VERIZON UP TO SPEED LIVE June 15, 2023 11:30 AM ET

>>JEN: HEY, V-TEAM!
HAPPY THURSDAY.THANK YOU FOR TUNING IN TODAY.
>RAQUEL: WE HOPE YOUR WEEK HAS
BEEN GREAT SO FAR! HELLO, TWIN, I LOVE YOUR T-SHIRT!
>JEN: I KNOW, I LOVE THIS T-SHIRT, IT'S REALLY SOFT, AND BE SAFE.
FOLKS, IT'S ONE OF MY FAVORITE SAYINGS, AND IT'S FITTING BECAUSE TODAY WE'RE TALKING SAFETY.
AND IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW, JUNE IS NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH, AND ALTHOUGH SAFETY IS ESSENTIAL
EVERY DAY, OF COURSE, NOW IS THE PERFECT TIME TO RE-DEDICATE OURSELVES TO KEEPING THE SAFETY
AND HEALTH OF THE V-TEAM AND OUR FAMILIES IN MIND.
SO HERE ARE THREE THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND.
ONE, PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS.

TWO, IDENTIFY POTENTIAL SAFETY HAZARDS, AND THREE, HELP EACH OTHER STAY SAFE.

>>RAQUEL: YES, THAT'S RIGHT, JEN.

NOW, TO TAKE YOUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY A STEP FURTHER, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE THREE NEW LEARNING PATHWAYS IN THE LEARNING PORTAL THAT EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF SAFETY.

NOW, FOR EACH PATHWAY YOU COMPLETE, YOU'LL EARN A DIGITAL BADGE FOR YOUR WORK PROFILE, AND FOR THOSE WHO COMPLETE AT LEAST TWO OF THESE PATHWAYS BY JULY 31ST, YOUR NAME WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING TO WIN A BE SAFE T-SHIRT, JUST LIKE THE ONES JEN AND I ARE ROCKING TODAY. FOR MORE INFORMATION, LEADERS CAN CHECK VZ WEB FOR AN ARTICLE WITH IDEAS ON HOW TO ENCOURAGE YOUR TEAM MEMBERS TO BE SAFE, INCORPORATE SAFETY INTO YOUR TEAM MEETINGS AND RECOGNIZE EMPLOYEES WHO DEMONSTRATE A COMMITMENT TO SAFETY. >>JEN: AND TEAM, THIS SUNDAY IS FATHER'S DAY, AND I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, RAQUEL, BUT MY

FAVORITE THING ABOUT MY DAD IS HIS HUMOR.

HE'S A FUNNY GUY.

>>RAQUEL: YES.

AND I LOVE DAD JOKES.

YOU KNOW I LOVE DAD JOKES.

AND WHAT BETTER WAY TO CELEBRATE DAD THAN TO SHARE SOME FROM OUR VERY OWN V-TEAMERS.

>>JEN: I AGREE.

WHEN I FIRST ABOUT THIS IDEA, I WAS SO EXCITED, SO I HAD THE BEST TIME RUNNING AROUND THE OFFICE ASKING FOLKS TO SHARE THEIR FAVORITE DAD JOKES. CHECK THIS OUT.

>> WHAT DID THE DUCK SAY AFTER IT FINISHED ITS DINNER AT THE RESTAURANT?

PUT IT ON MY BILL.

>> WHAT DID ZERO SAY TO EIGHT? NICE BELT.

>> WHAT DID THE OCEAN SAY TO THE BEACH?

NOTHING. IT JUST WAVED.

>> SO YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A DAD JOKE?

I GOT ONE RIGHT HERE. IT'S -- IT'S ACTUALLY TERRIBLE.

>> A MUSHROOM WALKS INTO A BAR, AND THE BARTENDER SAYS, I'M SORRY, WE DON'T SERVE

MUSHROOMS HERE.

AND THE MUSHROOM SAYS, BUT WHY?

I'M A FUN GUY!

