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2014 Customer Appreciation

County Fair Time

Craw-Kan supports local 4-H families in Cherokee, Bourbon, Linn, and Crawford counties by purchasing livestock, and sponsoring numerous events.

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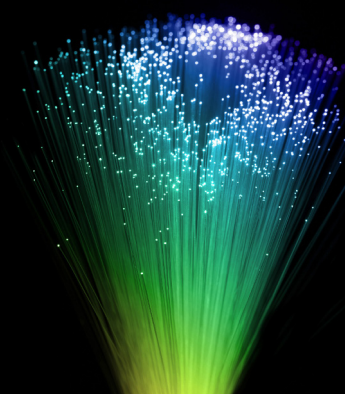
Customer Appreciation Day

Our annual customer appreciation day is scheduled for Friday September 11th 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!



GIGABIT is here!

Why wait for Google Fiber? Craw-Kan Fiber is already here! Since 2010 Craw-Kan has been burying fiber optics in Southeast Kansas and Southwest Missouri. With these lines in place it's possible for us to deliver the fastest internet speeds to consumers, up to one gigabit per second! Call the office today at 620-724-8235 to see if we have fiber in your neighborhood.



Your Community Technology Partner

Craw-Kan AUGUST 2015

2015 Craw-Kan Scholarship Recipients

Tiffany Jackman
Crest (Colony)

Graham Dixon
Girard

Grant Swickhamer
Hume

Jaclyn Crawford
Miami

Kaylee Bogina
Northeast (Arma)

Justice Dent
Pleasanton

Jacob Zortz
Southeast (Cherokee)

Hannah Fry
Uniontown

Craw-Kan Scholarships

We are proud to announce the winners of the 2015 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.



2015 Craw-Kan Scholarship recipient
Justice Dent, Pleasanton.

Congratulations to 2015 Craw-Kan Scholarship winners!

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 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 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 4, 2015**:

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

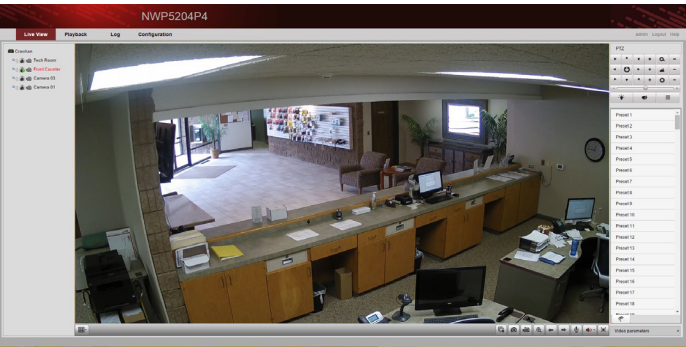
Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is a telecommunications provider who provides basic and enhanced services within its service territory. Basic services are offered at various rates depending on the state and location where you receive service. Customers have access to long distance, directory assistance, 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

CK Security

We have had tremendous feedback on our new NVR (Network Video Recorder) closed circuit IP connected security camera systems. These advanced systems record events in full 1080p and can be monitored from anywhere using your PC or laptop and even on the go using an app on your iPad, iPhone or Android smartphone! Check out just a short list of the features these wonderful, and AFFORDABLE systems have to offer! Call today for and ALWAYS FREE quote on your next security camera system.



Advanced Features

- Email Alerts
- Motion Detection
- Footage Download
- Remote Backup
- Online Viewing
- USB Backup
- VGA and HDMI Out
- Smart Infrared
- Weatherproof



CK Tech

Having computer problems? Our experienced technicians can repair almost any kind of problem with your desktop or laptop computer. Drop it off at our Girard office location, 200 N. Ozark, and get a free diagnosis of the problem. Don't get charged for something before you even know what the problem is. Even if the computer is beyond repair, we'll let you know at no cost to you. Maybe you need help installing software or just backing up pictures. We can help you out there as well.

CK Mobile

4G LTE is now here! We can now bring you mobile data speeds that are up to 10 times faster than 3G. Perfect for the latest smartphone, which we also have available for the most competitive prices around. You can even bring your own device if we don't have what you're looking for. Our plans also feature unlimited talk, text, and picture messaging over the nation's largest and most reliable mobile network. If you haven't stopped by the business office yet to upgrade, what are you waiting for?



Now Available

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!

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Missouri 800-344-7483
Oklahoma 800-362-0318