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Meet the Candidates for Your Board of Directors

The following candidates were selected by the nominating committee to be placed on the ballot for the three seats on the McDonough Telephone board of directors which are subject to election this year. The election will be held September 7, 2006 at the Annual Meeting.

District 1, Adair and Bardolph



Rose Marie Lynn,

Bardolph, was nominated by the nominating committee for the position of director of District 1, Adair and Bardolph. Lynn has just completed her

fourth three-year term as a director for McDonough Telephone Cooperative.

Lynn and her husband, Steve, operate a farm near Bardolph. The Lynns are parents to four children, Angela, Georgianna, Mitchell, and Curtis, and have five grandchildren. For the past 26 years, Lynn has worked developing a small business, Dough Delights, which manufactures unique Christmas ornaments for retail and wholesale markets across the country.

Lynn graduated from Industry High School and attended Robert Morris College. She is an active member of Scotland Trinity Church.

District 2, Raritan and Smithshire



Larry Thompson of

Raritan was chosen for re-election to the board of directors as director for District 2, Raritan and Smithshire exchanges.

Thompson just completed his fifth term as a director for McDonough Telephone Cooperative.

Thompson, a lifelong resident of the

area, graduated from Media High School and attended Southeast Community College in Burlington, Iowa, and Oklahoma State University.

He and his wife, Linda, own and operate Thompson Insurance Agency and have four children, Scot, Sean, Aaron, and Stephanie, and three grandchildren.

In addition to operating his insurance business for 35 years, Thompson has been involved in statewide organizations designed to improve service to rural people. He is a member of the Independent Farm Insurance Agents of Illinois and the Professional Independent Insurance Agents of Illinois. Thompson also serves as a deacon at Raritan Baptist Church and belongs to the Roseville Masonic Lodge and the Mohammed Shrine.

District 5, Lomax



The nominating committee nominated **Dennis Huffman** for re-election to the board for District 5, Lomax. Huffman, 56, has acted as a director on the

board since 1992. A resident of the Lomax area for over 25 years, Huffman has served as a volunteer fireman and the Second Assistant Fire Chief.

In February 2003, Huffman retired from J.I. Case in Burlington where he worked as a quality control specialist. He and his wife, Sandra, have three children, Christopher, Jennifer, and Sara.

District 4, Littleton

Action will be taken to fill the unexpired term of District 4 director, Charles Bainter, who is moving out of the district.

Community Happenings

The Colchester Lions Club is holding its annual **Labor Day Celebration**.

This **five-day festival** which begins with armband night on August 31 includes a carnival in the business district and a show tent in the park with live entertainment all day and stage shows in the evening. Food vendors and many flea marketers are all around the town. A parade will be held on Sunday, September 3, at 2 p.m. Parade rain date is Monday, September 4, at 1 p.m.

The Village of Lomax is having a Lomax Country celebration on **Saturday, September 23**, during the **Henderson County Heritage Days**. A parade will be held at 1 p.m. with kid's games and contests to follow. In addition to activities for the children, there will be contests for the adults and a variety of food, craft and flea market vendors.



Customer Appreciation Party

Join Us For Lunch!

WHEN:

Friday, October 6th, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

WHERE:

Cooperative's Parking Area

WHAT:

Food, Fun, Giveaways & Demonstrations



Be a Part of the McDonough Telephone 2006 Annual Meeting

Plan to join us at the 55th McDonough Telephone Cooperative Annual Meeting. This year's meeting will be held September 7 in the Fellheimer Auditorium at Macomb Senior High School, 1525 South Johnson Rd., Macomb. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. All members who register in person before the meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. will receive a \$10 credit on their phone bill. A prize drawing will also be held with the grand prize being a gift certificate for services worth over \$500! Second prize is a gift certificate for over \$250 in services. Other prizes include a getaway weekend at Fun City in Burlington, Iowa, a television, a DVD player and service credits. A youth drawing for two iPod Shuffles will also be held.

After the meeting, co-op employees and directors will serve refreshments in

the auditorium foyer.

The annual meeting provides you with the opportunity to hear about the cooperative's accomplishments in the past year and to learn about the goals that have been set for the year ahead. This year's entertainment is The On Stage Band, playing a variety of country, bluegrass and 50s and 60s rock. The band will perform during registration from 6-7 p.m. and during the after-meeting social hour from 8-9 p.m.

Don't miss out on hearing news and future plans of the co-op, electing directors, enjoying great entertainment, having the chance to win a valuable prize and joining us for cookies and punch - all part of the 2006 Annual Meeting. Participate in the business of your cooperative!

NFL Network to Join Channel Lineup

All armchair quarterbacks take note: The NFL Network, "Where Football Season Never Ends," joins the MTC-TV lineup on channel 47 effective September 1. The NFL Network is every football fan's dream. Seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, a television network solely devoted to the most popular sport in America, professional football.

NFL Network is a melting pot of gridiron greats from the NFL's past, present and future that will sate the voracious appetites of millions of football fans across the country.

NFL Network is the gathering place, using television to bring a new dimension to the NFL experience. The passion, the excitement, the highs and the lows are covered by NFL Network from an "insider's" perspective.

Mark Your Calendar!



McDonough Telephone Annual Meeting

FELLHEIMER AUDITORIUM • MACOMB HIGH SCHOOL
1525 South Johnson Road • Doors open at 6 p.m. • Meeting begins at 7 p.m.

Prize Drawings

GRAND PRIZE:

Super-Sized "Take Your Pick" Gift Certificate

Choose 12 Months Bronze DSL OR 12 Months Basic Video OR 6 months Bronze DSL/Video Package (includes 1 premium channel package) OR 12 Months Basic Phone Service plus Call Waiting, Caller ID on Call Waiting, Voice Mail and Smart Telemarketer Call Screening

SECOND PLACE PRIZE:

Regular-Sized "Take Your Pick" Gift Certificate

All of the choices listed above but for one-half the length of time.

Other Prizes—Getaway weekend to Fun City in Burlington, Iowa, Television, DVD Player and \$25 Service Credits. **Youth Prizes**—Two iPod Shuffles

Refreshments will be served after the meeting

The On Stage Band performs from 6-7 p.m. & during the after-meeting social hour from 8-9 p.m.

All members who register in person before 7 p.m. receive a \$10 credit on their October bill!

Lomax Office Schedule SEPTEMBER 2006

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	Closed Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		

Days Open in Red • Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sept. 15 - Bills Due • Sept. 25 - Disconnect

Directory Additions

Blue, Sean & Debbie	652-3726
Cantrell, Doris	449-3332
Creasy, Debra	652-3114
Dooley, F.E.	776-3575
Fusion Tech Fax	774-4288
Hite, D.W.	254-3288
Johnson, D.J.	456-3719
Morgan, Bryan	257-2378
Schneider, Chris	776-3329
Stillwell, Thomas & Norma	257-2517
Thrapp, Sidny & Amie	652-3116
Wallin, Dennis & Cheryl	769-5233
Woods, Jacob	449-3359

Expanded Hours: The Colchester business office is now open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday. You can pay your telephone or WINS bill, sign up for services and request changes to your current service. We'll answer your questions over the counter or phone.