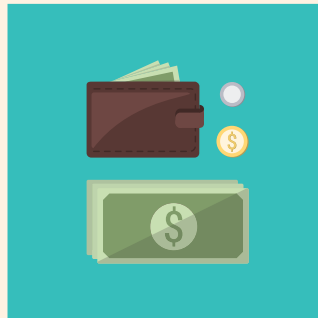
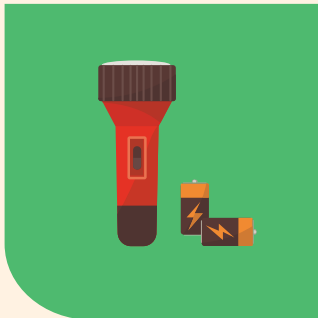
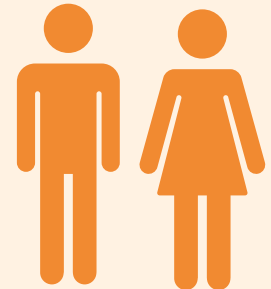
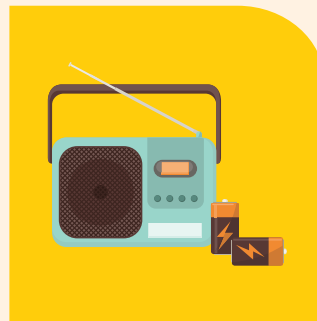
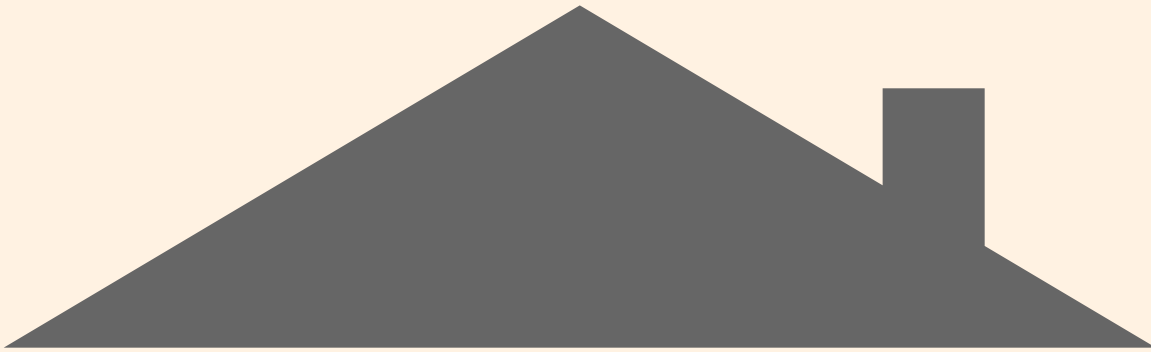


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The TECI and TWWI Board regularly schedule their workshops on the 1st Monday of each month and meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Headquarters' Office in Quincy, FL at 6:30 p.m.

Notice of any changes will be listed on the website.

## "Your future fuel resource portfolio"

There are a number of key factors that allow Talquin to keep the lights on for our Members with safe, reliable, and affordable electricity. One is the balance of energy resources managed by Talquin and our wholesale power provider, Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Seminole).

Since the beginning, Talquin and Seminole have built and maintained state-of-the-art facilities which generate electricity in a variety of ways. The first Seminole-built facility was Seminole Generating Station (SGS), starting operation in 1984. SGS makes use of two coal-fired units, which each produce 650 megawatts of electricity every hour.



Carrie Durden  
Board President

In 2002, Seminole added the Richard J. Midulla Generating Station (MGS). MGS is a combined-cycle facility which uses natural gas to produce an additional 500 megawatts of electricity per hour. Seminole added an additional 310 megawatts of peaking capacity at MGS in 2009 through five aeroderivative combustion turbine units. In 2017, Seminole added solar to its energy mix with the addition of Cooperative Solar, a 2.2 megawatt facility adjacent to MGS.



