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Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Assn. • September 2023

Egyptian's 69th Annual Meeting

Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association's 69th Annual Meeting of members was held Friday, August 11 at the American Legion in Steepleville. Members enjoyed pulled pork with all the fixings served by Sauced Up Smokers.

The meeting was called to order by Director Kevin Nurnberger. Attorney Ron Arbeiter gave a report from the Credential Committee. David Goetting, Kenneth Hollman, and Kevin Nurnberger were renominated, and members voted to resume their roles as directors.

Treasurer Kenneth Hollman then gave his report. "We are confident to report that your cooperative is in strong financial condition," he said.

Matthew Bollinger presented the manager's report, focusing on some of the dangers members may face, including robot calls, telemarketing scams, phishing emails, cyber security and AI. He also informed members of the cooperative's progress updating copper cables to broadband and government funding relating to fiber.

The board of directors announced the return of over \$250,000 in capital credits to members and checks were mailed in August.

After adjournment, 71 prizes were given away to members present at the meeting.



Illinois Digital Divide Elimination Fund

Members wishing to participate in the "Program to Foster the Elimination of the Digital Divide" may do so by electing to contribute a fixed amount on a monthly basis. A fixed amount of \$.50, \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, or \$25 will be included in members' monthly billing. The member may cease contributing at any time upon providing notice to Egyptian Telephone. Any contribution made will not reduce the members' bill for telecommunication services.

All funds received are forwarded on your behalf to the "Program to Foster the Elimination of the Digital Divide" in Springfield, IL. Please contact Egyptian Telephone Cooperative's business office at 618-774-1000 if you wish to participate.





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 in October. Last month's winners were Ron Kellerman, Arlene Hundelt, Shirley Mueller, and Tom Segelhorst.

1. Egyptian held its _____ Annual Meeting on August 11, 2023.
2. You can help households with the cost of a phone line with the Universal _____ Assistance Corporation (UTAC).

Name _____ Telephone Number _____ 

Give back to your community

For too many in Illinois, the cost to stay connected to family, emergency services, schools, and employers is just too high. You can help connect them to emergency help, caretakers, schools, and employers by contributing to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation (UTAC).

The UTAC Lifeline and Link-Up programs are funded entirely through voluntary donations.

These programs work with the federally-funded Lifeline program to help eligible people and families connect to telephone and internet services. Through these partnerships, low cost

electronic devices, internet, and telephone services are made available to people who would otherwise not be able to afford them.

It is easy to contribute. Simply fill out the form below and indicate the amount you would like to give per month – 50 cents, \$1, \$2, or as much as \$5. That amount can be paid with your monthly telephone bill. Your contribution will be supplemented by federal funds to help provide phone service for individuals and families who could not otherwise afford it.

Yes, I want to help!

Please bill me monthly contributions to the Universal Telephone Service Assistance Program in the amount shown below. I understand that I may change or discontinue my donation by giving 30 days advance notice.

Residential customers can make monthly contributions in the amounts of \$0.50 \$1 \$2 \$5

Business customers can make monthly contributions in the amounts of \$1 \$5 \$10 \$25

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number _____

Signature _____

One time contributions are also welcome.

Please send to: Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation, P. O. Box 1176, Springfield, IL 62705
Also find us at www.linkupillinois.org

Your contribution to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation is deductible on your income taxes to the extent allowed by law. Consult your tax advisor to determine how this applies to you.

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	Blair.....	774-1234
Rice.....	336-1234	Baldwin.....	785-1234
Glenn.....	763-1234	Venedy.....	824-1234
St. Libory.....	768-1234		



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