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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/.

POWER STRUGGLES: FIGHTING FOR RELIABILITY



Joe Alexander
President



Tracy Bensley
General Manager

The American economy and modern societies cannot succeed without reliable electricity. Every part of our society, from transportation to health care, is dependent upon an affordable, reliable electric grid. Smart energy policy recognizes that fundamental truth and works to help keep the lights on. The impact to society of losing the affordability and reliability of our electric grid cannot be debated. Today's society supports eight billion people, and we cannot do that without affordable, reliable electric systems.

On April 25, 2024, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced final rules to limit greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from existing coal and new natural gas power plants. While storms create temporary threats to electric systems and cause temporary interruptions, the EPA's new rules will undermine electric reliability and pose grave consequences for our already stressed electric grid, making blackouts and disruptions the norm for our society.

The rules require increasingly stringent carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions controls, such as the implementation of carbon capture and storage (CCS) to capture and sequester 90% of CO2 emissions by 2032 at coal and new natural gas power plants. Plants that cannot meet the standards would be forced to shut down or curtail their operations.

And herein lies the problem: the EPA's final rules are unachievable and unrealistic. These rules mandate inadequately demonstrated technology, such as CCS. Because the technology is not yet available, the EPA is proposing unachievable emissions limits on unworkable timeframes. Without reliable technology and realistic timeframes, the final rules jeopardize affordable and reliable electricity by forcing the premature closure of always available power plants while also making it harder to permit, site and build critical new power plants.

Also, the EPA's new rules ignore our nation's ongoing electric reliability challenges and is the wrong approach at a critical time in our nation's energy future. These rules were finalized against a backdrop of daunting threats to reliability, as electricity demand surges at the same time supply is decreasing.

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) projects that power demand will reach record highs in 2024 and 2025, increasing by 2.5% and 3.2% respectively. Grid planners forecast electricity demand to grow by 38 gigawatts through 2028, the equivalent of adding another California to the grid. Meanwhile, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) has warned that more than 110 gigawatts of always-available generation, enough to power about 35 million homes, will retire through 2033. All or parts of 19 states are at high risk of rolling blackouts during normal peak conditions over the next five years. These new rules will push additional essential always available generating resources off the grid just as the nation is depending on electricity to power more of the U.S. economy.

In short, the final rules will jeopardize reliability and result in more blackouts, higher costs and greater uncertainty for American families and businesses. As the saying goes, when you are in a hole, stop digging – we need to take the shovel away from the EPA.

FLORIDA CO-OPS GO TO WASHINGTON

In April, leaders from electric cooperatives across the United States came together in Washington, D.C., as they do each year, to advocate for common co-op issues and improving service to Members.

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) organized the event and led informational sessions preparing co-op leaders to discuss federal issues the electrical cooperatives are currently battling. Supply Chain issues, the FEMA Loan Interest Payment Relief Act, and new EPA regulations were key topics discussed.

Co-ops encourage congressional leaders to oppose policies that would lead to higher electricity costs for Members and increase the risk of blackouts. Talquin's leadership is honored to join other Co-op leaders each year and will continue to advocate for our communities on the importance of safe, reliable, and affordable electricity.



THE POWER OF PREPARATION

In April, Talquin conducted Annual Storm Response Training. The training focused on outage management, safety protocols, communication strategies, and the emergency response plan. We are equipped, now more than ever, to serve and protect our community whatever storms may come. Don't forget to check out the July/August Storm Edition of The Current!

CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION

On April 4, 2024, Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner Mark Glass met with leaders from Florida's electric cooperatives to discuss critical infrastructure protection. With attacks on the rise, it's crucial to stay vigilant. Thanks to the passage of HB 275, intentional damage to infrastructure is now a felony. As Commissioner Glass stated, "A good offense is a good defense." Let's work together to keep our communities safe. Report any suspicious activity by calling 1-855-FLA-SAFE. Businesses can also get involved by contacting flbusinesssafe@fdle.state.fl.us or calling 850-410-8690.



2024 Annual Meeting Video

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



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 45 years and they have two children, Allie and Russ, and one granddaughter.



District 2 Tony Miller

Mr. Miller is the Trustee for District 2, Northwest Gadsden County. A Gadsden County native, after graduating high school Mr. Miller earned a Bachelor's degree in Management Information Systems from FSU. He has worked for the same organization since 2001 and is currently working on the e-commerce side for Civitek Solutions in Tallahassee. Mr. Miller is married to his wife Jessica and they have 3 children, Anna, Owen and Marguerite (Meg).



