

# THE FIBER FOCUS



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**Our office will be closed  
Monday, February 19, 2025.**



Spread Local Love!



This Valentine's Day, let's spread some local love! When you shop at local businesses, you're not just finding unique and thoughtful gifts—you're also supporting the heart of our community. Whether it's a handcrafted item, a nice meal at a local restaurant, or a bouquet from the neighborhood florist, your purchase makes a big difference. Let's keep our community thriving by shopping small and spreading the love close to home!

- ♥ Chevy's Bar & Grill-Novinger
- ♥ Countryside Flowers and More- Memphis
- ♥ Gathering Grounds LLC- Kirksville
- ♥ Gigi's Country Store- Novinger
- ♥ Hammer Mill Bar & Grill- Downing
- ♥ Jackson's Place- Milan
- ♥ Kafe Kingdom- Queen City
- ♥ Keith's Cafe- Memphis
- ♥ Lacey's Family Diner- Memphis
- ♥ Legends Live On Bar & Grill- Green Castle
- ♥ Made With Love By Shannon B- Unionville
- ♥ Mi Tierra- Milan
- ♥ Northern Blooms Floral & Decor- Milan
- ♥ Osage Orange Vineyard & Winery- Green Castle
- ♥ Pancake City- Kirksville
- ♥ Rosie's Northtown Cafe- Kirksville
- ♥ The Fort Restaurant- Yarrow
- ♥ Wildflower Grove- Green Castle

Happy Valentine's Day  
Friday, February 14, 2025



We're Spreading The Love!

February 14th is our favorite day, so we're giving one lucky customer \$14 off their bill every month for a whole year!

Here is how to enter:

- Visit NEMR's Facebook Page
- Like this post & Share it on your own timeline
- Make sure you Follow NEMR!



Don't have Facebook? Send an Email to [contest@nemr.net](mailto:contest@nemr.net)

Entries close February 28, 2025. One entry per account. Winner must have active services and account in good standing. Credit will end and not restart if services are disconnected for any reason, including non-pay. Begins 4/1/25 & Ends 3/1/26.



Sweeten Up Your Inbox Today



Stay safe with these quick tips:

- **Think Before You Click:** Be cautious of unexpected emails or links.
- **Verify the Source:** Contact companies directly if an email seems suspicious.
- **Secure Your Accounts:** Use strong passwords and enable two-factor authentication.
- **Beware of Urgent Requests:** Emails demanding immediate action are often scams.
- **Check for Spelling Errors:** Legitimate emails are rarely riddled with typos or grammar mistakes.
- **Avoid Public Wi-Fi for Sensitive Tasks:** Public networks are more vulnerable to phishing attempts.



## YOUR COOPERATIVE IN ACTION!

Gracey Gordon and Jennifer Chrisman volunteered at the Pantry For Adair County.



NEMR donated \$100 to Green City, Milan, Schuyler County, and Putnam County After Prom.

Michele Gillespie attended the NEMO Regional Planning Commission's Annual Meeting. Tim Harper won NEMR's gift basket.



Jennifer Chrisman rang the bells outside of Hy-Vee with the Rotary Club of Kirksville.



# CUSTOMER NOTICE



**Backup Power for Residential Voice Telephone Services during Power Outages:** For many years, your home telephone would allow you to stay connected to emergency voice services during a power outage. However, since your voice telephone service is provided using fiber optics, the voice telephone service requires backup battery power to continue functioning during an outage. To avoid a disruption of home voice service during an outage - and to maintain the ability to connect to 911 emergency services - at the time of the initial installation, at no additional cost, NEMR provides you with a battery for backup power for your voice telephone service. The backup power battery works only on corded telephones. ☎️

**What Your Battery Can - and Can't - Do for You:** The backup batteries for telephone, provided by NEMR, allow you to continue to use your home voice services during a power outage, if you have a corded phone. Without a backup battery or alternate backup source such as a generator, customers with fiber-based residential telephone service will not be able to make any calls, including emergency calls to 911. 🚫

**Our Backup Battery does not provide Power to any Services other than Voice:** Home security systems, medical monitoring devices, internet, television, and other equipment will not run on a residential voice telephone backup battery. ❌

**Replacement Options:** The battery provided by our company may need to be replaced every 6 to 10 years or when the battery is no longer functioning. NEMR will provide and install, at no cost to you, a replacement battery when it becomes known that the original battery needs to be replaced. If you have any questions, please call 660-874-4111. ✔️

**Expected Backup Power Duration:** Backup batteries are expected to last at least eight hours on standby power. The backup battery should give you at least six hours of talk time. If you feel that is not enough time, you may extend your standby power by purchasing additional 8-hour batteries from our company. 🕒

**NEMR has Extra Batteries:** Additional backup batteries may be purchased from our company for \$40 per extra eight hours. 👍

**Apply For FRS Scholarships**  
<https://www.frs.org/programs/youth-programs/scholarships>



### New Directory Listings

Beach, C- 660-465-8665  
 Burkholder, Jessulyn or Eugene-660-328-6328  
 Hoover, Curvin-660-945-3035  
 Scotland County Nursing Home District-660-465-7221  
 Spitzmiller, Julia-660-945-3199



**NEMR**  
*It's Faster! It's Fiber! It's NEMR!*

## NEMR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM!

**We are giving *one* \$500 Scholarship to each of the 8 schools in our service area!**

[www.nemr.net/scholarship](http://www.nemr.net/scholarship)

**DEADLINE: March 24, 2025**

### Freddy's Friendly Reminder

Show your devices some love this month:



- Clean Up: Wipe screens and keyboards with a soft cloth.
- Declutter: Delete unused files and apps.
- Update: Install the latest software updates.
- Speed Check: Ensure your internet is fast enough—upgrade if needed!

**Universal Kids will be discontinued in March 2025**



**NEMR Channel #103**



**2024 PROPERTY TAXES**

**\$736,572.37**

**YES!**

**Watch on FOX!**

**Super Bowl Sunday!**

**Sunday, February 9, 2025**

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