

### Letters from LEADERS

Mike Baustert - VP Operations & Engineering

I would like to take this opportunity to provide an update on the status of our fiber projects. As you know, in October 2023, Pioneer elected to pursue the FCC E-ACAM program (Enhanced Alternate Connect America Model). Pioneer's obligation under the program is to provide internet speeds greater than 100Mb down and 20Mb upload speeds to 61,975 locations in our exchange boundaries. This construction must be completed by the end of 2028. Pioneer made the decision to provide this service with a fiber network known as Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) also known as Fiber to the Home (FTTH). This technology was chosen because of its high bandwidth capabilities combined with improved reliability. With the use of fiber, we currently offer symmetrical speeds up to multiple Gigabits per second. This capability greatly exceeds copper abilities and the required FCC speed and latency requirements. Fiber technology also exists to expand this to 50 Gig symmetrical and there is already discussion for 100 Gig FTTP standards. This positions our fiber network to accommodate future technology bandwidth demands that today we cannot imagine.

Now an update on the fiber projects. In the last year we have completed fiber builds in 16 exchanges adding over 1000 miles of fiber. We currently have 25 exchanges with fiber construction under contract and 25 exchanges in the design and staking phase. It is estimated that we will complete this construction by the end of 2027. This will accomplish 100% fiber to all cooperative members a year ahead of FCC deadlines. Following each fiber construction project, we will move all services to the fiber and retire the copper plant from service. Deploying this fiber network will allow Pioneer's rural communities to compete on an equal basis with metropolitan cities on the information highway today and in the future.

Wishing you a safe and blessed summer!

### Welcome to GoPioneer!

Our mission is to help the communities of Pioneer learn, evolve and move forward in the ever-changing world of technology.

We welcome feedback, story ideas, or any questions relating to this magazine, previous articles, or even your personal inquiries.

Baffled by your teen's obsession with emojis? Confused about why you get WiFi in the garage but not in your bedroom? Let us know! This magazine is just as much yours as ours, and we are excited to help you become more adept in the tech world.

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### **Topic of Q2 2025:**

### Connecting Communities, Enhancing Lives

In this edition of GoPioneer, we highlight how fiber technology continues to transform rural communities, empowering families, businesses, and students alike. Discover how fiber-optic internet is delivering unmatched reliability and speed, learn practical solutions for common Wi-Fi frustrations, and meet inspiring local students benefitting from Pioneer's scholarship program.

We also share memorable highlights from Pioneer's 72nd Annual Meeting, along with a beloved community recipe you'll want to try this season.

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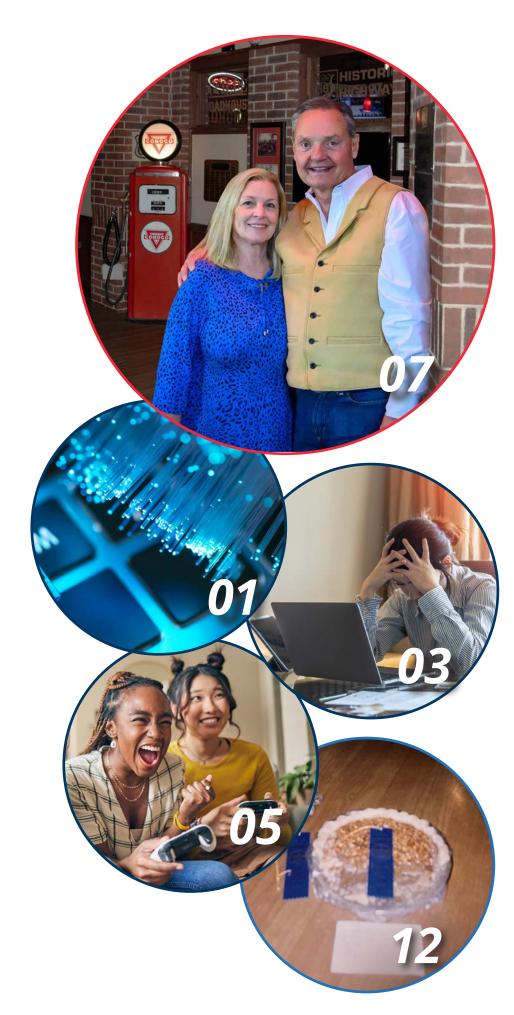
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## A NEED SPEED FOR

### WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH FIBER?

Sounds impossible, doesn't it? Like something out of a sci-fi movie. But the transmission of data via the speed of light is not only possible—it's the foundation of the fastest internet service available in the world.

