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# THE COOPERATIVE DIFFERENCE



Joe Alexander  
President



Tracy Bensley  
General Manager

October marks a special time for Talquin as we celebrate National Cooperative Month. Electric cooperatives like Talquin illuminate unique qualities that set them apart from traditional utilities. Rooted in a commitment to local decision-making, community engagement, and service excellence, electric cooperatives exemplify a distinct model that places Members at the heart of operations.

Talquin's identity as a cooperative is grounded in its local roots and community-driven decision-making. Unlike conventional utilities, Talquin is shaped by a Board of Trustees elected by Members. This democratic structure ensures that Members have direct input in how the Co-op operates. What truly differentiates Talquin is the Members - those who rely on the Co-op's services for their electricity, water, and wastewater needs. Every utility bill paid by Members goes back into the community, funding improvements to the local system and strengthening service reliability. This economic collaboration highlights the cooperative's commitment to serving the needs of Members, not external shareholders.

As a cooperative, involvement in community events, disaster preparedness initiatives, and educational programs speaks volumes about the dedication and concern for the community. By supporting local charities and engaging with the community in various ways, the Cooperative showcases a mission to actively participate in local life beyond just being a utility provider. One noteworthy initiative is the Youth Tour program, which offers high school juniors an invaluable glimpse into the cooperative and government worlds while providing them with scholarships for higher education pursuits. This program embodies the Cooperative principle of education and aligns with Talquin's commitment to promoting the next generation of leaders.

Talquin's dedication to Member satisfaction is evident through a commitment to open communication. The cooperative offers various platforms for Members to voice their opinions, suggestions, and feedback. The annual survey allows Members to contribute their insights, guiding the Co-op's efforts to refine programs and services. Additionally, a new initiative was launched this year to engage with our Members in person. "Talk with Talquin" serves as a space for Members to gain information on current projects and events in their local communities and creates open dialogue for Members to engage with the Board of Trustees, General Manager and other key staff members. Through these channels, Members can provide their feedback, ideas, and concerns, creating a continuous loop of improvement and a strong connection with the community.

Electric cooperatives stand out as a symbol of hope for stability in a world characterized by economic uncertainty and supply chain challenges. Talquin's commitment to maintaining local jobs, offering at-cost utilities, and providing unparalleled service remains steadfast, with an emphasis on keeping costs low and ensuring that Members get the maximum value from their cooperative. This collaborative approach benefits individual households and supports the cooperative's commitment to equity and inclusiveness with the Membership.

Talquin's growth over the years has not altered its fundamental values or mission to serve the community. The cooperative's dedication to Members is a testament to the profound impact that a value-driven, Member-focused approach can have on shaping a brighter, more comprehensive future for all. Now that's the Cooperative Difference!





## Dr. David Wright

With great sadness, we share with Members that Talquin Trustee Dr. David Wright passed away on July 14, 2023. A resident of Gadsden County for 45 years, Dr. Wright, 74, served with devotion on the Board of Trustees since 2009. Although he represented Talquin Members in District 2, he was very dedicated to serving all of the Members of Talquin during his time on the Board. He was a faithful husband, a loving father to 10 children, and a doting grandfather to 18 grandchildren. Dr. Wright will be missed by many.

## Youth Tour & Scholarships COMING SOON: 2024 Applications

Applications will be available starting Monday, October 23, 2023. Up to \$15,000 in scholarships will be awarded to twenty-four rising young leaders from Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties. If you or someone you know are interested in applying, applications will be available on our website at [www.TalquinElectric.com](http://www.TalquinElectric.com) under the "About" section or by emailing [YouthTour@TalquinElectric.com](mailto:YouthTour@TalquinElectric.com).

Please note: Additional information will be provided in the November/December edition of The Current.

## CO-OPS GROW

### COMMUNITIES

Electric cooperatives are joining co-ops across the U.S. to celebrate National Co-op Month. As your local electric co-op, our services are shaped to meet your specific needs. We love growing with you, the members we are proud to serve.

## Scam Calls

Please be aware that scammers can "spoof" Talquin's phone number so the caller ID displays a Talquin phone number. Such phone calls are not authorized or affiliated with Talquin; unfortunately, we cannot prevent this from happening.



