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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 www.TalquinElectric.com/About/Board-Meetings-Workshops/.

A YEAR OF MILESTONES AND COMMITMENT



Joe Alexander
President



Tracy Bensley
General Manager

This year was marked by notable achievements and steadfast commitment for Talquin Electric Cooperative. From embracing clean energy solutions to demonstrating unwavering resilience, Talquin showed its dedication to Members. Let's recap the highlights of this eventful year:

Talquin, in collaboration with Seminole Electric Cooperative (Talquin's Generation & Transmission cooperative) and Origis Energy, dedicated three new solar facilities in October. These projects, spanning across Bristol in Liberty County, Hilliardville in Wakulla County, and Hinson in Gadsden County, represent a significant step forward in the pursuit of clean energy. Together, the facilities will generate enough clean energy to power up to 1,400 homes, helping to stabilize fuel rates and minimize fluctuations in the cost of traditional fossil fuels for Members. For additional highlights from these events, be sure to check out page 5.

In August, Hurricane Idalia made landfall, significantly impacting our neighbors to the east while also leaving over 30,000 Talquin Members without power. Despite the challenges brought by the storm, Talquin remained vigilant and prepared. Through the dedicated efforts of Talquin's line crews, office staff, support personnel, and management team, power was restored quickly, emphasizing Talquin's unwavering commitment to Members and

the communities we serve.

As part of Talquin's commitment to improve Member experience and satisfaction, we recognized the importance of direct interaction with Members, leading to four inaugural "Talk with Talquin – Member Update Events". These events aimed to foster two-way communication between Talquin's Board of Trustees, staff, and Members, while providing timely information and updates on various aspects of the cooperative's operations. Similarly, Talquin's Annual Member Survey represents our commitment for continuous improvement and satisfaction, where feedback from Members is incredibly valuable. Our 2022 Survey saw the highest participation rate in the last five years, signifying Members' interest in the services Talquin provides. The Member satisfaction ratings also reached new highs, with an overall rating of 4.25 out of 5. We're grateful for the positive feedback and will continue to work towards meeting Members' needs. To learn more about our upcoming Talk with Talquin events in 2024, please check out the back cover, and for additional information about the upcoming 2023 Member Survey, turn to the next page.

Talquin also continued its tradition of investing in the future by selecting twenty-four high school juniors from Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla Counties to participate in the Talquin Youth Tour. These students not only received scholarships for college or post-secondary education but also had the opportunity to visit Florida's state capitol for an enriching two-day conference. Eighteen of those students received \$500 scholarships for college or post-secondary education. Six student delegates received \$1,000 scholarships but only four were selected to represent Talquin at the National Rural Electric Association's (NRECA) Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. During the National Youth Tour, Eryn Files, a delegate from Talquin, was further selected to represent the entire State of Florida on the NRECA Youth Leadership Council, exemplifying the cooperative's commitment to nurturing young leaders who make a positive impact on their communities and country. Be sure to check out page 4 for information on the 2024 Youth Tour, as well as page 8 for a guest article written by Eryn Files about her experience on the 2023 Youth Tour.

In 2023, Talquin achieved significant milestones, from embracing clean energy solutions to demonstrating resilience in the face of adversity. The cooperative's unwavering commitment to Members and the nurturing of young leaders represent its dedication to building a sustainable and prosperous future for the communities it serves.

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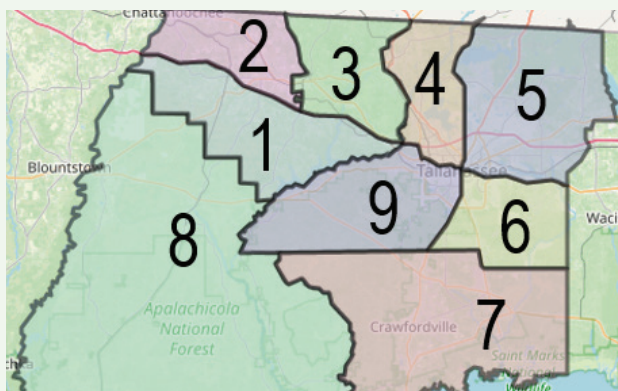


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Trustee bios are located on the website:
<https://www.TalquinElectric.com/Staff-Type/Board-of-Trustees/>.