With the average household having 10 to 12 devices connected to the internet at all times, we've officially said goodbye to the days of sharing a single computer. Now, we make room for Smart TVs, smartphones, and even digital assistants like Alexa in nearly every room of the house.

This constant addition of devices puts a strain on standard DSL and cable internet options, slowing down both download and upload speeds. That strain often leads to buffering, error messages, and—of course—frustration for the whole family. The demand for faster internet will only continue to grow over the next decade, which is why ISPs like Pioneer have made major strides in expanding fiber-optic networks to rural areas.

### 1. Reliability

Fiber-optic cables are made of thin strands of glass, which makes them

more reliable and flexible than the thick copper wires used in DSL and cable internet. Copper wiring is more susceptible to fire, extreme weather, and electromagnetic interference, all of which can disrupt your connection.

Fiber-optic cables, on the other hand, transmit data using light and are resistant to environmental hazards like water damage and temperature fluctuations. That means fewer outages and more consistent service.

### 2. Consistent Signal

With fiber-optic cables, you can literally get internet at the speed of light. Unlike DSL and cable—where speeds can vary depending on your distance from the provider or neighborhood usage—fiber delivers consistent upload and download speeds no matter the time of day. Perfect for streaming, gaming, or video calls without interruption.

### 3. Highly Secure

Fiber internet is one of the most secure connection types available. Copper cables use electrical signals, which can leak electromagnetic energy and potentially be intercepted by hackers.

Since fiber uses glass to transmit light instead of electricity, it's far harder to tap into. Combine that with security features from your internet provider, and you've got a strong line of defense against online threats like malware or viruses.

### 4. Bandwidth

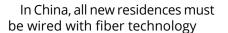
Bandwidth refers to how much data can move through your connection at once. Think of it like pouring sand through a funnel: if you dump too much too fast, it clogs. But a steady, manageable stream flows smoothly.

Fiber-optic cables can carry over a thousand times more bandwidth than copper cables, meaning you're far less likely to experience slowdowns or bottlenecks—even during peak usage times.

There are so many more cool advantages to fiber—so if you don't have it, it might be time to see if you can get it!

### The Fiber Difference







Fiber is sustainable. It's made from Silicon Dioxide, the secondmost abundant element on Earth after Oxygen



Fiber optic cables have a small carbon footprint due to the reduced amount of energy needed to transmit data

	DSL		FIBER	
Download Speed (Mbps)	6	Up to <b>50</b>	Up to <b>100</b>	Up to 1GB
How Fast Can I Download?				
8 of your favorite songs (40 MB)	<b>54</b> seconds	<b>6</b> seconds	<b>3</b> seconds	<b>.3</b> seconds
50 Photos (100 MB)	<b>2.5</b> minutes	<b>18</b> seconds	<b>8</b> seconds	<b>1</b> seconds
Online Game (500 MB)	<b>11</b> minutes	<b>1.3</b> minutes	<b>40</b> seconds	<b>4</b> seconds
2-hr HD Movie (3 GB)  *Speeds may vary	<b>1.5</b> hours	<b>&amp;</b> minutes	<b>4</b> minutes	<b>24</b> seconds

### **FUN FACT!**

Fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) is the only technology that will deliver enough bandwidth reliably and at low enough cost, to meet consumer demands of the decade.

### SLOW WI-FI IS WORSE THAN NO WI-FI

### How to Maximize Your Wi-Fi Performance



ew gadgets in your home can make you quite as frustrated as a router with a poor Wi-Fi signal. It's a special feeling of exasperation when your video finally finishes buffering, only to play for four seconds and start buffering again. Sighing out and groaning when a web page fails to load and you have to refresh it again.

It's true, slow Wi-Fi is worse than no Wi-Fi. If there's no Wi-Fi you know there's a problem and something needs to be fixed. However, if it's slow most people aren't all that sure on how to start troubleshooting these problems.

But don't worry, we're here to help. Here's all you need to know about routers and the solutions to the 'waiting game'.

