

# IPHONE 7 IS HERE! GET DEALS ON IPHONE 6

The new Apple iPhone 7 is here! And you can get yours from TCC at the same price as the retail stores! The new iPhone 7 boasts several new features including one never before offered on an iPhone -- WATER RESISTANCE! Along with a higher megapixel camera, longer battery life, thinner design, faster processor, louder speakers, and more storage capacity, the new iPhone 7 is splash, water and dust resistant!



Of course, if the iPhone 7 isn't the phone you are interested in, TCC has many other phones including the latest from Samsung, Motorola, and LG, along with iPhone 6's (S, S+) now at reduced prices!

Stop into TCC for your next phone and get the same phones and prices as the retail stores and we provide friendly, helpful service with no waiting! We take the time to answer all your questions about the phones and plans. When you get a phone from TCC, we also transfer contacts and data for you!

## USE WATCHTEVERYWHERE FOR YOUR TV NIGHTS

WatchTVEverywhere is a service INCLUDED\* with TCC cable for watching cable channels online! Watch LIVE tv, old shows and even past seasons! Plus with movie channels like FX, HBO, Showtime, Cinemax and Starz, you can choose from their entire library of movies -- not just the movies playing that day, week or month! When you want to go on a weekend binge of your favorite shows, use watchTVEverywhere. Go to <http://watchtveverywhere.com>, register your wTVE account and start enjoying! (\*channels available in wTVE depend on your cable package)



**Free Preview Weekend**  
**October 7 - 10**



### TRI-COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE



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**WWW.TCCPRO.NET 800.831.0610** 

▼ Strum & Independence Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

▼ Galesville Location Wednesday Noon - 4 p.m. Thursday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

▼ Strum Office 417 5th Ave. N P.O. Box 578 Strum, WI 54770 715-695-2691

▼ Independence Office 23669 Washington St. Independence, WI 54747 715-985-3101

# Cooperatives BUILD

## CO-OP MONTH 2016

### CELEBRATION DAYS:

- Fri., Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> --- 8 am - 4 pm  
TCC Office Strum
- Wed., Oct 26<sup>th</sup> --- 12 pm - 4 pm  
Galesville Library Community Room
- Fri., Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> --- 8 am - 4 pm  
TCC Office Independence

Refreshments ★ Prize Drawings (Badger Tickets, TCC Gift Cards)  
Product demonstrations ★ Free attendance gift

October is Co-op Month and we want to celebrate! Cooperatives play a big role in the business of our nation, state and county. They are unique businesses that are formed and owned by their members. Tri-County Communications Cooperative has been a strong partner to schools, businesses, organizations, and residents of the communities we serve. Visit our locations on the celebration days to say 'hi', enjoy some refreshments, watch some product demonstrations, and sign up for prizes including Wisconsin Badger Tickets and TCC Gift Cards! You even receive a free gift just for attending!

## HOLIDAY SPECIALS!!

TCC is ready for the holidays with the lowest prices of the year on our Laptops, iPads and HDTVs!



**\$125 OFF  
LAPTOPS**



**\$50-\$100 OFF HDTVS**



**\$50 OFF  
IPADS**



## PPV REPLACEMENT: STREAMING

Several of our Pay-Per-View channels went away back in May, leaving some people looking for other options that are as convenient as Pay-Per-View.

Streaming may be your answer! Streaming is watching content from libraries stored online. Being Internet based, it seems like something that can only be done through a laptop or tablet, but you can stream through your tv, too!

You can stream through a “smart” tv or other smart devices, or by connecting a “streaming device” (Apple TV, Roku box or stick, Chromecast, Amazon Fire Stick, etc.) to your tv and then to your Wi-Fi and you can watch streamed content on your tv. Content includes top tv shows, blockbuster movies, concerts, sports and more. The content comes from “apps” built into the devices. Some apps are actual channels like ESPN and HGTV. Other apps are content libraries like Netflix and Hulu. Most content providers require a subscription. Subscriptions typically cost \$5 - \$10 per month. Subscriptions to around 60 channels are included\* with TCC cable. It’s called “watchTVeverywhere”. So if your streaming device has the channel apps included with wTVe, then you are set! (\*channels available with wTVe depend on cable package)

One advantage of streaming is that you get live/current content plus past episodes and past seasons. Even movie channels like HBO and Showtime let you watch any of their movies and shows - not just what is playing on their channels.

TCC is offering classes on Netflix, Hulu and wTVe this month. See the article to the right for scheduled classes!

## FOLLOW LOCAL SPORTS TEAMS ON TCCTV AND WISSPORTS.NET

For local sports this fall and winter, watch TCCTV and go to wissports.net. TCCTV, which is carried on TCC channels 18 and 618 (HD), will be broadcasting live, local games plus some re-broadcasts. You can even order copies of taped games! Make sure to also check out wissports.net for the best coverage of Wisconsin High School Sports. Wissports has schedules, rosters, headlines and game videos from around the state - including all of our local teams!

