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Construction Update

There may be snow on the ground but construction season isn't very far away. Before we get into the plans for 2015, let's take a look at what happened in 2014.

In 2014 we started a construction project in urban Lake Mills. Because of a wet spring the project got off to a late start and consequently was not completed before the ground froze. Crews will be back in the spring to finish burying and splicing fiber and do any necessary clean-up. Several areas of town are completed and conversions will begin in those areas in the next couple of months. (585-4543)

For 2015, the WCTA Board has approved projects for the urban areas of Fertile, Hanlontown and Joice. Members in those areas should have already received a letter outlining the project and asking them to complete a site survey form. The form asks for property owner contact information as well as details about the property including the locations of the various utility entrances and any privately owned utilities. With that information, WCTA employees can then determine where cables and Optical Network Terminals (ONT) can be placed. WCTA employees will also be canvassing the area to collect site survey information directly. (797-2675)

Construction in these areas is scheduled to begin in the spring, weather permitting.

Five Lucky members won iPad Minis in January

Five lucky members won iPad Minis in our January 15th drawing. The winners are:

John Helland - Buffalo Center

Rev. William Peters - Leland

Stuart Ness - Albert Lea

Suzanne Falck-Yi - Forest City

Craig Tesch - Grafton

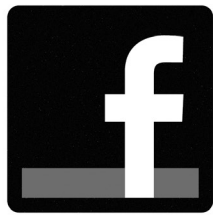


Anyone with WCTA's 15M Broadband package was eligible to win. The new package is great for families with lots of bandwidth-hungry gadgets like smartphones, tablets, steaming media devices, and PCs.

And you still have a chance to win an iPad Mini. We'll draw again on February 15th and March 15th so call 1-800-592-6105 today to sign up. You might actually be saving money with one of our bundles.

Are you on Facebook? So is WCTA!

If you've got a Facebook account, follow us! It's a great way to keep up with what is going on at WCTA. And sometimes we even post some fun stuff, like pictures of the annual ugly sweater contest here at WCTA. So, what are you waiting for - follow us - www.facebook.com/WCTAtel.



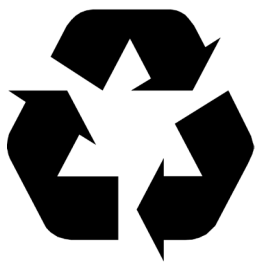
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What does “End of Support” mean for Windows 7?

You may have heard that Microsoft ended ‘Mainstream Support’ for Windows 7 last month. Should you be worried? Probably not.

Microsoft’s ‘Mainstream Support’ refers primarily to phone or online support and non-security related updates. For the most part, home users rarely take advantage of those services. (748-2745)

For most home users, security updates are the number one concern and Microsoft will keep those going until January of 2020. By that time the operating system will be over 10 years old and your PC will probably be due for a replacement.



Recycle Old Telephone Directories

The 2015 WCTA Telephone Directories were recently delivered to members. Please remember to recycle your old telephone directories by placing them with the rest of your recycling, or taking it to the nearest recycling center. (896-2085)

February Pay Per View Movie Line Up



Find PPV on Digital TV Channels 850, 851, 852

Get a new TV for the Super Bowl?

Make it Better with **FREE** Whole-Home DVR and **FREE** HD service from WCTA!

Did you get a new TV just in time for the Super Bowl? Why not make it even better with FREE Whole Home DVR and FREE HD service from WCTA. That's right. We'll give you **3 free months** of DVR and HD service!

DVRs offer some great features including:

- You can pause and even rewind live TV.
- Scheduling recordings is as easy as pressing a button. Just find the desired program in the on-screen guide and press record.
- Use the series record option to make sure you never miss an episode of your favorite show.
- With a Whole-Home DVR you can record a show in one room and watch it in another room that has a set-top box. You can even start it in one room and finish it in another.
- You can even record in HD! (588-3923)

Enhance your viewing even more with great HD channels like A&E, ESPN, FX , USA and many more - 30 in all.

Call WCTA today at 1-800-592-6105 for more information on these great services and their availability in your area.



National Do Not Call Registry

The National Do Not Call Registry allows consumers to choose whether or not they receive telemarketing calls at home. Registering will stop most calls. However, calls from political organizations, charities, companies conducting surveys, or companies with whom you have done business with during the last 18 months are all allowed under the law.

Residential customers can register their home and wireless numbers, but business lines are not covered by the registry. Numbers will appear on the list the day after it is registered. But, telemarketers have up to 31 days to remove your number from their calling database.

Consumers who wish to register their phone numbers with the National Do Not Call Registry can do so on the Internet at www.donotcall.gov. Consumers may also register via the telephone by calling 1-888-382-1222 (for TTY call 1-866-290-4236). Please note that you must call from the number you wish to register. (845-2084)

Customers wanting even more control over their calls should consider WCTA's free Telemarketer Call Screening (TCS) service. TCS blocks unwanted calls before your phone can even ring.

Telephone Numbers

ALBERT LEA

Boyer R.....507-373-3163
Neal Michael.....507-320-7235

BUFFALO CENTER

Matson Bryan641-561-2020

EMMONS

Bernard Jessica & William.....507-297-5013
Netland Willard & Diane507-297-5088

FOREST CITY

Brooks Scott641-585-0081
DeWaard G641-585-0107
Eastvold Andy & Jenny.....641-585-0150
Eppens Danny.....641-585-0123
Faber Andrew641-581-2009
Peterson Timothy.....641-581-2016
Randal C.....641-581-2307
White Dale641-585-0068

LAKE MILLS

Langpap Betty641-592-1131
Mattern Joshua.....641-592-0138
Talamantes Mary.....641-592-0139

MANLY

New Heaven Chemicals Inc.....641-454-4030

MASON CITY

Reith J.....641-243-7011

Northwood

Lau Jeff & Gloria.....641-323-7023

Rake

Asmus Holden641-566-3012

Thompson

Roeder L.....641-584-2024

Twin Lakes

Becker Brian.....507-852-2003

Woden

Senne Adam641-926-5022
Trunkhill Matthew & Monica641-926-5036

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or

Iowa One Call

1-800-292-8989

Gopher State One Call

1-800-252-1166

Payment Info

- ✦ Payments are due on the 20th of each month.
- ✦ Accounts with past due balances are subject to a \$3 Late Payment Charge.
- ✦ Please include bill stub with your payment.
- ✦ For your convenience, WCTA offers Automatic Bank Deduct. Payments can be taken out of your checking or savings account.
- ✦ There is a drop box at the WCTA business office.

Other Payment Locations

Thompson

Titonka Savings Bank

Forest City

Manufacturers Bank & Trust
Titonka Savings Bank

Grafton

Farmers State Bank

Emmons

Security Bank Minnesota

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- Tom Brokaw



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