

GIVING THANKS

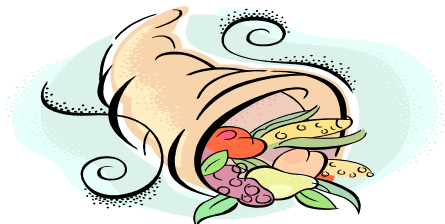
What better time of year than the month of Thanksgiving to give our thanks! We hope you know how appreciative we are of your membership and continued patronage. Being the small fish in the water is not always an easy task. Co-ops usually have less capital and manpower than our bigger, more profitable competitors, but one thing we have that they don't - a sense of community. Small co-ops, like ours, strive to improve our rural communities through providing advanced products and services, investing back into our community or even through our own employees' personal involvement. We want you, our members, to know that we are here working for you. Our commitment to bringing you next generation services is what keeps us motivated.

We have a great staff of employees at the co-op that take pride in their work, but also their community. The Co-op supports our area schools and projects mostly through monetary pledges, but our employees give back to the community through their



families, schools, churches, civic and social groups. Another way our employees contribute and represent the Co-op is through local festivals and parades. We are grateful to continue to strive as a co-op with a great group of employees and wonderful members. We wish you all a Happy & Safe Thanksgiving!

Congratulations to Clint Mosby! Clint celebrates 15 years with the Co-op on November 18th. He serves our members as a Communications Worker, primarily installing and servicing telephone, DSL and Video television services. Thanks for your dedication Clint!



Please help us welcome Kane Smith to the telephone co-op's team of employees. Kane joins us as a Communications Worker. He received his degree in Telecommunications from Lincoln Trail College in May. The past two summers Kane has worked for our co-op through an internship with his school.



November Events:

- Nov 11 - Veterans Day
» Office Closed «
- Nov 24 - Thanksgiving Day
» Office Closed «

NEW DIRECTORY LISTINGS:

- Alliance WOR Processing
648-2506
- Doyle Williams Auto Sales
773-4680
- Hiltibidal, Charles
773-4447
- Hutchcraft, Brandon
728-4489
- McPeak, Erica
773-4485

Kevin Pyle
EVP & General Manager

Board of Directors:

- 647 Exchange
J.C. Pool
- 648 Exchange
Russell Allen, Treasurer
- 728 Exchange
David Clark, President
- 736 Exchange
Lemuel Gage, Secretary
- 756 Exchange
Rob Kiefer
- 757 Exchange
Kelly Woodrow, Vice-President
- 773 Exchange
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Give back to your community.

**Thousands of households in Illinois do not have local telephone service.
You can help make a difference for struggling households in your community.**

The economic slow-down has been hard on everyone, but for some of those most affected even the cost of a telephone has become too high. These include persons with disabilities, senior citizens, and families with young children. You can help them connect to emergency help, employers, schools and relatives by contributing to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation (UTAC).

The UTAC Lifeline and Link-Up programs help low-income individuals and households acquire local phone service and get a discount on their monthly phone bills.

It's easy to contribute. Simply fill out the form on the reverse side and indicate the amount you would like to give each month - 50 cents, \$1, \$2 or as much as \$5. That amount can be paid with your monthly telephone bill. Your contribution will be supplemented by federal funds to help provide phone service for individuals and families who could not otherwise afford it.

Please Help! Every contribution counts. You may also make a one-time donation.

Please indicate the amount you would like to donate each month to help someone obtain local telephone service in Illinois.

YES, I want to help! Please bill me monthly for contributions to the Universal Telephone Service Assistance Program in the amount shown below. I understand that I may change or discontinue my donation by giving 30 days advance notice.

Business Customer Monthly Donation

- \$1 \$10
 \$5 \$25

Residential Customer Monthly Donation

- 50 cents \$2
 \$1 \$5

Please complete the information below, sign your name and return this form with your next phone bill payment.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Signature: _____



Note: One-time contributions are also welcome.

Please send to:

Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation
P.O. Box 1176, Springfield, IL 62705

Your contribution to the Universal Telephone Corporation is deductible on your income taxes to the extent allowed by law. Consult your tax advisor to determine how this applies to you.