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Fiber to the Home Construction for Rural Sebeka is Underway



With prewiring complete in rural Sebeka, crews have begun plowing fiber. The construction crew is starting along a route east of the city of Sebeka, then moving north. Next they will continue to the west of the city, leaving the route south of the city of Sebeka for last. The southern route will be last as we are waiting for the main line fiber to arrive. Fiber splicing crews will then splice the fiber on the side of the house and the main line in the road right of way.

The construction crews will be doing clean-up work after the drop is plowed in. Construction will run up to 4pm on Fridays, with clean-up work to follow. On Saturdays, clean-up work only along the roadside ditches is allowed. Splicing crews will also only splice on Saturdays at the pedestals and not up by an owner's house. Once all fiber on a route has been spliced and tested, it will be handed back to our technicians.

At that point, we'll contact you for access inside the house to cut over existing phone and Internet services.

TV services will be available around the first of the year. If interested in TV service, we encourage you to call the office as it will be available on a "first come, first served" basis.

Besides TV services, Fiber to the Home (FTTH) also allows video conferencing, telemedicine, home and pet monitoring, online college classes, cloud computing, increased value of your home, and community enhancements. According to FTTH expert Michael Renders, home values increase by \$5,500 on average for a home that has a fiber optic network. If you have questions about the project or FTTH, please call the office.

Celebrate National Co-op Month at Open House on October 7

Cooperatives benefit the economy of the communities served by returning revenues generated by the cooperative to local members rather than removed shareholders. Co-ops are motivated by service to their members in addition to profit.

As your cooperative, West Central Telephone Association offers an ever-expanding list of solutions including broadband services like digital TV, high-speed Internet, and security, surveillance and monitoring. We also offer local telephone, long distance, custom calling features, business phone systems and more.

Come celebrate Cooperative Month on October 7 from 11am to 3pm at the Sebeka office. We'll have demonstrations going on throughout the day. As always, there will be special deals, door prizes, food and fun. More information will be sent in October. Don't miss this fun event!



Directory Photo Contest

West Central Telephone is gearing up to bring you the new 2016 WCTA Directory and we want your photo to grace the cover. Submit your favorite photo at www.facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone. Be sure to include a sentence or two about the photo, such as where it was taken and why you think it would look great on the new directory cover.

\$200 Cash for the Winning Photo

Contest Rules:

- Amateur photographers only; no professionals please.
- Contest open to West Central customers only; employees or directors of the cooperative or members of their household, are not eligible.
- Each household may submit up to 10 photographs.
- Photos should be in digital form, at least 300 dpi, preferably in jpg format.
- Name photos with your name and number of entry, such as: `geri salmela1.jpg`, `geri salmela2.jpg`, etc.
- **Photos should not be altered or enhanced** and should be taken within the WCTA territory.
- If the photo includes people, the individual(s) cannot be easily identified.
- Trademarks, commercial names or advertisements must not appear anywhere in the photograph.
- Photos must be submitted online through our Facebook page found at facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone. Alternatively, you may email the photo to geris@wcta.net with "Photo Contest" in the subject line and **your name, address, phone number and brief description of the picture in the body of the email. Entries on Facebook are preferred!**
- **ABSOLUTELY NO PRINTED PHOTOS WILL BE ACCEPTED; DIGITAL COPIES ONLY.**
- All entries will become the property of West Central Telephone; submission implies consent to use photos on the Directory Cover or in any other advertising campaign.



Into the Woods
Premiering September 11

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A witch threatens a curse on a childless couple, unless they bring her an eclectic collection of items — tales of Little Red Riding Hood, Jack and the Beanstalk, Rapunzel and more in a lavish musical spectacular.

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Deadline for entries is Friday, September 25, 2015.

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Members of our cooperative, West Central Telephone Association, are rewarded with a capital credits check for each year that we are successful. Unfortunately, allocations are not retired until years later, and some members move out of the area but forget to give us an updated address. In other cases, a member may no longer be living. In these situations, the checks are returned to us. The members listed below all had checks returned. If you know the whereabouts of any of these people (or the administrator of the estate), please give us a call at 837-5151 or toll free at 800-945-2163.