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, and 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, and a Doctor of Laws honor degree from Flagler College. While in college, Mr. Miller proudly served in the Florida Army National Guard. He is a Credentialed Director with a Board Leadership Certification through the NRECA and also serves on the Board of Directors for the Florida Electric Cooperatives Association. Mr. Miller is married to his wife, Dolores, and is an active member of Crawfordville United Methodist Church. They have three children and 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 39 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 Cooperative before retiring after 13 years.

2024 TRUSTEE ELECTION RESULTS:

District 1, Billy VanLandingham (Unopposed)

District 4, Gregory Winter (Unopposed)

District 7, David Miller (Unopposed)

MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS

A key value behind any successful cooperative is the power of working together. This is why at Talquin, we take member feedback seriously. While participation dropped from last year's record numbers, the 2023 Annual Member Survey provided valuable feedback from 2,790 Members (6%). If you did not participate in the 2023 Survey, please consider participating later this year to have your voice heard and to be eligible for a prize drawing.

The Survey revealed top areas of interest and concern for Members. Members expressed a desire to see more information in our newsletter, The Current: about Talquin's Departments and what we do to serve you; Talquin's concern for the community; the Talquin mobile app and web "How-to" user guides; more information about Talquin's History, Mission, Vision, and Values; and about the businesses we serve. From this valuable feedback, we've already been including additional information and articles in the newsletter.

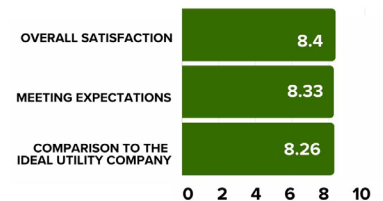
We understand that technology has become an integral part of Talquin Members' lives, and we're happy to see an increase in the monthly use of our mobile app and social media platforms. We appreciate Members staying connected with us on these platforms, and we'll continue to communicate through them.

Our Member satisfaction ratings were also high, with an overall satisfaction rating of 8.4 out of 10, a rating of 8.33 out of 10 for meeting expectations, and a rating of 8.26 out of 10 in how well Talquin compares to the ideal utility company. We're grateful for the positive feedback and will continue to work with enthusiasm and diligence to meet Members' needs.

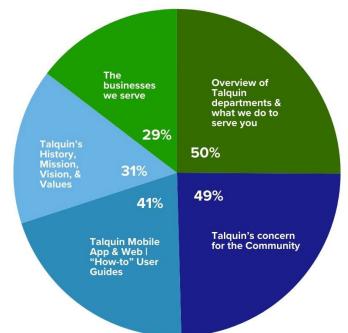
Finally, we asked Members what topics they would like additional information, and the top two topics were energy efficiency tips and current activities of Talquin. In addition to social media posts and newsletter articles on energy efficiency, we plan to provide even more resources about these topics in the future to continue empowering Talquin Members to make informed decisions about their energy use. Our social media outlets, website, and newsletter are great ways to keep up with the latest happenings at Talquin.

We are grateful for the feedback we received from Members and will utilize this feedback. Thank you for being a part of the Talquin community. We look forward to honoring our mission to work together to serve you.

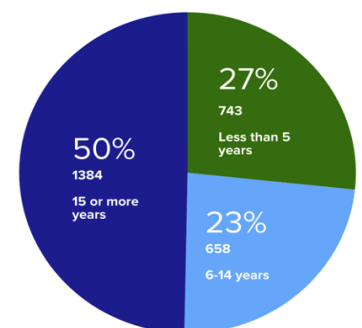
MEMBER SATISFACTION RATINGS



WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN THE CURRENT?



YEARS AS A MEMBER



Balance Sheets**Assets**

Net Electric Plant (less Acc. Depreciation)	
Investments and Notes Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	
Materials and Supplies	
Other Current Assets	

\$239,036,219
\$87,408,709
\$20,089,504
\$2,166,331
\$1,830,007

\$233,859,490
\$75,756,230
\$27,253,087
\$2,337,487
\$1,738,275

Total Assets**\$350,530,770****\$340,944,569****Equities and Liabilities****Equities**

Memberships
Patronage Capital
Other Equities

\$225,915
\$109,828,627
\$33,364,928

\$223,645
\$105,930,633
\$33,031,021

Total Equities**\$143,419,470****\$139,185,299****Liabilities**

Long Term Debt
Accounts Payable
Members' Deposits
Other Current Liabilities
Deferred Credits