GET IT, FUN GUY?

>> FUN GUY.

I LOVE THAT.

THOSE WERE TERRIBLY PERFECT!

AND TEAM, IF YOU'RE STILL LOOKING FOR THAT PERFECT FATHER'S DAY GIFT, WE'VE GOT FANTASTIC

OPTIONS UNDER A HUNDRED BUCKS, LIKE THE SECOND GENERATION GOOGLE NEST HUB, WHICH IS PERFECT

FOR WHEN DAD IS IN THE KITCHEN AND NEEDS SOME HELP WITH A NEW RECIPE OR EVEN IF HE LIKES TO

WATCH NETFLIX WHILE HE COOKS.

THE GOOGLE NEST HUB IS THE PERFECT LITTLE GADGET.

>>RAQUEL: YEAH.

AND IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T HEARD, AT JUST \$25 A LINE FOR FOUR LINES, VERIZON'S NEW PHONE PLAN,

MYPLAN, ALLOWS EVERYONE IN THE FAM TO JOIN AND CUSTOMIZE THEIR OWN PLAN, INCLUDING DAD.

IT'S OUR LOWEST PRICE EVER AND IF YOU SWITCH TODAY, IT COMES WITH A THREE-YEAR PRICE GUARANTEE, WHICH IS AWESOME.

MY PLAN IS IDEAL FOR DAD, AND WE HAVE THE VERY BEST PERKS, SO HELP HIM RELAX ON HIS BIG DAY.

IF DAD LOVES TO SHOP, THE WAL-MART+ PERK GIVES FUEL DISCOUNTS AND FREE SHIPPING ON WAL-MART ONLINE ORDERS, EVEN ON FRESH GROCERIES.

>>JEN: SOMETIMES GOING TO THE GROCERY STORE CAN BE A PAIN, SO THAT'S A GOOD ONE.

AND IF YOUR DAD IS MORE OF A GAMER, YOU CAN CHOOSE THE +PLAY PERK AND USE IT ON XBOX GAME PASS.

AND THAT'S JUST SOME OF THE PERKS.

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT TODAY'S STORY AND LEARN MORE ABOUT MYPLAN AND HOW YOU CAN GET STARTED TODAY.

>>RAQUEL: AND TEAM, HERE'S ANOTHER DEAL YOU WANT TO TAKE NOTE OF.

WE ALL KNOW HOW STRESSFUL MOVING IS, I FEEL LIKE WE TALK ABOUT THIS ALL THE TIME.

>>JEN: A LITTLE TOO MUCH.

>>RAQUEL: SO WE'VE GOT A LITTLE SOMETHING TO MAKE THE PROCESS A LITTLE SWEETER.

GET VERIZON HOME INTERNET PLAN FOR YOUR NEW SPACE STARTING AT \$25 A MONTH, AND WITH OUR

BEST PLANS, CHOOSE BETWEEN TWO AWESOME DEALS.

A \$200 HOME DEPOT GIFT CARD, OR A STREAM TV SOUND BAR ALL ON US.

>>JEN: ALL RIGHT.

MOVING ON, TEAM, TO SOME AWESOME EVENTS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON, SO BE SURE TO TAKE OUT THOSE CALENDARS AND MARK THESE DATES DOWN.

NEXT MONTH IS JUNETEENTH, ALSO KNOWN AS JUBILEE DAY OR FREEDOM DAY.

THE U.S. FEDERAL HOLIDAY WAS SIGNED INTO LEGISLATION BY PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN BACK IN 2021 TO

COMMEMORATE THE EMANCIPATION OF ENSLAVED AMERICANS.

IT REFLECTS ON HOW FAR THE NATION HAS COME WHILE ACKNOWLEDGING THE ONGOING PURSUIT OF EQUALITY FOR ALL.

>>RAQUEL: THAT'S RIGHT, AND FOR GETTING INVOLVED, THE V-TEAM IS ENCOURAGED TO SHOW THEIR SUPPORT THROUGH VOLUNTEERISM.

