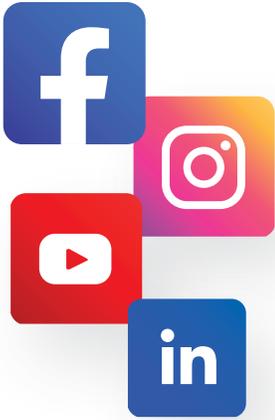




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Are you following us on social media? PTCI is constantly sharing product news, promotions, and activities in our service area. You can win great prizes with one of our many social media contests or find links to our live streams. Find us as PTCI on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and LinkedIn.

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Canadian Store

112 N 3rd Street, Canadian, TX 79014
Wed: 9:30 am-12:00 pm, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Office Closures

• May 26 - Memorial Day

PTCI recognized area honor roll students

Each January, PTCI honors seventh-grade through senior-year students who achieve honor roll status in the first semester with a school-specific T-shirt across all schools in our coverage area. The unique designs are only available to those whose excellence stands out in the classroom.

Congratulations to all honor roll T-shirt recipients! PTCI is honored to honor you!



Who can call numbers on the Do Not Call list?

Telemarketing is more prevalent now than ever, causing more than 246 million phone numbers to register on the national Do Not Call list. If you've registered, you may have noticed that your registration only affects certain types of callers.

That's because the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), who administer the Do Not Call list, have limited jurisdiction. As a result, the following groups can still contact you:

- Political groups
- Charitable organizations
- Phone surveyors when their sole purpose is to conduct a survey
- Companies with whom you have a business relationship — this includes anyone from whom you've made purchases; they can call you for up to 18 months after your last purchase
- Those who have received written permission from you

For additional details or to register your phone numbers (including both home and cell phone numbers), visit www.donotcall.gov. Most telemarketing calls should stop within 31 days of your registration.



PTCI selects two Gruver students to participate in FRS Youth Tour

Every year, PTCI selects two students to participate in an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. in partnership with the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS). This year, Addison Blevins and Priscilla Barron from Gruver High School were selected as PTCI's student representatives.

The FRS Youth Tour is an exciting annual event that brings together over 100 high school students from rural communities across the United States. This five-day program provides students with a unique opportunity to explore the nation's capital while gaining valuable insights into the legislative and agency processes that shape rural broadband services.

Participants will tour historical landmarks, visit Capitol Hill, and engage with government officials — learning firsthand how policies impact their communities. Beyond the educational experience, students will have the chance to network with peers from other states, broadening their perspectives on national and rural issues.

Congratulations, Addison and Priscilla!

An advertisement for the PTCI WiFi App. It features a blue background with the PTCI logo (a stylized globe) and the text "PTCI" in large white letters. Below the logo is a smartphone displaying a network settings screen with the text "Hello, Tanya", "My Network", and "Bandwidth test - April 20, 2022". To the right of the phone is a large circular QR code with the PTCI logo in the center. Below the QR code is the text "Download the PTCI WiFi App today!".



Beware of scams involving gift card payments

Have you been asked to go get gift cards to pay for something? Don't do it. Gift cards are for gifts, not payments.

The FTC is hearing from people who say they've received calls claiming to be from the IRS, or tech support, or a so-called family member in need. For example, many have received threatening voice messages from a scammer pretending to be from the IRS, who convinces the person that to avoid being arrested for tax evasion, he or she must pay the fine with iTunes or other gift cards.

Those who fall victim to this scam go to a local store and buy the requested gift cards. Next, the scammer demands the gift card numbers and PIN, and the money is gone. Scammers love gift cards since they're the equivalent of giving cash and are nearly untraceable, unless you act almost immediately.

If you get a call like this, hang up. No reputable company or government agency (including the IRS) will ever demand payment with gift cards. Don't believe emails with this type of message either.

On the surface, these scams appear easy to spot and hard to believe, but Americans have been swindled out of millions of dollars from them. These callers are highly trained and can be very convincing.

Also be on the lookout for another gift card scam targeting Amazon shoppers. It works like this: When shoppers find items they want on Amazon that are listed for sale by third party sellers, they're told to email the seller directly before placing the order. That's when the bait-and-switch begins.

Once the victims describe the item they want, they receive payment emails that appear to come from Amazon but are actually fake emails from the scammer. The instructions say to purchase an Amazon gift card and send the number and PIN from the card to the seller in order to complete the payment process.

The scammer then takes the card information and depletes the gift card. The victim is out the money spent on the gift card, and Amazon is unable to help since the card was purchased legitimately and used by the scammer.

Before you dig, know how public and private utilities differ

We often remind you to call 811 before you dig to have underground utilities located, such as electric, water, gas, communications, and sewer lines. These are all public utilities and are responsible for maintaining their underground facilities. Part of that responsibility includes registering with 811 so their lines may be located for free.

A private utility, however, is owned and maintained by the property owner and is not registered with 811. It's the responsibility of the homeowner to have their private utilities located at their own expense.

Common examples of private utilities include:

- Sprinkler or irrigation systems
- Electric running to a detached garage or shop
- Lines connected to a propane tank or septic system
- Gas lines underground for grills and outdoor fire pits
- Electric dog fence

If you have private utilities on your property, you must contact a private utility locating company to have those lines marked. This is in addition to calling 811 to have public utilities located.



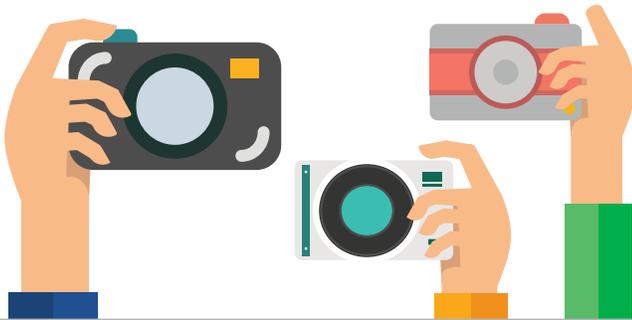
Annual Directory Photo Contest

It's time to show off your talent! PTCI invites you to submit your best photograph for a chance to feature your picture on the cover of our telephone directory!

Details for entering your photograph:

- 1) The contest is open to amateurs, hobbyists, pros, and anyone anywhere in between.
- 2) Photos must be submitted digitally, in JPEG format. Each contestant may submit up to three photos.
- 3) Photos should be taken at the highest resolution of at least 300 ppi. (Photos submitted with lower resolution are not judged. To obtain higher resolution, change your camera settings to a minimum of 2550 x 3300 pixels.)
- 4) Take a picture that captures the uniqueness of our area! Photos must be taken within our service area.

CONTEST DEADLINE IS JUNE 20, 2025. Email files to marketing@ptci.net.



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