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## SMART RURAL COMMUNITIES ADDED IN AUGUST



NEMR, a Smart Rural Community Provider, added more communities to NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association's Smart Rural Communities list. Congratulations goes to the Pollock and Memphis communities.

Memphis celebrated a ribbon cutting with special guest, Senator Cindy O'Laughlin. Others present were Representative Greg Sharpe, Scotland County Commissioners, Memphis Chamber, City Administrator, and other city and county leaders. During Pollock's sesquicentennial opening ceremonies, Phyllis Blondefield, accepted the new sign for the village. Each community received a certificate of recognition and a metal sign with the SRC logo, city name, and the NEMR logo to display. NEMR plans recognizing more communities this month. To learn what it means to be a Smart Rural Community, visit: [nemr.net/smartruralcommunity](http://nemr.net/smartruralcommunity).

## RILEY RECEIVES PROMOTION

Congratulations to NEMR's Justin Riley for his promotion from Lineman to Installer. Justin began his career at NEMR just two short years ago.

"I am looking forward to this new opportunity," said Riley. "If you have a good attitude and work hard, good things can come."



## NEW EMPLOYEE

NEMR has a new employee! Welcome Wesley Findling to the NEMR Team.

Wes is a familiar face around NEMR as he was one of our summer interns. When an opening became available in construction, he decided NEMR was a great fit for him and wanted to join the team full-time. If you see Wes out and about with the construction crew, tell him hi. You'll surely be received with a wave and a smile!



## EDUCATIONAL WEBSITES FOR KIDS

Make technology time fun and educational! Check out these super cool kid-friendly websites:

1. ABCya.com- [abcya.com](http://abcya.com)
2. BrainPOP- [brainpop.com/at-home](http://brainpop.com/at-home)
3. FunBrain- [funbrain.com](http://funbrain.com)
4. How Stuff Works- [howstuffworks.com](http://howstuffworks.com)
5. National Geo Kids- [kids.nationalgeographic.com](http://kids.nationalgeographic.com)
6. TIME for Kids- [timeforkids.com](http://timeforkids.com)
7. Learn With Smithsonian- [si.edu/kids](http://si.edu/kids)
8. San Diego Zoo- [kids.sandiegozoo.org](http://kids.sandiegozoo.org)

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## NEW DIRECTORY LISTINGS

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|------------------|--------------|
| Kray, Jared      | 660-874-5990 |
| Baker, Loren B   | 660-883-5521 |
| Kline, J         | 660-947-3838 |
| Cullor, Jeanne M | 660-947-7027 |



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# NEMR PARTICIPATES IN FEDERAL PROGRAMS

# CELEBRATING OUR SUMMER INTERNS



## Apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program

NEMR is participating in the **Affordable Connectivity Program** (ACP), a U.S. government program that helps many low-income households receive a discount on internet service. **This program offers up to \$30 off the Internet bill** for families that meet income eligibility requirements.



To see if you qualify, scan the QR with your smartphone or visit [getinternet.gov](http://getinternet.gov)

You can also call NEMR during business hours at 660-874-4111 for assistance.



Do you struggle to pay your telephone or your internet bill? You may qualify for Lifeline, a federal program that lowers the monthly cost of phone and internet. You may qualify for a discount based on your income or if you use SNAP, Medicaid or other federal programs. To apply for Lifeline or find out if you qualify, visit [lifelinesupport.org](http://lifelinesupport.org). If you do receive federal assistance, you will need proof when applying. The program is limited to one person per household. If you are not able to apply online and would like a paper application, contact NEMR during business hours, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., M-F. If you currently receive Lifeline discounts for telephone, you may already qualify for the ACP.



Summer is over and we must say goodbye to our interns. A big thank you goes out to Kora Bain, Office Intern; Brody Parrish, Construction Intern; and Brody Lunsford, Construction Intern. The NEMR Team wishes you success in whatever career you choose. The NEMR Internship Program provides training for college bound students in a safe work environment. Interns learn new skills and get hands-on training while earning a wage. If you know someone who would be interested in applying for an internship next summer, they can send an email to [internship@nemr.net](mailto:internship@nemr.net). Opportunities may be available in our outside plant, office, marketing, and internet technology.



## SIZZLING SEPTEMBER SMOKING HOT DEAL



Sign up for autopay & paperless billing to get a **\$50 bill credit** in November. All new or current autopay & paperless billing customers will be entered in a random drawing for NEMR chairs, cooler, and more!

Sign up at [www.nemr.net](http://www.nemr.net) or call 660-874-4111.

Promotion ends 9/30/2023



Michele Gillespie, CEO

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