



The *Electrifier*

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Outlet Ads and Manager's Report are Online

MAY 2020

"Owned by those we serve"

MARSHALL, NC

May is National Electrical Safety Month

Whether you own or rent your home, you should be aware of electrical hazards in and around your home. Below is a list to get you on your way to using electricity and electrical products safely:

* Prevent Electrical Overloads

- Watch for warning signs of overloaded circuits, such as:
 - * flickering, blinking or dimming lights;
 - * warm or discolored wall plates;
 - * burning odor coming from receptacles or wall switches;
 - * frequently tripped circuit breakers or blown fuses;
 - * cracking, sizzling, or buzzing from receptacles;
 - * mild shock or tingle from appliances, receptacles or switches.

* Extension Cord Safety

- Use extension cords properly:
 - * Don't attempt to plug extension cords into one another.
 - * Don't overload extension cords.
 - * Inspect cords for damage before use.

* Smoke Alarms

- Smoke alarms should be installed in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarm batteries should be replaced in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, at least once a year.
- Smoke alarms should be replaced in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, at least every ten years.

For more information and additional tips, you can visit www.esfi.org.



Manager's Report



Jeff Loven

Strength, Unity and Stability in the Face of Challenge

As our state, nation and world have taken extraordinary measures to stop the COVID-19 pandemic, I am proud of the unity, resolve and strength of the shared response in our community. We are in this together, and by working together, we will overcome these challenges and find new ways to take care of each other during this critical time.

As your local power partner and as a part of your community, French Broad Electric is committed to providing the high-quality electric service and support that you count on. Our communities have not been spared the negative impacts of lost wages, school closures and scaled-back commerce. To ease this burden, we are committed to working closely with members facing financial hardship. We are working with our members to set up extended payment arrangements for anyone directly impacted or delaying payments until the current situation changes.

French Broad EMC has several programs in place to make managing your energy use and budget easier, such as prepaid billing that allows you to make payments when you can,

as you use energy. If you haven't explored our Flex Pay option, we encourage you to see if it is a good fit for your needs.

Just as you have made changes at home, we have also taken proactive steps during this emergency to protect our members, communities and employees and ensure that there is no disruption to our operations or services.

By implementing staggering our crew reporting times and closing our lobbies to walk-in traffic, we are doing our part to protect our communities, while also making sure that key personnel are in place to seamlessly continue operations and provide you with high-quality service. Our member service representatives are available to assist you during normal business hours. Our field personnel have implemented new scheduling and physical distancing practices as they persist in their steadfast efforts to maintain our critical infrastructure. Equally as important, we have coordinated with suppliers and partners to safeguard access to necessary components, materials and support resources. To ensure the power you need is always available, we are in constant

coordination with our wholesale power supplier to keep our grid secure and efficient.

As I write this column in early April, much of the impact of COVID-19 remains to be seen. Rest assured that as the situation evolves, we will continue to engage with local emergency management officials and follow the guidance of experts to adjust our response to best support your needs.

We are grateful to be a part of your community and honored to provide electricity and services that power your life. While we work together to relieve the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, French Broad EMC is here for you, just as we always have been, and always will be. We look forward to continuing to work together to meet our challenges with strength, determination and unity.

To learn more about how French Broad EMC is here for you, please follow us on Facebook, visit our website at www.frenchbroademc.com or call our offices in Bakersville at 828-688-4815, in Burnsville at 828-682-6121, and in Marshall at 828-649-2051.



The Outlet

All numbers are in the 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 publish

Ads may be submitted online or mailed to French Broad EMC, Attn: Paula Seay, PO Box 9, Marshall, NC 28753.

FOR SALE

Ashley CAC wood heater, \$400. 206-3125.

Border Collie pups, ABC reg, parents on premises. 683-3927.

Shark Professional, \$170. 765-6281.

Area rug, 5x7, \$75. 765-6281.

Truck cover, fits 2005-2017 Ford SWB. 284-8069.

J-Bar 16-disc harrow, \$250. 919/602-6150.

Commercial Husqvarna riding mower, \$650. 284-4166.

Field & Stream 12' river boat. 284-8069.

Australian Blue Healer cattle dogs. 682-2050.

Matching LR, DR, BR suits, solid wood w/marble tops. 423/415-9624.

2015 Triton bass boat, \$19,900. 208-7492.

1988 Ford Bronco, Eddie Bauer pkg, 89k mi, \$8,000. 230-2203.

1993 Camaro, V6, black, power options. 240-2203.

1995 PA-46-350P, TTAE 1668, NDH IFR, FIKI, Radar. 850/803-2153.

(3) 28"x40" oak bevel-edge mirrors, \$30ea or \$75/3. 772/631-6845.