### How a Router Works

A router uses radio waves, just like cellphones, televisions and radios do. Communication across a Wi-Fi network is a lot like two-way radio connection:

- 1. Your device's Wi-Fi adapter translates data into a radio signal and transmits it using an antenna.
- 2. Your router receives the signal and decodes it, then sends the information to the Internet using the physical, wired ethernet connection

The process then reverses, with the router receiving information from the Internet, translating it to a radio signal and sending it to the computer's wireless adapter.



### Finding The Perfect Spot for Your Wi-Fi Router

You want the Wi-Fi to work for you, so this means knowing where and how you're going to use the Internet and finding that 'Perfect Spot'.

There are two main options when it comes to finding the spot for your Wi-Fi Router, but each have their trade-offs.

option

### You use Wi-Fi equally throughout the house

Which means your router should be placed as close to the middle of your home as possible.

### The Trade-off

Having the Wi-Fi router in the middle of your home means the signal will be weaker if there are too many barriers, but most of your coverage will be almost the same throughout the house.

Step 2

Because routers operate with radio waves, you have to watch for items that will cause interference. Most Wi-Fi issues stem from the fact that the user has blocked their own signal. After you find the spot, make sure you have as little interference as possible.

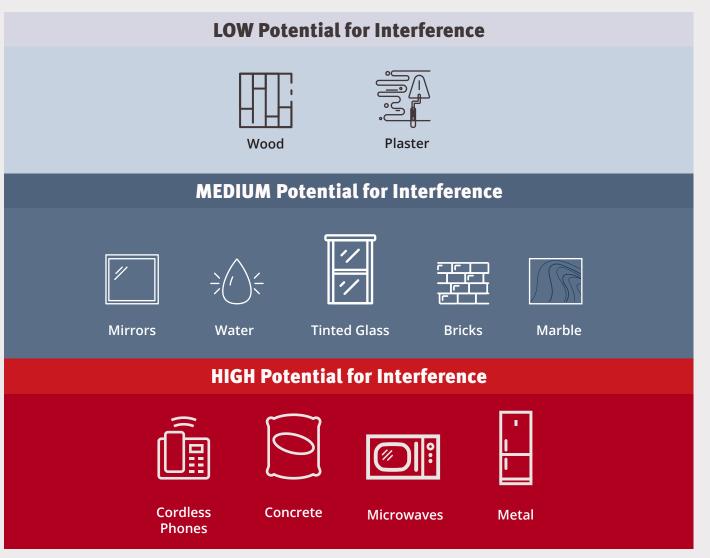
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### You have a primary media room

You might have a room where you use Wi-Fi the most, such as an entertainment room or living room. The router should be placed there. This allows you to wire devices that require more bandwidth, like streaming video or gaming systems, directly to your router. The signal strength in this room will be the strongest.

### The Trade-off

If your media room isn't in the middle of your home, the Wi-Fi signal strength for other devices could be impacted the further you move from the router.



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### Understanding your

### **INTERNET SPEED**

and what it really means

Speeds to the premises are often misunderstood. The goal of this article is to help educate users on how speeds from their service providers work and how they can be interpreted.

This information can differ depending on the type of internet connection you have and what type of service your provider offers. This article focuses specifically on fiber connectivity, which is the primary connection offered to customers by Pioneer Telephone. Pioneer provides fiber customers with the full throughput of the plan they choose. We don't limit download or upload speeds beyond the overall plan limits, and we don't restrict speeds based on usage or how many people are accessing the internet in your area at a given time.

### Speed Test Results and What Can Affect Them

When connecting with Pioneer Telephone—either through a router provided by Pioneer or a third-party router—you'll receive throughput based on your current plan. For the sake of this article, we'll use the gigabit plan as an example. Once subscribed and installed, we supply 1,000 megabits per second (Mbps) for both download and upload speeds, delivered symmetrically. These speeds will typically have a ping ranging from 10 to 30 milliseconds. That bandwidth is then distributed to the devices on your network.

When running a speed test on a device, it's important to remember that the device isn't testing the speed to the router directly—it's testing the speed from the router to the device. This means the results will vary based on how the device is connected.

Most industry-standard home routers offer both 2.4GHz and 5GHz bands. Devices connected to the 2.4GHz band are typically limited to speeds around 300—450 Mbps. On the 5GHz band, speeds generally range from 300 to 1,000 Mbps, depending on the environment. Speed test results can also be affected by how many devices are pulling from that 1,000 Mbps of available speed, as well as by wireless interference in your environment.

