

## **2023 ANNUAL REPORT**

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The Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Talquin Water & Wastewater, Inc. Boards regularly schedule their workshops on the 1st Monday of each month and meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Headquarters' Office in Quincy, FL at 6:30 PM. If necessary, an Executive Session may be held in conjunction with any regular meeting, special meeting, or workshop. Notice of any changes will be listed at https://www.talquinelectric.com/about/board-meetings-workshops/.

### **83 YEARS STRONG**



Joe Alexander President



Tracy Bensley General Manager

On April 29, 2023, Talquin held the 83rd Annual Meeting of the Membership. Congratulations to Joseph Alexander (District 3), Jason O'Steen (District 6), and Sam Fenn (District 9) for being elected to serve another term as a Trustee of Talquin!

Talquin has been through a lot in the past 83 years and, from the hard work and dedication of our employees, along with the active engagement of our Members, we continue to grow and remain strong. We always stick to our core mission of providing safe, affordable, and reliable utility services for our communities. Talquin has grown from its roots in Quincy, serving 190 accounts, to being a large electric cooperative – with more than 56,000 accounts. What started as one substation with one circuit is now 23 substations with 85 circuits, providing an average of 2.8 million kWh of energy every day. Likewise, what started as one small water system in Liberty County in 1963 is now 20 systems, serving more than 24,000 accounts across our four-county service territory. We also own and

operate 6 wastewater systems in three counties, providing service to more than 5,000 accounts, and 44 wells that provide an average of 6 million gallons of water every day.

Regardless of the size of our systems and amount of services we provide, we continue to work on growth and improvements for Talquin Members. We have several projects already in motion on the water and sewer systems. We're increasing capacity and operational flexibility on the water systems in both Gadsden and Wakulla Counties. In Liberty County, we are working with the County on the acquisition of five water systems to help provide service to Talquin Members in this area. We are also making improvements to wastewater treatment plants in Leon and Gadsden Counties. On the electric system, we continue to use low-interest borrowing from the Rural Utilities Service to make improvements to all areas of the network, such as the \$39 million loan recently awarded to Talquin. These loans, used by Talquin since its beginning in 1940, are one of the many tools that have allowed your cooperative to develop its system and provide reliable service while also maintaining reasonable rates.

Not only is Talquin dedicated to providing services at a reasonable cost, but we also believe in being environmentally responsible. Your cooperative has been working for several years with its wholesale provider, Seminole Electric, on the installation of utility-scale solar systems for Talquin Members. We currently have three facilities constructed and expect them to go online this summer. We have another facility planned that is expected to go online in the summer of 2024. These four facilities combined will produce enough energy to power 1,800 homes in Talquin's territory.

Beginning in June, Talquin will be participating in a new initiative we are calling our Solar Dashboard. For years, Talquin's energy experts have been assisting Members in providing unbiased evaluations of home solar systems.

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We are going to make this consultation even easier by providing information on our website that you will be able to access at your leisure. Talquin will provide general information about home solar systems – both pros and cons. We will also provide more detailed information that will allow Members to input specific data about the current state of their home and proposed solar systems, then get free feedback on expected system performance.

Like other utilities around Florida and the United States, Talquin had to raise rates considerably in 2022. These increases were caused by the dramatic rise in the cost of natural gas, which is the primary source of fuel for the energy purchased by Talquin. Increases in the cost of fuel caused Talquin's wholesale rate to increase about 30%, or about \$18 million, over the budgeted amount for 2022. The good news is fuel prices have gone back down, and Talquin is now reducing rates. Members have seen bills decrease by \$8.50 per 1,000 kWh on March 1st and another decrease of \$10.00 per 1,000 kWh on May 1st.

Our Trustees and employees stay focused on Talquin's primary mission – electric, water, and sewer service. We continually seek opportunities to improve, and Talquin has the team to succeed. Thank you all on behalf of Talquin's Trustees and employees for your participation in this year's voting and Annual Meeting, and for continuing to support your cooperative throughout the year. Because of the Members, Trustees, and employees all working together, Talquin remains strong!