JD 2305 4WD tractor/loader/mower, 422hrs, \$9,900. 772/631-6845.

Iron-ton 5-ton electric log splitter, \$100. 689-9018.

Andersen full-view storm door w/ glass & screen, 80"x36", \$100. 689-9018.

Lab mix pups, 4mo male, shots, \$125. 910/617-3922.

(80) cinder blocks, \$0.80ea. 231-7453.

Bulls, Angus & Angus/Semental cross. 682-7535 or 208-1881.

Vintage cameras & darkroom equipment. 206-2453.

2003 Trail-Lite camper, 26', \$5,500. 645-5809.

Cardinal Health Sure Care underwear, sm-med, \$10/pk of 20. 779-3034.

40 acres, for mobile homes or campground, \$260,000. 423/270-4512.

English Shepherd dogs, \$100ea. 683-3126.

Homemade, hand-stitched quilts. 675-4271.

Tea pot & music box collection. 675-4271.

1-story hewn log house. 208-0295.

Grass-fed beef, no antibiotics, no hormones, USDA certified. 273-8565.

2008 Ford E250 work van, 75kmi, white, racks, \$11,800. 206-2980.

Walker Coonhounds, 9mo, purebred no papers, \$300ea. 273-7621.

Autumn Leaf Jewell Tea china collection, 300+pcs. 490-6777.

GE window AC, 6,000 BTU, \$200. 407/619-6136.

All Power 6500W diesel generator, <1hr, \$1,500 OBO. 380-6004.

1988-1995 Chevy/Ford truck parts. 380-6004.

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Marshall	(828) 649-2051
Toll-Free to Marshall	1-800-222-6190
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To Report A Power Outage After Hours

Marshall District

(Madison, Buncombe & Unicoi Counties)
(828) 649-2051 • 1-800-222-6190

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Yancey County (828) 682-6121
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Online Credit Card Payment Available 24 Hours a Day for VISA, MasterCard, Discover

1-844-294-5697



NOTE

The deadline for submitting ads to **The Electrifier:**

June issue May 15th
July issue June 15th
August issue.....July 15th
Sept issue.....Aug 15th

WANTED

Junk cars. 689-5125.

Someone to plow garden spot, Erwin, TN. 423/743-0360.

Groundkeeper to cut grass & clean cottage. 936/443-1498.

Life-size concrete deer. 682-1212 or 954/496-9000.

Occasional ride from Burnsville to Asheville Airport. 727/278-2782.

Old buildings to tear down, will clean up. 208-0295.

2+BR house on 5+acres w/ fenced pasture & barn. 775-4419.

Free fill dirt. 273-8565.

Counter rotating rear tine tiller. 689-4024.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOMCA low cost spay/neuter. 649-9798.

Will Do: chair caning. 689-5125.

Will Do: barn/structure removals. 208-4599.

Will Do: pressure wash. 675-4003.

Will Do: clean houses. 450-8073.

Will Do: lawncare. 450-8073.

For Rent: 3BR/1BA house with stream & acreage. 206-2467.

Right-of-Way Schedule for May/June

Burnsville District

Cutting

- * Hwy 197N
- * Mine Fork
- * Pine Swamp
- * Dale Road
- * Mitchell Branch
- * Mica Spring Heights

Spraying

- * Bowditch Area
- * Peacock Mtountain
- * McKinney Cove
- * White Oak * Poplar
- * Bolens Creek * Pine Swamp
- * Crabtree * Jacks Creek
- * Hwy 19 W * Bald Mountain
- * Little Creek * Depot Street
- * Bald Mtn Transmission Line
- * Unimin Transmission Line

Marshall District

Cutting

- * Upper end of Big Laurel
- * Grapevine/Petersburg
- * Walnut, Barnard, Big Pine
- * Town of Mars Hill

Spraying

- * Lonesome Mountain
- * Revere-Rice Cove community
- * Mars Hill Sub to Bald Mtn
- * Hwy 19 area
- * Paint Fork community
- * Beech Glenn community
- * Shelton Laurel community
- * TN service territory
- * Mars Hill Area/Gabriels Creek
- * Panhandle/Flint Hill/Flat Ck
- * Culberson Branch
- * Lower Big Laurel to Spill Corn
- * Paw Paw



Mini-Split Heat Pump Program

Summer is around the corner and your home's #1 source of energy use is related to heating/cooling.

French Broad EMC continues to offer mini-split heat pumps at an affordable rate, which can be financed on your electric bill upon credit approval.

Visit our website for more information: www.frenchbroademc.com



French Broad EMC offices will be closed Monday, May 25th in honor of



as we remember the men and women in our Armed Forces who have given their lives in service to our country.