

Connections

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Don't Forget Fireworks Safety

F&B wants you to enjoy your 4th of July celebration, so we're sharing these fireworks reminders from the American Red Cross:

- Keep water nearby as a precaution.
- Wear eye protection if you light fireworks.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Never try relighting a dud.
- Never give fireworks to small children.

Have fun but be safe!

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In our community, we're better together.

We weather storms together, both literally and figuratively. We build lasting relationships together. We work together, play together, and grow together.

As your local communications provider, F&B Communications is proud to support the connections that make our community and our country stronger. We invest in advanced technology.

We give good jobs to our neighbors. We donate time and financial resources to this area's life-changing organizations.

You can always rely on us, just as we always rely on each other.

Happy 4th of July!



Giving Back to the Community

The Calamus-Wheatland Hometown Pride group recently received a charity grant from Aureon and a matching contribution from F&B. The funds will be used to create a 24/7 community indoor recreation and exercise space in Calamus.



Pictured (front left to right): Michelle Wulf, C-W Hometown Pride; Danielle Hutchinson, Aureon; (back left to right) Aaron Horman, F&B; Janet Donelson, C-W Hometown Pride; Mike Lacey, C-W Hometown Pride.

F&B Awards Scholarship to Megan Forret

Congratulations to our 2023 F&B scholarship recipient, Megan Forret of rural Calamus. She recently graduated from Calamus-Wheatland High School and plans to attend Iowa State University to major in elementary education. Her parents are Lori and the late Chris Forret.



For information on F&B charity grants or scholarship opportunities, visit www.fbc-tele.com.



Fiber is the Way of the Future

Fiber is often described as future-proof technology. While that's a bold statement, there's ample evidence to back it up. Here's why fiber networks will be able to meet future demand and stay relevant for many years to come:

Virtually Limitless Potential – The internet speeds offered by fiber are not limited by the line's capacity. Fiber-optic lines use pulses of light to transmit information, so they basically operate at the speed of light. To this day, no one has pushed enough data through fiber to max out its capacity. This means the speed potential with fiber is almost limitless.

Longer Lifespan – Fiber lines have been the backbone of global communication since the beginning of the web. This infrastructure is strong enough to handle the ocean floor's harshness, so it'll easily hold up during inclement weather in your neighborhood. Because fiber is made from glass material, fiber networks are much more resistant to corrosion and deterioration than copper networks, which are made of metal and degrade much faster.

Designed for Data – Fiber networks have significant advantages over copper networks, which were built for phone calls and never designed to transmit data. Copper network connections degrade over long distances, so the farther a customer is from a provider's home base, the more they'll struggle with weaker connections and higher latency. Plus, due to their limited capacity, copper networks are already approaching the top end of their speeds.

More Security – Fiber is much more challenging for criminals. Even though fiber has been around for years, bad actors haven't perfected the art of tampering with fiber lines and must go through a great deal of trouble to even try. F&B's fiber cables are buried; protecting them from harsh environmental factors such as storms, snow and winds. Fiber remains the safest way to transmit data.

F&B Communications has invested in a fiber network to serve you better. Visit www.fbc-tele.com for details on the fiber internet plans we offer.