## AVOID UTILITY SCAMS

Scammers will threaten you with everything from shutting off power to your home to legal action. Don't fall victim to these types of scams.

- Talquin personnel drive clearly marked vehicles and provide Talquin issued ID, if requested.
- Never give personal information to an unknown caller or visitor.
- Demands for immediate payment by wire transfer, cryptocurrency, gift cards or cash reload cards should immediately raise red flags.
- If you think you've been contacted by a scammer falsely representing the co-op, please report it to the local law enforcement.
- Talquin will never call and ask for personal identifiable information.

# Backflow Preventers

Talquin is responsible for implementing a Cross Connection Control Program as required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the Federal Government's 1974 Safe Drinking Water Act. Talquin water service Members are responsible for having their backflow preventer tested and, if necessary, repaired. Having the backflow preventer tested will reveal any malfunctions or leaks. A leaking backflow preventer will add to the monthly water bills.



Why do we need backflows? Backflow preventers help prevent contaminants from entering drinking water and protect the public water system from cross-connection from water usage beyond the meter.

Who needs backflows? FDEP requires all commercial properties and residents with irrigation systems to have backflow preventers installed. The device is commonly located at your property line adjacent to your water meter and above the ground.

How often should backflow preventers be tested? Commercial backflow devices should be tested annually, and residential backflows should be tested every other year by a certified backflow technician.

A blank backflow test report and list of testers can be found at [www.TalquinElectric.com/Resources/Documents/](http://www.TalquinElectric.com/Resources/Documents/)

Please check out FDEP website for more information: <https://floridadep.gov/>

## Talquin Services

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

- **Talquin Website:** View and pay bills, monitor usage, and more.
- **Talquin App:** Download on your mobile device for easy access.
- **Automatic Payment:** Automatic credit card and bank draft services.
- **Electronic Billing notification:** Go paperless and/or receive an email when your bill is available.
- **Pay by Phone:** 850-627-9666 (English or Spanish) – automated, 24/7, credit cards and checks accepted.
- **Postal Service Mail:** Send check or money order (no cash) to P.O. Box 1679, Quincy, FL 32353-1679.
- **Talquin Member Services Drive-Thru:** Five locations with full-service drive-thru windows. (Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM, Closed for lunch 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM). Drop Boxes can be found at each location for after-hour payments. No cash is accepted.
- **PrePaid Electric Account:** With PrePaid, you are in control. Low deposit, no late fees, and no disconnect or reconnect charges!
- **Levelized Billing** (electric accounts only): Levelized is a “rolling average” of your electric usage for the most recent 13 months.

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



# THE POWER OF PREPARATION

September is National Preparedness Month. Even at a modest level, being prepared for severe weather and other emergencies can help keep you and your family safe. Here are a few practical tips to help you get started.

1. **MAKE A PLAN** – Talk to your friends and family about how you will communicate after a disaster.
2. **BUILD A KIT** – Gather supplies that will last several days after a disaster for everyone in your home. Don't forget to consider each person or pet's unique needs in case you must evacuate quickly.
3. **LOW-COST, NO-COST PREPAREDNESS** – Limit the impact of disasters on you and your family. Know the risks of disasters in your area. Learn how to strengthen your home in the face of storms and other common hazards. Check your insurance coverage to make sure it is up-to-date.
4. **TEACH YOUTH ABOUT PREPAREDNESS** – Talk to your kids about preparing for emergencies and what to do in case you are separated. Reassure them by providing information about how they can get involved.



## Four Ways to Boost Your Cyber Hygiene

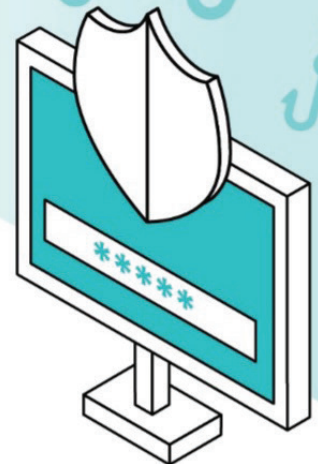
In today's digital world, cyberattacks are nothing new. When we hear about massive data breaches, it can feel overwhelming and lead us to think we're powerless to stop cyber criminals. Fortunately, there are simple steps we can take to safeguard our devices and data.

