



# GRAND MOUND TELECOMMUNICATIONS NEWSLETTER

Quarterly Newsletter Published for our Customers

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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:

Wednesday, December 24

Thursday, December 25

Thursday, January 1

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## Why do you keep getting e-mail messages from people and companies you have never heard of?

Similar to traditional mail, sometimes (okay - many times) you get mail you didn't request (aka SPAM). More than likely, you received the "spam" as a result of one of two things:

1) You may have submitted your e-mail address to a website from which you were requesting more information. When you clicked the "I AGREE" button without really reading the multiple pages of privacy disclaimers, you may have given that particular website permission to sell your e-mail address to third parties.

2) Your e-mail address may have been harvested with millions of others from forwarded e-mail messages. Have you ever received an e-mail message addressed to you and dozens of other people? If that message gets into the wrong hands, your address, along with the others, could be added to a list of e-mail addresses that is then sold to marketers. This is why we recommend using the "bcc:" feature when sending your e-mail message to multiple addresses.

## 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://www.santagames.net>

<http://northpolearcade.com>

<http://santaland.com>

<http://santaclaus.com>

<http://santa.com>

<http://www.northpole.com>

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

<http://merry-christmas.com>

<http://xmasfun.com>



## **PAYMENT INFO...**

- ❖ Payments are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. After the 20<sup>th</sup>, accounts are considered past due.
- ❖ Accounts with past due balances are subject to a \$1.00 late payment charge.
- ❖ Please include the bill stub with your payment and make sure your account number is included with your online bank payment so your account will be accurately credited.
- ❖ For your convenience, GMCTA & GMCC offers Automatic Bank Deductions. Payments can be taken automatically out of your checking account each month.
- ❖ Credit Card Payments are also accepted. You can have your payment charged monthly to your credit card or call our office and pay over the phone with your credit card. We accept Discover Card, VISA and MasterCard credit cards for payment.
- ❖ There is a drop box on the right-hand side of the west front door at our business office at 705 Clinton St., Grand Mound for after-hours payments.

## **2015 Calendars Available**

Don't forget to stop by and pick up your 2015 calendars which are now available at GMCTA/GMCC's office at 705 Clinton Street, Grand Mound.



# ACCESS YOUR GMTel EMAIL FROM ANYWHERE!

When you are away from your regular computer, GMTel Web Based email allows you to use your GMTel.net email account from any computer with an Internet connection. With a GMTel.net Internet account you can login and send or receive email messages while you are on vacation or at a friend or relatives house.

All you need to do is go to our Web page at [www.gmtel.net](http://www.gmtel.net) and under GMTel.net Web Mail type in your username (email name, not the whole address) and password, then **Login**. You can view, send, receive, and organize your messages plus set up your Preferences using the Webmail interface while on the road and then when you return to your "home" computer you can download the same messages.

If you need additional assistance with the GMTel Webmail, please call **GMTel.net Technical Support** at **1-866-847-4638** (toll free). They are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to assist you with Internet related problems.



## DECEMBER PREMIERS

- The Hundred-Foot Journey (Avail. 12/2)
- As Above, So Below (Avail. 12/2)
- Earth to Echo (Avail. 12/5)
- Guardians Of The Galaxy (Avail. 12/9)
- How To Train Your Dragon 2 (Avail. 12/10)
- Let's Be Cops With Deleted Scenes (12/10)
- Tammy (Avail. 12/11)
- Jersey Boys (Avail. 12/11)
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (Avail. 12/16)
- And So It Goes (Avail. 12/17)
- Into The Storm (Avail. 12/18)
- Sex Tape (Avail. 12/20)
- Deliver Us From Evil (Avail. 12/27)
- Dawn Of The Planet Of The Apes (12/31)

*Available on Ch. 704-706*

If you are interested in watching PPV, then you will need to stop by or contact our office at (563) 847-3000 to get your PPV account set up. When getting your PPV account set up, you will need to set up a Purchase Pin and a "Maximum Charge Limit", which puts a monthly dollar limit on your PPV account. This amount can be increased at any time during business hours. Only authorized account subscribers can set up PPV accounts. Once your PPV account is set up, you simply make the pay-per-view purchase when you're ready to watch the program.

## NEW DIRECTORY LISTINGS AND UPDATES

### -A-

America's Best Water Treaters Inc  
2432 250<sup>th</sup> Ave DeWitt.....847-4120

### -C-

Clinton County Veteran's Affairs  
226 11<sup>th</sup> St DeWitt.....659-6230

### -G-

Green, Marlan  
2638 250<sup>th</sup> St DeWitt.....659-6440

### -K-

Kwik Star  
1420 11<sup>th</sup> St DeWitt.....659-6500

### -T-

Treasure Topia  
905 6<sup>th</sup> Ave DeWitt.....659-6543

## Dial 511: Travel Information

Planning to travel over the holidays? Be sure to dial 511 before heading out.

The statewide travel hotline, 511, provides you with updated weather information and road condition updates.



**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 Coop. Telephone Assn. and Grand Mound Communications Co.

providing local/long distance telephone services for the Grand Mound/DeWitt areas, PCS Wireless, Voice Mail, Paging Services, data and fax services, fiber optics, CATV, Internet, DSL and Wireless Internet.

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### Business Office Hours

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

### General Manager

Marcus Behnken

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Chris Beuthien

### Plant Technicians

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