

# Connection

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## Grants fund life-saving AEDs

Calamus-Wheatland Schools is the recipient of a \$1,000 Aureon grant and a \$1,000 match from F&B.

Grant funds will help the district replace outdated Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). This project will equip the district with three new units. The newer units are more user-friendly to operate and serve as a vital link should a student or adult have a cardiac emergency.

F&B is one of more than 100 Iowa independent telephone company member-owners of



**CALAMUS-WHEATLAND SCHOOLS.** Pictured (left to right): Kent Atha, Aureon; Dawn Gannon, C-W; Danika Sawyer, C-W; Ken Laursen, F&B.

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## 2022 student scholarship opportunities

If you know a bright student who gets good grades and is highly involved in their school and community, then they are likely a good candidate for the F&B Communications scholarship and one of several other scholarships available to students who live in a household that subscribes to F&B services.

This spring F&B will award one \$500 scholarship to a deserving high school senior based on scholastic achievement, citizenship and school and community involvement. This is the twentieth year for the local F&B program.

F&B is also teaming up with the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) to give applicants an opportunity to win one of several \$2,500 awards and other national telecom scholarships ranging from \$5,000 to \$7,000.

Additional scholarships through F&B's association with Aureon are also available ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

For more information on scholarships and the various application forms, visit [www.fbc-tele.com/scholarship](http://www.fbc-tele.com/scholarship) or contact F&B at (563) 374-1236. Area school guidance counselors should also have application information for students.

### How to apply

Go to: [www.fbc-tele.com/scholarship](http://www.fbc-tele.com/scholarship)

### Application deadlines

**F&B Communications**  
(\$500): Feb. 25, 2022

**Foundation for Rural Service (\$2,500):**  
Feb. 25, 2022

**Aureon (\$1,000 to \$3,000):** March 1, 2022

### Almanac calendars

2022 F&B almanac calendars are available. Stop by the F&B office to pick up a complimentary calendar.

### Employees earn recognition

Amanda Horner was recently honored for three years of service to F&B.

Scott Butt, Chandler Gannon, Matt Morris and Kelly Scott were each recognized for five years of service.

Carla Olson was honored for 25 years of service.

Congratulations!

### DIY Network rebranded

Magnolia Network is the new name for DIY Network (Skitter TV ch. 310) beginning Jan. 5. The rebranded network features a variety of original home and design, food and gardening and arts programming.

Also, a reminder that NBC Universal shut down NBC Sports Network on Dec. 31.



# New Year's BLOWOUT SALE



**SALE \$579<sup>00</sup>**  
**Samsung 58" 4K Smart TV**  
 REGULAR \$659<sup>99</sup>



**SALE \$499<sup>00</sup>**  
**Samsung 50" 4K Smart TV**  
 REGULAR \$579<sup>99</sup>



**SALE \$749<sup>00</sup>**  
**Samsung 70" 4K Smart TV**  
 REGULAR \$799<sup>99</sup>



**SALE \$629<sup>00</sup>**  
**Samsung 65" 4K Smart TV**  
 REGULAR \$699<sup>99</sup>



**SALE \$399<sup>00</sup>**  
**LG 43" 4K Smart TV**  
 REGULAR \$479<sup>99</sup>

## STORE-WIDE SAVINGS 15% OFF

ALL IN-STOCK COMPUTER ACCESSORIES AND SMARTHOME

\*Some exclusions apply. See store for details.\*

### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Open Monday to Friday 7:30 am to 4 pm by appointment. Walk-in service as technician availability allows.

Free TV delivery not included on sale prices. Prices valid until 1/31/22, or while supplies last.

108 E. Jefferson Street, Wheatland

**563-374-1322**

[www.ts-fbc.com](http://www.ts-fbc.com)

### New office hours Jan. 3

Beginning Jan. 3, the F&B business office located at 103 N. Main St. in Wheatland will be open extended hours for walk-in service from 7:30 am to 4 pm weekdays.

The Technology Solutions location at 108 E. Jefferson St. in Wheatland is now open by appointment. Walk-in service is also available as technician availability allows.

For computer sales and repair needs, we encourage you to contact us by phone or online. Computer and device support is available by phone, remotely, in-office drop-off or on-site. Technology Solutions' service hours are 7:30 am to 4 pm weekdays.

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Aureon Network Services, which helps to provide advanced telecommunications and data services across the state.

Nearly \$39,200 has been awarded to organizations in the F&B Communications service area in the last 25 years since the charity grant program began.

The charity grant program is open to non-profit organizations in the F&B service area. The grant application may be submitted online and is available at [www.fbc-tele.com](http://www.fbc-tele.com) by going to Company and About Us. Charity grants are awarded on a quarterly basis with applications due at the end of each quarter and chosen by an independent review committee organized by Aureon.



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**BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS**  
 Mon. to Fri. 7:30 am to 4 pm

**TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS HOURS**  
 Mon. to Fri. 7:30 am to 4 pm by appointment with walk-in service as technician availability allows

**PHONE NUMBERS**  
 Business Office  
 (563) 374-1236 or (563) 574-1236

Trouble/Repair  
 (563) 374-1238 or (563) 574-1238

Internet Tech Support (24/7)  
 1-888-832-4322

Technology Solutions  
 (563) 374-1322

**WEB SITE**  
[www.fbc-tele.com](http://www.fbc-tele.com)

**EMPLOYEES**  
 General Manager: Ken Laursen  
 Assistant General Manager: Aaron Horman  
 Office Manager: Ariell Connelly  
 Administrative Assistant: Carla Olson

Customer Service: Michelle Harrison, Amanda Horner, Kelly Scott

Plant Supervisor: Derek Hendrickson

Plant Technicians: Scott Butt, Drew DeLoe, Nick Jewell

Technology Solutions: Landon Gordon, Matt Morris

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