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as usual...**



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



DEMOCRATIC MEMBER CONTROL



Carrie Durden, Board President



Tracy Bensley, General Manager

On behalf of Talquin's Board of Trustees and management, please find the 2014 Annual Report in this edition of The Current.

This report reflects favorable financial statistics and a strong operating record. The report of your Cooperative's 2014 annual financial audit, by an independent firm of certified public accountants, has been received and we are pleased to inform you that Talquin received an unmodified opinion on the presentation of its financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2014. This is the highest rating possible, indicating the Cooperative's finances are well maintained. Please review the detailed information on pages 4-5.

Together, Talquin's Board of Trustees, management and employees work to power our communities and empower our Members to improve the quality of their lives. Recently, Talquin conducted our second Member survey and your response was outstanding! We had over 3,500 Members provide feedback, and we want to thank you for taking the time to let us know how we are doing. We read your comments and ratings and are working to continue to improve ways of communication and provide services to our Membership of the highest quality.

Overall, you, our Members, expressed high satisfaction with Talquin's service. We exceeded an 82% satisfaction rating! Our Members also consistently requested more information regarding energy efficiency, ways to reduce water usage, and updates on where crews will be working in the service territory.

In response to your input, we will be rolling out a new and improved website in early summer that will feature easy to locate, weekly updates on energy efficiency and water conservation and regular updates on work crews' schedules. This information will also be featured more prominently in The Current, on social media, and in our offices. For more details on the survey results, please call Kim Gay at (850) 627-7651 or go to our website at www.talquinelectric.com.

One point to note was that our Members are more interested in receiving important information via email than in years past. This is helpful to know because there are times when critical information needs to be sent out in real time. We understand that not everyone uses email, but we want to communicate with you, our Membership, in the most effective ways. Legislative changes that may impact rates, large outage information, and scam warnings are all issues that can be time sensitive, so real time communication is a valuable strategy.

Please visit our website at www.talquinelectric.com for information on how to make sure that Talquin emails will be sent to you if you would like to receive critical co-op updates from us in this manner. We assure you that we will not bombard you with unnecessary messages. Please feel free to send your suggestions and comments on how we are doing to memberfeedback@talquinelectric.com or call any Member Service Office. We are always interested in hearing from you on how we may serve you more efficiently and how we are doing!

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to Talquin's Board, management, and employees for their commitment to meeting the needs of our Membership. We are proud of the last 75 years and look forward to more good years ahead!

Board of Trustees

**District 1 Billy VanLandingham**

Mr. VanLandingham is the Trustee from District 1, southern Gadsden County. Mr. VanLandingham is Vice-President/Agency Manager with BB&T Landrum-Yaeger Insurance Services in Tallahassee. Mr. VanLandingham is a lifelong resident of the Juniper community and a graduate of FSU. Mr. VanLandingham is a Credentialed Director through NRECA. Mr. VanLandingham currently serves as

the Vice-President of Talquin Electric's Board of Trustees.

**District 2 David Wright**

Dr. Wright is the Trustee from District 2, northwest Gadsden County. Dr. Wright resides in Gadsden County on a farm with his wife, Debbie, and their children and raises perennial peanut hay. Dr. Wright is a Credentialed Director through NRECA, serves as a Professor of Agronomy for the University of Florida's North Florida Research and Education Center in Quincy and holds a Ph.D. in Agronomy from Virginia Tech.

**District 3 Joseph Alexander, Secretary/Treasurer**

Mr. Alexander is the Trustee from District 3, central Gadsden County. Prior to his retirement, he served the State of Florida, Department of Children and Families, as the Child Care Services Program Manager for the Northwest Region (a 16-county service area) during his career. Mr. Alexander is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate through NRECA and is a graduate of

Florida A & M University.

**District 4 Carrie Durden, President**

Mrs. Durden is the Trustee from District 4, eastern Gadsden County and the Lake Jackson area of Leon County. Her background includes 22 years representing Farm Bureau Insurance as a multi-line agent and Agency Manager, as well as community leadership in agriculture, youth, 4-H and Kiwanis. Mrs. Durden holds a Master's degree from FSU and a C.L.U. (chartered life underwriter)

designation. Her work on behalf of rural electric on the national level includes service on the NRECA 21st Century Committee and earning the Credentialed Director and Board Leadership certificates. She currently serves as President of the Talquin Board of Trustees, TEC's representative to Seminole Electric G&T and is a Florida Electric Cooperative Association Director.

