



The *Electrifier*

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"Owned by those we serve"

MARSHALL, NC

Employees Recognized for Years of Service

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



Left Photo Above, Standing, L to R: Avery Moore & Austin Grooms (5 yrs), Rocky Flemming (35 yrs), Jeff Loven (25 yrs), David Massey (15 yrs)

Left Photo Above, Sitting, L to R: Phyllis Holt (20 yrs), Rosanna Powell (15 yrs), Tammy Boyd (5 yrs)

Top Right Photo: Sam Hutchins (10 yrs)

Bottom Right Photo, L to R: Chad Hodshon (5 yrs) & Jackie Buchanan (20 yrs)
[Not pictured: Johnny Miller (40 yrs)]

Congratulations!!!

Manager's Report

Mini-Split Heat Pump Program



Jeff Loven

French Broad Electric's mini-split heat pump program recently hit another milestone of 2,500 units installed in our members' homes. These ductless heat pumps can heat efficiently even when the winter temperatures drop to single digits. 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 installation's we have done supplement their primary 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

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

Burnsville District

Halltown, Altapass
Henredon Road, Biggerstaff Road
Dale Road, Mine Fork
Pine Swamp, Mitchell Branch
Mica Spring Heights
Town of Bakersville

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FBEMC Offices

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Toll-Free to Marshall	1-800-222-6190
Burnsville	(828) 682-6121
Bakersville	(828) 688-4815

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Marshall District

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

Burnsville-Bakersville District

Yancey County (828) 682-6121
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1-844-294-5697



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

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

Nominating Committee Named Nominations Deadline Is March 18th

In preparation for the 2020 Annual Meeting to be held on May 2, 2020, 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 February 25, 2020 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
Nick Honeycutt
Bill Ricker
H.C. Wood

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.

Four Directors to be Elected. Those currently serving on the board whose terms expire this year are Joseph G. Justice and Gordon Randolph of District No. 1, Madison County; Jimmy Ray of District No. 3, Yancey County; and Keith Kuhne of District No. 4, Mitchell County.

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 February 25, 2020 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 18, 2020.

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

20.5 Acres w/ creek access, Marshall. 206-0107.

(2) chestnut logs, 54"x18". 688-9104.

High Valley wood stove, free-standing or fireplace. 683-6508.

Highboy dresser, \$125. 776-2702.

China cabinet, \$45. 776-2702.

Rebuilt transfer case out of a 1987 F150, \$200 OBO. 680-9650.

Generator, ProSeries ES12000, \$500. 206-3603 after 5pm.

Generator, Northern Star 8000, \$1,200. 206-3603 after 5pm.

Exercise bike by Weglo, Pursuit CT 2.2 w/ tension control, \$40. 545-2056.

Dog box, diamond aluminum, 38"x48", 2 compartments, lock/key, \$350. 545-2056.

Propane fireplace insert, thermostat, logs & fan, \$300. 423/767-1137.

2005 Toyota Tundra 2WD, 4.7 V8, off-road pkg, loaded, \$8,000. 423/767-1137.

Chevy Tracker for parts, \$500 OBO. 284-6428.

Brick house. 675-4981.

Oak entertainment center w/ doors, \$200. 649-2344.

Oak coffee table & lamp table w/ drawer, \$100. 649-2344.

Rough sawn lumber, oak, pine, etc, stored in barn. 649-3976.

250-gal fuel drum on a stand. 649-3976.

Apt size electric dryer, \$200. 675-1178.

Lake Cove Resort time share on Lake Douglas. 713-2205.

2008 HD Heritage Soft Tail FLSTC, black, extras, 1,606mi, \$9,000. 713-2205.

Old hewn log houses. 208-0295.

10,000watt generator, electric or pull start, \$550. 675-0485.

Firewood, seasoned hardwood, white & red oak. 284-7388.

2002 Steiner slope mower, 60" deck, 2k hrs, \$7,250. 208-2367.

2016 Honda CRF150F trail bike, \$1,850. 423/612-0378.

Tobacco sticks. 206-2876.

American Company wood stove, \$350. 207/670-8820.

Twin roll-away bed, \$100. 778-8200.

Books by Billy Graham and David Jeremiah. 675-4271.

Children's books, Harry Potter books. 675-4271.

2 Veterans plots, Ashelawn Gardens Memorial. 645-5927 before 6pm.

WANTED

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

Junk cars. 689-5125.

Automatic transmission for 2003 Chevy 4x4 truck. 656-2281.

Someone to cut grass, weed-eat semi-monthly, Hot Springs. 919/412-0559.

MISCELLANEOUS

For Rent: 2BR trailer, part furn, 2 people, no pets, \$400/mo+dep. 645-9237.

Will Do: cabinet services. 675-8001.

Will Do: housecleaning. 450-8073.

Will Do: lawn care. 450-8073.

FOMCA low cost spay/neuter. 649-9798.

Will Do: chair caning. 689-5125.

Will Do: pressure washing. 675-4003.

Will Do: cut trees. 675-4003.

Will Do: carpentry work, porches, decks, fences. 337-8430.

For Rent: creek side cabin, \$85/night. 656-2281.

Chatt com prop4trade for small home w/ land/water. 423/580-3231.

Will Do: decorative finishes, ref. 423/580-3231.

Scotland Tour, July 27-Aug 8. FredGriffie@gmail.com.

Will Do: caregiving for elderly or disabled, ref. 649-9676.

Small farm workshop, Feb 25, 8:30am-4:30pm, Mad Co Coop Ext Ctr. 649-2411.

Will Do: alterations. 689-3273.

Reminder

Daylight Savings Time

begins

Sunday March 8th