All American Towing, %Jay Kopp	Denny, Dale Jr & Lori Desrocher, Patricia	Hepokoski, Lisa Hershberger, Shad	McGrath, Karen McLouden, Helen, %Lenore McLouden	S & M Auto, %Roger Motl
Anderson, Cheryl	Devore, Joe	Higgs, Margaret	McManigle, Curtis	Savarese, Vincent
Anderson, Rodney & Susan	Dykhoff, Dinee	Hillukka, Ross	Mensen, Betty	Schultz, Laurie
Anderson, Scott & Marie	Eischens, Brandon	Hobson, Carole	Meyer, Dan	Schweitzberger, Arthur
Andler, Martha	Ellingworth, Megan	Hoffman, Leo	Meyer, Kevin	Scribner, Steve
Andrie, Steve & Renae	Erickson, Clara, %Clair Erickson	Holmen, Kris	Miles, Chris	Sebeka Salvage, %Chris Pauliot
AT&T	Erickson, Harvey V	Holmquist, Debby	Miller, Charles	Sharp, Danny
Austad, Dennis	Erickson, Penny (Woods)	Hoogakker, Dawn	Miller, Ernest R, %Tom Crocco	Shepersky, Debra, %Jerry Kisgen
Automated Wagering Inter. Inc.	Erickson, Todd	Hoskins, Tawnya	Mitchell, Peace	Skinner, Sarah
Balzum, Tammy	Etter, Cindy	Housman, Melissa	Modern Banking Systems	Smith, Adrian & Linda
Bartholomew, Kenneth	Fern, Daniel	Hutmacher, Mark	Mohs, Susan	Soules, Donna
Beavers, Gena	Foley, Tom	Jacobsen, Leroy	Mueller, Evan	Spearbeck, Dale
Beeler, Lawrence	Foulks, Becky	Jensen, Marlys	Nation, Ivan E	Sturges, Sue (Moench) (Bowen)
Bettin, Daniel	Fouts, Margaret	Johnson, David	Neumann, Roderick	Tann, George
Blanchard, Ruth	France, William	Johnson, Harvey R	Niska, Edwin	Tappe, Pat
Blooflat, Bradley	Frisch, Dan	Johnson, Sarrah, %Vanda Smith	Norris, Wanda	Thompson, Scott
Boutain, Harvey	Friest, Bruce	Johnson, Scott	Olson, Bradley	Tjoens, Mark
Boyd, Robert	Frimanslund, Jeff	Juntunen, Jeffrey & Melanie	Olson, Duane & Karla	Toppari, Janel
Brazer, Thomas & Kathleen	Fyock, Lee & Claudia	Kalba, Linda	Olson, Nancy E	Torvinen, Elaine, %Connie Karjala
Bridger, Jim & Gina	Gaffney, John V	Keskitalo, Susan	Ottens, George	Torvinen, Shirley
Bromen, Marian	Gambino, Joe & Nance	Kimbrough, Jennifer	Otterstetter, Adam	Tourdot, Kurt
Buckley, Eric & Gwendolyn	George, Kyle	Kinnunen, Elvie	Pachel, Donald	Tri-Count Holstein, %Wayne Etter Jr
Bunnell, David & Dori	Gilmour, Georgine	Kinnunen, Rick	Packila, Linda	Utz, Jason, %Eggighausen
Bunting, Toni	Glass, Titus	Knudson, Jennifer	Palloch, David	Vandeusen, Jane
Bucker, Lewis	Godlevske, Kevin	Ladd, Kerry	Parkhurst, Scott & Sheila, %Amlog	Vitela, Linda
Cain, Elaine	Gratke, Kelly	Larson, Eric	Perish, Myron & Pam	Ward, Gary
Cameron, Russ	Gravelle, Durwood	Larson, Tamara	Peters, Jerry	Wegner, Daniel
Carpick, Michael A	Gregory, Gary & Nowelle	Larson, William	Petersen, Lanny	Weiss, Rishia
Carstens, Jim & Deana	Grinnen, Walter	Laposky, Russell	Peterson, Marie R	Wicklund, David
Caulk, Chris	Grose, Anna	Lemir, Tom	Plautz, Mike	Williams, LeRoy
Cheney, Duane & Leanda	Grotberg, Jim	Leritz, Steve	Poppenga, Duane	Williams, R T, %Al A Williams
Cherne, Ferne	Grove, John C	Lollar, Terri	Puttonen, Demetric	Wilson, Clyde
Christensen, Oliver, %Beryl	Haavista, Alpo	Lubo, Floyd & Mary E	Rand, Sheila	Yiiniemi, William N
Christensen	Hahn, Elsie	Mamer, Jim	Rah, Jerry	
Culp, Margaret	Hall, Greg	Marjama Sandblasting, %Godon Marjama	Rasmussen, Dick	
Cunningham, Chuck	Halonen, Sharen	Marquette, Melissa	Riddle, Raymond	
Dallmann, Reuben	Handt, William	Marthaler, Kevin	Ronning, Robert & Anna	
Daugherty, Ronda & Bill	Hanneken, Chris	Mason, Jim	Rono, Robert	
Dave's Verndale Grocery, %Dave Palloch	Harn, Justin	Matheny, Kent	Ruona, Harold	
Davis, Donna	Hayes, Daniel	McAllister, Peggy	Rural Cellular Corp	
Degroat, Dawn	Helling, John	McDonald, Wilbur		
Delaney, Debbie	Hendrickson, David			