District 2 is currently vacant.



District 7 David Miller



District 9 Sam Fenn

Annual Member Survey - Your Voice Matters!

Take our Member survey and enter to win a \$100.00 VISA gift card! We look forward to receiving your feedback and thank you in advance for your participation.

Beginning November 8, the 2023 Member survey will be available on our website at www.TalquinElectric.com and will be emailed to Members. A printed version can be requested by calling 850-627-7651.

Each Member who completes the survey and provides contact information will be entered into a drawing. Ten (10) winners will be randomly selected and then contacted for gift card delivery. Winners' names will be listed in an upcoming edition of The Current and on our website. The Member survey closes on Friday, December 15, 2023. One survey per Membership.

Your Co-op, Your Voice!

CAPITAL CREDITS

Talquin typically returns capital credits every 15 to 20 years, depending upon the financial condition of the cooperative. This year, Talquin Electric is returning patronage from 2004 and ½ of 2005 account allocations and Talquin Water is returning patronage from 2007, 2008 and 42% of 2011 account allocations. Including this year, Talquin has returned more than \$99,112,832 million in electric patronage and \$2,034,007 million in water and wastewater patronage.

If you have any questions about capital credits, please visit www.TalquinElectric.com under Services, Capital Credits or contact Talquin's Capital Credits Clerk at MemberFeedback@TalquinElectric.com or 850-627-7651.





2024 TALQUIN YOUTH TOUR & SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

UP TO \$15,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED!

Talquin Electric Cooperative is looking for students to serve as delegates for the 2024 Talquin Youth Tour. Twenty-four student-representatives will be sponsored with a visit to Florida's capitol city for a two-day, overnight conference on February 7-8, 2024 and awarded a scholarship for post-secondary education. Students will learn about the cooperative business model and Florida's legislative process. The Talquin Youth Tour includes a visit to the House of Representatives' Chambers and a session in the Supreme Court. During this experience, four students will be chosen to represent Talquin at the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association Youth Tour in Washington D.C. from June 16-21, 2024. The Washington D.C. Youth Tour includes visits to the Lincoln Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Mt. Vernon, Vietnam Memorial, and many more historic sites, alongside hundreds of other students from around that nation!

QUALIFICATIONS

- Students must be enrolled as a junior in a local high school or home school;
- Students must have an immediate family member/guardian who is a Talquin Member;
- Students must live in Gadsden, Leon, Liberty, or Wakulla Counties.

DEADLINE

Completed application, essay, and letter of recommendation must be received by Talquin no later than **5:00 PM, Friday, December 15, 2023**. Email application to YouthTour@TalquinElectric.com, drop off at a Talquin Member Services Office, or mail to Talquin Electric Cooperative, (Attn: Communications & Outreach, PO Box 1679, Quincy, FL 32353).

APPLICATION

Interested students should complete and submit the following:

1. Talquin Youth Tour application;
2. 250-500 word essay titled, "What makes you a good candidate to represent Talquin on the Youth Tour and what do you expect to gain from this experience?";
3. A letter of recommendation from a school counselor, teacher, pastor, community leader, or administrator.

NOTIFICATION

Students selected for the Talquin Youth Tour will be notified in early January 2024. Washington D.C. Youth Tour representatives will be announced during the Talquin Youth Tour banquet in February 2024.

DISBURSEMENT

Scholarship funds are disbursed with verification of post-secondary enrollment after graduating from high school.