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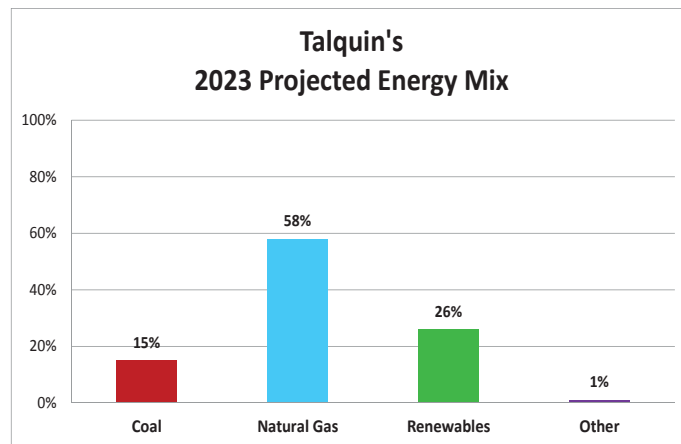
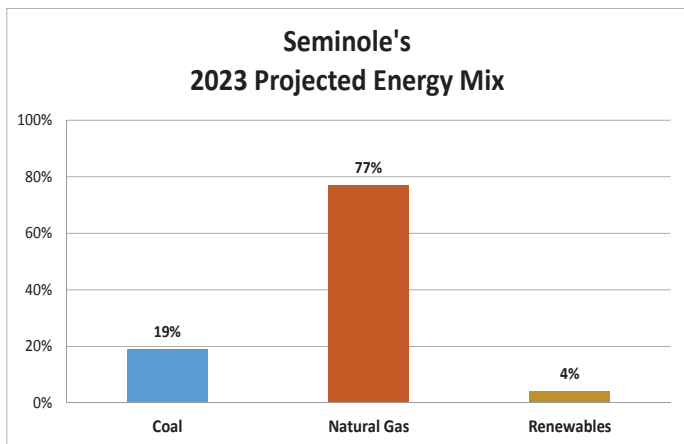
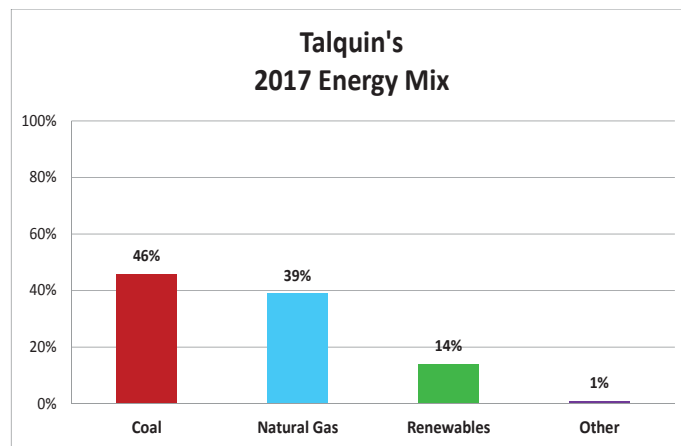
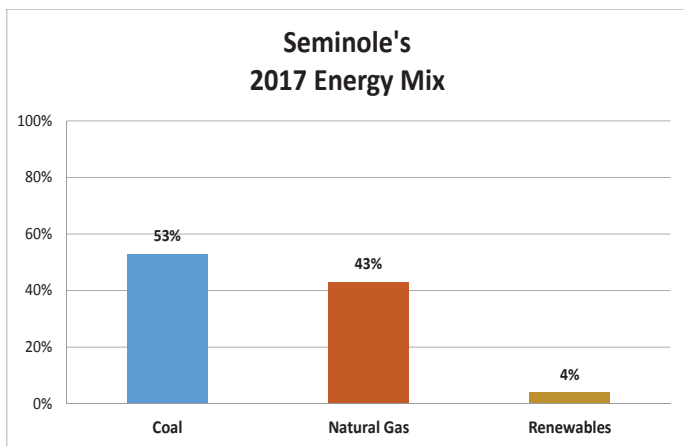
As the realities of energy change, so must the facilities that power our community. Seminole recently announced that they are removing one of their coal units from service approximately five years from now. To replace that energy source, Seminole will build a new plant on the property with SGS – a combined-cycle facility that will provide approximately 1,050 megawatts of reliable electric generation.

Though Talquin receives a majority of its electricity from Seminole, a portion is received from other sources. Part of Talquin's current renewable mix comes from the Woodruff Dam in Chattahoochee through the Southeastern Power Administration (SEPA). Talquin's projected renewable mix includes the installation of local solar generation, which is already in the works. As the energy needs of our community changes, Talquin will continue to diversify its energy portfolio to meet those needs.

A balanced portfolio of energy resources means that Talquin's Members will continue to enjoy safe, reliable, and affordable electricity. These facilities along with other purchased power, including both solar and natural gas-fired resources, make up the energy portfolio that currently serves our Members today and in the years to come.

