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2014 Craw-Kan Scholarship recipient  
 Autumn Secrest, Pleasanton.

## Craw-Kan Scholarships

We are proud to announce the winners of the 2014 Craw-Kan Scholarships. A college bound senior student from each high school located in a Craw-Kan Telephone exchange was selected and awarded a \$500 scholarship to be used in pursuit of their educational goals. Winners were selected by Craw-Kan's board of directors based on academic achievements, extracurricular participation, and civic involvement.

*Congratulations to 2014 Craw-Kan Scholarship winners!*

## 2014 Craw-Kan Scholarship Recipients

- Clayton Miller  
*Crest (Colony)*
- John Hey  
*Girard*
- Kaitlee Metcalf  
*Hume*
- Makalyn Gutshall  
*Miami*
- Andrew Ashbacher  
*Northeast (Arma)*
- Autumn Secrest  
*Pleasanton*
- Elizabeth Dey  
*Southeast (Cherokee)*
- Jordan Mason  
*Uniontown*

## County Fair Time

Craw-Kan supported local 4-H families in Cherokee, Bourbon, Linn, and Crawford counties by purchasing livestock.

### Board of Directors

- Mary Smith,  
*President*
- Sharon Starr,  
*Vice-President*
- Frank Dunnick,  
*Secretary-Treasurer*
- Wilda Pentola,  
*Director*
- John Kovacic,  
*Director*
- Jim O'Toole,  
*Director*
- Terry Kunstel,  
*Director*
- Roger Doue,  
*Director*
- Barry Bedene,  
*Director*
- Craig Wilbert,  
*General Manager*

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2013 Customer Appreciation

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## Customer Appreciation Day

Our annual customer appreciation day is scheduled for Friday September 5th from 11 am - 2 pm. Once again, the Craw-Kan grill-masters will be firing up the charcoal and serving up a local favorite, Schroeder's sausages! Let us show you how much we appreciate your patronage with a free lunch including grilled sausages and burgers, chips, and drinks. Radio station KKOW 96.9 "The KOW" will be doing a live remote, spinning some country tunes, and helping us give away some cool prizes! In the past we have given away Branson trips, Branson show tickets, KC Royals tickets, shirts, hats, and lots more. Don't miss out! We love our members and we want to say THANK YOU! Come have lunch with us and let us say thank you! And YES we WILL also be grilling onions again this year.



## Coming soon: FASTER SPEEDS at LOWER COSTS!

Craw-Kan is in the process of restructuring internet packages and pricing tailored to today's higher than ever consumption. Stream as much HD video as you want and NEVER pay overage and never share your speeds with your neighbor.

## National Do Not Call Registry

Managed by the Federal Trade Commission, the DNC registry gives you an opportunity to limit the telemarketing calls you receive.

After you place your telephone number on the Registry, most telemarketers will be required to remove your number from their call lists and may not call you. However, you may still receive calls from political organizations, charities, telephone surveyors, or companies with which you have an existing business relationship.

You can register by calling toll free 1-888-382-1222 (TTY 1-866-290-4236), from the number you wish to register. You may also go to [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov) if you have a working email address. Registration is free.

## Online Bill Pay

Call our office today at 620-724-8235 to setup online bill pay for your account to have the convenience of paying after hours.

## Digital Billboard

Want to submit your community event to be shown on our Summit street digital billboard? Just log on to [www.ckt.net](http://www.ckt.net) and click the "Highway Sign" link at the top right of our webpage. Simply fill out and submit the form - FREE for community events!

## Craw-Kan Director Positions

Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative has a board of nine directors each serving a three year term. Elections are staggered, according to our By-Laws whereby three director positions are up for election each year at the Craw-Kan Annual Meeting held in October. A nominating committee, appointed by the current directors in August, will meet in early September to make nominations for the three positions to be voted on at the Annual Meeting of Members in October. Voting at the Annual Meeting is by secret ballot. The By-Laws allow nominations from the floor of the Annual Meeting and any member desiring to vote for a candidate nominated from the floor at the meeting shall write in the name of such candidate beneath the candidates nominated by the committee. Each voting member of the Cooperative present in person at the meeting shall be entitled to vote for three candidates. The three candidates receiving the highest number of votes at such meeting shall be declared elected as Directors. For more detailed information on the election of Directors see Article IV of the By-Laws in the front of the Directory.

