

# The Connection

Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc

## Community Involvement

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One of my favorite days of the year is the day the Kennebec Volunteer Fire Department hosts the lower elementary students for Fire Prevention week. Seeing the kids walk over to the firehall each year for fire safety month is an annual highlight for me. I have two grade school boys that have been attending for a couple years now. Each year they come home from the event saying, "It's time to check the smoke detectors and change the batteries", even though my cooking sets the alarms off weekly so I **know** when the batteries need to be replaced. We then go over our plan such as where our meeting spot is, what do we do in case of a fire, and so on. As I was over at the firehall this year taking pictures of the kids for the newsletter, it was hard not to have a big smile on my face watching the kids spraying the hose and riding around town in the trucks with all the lights and sirens going. As they loaded up to go for their ride back to school, I thought, WOW, do we have anyone left working? How cool is it that we have eight employees as part of the Kennebec Volunteer Fire Department! That is something Kennebec Telephone is very proud of and supports whole heartedly.

Small towns need community involvement. With all the staff of Kennebec Telephone combined we are involved in thirty-seven different volunteer organizations within Lyman and Brule counties. Rod and Matt have always been big supporters of community involvement. If it wasn't for volunteers, numerous organizations and events, especially youth activities, would not exist or run as smoothly as they do. I just want to take this opportunity to thank all of the community members and staff for volunteering their time. You make things happen and that makes all the difference.

THANK YOU!



**FIRE SAFETY**



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

**Veterans Day**



All divisions of Kennebec Telephone  
will be closed November 11th for  
Veterans Day and November 24th  
for Thanksgiving Day





KTCI welcomes new employee, Mandy Slominski. Mandy grew up in Presho and graduated from Lyman High in 2016. She received her associates degree online in Medical Office Administration through Mitchell Technical College. She is married to Drew and they have a daughter, Krew and 3 cats, Elmer, Ivy and Jackie. She has worked for the Lyman School District, Monument Health and Altru Health. She enjoys spending time with family and friends, camping and snowmobiling.

KTCI welcomes back Amy Bowar. You formerly saw Amy at Charley's before she ventured off to run the Kennebec Kafe, and manage the Medicine Creek Clubhouse. Amy will be working at the NAPA store in Chamberlain.

Kennebec Volunteer Fire Department hosted the lower grades from Lyman Elementary for Fire Prevention Week. The kids enjoyed a tour of the fire-hall and got to be up close to see some of the tools used for fighting fires. The highlight is always riding in the fire truck down the highway with lights and sirens before they are returned to school. KTCI is very proud to have staff who are volunteer fire-fighters.



**Fall back Sunday, November 6th! Daylight savings time ends.**

## POSITION AVAILABLE

KTC Construction currently has the following position available:

### KTC Construction Position

Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc. is now taking applications for a year around, full-time construction position that offers excellent pay and benefits. The position consists of such things as underground plumbing, digging, trenching, and operating equipment. Experience preferred but would be willing to train. Position will be open until filled.

**Please submit resume to PO Box 158, Kennebec, SD 57544 or email to: [christiec@kennebectelephone.com](mailto:christiec@kennebectelephone.com)**

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