**District 5 Mal Green, President**

Mr. Green is the Trustee from District 5, northern Leon County. He is a graduate of FSU and former Manager of Ring Power Corp. He is a military veteran having served in the US Navy and USAF. Mr. Green has served as President of the Board of Talquin Electric from October 2000 until December 2014 and has also served as President of the Seminole Electric Board.

**District 6 Doug Bruce**

Mr. Bruce is the Trustee from District 6, south-east Leon County. Mr. Bruce is a lifelong Leon County resident who resides in southeastern Leon County. He has been active in state government throughout his career and works as a Governmental Consultant. Mr. Bruce is a Credentialed Director through NRECA and is a graduate of Florida State University.

**District 7 Bobby Strickland**

Mr. Strickland is the Trustee from District 7, eastern Wakulla County. Mr. Strickland resides in the Crawfordville area and spent a successful career with the Department of Transportation for the State of Florida. Mr. Strickland served in the South Pacific in the United States Navy in the latter part of World War II and was also part of the Japanese occupation forces. Mr. Strickland retired to his farm in Wakulla County where he has a few head of cows and grows numerous crops and sugar cane. He still cooks syrup the old fashioned way in an eighty gallon wood fired kettle. Mr. Strickland attended TCC and is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate through NRECA.

**District 8 Clifford Bristol**

Dr. Bristol is the Trustee from District 8, which includes Liberty and western Wakulla Counties. He is a resident of Bristol and is a physician at the TMRMC Blountstown clinic. Dr. Bristol is a Credentialed Director through NRECA and is a graduate of Clemson and the University of Miami Medical School.

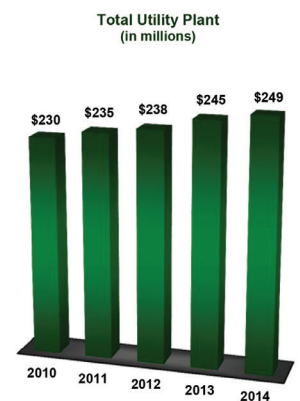
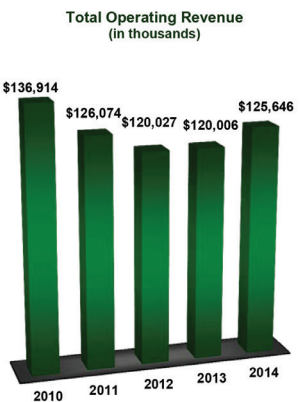
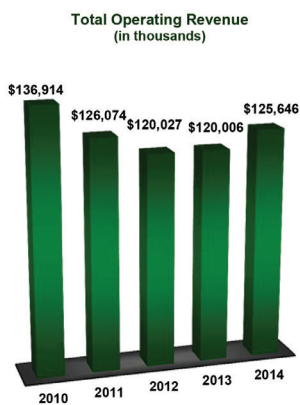
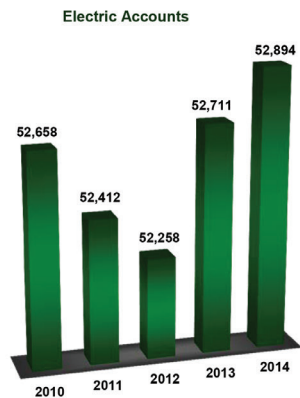
**District 9 Sam Fenn**

Mr. Fenn is the Trustee from District 9, southwest Leon County. Mr. Fenn is a Pharmacist and a graduate of Mercer University, School of Pharmacy. Mr. Fenn is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate through NRECA. Mr. Fenn also serves on the Board of Trustees for Seminole Electric.

The cover features Lance Rivenbark, Talquin Apprentice Lineman and his daughter, Kenlee, at a recent Lineman's Rodeo Competition in Tallahassee.

Talquin employees are committed to being the best they can be as they serve our Members whether it's in storms, summer heat, freezing winters or in training. We are owned by those we serve. It's never just business as usual.

