



BUSY LINE

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Did you know...



The average family of 4 needs at least a 25mbps internet package.

In order to accommodate all of the devices and TVs in a home for the average family of four, you should have a 25mbps package. The average home has two to four smart phones, one or two laptops/desktops, and two TVs that run over-the-top services like Netflix or Hulu.

A single Netflix stream alone uses 5mbps, which many consumers have as their max mbps download speed. Having a max speed of 5mbps and trying to stream multiple shows while surfing the internet can lead to buffering and in some cases, connection failure. Do you know your current connection speed? You can always call our office at 309-776-3211 to check your current speed package!

AARP
DRIVER SAFETY COURSE



Friday, September 21, 2018, 8am to 5pm
 McDonough Telephone Cooperative, 210 N Coal St, Colchester IL 62326
 Instructor: Marilyn Estes | To register: 309.776.3211 or rmencil@mdtc.net

Take the AARP Smart Driver Course & you could reduce your overall maintenance and car insurance costs.

- Refresh your driving skills & know the new rules of the road.
- Learn research-based driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel
- Plus, there are no tests to pass.

Sign up today! \$15.00 for AARP members or \$20.00 for non members.



What's HAPPENING

 **Happy Labor Day**
 McDonough Telephone business office closed

 **Breakfast is on us!**
 Join us at The Lunchbox Cafe, Industry, Sept. 12 from 7-8:30am

 **Welcome Fall**
 Fall begins Sept. 22

 **2019 Directory Cover Photo Contest**
 Deadline is Oct. 31. Send entries to Rachel Mencil, PO Box 359, Colchester, IL 62326 or email us at info@mdtc.net

Our Board of DIRECTORS

 Leroy TAPPE Chairman	 Randy GROVE Vice Chairman
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Watch for our
NEW website!



Community Calendar
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- 9/1: Farmer's Market, Every Thursday & Saturday, 7am-1pm, Chandler Park
- 9/3-28: Art Gallery Exhibition-Sara Pedigo, 9am-4pm, WIU Art Gallery
- 9/3-21: Art Gallery Exhibition-Margaret Noble, 9am-4pm, WIU Art Gallery
- 9/7: Park N' Cruise, Macomb Downtown Square
- 9/7 & 8: Balloon Rally, WIU Vince Grady Field
- 9/7 & 21: Breakfast & Birding, 10-11am, Argyle Lake State Park
- 9/7: LGBT+ Empowerment Group, Every Friday, 2-4pm, Macomb City Hall Community Room
- 9/7 & 21: Blind Swine Speakeasy, 4:30-7:30pm, Western Illinois Museum
- 9/8: Paddling Tours, 10am-1pm, Argyle Lake State Park
- 9/12: MDTC Morning Exchange, 7-8:30am, The Lunchbox Cafe, Industry,
- 9/14-16: Rise Up Rooted Retreat, Peace of Earth Lodge
- 9/15: Food, Family, Farming, Football BBQ Competition, 10am-1pm, WIU Q-Lot
- 9/17: McDonough County Genealogical Society Meeting, 7-8:30pm, Western Illinois Museum
- 9/20: WIU Town & Gown, 5:30-10pm, The Forum
- 9/21: AARP Driver Safety Course, 8am-5pm, McDonough Telephone Cooperative
- 9/21: Movie in the Park: Despicable Me 3, 7:30-10pm, Veteran's Park
- 9/22: Photo Scavenger Hunt, 5-7pm, Chandler Park
- 9/22: Lodge & Libations, 5-7pm, Horn Field Campus
- 9/28 & 29: WIU Homecoming, Western Illinois University
- 9/28: WIU All Alumni Social, 5-9pm, WIU Alumni House