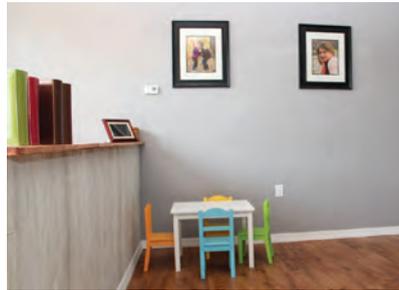
Welcome, New Members

Cole, Jeffrey	445-5985
Dailey, Desiree.....	445-5065
Finck, Ryan	445-2729
Fry, Linda	445-5397
Lehner, Diana	445-6148
Line, Anita	445-2154
Pixel Perfect Photography & Design.....	445-4283
Wicht, Ronald.....	445-5695
Blaeser, Ambrose.....	472-1160
Lindula, Sharon	472-0120
Schumacher, Ryan.....	472-1628
Aho, Ruby L	538-7174
Stanton, Patrick.....	538-4268
Aho, Maximilian	564-1756
Baker, Don	564-9868
Block, Connie.....	564-3035
Card, Amy Jo	564-6782
Citrowske, Kelly.....	564-0864
Clafin, Larry.....	564-5766
Cooper, Aj.....	564-6279
Dozier, Miriam	564-2523
Guelcher, Christopher.....	564-0429
Haapala, Peter.....	564-3895
Hennessy, Diane	564-1848
Impola, Molly	564-7057
May, Larry	564-1966
Norman, David	564-3758
Schwartz, Levi.....	564-6107
Sundet, Todd	564-3988
Tiller, Teiarra.....	564-3866
Truax, Michael.....	564-5994
Wenzel, Kurt.....	564-6105
Wheeler, Jim	564-0801
Anderson, Ursul.....	837-6322
Davey, Cassie.....	837-2451
Oehlenschlager, Steve.....	837-5531
Richter, Casey	837-4854
Schermerhorn, David.....	837-9838
Truax, Trevor	837-7640
Whitmore, Toni	837-8658



PixelPerfect Photography & Design

115 S Farwell St, Verndale, MN 56481



Cassie Hodgden

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: Pixel Perfect Photography and Design

Pixel Perfect Photography and Design is open for business in Verndale, MN. Owned by Menahga native Cassie Hodgden, Pixel Perfect specializes in maternity, newborn, infants and children, family, pets, high school seniors, prom and special events photography.

Besides photography, Cassie puts her Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Graphic Design to use by designing one-of-a-kind invitations and announcements for customers. In fact, Pixel Perfect offers commercial photography and full graphic design services for businesses.

Although new to Verndale, her love of photography and her laid back, fun and relaxed style has led the community to embrace Pixel Perfect. She's already been booked to capture Verndale's Homecoming Coronation event.

Cassie loves meeting people, and capturing those special moments in time with her camera. Often she uploads 50 -100 enhanced, high resolution photos to an online gallery for her clients to view. Cassie said, "I don't have hours to waste watching files upload, so I was thrilled when I realized how quickly my files upload with West Central's Internet service." Cassie has West Central Telephone's all-fiber optic broadband Internet service with an upload speed of 6 Mbps. Not wanting to lose her precious work — her client's priceless photos — she also uses the high upload speeds to back up over a terabyte of files in record time.

For more information about Pixel Perfect Photography and Design, visit them on the web at www.Pixel-Perfect-Studio.com, or call 445-4283. For more information about how West Central Telephone can speed up your time online, give us a call at 1-800-945-2163.