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## **MANAGER'S MINUTE:**

Who says a Small Town can't have a BIG Network?

Floyd is the first County in Southwest VA, second in the state, to reach 100% of homes passed by a fiber network; over 60% of our customers are hooked up to the fiber network. We are currently working in the Ballard area and connecting more customers all across our service area.

We continue to wait for a decision on the grants we have applied for to assist in the neighboring communities of Dugspur and Ivanhoe that border our current fiber footprint. Our fingers are crossed and I hope to have more information for you later this Summer and will share more at our **Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 19th.** Be sure to save the date and plan to attend. Registration will start at 11 am with the meeting starting promptly at 12 pm with lunch to follow. For your convenience, the Proxy for your vote will be in your September invoice. Please return it with your bill payment or drop it by the office before Thursday, October 17th.

## It's Time to Celebrate!

I personally invite you to join us for the Fiber Finish Line Celebration on Saturday, August 3rd from 5 pm - 9 pm. Our marketing team has lined up food trucks and axe throwing, starting at 5 pm. Live music by The Worx will begin at 6 pm in our event shelter. This is a rain-or-shine family event. We are proud to welcome the lead singer, Jerry Wimmer, back to his hometown of Floyd for a night of great music so be sure to wear your dancing shoes and bring a chair to relax in.

Don't forget, we have two more **Cruise-Ins** scheduled for the season so come visit and plan to bring your antique, classic, and muscle cars out on:

Friday, July 26	6 - 8 pm
Saturday, September 28	4 - 6 pm

Watch our social media and website for more information on these events and more. This year, Citizens will join the Town of Floyd for Halloween. Our team will host a Tent of Treats with games and fun for the family. Come see us there!

As a Citizens SFN TV Now customer, you can keep up-todate on shows airing on our CCTV Channel 20 by visiting our Facebook page Citizens Telephone Coop. We also post the daily lineup on the Bulletin Board Channel 23, and on our website **citizens.coop/cctv**. Our Video Production Team has added all kinds of new programs including the Pulaski River Turtle Baseball and Blue Ridge Bobcats Hockey played at the APEX Center in Wytheville. The hockey home games will air from October 2024 to April 2025.

I look forward to seeing you soon. Until then, my door is always open to you.

Sincerely, Donna Smith CEO & General Manager



## Citizens Finish Line Celebration!

## Saturday, August 3, 2024 | 5 - 9 PM 220 Webbs Mill Road, Floyd, VA

Admission and games are free and open to the community!

Food Trucks and Axe Throwing start at 5 PM Live Music by *The Worx* starts at 6 PM

Help us celebrate being the 1st in Southwest Virginia to complete 1 Gbps fiber-to-the-home! We hope to see you there!