

Co-op Connection

Hamilton County Telephone Co-op
August 2024



to unwanted telemarketing calls.

Are you tired of those unwanted telemarketing calls? Then get your number on the National Do Not Call Registry List. It's easy, here's how:

1) Call 1-888-382-1222. Choose your language (English = 1; Spanish = 2). To add your number to the registry, press 1. When prompted, enter your 10-digit telephone number.

OR

2) Go to www.donotcall.gov; click on Register Now button and enter telephone information.



Register Your Phone



Verify Your Registration



Report Unwanted Calls

The National Do Not Call Registry gives you a choice about whether to receive telemarketing calls at home. Most telemarketers should not call your number once it has been on the registry for 31 days. If they do, you can file a complaint at this website. You can register your home or mobile phone for free.

There are a few calls however, that are not protected by the Do Not Call Registry. Political organizations, charities, debt collectors and surveys are a few callers that are still permitted.

To report unwanted calls, visit donotcall.gov. If you've lost money to a phone scam, or if you have information about the

company or scammer who called you, report it at ReportFraud.ftc.gov. You will be asked to report the number that received the call, the number that appears on your caller ID - even if you think it might be spoofed or faked - and any number you're told to call back. Also, they will ask for the exact date and time of the call, if you are able to.

Once you add your number, it can take up to 31 days for sales calls to stop. Your registration will NEVER expire. The only reason your number will be removed from the Registry is if it's disconnected, reassigned, or if you ask to remove it. You can also add your cellular phone number to the Do Not Call Registry. Companies can call you if you've recently done business with them, or if you've given them written permission to call. However, if you ask them to not call you, they are required to stop. Robocalls are not permitted.

DOES NOT STOP CALLS FROM:



- Political Organizations
- Charities
- Debt Collectors
- Informational Calls
- People Taking Surveys

Calendar of Events:

Aug 3 - Dahlgren Library Fundraising Auction @ Belle Rive Baptist Church

Aug 10-11 - Piopolis Co-Ed Softball Tournament

Aug 12 - Hamilton Co Unit #10 Return to School

Sept 2 - Labor Day (Co-op Office CLOSED)

2024 McLeansboro Fall Festival Schedule of Events

Thursday, September 5
6:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Open
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Cultural Arts Show, Courthouse Basement
7:00 p.m. Stage Entertainment: Gospel Night
Ten Mile Church Praise Band
Perry Case Band

Friday, September 6
6:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Open
6:00 p.m. Little Miss Fall Festival
6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Cultural Arts Show, Courthouse Basement
7:00 p.m. Stage Entertainment:
Girls Next Door
John Berry

Saturday, September 7
1:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Open
1:00 p.m. Pet Parade
6:00 p.m. Carnival Rides Close during Parade
6:00 p.m. Fall Festival Parade (Theme: Service Brings Freedom)
7:00 p.m. Stage Entertainment
Twisted Road
Sammy Kershaw

New Directory Listings:

Daniel Richardson
618-728-4373

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Email Scams

Email scams seem to be at an all time high. Did you know the Better Business Bureau has a Scam Tracker? You can search your scam to see if it has been previously reported and identified as a scam OR you can report your scams online at <https://www.bbb.org/scamtracker>. Your reports warn others so they can avoid similar scams.



Congratulations to Lyla Mefford, and all 4-Hers this year. Pictured (L-R): HCTC Board Director Justin Woodrow, 4-H members Lyla Mefford, AJ Schumacher, and Fin Barrow.

Kevin Pyle
Executive Vice President &
General Manager

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647 Exchange
Steven Douglass

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728 Exchange
Chris Sink, President

736 Exchange
Lemuel Gage, Vice-President

756 Exchange
Rob Kiefer, Treasurer

757 Exchange
Justin Woodrow

773 Exchange
Robert Abbott

Pay your bill online:

<https://hcc.smarthub.coop>

Pay your bill by phone:

1-855-386-9912

Win \$15 Off Your Bill

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

1. Name one event happening in August: _____
2. What number can you call for the Do Not Call Registry? _____
3. Where can you report potential scams? _____
4. Name one thing that you like or is important to you about our Co-op: _____

Name: _____ Telephone #: _____

Congratulations to July's Winners: Eric Thomas, Leslie Cross and Howard Irvin.

**Check out our website at www.hamiltoncom.net
for more information about the Co-op.**