Talquin Electric Cooperative Dedicates Three Solar Facilities

Members of Talquin Electric Cooperative are now getting the clean, cost-effective energy benefits from 7 MWAC of solar energy, enough electricity to power approximately 1,400 homes. Officials from the cooperative, along with Seminole Electric Cooperative, Origis Energy and local community leaders dedicated the three new solar facilities this week.

The projects are Hinson Solar, a 4 MWAC project, located in Gadsden County, FL; Hilliardville Solar, a 2 MWAC project, located in Wakulla County; and Bristol Solar, with a capacity rating of 0.63 MWAC, located in Liberty County.

All three projects were developed, constructed and are owned by Origis Energy. Each will deliver clean energy at competitive rates under Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) executed between Seminole Electric Cooperative, Talquin's wholesale power provider, and Origis.

"These three projects represent a significant step forward and we are excited to provide predictable, affordable, clean electricity to our Members," said Tracy Bensley, General Manager of Talquin Electric Cooperative. "Bringing these projects to fruition will generate enough clean energy to replace fossil fuel-generated electricity for up to 1,400 homes in our area while ensuring stable rates for our Members and shielding them from the fluctuations of traditional fuel costs."

During construction, each plant employed approximately 30 workers with a combined direct local economic benefit of an estimated \$1.6 million. Over the lifetime of the plants, they will generate an additional estimated \$2.2 million in direct economic benefits combined.

"I am proud to be here today on behalf of Seminole to celebrate Talquin's solar site dedications," said Lisa Johnson, CEO and General Manager of Seminole Electric. "Seminole is excited to support Talquin's initiative to bring more solar energy to its consumer-members."

At each location, native grasses and plants that will provide berries for wildlife were used as part of the vegetative buffer.

"We are pleased to provide affordable, renewable energy to the homes and businesses of Talquin Members," said Josh Teigiser, Managing Director of Distributed Power for Origis Energy. "It's been a pleasure working with both Talquin and Seminole to get these projects energized, and we look forward to providing their Members with reliable, clean power for years to come."

Community leaders reacted favorably to the projects in the area.



Bristol Solar, Liberty County



Hilliardville Solar, Wakulla County



Hinson Solar, Gadsden County



Left to Right: Jason O'Steen, Dr. Gregory Winter, Carla Pararo, Sam Fenn, Board of Trustees; Tracy Bensley, General Manager; Joseph Alexander, Board of Trustee President; David Miller, Clifford Bristol, Billy VanLandingham, Board of Trustees.

What To Do When a Precautionary Boil Water Notice is Issued for Your Area

When there is a loss in water pressure, due to either a broken water pipe or a scheduled outage for repairs, a Precautionary Boil Water Notice (PBWN) will be issued. A PBWN is issued out of an abundance of caution and not because of known contamination of the water. If the number of affected Members is small, each Member will be informed individually using a printed notice hung on the front door. Members can also receive notifications through the Talquin Mobile App and website.

Water pressure keeps unhealthy pollutants from entering the underground pipes that bring drinking water to your house or business. When the pressure is lost, contaminants could potentially enter the pipes. The loss of pressure might allow pathogens (disease-causing organisms) into the water that can cause illness if consumed through drinking or food preparation. As a precaution, disinfect tap water to kill any bacteria or viruses that may have entered the water.

Under a PBWN, water used for consumption can be disinfected by any of the following methods:

- Bring the water to a rolling boil and hold it there for one (1) minute.
- If you cannot boil water, such as during a power outage, use a disinfecting chemical. You should put eight (8) drops of common household bleach, which is about 1/8th of a teaspoon, into one (1) gallon of tap water, shake it, and allow it to stand for 30 minutes before drinking. If the water is cloudy, use sixteen (16) drops, about a ¼ teaspoon of bleach instead of 8, shake it, and let it stand for 30 minutes. There should be a slight chlorine odor. Use common household bleach that has 5 to 6% active ingredients. Use food-grade containers. Do not use bleach that has perfume scents added.
- Using water purification tablets or iodine that many sports and camping stores sell.