## **2023 Annual Meeting Results**

#### **Election Results**

District 3, Joseph Alexander (Incumbent) (Ran Unopposed)
District 6, Jason O'Steen (Incumbent) (Ran Unopposed)
District 9, John Paul Bailey - Received 1,462 Votes
Sam Fenn (Incumbent) - Received 2,372 Votes

#### **Proposed Bylaw Amendment Revisions**

Yes - 3,325 Votes No - 651 Votes

#### Prize Winners \$500.00 Bill Credit

- Mildred J Grandberry
- L&N Farm, LLC
- Richard H. Miller

#### \$250.00 Bill Credit

- James Randolf McMillan
- Joel Foy
- Eddie Joseph Grunewald
- Lysa Ross
- Elizabeth Alleene Sellers

#### **2023 Annual Meeting Video**

To access the Annual Meeting video, please visit our website, www.talquinelectric.com, or our Facebook page.

## **Notice: WPCA Adjustment**

Effective May 1st, 2023, Talquin Electric will decrease the Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment from a debit charge of \$.0100 to a zero charge of \$0.0000, resulting in an overall decrease of \$10.00 per 1,000 kWh. This change does not impact water and wastewater charges.





#### District 1 Billy VanLandingham, Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. VanLandingham is the Trustee from District 1, southern Gadsden County. He is a lifelong resident of the Juniper community and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Finance from Florida State University. He served as Vice President/Agency Executive with McGriff Insurance Services in Tallahassee and retired after 41 years. Mr. VanLandingham is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate with the NRECA. Mr. VanLandingham currently serves as the Secretary/Treasurer of Talquin Electric's Board of Trustees. Mr. VanLandingham has been married to his wife, Vicki, for 44 years and they have two children, Allie and Russ, and one granddaughter.



#### **District 2 David Wright**

David Wright is the Trustee from District 2, northwest Gadsden County where he lives on his farm with his wife, Debbie. He and his family have lived in Gadsden County for 45 years. David has recently retired as a Professor of Agronomy for the University of Florida's North Florida Research and Education Center in Quincy, holds a Ph.D. in Agronomy from Virginia Tech, and is a Credentialed Director through NRECA.



#### District 3 Joseph Alexander, President

Mr. Alexander is the Trustee from District 3, central Gadsden County. Prior to his retirement, he served the State of Florida's Department of Children and Families as the Child Care Services Program Manager for the Northwest Region (a 16-county service area). Mr. Alexander is a Credentialed Director, holds a Board Leadership Certificate through NRECA, and is a graduate of Florida A & M University. Mr. Alexander currently serves as the President of Talquin Electric's Board of Trustees and is a Florida Electric Cooperatives Association Director.



#### **District 4 Gregory Winter**

Dr. Winter is the trustee from District 4, eastern Gadsden County and the Lake Jackson area of Leon County. He attended North Florida Christian School and Lincoln High School, before attending Florida State University and the University of Georgia, where he received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree. Upon graduation, Dr. Winter returned home to the Big Bend area where he has practiced veterinary medicine primarily in Leon and Gadsden Counties for the last 30 years and in 2000, he opened the Winter Animal Hospital. Dr. Winter is married to Amanda, a police officer, and they have two daughters, Lyla and Reagan.



#### **District 5 Carla Pararo**

Mrs. Pararo is the Trustee from District 5, northeast Leon County. She has lived in Tallahassee since 1964, graduated from Leon High School, and attended TCC with an emphasis in business. She retired as an independent contractor from the Social Security Administration in 2021. Mrs. Pararo has been a Talquin Member since 1992, and she served the Membership on the Talquin Election Committee for 12 years prior to her election to the Talquin Board of Trustees in 2016. She also serves on the Board of Trustees of Seminole Electric Cooperative, Talquin's primary generation, and transmission provider. Mrs. Pararo is a Credentialed Cooperative Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.



#### District 6 Jason O'Steen

Mr. O'Steen is the Trustee from District 6, southeast Leon County. A Tallahassee native, Mr. O'Steen graduated from Florida High and earned a bachelor's degree in business management from FSU. He later obtained his Juris Doctor degree from the Florida State University College of Law and currently works as a full-time civil mediator. Mr. O'Steen is married to Chasity and enjoys spending time with their two children, Jackson and Ava, on their small cattle farm just east of Tallahassee.