Electric System Statistical Profile



Electric System Financial Reports

Balance Sheets

Assets

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Net Electric Plant (less Acc. Depreciation) | \$174,725,326 | \$173,485,465 |
| Investments and Notes Receivable | \$58,259,398 | \$51,862,809 |
| Accounts Receivable | \$14,621,330 | \$14,362,141 |
| Materials and Supplies | \$1,548,991 | \$1,336,160 |
| Other Current Assets | \$7,495,431 | \$7,684,690 |
| Total Assets | \$256,650,476 | \$248,731,265 |

Equities and Liabilities

Equities

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Memberships | \$208,840 | \$209,905 |
| Patronage Capital | \$106,344,638 | \$103,893,447 |
| Other Equities | \$1,071,318 | \$1,175,085 |
| Total Equities | \$107,624,796 | \$105,278,437 |

Liabilities

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Long Term Debt | \$121,440,216 | \$119,851,337 |
| Accounts Payable | \$9,972,233 | \$11,045,937 |
| Members' Deposits | \$3,362,026 | \$3,253,855 |
| Other Current Liabilities | \$8,146,283 | \$7,382,371 |
| Deferred Credits | \$6,104,922 | \$1,919,328 |
| Total Liabilities | \$149,025,680 | \$143,452,828 |
| Total Equities and Liabilities | \$256,650,476 | \$248,731,265 |

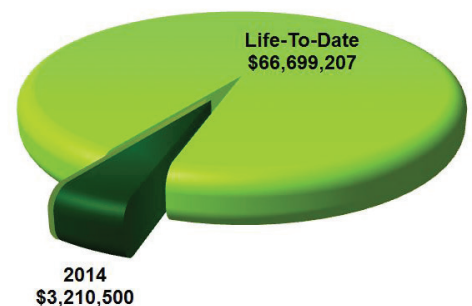
Statement of Revenue and Expenses

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|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| Revenue | \$125,645,738 | \$120,005,602 |
| Expenses | \$42,060,427 | \$41,458,958 |
| Cost of Power | \$83,585,311 | \$78,546,644 |
| Operations, Maintenance and Admin. | \$26,387,776 | \$25,414,461 |
| Depreciation | \$7,897,303 | \$7,710,825 |
| Interest on Loans | \$5,376,001 | \$5,558,394 |
| Total Expenses | \$123,246,391 | \$117,230,324 |
| Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses) | \$2,399,347 | \$2,775,278 |
| Non-Operating Margins | \$2,292,623 | \$1,420,459 |
| Other Capital Credits | \$680,047 | \$1,388,689 |
| Total Margins | \$5,372,017 | \$5,584,426 |

2014 Capital Credits

Talquin is member owned and not for profit. Any leftover operating capital received from the membership is returned back to those same Members who contributed to the co-op that year, after some years go by. This is what is meant by a capital credit. Each refunded amount depends on the total that each member paid for utility services that year. Talquin's refund of capital credits to its Members over the years now exceeds 66.5 million dollars, with over 3 million

dollars refunded this past year. **Now that's not business as usual!!**



TWWI System Financial Reports

Balance Sheets

Assets

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Net Water/WW Plant (net Acc. Depreciation) | \$57,109,633 | \$56,427,857 |
| Investments and Notes Receivable | (\$3,741,312) | (\$1,390,052) |
| Accounts Receivable | \$1,356,458 | \$1,294,868 |
| Materials and Supplies | \$715,742 | \$541,629 |
| Other Current Assets | \$208,609 | \$277,818 |
| Total Assets | \$55,649,130 | \$57,152,120 |

Equities and Liabilities

Equities

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Memberships | \$1,370 | \$1,300 |
| Patronage Capital | \$6,009,272 | \$5,178,816 |
| Other Equities | \$15,161,964 | \$15,825,611 |
| Total Equities | \$21,172,606 | \$21,005,727 |