The Craw-Kan By-Laws state in Section 4.3 "Any member shall be eligible to be nominated, elected and remain a Director of cooperative who:

- Resides in the geographic area served by the Cooperative.
- Is not an employee of cooperative or in any way financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business engaged in selling communication services or communication supplies or maintaining communication facilities. However, the Board may grant exceptions for 'de minimus' competing enterprises.
- Is not closely related to an incumbent Director or an employee of Cooperative.
- Whose election would not establish a majority of directors to represent any one exchange area.
- Whose election would not establish a majority of more than one director to represent either the rural or urban areas.

If you would be interested in having the nominating committee consider you for nomination, your application will be presented to the nomination committee. Please send the following information to the General Manager, P.O. Box 100, Girard, KS 66743 **no later than September 3, 2014:**

### Information Required:

Name, address and telephone number.

Work experience.

Short paragraph stating why you would be interested in being a director.

## Local Service Rates For Telephone Service

Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is a telecommunications provider who provides basic and enhanced services within its service territory. Basic services are offered at various rates depending on the state and location where you receive service. Customers have access to long distance, directory assistance, and operator service providers of their choice, at rates established by those carriers. Emergency 911 Services are provided and a surcharge is assessed at governmental rates. If you have any questions regarding the Company's services you can visit the business office located at: 200 N. Ozark St., Girard, KS 66743 or by calling 800-362-0316.



Be sure to "Like" us on Facebook to learn about our web exclusive deals and to be eligible for special giveaways not available anywhere else. [facebook.com/crawkan](https://facebook.com/crawkan)

## SEK Classifieds

**Site redesign!** Earlier this year SEK Classifieds re-launched with a new look. The site now includes improved search and share features along with several other visual improvements. The primary goal is to keep the site simple and easy to use while putting together area buyers and sellers. Listings are directly displayed on Craw-Kan's CKtv SEK Classifieds Channel 15 automatically - 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. SEK Classifieds has nearly 1,000 registered users, and new items are listed daily. The site is completely FREE and will remain so as a service to our members and the community.



**Now available on CKtv Channel 15**

Check it out! [www.sekclassifieds.com](http://www.sekclassifieds.com) and search for SEK Classifieds on Facebook.

## CK Security

Your safety is our business! Since 1983, Craw-Kan has offered state-of-the-art technology to protect your property, assets and peace of mind. From convenient, easy-to-operate residential systems to expandable business installations, our technicians can customize a system to best fit your needs.

## CK Tech

For years we have been assisting our members with their internet connections over the phone, and for years we have been asked if we could tackle more complicated computer repairs. In 2011 we started a new service we call CK Tech. Our experienced technicians can repair almost any kind of problem with your desktop or laptop computer. Hardware or software, virus or spyware, our repair technicians have seen just about everything. Whether you need help installing a new hard drive or setting up a wired or wireless network in your home or business, we can handle it. Craw-Kan would like to be your



"go to" company for all of your technology needs. We even offer pickup and drop-off service and are willing to make house calls. So if your laptop is moving slower than pond water, your desktop is crawling slower than a snail, or your Xbox 360 can't

connect to Xbox live, call for CK Tech service at 620-724-8838. For pricing and other information, check out our website [www.ckt.net](http://www.ckt.net) and click on CK Tech under the "Our Services" dropdown menu.

## Lifeline

You may be eligible to receive a discount on your monthly local telephone bill through the Lifeline Program. You are eligible if you receive any of the following: Food Stamps, General Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Medicaid, United Tribes Food Distribution Program, BIA General Assistance, Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start (only those meeting its income qualifying standard), Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Free School Lunch Program, 135% of the Federal Poverty Level. For more information about the Lifeline Program, call your local telephone service provider. Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. customers may call 800-362-0316.

## Med Alert

A Craw-Kan Medical Alert Phone is a must for elderly or disabled persons. In an emergency situation, the wearer simply pushes the easy to access button on the neck pendant, and the medical alert telephone instantly dials a list of up to four telephone numbers. Emergency 911 services, a loved one, a trusted friend, or all three can be dialed. Call today for details!

**Call Before You Dig**  
Kansas 800-344-7233  
Missouri 800-344-7483  
Oklahoma 800-362-0318