## See Yourself in Cyber.

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Improve your cyber hygiene by doing these four things:

1. Enable multi-factor authentication
2. Use strong passwords and a password manager
3. Update software regularly
4. Recognize and report phishing attacks





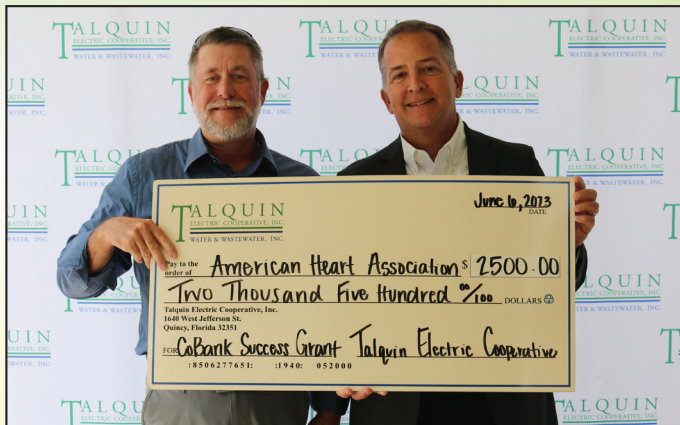
# Supporting Our Community

We know community support is important to our Members, as identified in the 2022 Member Survey. As one of the seven cooperative principles, Concern for Community, we value the opportunity to partner with organizations within the areas we serve.

Since 2012, CoBank, one of Talquin's lenders, has partnered with cooperatives nationwide in their Sharing Success program to provide \$4,000,000 to charitable organizations in rural areas. Talquin applied for grants again this year, and all were awarded!

The recipients of this year's grants were the American Heart Association (\$2,500), United Way of the Big Bend (\$4,500), and DISC Village, Inc. (\$3,000).

Join us to thank these organizations for their fantastic work in our community. Talquin Electric Cooperative is proud to be able to help support them in continuing their missions!



Left to right: John Martin, Tracy Bensley.

The American Heart Association is the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization dedicated to fighting heart disease and stroke. Heart disease is the No. 1 killer worldwide, and stroke ranks second around the globe. Their goal is a world free of cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

Left to right: Berneice Cox, Tracy Bensley.

United Way of the Big Bend (UWBB) is dedicated to supporting human service agencies in the Big Bend region, including Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties. By bringing together donors, volunteers, businesses, nonprofits, community leaders, government, experts, and those in need, UWBB directly addresses challenges in the community.



Left to right: Jordan Cowart, Sabrina Johnson, Ryan Ribolzi, John Wilson, and Jennifer Travieso.

The primary mission of DISC Village is to promote the well-being of individuals, families, and those with whom they are closely associated and affected by alcohol and other drug use, crime, behavioral problems, and mental health disorders and to keep families together and bring families back together. The donation will be used primarily for treating individuals with substance and mental health abuse and rehabilitation in Leon, Liberty, Gadsden, and Wakulla counties. The Talquin Employee Picnic Committee was able to present a \$6,098.00 check to DISC Village through fundraising efforts by Talquin employees and with support from Co Bank's Sharing Success program.





## WPCA Adjustment

Effective October 1, 2023, Talquin Electric will decrease the Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment from a charge of \$0.0000 to a credit of (\$0.0040), resulting in an overall decrease of \$4.00 per 1,000 kWh. This change does not impact water and wastewater charges.

## Rate Adjustment

Talquin continuously evaluates the cost of service to ensure rates reflect the true cost to serve Members. Effective October 1, 2023, electric rates will be adjusted as shown in the table below. The primary reason for this rate adjustment is to support operating margins that have been impacted by increased operating costs (right-of-way maintenance costs, interest expense, etc.).

The impact of this adjustment to Members who use 1,000 kWh per month will be an increase of \$7.75 (or 5.6%) on the monthly bill. Rates for General Service Demand, General Service Large Demand, and Outdoor Lights are not being adjusted at this time. This change does not impact water and wastewater charges.

