



GRAND MOUND PHONET NEWSLETTER

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IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!



Spring and summer are just around the corner. Of course, that means the digging season is knocking at our door. Please call Iowa One Call at **1-800-292-8989** to have the underground facilities located and marked. Call 48 hours in advance of digging and remember that **IT'S THE LAW!**

GMCTA ANNUAL MEETING

The Grand Mound Cooperative Telephone Association's Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, March 9, 2002, at the Grand Mound Community Center with 53 members present. A noon luncheon was provided followed by the Annual Meeting at 1:00 p.m. presided over by President Roger Green. Cheryl Heeren of Kiesling Associates presented the audited financial report. General Manager Ken Beuthien presented the manager's report on events that happened over the past year. President Green recognized Rick Mineck's 15 years on the Board of Directors and presented outgoing board member Don Green with a plaque honoring his 4 years of service. Don was our Vice President and has since moved to DeWitt. Don's replacement is Harry Slaymaker. Joe Dierickx and Rick Mineck were re-elected to the board for a three-year term each.

Long Distance Plans From Grand Mound Coop. Telephone Assn.

Grand Mound Coop. Telephone Assn. now offers two long distance service plans that can help you save money and get connected.

14-Cent Plan

- Ideal for households that use less than 100 minutes of long distance per month
- 14-cents per minute
- No monthly service charge
- Rate applies 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to calls anywhere in the United States

10-Cent Plan

- 10-cents per minute
- \$3.95 monthly service charge
- Rate applies 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to calls anywhere in the United States.

For more information on these Long Distance/Toll Plans contact **Grand Mound Coop. Telephone Assn.** at 847-3000.

THUNDERSTORMS.....

...AND COMPUTERS

Spring is here and summer is fast approaching. We know from past experience that we are fast approaching the thunderstorm season. As an important reminder to you, during a thunderstorm, it would be wise to unplug your modem from the power and phone line. This is a good practice to keep you connected and trouble-free rather than getting fried with unnecessary repairs.

...AND TELEPHONES

Phones dead after a storm? Before calling the telephone office to generate a trouble ticket, you can do some simple checks of your own. Unplug your answering machine, cordless phone, computer modem, fax machine or regular phones one at a time from the phone jack. When plugging back in one at a time, check to see if you get a dial tone, if not, then you have found the equipment with the short. If no such luck, then call the telephone office. Remember, you can save us time and yourself money.

TECH TIP

When burning or mowing ditches, be aware of telephone pedestals and equipment. You may not only damage the equipment and cables, but vital emergency services could be cut off to your neighbors or yourself.

NEW DIRECTORY LISTINGS AND UPDATES

-B-
Brown, Anna.....847-1166

-E-
Erps, Birdie.....847-1420

-G-
Gockel, Mary.....847-1187

-K-
Klaas, Michelle.....847-1365
Kulp, Lester.....847-1337

-P-
Patterson, K.....847-1050

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* In Davis, Carroll and Whiteside counties.

GMCC netPLUS ADSL

Now there's no more waiting for your modem to dialup or waiting to download files from the Internet.

Our new "high speed internet" service is *always on* and now available to the 847 exchange customers with speeds ranging from 2 to 27 times faster than our 56K dialup service.

This new technology delivers voice and data/Internet over one existing phone line, eliminating the need for a second phone line. Simply put, you can surf the Internet and talk or fax at the same time on the same phone.

We now have ADSL speeds starting at 128K for \$34.95 with several user agreement plans to choose from.

Call or stop by our office for additional information on getting yourself into the fast lane with ADSL.



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NEW



CUSTOM CALLING FEATURES

New software features that were recently added during our latest switch upgrade are:

- *Caller Identification/Call Waiting
- *Anonymous Call Rejection
- *Teen Line

For further information, please call our business office at
847-3000.