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## MDTC Sends Students to Washington, D.C.

Meghan Hoyle of Bushnell, Maverick McCarty of Warsaw, Miranda Gorsuch of Littleton, Kirby Fecht of Carthage, and Emily Riggins of Macomb represented McDonough Telephone Cooperative in Washington, D.C., during the annual “Youth to Washington” Tour, June 10-17. The event, sponsored by the electric and telephone cooperatives of Illinois since the late 1950s, is an introduction to our democratic form of government and cooperatives for rural youth.

The students met with Congressman Bobby Schilling and were among 76 rural Illinois youth leaders selected for the trip. The Illinois students joined more than 1,500 young leaders from across the country. In addition to the Capitol, they also visited Arlington National Cemetery, the Washington National Cathedral, several Smithsonian Museums, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the World War II Memorial, memorials to Presidents Lincoln,



From left are Meghan Hoyle, Maverick McCarty, Congressman Bobby Schilling, Miranda Gorsuch, Kirby Fecht and Emily Riggins.

Jefferson, Washington, and Roosevelt, the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia, the National Archives, the Newseum and a number of other historical sites.

Emily Riggins, the first recipient of the Rich Myers Memorial Youth Tour Scholarship, is a student at Macomb High and plans to be a physical therapist. Meghan Hoyle attends Bushnell/Prairie City High School. Her goal is to attain a law degree. Miranda Gorsuch, a Rushville/Industry High School student, plans to obtain a degree in biology. Maverick McCarty, Warsaw High School, hopes to pursue a career in the medical field. Illini West High School student Kirby Fecht, will study Agricultural Business.

Effective August 1, 2011, hours at the Colchester business office will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Nominating Committee Selects Candidates

The 2011 nominating committee met June 29 at the Red Ox in Macomb. Present at the meeting were: District 6, Colusa – Diana Bollin and William Hull; District 8, Swan Creek – Brian Monroe and Bryan Arnold; District 9, Blandinsville – Tyler J. Carson and Fred Kitch; and District 10, Colchester – Mike A. Hoyt and Michael K. Biswell. Also attending were legal counsel John McMillan and President Bill Buchanan.


The committee acted to select candidates for election to the McDonough Telephone Cooperative board of directors. Nominated were: District 6 – Jay Morrison; District 8 – Leroy Tappe; District 9 – Mitchell Welch; and District 10 – R. Stephen Hunt. Directors are elected to three year terms.

The election will be held at the 2011 Annual Meeting and 60th Anniversary Celebration to be held on Thursday, September 1, at 7 p.m. at The Crossing, 1600 West Jackson Street, Macomb. All members are urged to attend. Find out what the co-op is planning...Visit with your neighbors...Help us celebrate 60!

### BACK TO SCHOOL SPECIALS

Sign up for High Speed Internet and we'll give \$10 to the school of your choice and we'll give you a FREE wireless router (a \$65 value).

Keep in touch with your kids! In August, new Mi Cellular subscribers will receive FREE unlimited texting for one month.



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## New Channels Added to Lineup, HSI Speeds Increase

On August 1, changes are coming both to MTC-TV and to MTC-Net.

MTC-TV will see the addition of new channels both to its standard definition lineups as well as to its high definition lineups. Here's what you'll find :

Standard Definition Additions		High Definition Additions	
Basic Package (all counties)		Basic Package	
17	Trinity Broadcasting	420	Lifetime Movie Channel
22	EWTN	441	Comcast SportsNet
		542	Travel Channel
Expanded Package		Expanded Package	
51	Big Ten Alt 2	444	Speed
52	Big Ten Alt 3	476	FX
64	C-Span 2	487	WGN
		536	Food Network
		539	HGTV

The expanded HD package will now include the popular Speed, Food Network and HGTV channels. If you've been considering an upgrade to the expanded package, this would be a great time to do it!

Another update to MTC-TV programming is the addition of Pay-Per View (PPV). Due to some mature content and high cost programs, access to PPV will not automatically be added to all subscribers. Customers must request the service through our business office. Programming includes wrestling, UFC, boxing, concerts, and other musical performances.

The good news in the MTC-Net department is that 768 kbps customers will be moved up to 1.0 Mbps and 1.5 Mbps customers will be moved up to 2.0 Mbps. Internet pricing will not increase. More speed for the same amount of cash — what a deal! Check out the new channels, and enjoy faster Internet. Call our office if you have questions.

## Coming to VOD for August

Title	Genre	Rating	Start Date
Soul Surfer	Drama	PG	8/02/11
Jane Eyre	Drama	PG-13	8/02/11
Your Highness	Comedy	R	8/09/11
Paul	Sci-Fi	R	8/09/11
Jumping the Broom	Comedy	PG-13	8/09/11
Mars Needs Moms	Animation	PG	8/09/11
Priest	Action	PG-13	08/16/11
The Conspirator	Drama	PG-13	08/16/11
Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family	Comedy	PG-13	08/30/11

B4 = Title is available prior to Netflix and/or Redbox



Boyz N the Hood • Easy Rider  
Girl, Interrupted • A River Runs Through It  
Snatch • Wolf • And more!

## Use \*67 to Block Caller ID

McDonough Telephone wishes to remind its members that their telephone numbers will be identified to called parties with Caller ID capabilities. You may protect your privacy and block your number from being transmitted by dialing \*67 on a call-by-call basis. This service is free to all of our subscribers. All telephone numbers, whether published or non-published, will be delivered to a called party unless \*67 is dialed prior to making each and every call.

## In Brief

- The Federal Universal Service Charge decreased on July 1 from 14.9% to 14.4%. Residential and single line business customers realized a decrease from \$.97/month to \$.94/month. Multi-line businesses saw a decrease from \$1.37/month to \$1.32/month.
- The 124th Farmers' Picnic will be held in Blandinsville from August 11-14. There will be a Little Miss and Master Pageant on Thursday night, a parade on Saturday (we'll be there!) and a carnival daily. Nightly entertainment and plenty of good food will be available as usual.

### T-Shirt Giveaway

Help us celebrate our 60th Anniversary. "Like us" on Facebook and be entered into the drawing for one of 60 special edition anniversary t-shirts!



## Directory Additions

Aguilera, Tiffany	652-3583
Anderson, Ted	776-4566
Ayers, Richard	257-2579
Bedwell, Spencer	254-3456
Dixon, Jo	776-3760
Gonzalez, Chloe	755-4241
Henson, Justin	653-2536
Hite, William	254-3546
Kerfoot, Sarah	776-4810
Markert, Brandon	776-3629
Martin, Chris	456-3946
McConnell, Alicia	652-3745
Phelps, Ryan	776-4632
Shaw, Neisha	456-3463