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ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

ANNUAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 1ST | 7PM
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 5PM

THE CROSSING
MACOMB, IL



Nominating Committee Selects Candidates

Pursuant to the bylaws, the members of the Nominating Committee of the McDonough Telephone Cooperative met at the Chubby's Restaurant in Macomb, Illinois, on June 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. to nominate candidates for election as Directors of McDonough Telephone Cooperative, at the next Annual Meeting of Members, to be held at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 1, 2021.

The following members of the Committee were present:

District No. 1, Adair/Bardolph
District No. 2, Smithshire/Swan Creek & Raritan
District No. 5, Colchester
District No. 6, Blandinsville
District No. 7, Colusa/Lomax

Monica Wolf & Wanda Carson
John Kane & Larry Thompson
Blake Reynolds
Jan Thompson & Gayle Harn
JB Hunter & Beverly Rings

The Committee proceeded to select the following nominees to be candidates for Director, to be elected at the Annual Meeting and to serve for the remaining two years of a three-year term, as determined in the Bylaws:

District No. 5, Colchester Jason Vyhnanek
District No. 6, Blandinsville Mitchell Welsh
District No. 7, Colusa/Lomax Jay Morrison

The Committee also proceeded to select the following nominees to be candidates for Director, to be elected at the Annual Meeting and to serve for a three-year term, as determined in the Bylaws.

District No. 1, Adair/Bardolph Rose Marie Lynn
District No. 2, Smithshire/Swan Creek & Raritan Leroy Tappe

The election will be held at the 2021 Annual Meeting, Wednesday, September 1st at 7 p.m. at The Crossing, 1600 West Jackson, Macomb. All members are urged to attend.

Join us for our meeting and have the chance to elect your board, see what's new in the world of telecommunications, and be entered to win the grand prize! See you there!

What's HAPPENING

We're hosting an AARP Safe Driver Class on Thursday, October 14 from 8:30 AM-5PM in our board room.



Our next breakfast will be in October! Stay tuned for more info!



Mark your Calendars! The MTC 70th Annual Meeting is Wed. Sept. 1st!

Congratulations SWAN CREEK!! You're fully converted to FIBER!

Our Board of DIRECTORS



Leroy TAPPE
Chairman



Randy GROVE
Vice Chairman



Rose Marie LYNN
Secretary



Jay MORRISON
Treasurer



Lanny CARSON



Mitchell WELSH



Jason CHANCY



Jason VYHNANEK



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Annual Meeting Notice

Watch for your official meeting notice, coming to your mailbox soon!

Our 70th Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 1st, 2021 at The Crossing in Macomb, IL. Attend our Annual Meeting and get a \$10 bill credit per membership, and be entered for a chance to win one of our grand prizes.



Community Calendar

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8/5: Summer Workshop Rainforest Animal Paintings, 3:30pm-5pm, Create Art Studio for Kids

8/7: Raritan Fire Dept. Golf Tournament, 9am-5pm, Twin Oaks Golf and Country Club

8/5: Park n' Cruise, 6-9pm, Chandler Park

8/12: Randolph Street Rendezvous Pop-up Concert: Black Velvet, 6:30pm, Glenwood Park

8/13: Stargazing at the Park, 8:30-10:30pm, Argyle Lake State Park

8/14: Nature Makers Workshop, 12:30-1:30pm, Lakeview Nature Center

8/14: YMCA Community Child Care Center FUNdraiser, 6-9pm, YMCA Community Child Care Center

8/18: Storytime for Sprouts, 10-10:30pm, Lakeview Nature Center

8/19: Free Food Pantry, 5:30-6:30pm, The Crossing

8/20: Movie In The Park, 8pm, Veterans Park

8/21: Day in Clay Workshop, 12-1pm & 1:30-2:30pm, Glenwood Stone Shelter

8/22: Macomb Elks Lodge Golf Outing, 9am-5pm, Gold Hills Golf Course

8/25-28: Bushnell Town & Country Fall Festival, Bushnell, IL

8/28: Art in Nature Painting Class, 1:30-3:30pm, Argyle Lake State Park

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

CYBER SECURITY: SPAM EMAILS

17.6 million people in the U.S. experience some form of identity theft each year. Here are some tips to protect yourself!

1. Do not open or respond to emails that look suspicious
2. Do not open an attachment you weren't expecting
3. Do not click on a link in an email unless you are 100% sure it is safe to do so
4. Don't be fooled by 'phishing' attempts
5. Be wary of messages from companies that already have your email address
6. Never reply to a spam message.
7. Use a spam filter

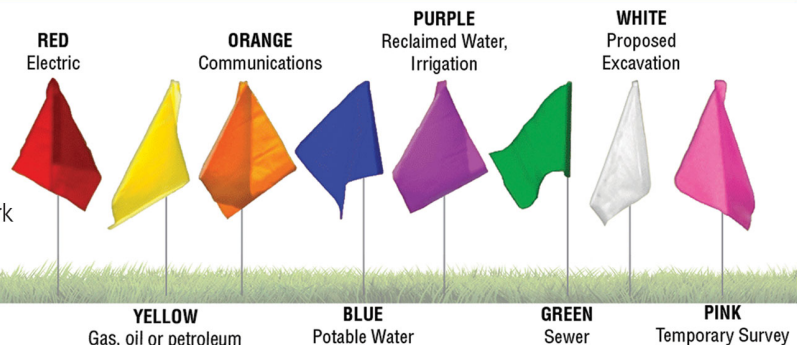


MTC would NEVER ask for your personal info (SSN, credit cards, income, etc.) through email. If you receive an email with links or forms that ask for your personal info, DO NOT fill out that info. If you're unsure about the email, call the office of the company you've received the email from directly, NOT through the phone number provided in the email.

For more questions about spam email & how to protect yourself, call us at: 309-776-3211.

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!



Directory Cover Photo Contest

Enter this year's photo contest for the chance to win \$100! Deadline is October 31st!

1st Place - \$100, photo on the phone book cover; 2nd Place - \$75; 3rd Place - \$50

To enter, submit photos of a person, place or thing in the MTC coverage area. All entrants must be MTC members or children of members & reside within our service area. The contest is limited to amateur photographers only and is not open to coop employees, directors, or immediate families.

Send all entries to: Rachel Kerns, MTC, PO Box 359, Colchester, IL 62326 or email at info@mdtc.net. Include name, address, phone number, & background information about the photo. Photographs & negatives become the property of MTC and may be used in other marketing information.

Recipe Of The Month

Recipe Title: French Toast Casserole

Ingredients:

½ a loaf of French bread, (about 8oz.) cut into cubes
½ cup butter
1 cup packed brown sugar
6 eggs
2 cups milk
2 tsp. vanilla extract
2 tsp. cinnamon, divided
1 tbsp. brown sugar, for topping
powdered sugar for topping, optional

Directions:

Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Butter a 13x9 inch baking pan and set aside.

In a small sauce pan, melt butter over medium heat. Once butter has melted, stir in brown sugar until dissolved and mixture is smooth. Pour mixture into the bottom of a 9x13 pan and spread evenly.

Add bread cubes to the pan, spreading over the top of the brown sugar/butter mixture.

In a medium sized bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk, vanilla, and 1 tsp of cinnamon. Pour egg mixture over the top of bread cubes, ensuring that all pieces of bread are saturated. Sprinkle with remaining 1 teaspoon of cinnamon and 1 tablespoon of brown sugar.

Bake in preheated oven for 25-30 minutes until top is golden brown. Remove from oven and sprinkle with powdered sugar if desired. Enjoy!

