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Call before you dig

Communication lines, electrical lines, water lines, gas lines, and sewer lines can all be found below the surface of the ground. Oklahoma state law requires you to notify the One-Call System at least 48 hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) before you start digging or doing any of the following activities:



Know what's below.
Call before you dig.

- Planting trees
- Installing decks or mailboxes
- Digging for patios and sidewalks
- Installing or repairing drain tile
- Fencing
- Well drilling
- Burying wire, pipe, or dead animals
- Digging a foundation
- Setting a pole
- Cultivating or plowing at depths greater than 18 inches
- Ditch cleaning or grading

To request a line location, you can call 811, visit okie811.org, or download the app in the iTunes or Google

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Office Closure
July 5 – Independence Day (observed)



PTCI at Pioneer Days Parade and Rodeo

Bubbles, candy, and baseballs filled the air of the 2021 Pioneer Days Parade in downtown Guymon. PTCI's Daniel Mesta, Elizabeth Brown, and Norma Green walked the route handing out goodies. Toni Mathis and Terry Green also helped.

PTCI once again sponsored the rodeo video replay board, free WiFi at Henry C Hitch Arena for PTCI cellular customers, and Gold Buckle roping box.

You can catch the parade footage at youtube.com/user/ptcivideo.



Keeping your world within your reach.

With PTCI, you get hometown customer care and nationwide cell service.

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Call 800.562.2556



Congratulations to the 2021 recipients of PTCI's \$1,000 Scholarship!

Each year PTCI awards \$20,000 in scholarships.

\$1,000 given to local high school seniors to attend college or trade school.

Nine different schools have been selected by students for higher learning.

Seven high schools are represented by PTCI scholarship

Emergency Broadband Benefit to help struggling households

The COVID-19 pandemic increased the need for broadband service while reducing income for many. That's why the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has established the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program.

This federal initiative will provide eligible households with discounts of up to \$50 a month for broadband service and up to \$75 a month if the household is on Tribal lands.

Acting FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel said, "This \$3.2 billion program was designed to lower the cost of high-speed internet service for those struggling to get the connectivity they need during the ongoing pandemic. It will help those sitting in cars in parking lots just to catch a Wi-Fi signal to go online for work. It will help those lingering outside the library with a laptop just to get a wireless signal for remote learning. It will help those who worry about choosing between paying a broadband bill and paying rent or buying groceries. In short, this program can make a meaningful difference in the lives of people across the country."

A household is eligible for the Emergency Broadband Benefit if it includes a member who meets at least one of these criteria:

- Qualifies for the Lifeline program.
- Receives benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision, or did so in the 2019-2020 school year.
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year.
- Experienced a substantial loss of income since February 29, 2020 and the household had a total income in 2020 below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers.
- Participates in an existing low-income or pandemic relief program offered by a broadband provider.

For complete details including instructions on applying for the Emergency Broadband Benefit, visit www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit or www.ptci.net/ebb.

Simplify your tech life

Every year people are using more tech devices and more data on a daily basis. With multiple accounts and apps on each device, there's a lot to manage. Here are a few tips for simplifying your tech life:

- **Use a password manager to keep track of your online passwords.** Password Genie is the password manager included in TechShield, available at PTCI.
- **Make your internet experience more efficient with cloud storage.** You can store all of your photos and documents in a secure online location and access your files anytime. Cloud storage is also a part of TechShield.
- **Let Whole Home WiFi handle updates.** The router updates firmware automatically. It helps keep your router secure and provides a strong WiFi signal throughout your home.

Call PTCI today and ask about Whole Home WiFi Plus. It combines Whole Home WiFi with TechShield for an all-in-one solution.

Word search for June

To be qualified for a drawing for a \$20 credit toward your PTCI services, mail your completed puzzle to: PTCI, Attn: Puzzle, PO Box 1188, Guymon, OK 73942, or drop it into the envelope with your monthly payment.

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Vonda Tapp of Boise City is the lucky winner of our puzzle drawing. Vonda will receive a \$20 PTCI bill credit. Congratulations!

New business listing

Boise City
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PTCI a part of Guymon Elementary Land Run

The gun fired at high noon, and families with covered wagons raced toward free plots of land to call their own. It happened in 1889 to settle lands in Oklahoma Territory, and Guymon fifth graders reenacted the historic event May 1. Families made up of Guymon Elementary students had to run from the starting line to a plot of land, pull their stake, and take it to claim the deed to the land. Students also participated in a fishing tournament, tug-of-war, and egg toss, and PTCI was there to cover it all for PTCI's YouTube channel. PTCI also cooked hot dogs for part of the kids' lunches.



Experience great home internet with Whole Home WiFi Plus FREE for 3 months. TechShield & Total Tech Support included.

Offer expires June 30, 2021. Service not available in all areas. Some restrictions may apply.