### Cover

\*In an emergency, every second counts - that is why it is crucial to have a game plan, and why this year's National Preparedness Month theme is "Don't Wait Communicate." Fire, thunderstorm, hurricane, highway safety - these are just a few of the things that a family should prepare for and have a plan. Visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) for other emergency situations and helpful tips. Disasters Don't Plan Ahead - YOU CAN.



## Planned Outages for Service Improvements

Talquin Electric continually performs maintenance on our electric system throughout the year to ensure we are providing the best possible service to our Membership. We are able to perform most of this work with the electricity on, so you often do not even notice the work going on around you. However, there are times when we need to interrupt your electric service in order to perform this work. We call these disruptions planned outages.

As you know, electricity is a powerful and dangerous form of energy. Planned outages are sometimes required to provide for the safety of our employees, our Members, and our electrical equipment rather than risk exposure to this danger. We know that outages are inconvenient, but our objective is to be safe while we provide the best service possible to our Members.

When you will be affected by a planned outage, we will notify you in advance so

that you can make preparations. When a planned outage is necessary, our crews will work as quickly and safely as possible to restore your electric service with minimal disruption.

### Tips for Preparing for a Planned Outage:

- If you have medical support equipment that is dependent on electricity, be ready with your back-up plan to maintain the use of your equipment.
- Have flashlights with fresh batteries handy.
- Minimize the opening of refrigerator and freezer doors to maintain temperature.
- Shut off or disconnect all sensitive equipment, such as computers, fax machines, televisions, microwaves, etc. before the outage begins.
- Leave a lamp or radio switched on so you'll know when electric service is restored.

- Charge all mobile phones.
- It is very important to turn off any major appliances like washing machines or air conditioners prior to the outage. This will prevent them from unexpectedly coming on when the power is restored.
- Double check to make sure all heat-producing appliances (stoves, toaster ovens, irons, and hair curlers) are turned off. This will minimize any fire hazard if the power is restored while you are away.
- Make sure you know how to override or manually operate your security gates or garage doors.
- If you have a generator, be sure to follow all safety guidelines. Please refer to <https://www.talquinelectric.com/resources/generator-use/> for more information.

If you have questions about planned outages in your area, please call us at (850) 627-7651.

## Talquin Services

Talquin has several different services to help you manage and pay your utility bill. Find the perfect fit for you!

- **Online Bill Pay:** View and pay bill, monitor usage, and more.
- **NEW Mobile App:** Easy access to your account – download today!
- **Automatic Draft:** Automatic credit card and bank draft services at no additional fee.
- **Levelized Billing (electric accounts only):** Tired of your electric bill jumping up and down from month to month? Levelized is a “rolling average” of your electric usage for the most recent 13 months, so you pay a similar amount each time.

- **Electronic Billing:** Go paperless and receive an email as soon as your bill is available.
- **PrePaid Electric:** With PrePaid, you are in control. Low deposit, no late fees, and no disconnect or reconnect charges!
- **Pay by Phone:** 850-627-9666 (English or Spanish) – automated, 24/7, credit cards and e-checks accepted.
- **Mail:** Send check or money order (no cash) to PO Box 1679, Quincy, FL 32353-1679
- **In Person:** Visit any of our 5 Member Service Offices (Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM)

Visit our website at [www.talquinelectric.com](http://www.talquinelectric.com) or ask any Member Service Representative for more information.



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## Electric Tip

**Embrace natural light.** Open up your curtains and let the sun shine in! Using natural light whenever possible instead of relying on artificial light can greatly reduce the amount of electricity you use during the day. The same is true whether you work in an office or spend your days in your house. Exposure to natural light also increases happiness, giving you an even greater incentive to raise the blinds.

Try to arrange your workspace so that natural light floods your desk. Keep the overhead lights off when possible. When you need extra lighting, use a low-powered desk lamp instead.

Buy curtains or blinds in a light shade. They will still allow light to come through, but also provide privacy when you need it.