These methods are in accordance with the Department of Health's Guidelines, which can be found online at <http://www.floridahealth.gov/environmental-health/drinking-water/boil-water-notice-guidance.html>.

Consumption includes brushing teeth, washing fruits and vegetables, and making homemade ice. Tap water may be used for showering, bathing, shaving, and washing, so long as care is taken not to swallow or allow water in the eyes, nose, or mouth. Children and disabled individuals should have their baths supervised to ensure water is not ingested. The time spent bathing should be minimized. Though the risk of illness is minimal, individuals who have recent surgical wounds, are immunosuppressed, or have a chronic illness may want to consider using bottled or boiled water for cleansing until the notice is lifted.

Businesses and non-residential sites should take steps such as posting notices or disabling water fountains and ice machines during the PBWN. If you provide water to visitors or employees, use commercially-produced bottled water for drinking or beverage preparation (coffee). Food service operations have additional regulatory requirements.

After the water system is repaired, and the pressure is restored in the pipes to your home or business, the precautionary boil water notice will remain in effect for one to several days while bacteria tests are conducted to assure the safety of the water. The notice will be lifted (rescinded) only after tests prove the water is safe to drink. When a small number of Members are affected, the rescind notice will be delivered similarly to the delivery of the PBWN. All PBWN and rescind notices are posted on the Talquin website (www.TalquinElectric.com), and the Talquin Facebook and Twitter pages.

Talquin takes great care in assuring that your water is safe to drink. We appreciate your cooperation with the Precautionary Boil Water Notice policy, which ensures public health during water outages. Please contact us at (850) 562-2115 during normal business hours if you have questions or concerns. The County Health Department can also assist you with answers to your questions.

★★ 2023 Employee Service Awards ★★

5 Year: 2018

Tim Anderson
Keith Burns
Rebecca Heitkemper
Raleigh Strickland
Mike Temple
Luke Vickers

10 Year: 2013

Chris Brown
Trey Davis
Lance Rivenbark
Ashley Sirmans
Henry Wiggins

15 Year: 2008

Tim Cooper
Barbara Green
Silvia Hernandez
Zaina Kinsey
Shaun McBrayer
Cameron Roberts

20 Year: 2003

Tim Cole
Kevin Goff
Dewey O'Conner
Randy Peevy

25 Year: 1998

Stacy Stone

30 Year: 1993

Shane Baxter
Tim Bentley
Kenny Graves
Brent Holland

LIGHT OUT? We Need to Know!

If you see an outdoor light that is not working on Talquin Electric Cooperative's system, please contact the Cooperative to report it. When reporting a problem, please provide the information listed below so that we can make repairs and contact you, if necessary.



- Provide the light number located on the pole and describe the location clearly. Information such as street name, nearest street intersection, or other landmarks is very helpful. Accurate information is very important in identifying the outdoor light, especially if there are multiple lights in the area.
- Describe the nature of the problem, such as the light blinking, a bulb being burnt out, etc.
- Provide contact information such as the name, address, email address, or phone number of the person reporting the outdoor light so that they can be contacted if needed.

Providing as much information as possible will help ensure the proper response to your request. We certainly appreciate your help in this matter. To report a broken or malfunctioning outdoor light, please visit: <https://www.TalquinElectric.com/Services/Report-Outdoor-Light-Outage/> or contact a Member Services Representative at (850) 627-7651 during normal business hours.



Talquin Assistance Program

Giving Back To Our Community

Members may donate to this program by choosing to have their monthly utility bill rounded to the nearest dollar or by designating a specific amount.



The funds contributed will be used to assist Talquin residential Members who are experiencing job loss, illness, or other crisis circumstances.