#### District 7 David Miller

Mr. Miller is the Trustee from District 7, eastern Wakulla County. He is a lifelong resident and third-generation Wakulla County educator. Mr. Miller dedicated 39 years to the Wakulla County school system including 17 years as Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Miller was named Superintendent of the Year for the State of Florida in the 2003-2004 school year. He holds a bachelor's degree from FSU, a master's degree from FAMU, a Doctor of Laws honor degree from Flagler College, is a Credentialed Director with a Board Leadership Certification through the NRECA, and also serves as an alternate on the Florida Electric Cooperatives Association board. Mr. Miller has been married to his wife, Dolores, for 50 years and is an active member of Crawfordville United Methodist Church. They have three children—Derek, Danielle, and Dylan—as well as eight grandchildren.



#### District 8 Clifford Bristol, Vice President

Mr. Bristol is the Trustee from District 8, Liberty County, and part of Wakulla County. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree from Clemson University and an M.D. Degree from the University of Miami. He completed a residency in Family Medicine and a fellowship in OB and Pediatrics from Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. He moved to Liberty County and opened his medical practice in Blountstown in 1980, and retired after 36 years in practice. Mr. Bristol is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate through the NRECA. He currently serves as Vice President of Talquin's Board of Trustees and is one of Talquin's representatives to Seminole Electric Cooperative's Board. He has been married to his wife, Lisa, for 38 years. They have two daughters, Natalie and Anna Jo, and three grandchildren.



#### **District 9 Sam Fenn**

Mr. Fenn is the Trustee from District 9, southwest Leon County. Mr. Fenn is a graduate of Mercer University, School of Pharmacy, and is now retired after enjoying 50 years in pharmacy. Mr. Fenn is a Credentialed Director and holds a Board Leadership Certificate through NRECA. Mr. Fenn also enjoyed serving on the Board of Trustees for Seminole Electric G&T before retiring after 13 years.



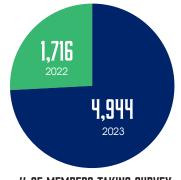
At Talguin, we take Member feedback seriously. We recently conducted the annual Member survey and had the highest participation rate. A total of 4,944 Members completed the survey

in 2022, which is a significant increase from 1,716 participants in 2021. This shows that Talquin Members care about the cooperative and the services we provide, and we're thrilled to have received such positive responses. Thank you for participating!

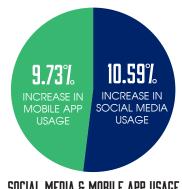
The Survey also revealed the top areas of interest and concern. Members expressed a desire to see more information in our newsletter, The Current, about Talquin's concern for the community, how to use our mobile app and web guides, our history, mission, vision, and values, an overview of our departments, and what they do to serve you, and information about the businesses we serve.

We understand that technology has become an integral part of Talguin Members' lives, and we're happy to see an increase in the use of our mobile app and social media platforms. The survey showed a 10.59% increase in social media usage and a 9.73% increase in mobile app usage from 2021 to 2022. We appreciate Members staying connected with us on these platforms, and we'll continue to communicate through them.

Our Member satisfaction ratings were also high, with an overall satisfaction rating of 4.25 out of 5 and a rating of 4.28 out of 5 for meeting expectations. We're grateful for the positive feedback and will continue to work towards meeting Members' needs.







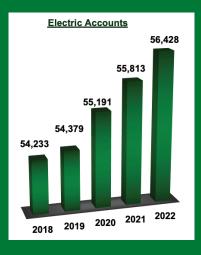
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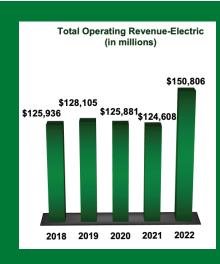


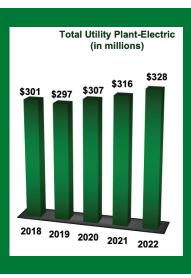
Finally, we asked Members what topics they would like additional information on, and the top two topics were energy efficiency tips and renewable energy (solar). We plan to provide more resources about these topics in the future to continue empowering Talquin Members to make informed decisions about their energy use.