\*[wikihow.com](http://www.wikihow.com)



# Asian Pork Meatballs



## For the meatballs:

- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil**
- 3 cups thinly sliced green cabbage (about 1/4 head)**
- Kosher salt**
- 8 ounces shiitake mushrooms, stems removed, caps thinly sliced**
- freshly ground white pepper**
- 2 large eggs plus 1 egg white**
- 1 1/2 pounds ground pork**
- 4 scallions, minced**
- 3 cloves garlic, minced**
- 1 2-inch piece ginger, peeled and finely grated (about 1 tablespoon)**
- 3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce**
- 1 tablespoon toasted sesame oil**
- 2 teaspoons sugar**
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch**

## For the sauce:

- 1/2 cup hoisin sauce**
- 2 teaspoons Sriracha chili sauce**
- 1 teaspoon rice vinegar**
- 1 tablespoon sugar**
- 3 tablespoons sesame seeds**
- 1 head Boston lettuce, leaves separated**

Make the meatballs: Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper. Heat 1 tablespoon vegetable oil in a large non-stick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the cabbage and season with 1/4 teaspoon salt; cook, stirring occasionally, until softened, about 4 minutes. Transfer the cabbage to a plate to cool. Wipe out the pan and then add the remaining 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil and the mushrooms. Season with 1/4 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper and cook, stirring occasionally, until lightly browned (about 5 min-

utes). Transfer the mushrooms to the plate with the cabbage to cool.

Lightly beat the eggs and egg white in a large bowl. Add the pork, scallions, garlic, ginger, soy sauce, sesame oil, sugar and cornstarch. Add the cabbage, mushrooms and a few grinds of pepper and mix with your hands until just combined (do not overmix). Dampen your hands and shape the meat mixture into 18 balls (about 2 inches each); arrange on the prepared baking sheet.

Make the sauce: Mix the hoisin sauce, Sriracha, vinegar, sugar and 1 tablespoon water in a bowl; set aside 1/2 cup for serving.

Brush the meatballs with the remaining sauce and sprinkle with the sesame seeds. Bake until cooked through, 18 to 22 minutes. Serve in lettuce leaves with the reserved sauce.

*\*foodnetwork.com*

# trading post

## Miscellaneous

**MISC ITEMS:** Jayco Travel trailer, as is but fixable, \$500; Kerosene heater & can \$100; space heater \$50; home gym \$350; indoor bike \$90; Health Rider \$200; AB Lounge \$80; gas leaf blower \$80; lavatory sink \$10. 379-8711

**1960's Vendo Coke machine**, model VT2 \$800. 510-0742

**Ruth's Reasonable Rates House Cleaning & More!** 566-7283

Pair of Antique French Provincial Country **Twin Headboards** \$75. 544-5799

**Gold setting of silver ware**, \$275. \$562-9720

**MISC Tools:** Wagner wall paper "steamer" remover 1200 watt \$20; Wagner power painter plus, used once \$40; Klien 1/2" thin wall EMT pipe bender \$20. 668-7252

**MISC ITEMS:** Painted double dresser \$35, Big Man's Recliner \$225, King mattress/box/spring \$225, Kayak w/all gear \$250, Weight bench w/weights \$75, 79x40 cabinet \$85. 692-3868

**Acorn Outdoor/Indoor Stairlift. Excellent condition.** New computer board, remotes & cover. 17ft right-side travel rail. \$1,350. jessemckenzie50@gmail.com or 294-7494

**7x8 single car garage door** with all hardware and opener \$150. 556-7839

**Gas Grill w/ smokerbox**, 16 SqFt cooking area. Great for Ribs, Chicken, Boston Butts or whatever. Cook for small or large groups. \$2,150. 544-1410

**MISC ITEMS:** dynamo pool pump 1.0 hp \$100; Hayward sand filter w/ vari-flo control valve & filter \$100; 3 pool vacs/ Diver Dave automatic \$50; Manual Vac \$25 including hoses; leaf pick-up vac and bag \$25. 894-2946

**Alvarez Acoustic Guitar** Model Number DX 45 with hard case. Excellent condition. \$200. 933-0067

**MISC ITEMS:** Folding adult walker \$30; 10 twin flat sheets, high quality \$3 ea; vintage shot gun, trigger broken \$200; Jay 2 gel wheelchair cushion, 18 x 20 \$25; Quickie II wheelchair for severe medical condition, hard bottom, comes w/ custom cushion & seat back, air tires. \$600. 385-8468

**Two dining tables** one glass one wood \$25 each; one **electric range & microwave hood** combination \$50. 574-0026

**Yamaha EMX66M powered mixer & S15e-speakers.** \$475. 570-9813

**Pool Table:** slate top with an added ball return to it. Includes accessories. Asking \$200 OBO. 334-360-1469 or 999-8858

**MISC ITEMS:** Solid wood cherry, pair side tables \$59; Computer chair, mesh, chic & comfy \$39; Vacuum cleaners Eureka, Bissell & Dirt Devil \$25-45; Garage Light, complete set w/ ballast & bulbs \$49; Rattan recliner \$79; Medicine cabinets \$15; Vanity mirror \$35; Whirlpool stainless steel electric stove \$125. 422-1368

**Light solid oak brown upright TV cabinet,**

## 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. 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 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the January edition.)
- Members must provide name, phone number, and account number.