Sign-up for TAP on the Talquin Mobile App at www.TalquinElectric.com or by emailing MemberFeedback@TalquinElectric.com



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Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. (TECI) is the recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), an agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and is subject to the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended; and the rules and regulations of the U.S. Department of Agriculture provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, or protected genetic information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the USDA (not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities) shall be excluded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities.

Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. is an equal opportunity provider and employer. If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter by mail to U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or by email program.intake@usda.gov.

The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is Michael W. Temple, Director of Administration of Talquin Electric Cooperative, Inc. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feel that this organization has subjected them to discrimination may obtain further information about the statutes and regulations listed above and/or file a written complaint with this organization; or the Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250; or the Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Washington, D.C. 20250 or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TDD). Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent possible.

During the National Rural Electric Association's (NRECA) Youth Tour in Washington, D.C. this past June, one student from each state was designated to represent their state on the NRECA Youth Leadership Council (YLC). This year, our very own national delegate, Eryn Files, was selected as the 2023 YLC Representative for our great state of Florida. Eryn submitted the article below, reflecting on her experience this past year. As a YLC delegate, Eryn Files will attend NRECA's PowerXchange and TechAdvantage Expo in San Antonio from March 1-6, 2024 to represent Florida's cooperatives. Eryn is also auditioning to be NRECA's National Spokesperson at PowerXchange. The YLC members leave more poised, confident and a better developed leader with a strong determination to improve their community and make their country a better place. Further, they leave having built life-long friendships with other student leaders from across the country.

★ Thank You, Talquin Electric! ★

By: Samantha Jessee and Eryn Files, Florida YLC 2023

Talquin Electric Cooperative took great pride in sponsoring four outstanding young individuals this year, including Caitlin Hall, Madelyn Ellis, Legion Taylor, and Eryn Files. Each of these students shared in fun and engaging activities such as touring The White House and Pentagon, meeting with Florida Congressman, Neal Dunn, and attending a professional baseball game, where they watched the Florida Marlins take on the Washington D.C. Nationals!

These students also had their own unique opportunities over the entirety of the Youth Tour, and Eryn's journey was no different. "On the first day of Talquin's Youth Tour, the General Manager, Tracy Bensley, enlightened the students about the services provided to over 54,000 homes across the four-county service territory. I learned about the selfless actions taken to navigate through the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic, as well as the initiative to address water utility needs in our rural areas. My time spent with a Talquin linemen, while safely being lifted high up in the air inside of a bucket, also left a lasting impression. The experiences I gained while touring Tallahassee and Washington, D.C., revealed the true dedication of our local and national Legislators, highlighting the abundance of opportunities available to me as I prepare for college.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Talquin Board of Trustees, Directors, employees, and Members, for providing twenty-four local high school juniors the opportunity of a lifetime, and, on behalf of all the Youth Tour delegates across the state of Florida, I would like to extend an appreciative THANK YOU to all the cooperative employees dedicated to serving Members."



Photo Caption: Caitlin Hall (far left), Legion Taylor, Eryn Files, and Madelyn Ellis represent Talquin Electric on Capitol Hill, helping with a Co-ops Vote initiative (Photo credit: FL YT).

TRADING POST MISCELLANEOUS

Antique wall mirror, solid wood, intricate detailing. \$400.00. 850-544-5799

Aroma digital smart fry extra-large deep fryer. Still in box, never used. \$45.00. Call 850-562-1008, M – Sat. 2:00 – 6:00 only.

Med-aire plus 8" air mattress. Used 3 months, \$350. Jane 850-509-8295

Oak full size bed with brand new mattress, oak wardrobe \$125 each or \$200 for both. Text 850-556-7886 for inquiries.

