



# The Electrifier

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**“Owned by those we serve”**

**Marshall, NC**

## Keep Up With Your Electricity Usage for 2022

RECORD CHART FOR ELECTRIC BILLS						
<u>Month</u>	<u>Meter Reading</u>	<u>Date Read</u>	<u>kWh Used</u>	<u>Number of Days</u>	<u>Amount of Bill</u>	<u>Date Paid</u>
JANUARY						
FEBRUARY						
MARCH						
APRIL						
MAY						
JUNE						
JULY						
AUGUST						
SEPTEMBER						
OCTOBER						
NOVEMBER						
DECEMBER						

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 We encourage you to clip out the above chart and use it to record your electrical usage for the year. It will serve as a ready reference for the cost of electricity for any particular month. If you keep these records over several years, you will know when and how your usage is affected by holidays, vacations, company, etc. As the cost of energy continues to rise, more and more emphasis will be placed on energy efficiency and reducing energy consumption. This exercise should show if your efforts are successful over time.



### THE NEW DEADLINE IS THE 10th OF EACH MONTH

Due to changes in the production process of the Electrifier newsletter, the deadline for ad submissions will now be the **10th** of each month.

Ex. if you submit an ad before January 10th, your ad will be printed in the February edition.

Ex. if you submit an ad after January 10th, your ad will be printed in the March edition.

# Manager's Report

## "Bright Ideas" Gives Back to Those We Serve



Since 1994, the North Carolina Electric Cooperatives Bright Ideas program has given almost \$15 million dollars to educators for more than 12,922 projects benefiting over 2.7 million students. The Bright Ideas program was developed to provide funding to our local teachers for innovative classroom projects that fall outside normal funding parameters. For the past 22 years, French Broad Electric has participated in the Bright Ideas program, funding projects from teachers in and near our service territory.

This past fall marked another successful year for the Bright Idea program at French Broad EMC. In total, \$25,000 was used to fund projects in Madison, Buncombe, Yancey, Mitchell, and Unicoi Counties. Many grants have been awarded toward technology-based curriculum items such as iPods, iPads, Kindle's, etc. Our school systems have very limited resources for purchasing these items. We live in a society heavily influenced by technology and our children need to be fluent in the use of these technology-based tools. Being able to contribute to the purchase of these technologies is a worthwhile investment in our communities and our children.

A few of the many interesting projects that were funded this year included a grant to Mitchell High School for \$800 to purchase a 3D model of the

human heart. With this model, Mrs. Katelyn Grindstaff can make learning human anatomy more interesting by engaging her students with the model. Students will not only learn the makeup and operation of the heart, but will also investigate diseases and other disorders and how to diagnose and discuss treatments.

Another great project that was funded was for Mrs. Kroft's class at Hot Springs Elementary School. With a \$1,500 grant, she is more prepared to develop students in the Special Education program. By purchasing the Learning Success System program, students will learn their core subjects such as Math and English in a variety of different ways. They will be challenged academically and stimulated with various critical thinking exercises.

Mrs. Julie McKinney of South Toe Elementary was awarded a \$1,500 grant to assist in the purchase of studio equipment for her "news room". These tools will be used by the students to assist in producing the students' News Show. Each day, students record news-worthy stories in Mrs. McKinney's class where they can share them with the rest of the school, as well as the parents.

As you can see, great things are going on in our local school systems and French Broad Electric and its Board of

Directors are proud to contribute to such a worthy cause. We are proud of the work our local educators do for our youth in our communities and want to assist providing them with the tools to do more.

Our Bright Ideas grant program provides an opportunity to our teachers to help more kids and get them involved in developing the skills that will be necessary for them to be successful as they become adults.

### Right-of-Way (ROW) Schedule January/February

#### Burnsville District (cutting)

- \*Hwy 19W
- \*Bloody Fork
- \*Piney Hill
- \*Town of Bakersville
- \*Transmission Lines  
(from Burnsville to Relief)  
(from Relief to Bakersville)

#### Marshall District (cutting)

- \*Grandview Area  
(from River Road to Hwy 25/70)
- \*Meadows Town Road
- \*Rector Corner

If you have questions, please contact us at 828-649-2051 or visit our website: [www.frenchbroademc.com](http://www.frenchbroademc.com).



# 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.

Ads may be submitted online or mailed to:

French Broad EMC, Attn: Paula Seay, PO Box 9, Marshall, NC 28753.

**FOR SALE**

1994 3BR/2BA Oakwood SW w/ covered back porch, \$9,500. 678-1263.

3-pcs American Tourister luggage, \$35. 683-9169.

Night stands, medium brown wood, \$30/both. 683-9169.

Frigidaire 10k BTU room AC w/ remote, \$160. 779-0352.

Trampoline w/ enclosure, \$80. 779-0352.

2002 Buick Century, \$1,200. 649-9390.

Ladies' scrubs (20+ sets), sm-med. 208-7007.