Other factors include the network interface of your device and the wireless radio or antenna settings in your router. A simple analogy: think of your internet connection as a tank of water. Let's say water flows into the tank at 50 gallons per minute, and several appliances pull from that tank—your kitchen sink at 2 gallons per minute, your shower at 4, and your washing machine at 3.

Even though the tank is being filled at 50 gallons per minute, if you test the water flow only at the sink, it might look like your capacity is low. Without understanding the full picture (the tank), the results can be misleading.

### Getting the Most Accurate Speed Test

To get the most accurate speed test—without testing directly from the router—use a wired connection. Ethernet provides a

direct line from your router to your device, avoiding wireless interference and antenna limitations.

However, even ethernet has limiting factors. The cable type and quality will determine how much speed reaches your device. Also, if other devices are using the network during the test, there will be less bandwidth available for the wired device at that moment.

Pioneer offers an application—SmartWiFi—that allows you to test speeds directly from your Calix router. This app provides the most accurate measurement of the bandwidth being delivered from Pioneer to your network. While speed tests are great tools for diagnosing performance issues, they shouldn't be your only resource when troubleshooting.

On the next page is a screenshot of a speed test run on a desktop computer connected via a 1,000 Mbps-capable Ethernet cable to a Pioneer router [Image 1]. The test was conducted using speedtest.net while the customer was streaming 1080p content:

### How Speeds Affect Day-to-Day Activities

Different speeds can significantly impact your daily tasks and online experience. If you work from home, you likely already know you need consistent, reliable speed. In general, remote work requires about 20—30 Mbps download and 5—10 Mbps upload. Not all connection types can reliably provide those speeds, especially over time. Fiber internet, however, offers much higher and more stable performance.

With fiber, someone can comfortably work from home using a 300 Mbps connection while others in the house stream or game simultaneously. File transfers are another key example—sending or receiving large files (such as a 6 GB video) could take seconds, minutes, or hours, depending on your connection speed.

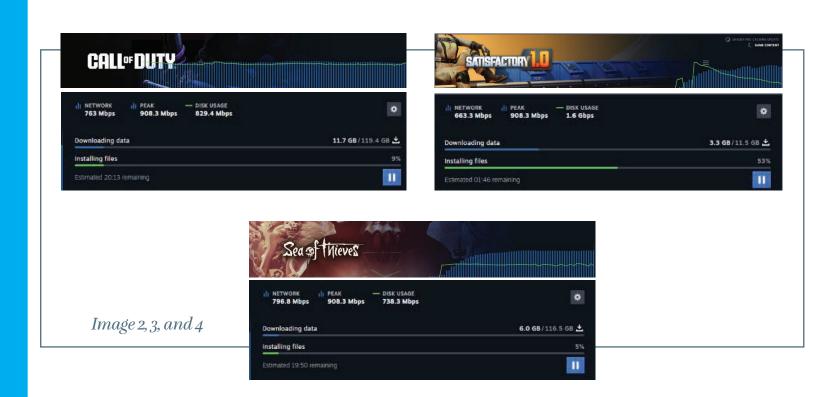
Streaming is also heavily affected by speed. If your download speed is below 50 Mbps, you may not be able to stream high-definition content reliably—or if you can, you may not be able to do much else on the network while streaming.

Gaming doesn't require much bandwidth—many online games can run on 10–20 Mbps—but latency (ping and jitter) becomes critical. On unstable or slower networks, multiplayer games can experience lag, delays, and long download times for game updates. On fiber, those issues are significantly reduced.

On the next page are screenshots showing download times for several popular PC games on the Steam platform [Image 2, 3, and 4]. These were taken on a desktop using a 1,000 Mbps-capable Ethernet connection while streaming 1080p content.

There are a lot of things that can impact your internet speed, and speed tests don't always tell the full story. Hopefully, this gave you a better idea of how it all works—and how to get the most accurate results. At the end of the day, having a reliable connection you understand makes everything from working to gaming a whole lot easier. And if you ever have questions, we're always here to help.