We're thankful for the feedback we received from Members and will utilize this feedback to provide the best services possible. Thank you for being a part of the Talguin community, and we look forward to serving you further.

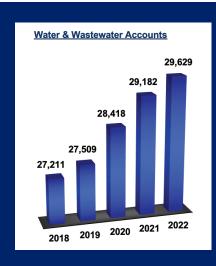
Balance Sheets	2022	2021
Assets		
Net Electric Plant (less Acc. Depreciation) Investments and Notes Receivable Accounts Receivable Materials and Supplies Other Current Assets	\$233,859,490 \$75,756,230 \$27,253,087 \$2,337,487 \$1,738,275	\$225,996,819 \$69,928,587 \$19,265,710 \$1,556,560 \$2,172,037
Total Assets	\$340,944,569	\$318,919,713
Equities and Liabilities		
Equities		
Memberships Patronage Capital Other Equities	\$223,645 \$105,930,633 \$33,031,021	\$220,730 \$102,903,078 \$31,951,035
Total Equities	\$139,185,299	\$135,074,843
Liabilities Long Term Debt Accounts Payable Members' Deposits Other Current Liabilities Deferred Credits	\$149,002,280 \$18,808,760 \$3,664,573 \$28,184,595 \$2,099,062	\$145,966,248 \$10,166,865 \$3,554,802 \$22,911,315 \$1,245,640
Total Liabilities	\$201,759,270	\$183,844,870
Total Equities and Liabilities	\$340,944,569	\$318,919,713
Statement of Revenue and Expenses	2022	2021
Revenue	\$150,805,891	\$124,607,718
Expenses		
Cost of Power Operations, Maintenance and Admin. Depreciation Interest on Loans	\$96,016,355 \$37,159,738 \$9,789,677 \$4,941,280	\$72,932,138 \$33,924,122 \$9,444,760 \$4,911,965
Total Expenses	\$147,907,050	\$121,212,985
Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses)	\$2,898,841	\$3,394,733
Other Capital Credits Non-Operating Margins	\$2,209,498 \$2,081,287	\$1,890,817 \$2,720,040
Total Margins	\$7,189,626	\$8,005,590







Balance Sheets	2022	2021
Assets		
Net Water/WW Plant (less Acc. Depreciation) Investments and Notes Receivable Accounts Receivable Materials and Supplies Other Current Assets	\$70,376,459 \$6,585,876 \$794,813 \$446,071 \$2,494,801	\$68,848,975 \$5,722,488 \$772,724 \$468,893 \$2,353,831
Total Assets	\$80,698,020	\$78,166,911
Equities and Liabilities		
Equities		
Memberships & Patronage Capital Other Equities	\$3,776,284 \$25,518,650	\$1,979,566 \$25,543,641
Total Equities	\$29,294,934	\$27,523,207
Liabilities Long Term Debt Accounts Payable Members' Deposits Other Current Liabilities Deferred Credits Total Liabilities	\$41,067,561 \$848,142 \$352,121 \$5,086,902 \$4,048,360 <b>\$51,403,086</b>	\$42,688,796 \$287,992 \$320,849 \$3,562,413 \$3,783,654 \$50,643,704
Total Equities and Liabilities	\$80,698,020	\$78,166,911
Statement of Revenue and Expenses	2022	2021
Revenue	\$15,232,723	\$14,503,944



Cost of Power for Pumping

Depreciation

**Total Expenses** 

**Total Margins** 

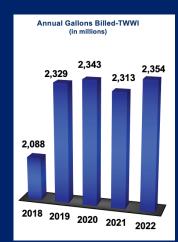
Interest on Loans

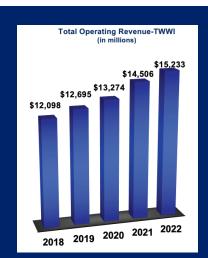
Non-Operating Margins

Other Capital Credits

Operations, Maintenance and Admin.

Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses)





\$872,193

\$8,603,518

\$1,952,102

\$2,142,078

\$1,662,832

(\$21,173)

\$302,959

\$1,944,618

\$13,569,891



\$786,343

\$7,774,698

\$1,862,236

\$1,896,200

\$12,319,477

\$2,184,467

(\$25,455)

\$319,888



#### **2023 Florida Lineman Rodeo**

Congratulations to Jackson Rudd who took home awards from the Florida Lineman Competition! Talquin Apprentices and Linemen competed with other electric lineworkers from across Florida in the annual competition where lineworkers demonstrate their skills. Jackson placed first in the Mystery Event, third in the Mutual Aid Event, and second overall in the Apprentice Events!



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### **John Revell**

John Revell joined Talquin's Member Services team in 1990 as an Office Manager and served Members' needs at the Crossway Road and Crawfordville offices before calling Lake Jackson his home office. Over the past 32 years, he has loved working at Talquin and will truly miss the great people, organization, and helping Members. John is looking forward to spending time with his family and horses after retirement.

Congratulations, John! We wish you the very best in retirement!

## GRADUATIONS



## Dispatch Graduation Congratulations to Elaine Merchant

Elaine Merchant and Jonathan Casey, on completing the System Operator Certification Program!

## Apprentice Graduation

Congratulations Grayson Revell, on completing the Lineman Apprenticeship Program!



#### **TRADING POST MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Garage Sale Items:

Antiques, microwave stand, Men's 10 1/2 FSU and 9 1/2 Harley-Davidson boots, receiving hitch, towing mirrors, cast iron sinks, electric tools, 850-575-6013

FREE: Working 1950's Baldwin Orgasonic organ and bench. Call 850-562-5468. Please leave message.

MINN KOTA MAXXUM trolling motor 24V. 70 lb. thrust 49in. shaft. Less than 1 year old. Excellent condition. \$400.00 or best offer @ 865-274-3292

32" TV hutch with glass doors, \$20.00; 2 black end tables \$110.00 each; 1940's six pane windows, \$2.00 each; mini fridge, good condition \$40.00. 850-524-3852

Several beautiful Prom dresses! Sizes 4 - 6 and size 14. Like new - and some new! Prices range from \$50 - \$300 OBO. Call Sharon, 850-345-1944

Yamaha 88 key Clavinova. Less than 30 hours of playing time. Bench and books included. A great deal at \$950. Call or text 850-264-4826

1995 Wellcraft Coastal **238** cuddy cabin, 24', 2003 225 Johnson OB 600 hours, tandem trailer, VHF, GPS, fish finder, \$10,500. 850-345-2565

John Deere riding mower: runs and recently serviced. In good condition. \$250 OBO. Call or text 954-684-6308

5 HP Snapper Gas Tiller. Excellent condition, little used. \$450, call 10 am -5 pm 850-544-7325

Boat: Nice 12' John boat with 35 lb. thrust electric motor, 2 life jackets, \$400.00. No trailer. 850-445-9036

Have 4 H.D. blades for John Deere 42" blade, \$12.50 each. John Deere D 110 for parts. Good motor, good tires, good trans. \$100.00. 850-445-9036

#### John Deere Lawn

**Tractor**. 54 in. cut. needs some carb work. \$300 OBO, 850-997-0473

Yakima bike carry rack, \$50; Carry box that attaches to hitch, \$50; Saddle tan leather cowboy boots, 9 1/2 D, \$20. Message: ddcarbone@msn.com

Demijohn \$75; Portable Minnkota trolling motor \$135; Midland CB unit complete \$45; Stanley and Lufkin metal 100 ft. roll up tapes \$20 each. Text 850-661-5553

#### TRADING POST GUIDELINES

In order to continue to provide The Trading Post in every issue of The Current, we ask Members to adhere to the guidelines listed below when submitting an ad. If an ad does not meet the criteria, it will not be published. Talquin provides "The Trading Post" ads for the convenience of our Members. Talquin is not responsible for the content of the ads. Talquin does not endorse or warrant the products or services offered in the ads. There is no cost to place an ad in The Trading Post.

