# Co-op Connection

### Hamilton County Telephone Co-op August 2020

#### 2020 Annual Meeting Report

In August or September, all Co-op members will receive the 2020 Annual Report by US Mail. Typically, we would have mailed out our Annual Meeting Booklets back in March/April. Now, that we have officially cancelled our 2020 Annual Meeting, we will be distributing these booklets to our members to update you on the status of your Co-op.

We hope that you will take a few minutes to read the report and let us know if you have any questions or comments. We look forward to meeting and visiting with you each year, and regret that we are unable to do so for 2020.

### 2020 Annual Report Hamilton County Telephone Co-op



### Calendar of Events:

- Aug 7 Music in the Park *Snake Lane Revue* @ park NW Corner of McLeansboro square
- Aug 21 Music in the Park *Landon Billington* @ park NW Corner of McLeansboro square
- Sept 7 Labor Day (Co-op Office CLOSED)



Join the chamber for the last two

events of the summer - Snake Lane

Revue & Landon Billington



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618-736-2211 Fax: 618-736-2616 Mon - Fri / 7:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Know what's **below.** 

Call before you dig.

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#### **Returning to School During COVID-19**

There are many conversations going on about children returning to school this August. Here is some information from healthychildren.org on students returning to school – safely:

The AAP guidance is based on what pediatricians and infectious disease specialists know about COVID-19 and kids. Evidence so far suggests that children and adolescents are less likely to have symptoms or severe disease from infection. They also appear less likely to become infected or spread the virus.

Schools provide more than just academics to children and adolescents. In addition to reading, writing and math, children learn social and emotional skills, get exercise and access to mental health support and other things that cannot be provided with online learning. For many families, school is where kids get healthy meals, access to the internet, and other vital services. For more information, please visit www.healthychildren.org.

#### **Co-op Anniversary Milestones**



Congratulations to Tony Rost. He will be celebrating 20 years of service to our Co-op and Subsidiaries on August 28th. Tony has served as our Central Office Technician. The Central Office Technician oversees all the switching, provisioning of equipment and basically just makes everything here at the Co-op work! Thank you Tony for your 20 years of service.

Also celebrating an anniversary milestone this month is Heather Bowman. Heather joined our team five years ago on August 20th. Heather serves as our lead Customer Service Representative and manages all the billing for our Co-op customers. Thank you Heather for your dedication to our

Co-op members and customers!



Kevin Pyle Executive Vice President & General Manager

**Board of Directors:** 

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### *Pay your bill online:* https://hcc.smarthub.coop

*Pay your bill by phone:* 1-855-386-9912

### Win \$15 Off Your Bill

Complete the following questionnaire, cut out this section and mail the completed form by August 10, 2020. Your name will be placed in a drawing for \$15 off your telephone bill with HCTC. There will be two winners in August.

1.	Name one event	happening in	August?	
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- 2. What number can you call for the Do Not Call Registry?
- 3. Who is celebrating 20 years with the Co-op in August? \_\_\_\_
- 4. Name one thing that you like or is important to you about our Co-op. \_

Name: \_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Congratulations to July's Winners: Rachel Voss, Brenda McPeak, & Mary Cross

Check out our website at www.hamiltoncom.net

for more information about the Co-op.