### GUEST WRITER Colton Chestnut

Colton is a Broadband Resolution Specialist at Pioneer Telephone Cooperative with 3 years of experience at Pioneer and over 4 years in the tech support and internet services field. Based in Loyal, he's deeply connected to the communities Pioneer serves. When he's not helping customers understand their internet service, you'll likely find him exploring new places with friends, cooking up something creative, or working on a woodworking project. Fun fact: One of his favorite historical tidbits is that President John Tyler—born in 1790 and the 10th President of the U.S.—could have sent a fax during his lifetime!



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### **Built on Service, Growing with Community**

Faith, Family, and Values Fuel Success for Rick Koch and ASAP Energy Inc.

A company built on honesty, hard work and dedication, ASAP Energy Inc. strives to provide quality product and service to its customers. At the heart of this growing business is the company founder and President Rick Koch.

"There was an older man that operated the first station and we had the opportunity to lease. I was going to college at Southwestern, and went to talk to him with my brother, and he told us how much money we had to have to buy his inventory and take over the lease," Rick said. "But he wanted us to know his customers, so I went to work for him for two months at \$2 an hour to get to know them. It was a great deal, because he was an older guy that was at the tail end of his career, but he loved his customers, and that stuck with me."

That early lesson in customer service never left him.

From that one leased station, With support from his wife, Sheila, Rick would go on to build ASAP Energy—a company with convenience stores, travel stops, wholesale lubes and fuel, trucking, a hotel, restaurants, digital billboards, retail clothing, and because of his son Brian's passion for aviation the aviation fueling business.

It all started with a commitment to people, relationships, and values.

"We don't turn down work. That's what the older man we bought out in 1979 told me. And that's still true," Rick said. "We just keep trying every day to meet our customer's needs. That's the fun part."

### **Growth, Grit, and Good Business**

Through oil booms and market dips, ASAP has grown to employ more than 350 people across Oklahoma, including in towns like Arnett, Shattuck, Geary, Clinton, Thomas, Hydro, Hinton, Bartlesville, Enid, Madill, Duncan, Chickasha and Weatherford and soon in Okeene. Many employees have been with the company for decades.

"Our HR Director Laquita has been with us over 20 years—she's like family. Her son, Ray Harris is our Chief Operating Officer. He's been with me 37 years, and he's like my brother." We are blessed to have several long-term employees.

The company's growth has been strategic and adaptive. They have developed an ASAP Project and Maintenance team, an ASAP IT team managed by Royce Ramey and an ASAP Marketing team managed by Marshall Dougherty that allows them to control the quality of every project and promotion including digital Daktronics billboards that can be updated remotely.

"We've got 10 structures with 20 billboard displays, and we use them to promote our restaurants, hotel, travel stops and other businesses. Most people are driving by—we want them to come back, and those signs help."

The hospitality side of the business has grown, too. What started as a Holiday Inn Express hotel has recently been upgraded



Photo Credit: ASAP Energy An ASAP Energy Convenience Store.

at a glance



What's your favorite thing about being ın owner?

Getting to meet people.

f you could speak to your younger self, ust starting out, what advice would you ive him

Having a relationship with God means you are never alone.

Who inspires you (alive or not) and

My Mom and Dad because they were good hardworking honest people.

If you had to live in a different state, here would it be?

Texas because that is where my Wife

When you were a child, what did you vant to become when you grew up?

An accountant or Lawyer.

What would be the one meal you could at every single day and never get bored?

Eggs and Bacon or Sausage.

### with Rick

On a hard day, what inspires you to get out of bed?

You cannot get anything done till you get started.

What is something you think everyone should experience at least once in their

Disneyworld to see their attention to

At the end of your life what would you wish you could have done more of today: What's stopping you?

Spend more time with my Kids and Grandkids. We are all very busy.

Tell me something that's true that almost nobody agrees with you on.

I really like Canadian Bacon and Pineapple Pizza. So does one of my Sisterin-laws and one of my Grandsons.

What moment in your life are you most

Working hard with great people and knowing they support me and trust me.

to our Lucille's hotel, named to match their two Lucille's Roadhouse Restaurants. The hotel draws in Route 66 travelers because it is located at Exit 84 on Interstate 40 which parallels Route 66 and is adjacent to one of our Lucille's Roadhouse Restaurants and one on our ASAP Travel Stops with themed black-and-white photography from all eight states in all our rooms and other popular amenities.

"We wanted it to feel unique, memorable," said Rick. "And it is."