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close doors and storage bottom, perfect condition. Hold 32" TV. \$125 OBO. 519-2407

**MISC ITEMS:** Jewelry making kit w/ books & displays \$100; 2 side by side grave sites in Miami Lakes, FL \$5,000; new steel plate digital floor safe, model 91006 \$100. 442-4534

## Automotive

**Motorhome**, Axis 2017 Class A 24.1'; 18500 miles, slide, sleeps 5, Great for tailgating, beach, fishing, hunting or cross country. \$68,000. 800-7328

**2002 RV**, 39k miles, Georgia Boy Landau, 2 slide outs and more, 34' long, excellent condition - a must see. \$24,000. 574-8626

**80 Ford 4x4 hunting truck.** Runs like a dream. \$2,000. 574-8626

**Motorcycle:** 2008 Harley Davidson Crossbones FLSTSB; 5211 miles; extras (such as helmets) included. Great condition! \$10k. 544-9219

**Kawasaki 2009 KLR 650 - Red:** Almost new, one owner w/ a midlife crisis, was hoping to become young with this. Bought new - kept new. Only driven 2300 Miles!! Always garaged, never laid down. Looks and rides like new. Will give new owner helmet and other accessories. \$3,200 CASH Firm. 305-510-6405

**1993 BMW parts car; 2003 Mitsubishi** around 90k miles, part or fix up, Immaculate for age; **1999 GMC**, cold air. \$3,695 OBO. 228-4902

## Real Estate

**For Rent:** 3B/2B DWMH, HUD accepted, Lake Talquin community, \$800/mo. 544-8772

## Farm/Garden

**Mantis Tiller/Cultivator** - used, runs good \$100. Tallahassee. 893-7642

**Garden tiller**, RT 65 cub cadet, rarely used and good condition, asking \$550. 274-2102

**2 Nigerian Goats** 4 months old brother & sister \$100 ea. 556-7839

**Male Pit Bull Terrier** need breeding \$500 and pick of pup Brown. 491-8835

**Goldendoodle puppies** due September 28th, \$800, parents AKC Golden Retriever and AKC

Standard Poodle. Deposit \$200 and \$600 due at pickup. 510-6647 or email gsdand2@gmail.com

**DR Field & Brush Mower:** 13 hp electric starter, purchased 2010, lightly used on small residential lot. \$1,000. Must pick up. 339-3431

**Roosters & Ducks** \$3 ea; **Blk Angus bull**, comes to name \$1,750; AxisHC certified foundation papered 77% few-spot **black leopard stallion** (Magic McCue g.son) \$2k. 442-4534

## Marine

**Penn Spinning Reel**, USA: 5500 SS \$75 & 7500 SS \$100. 541-5006

**2 Hobie 12ft outback suv kayaks** \$3,500 for both. 556-7839

**16' Boat**, fully loaded, 6' bottom, Used only 3 times. \$14,000. 574-8626

**17.5 ft. Bass Tracker Pro Crappie**, 50hp Mercury motor, trailer, (2) fish finders, anchor on bow and stern, (2) life jackets, complete tackle box, several fishing rods with open-face reels, and more. Asking \$6,500. 668-2230

**22'6" boat**, motor & trailer w/ power lift for motor \$15k. 442-4534

## Wanted

**Someone to help with yard cleanup** in Havana area. Will pay hourly. Please call or text 321-4283

## FREE

**Tonneau cover** FREE. 379-8711

**8" coy fish** to a good home. 510-0742

**Full size box spring** (like new) and solid cedar **headboard** w/ built-in bookshelf. 893-3564

**DW mobile home FREE**, you must move it. Living room, dining room furniture must go. Starting September 1<sup>st</sup> till all is gone! 875-2621

**Double wide mobile home.** 3 BR 2 Bath. Needs carpet and AC. YOU MOVE. 893-1006

# Watts Happening

## Leon County Senior Outreach:

Explore “Lunch and Learn” to stay connected. No reservations needed to join the fun. Each event is from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Featuring a delicious catered lunch for \$6 per plate. Call 850-891-4065 for more information.

