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GVTC Reports Record \$4.96 Million Capital Credits Distribution

GVTC has once again achieved a record setting capital credit payout to its telephone cooperative members. The amount for 2007 will total approximately \$4.96 million. Including this distribution, GVTC will have refunded approximately \$76.9 million in capital credits to its members.

Ritchie Sorrells, GVTC, president & CEO, credits a focus on customer service, adding more products and community involvement for GVTC's success in the face of a softening economy. "Our strategy is to provide more value than our competition," says Sorrells. "Our customers recognize this and have responded with their patronage."

GVTC's record payout was accomplished in the midst of a five-year, \$35 million fiber-to-the-home expansion project, which is replacing copper lines with fiber connections in most of its established communities. Fiber technology will enable GVTC to offer more products to more customers.

Chuck Knibbe, GVTC, chairman of the board, says the fiber expansion project is a key to GVTC's continued success. "Our customers asked for fiber connections and we're delivering," says Knibbe. "The growth of our capital credits is predicated on our customers taking advantage of the new products and services we are bringing them."

As a non-profit entity, any revenues over and above GVTC's operating expenses are returned to its member-owners in the form of capital credits. The refunds are made on a proportional share, based upon the dollar volumes that each individual member spends on telephone services with the cooperative. The more telephone services and products the members purchase from their cooperative, the greater the overall profits and the greater the members' capital credit refund checks.

Capital credit checks will not be available to members at the annual meeting on accounts with a past due balance as of May 26, 2008. The credit will be applied toward any unpaid balance, and the remainder, if any, will be issued as a check.

This year's distribution will be made to those active members with service during the years of 1989 through 2006. Capital credit checks may be collected prior to the start of the meeting, during the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. To collect a check during these hours, members must present a copy of their Annual Meeting Notice and be verified as having working GVTC telephone service. Capital credit checks will only be released to the person whose name appears on the membership account.

A kiosk staffed with Customer Service Representatives will be available to #78972 answer many of your questions and you're also invited to visit The GVTC Foundation kiosk to learn more about this newly formed organization.

For those members not attending the meeting, the remaining checks will be mailed after the first week in July. This is the same mailing period for memberships without active service. Capital credit checks are not available at any GVTC location.

GVTC 53rd ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, June 25, 2008

New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center, 375 S. Castell

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Easy Parking Access Free Gift Bags and Refreshments \$2,000 in Cash Prizes

Register to Win Fabulous Prizes including two laptops and one desktop computer

2008 Annual Meeting Offers Easier Access, Fabulous Prizes

Join us at this year's Annual Meeting in the totally remodeled New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center located at 375 South Castell in New Braunfels. The meeting takes place in the spacious 14,000-square-foot Exhibit Hall. Easy access parking is available off South Castell Avenue and West Garden Street.

Members in attendance also receive gift bags, refreshments and can participate in drawings for two Lenovo laptop computers, a HP Compaq desktop computer with 22" Samsung LCD display with graphics adapter and \$2,000 in cash prizes.

Boerne Residents Choose GVTC

GVTC is quickly becoming the "phone provider of choice" for Boerne residents.

In July 2005, the first line was installed. Now, a little less than three years later, more than 30% of the residential phone market, representing over 1,000 telephone lines in the city, use GVTC.

In addition to telephone, GVTC offers digital cable television, high speed broadband and security services all from one company on one convenient bill. Customers have the option of bundling qualifying services to receive even greater discounts and savings.

Kendall County Courthouse Awards Communication Contract GVTC delivers Fiber-To-The-Business

Recently, Kendall County Commissioners selected GVTC as the communication provider to deliver services to the Courthouse. Under the agreement, the existing analog services will upgrade to digital utilizing GVTC's latest technology platform, Fiber-To-The-Business. The complete integrated package of services offers solutions for voice; along with faster broadband connectivity.

Commissioner Gene Miertschin, Pct. 2, says he noticed the difference immediately, calling GVTC's fiber broadband connection speeds "amazing."

GVTC's Fiber-To-The-Business is designed to offer the technology of today and also to meet the demands of the future.

Golf Classic Scores an Ace for Education

The 4th Annual GVTC Foundation Charitable Golf Classic proved to be another bonanza for local education. This year's tournament on Monday, May 5, 2008 at River Crossing Country Club raised \$85,000 for the Comal Education Foundation.

According to the Comal Education Foundation website, the organization provides funds for educational programs and activities which either have not been funded or have been under-funded by the normal operating budget.

"I'm so delighted The GVTC Foundation is able to make another significant financial contribution to support students and teachers in our area," says Cathy Young, President, The GVTC Foundation. "On behalf of the foundation, I'd like to thank all of our vendors and volunteers for making this event another huge success." The total amount raised over a four year period to CEF from this tournament is now more than \$335,000.

Over 280 local and out-of-state golfers participated in the tournament, along with more than 100 volunteers from GVTC, Comal Education Foundation and other area businesses who helped in a variety of ways to make the event run smoothly #046667.

To learn more about the mission of The GVTC Foundation, visit www.gvtcfoundation.com.

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L-R Ritchie Sorrells, CEO, Laura Kistner, Comal Education Foundation, Dr. Marc Walker, Superintendent, Comal I.S.D., Cathy Young, President, The GVTC Foundation, Klaus Weiswurm, Comal Education Foundation.



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Longtime GVTC Board Member Passes Away



L. Charles Billings

A long time member of the GVTC family has passed away. L. Charles Billings, Director, District 1, succumbed to illness on Sunday, April 20, 2008. Mr. Billings served District 1, for 20 years; from 1998 to 2008.

During his tenure as Director, Mr. Billings supported numerous initiatives that resulted in benefits to the membership and contributed to the successful growth and expansion of the Cooperative. As a representative of District 1, which predominately covers the Canyon Lake area, his constituents saw vast improvements to their services including the cable television service upgrade and the introduction of Fiber-to-the-Home in select areas.

Director Billings will be missed by all at GVTC. We extend our deepest condolences to his family and loved ones.

FIND YOUR LUCKY NUMBER!

Two lucky member numbers are hidden in this issue of Link. Find YOUR member number after a # sign in the text of this newsletter and you're a winner! The number must match your member number (from your GVTC statement). This month GVTC is giving each of the two winners a \$20.00 GVTC Gift Certificate, to be applied to your phone bill. If you are a winner in this newsletter call Yvonne Vasquez at GVTC: (830) 885-4411 or toll-free 1 (800) 367-4882.