Rick is proud of the tight-knit team behind the hospitality side.

"Justin O'Connor has been managing the hospitality business since 2008, and he's like one of our kids. Rhonda and Nico joined our hospitality team almost 15 years ago, and now they help manage the hospitality business."

The newest addition to the team is Owen, a 'young go-getter with infectious positivity.'

"He'll cook your breakfast or your steak whatever you need. He's learning from the best and has the right attitude," Rick said. "Those four give our hospitality business a ton of horsepower."

ASAP's standards are visible in everything from the food they serve to the upkeep of their facilities.

ASAP General Stores have touch-free bathrooms, filtered water for fountain drinks, and full-service kitchens.

"We don't have secondary food," Rick said. "It's the same food supplier that goes to all of our places. We buy most of our products from US Food Company, and they cater all our needs in our convenience stores, as well as our restaurants and our hotel."

That attention to quality extends to the buildings themselves, and Rick credits the ASAP Project and Maintenance team Managed by Matt Fast.

"The theme in everything that we tackle is that we try to make it be something that

nobody can tell how old it is," Rick said. "If I take you in the lobby of the hotel or into the rooms, you won't be able to guess how old that place is. And that's the goal."

The company culture reinforces those standards. Rick recalled a recent moment when one of the ASAP General Stores in Weatherford received a gift from a customer whose special needs child had been treated with kindness.

"All the employees got a gift from this little boy's mother because they were so nice to her child," Rick said. "They were visiting for classes over the course of year and our employees went out of their way-on a daily basis- to make the visit special. The gift was the mothers way of showing her appreciation."

That courtesy and thoughtfulness reflect ASAP Energy's motto, "Doing the right thing regardless of who is watching.".

"You never know, when someone comes off the highway, what their story is," Rick

### **Looking Ahead Towards Growth**

ASAP Energy believes personal connections are key to success and offers an "Energizing Our Communities" program that matches nonprofit donations.

"We want to continue to build and support local communities, create sustainable growth while utilizing technological innovation," Rick said.

Even after decades of success, Rick's philosophy hasn't changed.

"Find a job that you like and don't mind putting in 50 plus hours a week... you'll get more out of it, because you'll put more into it." Rick said.

With that mindset—and dedicated teams by his side—Rick shows no signs of slowing down. More information about ASAP's operations is available on their website: asapenergyinc.com.

"We're not done learning and improving," he said. "There's still so much to do."



### **INVESTING IN THE FUTURE:**

Pioneer Scholarships Make an Impact

# Application Timeline March Applications Open June Application Deadline July Selections Announced August Turn in final paperwork for dispursion to Scholar's College

Supporting students is one of the most rewarding things we do at Pioneer. Since 1991, the Pioneer Telephone Board of Trustees and Scholarship Committee have proudly awarded over 374 scholarships totaling more than \$1.1 million to students across Western Oklahoma.

Our scholarship program is offered annually to both college and technology center students whose families are Cooperative subscribers. From future educators and engineers to skilled trade professionals, Pioneer scholars go on to strengthen our local communities and economy.

The application period for the 2025–2026 school year has officially closed, and our management team is now reviewing this year's applicants. As always, we're impressed by the talent, determination, and goals of the students who apply. We're thrilled to announce that the next class of Pioneer scholars will be featured in our Quarter 3 issue of Go Pioneer!

This program is a long-standing Cooperative tradition, and one we're honored to offer year after year. If you or someone you know may qualify, we encourage you to visit our scholarship page and check out the annual application timeline to the left, so you can be prepared for next year!

Helping students chase their dreams is just one of the many ways Pioneer is committed to building a stronger future for the communities we serve.

For now, check out our final scholar for the 2024-2025 season!

### Meet Our PIONEER SCHOLAR



### Landri Hussey • District 11 • Watonga

Landri Hussey is a Physical Education major at Southwestern Christian University in Bethany, Oklahoma. She plans to graduate in May of 2026.

"I chose physical education as my major, because both of my parents are in this field and that inspired me, as well as I enjoy working with athletes and want to make an impact in the classroom in the future," Landri said.

After graduation, Landri hopes to find a teaching and coaching job somewhere relatively local to her hometown.

"With this job I would like to positively impact the younger generation through the classroom as well as in the athletic world," she explained.

