



Congrats to Grads and Their Moms and Dads

KMTelecom congratulates all the graduates in this area and wishes them well as they continue their life journeys. We know these students have been busy all year with lots of activities, and we applaud their hard work.



We also want to recognize the parents of these graduates. Your support and guidance have enabled these young adults to get where they are today.

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New Employee Spotlight: Jennifer Galloway

Please help us welcome our new Business Solutions Representative, Jennifer Galloway. Jennifer comes to us with 16 years of experience in the telecommunications field and over 20 years in customer satisfaction and relationship building. She graduated from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas with a degree in foreign language and sociology.

Jennifer was born in Panama City, Panama and has also lived in Oklahoma and Texas. She and her family moved to Kasson, Minnesota when her husband Aaron accepted a position in Rochester.

Jennifer and Aaron have an 11-year-old daughter, Leila, who attends Kasson-Mantorville Middle School. The couple also have two Great Danes. They love to hike, have family game nights, grill out with friends, and find fun things to do around the community. Jennifer is excited to see what new hobbies she'll pick up in Minnesota.

KMTelecom is excited to have Jennifer on board!

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How to Make Facebook Less Annoying and More Fun

Has Facebook become an unpleasant place for you to be, filled with divisiveness and anger? Are you tired of scrolling through posts of no interest to you, or worse yet, that you find offensive? The solution doesn't have to be quitting Facebook altogether. Instead, you can customize your experience and take control of what Facebook looks like for you. Consider these strategies:

1. Unfollow anyone who seriously annoys you.

Clicking the three dots in the upper-right corner of the person's post will reveal a dropdown menu. You can click on "Snooze (Name) for 30 Days" and not see their posts temporarily or click on "Unfollow (Name)" and unfollow them permanently. Either way, you remain Facebook Friends but you won't see their posts in your News Feed.

2. Prioritize who to see first.

Facebook allows you to select the people and organizations you love to hear from and mark them "See First." From your computer, go to your Facebook Home page. Click on the three dots next to "News Feed," select "Edit Preferences," then select "Prioritize who to see first." You'll see a list of your Facebook Friends, and you simply click to select who you'd most like to see when you look at your News Feed.



3. Leave comments on posts you enjoy.

Since it takes more effort to comment on a post rather than just like it, Facebook considers that when figuring out what content to put in your News Feed. If you want to see more of something, leave a comment on the post. It can be brief.

4. Read the articles that interest you.

It's tempting to only read the headlines. However, when you click through and actually read the articles, Facebook's algorithm takes note and you'll start to see more of that type of content in your News Feed.

The same applies to ads. If you're interested in the product, click through to see more. If it doesn't interest you, let them know by clicking the down arrow and choosing "Hide Ad."

KMTelecom is active on Facebook, and we hope you enjoy following our posts about service updates, community events, and more. Leave a comment and let us know how we're doing!

2019's National Moon Day Celebrates a 50th Anniversary

National Moon Day is observed annually on July 20 to commemorate the day man first walked on the moon. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing on July 20, 1969—when Neil Armstrong said these unforgettable words as he stepped onto the lunar surface at 10:56 p.m. EDT: “One small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind.”

Buzz Aldrin joined Armstrong soon thereafter and described the moon's surface as “magnificent desolation.” The two astronauts explored for two and a half hours, collecting 47.5 pounds of lunar material and taking photographs. They left behind an American flag, a patch honoring the fallen Apollo 1 crew, and a plaque on one of Eagle's legs. It reads, “Here men from the planet Earth first set foot upon the moon. July 1969 A.D. We came in peace for all mankind.” Where were you on that day? Wherever it was, you were most likely watching television. Caught up in the thrill of the adventure, more than half a billion people around the globe watched the live broadcasts of the moon landing and witnessed history being made.

NASA and many other organizations throughout the country will be celebrating this 50th anniversary with special events. For example, some museums and science centers are going to extend hours into the evening so highlights from July 20, 1969 can be viewed, reenacted, and celebrated at the time they actually happened.

How can you observe National Moon Day? Talk to family and friends about your memories of the moon landing. View the moon through a telescope and explore the surface. Start a discussion about space exploration and how it's influenced the world today. Use #NationalMoonDay to share on social media.

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Congrats to Bryn, the Design An Ad Winner!

Bryn was selected as the winning artist in the 2019 KMTelecom Design An Ad project, which is offered through the Post Bulletin newspaper.

The Post Bulletin offers a program called Newspapers in Education. Through this program, area students are given the opportunity to design an ad for area businesses. KMTelecom was matched up with Mr. Naylor's 4th grade class at Kasson-Mantorville Elementary School, and the students were asked to design an ad for KMTelecom. The KMTelecom employees voted and felt Bryn's ad best represented KMTelecom.

Great job, Bryn! We hope you continue to use your creative talents in the years ahead.

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Congratulations to our March 2019 winner, Muriel Ann Balzum, Mantorville!

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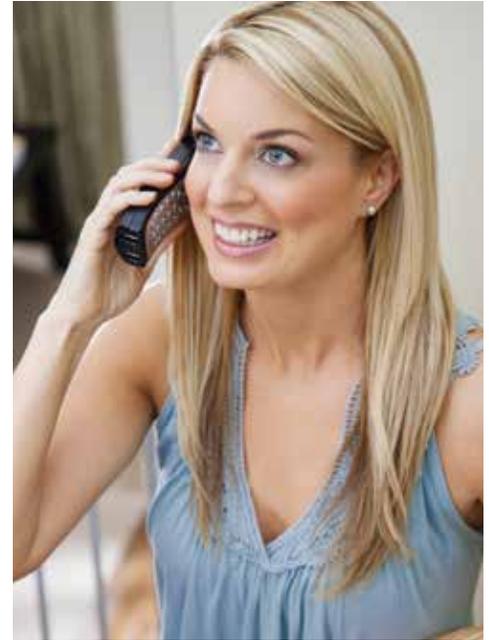
3 Safety Advantages of a Landline Phone

A landline phone offers important advantages in emergency situations such as these:

1. Someone tries to call you in the middle of the night with an urgent message. It could be your child at a sleepover who's scared and wants to come home, or a family member saying you need to come to the hospital immediately. If you only have a cell phone and it's been silenced, you might miss the call. The sound of a landline phone ringing, however, gets attention.

2. Your child needs to call 911 but can't find the cell phone or its battery is dead. A landline phone provides the safety advantage of staying in one place in the home and not needing batteries, so your child can always use it.

3. A health emergency prevents the caller from speaking. Let's say your aging parent is disoriented or in pain and isn't able to clearly communicate to the 911 operator. With a landline phone, the exact home address is instantly available to emergency personnel.



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Let's Talk About Phone Call Songs

For decades, phone calls have served as a device in song lyrics to express love, longing, or loneliness. Although the types of phones have changed over the years — from rotary dial phones to smartphones — the phone's importance to relationships has stayed constant. Here's a chronological list of some popular phone-related songs:

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| Beatles – Any Time at All (1964) | Tommy Tutone – 867-5309/Jenny (1981) |
| Steely Dan – Rikki Don't Lose That Number (1974) | The Replacements – Answering Machine (1984) |
| Electric Light Orchestra – Telephone Line (1976) | Stevie Wonder – I Just Called to Say I Love You (1995) |
| The Beach Boys – Had to Phone Ya (1976) | Carly Rae Jepsen – Call Me Maybe (2012) |
| Foreigner – Love on the Telephone (1979) | Adele – Hello (2015) |
| Blondie – Call Me (1980) | |