

# McDonough Telephone Cooperative BUSY LINE



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## McDonough Telephone Recognizes WTA Scholarship Award of \$2,400 to Addison Bainter!

McDonough Telephone Cooperative is proud to announce that Addison Bainter, daughter of MTC Board Member Stacy Bainter and Jason Bainter, has been awarded a 2026 Academic Scholarship through the WTA Foundation Scholarship Program.

The WTA Foundation awarded \$35,000 in scholarships in 2026 — its largest scholarship distribution since 2008 — recognizing outstanding graduating seniors from rural broadband member companies across the country.

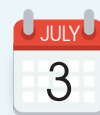
The scholarship program is open to graduating high school seniors who are immediate family members of employees or board members of participating WTA broadband member companies. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, leadership, character, community involvement, and overall application strength.

A 2026 Macomb High School graduate, Addison received a \$2,400 Academic Scholarship in recognition of her achievements, integrity, and commitment to education. After graduation, Addison plans to attend Drake University and double major in Education and Biology.

MTC congratulates Addison on this outstanding accomplishment and wishes her continued success in her educational journey.



## What's HAPPENING



### Happy 4th of July!

Our office will be closed Friday, July 3rd in observance of the holiday.



Mark your Calendars! MTC's 75th Annual Meeting is Wednesday, August 26th, 2026!



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**ANNUAL Meeting**  
AUGUST 26 | THE CROSSING  
REGISTRATION STARTS AT 5PM | MEETING AT 6:30PM  
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### Welcome Weylin Harris!

McDonough Telephone extends a warm welcome to our new team member, Weylin Harris! Weylin joined our team as Director of Network Operations in June. Originally from Central Illinois, Weylin served in the Army for over eight years before launching his career in telecommunications in 2015. Now back closer to home, he is happily married with two kids. In his free time, Weylin enjoys playing golf, woodworking, hunting, and video games.

We are happy to welcome Weylin to the McDonough Telephone Team!



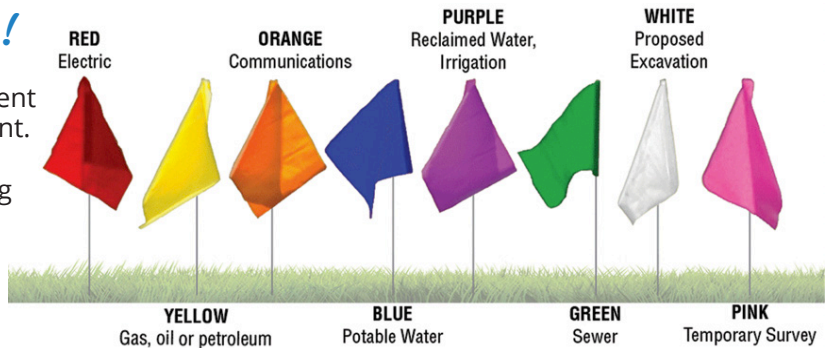
### Welcome Mindy Johnson!

McDonough Telephone would also like to welcome Mindy Johnson! Mindy joined our team as a Customer Service Representative in May. A La Harpe native, Mindy is no stranger to the communities we serve. In her free time, she loves camping, boating, and anything that gets her out on the water — when she's not doing that, you'll find her spending time with family. When asked, Mindy said that her favorite restaurant is Vel's Amigos!

We are happy to welcome Mindy to the McDonough Telephone Team!

### 811 Call Julie!

You'll know what's below by the different flags, stakes, or paint. Remember to Call Julie before your big yard work projects this summer!



## Recipe Of The Month

### Recipe: Lemon Raspberry Cookies

**Ingredients:**  
 1 cup all-purpose flour  
 ½ teaspoon baking soda  
 ¼ teaspoon salt  
 ½ cup unsalted butter, softened  
 ½ cup granulated sugar  
 ¼ cup brown sugar  
 1 large egg  
 1 tablespoon lemon zest  
 1 tablespoon lemon juice  
 1 cup fresh raspberries, lightly crushed

**Directions:**  
 Preheat the oven to 350°F and line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda, and salt. In another bowl, cream together the softened butter, granulated sugar, and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg, lemon zest, and lemon juice until well combined. Gradually add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients, mixing until just combined. Gently fold in the crushed raspberries.

Drop tablespoon-sized portions of dough onto the prepared baking sheet, spacing them about 2 inches apart. Bake in the preheated oven for 10-12 minutes or until the edges are lightly golden.

Allow the cookies to cool on the baking sheet for a few minutes before transferring them to a wire rack to cool completely.



- 7/1: Downtown Summer Concert Series (Every Wed.), Noon-1, Chandler Park
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- 7/2: Macomb Farmer's Market (Every Thurs. & Sat.), 8am-Noon, Chandler Park
- 7/3: First Fridays, 9am-2pm, Lakeview Nature Center
- 7/3 & 24: Exploration Pontoon Cruises, 10-11am, Argyle Lake State Park
- 7/4: Flags of Love, 7am-5pm, Chandler Park
- 7/4: Stitchin' Time, 10:30am-Noon, Macomb Public Library
- 7/4: Independence Day Celebration, 7-9:30pm, Vince Grady Field
- 7/5: Crafternoon, 1-4pm, The Arthouse Folk School
- 7/7: Trivia Night (Every Tues.), 6:30-8:30pm, Sports Corner @124
- 7/10: Park N' Cruise & King Graffiti Band, 5-8pm, Chandler Park
- 7/13: IL State Genealogical Society Conference, 8:30am-4:30pm, Western Illinois Museum
- 7/16: Wine & Wax!, 5:30-8pm, The Wine Sellers
- 7/16: History Belongs to All of Us Series: A Conversation on Community Memory, 5:30-7:30pm, Western Illinois Museum
- 7/22: Get Hooked: Sunflower Scrunchie, 4:30pm, Macomb Park District
- 7/23: Hold Fast: withonevoice 4<sup>th</sup> Season Concert Performance, 7:30-9pm, COFAC Recital Hall
- 7/24: Macomb Municipal Band, 7pm, City Hall Lawn