

Transmitter

Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Assn.

January 2014



Egyptian to sponsor student to Washington, D.C.

Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association is sponsoring one high school junior to participate in a four-day tour of Washington, D.C., as part of the 20th annual Foundation for Rural Service Youth Tour. This experience of a lifetime trip will be held May 31- June 4, 2014.

During the trip, students will gain a first-hand look at the telecommunications industry and the legislative process by visiting Congress, the Federal Communications Commission, and other government agencies. They will also see famous landmarks such as Smithsonian Institution, the U.S. Capitol, Washington Monument, and Arlington National Cemetery. A lot of fun activities supplement the tour such as a night tour of the city.

The winning student will join 100 other high school juniors from around the United States for this chaperoned trip. To qualify and enter the Youth Tour contest, students must:

- Have parents and/or grandparents who are current members of Egyptian Telephone Cooperative.
- Be a high school junior.
- Be in the top 50 percent of the junior class.
- Be younger than 18 years of age at the time of the youth tour.

Area high school counselors have been asked to select a student from their school who meets the above requirements. If you know a high school junior who meets the above requirements, please encourage them to contact their high school counselor. All entries need to be submitted by January 24, 2014. A panel of judges will interview the finalists and make the final selection by March 3, 2014.

The immediate family of employees and directors of Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association are ineligible. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Egyptian at 618-774-1000.

Do-Not-Call Notification

The Federal Communication Commission (FCC) and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) continue to enforce the regulations for the National Do-Not-Call list. The FCC requires all telecommunications carriers that provide Local Exchange Service to notify their subscribers of their rights as they relate to the Do-Not-Call rules. You have the right to give or revoke an objection to receiving telephone solicitations. To either register or revoke your registration, please call 888-382-1222 (TTY 1-866-290-4236) or via the Internet at www.donotcall.gov.

The national registry prevents telephone solicitations made for commercial purposes only, and will not prevent telephone solicitations made by a tax-exempt nonprofit organization, for example, for charitable or political purposes. Also, the registry will not prevent calls from companies with whom you may have an established business relationship, or those to whom

you've provided express agreement in writing to receive their calls.

The FCC has defined an established business relationship as one in which the consumer has "a prior or existing relationship" with a company that is formed voluntarily through communications between the company and the consumer on the basis of a purchase or transaction regarding products or services within 18 months immediately preceding a telephone solicitation, and which has not been previously terminated by either the consumer or the company. Such an established business relationship also exists on the basis of a consumer inquiry regarding a company's products or services within three months immediately preceding the date of a telephone solicitation, and which either the consumer or the company has not previously terminated.

Directory Changes

During the next few months, Egyptian Telephone Cooperative employees will be making the final preparation for Egyptian's 2014-2015 telephone directories. If you have any additions or corrections, please call us at 618-774-1000.

FUSC increase

Effective on your February 2014 statement, the amount of your Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) appearing on your bill each month will increase in the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) universal service fund contribution factor from 15.6% to 16.4%. The federal universal service fund program is designed to help keep local telephone service rates affordable for all customers in all areas of the United States.

Directory Additions

Mark & Vanessa Balthasar 329-5537

Marc & Deanna Weinoffer 763-4233





Win a \$10 Bill Credit



Correctly complete the following questions and mail the completed form with your telephone bill before the due date. Your name will be placed in a drawing for a \$10 bill credit. There will be four winners drawn in February. Last month's winners were David Porter, Ron Kellerman, Erwin Koenig, and Beatrice Bergmann.

1. Egyptian is sponsoring one high school junior to participate in the four-day tour of _____ as part of the 20th Annual Youth Tour program.

2. The Youth Tour will be held May 31 through _____.

Name _____

Telephone Number _____



Can you help us?

Listed below are names of patrons who we have been unable to locate for our recent capital credit retirements. If you are in contact with any of these former members, please ask them to contact our office at 618-774-1000.

Mann, James J.
Marchlewski, Victor
McCarthy, Craig/Kim Compton
McKenzie, Max
McKinney, Jamie
McNew, Scott
Mesnarich, Jenny
Middendorf, Brad
Mifflin, Alice
Meyer, Mildred & Harry
Miles, Robert & Diann
Miles, Robert J.
Miller, Rick
Moeser, Christopher
Moore, Michael
Morgan, Aaron & Anita
Moss, Carol
Mtel
Naumann, Richard
Oates, Liza
O'Neill, Ralph
O'Rear, Michael
Orman, Anne
Palmer, Timothy
Parrott, Robert
Patton, Cliff
Piccolo, Michael, Michele Tindall
Pickett, Gordon Scott/Stacie
Piper, David
Port of Ava Marina
Quillman, Carrie
Raines, Shannon
Reeder, Mary
Reichling, Mike
Rendelman, William
Reynolds, Clifton
Rheinecker, Paul/Ronda
Roberts, Glen Jr.
Robertson, JT
Rogers, Debbie
Rolls Royce Inc
Ruffino, Travis
Rybacki, Vincent & Shirley

Sabo, Frank J.
Sandheinrich, Elroy
Schaller, Jon A.
Scheffer, Joseph & Sheila
Schicker, Corey
Schleicher, Harold
Schmersahl, Frank & Cindy
Schrieber, Francis H.
Schubert, Joan
Schumer, Dale
Schweller, George
Shubert, Jay Kevin/Annie
Smith, Gina
Smith, Kirk
Smith, Sheila
Smith-Fain, Sheila
Sneed-Madden, Eva
Stafford, James
Stevens, Rodney
Stevenson, Joe
Stout, Joseph L.
Strange & Coleman Mech Contractors
Strate, Kenneth
Swinney, John D.
Synowiec, James J.
Szczeblewski, Christopher
Thomas, Michael & Angela
Thomason, Larry
Tolish, Peter & Kay
Tudor, Yvonne
Watson, Barbara
Williamson, Michael
Wilson, Dawn & Dwayne
Wilson, John
Wilson, Nancy J.
Wilson, Wayne/Donna
Witherby, Kristopher
WJG Meritel Corp
World Communications
Wright, Mark
Yankey Auto Salvage
Zoller, Randy

IMPORTANT- 24-Hour Trouble-Reporting Numbers

To report trouble from ETCA Exchanges, use the following free telephone numbers 24 hours a day:

Oakdale..... 329-1234
Rice..... 336-1234
Glenn..... 763-1234
St. Libory 768-1234

Blair 774-1234
Baldwin..... 785-1234
Venedy 824-1234

1010 W. Broadway
Steeleville, IL 62288
(618) 774-1000

Office Hours:
8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Mon. - Fri.

