



**Webster-Calhoun**  
Cooperative Telephone Association

# Connections

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Have a safe and enjoyable 4<sup>th</sup> of July!



## Revolving Loan Fund – Gowrie Fire Board Agency

Recently Webster-Calhoun approved funding from the Revolving Loan Fund to the Gowrie Fire Board Agency. The Gowrie Volunteer Fire Department needs to replace their aging 1995 Ford Tanker truck. The new tanker is a Heiman WaterKing I Tanker apparatus with a 2000-gallon tank and portable pump to be installed on a 2024 model Freightliner chassis and estimated to cost \$253,000. It is expected to be delivered in the fall of 2024.

“With over 19 members, four of those employed at Webster-Calhoun, the Gowrie Volunteer Fire Department is an important asset to the Gowrie community. They provide education, fire protection, emergency response, and assistance in medical emergencies and other disasters.” Noted Marcie Boerner, COO of Webster-Calhoun Cooperative Telephone Association.



Left to Right: Marcie Boerner (COO - WCCTA), Keith Streit (President of Gowrie Fire Board Agency), and Chad Loseke (Technician - WCCTA & Assistant Chief of Gowrie Volunteer Fire Department).

Webster-Calhoun established a Revolving Loan Fund in 2017 with funds from the USDA to help improve quality of life in rural areas.

## County Fairs

Here are the county fairs taking place throughout our service area:

Calhoun: <http://www.calhouncountyexpo.com/>

Greene: <https://www.greenecountyiowafair.com/>

Webster: <https://www.webstercountyfairgroundsia.com/>

Boone: <http://www.boonecountyfairia.com/>

Humboldt: <https://www.humboldtcountyfair.com/>



# Tech Tips for Power Outages

'Tis the season for summer storms and power surges! Sometimes outages or even slight flickers in your power can affect electronic devices in your home such as wireless routers, computers, and set-top boxes. If a device doesn't power back up, it may not work correctly. You may need to reboot the device or manually power off the device, wait a few minutes, and power it back on. Also, make sure a breaker has not been tripped in the event of power loss.

## Managed Wi-Fi

If you rent a Managed Wi-Fi router, simply reboot the device, by unplugging the power supply. Wait 30 seconds – 1 minute, plug back into the outlet, and wait for the face of the router to turn solid green. DO NOT hit the "Reset" button on the router. This button is so small you need a pin, and it may reset your router to factory settings (this could generate a service call for a technician to fix).



# WCCTA Presents Funds to Wheels of GYC

The Wheels of GYC (Gowrie Youth Center) roller skating rink has been a long-standing tradition not only to the community of Gowrie but surrounding communities as well. In 2024, they celebrate their 75th anniversary! They hosted a celebration and silent auction for this milestone event on June 22, 2024, with a free will donation, food, and games. A free will donation skate that evening was open to the public as well. This was a wonderful opportunity to remember great times and financially help the non-profit organization.



Left to Right: AJ Dorsey (WCCTA Technician), Corinne Jackson (Wheels of GYC Manager), Kayla Pingle (Wheels of GYC Board Member), Camryn Jackson, (Wheels of GYC Employee) and JD Jackson (Wheels of GYC Board President).

