

Three River

In the neighborhood with..... Neil Classen

March 2011

Instead of writing three separate newsletters, one for each company (Three River Telco, Three River Communications, & Three River Digital), I'm writing one article that covers all three entities. I think customers in different areas will appreciate the amount of ground we cover, plus will be more informed on what's going on within the entire Three River coverage area.

To update on the fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) projects. Lynch, we are totally completed. All Lynch customers (rural & town) have been switched over to the fiber plant, meaning, all our services (phone, Internet, & etc) run over fiber from the Central Office to the home. Construction is complete in Verdel and most of the customers have been put on the fiber system. We have a few customers who live on the Missouri River area that we still need to swing over to the fiber system. The town of Springview has also been totally buried with fiber and we have a few phones in Springview on the new fiber plant. We will continue to put more customers on the new system as the weather continues to get warmer. Rural Springview is 60% buried now and we hope to have that area totally buried by early Summer. The construction crew (Bauer Underground) will move from Springview to Johnstown. After the Johnstown exchange is completed, the construction crews will then move to Naper.....the last of our five exchanges included in the FTTH project. We hope to have all our exchanges buried and all our customers on the new system by the end of this calendar year. Weather will be a big factor in how much we actually get accomplished this year. Our goal is to have all our FTTH areas completed this year.

We still encourage our CATV customers to look at our new "Digital Tier" package. Included are HD channels, movie channels, Pay Per View channels, digital music channels, & high quality digital channels. We have recently improved our CATV Internet service to handle more Internet traffic; we also provide digital phone service as well. Three River will complete the CATV build out in northwest O'Neill past the golf course this Spring. We will also be extending service in Valentine, as well as upgrading the CATV system in Long Pine.

We will be installing equipment to handle more and faster Internet service in Ainsworth this spring. This is due to the ever increasing demand for the high quality Internet experience. Our goal is to make our service even better.

Three River will be offering to all our customers new broadband products and services in the near future. Please watch for these new offerings being advertised on CATV, in the newspapers, and on radio stations.

Again, if someone has an issue or simply wants to convey a message, feel free to contact me at Lynch business office.

PH: 866-569-2666.

Sincerely,
Neil Classen
General Manager

Three River Scholarship

Three River will be awarding scholarships to graduating seniors in Three River service provided areas.

In order to qualify, the student must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Receive their cable TV, Internet, and/or phone service from Three River and reside in the service area
- Be enrolled in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university or vocational-tech school
- Have at least a C grade point average
- Have a high school teacher or counselor write a letter of recommendation

Please see your high school guidance counselor, stop at the Three River office, or go to www.threeriver.net for an application. Applications are to be returned by April 1st, 2011.



Daylight Savings
Begins
March 13, 2011



Best Wishes 2011 Graduates



Local Graduation
Dates

Ainsworth	May 15th	2:30PM
Lynch	May 14th	4:00PM
Niobrara	May 7th	4:00PM
O'Neill Pub	May 7th	4:00PM
St. Mary's	May 8th	1:00PM
Springview	May 7th	2:00PM
Valentine	May 7th	4:00PM
West Boyd	May 14th	2:00PM

Congratulations 2010

Photo Contest Winners!

Lydia Greder	Johnstown
Staci Koenig	Naper
Brenda DeKay	Verdel
Evelyn Copeland	Mills
Terri Miller	Sparks
Jim Shaw	Springview
Harlan Heiser	Lynch
Wiley Lentz	Ainsworth
Jo Nickel	Ainsworth

You can view these photos at
www.threeriver.net

ALL CUSTOMERS WITH A NEBRASKA 402 AREA CODE MUST DIAL AREA CODE + TELEPHONE NUMBER

When Will the Change be Mandatory?

Beginning February 26, 2011, you must use the new dialing procedure for all local calls. After this date, if you do not use the new dialing procedure, your call will not be completed, and a recording will instruct you to hang up and dial again using the area code. All customers should begin using the new dialing procedure before **February 26, 2011**.

Why is the Change Necessary?

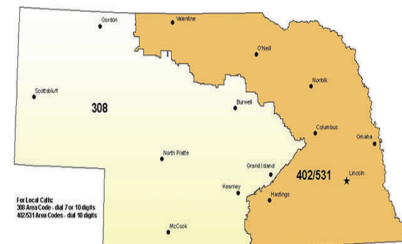
To ensure a continuing supply of telephone numbers, the 531 area code has been added to the geographic region served by 402—this is called an Area Code Overlay. Because of the addition of the 531 area code, all customers within the 402/531 geography will need to dial the correct area code followed by the 7-digit telephone number when dialing all local calls. Please see the map above for an outline of the 402/531 area code region. Sometime after **February 26, 2011**, new telephone lines or services may be assigned numbers with the 531 area code.

What will remain the same?

- Your telephone number, which includes your area code, will remain the same.
- The price of call, local and long-distance calling areas, and other rates and services will not change as a result of the Area Code Overlay. What is a local call now will remain a local call regardless of the number of digits dialed.
- You should still dial just three digits to reach 911.

What will change?

- You will need to dial 10-digits (area code + 7 digit telephone number) for every local call
- You may need to reprogram your equipment:
 - ◊ Life safety systems, fax machines, speed dialers, voice mail systems, Internet dial-up numbers



Nebraska Area Code 402/531

Dialing at a Glance

Type of call	Dialing Plan
Local Calls	10-digits (Area Code + xxx-xxxx)
Long Distance Calls	1+10-digits (1+Area Code+ xxx-xxxx)
Operator Calls (credit card, collect, third party)	0+10-digits (0+Area Code + xxx-xxxx)



**Know what's below.
Call before you dig.**