Liabilities

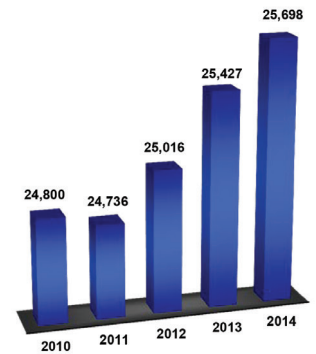
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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Long Term Debt | \$32,233,667 | \$33,743,107 |
| Accounts Payable | \$222,883 | \$463,946 |
| Members' Deposits | \$254,838 | \$230,448 |
| Other Current Liabilities | \$1,765,136 | \$1,683,522 |
| Deferred Credits | \$0 | \$25,370 |
| Total Liabilities | \$34,476,524 | \$36,146,393 |
| Total Equities and Liabilities | \$55,649,130 | \$57,152,120 |

Statement of Revenue and Expenses

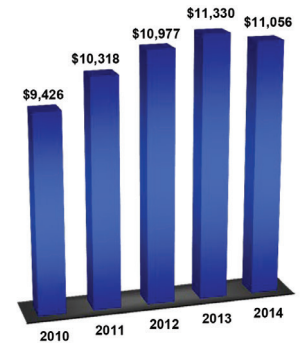
| | 2014 | 2013 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Revenue | \$11,056,126 | \$11,329,803 |
| Expenses | | |
| Cost of Power for Pumping | \$745,289 | \$710,594 |
| Operations, Maintenance and Admin. | \$6,586,664 | \$6,292,070 |
| Depreciation | \$2,023,081 | \$1,941,401 |
| Interest on Loans | \$1,714,872 | \$1,780,202 |
| Total Expenses | \$11,069,906 | \$10,724,267 |
| Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses) | (\$13,780) | \$605,536 |
| Non-Operating Margins | \$13,002 | \$65,125 |
| Other Capital Credits | \$156,321 | \$187,413 |
| Total Margins | \$155,543 | \$858,074 |

TWWI System Statistical Profile

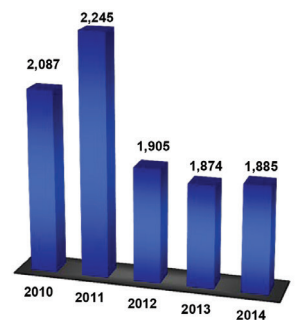
Water & WW Accounts



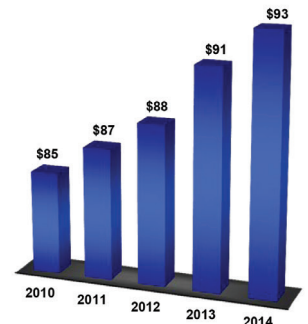
Total Operating Revenue
(in thousands)



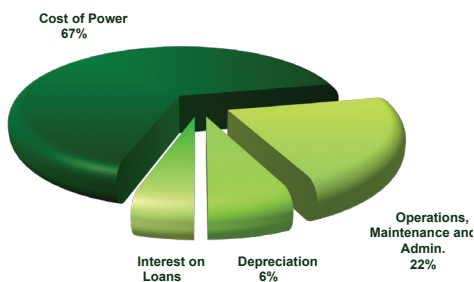
Annual Gallons Billed
(in millions)



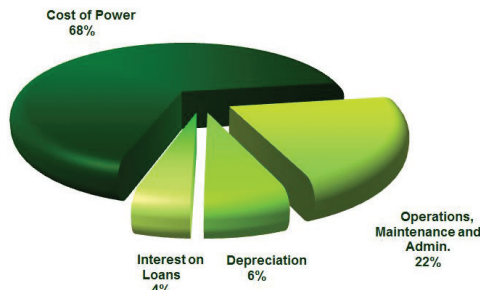
Total Utility Plant
(in millions)



2013 Total Expenses by Category



2014 Total Expenses by Category



trading post

Miscellaneous

Carpet and Vinyl Remnants all different colors and sizes. Larger pieces also to pick from 12x9 to 12x28, individually prized and sized. Call or text 251-2698

Memberships Available for the 2015-2016 hunting season! Property is located in Wakulla County and borders the St. Marks River. Families welcome!! Please contact 363-8210 for information.

Guitar lessons – Gadsden County, 25 yr experienced college educated guitar player. \$20/hr per lesson. Can setup guitars call 508-2514 leave message.

