The Buzz

Surry Communications
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Smart Rural Community Showcase Award



Surry Communications is proud to announce that we have been named one of eight recipients of NTCA - The Rural Broadband Association's Smart Rural Community Showcase Award.

This recognition celebrates our continued commitment to connecting the rural communities we call home and creating new opportunities through reliable broadband and technology. For Surry Communications, providing connectivity is about more than delivering a service, it's about helping our communities thrive, supporting local businesses, strengthening education, and keeping people connected to what matters most.

We are grateful to NTCA for this recognition and especially thankful for the members, customers, employees, and community partners who make our work possible.

We're honored to receive this award and even more proud to serve the communities that have supported Surry Communications throughout the years. We look forward to continuing to connect our communities and build a stronger future together.



Nominated Committee Named

On Thursday, September 17, 2026, the Surry Telephone Board of Directors appointed the following members of the cooperative to serve on a nominating committee to propose candidates to serve as directors.

Nominating Commitee

Beulah	Danny R. Hodges	**Zephyr**	Avery Branch
Level Cross	Gregory Simmons	**Churchland**	Jerry Smith
Red Brush	Jimmy Draughn	**Reeds**	Gene Klump
Shoals	Scotty Marion	**At Large**	Clarence Cropps Jr.
Westfield	Jerry Atkins		

Nominating Commitee to meet

The nominating committee will meet on Monday, January 4, 2027 at 7:30 p.m. at the headquarters building located at 819 E. Atkins St., Dobson, NC. The committee will nominate at least one member as a candidate to serve a three-year term from the Beulah Exchange, the Shoals Exchange and the Churchland Exchange.

The list of nominations will be posted at the headquarters business office in Dobson and in all branch offices.

Recipe of the Month:



Pumpkin Spice Latte Overnight Oats
(recipe from pioneerwoman.com)

Ingredients

- 2 1/4 cups milk
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 1/3 cup maple syrup
- 3 Tbsp. instant espresso powder
- 2 Tbsp. light brown sugar
- 1 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice, plus more for sprinkling
- 2 cups old-fashioned rolled oats, divided
- 8 tsp. chia seeds, divided
- 3/4 cup vanilla Greek yogurt, divided

Directions

1. In a large measuring cup, combine the milk, pumpkin, maple syrup, espresso powder, brown sugar, vanilla, and pie spice. Divide the mixture among 4 (12-ounce) jars or airtight containers.

2. Stir ½ cup of the oats and 2 teaspoons of the chia seeds into each container, ensuring the oats are submerged in liquid. Cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours or up to 3 days.

3. Dollop the yogurt over the oats. Dust with pie spice, if you like, and serve chilled.



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BUSINESSES
OF THE MONTH



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336-374-5234 Belton Jr Lc Phillip

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336-325-1906 Johnson Nanette M

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