SYSTEM ACCESS FEE	Current Rate	New Rate
RS & GS - Single Phase	\$35.00	<b>\$40.00</b>
RS & GS - Three Phase	\$50.00	<b>\$55.00</b>
RPS - Single Phase Prepaid (Daily Rate)	\$1.36	<b>\$1.50</b>
ENERGY CHARGE (*charge per kWh)	Current Rate	New Rate
RS, RPS & GS		
First 1,000 kWh	\$0.10335	<b>\$0.10610</b>
Over 1,000 kWh	\$0.12495	<b>\$0.13225</b>

## How Will These Adjustments Impact My Bill?

The overall impact of the rate adjustment and WPCA reduction to Members who use 1,000 kWh per month will be an increase of \$3.75 (or 2.71%) on the monthly bill.



## October 7th is LED Light Day

When it comes to bright ideas, LED bulbs are a no-brainer! LED bulbs use 75% less energy and last 25 times longer than incandescent bulbs.

## TRADING POST MISCELLANEOUS

**Antique Butler's Desk;**  
American Empire design  
circa 1840. Ornate  
carvings, good condition.  
Call or text for photos.  
Appraised at \$2,400 in  
2011. Asking \$2,000. 850-  
556-5006

**Sentry fireproof safe, 15"**  
x 12" x 11", like new, \$30.  
850-228-2885

**RYOBI 10-inch sliding  
compound miter saw with  
LED** for sale. Practically  
new. \$170.00 or make  
offer. Text 850-510-0261  
if interested. Will supply a  
picture.

**Cast Iron propane heater.**  
Great for heating a barn or  
shed. Needs repair. FREE  
850-894-0942

**Wedding dress for sale,  
size 12.** \$100.00. If  
interested, call or text 850-  
591-9169, and I will text a  
photo to you.

**Desert Rose 4 piece  
setting and Johann  
Haviland Bavaria/  
Germany 4 piece setting,**  
make an offer. Call 850-  
524-5201

Recently purchased for  
\$3,600 + taxes, new **2023  
John Deere S-22 lawn  
mower.** Never started,  
never used. Price: \$3,100

**Husqvarna embroider/  
sewing machine,** used very  
little. Excellent condition,  
like new. All accessories  
including a carrying case.  
\$1,500.00 – originally

\$3,500.00. Call 352-502-  
3239 for more information.

**Goodman 3.5 ton, 16  
Seer air conditioner,**  
commercial, residential.  
New in box, \$2,000.00.  
Serious inquiries only 850-  
322-5537

**3-year-old Black  
Angus heifer** ready for  
processing. Asking \$1 per  
pound (estimate 1000  
pounds). Raised on 12  
acres grass plus sweet  
feed. 850-694-3552

**Used white 50-gallon  
closed-head polyethylene  
barrels** for sale: \$25 each  
or two for \$45.00. 850-443-  
2907

**Roof metal:** approximately  
900 square feet, cream  
color, \$400.00. Must take  
all, will need to bring a  
trailer. 850-838-6241

## SERVICES

**Compassionate, Christian  
caregiver available,** 25 +  
yrs. experience; personal  
care, meds, laundry, meals,  
light housekeeping, etc.  
CPR & first aid certified;  
reliable, reasonable rates;  
850-575-8906

## CEMETERY/ BURIAL

**Cemetery Plots: Culley's  
Meadowood Cemetery**  
off Timberlane Rd,  
Tallahassee, FL. 2 plots  
with 1 concrete vault in  
the Dogwood area. Asking  
\$7,500.00 OBO. Contact  
850-251-2674

## 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 32353-1679  
or email to: TradingPost@TalquinElectric.com

**Two adjacent plots in  
Tallahassee Memory  
Gardens,** Garden of the  
Apostles, both for \$2500 +  
\$50 name change fee. Call  
850-509-1664 or preferably  
text.

