

# CONNECTIONS



Published quarterly for the customers of Butler-Bremer Communications

## 18 new cable channels added July 1st

As of July 1st, we added 18 fantastic new cable channels to our cable television line-up based directly upon your requests. With the addition of these new channels, we now

providing both **STARZ and Encore FREE** to all our cable television customers on a trial basis. As of September 1st, the package of STARZ and Encore will

sports like Speed Channel, to children's programming like Cartoon Network and Toon

Disney. We hope you enjoy the new line-up! ■

We will begin blocking Starz and Encore September 1st. If you want to keep these two channels, give us a call!


offer 60 channels of the best programming available for less than \$30 a month. You won't find a better value anywhere! And with cable television service from Butler-Bremer, you can watch all channels on as many televisions as you'd like for no additional monthly cost!

Additionally, we are currently

be \$10 per month. If you are a current cable customer and you are interested in keeping the STARZ and Encore package, please give us a call at 276-4458 so we can continue your service.

We are excited to offer a channel line-up that includes more of the channels you want, from lifestyle channels like Food Network and Sci-Fi, to

## i wireless is coming to Nashua and Frederika September 1st!

Our Nashua and Frederika customers will soon have access to i wireless service!

With the construction of two new towers, now all Butler-Bremer customers will have the best local wireless coverage available, and access to all the great i wireless phones, plans and features. To get i wireless service, Nashua and Frederika customers should stop by Butler-Bremer's office in Plainfield, or give us a call! ■

## Coming soon, discounted FLAT RATE packages!

In the coming months, Butler-Bremer Communications will be introducing a new way to save money on your telecommunications services each and every month.

Our new FLAT RATE packages will combine all the services you want like phone, calling features, long distance minutes, cable and Internet services all in one discounted package for one FLAT RATE. You'll get everything for one rate, on one bill, AND you'll have the opportunity to save up to \$20 a month.

Watch your mailbox and future newsletters for details! ■

# Kids in school? You need a High Speed Internet connection from Butler-Bremer!

If you've got kids in school, an Internet connection from Butler-Bremer is a necessity. Whether doing

research for a report, or e-mailing a teacher about a homework assignment, the Internet is an essential learning tool.

And if you're tired of tying up your phone line and spending countless hours waiting for pages to download, it's time for a High Speed Internet connection.

With High Speed Internet, you'll download at speeds you've only dreamed of so your

kids can get their homework

done efficiently and you can shop, bank, invest and e-mail at light speed. And, your connection is always on, so you'll never have to dial-up again! Best of all, you can use the phone and the Internet at the same time so you'll never miss another call!

With Butler-Bremer, you get lightning fast speeds for just \$45 a month!

Don't wait! To schedule your High Speed Internet installation today, give us a call at 1.800.830.1146. ■



### Did you know?

Nearly all public schools in the United States have Internet access. And, more than 3/4 of all school-aged children use the Internet to do their homework!

## In case of emergency, dial "ICE"

If you want to make it easy for emergency workers like ambulance or hospital staff to find your emergency contact information, it's as simple as storing the word "ICE" in your wireless phone address book.

Simple put the word "ICE," which stands for "In Case of Emergency" in your phone's address book and enter the number of your emergency contact person. For more than one contact name, simply use "ICE1," "ICE2," and so on. Or, you can also use other generic terms like HOME, WIFE or PARENTS. It's a simple way to make it easy to others to find and contact your family in an emergency situation. ■



# Butler-Bremer Communications—100 Years of Progress

Your telephone company has come a long way in the last 100 years—transforming from a communication necessity in the early 1900s to a full-service phone, cable, Internet and wireless provider today. Coming next month—the last 20 years.



**1907:** First manager, J. W. Duval, hired in 1907 at salary of \$840 a year. He was expected to work 365 days per year.



**1963-1965:** Frederika, Tripoli and Plainfield are converted to “dial” service from party-line phone service.



**1987-1988:** New digital telephone switching equipment and 21 miles of fiber is installed.

**1905:** Butler-Bremer Communications begins as Farmers Mutual Telephone Company – it incorporates on February 13th.



**President:** Charles Coburn  
**Vice President:** John Shield, Jr.  
**Secretary:** William Sinram  
**Treasurer:** Frank Brockman

**Late 1930s:** Late Senator J. Kendall “Buster” Lynes, a 30 year Board veteran, virtually forces Northwestern Bell Telephone to sell its telephone equipment in Tripoli to Butler-Bremer Mutual Telephone Company. Frederika and Tripoli exchanges are added.



**1983- 1985:** Butler-Bremer Mutual Telephone Company begins offering Cable TV service in Plainfield, Tripoli and Frederika.



## 100th Anniversary Contest!

Telecommunications has come a long way in the past 100 years, and we’re sure people will be communicating a lot differently 100 years from now.

Parents, have your kids write a story or draw a picture about how they envision communication in the year 2105,

and they could win a savings bond.

We’ll award a \$100 savings bond to each child under 12 with the most creative and unique essay and picture.

Winners will be published in the next Butler-Bremer newsletter. We appreciate your participation. Good luck!



All entries are due by September 30, 2005. One winner will be chosen in each category (essay or picture). Please mail all entries to: ATTN: Contest, Butler-Bremer Communications, P.O. Box 99, Plainfield, IA 50666. Please, children under age 12 only. Children may enter the contest in both categories. Limit stories to 500 words or less. ■

 
 
 

## Back to School Necessities.

 <p><b>THE Safety Plan</b>  <b>1¢ Firefly™ Phone</b>  <small>with shared plan \$39.95 or higher</small>  <small>Perfect 1st phone 1-touch dialing to parents &amp; 911</small>  <b>Get 100 min. for \$19.95</b></p>	 <p><b>THE Family Plan</b>  <b>\$39.95</b>  <b>1000 MINUTES</b>  <small>Anytime/Anywhere Shared lines just \$14.95/mo.</small>  <b>\$50 off a phone</b></p>	 <p><b>THE Campus Plan</b>  <b>\$39.00</b>  <b>43,200 MINUTES</b>  <small>MEGAtalk® unlimited local calling \$5 of long distance free</small>  <b>Motorola C350 for \$19.95</b></p>
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\*T-Mobile carrier

# New i wireless Firefly™ phone offers peace of mind for parents

If you're like many parents, you've considered sending your middle-school or even your elementary school student back to school with a wireless phone. If your kids walk to school, are involved in extracurricular activities, or even if you just want to know where your child is at any given time, a wireless phone can be a great tool.

But traditional wireless phones can be expensive, difficult to use, and younger children may use them irresponsibly. This is where the new

Firefly™ phone comes in. New from i wireless, the Firefly™ phone is the perfect first phone for your child. It's got a colorful, glowing design and just 5 keys to keep kids connected to the people who matter most.



- There's one key to call mom, one key to call dad and one key to dial 911.
- You get parental control on incoming and outgoing calls.
- You can store up to 20 additional phone numbers in the electronic phone book.

- It offers Caller ID and Call Waiting.
- You can get a Firefly™ phone for just a penny, and add your child to your i wireless family plan for just \$14.95 per month, so it's extremely affordable.

Or, if you don't have i wireless, you can get your child a 100 minute plan for less than \$20 a month.

To learn more about the new Firefly™ phones, stop by our office or give us a call! Or, check out our web site at [www.butler-bremer.com](http://www.butler-bremer.com). ■



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