\$157,958,861
\$9,486,647
\$3,750,788
\$33,701,161
\$2,213,843

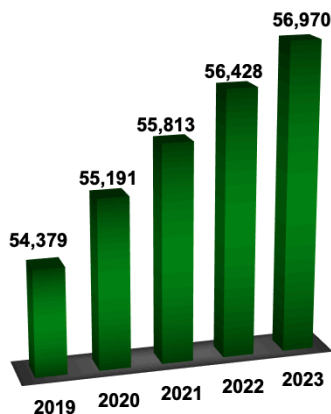
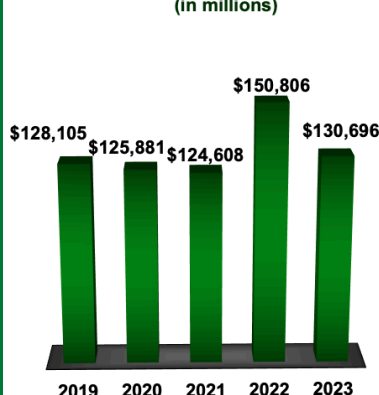
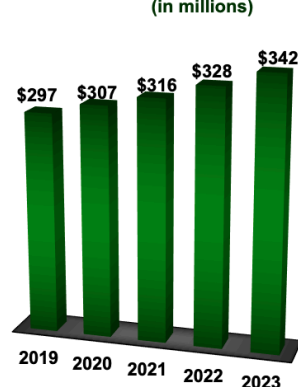
\$149,002,280
\$18,808,760
\$3,664,573
\$28,184,595
\$2,099,062

Total Liabilities**\$207,111,300****\$201,759,270****Total Equities and Liabilities****\$350,530,770****\$340,944,569****2023****2022****Statement of Revenue and Expenses****Revenue****\$130,695,551****\$150,805,891****Expenses**

Cost of Power
Operations, Maintenance and Admin.
Depreciation
Interest on Loans

\$74,015,130
\$38,997,062
\$10,651,123
\$5,221,581

\$96,016,355
\$37,159,738
\$9,789,677
\$4,941,280

Total Expenses**\$128,884,896****\$147,907,050****Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses)****\$1,810,655****\$2,898,841****Other Capital Credits****\$2,647,153****\$2,209,498****Non-Operating Margins****\$3,546,644****\$2,081,287****Total Margins****\$8,004,452****\$7,189,626****2023****2022****Electric Accounts****Total Operating Revenue-Electric (in millions)****Total Utility Plant-Electric (in millions)**

Balance Sheets

Assets

Net Water/WW Plant (less Acc. Depreciation)	\$75,109,522	\$70,376,459
Investments and Notes Receivable	\$6,573,662	\$6,585,876
Accounts Receivable	\$915,265	\$794,813
Materials and Supplies	\$1,047,254	\$446,071
Other Current Assets	\$2,335,225	\$2,494,801
Total Assets	\$85,980,928	\$80,698,020

Equities and Liabilities

Equities

Memberships & Patronage Capital	\$6,577,450	\$3,776,284
Other Equities	\$25,526,255	\$25,518,650
Total Equities	\$32,103,705	\$29,294,934

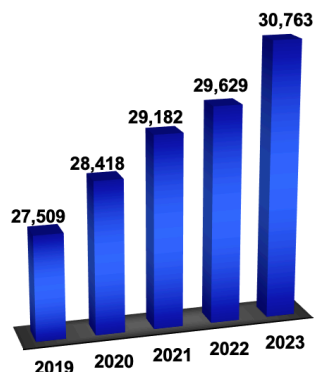
Liabilities

Long Term Debt	\$39,724,024	\$41,067,561
Accounts Payable	\$787,141	\$848,142
Members' Deposits	\$395,328	\$352,121
Other Current Liabilities	\$9,425,974	\$5,086,902
Deferred Credits	\$3,544,756	\$4,048,360
Total Liabilities	\$53,877,223	\$51,403,086
Total Equities and Liabilities	\$85,980,928	\$80,698,020