- Members may submit one ad per issue (six 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
- No event promotion of any kind
  - No firearm sales of any kind

Mail ads to: "The Current", Talquin Electric Cooperative, PO Box 1679, Quincy, FL 32352-1679 or email to: tradingpost@talquinelectric.com

Several pairs of Alegrias, size 40, hardly worn. \$10 each. Call 850-591-9169. If no answer, leave message

1954 9N Ford Tractor \$3,800 850-575-6013

#### **SERVICES**

#### TUTOR/ADVOCATE

Students with Autism/ Learning Differences. One-on-one tutoring and will attend Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings. Retired teacher 36 years' experience. gingerlillylett@gmail.com

**CARETAKER** for your loved one – Experienced at personal caregiving for Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, etc. Years of experience and references. Available Monday - Friday. 850-386-3562

#### Mother/daughter residential cleaning.

13 + years' experience. We provide all cleaning supplies. Deep cleans and general cleaning. 850-443-8414

**MOWING**: Tractor mowing of overgrown fields, pastures and planted pine. (Gadsden County only) -Fast service, reasonable prices. 850-661-8556

#### **REAL ESTATE**

**Furnished Room with** Private Bath. Includes electric, water, shared kitchen, security, Wi-Fi, TV.

**\$675/month**, \$65 background fee, \$675 deposit. 1 yr lease. CALLS ONLY 850-284-4892

#### **CEMETARY**/ **BURIAL**

#### **Two Burial Plots**;

The Garden of Peace. Tallahassee Memory Gardens Lot 23 - B, spaces 3 & 4. \$2000 for both, call 850-878-2528

Burial Plot; Culley's Meadowood Chapel Garden, center section 13. Lot 3. sells for \$5.895: asking \$3,200 OBO. Call 850-339-0154

2 Burial Plots at Memory Gardens in The Garden of Devotion. Lot 46-D, spaces 1 & 2, \$1100.00 each. Call Ken Morgan @ 850-566-2337

#### **AUTOMOTIVE**

**94 Camaro**, T-Top, good condition, needs engine work \$1.500, call, no texts 850-728-5059

#### Low mileage, roadready 31 - foot Class C motorhome for sale.

\$32,000. Six new tires, two new coach batteries, new convection microwave, new Dometic refrigerator. Cathyshops@comcast.net

2016 - 2019, 2 rear rotors & pads for Kia or Hyundai \$60.00, call for info. 850-524-3852

2002 GMC Sonoma 4.3 L/ 4 X 4 Crew Cab runs good, needs torque converter. \$4500/OBO. 850-274-7411

2008 Mercury Grand Marquis LS, silver/blue, 250,000 miles, runs but needs some work; \$2300 OBO. 850-997-0473

#### **LOOKING FOR**

Looking for used boats, motors and trailers. Please text first, 850-320-3039 or 850-528-2598

## **Water Quality Reports** Coming to your mailbox soon!

Water service Members, be on the lookout for the annual Water Quality Report that will be mailed in June. Reports will also be available on our website at www.talquinelectric.com



## **REFRESHING SUMMER RECIPES**

#### **Blackened Fish Tacos**

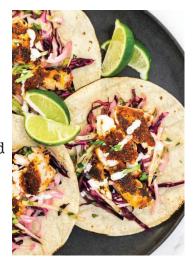
Recipe from Love & Good Stuff: (https://loveandgoodstuff.com/blackened-fish-tacos/)

Total Time: 15 minutes / Prep Time: 10 minutes / Cook Time: 5 minutes / Yield: 4 servings

#### **Ingredients:**

- 1 pound firm white fish
- 12 tortillas
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- ½ teaspoon cayenne
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder
- ½ teaspoon basil
- ½ teaspoon oregano

- ½ teaspoon thyme
- ½ teaspoon sea salt
- ½ teaspoon fresh ground pepper
- 2 cups red and green cabbage, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- ¼ cup cilantro, minced
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 2 tablespoons avocado oil



