1271

Brick home on 7 beautiful acres in Monticello. Huge oaks & pasture, attached garage, workshop & carport, CHA, new paint & flooring throughout. \$165,900 pstotz5535@aol.com or 567-1116

Lake Seminole stunning, mountain-like view 1.5-3.0 AC waterfront **5 or 10 AC near Disney/**

DeLand/Beaches rolling, wooded, private. Make offer 567-0984 or 539-5338

Home @ Lake Mystic @ Bristol. 106 Ft. of lakefront, 2BD/2BA; A-Frame home for sale. One owner since construction. Furnished or unfurn. \$299K OBO

643-2228 For pictures: ninaallison@comcast.net

SW mobile home 1996 (16x80) 2BD/2BA must be moved, asking \$12,000 557-8691 or 447-1104

AUTOMOTIVE

F-250 pick up, 78,000 miles 1993. Dual gas tank, heavy tow package, rolled chrome grill guard. A/C works, needs engine work, excellent shape. Asking \$1000.00 or best offer. 875-4225

Safety trailer sway bar and hitch set. Every camper or heavy loaded trailer should have one. Keeps trailer from fishtailing and flipping over. \$350.00 544-4065

2005 Harley Davidson Super Glide, \$10,500 **1954 GMC Pickup**, \$6500 539-7173

2006 Jeep Wrangler SPORT 4 W/D APROX, 30,000 miles Manual drive. Good condition. \$17 k or OBO 539-8928

2006 Versahaul carrier for RV or Truck 2 ramps hauls motorcycle, Scooters, Bicycles. ATV and any other cargo you wish to carry. \$400 539-8928

Kid's John Deere Gator 4X2, Peg Pergo 2-speed plus reverse. 12-volt battery. Gently used. 875-1952 or watersdesigns@tds.net for photos or questions \$150

2000 Sportsman 335, 4-wheeler, one owner clean like new, camo cover-gun rack, 495 miles 85 hours, \$3,500 firm 575-1234

2006 Mercury Grand Marquis GS, white / one owner (the proverbial little-old-lady) / 36,000 miles / excellent shape / asking \$10,500 / 510-4100

1992 Nissan pickup for sale; Best offer, runs great, needs body parts 539-3194 leave message.

2005 Ford Excursion Eddie Bauer Edition, 5.4L engine: Fully loaded, tow package, 8 passenger, good condition inside/outside, 84,400 mileage; \$13,500; 766-9915

Brand new tow hitch U-Haul package for compact size vehicle \$100, 539-0585 or 868-0519

1994 Chevy S-10 Ex.Cab. 4.3 Vortex engine w/ high mileage excellent motor. Needs a home great for someone looking for a small p/u truck \$2,000; 539-0585 or 868 -0519

2009 Freedom Spirit Travel Trailer, sleeps 6, fridge, micro, stove, A/C, heat, hot water heater, CD/radio, great shape, \$9,999; 519-4437

1992 Buick Lesabre limited one owner, never smoked in, just serviced & new tires \$1,950 566-2886

1977 MGB Classic Roadster completely restored, Ford motor and transmission \$12,950 566-2886

1999 Tahoe; fully loaded 350 V8 w/ leather seats, new Michelin tires, low original mileage (87,700) \$6,000 firm 717-1284

MARINE

Boat 16' Bonito Bowrider, 50 HP Mercury, Trailer, \$2,200 or OBO Boat in good condition. New seats. Rebuilt engine. Many new items. 320-0791

2008 Rhino Boat 50HP Yamaha w/ electric

anchors. One owner, great condition 9K OBO 509-0436

14ft 1970 Johnse fiberglass boat, 20hp Evanrude electric or pull start motor, two batteries, gas tank, t34 trolling motor and 1972 Hila light weight boat trailer \$900 cash 575-3012

2004 Boston Whaler 23" outrage, twin 150 mercury motors \$35,000; 545-6673

FARM/GARDEN

Tow behind smoker/grill 14 sq ft of cooking surface, 2 different grilling heights & griddle. Built in thermometer, 1/4" thick firebox for the smoker w/ handy ash removal box \$2,500.00 544-4065

Pond liner, \$.25 a sq ft. Great to make raised garden beds, small ponds, weed barrier and erosion control. Cover anything you don't want to get wet 544-4065

Tow behind Asplundh Chipper, Ford--4 cylinder motor. Clean up the yard from debris in no time. \$3,000