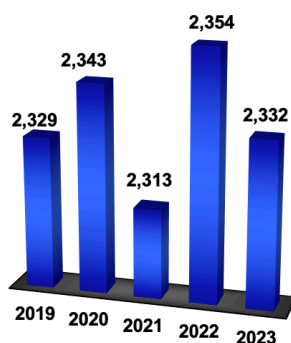
Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Revenue	\$16,592,680	\$15,232,723
Expenses		
Cost of Power for Pumping	\$915,541	\$872,193
Operations, Maintenance and Admin.	\$8,561,371	\$8,603,518
Depreciation	\$2,031,464	\$1,952,102
Interest on Loans	\$2,103,262	\$2,142,078
Total Expenses	\$13,611,638	\$13,569,891
Operating Margins (Revenue minus Expenses)	\$2,981,042	\$1,662,832
Non-Operating Margins	\$117,333	(\$21,173)
Other Capital Credits	\$355,900	\$302,959
Total Margins	\$3,454,275	\$1,944,618

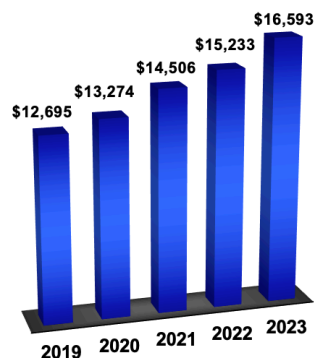
Water & Wastewater Accounts



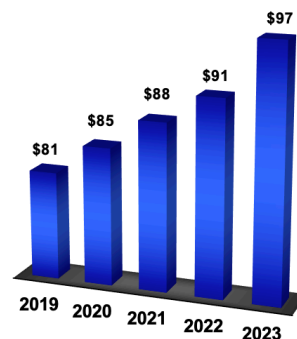
Annual Gallons Billed-TWMI
(in millions)



Total Operating Revenue-TWMI
(in millions)



Total Utility Plant-TWMI
(in millions)



Be in the Know about Backflow!

Talquin is responsible for maintaining 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 your backflow preventer tested and, if necessary, repaired. Backflow testing can reveal malfunctions or leaks. A leaking backflow preventer will add usage to monthly meter readings.

What is Backflow Testing? Backflow testing is a vital procedure aimed at safeguarding the integrity of our water supply system. It involves the inspection and assessment of backflow prevention devices. These devices ensure that water flows in one direction only, preventing any potential contamination from entering clean water supply.

Why is Backflow Testing Necessary? Regular backflow testing helps ensure that our water supply system meets the highest standards of safety and reliability. By identifying and addressing any issues with backflow prevention devices, we can mitigate the risk of contamination and uphold the quality of water delivered to your homes and businesses.

What do Members Need to Know:

- Check the mail! Backflow letters are mailed in April.
- The device is commonly located at your property line adjacent to your water meter above the ground.
- Blank backflow test reports and a list of testers can be found at: <https://www.talquinelectric.com/resources/documents/>
- For more information from the FDEP: <https://floridadep.gov/water/source-drinking-water/content/cross-connection-control-and-backflow-prevention-program>

For inquiries, please contact Talquin Water Services at (850)562-2115 or call 1-888-802-1832 for after hours and holidays. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we continue to prioritize the safety and reliability of water supply systems!



Water Quality Reports Coming to your mailbox soon!

Water service Members, be on the lookout for your annual Water Quality Report that will be mailed in June.

Happy Retirement!

After 15 years of service, Karen Rowan will be retiring from Talquin in June. She has been the Supervisor of Treasury and Finance since



2009. Her knowledge and experience have been an asset to the cooperative and she will be missed by her coworkers. She plans to spend retirement enjoying her family, playing with grandchildren and pursuing her hobbies. Thank you for your service and dedication for the last 15 years, Karen!

TRADING POST

MISCELLANEOUS

Cargo Trailer: 7'x14' w/7' ceiling. Dual axle electric brakers, white, 30 road miles. Used for temporary storage. Full rear gate & side door. Like new. \$6900 OBO 850-728-3014

850-567-2369 Tom. **16ft pontoon trailer** single axle, like new. 1200. OBO Please leave message.

West Bend 6 Quart Electric Wok (Never Used) \$4,000 Call 850-5621008 M-F 2:00-6:00 PM Only

Portable Oxygen Concentrator. "Inogen" Leather case. 2 Batteries. Machine used less than 10 Hours. \$2500 OBO. 850-925-0315

Charlie 1 Horse Vintage Cowgirl Hat White rabbit fur felt, pink python band, gold plated bar concho size 7 1/4. \$125.00 Beautiful! 850-491-4444

31 CD's of the big bands. Henry Mancini, Duke Ellington, Glenn Miller, Swing Music, Etc. Call M-Sat. from 2:00-6:00 PM only. 850-562-10008. \$50.00 for all.

