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Directory Photo Contest Winners

Earlier this year, WCTA held a Directory Photo Contest asking for member submissions for the new cover photo, and had a great response.

WCTA employees voted for their favorite photo entries, and this year's winner is Kassie Hill-Steen of Leland. Kassie's winning photo was taken in the field below her house in rural Leland of her neighbor's combine at sunrise. Her photo will appear on the cover of both the 2018 WCTA Directory and 2018 WCTA Calendar.

Tina Perry of Leland won 2nd place with her photo of a mid-summer river bend, shrouded by trees. Jamie Price of Buffalo Center won 3rd place with her photo of a streak of lightning against a stormy background. Both photos will appear in the 2018 WCTA Calendar.

Congratulations to all our winners and a big thanks to all who submitted images. Keep those cameras handy for next year's contest! (886-2103)



Directory Quantities and Listing Changes

The 2018 WCTA Telephone Directory is scheduled to be available in January. Each member will be sent 1 copy of the directory. Additional directories will be available at several locations, including the WCTA Business Office in Lake Mills. (567-3203)

Also, if you would like to make a change to your listing in the 2018 WCTA Directory, please contact the WCTA business office at 1-800-592-6105. The usual charge to make a change to your listing is being temporarily waived. All changes must be made by **October 13th**.

Did You Catch That?

We hope you enjoyed our Annual Meeting just a few weeks ago! This year we did something a little different with our Annual Meeting ballot mailing, and hopefully you noticed! We updated the notice of Annual Meeting look and feel with full color, gloss finish, and a tear-off attendance card for those that came to the meeting! We hope that this made it easier for attendees to put their name in for prize drawings, and those that voted from afar to get their name in the basket as well. (584-2586)

Luther College Scholarships

Hey college students! Are you pursuing a major in the sciences? Planning to study nursing or engineering or another science field? Then Luther College is the place to check out for scholarships.

A fund was set up for Luther College students pursuing the sciences by Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Bergland of Lake Mills in 1988. Scholarships are available for families who are or have been patrons of WCTA, and/or Winnebago County Rural Electrical Cooperative Association (REA) (now Heartland Power). Both WCTA and the Winnebago REA were organized and managed by Mr. Bergland.



Just contact the Luther College Development Office at 800-225-8664 for more information.

National Fire Prevention Week

The 2017 National Fire Prevention Week will be celebrated October 8-14. This year's "Every Second Counts" campaign focuses on planning two ways out of your home in case of a fire.

Most people only have one escape route in case there is a fire. Often, this route might not be the quickest, or during a fire it may be blocked. Having two or more routes to safely exit your home is the best option. (569-3761)



While we are talking about fire prevention, we'd like to remind landowners who burn roadside ditches or other areas to use extra caution around WCTA's electronics cabinets and pedestals. The cabinets and pedestals contain the wiring and electronics that provide your telecommunications, Internet, and video services. (927-4022)

Burning around them can easily damage their contents. Repairs can be costly and are the responsibility of the person doing the burning.



New Employee

Dylan Nitcher was recently hired on as a technician. In his new role Dylan will be troubleshooting telecommunications equipment and services and installing new services in members' homes and businesses.

Dylan, a Northwood native, graduated from Northwood-Kensett Jr/Sr high school in 2012, and comes to us from the construction industry. In his free time Dylan enjoys hunting, fishing, camping, and spending time with his family.

Dylan is excited to join the WCTA team. Welcome!

Telephone Numbers

Albert Lea

Bendickson Terry & Kay 507-320-7311
 Weitzel Steve & Cynthia 507-320-7440
 Werner Jack & Donna 507-320-7313

Bancroft

Greve Cody 515-885-0058
 Kelley Jim 515-885-0130
 Renfrow Missy 515-885-0044

Britt

Bliesmer JR 641-863-7077

Buffalo Center

Bennett Melissa 641-562-2290
 Boekelman Brant & Courtney 641-562-2117
 Engelbarts Mitch 641-562-2285
 Holbrook Jerry & Shelby 641-562-2057
 Moretz Ryan 641-562-2108
 Viergutz Jared & Leshia 641-562-2065
 Wilderman T 641-562-2119
 Wirth Tim & Jessa 641-562-2149

Conger

Bungum M & B 507-265-3036

Crystal Lake

Blakesley Asa 641-565-3049
 Harvey K 641-565-3048
 Morris Dan 641-565-3009

Emmons

Schewe William 507-297-5075

Fertile

Café Mir 641-797-2999
 Copney Josh 641-797-2047
 Stokke Jason & Ashley 641-797-2044
 Tuttle Isaac 641-797-2062
 Vosburgh Dirk 641-797-2099
 Vosburgh Leila 641-797-2038
 Woiwod S 641-797-2339