THERE ARE SEVERAL EVENTS TO CHOOSE FROM ON THE BOLD ERG PAGE OF THE CITIZEN VERIZON VOLUNTEER PORTAL.

AS FOR EVENTS, ON MONDAY, FROM NOON TO 1 P.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME, JOIN VERIZON BOLD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BLACK EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS CONSORTIUM FOR A JUNETEENTH DISCUSSION.

THIS CONVERSATION WILL INCLUDE VERIZON SVP OF SMALL AND MEDIUM BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, WENDY TACCETTA, AS WELL AS LEADERS FROM MICROSOFT, SAMSUNG AND MORE.

BE SURE TO HEAD OVER TO TODAY'S STORY FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED AND ALSO SHARE WITH US IN THE COMMENTS HOW YOU CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH.

WE ALL WOULD LOVE TO READ YOUR EXPERIENCES.

>>JEN: WE REALLY DO.

AND MOVING ON TO SOME EXCITING NEWS FROM OUR GLOBAL NETWORKS AND TECHNOLOGY TEAM,

CONGRATULATIONS TO TECHNOLOGY AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TEAM THAT RECENTLY TOOK HOME THE AUGGIE AWARD FOR BEST SNAPDRAGON SPACE APP AT THE WORLD'S BIGGEST AR/VR EVENT, AWE.

THE APP IS CALLED THE FUTURE OF TRAINING.

>>RAQUEL: AND IT STREAMS ON AR GLASSES FROM THE EDGE VIA A 5G WEARABLE NECK BAND THAT WE CO-CREATED WITH MOTOROLA.

THE 5G WEARABLE NECK BAND, WHICH WE'RE WORKING TO COMMERCIALIZE ENABLES CELLULAR CONNECTIVITY IN THE HOT AR/VR MARKET FOR MULTIPLE HEAD SET VENDORS, MULTIPLE VERTICALS LIKE ENTERTAINMENT, MANUFACTURING, EDUCATION AND MULTIPLE-USE CASES FROM CINEMATIC EXPERIENCES TO LEARNING AND TRAINING.

AND TEAM, JUST TO REITERATE AGAIN, AWE IS THE WORLD'S BIGGEST AR/VR EVENT WHICH MAKES THE AWARD THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF RECOGNITION IN THIS SPACE.

CONGRATS TO THE TEAM FOR THIS BIG WIN.

THAT'S REALLY, REALLY BIG.

>>JEN: NOW, TURNING TO HOW VERIZON IS SHOWING UP IN THE NEWS, FROM LOCAL TV TO PET SHOPS, MYPLAN CONTINUES TO BE A HOWLING SUCCESS.

IN TEN CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, THE VERIZON LOCAL COMMUNICATIONS TEAM TEAMED UP WITH PET SHOPS AND A PET SHELTER TO SURPRISE PET LOVERS WITH THEIR CHOICE OF PERKS FOR FLUFFY AND FIDO, RANGING FROM PET SUPPLIES TO WAIVING ADOPTION FEES WITH RELATED SEGMENTS AIRING IN AUSTIN, LAS VEGAS, CHICAGO, JACKSONVILLE, CLEVELAND AND MORE, AND KEEPING IN THE THEME OF CUSTOMER CHOICE, WE ALSO TEAMED UP WITH MARCUS CINEMAS TO OFFER FILM BUSTER CHOICE OF A MOVIE AND PERKS WITH CONCESSIONS ON US.

RELATED STORIES AIRED IN SALT LAKE CITY, CHARLOTTE, ROCHESTER, LEXINGTON AND BEYOND.

>> THAT'S RIGHT.

AND MYPLAN CONTINUES TO BE THE HIGHLIGHT OF LOCAL TV AND RADIO TECH SEGMENTS ABOUT SUMMER TRAVELS, FATHER'S DAY GIFTS, MOVING TO NEW HOMES AND MORE.