## TCC.U SIGN UP TODAY!

TECHNOLOGY CLASSES

TCC is offering a variety of technology classes in October and November. Classes are free, last about an hour or so, and are open to anyone. We invite you to take advantage of this free instruction on today’s popular technologies!

### Figuring Out Windows 10

- TCC Independence - Oct. 4th 2 pm
- Galesville Community Room - Oct. 5th 2 pm
- Blair Library - Oct. 6th 6 pm

### Using Netflix, Hulu and watchTVeverywhere

- TCC Strum - Oct. 13th 6 pm
- Osseo Library - Oct. 20th 6 pm
- Whitehall Library - Oct. 27th 7 pm

### Learn to use your Apple iPad

- Arcadia Library - Oct. 27th 2 pm
- TCC Strum - Nov. 1st 2 pm
- TCC Independence - Nov. 3rd 2 pm

### Google Docs, Translate, Gmail and 3 More!

- Osseo - Nov. 3rd 6 pm
- Independence - Nov. 10th 6 pm

For full descriptions of all classes along with an online signup, visit [www.tccpro.net/tcc-classes](http://www.tccpro.net/tcc-classes)

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Kevin Schroeder - I started working at Tri-County Telephone in October 1999. I am in our IT department and work hard to make sure TCC's network is robust enough to meet the ever increasing needs of our customers and strive to keep down time to a minimum. I have one son and in my spare time love to enjoy sporting events, hunting, farming and wood working projects.

## CHANNEL NOTICE:

PIVOT (ch 110) will be discontinued 10/31/2016.

## BUSINESS NEWS:

### TRI-COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE NAMED CERTIFIED GIG CAPABLE PROVIDER BY NTCA—THE RURAL BROADBAND ASSOCIATION

Arlington, Va., – Tri-County Communications Cooperative, Inc. (TCC) was recognized by NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association, the premier association representing nearly 900 independent, community-based telecommunications companies that are leading innovation in rural and small-town America, as a Certified Gig-Capable Provider for delivering gigabit broadband speeds and enabling technological innovation in the Eleva, Independence, Northfield, Pigeon Falls, Pleasantville and Strum communities.

As a Certified Gig-Capable Provider, TCC joins a national campaign to build awareness and industry recognition of community-based telecom providers that have built communication networks capable of delivering Internet speeds of up to 1 gigabit per second, which is 100 times faster than those currently available in many U.S. households. TCC also received tools to promote itself as a Gig-Capable Provider in the Eleva, Independence, Northfield, Pigeon Falls, Pleasantville and Strum communities and will be recognized in NTCA media, on the NTCA website, and during association conferences and events.

“I applaud TCC for its commitment to delivering the Internet’s fastest speeds—an accomplishment worthy of much praise considering the unique and challenging circumstances small, community-based telecommunications providers operate under every day in serving some of our country’s most rural and remote communities,” said NTCA Chief Executive Officer Shirley Bloomfield. “By building a gigabit-capable network, TCC has not only overcome these challenges, but also shattered conventional benchmarks for broadband speed to enable cutting-edge technologies that drive innovation and promote economic development in their communities, region and nationwide.”

To achieve certification, telecommunications companies must show that gigabit technology is currently commercially available within 95% of one or more exchanges within its serving territory and that such service can be provided without new trenching or stringing new aerial facilities. This statement must be confirmed by a letter from an engineering firm or other independent source involved in the company’s network planning, deployment or operation.

### TCC PARTNER PROVIDING FIBER TO NEW US BANK STADIUM IN MINNEAPOLIS

TCC’s partner and network provider, WIN (Wisconsin Independent Networks), in Eau Claire is supplying fiber connections to the new US Bank stadium in Minneapolis. The project has taken a few years to plan and put together, and has involved much of the WIN staff including Sales, Network Administration, Outside Plant, and Contract Management. WIN delivered dark fiber availability on schedule and turned up Internet connectivity on June 21, 2016 after waiting for the stadium equipment to be installed and configured. For this project, WIN constructed two geographically separate fiber routes of 288-count fiber cabling between the stadium and the 511 Building across the street. The 511 Building is a critical networking center in the upper midwest. To be a part of a project of this magnitude and successfully provide reliable, cost effective services on time in such a competitive market is truly a great accomplishment for WIN.



## DON'T FORGET ABOUT THIS MONTH'S CO-OP MONTH CELEBRATIONS IN ALL THREE LOCATIONS!

We are holding open houses on Friday, October 21st from 8 - 4 at the TCC office in Strum; Wednesday, October 26th from 12 - 4 at the Community Room next to the library in Galesville; and Friday, October 28th from 8 - 4 at the TCC office in Independence. Stop by for refreshments, product/service demonstrations, prize sign-ups to win WI Badger tickets and TCC Gift Cards, and visit with TCC staff members. You even get a free attendance gift just for stopping in!