Queen/Full Headboard, dresser, mirror, chest, bed rails. Good condition \$300.00 627-2275 or 273-0688

Wood – was porch. Some 2x6 some 4x4. \$100.00 takes all. **Husky Air compressor** goes up to 200 psi \$75.00 OBO 576-0698

New white lower kitchen cabinets – several. New dishwasher stainless steel, \$150.00. White bathroom vanity cabinet with sink and counter-top. 544-1320

1 smoker \$25.00, 2 refrigerators 1 side by side, 1 – 2 door \$20.00 each – you pick up. 926-1937

Loving and experienced female caregiver seeking day or night position. I am dependable, pet friendly, and have reliable transportation. References too. 878-2870

Peaceful niche for ashes at Meadowwood Cemetery, Tallahassee, by dolphin fountain. Priced at \$1100, saving you \$1000. 562-1734.

5 cu ft Frigidaire white, chest-style freezer. Clean, used inside only, works great. \$100 OBO. 567-5251

3 pc. bedroom suite: large dresser with mirror, 5 drawer chest & Queen bed with headboard & footboard mattresses included \$650.00. 509-3063

Armadillo traps. Humane, 2 - door. Pressure treated wood construction. Pre-scented. No bait or funneling required. \$70.00 383-6380

Roll top desk. Excellent condition like new must sell. \$75. 539-7407

New crown molding - honey Oak color. Four pieces: 2 inches wide, 8 feet long. \$200. Call 856-5675

Over bed medical table/wheels \$40, Stryker air mattress overlay/pump \$100, Synergy w.c. Cushion, 19 1/2" w x 18" d, \$30, Big wheeled roll in shower/commode chair \$125. 576-1315

Pinball Machine for sale. Williams F-14 Tomcat very good condition. \$625.00 OBO You move. All manuals, wiring diagrams included. 536-0111

One convertible sofa, excellent shape (\$150); 1 Haier 32 pt **dehumidifier** (\$75, barely used) 559-2192.

Honey Do List Guy - I do all sorts of home improvement work from the inside to the outside of your home. Big or little projects are fine

Trading Post Guidelines

In order to continue to provide The Trading Post in every issue of *The Current*, we are asking Members to adhere to the guidelines listed below when submitting an ad. If an ad does not meet the new criteria, it will not be published. There is no cost to place an ad in The Trading Post.

- Members may submit one ad every three months (four times a year)
- Ads must be twenty-five words or less
- Must be typed or printed legibly in ink
- No registered businesses may run an ad
- No changes after ad submission
- Deadlines are the first day of the month

preceding the month of publication (For example, December 1st is the deadline for the January edition.)

- Members must provide name, phone number, and account number. No email addresses will be published.

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with me. Just make a list & I can do 95% of the work. 933-1105

2 Fishing rods 6-1/2 ft., Penn Reels, salt and fresh water. \$40 ea. OBO. **Left handed golf clubs** w/bag. Irons, Pings 4-9, Warrior wood, putter, wedge, and more. \$75 OBO. 926-6050

2 Walkers, Centra Brand w/o seat: \$40 each, 1 HUGO Walker with seat \$50. All gently used. 875-9326

2012 Walk-in Spa Tub, almost brand new! \$1,000 OBO, Pics available. Ready to move in to its new home. 766-1228

Twin bed with box spring and mattress set \$125.

Full bed with mattress and box spring set \$200. **Wooden Night Stand** \$50. Pappa San Chair w/ base, stool and washable cushions \$30. 510-8486

AMERICAN GIRL DOLL CLOTHES: One of a kind, hand made outfits. From stock or special order. Extremely reasonable. 728 2498

Real Estate

200 x 50 lot – downtown Tallahassee. Swap for hunting tract or sell. 545-6315

Beautiful Lakefront Home – spacious 3 bdrm 2 bth located on Lake Seminole. Family room, kitchen, sunporch, garage, carport, and boat dock. \$239,000. 570-3970

Joe McNair Estate's 31 acres for sale. In Havana, FL – McNair Rd. 575-7230

32 ft 5th wheel RV for rent on Ochlockonee river located on Hwy 20 near Talquin Dam. \$100.00 per week plus utilities. Free access to boat ramp. Perfect for single person or working couple. 567-1423.

