



The *Electrifier*

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"Owned by those we serve"

MARSHALL, NC

Employees Recognized for Years of Service

Fifteen employees were recognized and received service awards before the Christmas holidays.



Burnsville District

Back Row, L to R

Danny Rich (30 years)
Jerry Sprinkle (30 years)

Middle Row, L to R

Tim Buchanan (15 years)
Lila Styles (20 years)
Jeff Burleson (15 years)

Front Row, L to R

Jim Robinson (10 years)
Tim Hughes (5 years)
Matt Loftis (10 years)



Marshall District

Back Row, L to R

Nathan Huff (5 years)
Roger McMahan (15 years)
Clay Cantrell (30 years)
Toby Bryant (5 years)

Front Row, L to R

Teresa Arrington (5 years)
Ronald Dewey Wills (15 years)
Walda McDevitt (45 years)



Cantrell Retires

Yvonne Cantrell came to work at French Broad Electric in 1990 as a Member Service Representative and held that position for 27 years until her retirement in December.

As she adapts to a life of leisure, she is enjoying spending quality time with her family while making travel plans to visit some of her dream vacation destinations.

We wish Yvonne all the best in her retirement!

Manager's Report



Jeff Loven

Mini-Split Heat Pump Program

French Broad Electric's mini-split heat pump program recently hit another milestone of 1,000 units installed in our members' homes. These ductless heat pumps can heat efficiently even when the winter temperatures drop to single digits as we saw in early January. They are also very economical and energy efficient in the summer for any air conditioning requirements.

Beyond cost savings, homeowners find the increased comfort level is worth the switch to ductless heat pumps. With baseboard heat, the heat rises along the walls but with a ductless system, heated air is more likely to flow throughout the rooms evenly.

Most of the customer install's we have done are secondary installs and used as a supplement or replacement for another source of heat. Combining one or more of these mini-split units with another heating source is very common and provides additional heating comfort throughout the home. In addition, these units do an excellent job of cooling the same areas in the summer months.



A ductless heat pump system is comprised of two main components: the outdoor compressor and the indoor air handler. Coolant and electrical lines run through a conduit from the compressor outside the home through the wall to the inside air handler(s).

These mini-split units can be configured in different ways. A common approach is to provide heating and cooling to one large zone in the home by using a single compressor and a single air handler. Another option is to use one compressor to power as many as four inside air handlers each with its own thermostat. This option is convenient for members who need heating and cooling in bedrooms or other sectioned off areas in their homes.

French Broad Electric provides discounted pricing and financing on Fujitsu and Mitsubishi mini-split heat pump systems as well as installation and service. These systems can be financed on your monthly electric bill, making it easy and convenient, and the long-term savings can offset the cost of the system in just a few years. We want to encourage any

member who is interested in these systems to contact us for more information or log onto our website at www.frenchbroademc.com.

ROW Clearing Schedule



February/March

Marshall District

Walnut
Sandy Bottom
Hopewell
Shelton Laurel
Little Laurel
Laurel River
Whitt Road to Barnardsville Hwy
Morgan Branch Road
Sugar Creek Road
Buckner Branch Road

Burnsville District

Blue Rock
Halls Chapel
Micaville
Double Island
Phipps Creek
Banks Creek

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Deadlines for submitting ads or notices to *The Electrifier*.

March issue	Feb 10th
April issue	Mar 15th
May issue	Apr 15th

Nominating Committee Named and Nominations Deadline Is March 22nd

In preparation for the 2018 Annual Meeting to be held on May 5, 2018, the Board of Directors has appointed a Nominating Committee in accordance with FBEMC bylaws.

The committee is made up of representatives from each of the co-op's directorate districts. They will meet on March 6th and make nominations for the directorate positions which expire this year.

The committee members and the districts they represent are listed:

District No. 1, Madison Co.

Nancy Allen
Bill Ricker
H.C. Wood
Nick Honeycutt

District No. 2, Buncombe Co.

Fred Ray, Jr.

District No. 3, Yancey Co.

Paul Badgely
R.L. McIntosh, Jr.
Bob Proffitt

District No. 4, Mitchell Co.

Gary Gouge
James Miller

District No. 5, Unicoi Co., TN:

Denlis Foster

Summary of Bylaws Pertaining to Annual Meeting

Meeting. An annual meeting of the members of French Broad EMC shall be held on the first Saturday in May for the purpose of electing directors and hearing and passing upon reports covering the previous fiscal year.

Quorum. Attendance in person or by proxy of at least two percent of the total members is required for transaction of business.

Three Directors to be Elected. Those currently serving on the board whose terms expire this year are John Chandler of District No. 1, Madison County; J.D. Quinn of District No. 4, Mitchell County; and Carl Ramsey of District No. 5, Erwin, TN.

Board Nomination Procedure Outlined. The board of directors shall appoint an eleven-member Nominating Committee not less than 90 nor more than 150 days before the annual meeting. This committee will meet on March 6, 2018 and the Secretary shall post a list of all nominees to be posted at each FBEMC office at least 60 days before the annual meeting.

In addition, the bylaws provide that any 50 or more members, residing in the same district as the member being nominated, may make nominations by filing a petition containing their signatures at least 45 days prior, and no more than 90 days prior, to the annual meeting, identifying the seat for which the nominee is being nominated. The last day to receive nominations by petition is March 21, 2018.

