



# GRAND MOUND PHONET NEWSLETTER

Quarterly Newsletter Published for our Customers

December 2005



From our staff to all of you,  
we want to wish everyone a  
Happy Holiday Season &  
a Prosperous New Year!

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We will be closed for the Holidays on:

Friday, December 23  
Monday, December 26  
Monday, January 2

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**REMINDER:** For your convenience, if you need to make a payment after hours, we have a drop box located at our office at 705 Clinton Street on the right-hand side of the front door.



**Did you know.....**that Independent Telephone Companies have brought about many innovations in telecommunications including the first automatic switching system & the first installation of a digital switching office.



**Grand Mound Communications  
is now offering wireless DSL in the area  
designated on the map to the left!  
Call today – 563-847-3000 – for  
site qualifications and pricing.**

**Grand Mound Communications Company**

705 Clinton St., Grand Mound • (563) 847-3000  
“Making Internet affordable and easy!”

## *Christmas Web Sites*

Christmas is a time for family gatherings and holiday meals. Listed below for your entertainment are some fun holiday things for you and your family. There are stories of Christmas, holiday music for singing along, tasty holiday recipes, holiday pictures & games for the kids, plus many more activities for everyone to enjoy.

<http://www.santa.net>

<http://santaclaus.com>

<http://nightingale.vsb.bc.ca/christmas>

<http://www.northpole.com>

<http://merry-christmas.com>

<http://santaland.com>

<http://santa.com>

<http://www.christmas.com>

<http://www.holidays.net/christmas>

Iowa



## Low-Income Telephone Assistance Programs

Low-income telephone assistance is available to qualifying low-income Iowans as part of two federal support programs. These programs, "Lifeline Assistance" and "Link-Up," are available through Grand Mound Cooperative Telephone Association.

- "Lifeline" is a plan that assists qualified low-income Iowans by providing a monthly credit on their telephone bill in an amount of \$8.25.
- "Link-Up" is an assistance plan that helps qualified low-income Iowans pay for the installation of basic telephone service by reducing connection charges by 50 percent, or \$30, whichever is less.

Another feature of the Lifeline program enables qualified applicants to avoid paying a service deposit if they voluntarily agree to have long distance calling blocked from their telephone.

Iowans who participate in one or more of the following programs are eligible for telephone assistance: Medicaid; Food Stamps; Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Federal Public Housing Assistance, Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program (TANF) or the National School Lunch Program (NSL).

To apply for either or both of these low-income telephone assistance plans, applicants should submit an application to Grand Mound Cooperative Telephone Association. Application forms can be obtained from Grand Mound Cooperative Telephone Association at 705 Clinton Street, Grand Mound, IA or at the Iowa East Central T.R.A.I.N. office at 1415B 11<sup>th</sup> Street, DeWitt, IA. This application is also available on the Iowa Utilities Board website at [www.state.ia.us/iub](http://www.state.ia.us/iub). Individuals simply self certify that they are eligible for assistance. No other certification is required. Eligible Iowans are encouraged to submit their application.



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providing local telephone service for the Grand Mound area, PCS Wireless, Voice Mail, Paging Services, travel calling cards, data and fax services, CATV, Internet, DSL and Wireless DSL.

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### **Business Office Hours**

Monday to Friday  
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### **General Manager**

Mark Harvey

### **Office Manager**

Terri Bumann

### **Office Assistant**

Dee Dee Banowetz

### **Combination Technician**

Chris Beuthien

### **Board of Directors**

Dennis Campbell  
Joe Dierickx  
Roger Green  
Rick Mineck  
Ruth Schroeder  
Harry Slaymaker  
Wayne Whitman



## NEW DIRECTORY LISTINGS AND UPDATES

### **-B-**

Bender, Gordon  
513 Smith St Apt E1 Grand Mound.....847-2468

### **-C-**

C & J Trucking of Iowa  
2289 Hwy 30 Grand Mound.....847-1994  
Fax Line.....847-1039

Chance, Richard A  
407 Smith St Grand Mound.....847-1360

Custom Design Build  
2518 238 St DeWitt.....847-1350

### **-D-**

Delever, Mark & Julie  
515 Sunnyside St Grand Mound.....847-1085

### **-H-**

H D Equipment Inc.  
2289 Hwy 30 Grand Mound.....847-1895

Hawthorne, Jay & Cathy  
408 Smith St Grand Mound.....847-1894

Hawthorne, J D  
507 Clinton St Grand Mound...847-1191  
Fax Line.....847-1829

### **-P-**

Pitts, Ryan & Dawn  
801 Clinton St Grand Mound..847-3236

### **-W-**

Wright, Benjamin & Melissa  
2536 270 St DeWitt.....847-1416