2 bedroom mobile home for rent located on Hwy 20 near Talquin Dam. \$450.00 per month. Free Access to boat ramp. 850 567 1423

2013, 2 bdrm, 2 bath, approx. 950 sq./ft., MH for sale. Must be moved from current location. Fully furnished, appliances, washer/dryer, w/ heat pump. incl. 1 deck and 1 porch. 322-6924 for pricing

3 bedroom, two bath DW (metal roof) on 0.6 acre on Chain Lake in Greenhead, FL. Oak trees on wooded lot, white sandy beach. Open floor plan and deck. Fireplace. \$125,000. 408-0923

The Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment (WPCA) will decrease by 3 mills from 3.0 to 0.0 mills, effective June 1, 2015. Members who use 1,000 kWh per month will see a decrease of \$3.00 in their monthly bill.

House for Rent 3 BR/2 Bath w/ lg LR & DR, double garage. \$750.00 a month, No inside pets. Located 1 mile pass I-10 on Pat Thomas Pkwy, Quincy. 627-6897

4 bedroom and office/ 3 bath with pool, formal dining room, 2 living rooms. Kilearn Estates, \$299,000. Call 850-519-5096

Automotive

2008 Harley Davidson Sportster 1200XL Low Under 5,000 miles. - garage kept - extras. Dark Blue. \$5,800 (Please, no test rides) 539-1589 for more info

2011 Forest River R-pod Travel Trailer – single slide kitchen, bath/shower, refrigerator, microwave, front dinette/bed, rear queen bed. Must see asking \$9500. 627-6181

2002 BMW, Z3 Roadster, V6, Automatic, A/C, automatic top, 50,000 miles, Silver with black top and interior. \$ 10,500 364-3112

1984 Jeep CJ 7 all original, except carpet. The engine (258ci) has 2000 miles on rebuild. Tires have less than 1000 miles. \$10,000. 284-7076

2007 Palomino 25 ft bumper pull travel trailer. Excellent condition, slide, sleeps up to 6, unique large outside storage. \$9,990. 627-7203

2002 Dodge Ram 1500, only 73,000 miles. BF Goodrich tires; 85% tread remaining. Garage kept, no accidents, clean carfax. (727) 992-5763

Farm/Garden

Tractor, Ford 1110, used, with 4' finishing mower, 4' garden tiller, and 4' box blade; all for

\$5,000. 228-4357 or 576-2427

FREE

100 ft cedar tree – you cut down and take away. 576-0698

Marine

18' Bass buggy pontoon '96 model \$4000 as is. 926-1937

8 hp Yamaha outboard motor w/6 gal gas tank (\$300) 559-2192

Wanted

Used canister vacuum, also Dodge or Ford 1 ton extended 350/360 van in good condition – passenger or cargo. Please call 879-5509

Old fishing lures. I collect and write about fishing lures made before 1970. Cash paid for any lures, lure boxes or paperwork. 574-9718
rent/lease pasture/field for dog club activities. Should be about 100x100' or so minimum and be mowed/mowable. 539-1144

Member of the Month

The *7th Cooperative Principle is Concern for Community*, and Member Marc Dickieson is definitely living by this value! After moving to Florida, Marc made Wakulla County his home and when he retired he knew that he wanted to serve his newly adopted community. Giving back comes naturally to this former Marine who currently serves in the Marine Corps League. After the local Marine Reserve unit was relocated in 2013, the League took over the Toys For Tots Campaign for this region which helps provide Christmas for many local children. Marc is also a part of the Crawfordville Lions Club (their motto is "We Serve") and Keep Wakulla County Beautiful (affiliated with Keep America



Beautiful and Keep Florida Beautiful). If you are interested in either of these organizations please visit them at www.lionsclubs.org and www.kwcb.org. Check and see what other opportunities are in your area and see how you can give back to your community!

Watts Happening

Leon County Senior Outreach: Explore Lunch and Learn to stay connected

No reservations needed to join the fun. 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Featuring a delicious catered lunch for **\$6 per plate**. Call **891-4065** for more information.

