

# Co-op Connection

Hamilton County Telephone Co-op

June 2024

## 2024 Foundation Scholarships Awarded

Every year the Hamilton County Telephone Foundation awards college scholarships to students yearning to continue their education. To qualify for a scholarship, recipient must submit an application, and be a member of the Co-op or a child of a member of the Co-op. This year, the Foundation awarded fourteen scholarships to recipients who applied directly to us or through the Rend Lake College Foundation. Congratulations to the recipients and we wish them the best of luck in your continuing education goals.



Pictured (L-R): Presenter Steve Drenner - HCTC IT Administrator, Chyenne Allen, Maguire Clark, Ian Drenner, Jalynn Hart, Brianna Sanders, Hallie Woodrow, Rachel Wuebbels, Cady Zellers and Presenter Mindi Kolts - HCTC Marketing & Customer Service Manager. Photo Credit: Jason Hall Photography



Pictured Left: Presenter Rob Kiefer - HCTC Board Treasurer with Scholarship Recipient Quentin Morgan from Mt. Vernon Township High School.

Additional recipients this year, not pictured, are: Lilyann Lentz, Chayli Phelps, Paige Chizk, Kenadee Halley and Ayden Smith.

Congratulations to all recipients. If you are currently a customer, but not a member, and are interested in getting membership with the Co-op, please call our office at 618-736-2211.

## Calendar of Events:

- June 1 - Relay for Life - McLeansboro Square
- June 8-15th - Hamilton County Fair
- June 14 - Flag Day
- June 16 - Father's Day
- June 19 - Juneteenth
- June 20 - 1st Day of Summer



2024 is a big year for our state. This year, Illinois is one of the two states home to both broods of periodical cicadas emerging in a rare, double-brood event.

Trillions of 13- and 17-year cicadas part of Brood XIX and Brood XIII have been waiting for the right conditions to emerge in Illinois and over a dozen other states this year. Once they're above ground, the cicadas will feed, mate and die, while the next generation will then head underground to start the cycle all over again. And although they are big and loud, cicadas pose no danger to humans or pets.

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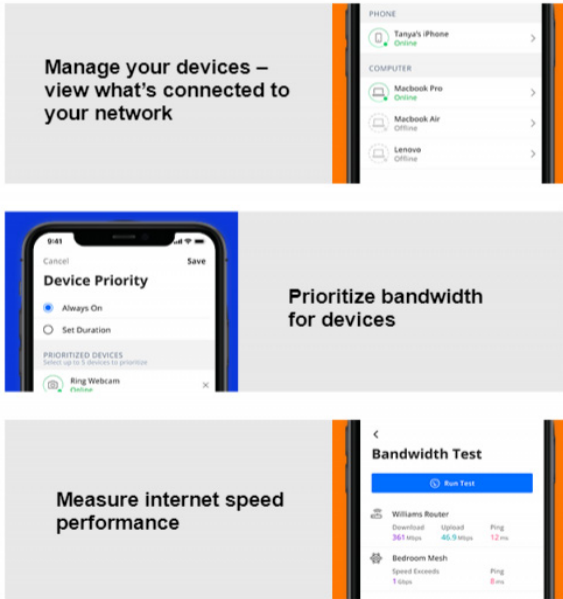
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The 2024 Hamilton County Fair is gearing up to be an action packed week. Currently they are pre-selling gate/pit passes and carnival ride tickets at discounted rates.

For more information, visit their Facebook page - Hamilton County (Illinois) Fair.

We are a proud sponsor of this local community event!

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## WIN \$15 OFF YOUR BILL!

Complete the following questionnaire, cut out this section and mail the completed form by June 10, 2024. Your name will be placed in a drawing for \$15 off your telephone bill with HCTC. There will be two winners in June.

1. Name one event/holiday in June. \_\_\_\_\_
2. How many scholarships did our Foundation award this year? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Will you be attending the County Fair this year? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What is the reason you chose to be a member of the Co-op? \_\_\_\_\_

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

You can also email your answers to support1@hamiltoncom.net.  
Congratulations to May's newsletter winners: Wayne Morris and Teresa Biggerstaff.

Check out our website at [www.hamiltoncom.net](http://www.hamiltoncom.net) for more information about the Co-op.