544-4065

Snapper Pro 48" Zero Turn Lawn Mower, 19 HP Kawasaki Engine, less than 100 hours, \$4,500 539-7173

Spent Mushroom Compost for sale: \$250.00 per semi-load (45 yards) plus transportation or smaller loads available for pick up. 566-4128 or 442-4381

You Call. We Haul. Have 2 gooseneck trailers 22 ft. flat bed for hay or any vehicles also 16ft. livestock trailer by miles or load way or round trip 627-6656 or 875-3183

Weed Eater Featherlite 2-stroke gas trimmer. Refurbished, clean and functional. See Tally Craigslist for photos. \$50; 980-7727

Western saddle 16 inch black wintec, highlight and comfy \$225 878-2870

Roses bush + climbing playboys, knockouts, red cascades + more, also drake elm trees & boxwoods 321-2705

Firewood 4'x6' trailer load-small logs/split wood & some wild cherry wood & oak wood-all good fireplace wood-\$55 delivery to Leon/Wakulla county, free delivery 544-5697

LIVESTOCK/ANIMALS

Nubian dairy goat bucklings born 2/13/11 Ready & willing to breed. \$100 each OBO. Willing to barter work around the farm for \$20 per hour or ready to lay chickens at \$10 each 539-8059

Horses for sale : Excellent riding Palamino Gelding and Registered QH Mare for sale along with saddles and tack 933-9602

Baby lovebird-hand fed-approximate wean date is October 15th- looks to be a Olive Pied-very tame baby-\$40 524-9060

Free Wild Hog Removal; don't let wild Hogs destroy your farms, cashcrops, golf courses 445-9818

Miniature cows: as live lawn mowers, calf roping, grass fed beef or as pets 539-6742

Goats for sale; \$50 each 1 female, 2 male pygmy, 2 males boer and 1 male 1 female Nubian 421-1149

Big dog house. Heavy in good condition \$75; 539-5428

WANTED

Older Toyota pick-up or older Toyota or Honda car. In good cond. A second hand firm but comfortable reading chair, also to be used to watch TV, in good, clean condition. 224-8092

Books cash for quality collections of FL and regional titles, literary first editions, history, Civil War, unusual, rare or collectible 875-4525

Roommate or couple 2 share 3BR/2BA ranch style county home on large acreage in Crawfordville \$400 mo. Plus 1/2 electric no drugs/drinking/pets background check 926-2196

Attention

First Responders:

Talquin is pleased to now offer Electrical Safety for First Responders, a training program for first responders such as firefighters, police, EMTs, and paramedics.

This one hour class is designed to provide individuals with the information they need to recognize and work safely around electrical infrastructure while responding to emergencies. If you are interested in scheduling a session for your organization, please contact Steve Timmons or Natalie Barrett at (850)627-7651 or email natalie@talquinelectric.com.



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Hosford Area Office

20557 NE Cooperative Way
 Hosford, Florida 32334
 (850) 379-8679

Liberty Area Office

10850-A NW State Road 20
 Bristol, FL 32321
 (850) 643-2828

Lake Jackson Area Office

4808 Portal Drive
 Tallahassee, Florida 32303
 (850) 562-0125

Bradfordville Area Office

6724 Thomasville Road
 Tallahassee, Florida 32312
 (850) 893-6853

Crossway Road Area Office

326 Crossway Road
 Tallahassee, FL 32305
 (850) 877-2111

**Service Interruptions (Outages)
 Should Be Reported To**

1-888-802-1832 (live operator)
 1-866-899-4832 (automated systems)

Visit us and report
 outages on the Web at
www.talquinelectric.com

Energy Tip:

During the cooler months when you use your heater, set your thermostat to 68 degrees Fahrenheit. During the warmer months, when running your air conditioner set your thermostat to 78 degrees Fahrenheit.

Salsa Chilli

Ingredients

- * 2 pounds ground beef
- * 1/2 onion, chopped
- * 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- * 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
- * 2 1/2 cups tomato sauce
- * 1 (8 ounce) jar salsa
- * 4 tablespoons chili seasoning mix
- * 2 (15 ounce) cans dark red kidney beans

Directions

1. In a large saucepan over medium heat, combine the ground beef and the onion and sauté for 10 minutes, or until meat is browned and onion is tender. Drain grease, if desired.
 2. Add the ground black pepper, garlic salt, tomato sauce, salsa, chili seasoning mix and kidney beans. Mix well, reduce heat to low and simmer for at least an hour.
- Serves 8. Serve with crackers or cornbread.