H2X Master Swim Spa. Big, good condition, lights, heater, great exercise to swim against strong current. \$25,000 new/ asking \$5,000 OBO. You move. Call 850-766-8509.

Ladies Medium Cortech Tour Master Motorcycle Jacket. Like new (worn for endorsement only) with all pads. Eclipse Tank Bag. Shoei full-face helmet. \$200.00 for all. Call 850-766-8509

Tile: Ceramic, Porcelain, Marble. 250+ pieces, 12x12, 16x16, white, beige, etc. Perfect for small applications, Excellent Condition \$199 - 850-459-9594 text or message

TRANSDUCER LSV32 Livescope Transducer \$350.00. Ph 850-837-6766 or 850-974-6768

50 Amp RV surge protector with nanosecond technology \$150. Weber Q1200 grill titanium color, \$100. Oak wardrobe \$100, great condition. Call or text for photos or info. 850-556-7886

Gas Tank. Holes 120 gallons of gas. \$250. Text 850-567-3633.

Brown Egg Laying HENS for sale, \$9 each. Nita 404-713-8896 (text only)

THULE bicycle rack. Mounts on back of vehicle. \$100. Some wear but sturdy and in good condition. 850-559-5551. Please leave msg.

AKC Dalmatian puppies born April 25. Black and white first shots, wormed. \$350 (850) 877-2467 land line, leave message or text (850)570-8536

SERVICES

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I have close to 20 years in caregiving experience, I am reliable and trustworthy and I have references so if you're looking for a companion for your loved one, please give me a call @ 850-590-2677

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

Four new Firestone Destination Tires- 7 miles on Tires. Size-P245/75R16. \$500 Cash 850-893-5892

Parts for 1978 Chevy Van/ Camper (30 Series). Front bumper, grill, fenders, trim, front doors, bucket seats, dashcluster. Call or text 850-879-9939

06 Subaru Forester, no rust, never wrecked, nice clean interior, lots of recent parts. Needs engine. 850-875-1467, make offer

GMC-Engine locked 5.7, LWB,\$1800. *Prius 2007 \$1500,need drive batt(Toyoto dealer \$3500/others \$1000 to \$2000). *Camaro rims 5lug \$400. 850.591.5429

Vintage Motor Cycle Excellent Condition 10,192 miles 1983 Kawasaki 750 LTD with Vetter fairing & accessories needs new home ready to ride \$2,000.00 850/545-2785

2004 Lexus GX470. 193,832 miles. \$3000.00 dawsond2@yahoo.com

99 GM Mercury. Not Running. \$800 (850) 926-3369

REAL ESTATE

Free older double wide 3 bedroom mobile home for moving or demo. Between Quincy and Havana. Call 229/224-7524

Rooms For Rent Available

5/1/2024. Fully Furnished Room with Private Bath in a Beautiful Home! Large Closet, SAFETOUCH Security, Wifi, Utilities,Oak Floors, Linens,Shared Kitchen and Living Room! Rent based on single occupancy. Calls Only Please 850/284/4892! \$625 per month, \$65 app fee, 1 month security deposit! 1 year lease. Strong work history and references required.

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Now- Fully Furnished Room with Private Bath in a Beautiful Home! Large Closet, SAFETOUCH Security, Wifi, Utilities,Oak Floors, Linens,Shared Kitchen and Living Room! Rent based on single occupancy. Calls Only Please 850/284/4892! \$625 per month, \$65 app fee, 1 month security deposit! 1 year lease. Strong work history and references required.

LOOKING FOR

I would like to buy a motorcycle project-any condition- the older the better. 850-980-8746

Wanted - Old Coins & Currency, US & foreign. Buying collections. Appraisals provided. Call 850-766-2272 or write P.O. Box 38356, Tallahassee, FL 32315. Wanted Lionel, American Flyer, Marx, HO & N ScaleTrains. Any amount or condition. Call 850 893 8718.

May is National Electrical Safety Month, and June could bring summer storms. Don't forget! Lightning can be a breathtaking natural phenomenon, but it also poses a serious threat to safety. Summer storms can pop up quickly, so know how to stay safe.

STOP all outdoor activities

Seek shelter in a building or metal hard-topped vehicle

Wait 30 minutes after you last hear thunder to resume activities

When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!



Fresh Florida Recipes

These recipes highlight the vibrant flavors of Florida's seasonal ingredients and are sure to be a hit during the warm months of May and June. Enjoy the bounty of the Sunshine State's culinary delights!