Jacuzzi tub still in wrapper, corner shower kit never opened \$475 each \$850 for both. Call Ron 850-321-2867

Stihl chainsaw (MS 210) and Eco-shredder (ES 1600); both work and are in good shape. \$100 each, OBO. Call 850-559-2192

Lively Jitterbug Flip 2 flip phone. Red, like new. Includes: wall charger, charging dock, usb cable, user guide. \$50.00. 850-510-1946

Model 20041-corded personal pace turnkey battery starter, 5 heights, bag or side discharge, original papers, extras, as is 850-508-5649

Manual Electric Transfer Switches, two each. Midwest Electric model GS120B20M, 200A, 120/240 V. Like new, installed but never connected to generator. \$200 each, OBO – 832-444-7816

Sears Craftsman LT 1000 riding

mower for parts. FREE 850-443-7072

40 inch square oak collectors table with glass top and pull out drawer. 18 inches tall. \$75.00. Call Laura @ 904-612-1753 for more information.

Vintage Herter's duck & goose decoys. 4 Model 72 burlap wrapped foam mallard decoys \$75. 4 full size Canada goose decoys \$85. 6 Carry-Lite coots \$50. Text 850-228-6091

5 doz. Pint jars, antique dishes, microwave stand, men's 10 ½ FSU Seminole boots and 9 ½ Harley-Davidson boots, receiving hitch, towing mirrors, antique lamps, cast iron sinks, electric tools, Ty Beanie Babies; 850-575-6013

Belgian Malinois pups \$400.00 each. Each parent on premises. Horse drawn wagon with three hitches; single, double & pull behind truck. 850-643-7894

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

Bose Wave Radio IV – used, in excellent condition. Platinum color, no scratches, dings, etc. Comes with manual, starter CD, power cord and remote control. \$250. Please call 850-408-4989

Stove for sale: Whirlpool, 5 – 7 years old; must pick up, white – burners, not glass top. Works great! \$50.00. 850-668-8547

SERVICES

Mobile detailing - Full Detail \$300

Wash and wax bath, degrees tires engine engine bay door

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

AUTO & IMPLEMENT

2003 Harley Davidson Dyna Wide Glide Anniversary (100th) Edition, 32,260 miles, \$6,200. 850-408-7738

1997 electric Club Car DS, needs batteries; \$1500 OBO, sold as is; Nitto 305/45/R22 tires, Hostile typhoon 22" wheels for 2021 F150, \$3,000. 850-756-4382

'05 Suzuki XL-7, 7 passenger, 4WD, no rust, never wrecked, lots of new parts. Clean interior, \$3,000.00. 850-875-1467

2002 Green Toyota Tundra V6; 243,572 miles; surface rust hood and cab top; has carry rack; new plugs; tires good; LineX bed liner; \$3500 OBO; call 850-997-0473

Camper Shell. Black A R E for Ford F-250 2014+ . Like new, purchased in 2020 for \$2600.00 asking \$1250.00 Phone or text 850-251-4771

2014 Silver Ford Fiesta; 164,000 miles, \$1,500 OBO. Call 850-766-5964

REAL ESTATE

Room for rent – available 11/1/23.

Fully furnished room with private bath in a beautiful home. Large closet, Safetouch Security, Wi-Fi, utilities, oak floors, linens, shared kitchen and living room. Rent based on single occupancy. Calls only please 850-284-4892. \$595 per month, \$50 app fee, 1-month security deposit. 1-year lease.

Mobile Home. Used doublewide by King, \$25,000. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, refrigerator, stove and good condition. Sold as is and must be removed at the time of sale. Call 850-567-3633

2007 Clayton Mobile Home 3B/2B, 30 x 36. Open floor plan. All appliances included. Excellent condition, \$65K OBO. Must be moved. Email: Injlewis@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR

Someone who can do a full-body PPF install on a midsize SUV; I will provide the PPF. Call/text 650-246-9724 or email: adamsworld4real@hotmail.com

Old Coins & Currency, US & foreign. Buying collections. Appraisals provided. Call 850-766-2722 or write P.O. Box 38356, Tallahassee, FL 32315.

