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### PUTNAM COUNTY FAIR Tuesday-Saturday, September 8-12th



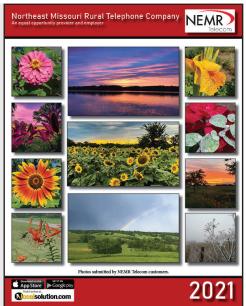
Stop by NEMR Telecom's booth for a free gift and sign-up for a chance to win daily prizes!





### 2021 DIRECTORY PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to all the photo contest winners! We had so many great photos submitted that we decided to design the directory using several of them. Here is what it will look like and the names of those who's photos were selected: (Top to bottom and left to right) Jamie Rouse, Tasha Eggleston, Lori Fleshman, Kathy Kiddoo, Brian Mayer, Rachel Search, Jennifer Chrisman, Shirley Bair, Erin Tallman, Cole Tippett, and Keith Martin. Northeast Missouri is a beautiful place to live! Can't wait to see what you send in next year!



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# A MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

I would like to thank you, our members, for supporting the cooperative this past year. At the end of 2019, the cooperative had invested over \$84 million dollars into our plant to serve our members. 93% of our members are buying broadband services and approximately 95% of our members are connected to fiber optic cable. We were able to complete the fiber projects in Queen City and Martinstown in 2019. NEMR is hoping to finish our last three exchanges, Winigan, Pollock & Lemons by early 2021.

With the pandemic, our services are more crucial than ever. It has been a challenge, but I think our employees have done a great job keeping our customers connected during this unprecedented time. We are following CDC guidelines to protect our employees and our customers. NEMR's mission is to provide high quality communication services at reasonable rates delivered to you by our friendly employees. The cooperative strives to always have a positive impact on our communities and the people we serve.

-Michele Gillespie, General Manager

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS SERVICE AWARDS

Rick Kent, Board President, presented service awards to the following directors during the Annual Meeting.



Junior Bertram 35 Years



Hubert Pfeiffer 34 Years



Jim Kigar 20 Years

# THE BUZZZZ

# EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

Michele Gillespie presents service awards to employees and celebrates her own employment with NEMR!



Steve Harlan-20 Years



Eric Long-10 Years



Michele Gillespie 25 Years

CONGRATS!



Danny Babcock-10 Years



Autumn is many people's favorite season. What's not to love about visiting the local pumpkin patch, going on a hayrack ride, and feeling a bit of chill in the air?

As your local communications provider, NEMR Telecom would love to make your autumn even more awesome. Granted, we don't offer pumpkin spice internet, but we do offer awesome speeds up to 100 Mbps, awesome prices to fit any budget, and awesome employees who are here to help.

# CALL 660-874-4111 FOR A 1 MONTH FREE UPGRADE





Cody Gundy-10 Years

Do you struggle paying your telephone or internet bill? You may qualify for Lifeline, a federal program that lowers the monthly cost of phone and internet. Eligible customers will get up to \$9.25 toward their bill. You can only use Lifeline for either phone or internet, but not both. You may qualify for a discount based on your income or if you use SNAP, Medicaid, or other programs. To apply for Lifeline or find out if you qualify, visit lifelinesupport. org. If you do receive federal assistance, you will need proof when applying. The Lifeline program is limited to a household, not per person. If you are not able to apply online and would like a paper application, contact NEMR during business hours.





Michele Gillespie, CEO Board of Directors Rick Kent Ron Morlan Jim Kigar Mark Grgurich Dennis Fechtling Shane Bradshaw Scott Aylward Kenneth Hauk, Jr. Junior Bertram

### New Directory Listings

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Wendy's Sinsations	465-2029
Bulen, Mandi	465-2482
March, Kristina	488-5988
Kearse, Sarah	766-2252
Bass, Crystal	766-2488
York, Deborah	857-4335
Dixon, Edward & Barbara	857-4394
King, Travis & Stephanie	857-4425
Forquer, Jeffrey N	866-2346
Allgood, Craig E	874-4117
Shelton, Sara	883-5346
Garman, Eugene & Melisa	945-3008
Franklin, Terri	947-2076
Small, Annie	947-2186
Smith, Robert & Judith	947-2221
Houf, Herb	947-2627
Lunsford, Duane & Lisa	947-2856
Heick, Shari	947-7502