Qualifications for Director. In order to be nominated for the board of directors, he or she must be a year-round resident of the district from which they are running. A candidate must have been such a resident for at least one year prior to the date of their nomination. A candidate shall not be a close relative of an incumbent director.

Credentials and Election Committee. At least 10 days before the annual meeting, the board of directors shall appoint a Credentials and Election Committee of not less than 5 nor more than 15 members. This committee shall pass on all questions that may arise with respect to member registration and count all ballots cast in any ballot voting.

Voting. A member shall have one registration and one vote regardless of the number of electric accounts he or she may have. An association or corporate member, including churches, may vote through a duly designated representative. This designation should be in writing. Each member will register him or herself and up to five proxies he or she may have, receive the proper number of ballots, move directly from the registration area to a balloting area, and cast his or her ballot(s). All ballots must be cast by the time registration ends.



The Outlet

All numbers are in 828 area
code unless otherwise listed.

This is a FREE service to members for advertising non-commercial items. Ads are limited to two items per member per month and will appear only one time unless resubmitted. Ads are limited to two lines per ad. We reserve the right to edit, condense, or refuse ads due to content, unreasonable length, or available space.

French Broad EMC does not endorse services advertised and is not responsible for reliability of services listed.

When submitting ads for The Outlet, please be sure to include your name, address, phone number and account number. Ads without this reference information are subject to not being published.

Mail ads to French Broad EMC, Attn: Paula Seay, PO Box 9, Marshall, NC 28753 OR submit online at www.frenchbroademc.com.

FOR SALE

Metal/glass round table w/ 4 chairs, \$175. 778-9885.

Jazzy electric wheelchair w/ 2 batteries, \$1,500. 206-3675.

46 acres, homeplace & more, Big Sandy, \$458,000. 593-7383.

2002 Ford Escort, 4-door, \$2,000. 688-4486.

Furniture for cabin, wildlife theme. 593-7383.

Copley guitar autographed by James Taylor, \$1,000 OBO. 785-3395.

Seeds: field pumpkin, gourd, candy roaster, cashew. 803-9090.

½ Acre waterfront property, Lake of Ozarks, deep water cove, \$99,000. 484-7354.

PSE bow w/ accessories, \$100 OBO. 206-5432.

Select cuts of pasture-raised, grain-fed pork, \$4/lb & up. 284-1636.

Pigs, American Guinea Hog & Potbelly, \$25 & up. 284-2500.

2014 Catalina Coachmen, 28', MBR & bunks, \$17,000. 208-3760.

Hay in field, spring cut, \$2/bale. 305/988-9188.

Calf feeding equipment, bottles, dehorning iron & more. 231-4876.

1.26 Acres 350' lakefront property, \$99,000. 675-9536 or 561/789-5111.

Delta RU 50 overarm router & air compressor, \$500. 919/801-4441.

Wooden wagon wheels (3), \$125ea. 231-4435.

Meade ETX Astro telescope w/ manual, \$50. 231-4435.

Teeter 960 Inversion table, \$250. 206-9616.

Towable wood splitter, 22ton, 5.5 Briggs motor, \$600. 208-7003 11am-3pm.

2003 Corvette Z06, 50th year, silver w/ black int, 780 mi, \$30,000. 682-6520.

Dining table w/ 4 chairs. 284-3003.

John Deere D-140 riding mower, \$1,275. 622-7225.

Propane grill w/ 2 burners, \$100. 622-7225.

Cub Cadet rear tine tiller, model RT65, \$550. 256/534-3957.

Electric GE smooth cooktop range, \$150. 563-9983.

Wood cook stove, antique pine chest. 688-3362.

2001 GMC Sierra 1500 4x4, 211k mi, \$4,000. 904/557-3243.

Home site, Wolf Laurel, reasonable offer. 689-4807.

2005 Chevy Silverado 1500, 4x4, 113k mi, \$14,000 OBO. 575-8879.

2BR house on 5ac w/springs, Flag Pond, TN, \$169,000. 270/554-4555.

450 Foreman Honda ATV, \$3,500. 688-2957.

Jazzy wheelchair. 683-9401.

(2) plots, Pisgah View Cemetery, \$4,000. 683-9401.

Barbie & Porcelain doll collection. 675-4271.

Books, 1800's/1900's & Harry Potter. 675-4271.

English shepherd puppies, \$195/male; \$225/female. 683-3126.

Couch & accent chair, \$300. 380-9652.

WANTED

Junk Cars. 689-5125.

White field corn for corn meal. 380-9342 after 6pm.

Parts for '62/'66 Chevy C-10 front end. 704/223-2958.

Seeds: greasy beans & cut short beans. 803-9090.

Electric ringer washer. 206-3601.

MISCELLANEOUS

Will Do: chair caning. 689-5125.

Will Do: junk removal, tree trimming. 284-2137.

Will Do: cabinet services. 675-8001.

Will Do: caregiver, ref. 777-4218.

For Rent: creek side cabin, fire pit, \$75/night. 656-2281.

For Lease: fenced horse pasture, Little Switzerland. 467-9324.

FOMCA, neuter/spay. 649-9798.

Will Do: hauling, structure & debris removal. 208-4599.

Will Do: alterations. 689-3273.

Will Do: clean houses. 688-3693.

Will Do: sit or help with elderly. 208-4008.

Will Do: saw sharpening. 713-6382.