What excites Landri most about the future is "getting to be on the other side of athletics. I have been a player since I was a little kid, so getting to be on the coaching side of things excites me!"

Landri plays basketball for the Southwestern Christian Women's basketball team. In her spare time, she spends lots of time with her younger brothers and older sister, often watching them play sports back home.

The Pioneer Scholarship helps Landri tremendously.

"College is not cheap and it plays a huge role in helping me pay for my education," she said.

Her biggest accomplishment so far has been "keeping a 4.0 while playing sports." But balancing sports and academics hasn't been easy.

"My biggest challenge has been trying to stay on top of things while playing basketball. It can be extremely hard to do both at once, but it is so worth it!"

Her advice to future college students is simple: "Embrace your passion, because eventually that'll be your career. Be passionate about your interests!"

### Want to learn more about our scholarships?

Scan the QR Code to go to our Scholarship Webpage!



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### PIONEER CELEBRATES 72 YEARS WITH MEMBERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative proudly hosted its 72nd Annual Meeting, bringing together members from across our service area to celebrate the strength of cooperative values. Guests enjoyed a warm welcome, important updates from leadership, a delicious lunch, and more than \$4,200 in prizes given away—including several major cash winners.

As always, the Annual Meeting is more than just a tradition—it's a chance to connect with the people who make Pioneer what it is. Thank you to all who attended and continue to support the cooperative spirit!

See below for our big monetary winners!



## CONGRATULATIONS

### \$100 Cash Prize Winners:

Marylin Walton Edward Wilczek Jose Rodriquez Cassandra Smith Mark Phelan Janet Pappe Wade Olson Kayleen Helt

Tim Coffey

Roscoe Like

Mary Ogle

Barbara Fisher

Esther Arnold Estalene Teply

Heather Payne
Jon Johnson

### \$250 Cash Prize Winners:

A.J. Ferguson Sarah Charley Barbara Sinclair Karen Edgar Kathy Painter Toni Pickle

### \$500 Cash Prize Winners:

Leslie Adams Jane Adair Leslie Nutter

### **Classic Pecan Pie**

	ingredients
3	eggs, beaten
1 c.	light corn syrup
1 c.	sugar (scant)
2 tbs.	melted margarine
1tsp.	vanilla
11/2 c.	chopped pecans
1	unbaked pie shell

- 1. Stir together the first 5 ingredients (eggs, corn syrup, sugar, margarine, and vanilla) until well blended.
- 2. Stir in chopped pecans.
- 3. Pour mixture into an unbaked pie shell.
- 4. Bake at  $350^{\circ}$ F for 50-55 minutes, or until a knife inserted halfway between the center and the edge comes out clean.



A photo from Rita of her pecans and pie!

### Where did you find this recipe?

"I believe I found it in the *Taste of Home* magazine. I had tried a few other ones but I really liked this one and after tweaking it a little, it became our favorite!"

What is your favorite thing about this recipe?

"I guess my favorite thing is that it is fairly easy to make. We grow our own pecans and I think that makes a big difference."

Do you have any tips and tricks for preparing this recipe? "Starting with the crust, it should be cold and I use a glass Pyrex pie pan. I beat the eggs and sugar well before adding anything else, and I use a scant cup of sugar."

- Pioneer Customer - Frederick Rita Britton

### Have a recipe or story idea to share?

Email GoPioneerOK@ptci.com OR visit or anonymous entry form at *GoPioneer.com/community/gopioneer-magazine*.











### Linwood & Sue (Moore) Brunken - Garber

Celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary January 2nd. They have four children, one granddaughter, and three great-grandkids.

### Jerry & Patsy Acton – Crescent

Celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary February 5th. They have two children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

### Lanie and Pam Hale

Will Celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary April 6.

### Larry & Anita Long - Dover

Celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary February 14th. They have two children, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

### Mike & Susie White - Kingfisher

Celebrated their 56th Wedding Anniversary February 11th. They have three children, nine grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

### Max & Karen Gerber - Kingfisher

Celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary June 7th. They have three sons, two daughters-in-law, and six grandchildren.

### Ellis & Susan Wright – Blanchard, OK

Celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary June 20th. They have three sons, three grandsons, three granddaughters, and one great-granddaughter.

### Happy Anniversary from all of us at Pioneer!

### Want your Anniversary published?

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