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| June 4 th | Miccosukee - Miccosukee Community Center |
| June 10 th | Bradfordville - Wildwood Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall |
| June 11 th | Woodville - Woodville Community Center |
| June 16 th | Fort Braden - Fort Braden Community Center |
| June 18 th | Lake Jackson - Lake Jackson Community Center |
| June 23 rd | Chaires/Capitola - Dorothy C. Spence Community Center |



Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day

Fun Fact: The holiday, which is observed every year on the last Monday of May, was formerly known as Decoration Day and originated after the American Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the war. By the 20th century, Memorial Day had been extended to honor all Americans who died while in the military service.

LUNG FORCE Walk – American Lung Association.
Come walk and raise your voices against

lung cancer – and for lung health.
Saturday, May 30th at Cascades Park
1001 S Gadsden St – Tallahassee
Registration begins at 8:00 am, Walk starts at 9:00 am

BOOK GIVEAWAY – Wakulla County Library

They will have tons of books, videos, and much more. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Saturday, June 6th - 9:00 am to 12 noon
4330 Crawfordville Hwy - Crawfordville

Employee Spotlight



Having worked at Talquin for 13 years in Water, Right of Way, Operations and now the Metering Department – Jeff Washington has been to his fair share of safety meetings. We take these trainings for granted as they are a part of what we do, just part of the daily routine. Well we were recently shown just how important these safety meetings really are. While eating lunch at Crow's Corner in Hosford, Jeff heard two cars collide with each other head on. Witnesses have told us that Jeff did not hesitate; he just jumped up, went to his truck for his orange safety vest and assisted by directing traffic. He knew the situation was bad and would get worse with the oncoming vehicles. So we thank you Jeff for demonstrating the 5th Cooperative Principle – Education, Training and Information!



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(850) 627-9666

Wakulla Member Services Office

681 Wakulla Arran Rd.
Crawfordville, Florida 32327
(850) 926-7422

Hosford Member Services Office

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

Lake Jackson Member Services Office

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

Bradfordville

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

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1-888-802-1832
(live operator)

1-866-899-4832
(automated systems)

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Roast Chicken with Potatoes and Butternut Squash

Cooking on a budget? Don't skimp on nutrition! You'll feel good about feeding your family this creatively delectable recipe.

- 2 tablespoons minced garlic, divided
- 1 teaspoon salt, divided
- 3/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, divided
- 1/2 teaspoon dried rubbed sage

- 1 (3 1/2-pound) roasting chicken

Cooking spray

- 12 ounces red potatoes, cut into wedges
- 1 1/2 cups cubed peeled butternut squash (about 8 ounces)
- 2 tablespoons butter, melted

Preheat oven to 400°.

Combine 1 1/2 tablespoons garlic, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, and sage in a small bowl. Remove and discard giblets and neck from chicken. Starting at neck cavity, loosen skin from breast and drumsticks by inserting fingers, gently pushing between skin and meat. Lift wing tips up and over back; tuck under chicken. Rub garlic mixture under loosened skin. Place chicken, breast side up, on rack of a broiler pan coated

with cooking spray. Place rack in broiler pan.

Combine potatoes, squash, butter, 1 1/2 teaspoons garlic, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Arrange vegetable mixture around chicken. Bake at 400° for 1 hour or until a thermometer inserted into meaty part of thigh registers 165°. Let stand 10 minutes. Discard skin.

*www.cookinglight.com (Budget Cooking: Feed 4 for \$10)

HomeSchool Field Trip

Talquin Electric was happy to host a homeschool group from Leon County called TEACH in March at our Apprentice Training Facility. Talquin Safety Manager, Steve Timmons explained what a cooperative is, what Talquin does and where our service area is. Lineman, Josh Blankenship, showed all of them the special clothing and equipment that linemen wear and also different tools used in the field.

Bill Shiskin, Talquin Superintendent, and Natalie Barrett, Safety and Compliance Administrator also assisted with the tour by answering questions and explaining different functions of the cooperative.

The moms said this was the best field trip they have been on. It's the co-op way; Education and Training – not just business as usual!



Josh Blankenship, shares about the importance of proper equipment.



TEACH homeschool group visits Talquin for some field experience!