SO STAY TUNED IN.

WE MAY BE TALKING ABOUT IT IN MYPLAN AGAIN SOON ON A STATION NEAR YOU.

AND CHECK THIS OUT.

IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE AT OUR BRYANT PARK LOCATION IN NEW YORK CITY YESTERDAY, YOU MAY HAVE

WONDERED WHY THERE WAS SO MANY ZOMBIES WALKING AROUND DURING LUNCH HOUR.

THESE ZOMBIES WERE THERE TO PROMOTE HOW OUR MYPLAN CUSTOMERS CAN SIGN UP FOR OUR +PLAY PERKS TO WATCH THE EXCITING NEW AMC SERIES "THE WALKING DEAD: DEAD CITY," DEBUTTING SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH.

>>JEN: AND RAQUEL, GET THIS.

IN JUST AN HOUR, MORE THAN 200 CUSTOMERS AND FANS SHOWED UP AT THE EVENT.

THAT'S WHEN YOU KNOW SOMETHING IS A GOOD TIME.

THE STORE APPEARANCE WAS PART OF A CITY-WIDE ZOMBIE CRAWL AS THE ACTORS PLAYING THE UNDEAD ALSO ROAMED OTHER ICONIC NEW YORK CITY ESTABLISHMENTS, INCLUDING KATZ DELI, AND H & H BAGELS, WHERE CUSTOMERS ENJOYED GIVEAWAYS AND PHOTO OPS WITH WALKERS.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MYPLAN AND THE AMC+ PERK ON +PLAY, CHECK OUT VERIZON.COM/MYPLAN. >>RAQUEL: AND TEAM, BEFORE WE GO, THIS SUNDAY, VERIZON FRONTLINE, OUR ADVANCED NETWORK AND TECHNOLOGY FOR FIRST RESPONDERS ON THE FRONT LINES, DEBUTED A NEW TELEVISION COMMERCIAL, KICKING OFF A TOTAL CAMPAIGN REFRESH FOCUSED AROUND A CORE MESSAGE OF YOUR MISSION IS OUR PURPOSE.

IT SHOWCASES HOW VERIZON HELPS FIRST RESPONDERS STAY IN CONTROL BY BEING ABLE TO FOCUS ON THEIR MISSION, NOT THEIR CONNECTION, REINFORCING THAT IN THE BUSINESS OF SAVING LIVES, RELIABILITY IS EVERYTHING.

LET'S TAKE A LOOK.

>> THAT'S MY TEAM OUT THERE.

>> IF OUR NETWORK GOES DOWN, LIVES ARE AT STAKE.

>> OUR COMS HAVE TO WORK.

>> OR THE MISSION WON'T.

>> THAT'S WHY WE PARTNER WITH VERIZON FRONT LINE.

>> THE NETWORK THAT TRULY PRIORITIZES FIRST RESPONDERS.

>> SO WE DON'T WORRY ABOUT GETTING THROUGH.

AND THEY'RE THE MOST RELIABLE 5G NETWORK IN AMERICA.

>> OUT HERE, RELIABILITY IS EVERYTHING.

>> EXTREME OR ROUTINE, VERIZON FRONTLINE DELIVERS.

>> THE NUMBER ONE NETWORK CHOICE IN PUBLIC SAFETY.

IT'S YOUR MISSION.

IT'S YOUR VERIZON.

>>JEN: I LOVE THAT COMMERCIAL.

HONESTLY, I'M NOT GOING TO LIE, I KIND OF GOT GOOSE BUMPS, RIGHT?

IT'S IMPORTANT.

THE CONNECTIVITY IS SO IMPORTANT, SO THAT WAS GREAT.

WELL, WITH THAT, TEAM, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR JOINING US TODAY.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU BACK HERE NEXT TUESDAY FOR UP TO SPEED LIVE, AND UNTIL NEXT TIME...

>>RAQUEL: YOU'RE UP TO SPEED.