Holiday Appetizers

Traditional Christmas Cheese Ball

Recipe from allrecipes Love2Cook87 (<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/155754/traditional-christmas-cheese-ball/>)

Total Time: 2 hrs 25 mins / Prep Time: 25 mins / Yield: 12 servings

Ingredients:

- 1 ½ (8 ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 (2.5 ounce) package thinly sliced smoked beef, chopped
- 1 (2.25 ounce) can pimento-stuffed green olives, chopped
- 1 small Vidalia or other sweet onion, minced
- 2 dashes Worcestershire sauce, or to taste
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Instructions:

1. Mix the cream cheese, beef, olives, onion, and Worcestershire sauce together in a bowl until evenly blended. Keeping the mixture in the bowl, scrape it into a semi-ball shape. Cover, and refrigerate until firm, at least 2 hours.
2. Place a large sheet of waxed paper on a flat surface. Sprinkle with walnuts. Roll the cheese ball in the walnuts until completely covered. Transfer the cheese ball to a serving plate, or rewrap with waxed paper and refrigerate until needed.



Best Spinach Dip Ever

Recipe from allrecipes Shawna (<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/22617/best-spinach-dip-ever/>)

Total Time: 6 hrs 15 mins / Prep Time: 15 mins / Yield: 6 servings

Ingredients:

- 1 (16 ounce) container sour cream
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- ½ (10 ounce) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed and drained
- 1 (4 ounce) can water chestnuts, drained and chopped
- 1 (1.8 ounce) package dry leek soup mix
- 1 (1 pound) loaf round sourdough bread

Instructions:

1. Mix sour cream, mayonnaise, spinach, water chestnuts, and dry soup mix together in a medium bowl. Chill in the refrigerator 6 hours, or overnight.
2. Slice off the top of the sourdough round and pull out the soft interior, leaving a sturdy bread bowl. Fill with spinach mixture. Tear removed bread chunks into pieces for dipping.



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.

Property Access

Do you have a new fence or gate with a code or lock? During routine maintenance and in the event of power outages, Talquin may need to access your property or right-of-way to make repairs and restore power.

Update your property access information by contacting a Member Services Representative by email at MemberFeedback@TalquinElectric.com or by phone at 850-627-7651.

HELP SAVE A LIFE AND JOIN
TALQUIN AND ONEBLOOD
FOR OUR COMMUNITY

BLOOD DRIVES!

UPCOMING DRIVES AT OUR MEMBER SERVICES LOCATIONS:

Each successful donor will receive
an eGift card, OneBlood t-shirt, and
wellness check-up, including, blood
pressure, temperature, iron count,
pulse, and cholesterol screening!

Appointments are encouraged!
Please visit oneblood.org/donate-now/
to view hours and sign up now!



Quincy

Monday,
November 27, 2023

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

1607 West
Jefferson Street

Crawfordville

Tuesday,
November 28, 2023

9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

681 Wakulla-
Arran Road

Lake Jackson

Wednesday,
November 29, 2023

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

4808
Portal Drive

TALLAHASSEE AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM



THE Elfin' CRAFT SHOW

**DECEMBER 16, 2023
10AM - 4PM**

www.tallahasseearts.org/event/the-elfin-craft-show/

Veterans Memorial Railroad's

2023 Polar Bear Express



DECEMBER

1, 2, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17,
19, 20, 21, 22, & 27th

7-10 PM ET

Tom Keenan Depot
Veterans Memorial Park
Bristol, Florida 32321

General Admission:

\$15 **Adults**

\$10 **Kids 12 and under**

Ages 2 & under Ride Free

FOR MORE INFO GO TO VETERANSMEMORIALRAILROAD.ORG
OR CALL 850-643-6646

Christmas Parade

When: December 1, 2023 | 6:00 PM | Where: Quincy

The City of Quincy will host their annual Christmas in Candy Land Parade. The parade starts at Ward's parking lot and ends at the Gadsden County Historic Courthouse. Immediately following the parade, the County will light the official Holiday Experience Christmas Tree. Food trucks and sweet treats will also be available at Andy Gay Park.