Monitor 441 w/ 275-gal oil tank & stand, \$500. 776-4384.

Buck stove insert, \$400. 776-4384.

Truck, trailer and roller, \$20,000. 206-5966.

Australian Blue Healer puppies, born Nov 26. 682-2050.

100% chestnut oak seasoned firewood. 284-8343.

6-point chandelier w/ wiring & ceiling parts. 689-9824.

Ladies Invicta watch. 689-9824.

(4) tubeless Dunlop KT869 ATV tires, 23x11x10, 4ply, \$140 OBO. 688-1144.

(20) white plastic inside shutters, 6"x28", \$10/pair. 688-1144.

18" 154SE Husqvarna chainsaw, \$150. 704/892-1225.

8-drawer dresser w/ mirror, black mahogany, \$250. 919/452-1275.

Oil Burner, Blue Angel model HS, make over. 689-4876.

Leer camper cover, 98x70, fits Ford F-250 8' bed, \$100. 689-4876.

Treadmill, FREE. 645-4597.

Pond skimmer for storm water pond, \$200. 258-8281.

Coconut coir mesh blanket for slope erosion control, \$150. 258-8281.

Chestnut lumber. 688-2957.

Chestnut fire mantels. 688-2957.

English Shepherd puppies, \$250 ea. 683-3126.

Drive wheelchair, \$80. 765-0163.

Hardwood firewood, will deliver. 206-9097.

Jewelry, vintage & costume. 675-4271.

Teapot collection. 675-4271.

**WANTED**

Junk cars. 689-5125.

Mealmaster wood cook stove w/ water reservoir. 649-3670.

Firewood, Spring Creek. 622-7609.

Full-time live-in care giver, fully furnished apt provided. 712-5634.

9-frame honey extractor w/ electric motor. 284-1966.

Old raised panel and flat panel doors. 380-1232.

Old barn to tear down for the materials. 380-1232.

Blacksmith equipment: anvil, leg vice, punches, etc. 682-9289.

(3) rolls of hay. 208-0938.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

For Rent: Lot for mobile home w/ water, septic, \$450/mo. 515-5301.

Will Do: haul away old riding mowers for free. 689-3896.

Will Do: haul away old cars & trucks for free. 689-3896.

Will Do: clean residential or vacation homes, ref. 417-5172.

FOMCA low cost spay/neuter. 649-9798.

Will Do: chair caning. 273-3161.

American Legion Post 317 mtg, 1st Thurs, 6pm, Marshall. 649-9412.

**Minisplit Heat Pump Maintenance Program**

If you have the Maintenance Agreement, please call us today at 828-649-2051 to schedule an appointment to have your Minisplit Heat Pump unit(s) cleaned.

For more information, visit our website: [www.frenchbroademc.com](http://www.frenchbroademc.com).

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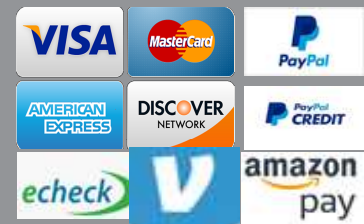
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### To Report A Power Outage

Marshall District  
(Madison, Buncombe &  
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**1-844-294-5697**



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For thirty-three teachers from twenty schools in the area, Christmas came early in the form of a check. These teachers were awarded funding for the Bright Ideas project proposals they submitted earlier in the fall. They were selected from applications submitted to French Broad EMC for consideration.

The grants, in amounts ranging from \$250 to \$1,500, will help fund innovative ways to improve classroom instruction. The grants will purchase supplies that are not affordable through normal school budgets, which typically are strained to meet the basic needs of teachers.

#### Buncombe County

Eblen Intermediate School: Courtney McClure  
Erwin High: Lacey Grogan Davis  
Leicester Elementary: Tammy Gregg & Brittany Whitson

#### Madison County

Brush Creek Elementary: Mandy Sheehan  
Hot Springs Elementary: Judith Kroft  
Madison Early College: Julien Harrison  
Madison High: Rachael Ray  
Madison Middle: James Brett Anderson, Cristy Price &  
Don Schiffhauer  
Mars Hill Elementary: Hannah Batten, Crystal Blankenship,  
Jocelyn Radford & Leslie White

#### Mitchell County

Bowman Middle: John Helmer  
Gouge Elementary: Michelle Lord  
Harris Middle: Dustin Hughes  
Mayland Early College: Angel Willis  
Mitchell High: Katelyn Grindstaff

#### Unicoi County

Unicoi High: Dustin Street

#### Yancey County

Burnsville Elementary: Carleigh Burleson & Keli Miller  
Cane River Middle: Christy Deyton, Victoria Hensley  
& Jenny Martin  
East Yancey Middle: Chris Brocci, Beryl Carroll,  
Renee Duncan, Kevin Paul & Dawn Silver  
Mountain Heritage High: Amanda Ogle  
South Toe Elementary: Julie McKinney