Forest City

Barnes Jason & Mary Beth 641-585-0176
 Berg Nate 641-585-0460
 Butler T 641-585-0496
 Christensen Cade 641-585-1572
 Coombs T 641-585-0373
 DeLaCruz Jay 641-585-0570

Forest City (Continued)

Doubler D 641-585-0368
 Dutcher C S 641-585-0302
 Engebretson M E 641-585-0372
 Fruhwirth Jr S & L 641-585-0305
 Jacobson Stephanie 641-585-1149
 Jensvold Tiarra 641-585-1430
 Johnson Todd & Sandra 641-585-0335
 Klauke Jonathan 641-585-0127
 Manna Tony 641-585-0341
 Minich M 641-585-0311
 Olson Kenneth & Trinity 641-585-0426
 Osterkamp Lynn & Jill 641-585-4394
 Padgett J 641-585-0370
 Palmer Matthew 641-585-0407
 Ross C 641-585-0472
 Schmidt C 641-585-0085
 Smith Barbara 641-585-0364
 Smith Brian W 641-585-0403
 Thede C 641-585-0450
 Webber A 641-585-0009
 Wicker Brad 641-585-4868
 Willoughby II David 641-585-0153

Glenville

Hornberger John & Mindy 507-448-9999
 Kirsch J 507-448-7124

Grafton

Cole Garrett 641-748-2112
 Hauge S 641-748-2060
 Wheery David & Teresa 641-748-2056

Kensett

Bratrud Coleby 641-845-2051
 Ring Chris 641-845-2023

Lake Mills

Budach Brian & Jill 641-592-0426
 Eguia F 641-592-0149
 Hardgrave C 641-592-0274
 Holtan Bradley & Molly 641-592-1188
 Jorth Randy & Cindy 641-592-0600
 Joyce Robert 641-592-0371
 Linn Andrew 641-592-0087
 Peters R 641-592-0307
 Raddatz D & M 641-592-1800
 Rodriguez Lesly 641-592-0550
 Stensrud Dakota 641-592-0361

Lake Mills (Continued)

Terwort Katty 641-592-0163
 Thompson Brian & Angela 641-592-0358
 Westcott Taylor 641-592-0142

Lakota

Christians R 515-886-0041

Leland

Dolan Jessica M 641-567-3063

Manly

Johnson Jodi 641-454-3342

Mason City

Jurgensen Z 641-243-7053
 VandeWeerd Lisa 641-423-1181

Northwood

Bickford J I 641-323-7051
 Hengesteg Hans 641-323-7165
 Holstad Farms 641-323-7209
 Nelson Wayne & Judy K 641-324-2701
 Olson Kory 641-323-7150
 Paulson Jessica 641-323-7122
 Seger Chris & Kari 641-323-7105
 Senne Mark & Suzanne 641-323-7121
 Stephans Jeffrey & Abby 641-323-7091
 Thompson J 641-323-7113
 Venechuk Sam & Shelly 641-324-2908

Rake

Acrie Brenda 641-566-3001
 Overland K 641-566-3056

Thompson

Bjelland Scott & Sue 641-584-2220
 James China 641-584-2172
 Ray Jake 641-584-2023

Twin Lakes

Bangert Erik & Karla 507-852-2578
 Christian Andy 507-852-2222
 Klukow Dustin & Samantha 507-852-2021
 Oquist Morgan 507-852-2042
 Ward Kylee 507-852-2077

Woden

Ingham T 641-926-5058
 Sahr Caitlin 641-926-5038
 Wellik Jared 641-926-5032

Revisions on the Horizon

The Dial Tone as we know it will be changing soon, with a new design, and a new name! In early 2018, you'll be receiving a brand new, full color newsletter. A change in technology and a change in the times calls for a new name for our newsletter. (568-3565)

Back in the 1950s the phrase "Dial Tone" was linked with connecting with family members and keeping in touch with friends. Over time, phone technology has advanced, and broadband internet was introduced into the picture. To better reflect these advancements, we've decided to move away from the name Dial Tone. Unfortunately, you'll have to wait until early 2018 to find out just what that new name will be!



Welcome to Fall



DIAL TONE QUOTE

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

- Eleanor Roosevelt



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\$5.00 Credit

IF YOUR NUMBER APPEARS IN THIS ISSUE OF THE DIAL TONE IN PARENTHESIS AND YOU NOTIFY US BY THE 15TH OF THIS MONTH, A \$5.00 CREDIT WILL BE APPLIED TO YOUR ACCOUNT.

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Lake Mills, IA 50450

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday

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Telephone

641-592-6105
or
1-800-592-6105

Internet

www.wctatel.net
wcta@wctatel.net

Internet Tech Support

1-877-928-2835

After Hours Repair

Telephone and Cable TV

1-800-216-6951

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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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Farmers & Traders
Savings Bank

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