Grilled Gulf Shrimp Skewers

Instructions:

Take advantage of the abundance of fresh Gulf shrimp available during May and June by grilling them to perfection.

Marinate the shrimp in a mixture of olive oil, garlic, lemon juice, and herbs for at least 30 minutes.

Thread the shrimp onto skewers and grill over medium-high heat until they turn pink and slightly charred.

Serve with a side of mango salsa or a squeeze of fresh lime for a taste of coastal Florida.



Watermelon and Feta Salad

Instructions:

Refreshing and light, this salad is a delightful way to enjoy the sweetness of ripe watermelon paired with the saltiness of feta cheese.

Toss cubed watermelon with crumbled feta cheese, thinly sliced red onions, and fresh mint leaves.

Drizzle with a mixture of olive oil and balsamic vinegar, and season with salt and pepper to taste.

Serve chilled as a side dish or a light and healthy snack on a hot Florida day.



Mango Coconut Smoothie

Instructions:

With mangoes in season during May and June, a tropical smoothie is a fantastic way to start your day or cool off in the afternoon heat.

Blend ripe mango chunks with coconut milk, a splash of orange juice, and a handful of ice until smooth and creamy.

For added sweetness, you can include a drizzle of honey or a sprinkle of coconut sugar.

Garnish with shredded coconut or a slice of fresh mango for an extra burst of flavor.



ATTENTION TALQUIN FOODIES: WHAT'S COOKING IN YOUR KITCHEN?

We are in the market for some of YOUR favorite recipes to be shared here in our bi-monthly newsletter. If you like to cook, bake, or have a scrumptious family recipe you'd be willing to share, please send it our way! Submit your culinary delights 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.

MILK ME TREATS PRESENTS:



TALLY FEST
JUNE 1ST 2024
10AM-4PM @ CASCADES PARK

Event Highlights:

Kid Zone | Pet Zone | Entertainment | Food | Vendors

SEEKING VENDORS

JOIN TALLYFEST AS A VENDOR!

SAVE THE DATE FOR TALLY FEST -
THE HEARTBEAT OF TALLAHASSEE!
IMMERSE YOURSELF IN THE VIBRANCY OF
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Vendor Applications:
Sponsors & Vendors Wanted.
Visit:
www.tallyfest.com

Saturday, June 1, 2024 | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Cascades Park | 1001 South Gadsden St
Tallahassee, Florida 32301**

Discover unforgettable moments at TallyFest 2024 with our diverse range of experiences. From interactive exhibits to live performances, immerse yourself in the vibrant spirit of Tallahassee. Explore what sets TallyFest apart and make memories that last a lifetime.



**FARMERS
MARKET**

LOCALLY GROWN & MADE PRODUCTS
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH • 9 AM - 1 PM

SPONSORED BY: PANACEA WATERFRONTS

First Saturday of the Month | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
1505 Coastal Highway | Panacea, Florida 32346

Explore a large variety of vendors, enjoy engaging children's activities, groove to live music and snack on local bites. Embrace the community spirit and farm-fresh goodness at its finest!

Disaster Preparedness

**SALES TAX
HOLIDAY**

June 1- June 14, 2024

Gadsden Arts
CENTER & MUSEUM

**ART
ZONE**



Every Saturday | 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM

**Gadsden Arts Center | 13 N. Madison St,
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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Full Service Drive Thru Hours

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

**In-person appointments available by
calling in advance to schedule**

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Via Text

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to report electric outages.

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HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

Talquin offices will be closed on Monday, May 27,
in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on
Tuesday, May 28.

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



Meet The Team!

Human Resources Department

Talquin's Human Resources Department plays a crucial role within the Cooperative, overseeing employee recruitment, onboarding, employee development, and much more to maintain efficient operations. Their commitment and expertise are essential for creating a supportive work environment and achieving organizational goals. We sincerely value their commitment to our team and advancing the Cooperative's success and prosperity.



Pictured from left to right: Beatriz Tovias,
Melody Johnson, Giselle Kelly

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

BLOOD DRIVES!

Quincy

Monday, June 3, 2024
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM
1607 West Jefferson Street

Crawfordville

Monday, June 3, 2024
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
681 Wakulla-Arran Road

Lake Jackson

Monday, June 3, 2024
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
4808 Portal Drive

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and wellness check-up,
including, blood
pressure, temperature,
iron count, pulse, and
cholesterol screening!