#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Mix together the paprika, cayenne, onion powder, garlic powder, basil, oregano, thyme, sea salt, and ground black pepper. Pat fish dry, then coat both sides of the fish with the spice rub. Add the cabbage, onion, cilantro, lime juice, and avocado oil in a medium bowl, then season well with sea salt and pepper. Set aside.
- 2. Heat a large non-stick frying pan to medium-high heat, then add a small amount of oil. When the pan is hot, place fish in the pan and cook on the first side for 2-3 minutes. Flip the fish over carefully and cook the second side for 2-3 minutes. Remove the fish from the pan and let it cool, then flake it into chunks.
- Serve the cooked fish and prepared slaw on the tortillas. Optional, but recommended toppings include: crema or sour cream, ranch dressing, and lime slices.

#### **Classic Pasta Salad**

Recipe from A Couple Cooks: (https://www.acouplecooks.com/pasta-salad/)

Total Time: 30 minutes / Prep Time: 20 minutes / Cook Time: 10 minutes / Yield: 10-12 servings

#### Ingredients:

- 1 pound fusilli spiral pasta
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, sliced in half
- 1 green bell pepper, diced
- ¼ red onion, sliced
- ½ cup fresh herbs, chopped (basil and parsley)
- 34 cup black or green olives, sliced
- ¾ pepperoncini or banana peppers, sliced
- 6 ounces small mozzarella cheese balls
- 34 cup shredded parmesan cheese
- ¼ cup white wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon each, dried dill, oregano, garlic powder, and black pepper
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil



#### **Instructions:**

- 1. Bring a large pot of well-salted water to a boil, and cook pasta until al dente according to the package instructions. Drain the pasta and run cool water over it until it is room temperature. Set aside.
- 2. In a large bowl, whisk together the vinegar, sugar, dried dill, oregano, garlic powder, kosher salt, and black pepper. Then whisk in the olive oil and vegetable oil. Add the pasta to the large bowl of dressing and toss with the chopped vegetables.

Add the olives, pepperoncini, mozzarella cheese, and parmesan cheese stirring until combined. Add salt to taste. Serve at room temperature or cold. Stores up to 5 days refrigerated (leftovers taste great; allow to come to room temperature and add a swirl more olive oil or a bit more cheese or salt as necessary).

#### **SUBMIT YOUR RECIPES**

If you have some tasty recipes that you would like to share, submit them to us at TradingPost@talquinelectric.com, drop them off at any of our Member Services offices, or mail to us at PO Box 1679, Quincy FL 32353.





Lego Club at Wakulla County Public Library Tuesday, June 6, 2023 | 4:00 PM 4330 Crawfordville Highway Crawfordville, Florida 32327

Lego Club is designed to provide kids with an enjoyable activity that stimulates and develops spatial intelligence. They will build whatever leaps into their imaginations! This club is a chance to offer your child time to relax, create, innovate and collaborate. The event is FREE.



Tallahassee Farmers Market at Bannerman Crossings Every Saturday | 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM 6668 Thomasville Road Tallahassee, Florida 32312

The Tallahassee Farmers' Market offers a wide variety of locally grown products every Saturday beginning at 10:00 AM. Get there early to see your favorite vendors!



Gadsden Arts Center Art Zone Every Saturday | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Gadsden Arts Center 13 N. Madison Street, Quincy, Florida 32351

The Art Zone is a FREE drop-in art studio that is open to the public for visitors of all ages to come in and get creative! Each month features exciting special projects inspired by our current exhibitions and a visual scavenger hunt! Come explore painting, printmaking, drawing, collage, & so much more! All materials are provided free of charge thanks to our generous donors.



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Live Operator: 1-888-802-1832







## Meet The Team!

## The Safety Department



Pictured above, left to right; Ashley, John, and Jeremiah.

Meet the team who works behind the scenes to ensure employees make it home to their families' safely each day. Talquin's Safety Department holds monthly trainings to make sure everyone has the necessary knowledge, equipment, and motivation to stay safe on the job and hold others accountable for their safety.

We appreciate the dedication this team has to uphold "Safety Without Exception" here at Talquin!

### **HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES**

Talquin offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 30.

Talquin offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4, in observance of Independence
Day. We will reopen on Wednesday, July 5.