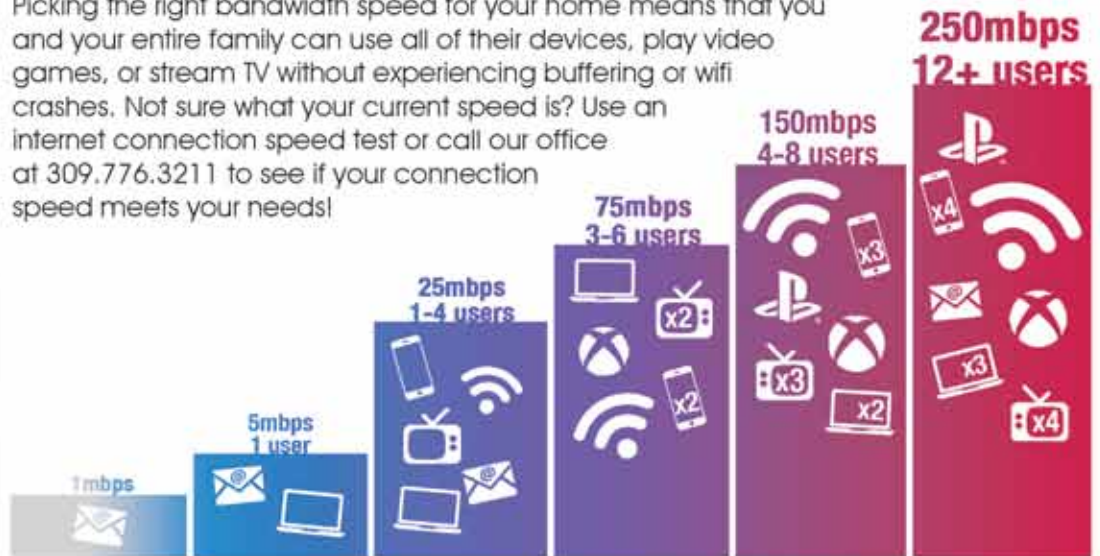
Pam Downey Retirement



At the end of August, a familiar face retired from the cooperative. After nearly 32 years of service, we said goodbye to Pam Downey. Pam has been a tremendous asset to the cooperative with her extensive knowledge and helpful attitude towards our members, directors and her fellow employees. Her organization and dedication have been key contributions to the success of MDTC over the years. She has definitely earned her retirement and we wish her the very best in whatever is to come for her, but she will be sorely missed by us all. Congratulations Pam and enjoy retirement!

What does more bandwidth mean for you?

Picking the right bandwidth speed for your home means that you and your entire family can use all of their devices, play video games, or stream TV without experiencing buffering or wifi crashes. Not sure what your current speed is? Use an internet connection speed test or call our office at 309.776.3211 to see if your connection speed meets your needs!



Recipe Of The Month

Recipe Title: Slow Cooked Pineapple Pulled Pork Tacos



Ingredients:

- 2.5 lbs pork tenderloin
- 2.8oz can pineapple chunks w/ juice
- 1/4 c soy sauce, gluten free
- 2 T apricot preserves
- 1/2 t garlic powder
- 1/2 t pepper
- Pineapple BBQ Sauce:**
- 1/4 c ketchup
- 1/4 c reserved pineapple chunks
- 3 T apricot preserves
- 3 T brown sugar
- 1 T white wine vinegar
- 2 T lime juice
- Extras:**
- flour tortillas, cilantro, goat cheese, green onions

Directions:

1. In a large crockpot place pork tenderloins.
2. Combine pineapple juice from can, soy sauce, preserves, garlic powder and pepper in a medium-sized bowl and whisk to combine. Pour over pork tenderloins and add all but 1/4 c. pineapple chunks. You will reserve these pineapples for the pineapple sauce.
3. Set slow cooker to Lo for 6-8 hours.
4. During the last 30 minutes shred pork and let cook for the remaining time.

For the Pineapple BBQ Sauce:

1. Combine all ingredients in a food processor or blender and puree until smooth.
2. If you like your BBQ sauce hot, heat it up in a small saucepan before serving.
3. Drain excess liquid from the shredded pork in the slow cooker.
4. Serve pork in tortillas with cilantro, goat cheese, green onions and pineapple bbq sauce. Enjoy!

For more events or details, visit
macomb.com/events/