## AUTO & IMPLEMENT

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

**2012 Honda 250CC Rebel  
motorcycle,** 2,900 miles/  
exceptionally serviced, new  
battery, full synthetic oil  
change, like new condition.  
Runs great. \$2,850.00  
cash, 850-287-7436, for  
additional info

**'95 Nissan 4 x 4 truck, lift  
kit,** 33 x 12:50 mud tires,  
less than 200,000 miles,  
and excellent condition.  
\$5,000.00. Call 850-728-  
5059, no texts.

**2004 Harley Davidson  
Softtail Standard 1450cc,**  
5122 miles. Screaming  
Eagle pipes, anniversary  
windshield, Saddleman  
saddlebags. Excellent  
condition, runs great.

\$6500. Call or text 850-321-  
2663

**2011 Ford Ranger XLT –  
parts only** (truck totaled).  
4.0 V6 motor with 61,000  
miles and automatic  
transmission. \$1000.00  
neg. 850-856-9025, leave  
message

**2015 Hyundai Tucson,** red,  
194,000 miles. \$5,500.00.  
Call 904-294-5712 between  
9 am to 6 pm.

## REAL ESTATE

**Furnished Room with  
shared kitchen, living room  
and bath,** \$560 per month.  
Everything included; electric,  
water, shared kitchen,  
safe touch security, linens,  
Wi-Fi, Dish TV service.  
\$65 background fee, \$560  
deposit. 1 yr lease minimum.  
Based on single occupancy.  
Available now. Calls only  
please, 850-284-4892,  
available 7/1/2023

## LOOKING FOR

**17 – 21 cubic ft. upright  
freezer** in good working  
condition. I can be contacted  
at hphillips273@aol.com or  
leave a message at 850-508-  
3781

**Trailer for 12 X 32 Jon  
boat** in good condition. Call  
850-539-9636 and leave  
message

**Pre 1980 sports  
memorabilia** – old  
sports photos, baseball/  
football/basketball cards,  
autographs. Please text or  
call 850-508-8072

**Lionel, American Flyer,  
Marx, HO or N gauge trains.**  
Any amount or condition.  
Call 850-893-8718

**Looking to hire person to do  
body work** on 1968 Dodge  
Coronet 500. Call 850-875-  
3490

**Typist that can read cursive  
to type manuscript to paper  
or PDF:** Good pay. Call 305-  
395-0904

**Wanted – old coins &  
currency, US & foreign.**  
Buying collections. Call  
850-766-2272 or write P.O.  
Box 38356, Tallahassee, FL  
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# Easy Fall Favorites

## Cheesy Ranch Chicken Pasta

Recipe from I Am Baker: ([www.iambaker.net](http://www.iambaker.net))

**Yield:** 8 Servings **Prep Time:** 5 Minutes **Cook Time:** 20 Minutes **Total Time:** 25 Minutes

### Ingredients:

- 1 cup shredded chicken, cooked
- 1 package dry ranch seasoning mix
- 8 ounces of penne noodles, uncooked
- 3 ½ cups chicken broth
- 4 ounces cream cheese, room temperature
- 4 slices thick-cut bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1 tablespoon fresh parsley, chopped



### Instructions:

In a small bowl combine shredded chicken and dry ranch seasoning (chicken mixture). Add the chicken broth, penne, and chicken mixture to a large Dutch oven over medium heat. Stir to combine and then bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and then cover and cook for about 15 to 20 minutes or until the pasta is cooked to your preference. There should still be some liquid in the pot when the pasta is cooked. Add the cream cheese to the Dutch oven and stir until most of the cream cheese has melted. Add the bacon and shredded cheddar cheese. Stir until the cheese is fully melted. Garnish with parsley and serve.

