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Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association's 71st Annual Membership Meeting

Friday, August 8, 2025

American Legion, Steeleville, IL

5-7 PM – registration and barbeque meal

7:15 PM – business session

On behalf of the board of directors and employees, we wish to extend a special invitation to you, our members, to attend the 71st Annual Membership Meeting on Friday, August 8 at the American Legion in Steeleville. The official notice and annual report will be mailed to members on July 25, 2025. Participate and enjoy your Annual Meeting.



New directories available

Your 2025/2026 Egyptian Telephone books were mailed in July. Please take the time to review the book's contents and offerings. Your directory is filled with valuable information. Whether you are searching for emergency numbers, area codes, special service offerings, and much more, your phone book is designed to meet all your needs.

Advertisers in the Yellow Pages help make Egyptian's phone book an extremely useful tool for you. Yellow Pages save you time and money by letting you enjoy the convenience of shopping at home. Please support your local merchants and let them know you found them in the Yellow Pages.



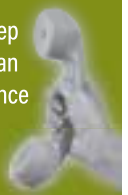
Free Nationwide Calling in July

from Egyptian Telephone Cooperative

Be sure to take advantage of this great opportunity to keep in touch with family and friends. What could be better than free long distance calls to keep you feeling a short distance away? Current Egyptian Long Distance customers will automatically receive this free calling special.*

Just pick up the phone in July and talk freely!

*Subscriber must be switched to Egyptian Long Distance for both local toll and long distance services. Time frame for free calling is 7/1/25-7/31/25. Plan applies solely to voice calls terminating within the continental U.S. Plan does not apply to calls for Internet access services, calling card services, operator assisted calls, collect calls, third number calls, calls to international numbers, incoming 800 calls, calls to 900 numbers, directory assistance, operator services, and preferred plus calling. Non-qualifying calls are subject to additional charges at Egyptian's then current rate.



Egyptian distributes approximately \$250,000 in capital credits

Egyptian Telephone Cooperative Association's Board of Directors approved the retirement of approximately \$250,000 in capital credits. The capital credits will be distributed to members during July and August. Egyptian is pleased to be able to return these capital credits to our members.





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 August. Last month's winners were Robert Dilday, Joyce Wahl, Shirley Mueller, and Daniel Thessing.

1. Egyptian's board of directors approved the retirement of approximately \$_____ in capital credits.
2. Egyptian is giving free long distance calling during the month of _____.

Name _____ Telephone Number _____



Nominating Committee meets

The members appointed to the 2025 Nominating Committee met Thursday, June 5, 2025. The purpose of the meeting was to nominate candidates for two director positions that will expire this year at the 71st Annual Meeting.

The committee present for the 2025 nominating committee were Dennis Stamm, Baldwin; Shane Moen, Blair; Kenny Jarrett, Glenn; Jim Musselman, Oakdale; Frank Kocian, Rice; Jeanne Koeller, St. Libory; Lowell Shubert, Venedy; and Lloyd Kranawetter, Glenn. Also present were Cooperative Attorney Ron Arbeiter and General Manager Matthew Bollinger.

Mr. Arbeiter reviewed cooperative bylaws and policies pertaining to the committee's responsibilities and duties from

nominating candidates. Frank Kocian was elected chairman and Lloyd Kranawetter was elected secretary. After discussion, the committee nominated the following candidates from the Rice and Glenn exchanges. Nominated candidates for 2025 are:

David Ibendahl - Rice
Jonathan Krause - Glenn

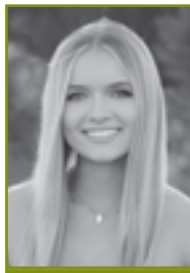
The candidates, along with any nominations by petition, as prescribed in Article IV, Section 4.4 of the bylaws and meeting the qualifications to be a board member, as prescribed in Article IV, Section 4.3 will be voted on by the members present at the annual meeting on Friday, August 8, 2025.



Foundation for Rural Service Awards College Scholarships to Students in Rural Communities

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) announced that it has awarded a total of \$160,500 in college scholarships to 50 students across the country. The FRS scholarship program awards one-time scholarships to students from rural communities for their first year of college, university, or vocational-technical school. Each student is sponsored by an NTCA member company that may also contribute a portion of the scholarship award.

Courtney Drake of Walsh, a member of Egyptian Telephone Cooperative, was awarded one of the 2025



Courtney Drake

FRS Scholarships. Courtney was chosen to receive a \$2,000 scholarship from the Foundation, plus a \$500 match from Egyptian Telephone Cooperative. Courtney plans to attend Illinois College. Egyptian is proud to be a member of NTCA and support the Foundation through these programs.

FRS has awarded over \$1 million in scholarships since its inception; empowering rural students throughout the country to advance their communities with invaluable skill sets and experiences.

FUSC charge

Effective on your August 2025 statement, the amount of your Federal Universal Service Charge (FUSC) appearing on your bill each month will change in the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) universal service fund contribution factor from 36.6% to 36.0%. The federal universal service fund is designed to help keep local telephone service rates affordable for all customers in all areas of the United States.

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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