Christmas in the Park

Sponsored by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office

When: December 1, 2023 | 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM


Where: Hudson Park in Crawfordville

This annual event put on by the Wakulla County Sheriff's Office is a way to give back to the kids in the community. An arrangement is made by the WCSO for Santa Claus to pop by Hudson Park for pictures with children and to accept gift wish lists. There will also be games, prizes, and train rides, as well as a host of vendors with holiday-themed products.

Talquin Electric Supports TOYS FOR TOTS!

Drop off a new, unwrapped toy to a Talquin location listed below
November 1st through December 2nd




 Headquarters
1640 W. Jefferson Street

 Lake Jackson Member Services
4808 Portal Drive

 Quincy Member Services
1640 W. Jefferson Street

 Bradfordville Member Services
6724 Thomasville Road

 Hosford Member Services
20557 NE Cooperative Way

 Crawfordville Member Services
681 Wakulla-Arran Road

TALQUIN
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.
WATER & WASTEWATER, INC.

HAPPY RETIREMENT!



After 26 years of service, Eddie Catchman retired from Talquin in September 2023. Eddie began his career as a Meter Reader. He has worked in Supply Chain as an Area Material Clerk since 2000. Eddie will be missed by his team, and Talquin will miss his vast knowledge of the Warehouse and all of its operations. Congratulations, Eddie! We wish you the very best in retirement.

Meet The Team!

Information Services

The Information Services Team serves Members through a variety of functions including processing meter readings and billing calculations, posting payments to accounts, reviewing and maintaining collection activities on accounts, managing capital credits, and performing cooperative location deliveries. These dedicated employees work with all departments within the Cooperative to ensure that tasks, documentation, and processes are performed accurately and efficiently.



Pictured above, left to right; Front row: Beatriz Tovias; Second row: Christy Wheeler, Taylor Rudd; Third row: Rebecca Heitkemper; Fourth row: Esmeralda Barrera, Ashley Hall; Fifth row: Lisa Darby; Sixth row: Dwight Callahan, Tim Cooper.

TALQUIN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Office Locations

Headquarters

1640 W. Jefferson Street
Quincy, Florida 32351
(850) 627-7651

Quincy Member Services Office

1607 W. Jefferson Street
Quincy, Florida 32351
(850) 627-9666

Crawfordville Member Services Office

681 Wakulla Arran Road
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

Full Service Drive Thru Hours

Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM,
Closed for Lunch 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Report an Outage

Via Mobile App

Download the Talquin mobile app on your iOS
or Android device to report outages and receive
updates. All with the click of a button!

Via Text

Text #OUTAGE to 85700
to report electric outages.

If not registered, visit our website at
www.TalquinElectric.com

Via Phone

Automated System:
1-866-899-4832

Live Operator:
1-888-802-1832



TALK WITH TALQUIN - MEMBER UPDATE EVENTS

Saturday, January 13, 2024
Hosford Elementary School
Liberty County

Saturday, February 10, 2024
Chiles High School
Leon County

Saturday, January 27, 2024
Riversink Elementary School
Wakulla County

Saturday, February 24, 2024
Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy
Gadsden County

Doors Open at 9:00 AM
Meetings Begin at 10:00 AM

Join us for an in-person event with updates on the cooperative, chat with the General Manager, Trustees and Employees, as well as a Q&A forum.

Members will receive a \$10 bill credit and be entered into a prize drawing. Members must be in attendance and are only eligible for one bill credit and prize drawing per calendar year.

Door Prizes

Informational Booths

Breakfast, Pastries and Coffee

Giveaways

Holiday Office Closures

Thursday, November 23
& Friday, November 24

Monday, December 25
& Tuesday, December 26

Monday, January 1

Thanksgiving Holidays

Christmas Holidays

New Year's Holiday