## Jalapeno Cheddar Cornbread

Recipe from I Am Homesteader: ([www.iamhomesteader.com](http://www.iamhomesteader.com))

**Yield:** 12 servings **Prep Time:** 20 Minutes **Cook Time:** 50 Minutes **Rest Time:** 20 Minutes  
**Total Time:** 90 Minutes

### Ingredients:

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| 2 large eggs, whisked     | ½ teaspoon garlic powder  |
| ¼ cup vegetable oil       | 1½ cups sharp cheddar cheese, shredded                            |
| 1 cup buttermilk          | 1 cup corn kernels  |
| 1 cup cornmeal            | ½ white onion, diced  |
| ½ cup all-purpose flour   | 2 medium jalapeno peppers, seeded and diced (approximately ½ cup) |
| 2 teaspoons baking powder |   |
| ½ teaspoon baking soda    |   |
| 1 teaspoon salt           |   |

### Instructions:

Place a greased 8-inch cast-iron skillet into a cold oven. Preheat the oven to 350°F, allowing the skillet to heat up with the oven. Combine eggs, oil, buttermilk, and cornmeal in a medium bowl. Set aside. In a separate bowl combine flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, and garlic powder. Whisk together until combined. Pour the egg mixture into the flour mixture and mix until well combined. Fold in cheese, corn, onion, and jalapeños. Carefully remove the skillet from the oven. Pour the batter into the hot skillet. Bake for 45-50 minutes or until golden brown. An inserted toothpick should come out clean or with a few dry crumbs. Let the cornbread cool for about 20 minutes before cutting and serving.



## SUBMIT YOUR RECIPES

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

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Monday,  
September 25, 2023

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

1607 West  
Jefferson Street

### Crawfordville

Tuesday,  
September 26, 2023

9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

681 Wakulla-  
Arran Road

### Lake Jackson

Wednesday,  
September 27, 2023

9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

4808  
Portal Drive

## Havana PUMPKIN FEST

OCTOBER 14, 2023



10:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Havana, Florida

Havana is excited to bring Pumpkin Fest back for 2023! Come join the fun - pumpkin patch, arts & crafts, vendors & food trucks, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, and more! A local band will be providing great entertainment!

Lend a Helping Hand to Hospice Patients:

## BECOME A BIG BEND HOSPICE VOLUNTEER



Join us for an On Site Volunteer Training at Big Bend Hospice:

**Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

**Big Bend Hospice Campus**

1723 Mahan Center Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32308

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Join us!

Watch for registration to open in early August

## 2023 International Coastal Cleanup

**Saturday, September 16**

**8 am- 12 pm**

**Woolley Park, Panacea**

Washes Sands, Woolley Park, Bottoms Road, Shell Point, San Marcos  
de Apalache, Wakulla Beach & St. Marks Lighthouse sites

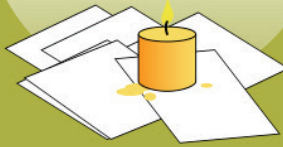


# FIRE PREVENTION

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WEEK IS  
OCTOBER 8-14, 2023!**

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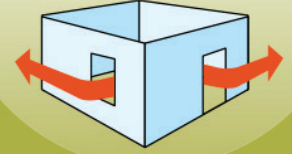
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FOR THE SOUND  
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**LEARN**

TWO WAYS OUT  
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**#FirePreventionWeek**

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PREVENT A FIRE IN YOUR HOME!**

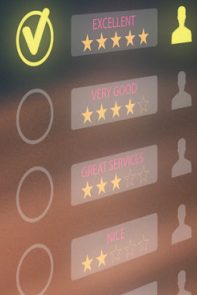


## Coming Soon! Talquin Member Survey

The 2023 Member Survey will be open in November. The Survey will be available on our website and will be emailed to Members that have provided an email address. As a Member of Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc., your opinion, satisfaction, and input is important to us. We look forward to hearing how we can serve you better. **Your Co-op, Your Voice!**

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Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc.



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Text #Outage to 85700  
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to report electric outages.

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#### Via Phone

Automated System:  
1-866-899-4832

Live Operator:  
1-888-802-1832



# Meet The Team!

## Vegetation Management



Pictured above, left to right; Charlie, Abby, Ray, Chad.

Meet the team with a wealth of knowledge and over 85 years of combined experience here at Talquin. Each member of the Vegetation Management Team plays a vital role in ensuring Members receive safe and reliable service. Maintaining power line right-of-way areas and working with line crews during emergencies helps minimize outages caused by vegetation.

We appreciate the Vegetation Management Team for their continued dedication and service to Talquin.



## OFFICE CLOSURE

Talquin offices will be closed on  
Friday, November 10, 2023.

We will reopen on  
Monday, November 13, 2023.