- September 18** Fort Braden Community Center
- September 20** Lake Jackson Community Center
- September 25** Chaires Community Center
- October 4** Miccosukee Community Center
- October 10** Bradfordville – Wildwood Presbyterian Fellowship Hall
- October 11** Woodville Community Center

## Free Concert @ Mission San Luis:

Join us for a performance by Renesito Avich who will present original compositions inspired by traditional Cuban music. Avich is featured as part of the 2018 Folklife Artist-in-Residence Program sponsored by the Florida Folklife Program and the Florida State University Center for Music of the Americas.

**Thursday, September 27 (7:30 PM – 8:30 PM)**

2100 W Tennessee St - Tallahassee

## UF IFAS - Art, Garden, and Farm Family Festival:

Discover creative ways to explore visual art and the art of gardening through demonstrations and fun activities for the whole family. Take a trolley tour of the beautiful NFREC gardens. Speak with experts about all your gardening questions/

concerns or purchase unusual, hard-to-find, top-performing plants developed for our area. Children’s arts and crafts activities will take place in a “Kidz Zone” located in a shaded garden area. Locally grown produce and garden plants as well as arts and crafts will also be for sale. Food and beverages will be available. This event is FREE and open to the public.

**Saturday, October 6 (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)**

North Florida Research and Education Center (NFREC) - 155 Research Rd, Quincy

## Northtown GetDowns at Bannerman Crossings:

Friday nights before every home FSU Football game. Starts at 5:30 PM and goes until 10:00 PM. Vendors, food, drink, live music, and kid friendly activities for the whole family.

## Tallahassee Museum – Museums on Us:

Show your Bank of America or Merrill Lynch credit/debit card on the **1<sup>st</sup> weekend of the month for FREE ADMISSION!** Cardholders can also enjoy the group rate for our Tree to Tree courses and will also receive discounts at our Cafe! (Cardholder only/no additional guests). June – December 2018

## UF IFAS/Wakulla County Extension – Refrigerator Pickles & Freezer Jams:

Learn how to make perfect pickles and fabulous jams without needing a canner! Samples and recipes are included. \$10/person. To register, call Samantha Kennedy at 850-926-3931.

**Tuesday, October 9 (6:00 PM – 8:00 PM)**

84 Cedar Ave - Crawfordville

## Safety Tip

Fly kites, drones, and model planes only in open areas away from power lines.



Talquin's Branden Rager showing kids at the Talquin Family Tour how drones can be used in the utility industry.



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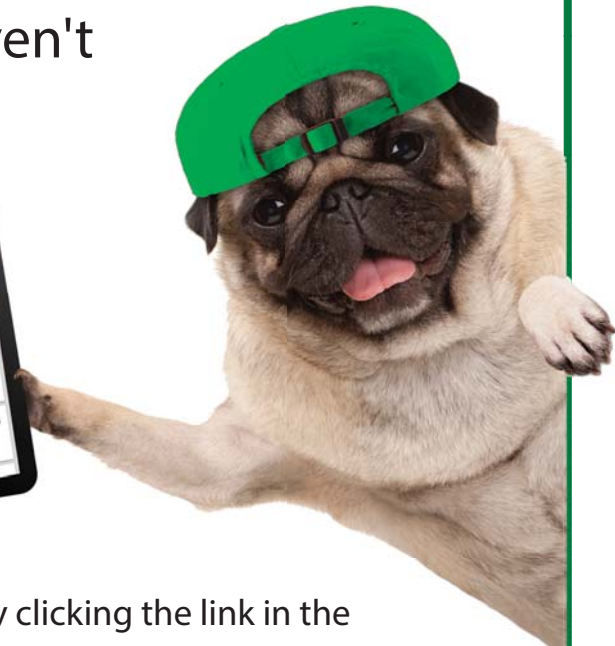
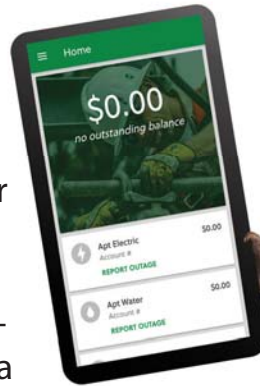
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