



Wilkes **NEWS** Communications, Inc.

a subsidiary of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation

June 2016

New & Noteworthy

- June 10 – Customer Appreciation Day, 11 am–2 pm
- June 19 – Father’s Day
- If you find your account number in the newsletter, you will receive a \$20 credit on your next bill.



Wilkes Honors Graduates at Scholarship Dinner

Each year, Wilkes Communications awards scholarships to several deserving high school seniors to attend the college of their choice. This year, 32 students were awarded scholarships that amounted to \$31,500 total. Scholarship awardees are selected based on academic achievement, educator recommendations, and school and community involvement.

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) also provides a scholarship to students who are from rural areas to support their continuing education. The FRS, in cooperation with the NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association, seeks to sustain and enhance the quality of life throughout rural America by advancing and understanding rural telecommunication issues. Lydia Burcham, from East Wilkes High School, received the FRS scholarship of \$2,500 this year. This scholarship is co-funded by Wilkes.

Scholarship Recipients

Millers Creek Christian School

Sophia Noel Horner

East Wilkes High School

Kayla Louise Mounce
 Olivia Bullard
 Kelsey Waddell
 Ruth Grace St. John
 Katlyn Mickel
 Chelsea Edwards
 Ashley Wood
 Brooke Kenzie Schubart
 Quincey Lineberger
 Courtney Anderson
 Abby Nicole Holbrook
 Kayla Chipman
 Dillon Ray McCann
 Cory Wood
 Anastasia Macemore
 Lydia Burcham

West Wilkes High School

Ashley Watson
 Sydney Eller
 Mikell A. Eddins
 Kendall G. Faw
 Andrew Cheek

North Wilkes High School

Cameron Grant Tribble
 Dillon Chandler Brown
 Rebekah Daye
 Caleb R. Johnston
 Karla Yanes

Wilkes Central High School

Hunter Jordan
 Tristan L. Johnson
 Ashley B. Minton
 Jordana Molai
 Erika L. Hemric

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. - 5 p.m. Monday - Saturday

Wilkes Internet Technical Support

336-957-TECH (8324)

Open 24/7



Wilkes Communication News is published monthly for members of Wilkes Communications (the trade name of Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation). Wilkes Communications 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 Communications provides complete communication services such as local telephone access, business telephone systems, high-speed Internet and long distance services. Security services are provided through its subsidiary, RiverStreet Networks.

Wilkes Honors Graduates Continued

Recipients of the Wilkes Communications scholarship are selected by a committee composed of members of the Board of Directors for Wilkes Telephone Membership Corporation, and must have service in their home or business provided by Wilkes Communications.

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**Customer Appreciation Day 2016
Joins Us for Food & Fun!**



We are dedicating a whole day to show how much we value our members. This year's Customer Appreciation Day will be held on June 10 at the Wilkes Communications headquarters, 1400 River Street in Wilkesboro. The fun will last from 11 am to 2 pm. There will be lots of food, giveaways, prizes, and games for everyone to enjoy. We really hope that you can make it, and we look forward to seeing you there!

Easy Money!

Save money making your payments with Wilkes auto pay and e-bill.

Sign up today and get up to \$2 off each month.

A monthly bill credit of \$1 will be applied to your statement the following month of your enrollment into either the autodraft or ebill program. If you enroll in both the autodraft and e-bill programs, the credit will be \$2 per month starting the month after your enrollment. Certain restrictions apply.



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Grilled Barbecue Chicken & Veggies

INGREDIENTS:

- 8 aluminum foil sheets to wrap around one chicken breast
- 4 (4-ounces each) boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- ½ cup barbecue sauce (use your favorite)
- 1 zucchini, sliced into thin rounds
- 1 red, green or yellow bell pepper, cut into thin strips
- 8 asparagus spears
- Salt and fresh ground pepper, to taste
- Extra virgin olive oil



PREPARATION:

- Preheat the grill to medium-high heat.
- For each foil pack, prepare two sheets of aluminum foil; place the sheets one on top of the other for durability.
- Place one chicken breast on each stacked pair of foil sheets; season with salt and fresh ground pepper.
- Brush each chicken breast with 1 to 2 tablespoons barbecue sauce.
- Divide equally and arrange vegetables around each chicken breast; season with salt and pepper.
- Drizzle chicken and vegetables with a little olive oil.
- Fold the sides of the foil over the chicken, covering completely; seal the packets closed.
- Transfer foil packets to the preheated grill rack and cook for 20 to 25 minutes, or until done, turning once.
- Chicken is done when thermometer reads 165 F.
- Allow the chicken to rest for a few minutes, then serve.

If Using an Oven

- Preheat oven to 400F.
- Prepare chicken as directed above.
- Seal the packets closed and transfer to a baking sheet.
- Bake in the oven for 25 minutes, or until done.