

WILKES COMMUNICATOR

AUGUST 2014

NEW NOTEWORTHY &

- August 3rd, International Friendship Day
- August 26th - 1st day of Wilkes County Public School
- Offices Closed Monday 9/1/14 for Laor Day

• If you find your account number in the newsletter, you will receive a \$20 credit on your next bill.

OFFICE HOURS & PHONE NUMBERS

Commercial Office Hours

336-973-3103

8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Friday
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday

Repair Office Hours

336-973-4000

8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Friday
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday

Wilkes Internet Technical Support

336-957-TECH (8324)

Open 24/7

Wilkes Communicator is published monthly for members of Wilkes Telecommunications (the trade name of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation). Wilkes Telecommunications was established in 1951 as a member-owned cooperative serving four exchanges in Wilkes County: (Boomer (921), Clingman (984), Champion (973) and Lomax (957, 928). Wilkes Telecommunications provides complete communication services such as local telephone access and business telephone systems. Internet, high-speed Internet and long distance services are provided through its subsidiary, Wilkes Communications, Inc.

NEW RETAIL LOCATION NOW OPEN!



The office will be staffed by (from left to right) Janie Johnson, Natasha Greene, Jessica Blankenship and Lavonia Bailey.

Wilkes Communications, Inc. now has a new location open at 5 Sparta Rd. N. Wilkesboro. This location will offer added convenience for our customers. Customers will be able to sign up for new services as well as pay your bills. We have also extended business hours until 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday and Saturday hours have been added too, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

ATTENTION CHARTER CUSTOMERS

Charter has recently made false accusations about Wilkes Communications, Inc. (WCI) claiming they have faster Internet speeds. However, WCI offers up to 1G over Charters 60Mb, which is nearly 10 times faster. WCI offers not only the fastest speeds in the county but the state and even the country. There are rumors of a possible buy out of Charter which could mean they are scrambling for as many short term customers to make themselves look as attractive as possible for potential buyers. When you pay your bill for Charter do you know where that money goes? Neither do we, but, when you pay WCI bill the money stays right here in Wilkes County creating jobs and more services for you.

WCI has served Wilkes County for over 60 years and will remain a strong business and supporter of the county for many years to come.

WILKES COMMUNICATIONS IS ACCEPTING PAYMENTS FOR OTHER UTILITY COMPANIES

Below is a complete list of companies we can take payments for.

Duke Energy - cash/check/moneyorder - no fee - post same day

Energy United - cash/check/moneyorder - \$1.00 fee

The remaining are cash only, post 2/3 business days (unless paid for expedited posting) and have varying fees

ADT	MCI
ATT/SBC Communications	Sprint LD
ATT Mobility	Sprint Wireless
Blue Ridge Mtn EMC	TMobile
CenturyLink	Time Warner
Charter Communications	US Cellular
DeltaCom	Verizon
DireTV	Windstream
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HONEY CHICKEN KABOBS



Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1/3 cup soy sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 8 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves - cut into 1 inch cubes
- 2 cloves garlic
- 5 small onions, cut into 2 inch pieces
- 2 red bell peppers, cut into 2 inch pieces skewers

Preparation:

- In a large bowl, whisk together oil, honey, soy sauce, and pepper. Before adding chicken, reserve a small amount of marinade to brush onto kabobs while cooking. Place the chicken, garlic, onions and peppers in the bowl, and marinate in the refrigerator at least 2 hours (the longer the better).
- Preheat the grill for high heat.
- Drain marinade from the chicken and vegetables, and discard marinade. Thread chicken and vegetables alternately onto the skewers.
- Lightly oil the grill grate. Place the skewers on the grill. Cook for 12 to 15 minutes, until chicken juices run clear. Turn and brush with reserved marinade frequently.

DO NOT RESPOND TO PHISHING EMAILS

Wilkes Internet Support has seen an increase in “Phishing” emails. These are emails pretending to be sent from Wilkes Communications or as a representative of Wilkes Communications and they ask that you respond with personal internet account information.

BE ADVISED:

Wilkes Communications or any representatives of Wilkes Communications will NEVER ask you for personal information via email. As a reminder, you should never respond to any such request from ANY company. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the Help Desk at 336-957-TECH (8324).



JONATHAN NORMAN
Cable/I&R Combination
19 YEARS

NEIL WILES
Engineer
19 YEARS

STEVEN LOWE
Account Executive
8 YEARS

NIKKI HARLESS
Teller
1 YEARS

ADAM FOSTER
Video Production Representative
1 YEARS

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For the month of August
Help Wilkes Communications

Stuff the Bus!

Donate \$10 of School Supplies and select one of the following when upgrading or signing up for a High Speed Internet Plan of 12Mb/2Mb.



Option 1
Receive a \$30 credit on your bill

Option 2
3 months FREE of wireless routing

Certain restrictions apply. Fiber Optic customers must sign up for a minimum of 12Mb of service in order to receive promotion. A one year service agreement is required for promotion. Donations will be given to Wilkes County Communities in Schools. Service not available in all areas.