

The Connection

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Managers Moment- Roger Beinlich

After reading "The Connection" article in the October 1st Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc. newsletter about the changes in equipment used in the telephone industry, I was reminded of a visit to the Discovery Center in Pierre with the grandchildren. As my grandchildren explored the working display of a rotary dial phone, I discovered they had no idea how to use the phone. They lacked experience with that equipment.

Kennebec Telephone is upgrading the Cable TV system to make a digital signal available to all subscribers. Like the grandchildren, Kennebec CATV subscribers are experienc-

ing a major equipment change with the requirement of the installation of receiver boxes on the TV set.

Any change brings questions on the usage of the new equipment. Remember, we are here to help answer your questions, so please feel free to call our office.

We greatly appreciate your patience during the change-over period and in your learning experience with the new system. Change, though sometimes difficult, will result in a better product.

Roger Beinlich
Controller

New Employees...A to Z!

Kennebec Telephone Company is pleased to introduce our two newest Employees, Adam Grubl and Zach Wolf. Both have joined the Kennebec Telephone Construction team.



Adam, a native of Sturgis South Dakota, grew up on a ranch east of Sturgis with his parents and younger brother, Lucas. He graduated from Sturgis High school in 2009 and attended Mitchell Technical Institute. In his spare time, Adam enjoys hunting, riding 4-wheelers and dirt bikes.

Zach grew up in Rapid City. He ventured south to Oklahoma and Texas and is currently residing in Presho. Zach enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Daylight Saving Time Ends	November 6
NAPA Open House @ Charley's	November 10
Veterans Day- KTCI Office Closed	November 11
Thanksgiving Day-KTCI Office Closed	November 24

Directory Changes

Tiarra Bowar & Adam Grubl.....	869-2690
Ryan Husman.....	869-2446
Zach Wolf.....	895-2558

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Fire Prevention Week... Kid's and Cakes!



National Fire Prevention Week, October 11-16, started with Kennebec K-2nd graders visiting the Fire House. KTC employees and volunteer firemen in attendance were Rod Bowar, Jason Thiry, and Matt Collins.

On Sunday, October 16, the Firemen hosted their annual pancake breakfast. It conveniently falls on the first Sunday of Pheasant Season, so along with the local folks it also draws a number of hunters in the area. KTC employees/firemen adding cook and server to their list of duties included: Rod Bowar, Matt Collins, Jason Thiry, Adam Grubl, Trusty Mertens, and Jake Longville.

We are proud to have so many of our employees volunteering with the Fire Department. Thank you for your service!

Nick Channels New to Basic Cable Package

By the time this newsletter gets to you, the changes in KTCI's Cable should be underway or even finished. Thank you for your patience in this endeavor.

If you have the Basic package, you will notice three additional channels after Nickelodeon- **NickToons** (408), **Nick Jr.** (409), and **Nick Teen** (410).

NickToons, airs mostly cartoons, as the name implies: "Fanboy and Chum Chum", "Fairly Odd Parents", and "The Adventures of Jimmy Neutron, Boy Genius," can all be seen on Nick Toons.

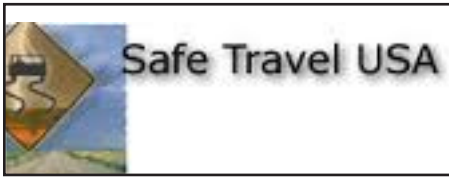
Nick Jr. is aimed at a younger audience, mostly

enjoyed by pre-schoolers through first graders. Familiar programs on Nick Jr. (at least I've heard about them) include "The Backyardigans," "Blue's Clues," and "Olivia".

Nick Teen offers up- "Zoey 101," "Drake and Josh," and "DeGrassi: the Next Generation," and the target audience is Middle-school to HS.

For more information on Nickelodeon programming, visit nick.com, where you will find schedules, program notes, and even games to play on the computer.

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Can you believe that it's November already? Old man winter will soon be knocking at our doors, along with his buddies Ice and Snow. Remember to dial 511 or log onto Safe Travel USA, before you take off this winter.



The phone call will give you road conditions for most interstate and state highways. The website offers the same, but you can pinpoint your route and even check out photos from several key points. Both of these options are available year round advising road work, disturbances, obstructions, disasters and other travel hazards. But in the winter, the road conditions reports can be more than a convenience, they might just be a lifesaver!

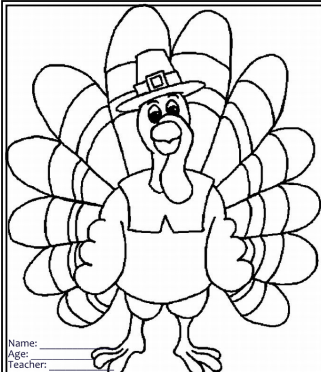
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why did Kennebec Telephone change the CATV so we now need boxes?

A: There are a couple of reasons: first the digital delivery of the channels, giving an improved picture quality. The second reason is the reduction in the number of dishes, receivers, modulators, and other Head end equipment, reducing costs to KTCI, so hopefully, we can keep the customer prices down.

Q: Why is Charley's Welding and Auto Repair having another open house?

A: The NAPA inventory is now in and on the shelves! So we'd like everyone to come in and check out our store. Also the Open House gives us the opportunity to thank everyone for their patience and for their business.



Name: _____
Age: _____
Teacher: _____

Pre-K & Kindergarten

It's almost Thanksgiving!

Coloring Contest is open to
Pre-K & Kindergarten -Turkeys
and

First and Second Grade- Pilgrims.

There will be a winner in each category from Kennebec
School and Presho School!

Visit kennebectelephone.com to print your pages,
or stop by the office to pick one up.

Entries due in Telephone office by November 18th.



Name: _____
Age: _____
Teacher: _____

First & Second Grade



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Our mission is to provide the highest quality telecommunications and information service to our customers at an affordable price. We will strive to offer prompt, friendly, and dependable service along with the latest technology to attain the highest possible customer satisfaction.

If you would like more information or have questions about anything in this newsletter, feel free to contact us at 605-869-2220.

It's time to party!

Open House!

Thursday, November 10th
4:00pm 'til "the cows come home"

Burgers, Brats and Hot Dogs!

Spin the Wheel for Prizes!

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