

# MTC provides state-of-the-art communications

MTC, also known as Mutual Telephone Company or Mutual TeleCommunications is proud to call ourselves the local Rice County communications provider. From starting out as a simple telephone company, MTC has evolved into a state-of-the-art telecommunications provider. MTC serves many towns in several different counties throughout central Kansas. In fact, MTC has a total of five stores three of which are in Rice County located in Little River, Lyons and Sterling.

MTC can offer a wide variety of services depending on the area you live. Some of the MTC services available include high speed internet, digital TV service, local phone service, a wide variety of calling features, long distance, Nex-Tech Wireless cellular service, computer repair and PBX systems. Plus, MTC is staying ahead of technology and is offering a fully customizable security and automation service for your home or business. This will be a big focus for MTC in 2018 and moving forward.

Another main focus for MTC is continuing to grow our fiber footprint. Fiber Optics, best known as the next generation of broadband, is the only technology that offers virtually unlimited bandwidth. This is becoming vital as more things such as video and gaming move more towards inter-

net based applications. Producing up to 100 times faster Internet speeds, this allows MTC to provide you with the most advanced services today. MTC is even offering speeds as fast as 1 GIG in some areas! As technology advances, your current equipment may become inadequate or obsolete. That's why the "Future Proof" aspect of the fiber network is so incredible.

The system is built to grow and accommodate different applications and programs. As a matter of fact, it can adapt to applications and pro-

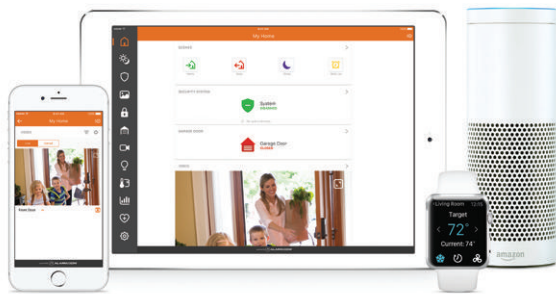
grams that haven't even been created yet. Fiber Optics can do it all! Currently 100% of Little River residents and business have access to fiber. After finishing that project, MTC began placing fiber in both the Lyons and Sterling communities. Although neither community is 100% converted, we do have several different fiber routes in both Lyons and Sterling that would allow many residents and most businesses to take advantage of these top notch services!

All of us at MTC are consistently and diligently researching the latest products and services so we can provide you with all of the same technologies and services you can get in the "big city", but at small town prices. Whether you need reliable Internet service WAY out in the country, or you're looking for a security system that can be controlled from an app on your smartphone, MTC has got a solution for you!

With MTC being a local company, the staff and board are truly invested and committed to the communities we serve. A big part of this is because your community is our community since most of the staff at MTC lives in Rice County. This means our children go to the same local schools, we shop at the same local stores, and we see each other at the same local events. From sponsoring local teams, serving on local boards and chambers, supporting local events and causes, MTC strives to stay active in these communities. You can always be sure when you call or stop by one of our offices; you'll talk to a local person who can help you right away.

At MTC, our mission is to provide local, reliable service to our customers. Offering the latest communication technologies to grow with the communities we service. It is our genuine pleasure to serve you!

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MTC's Integrated Technologies Powered by Alarm.com allows you to view cameras, get notifications and control your equipment through an app on your devices!



Fiber optics are thin strands of glass about the size of a human hair. They are arranged in bundles and transmit information over long distances by turning electronic signals into light.



MTC has local offices in Lyons (pictured above), Sterling and Little River.



MKC improvements made recently included a new anhydrous facility. The facility includes two anhydrous tanks which hold a combined total of 56,000 gallons of anhydrous along with four filling stations.

## MKC Rice County facilities are up to the task

By RYAN CARLSON

In 2015 MKC completed construction on several new improvements to its Rice County facility.

One of the major improvements includes an anhydrous facility, finished last year prior to the spring season. Improvements to MKC's arsenal include two anhydrous holding tanks that hold a combined total of 56,000 gallons as well as four filling stations to increase turn around on speed.

MKC Facility Manager, Steve Olson, said MKC offers direct-to-the-farm delivery for anhydrous using tanks that hold 1,500 gallons. Olson noted MKC also picks up the empty tanks and returns the tanks filled to the farmer.

"Our goal is to provide efficiencies for our customers, keeping the farmers moving in the field

as they prepare for spring," said Olson.

Another of MKC's many additions to the facility includes a grain storage bunker that holds just under one million bushels of grain. The storage bunkers include an air system to keep the grain dry and aerated.

Olson said there are a number of other services available to farmers in the area, including crop nutrients and crop protection products. In addition, the facility will stock some farm necessities such as animal feed, dog food, cat food, oil and antifreeze for their customers. "We will keep a small supply of farm necessities and

adjust these supplies based on customer need," said Olson.

Olson said efficiency and timeliness both play a big role in how MKC does business. Olson said in the fall of 2014, the facility completed an automation system. This system monitors the temperature and aeration of the grain storage facilities and allows MKC employees to unload trucks right from the office. "This system will help us maintain our speed and efficiency, returning the producer to the field in a timely manner as well as monitor our grain quality," said Olson.



The new MKC grain bunker includes a large motorized grain conveyer belt. The conveyer belt can be moved as needed.

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