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2019 Annual Meeting Highlights

Board Chairman Leroy Tappe started off the 2019 Annual Meeting with a call to order and gave a quick overview of what happened in 2018 for McDonough Telephone. After the approval of the 67th Annual Meeting minutes and the treasurer's report, President Jay Griswold explained MDTC's growth and the plan to expand the fiber network to all exchanges over the next four years.

The meeting highlighted John McMillan for his 40 years of service on the Board, Bob Bisby for his 41 years of service as an employee, and Marsha Livingstone for her 36 years of service and announcement of her retirement; and it concluded with the prize drawings.



What's HAPPENING



Join us for our Holiday Open House & Food Drive on December 6



Caramel Apple Day is October 31st

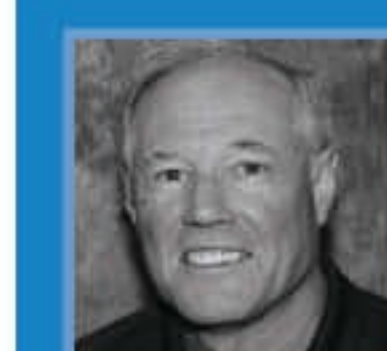


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10/1: Samantha Haring "Persistent Spaces" Reception, 4:30-6pm, WIU Art Gallery

10/3: Community & Senior's Day, 8:30-10:30am, Citizens Bank Downtown Macomb

10/4-5: WIU Homecoming, Western Illinois University

10/4&18: Breakfast & Birding, 10-11am, Argyle Lake State Park

10/4: The Blind Swine Speakeasy, 4:30-7:30pm, Western Illinois Museum

10/5: Farmers Market, 7am-1pm, Chandler Park (Every Thurs. & Sat.)

10/5: Paddling Tours of Lake Argyle, 10am-1pm, Argyle Lake State Park

10/5: WIU Homecoming Parade, 10:30am-Noon, Macomb Downtown Square

10/5: Ceramics Family Workshop, 12-1 & 1:30-2:30pm, Macomb Park District Ceramic Studio

10/5: WIU Leathernecks vs Missouri State, 3pm, Hanson Field

10/12: Charity Wins Softball Tournament, Veteran's Park

10/12: Fall Colors Nature Hike, 10-11:30am, Argyle Lake State Park

10/12: Moonlight Meander, 5:30-7:30pm, Lakeview Nature Center

10/18: Illinois Bats, 6-7:30pm, Argyle Lake State Park

10/19: Zombie Apocalypse, Horn Field Campus

10/19: Moon Over Macomb, 10am-1pm, Macomb Downtown Square

10/19: Haunted Museum Tours, 10am-1pm, Western Illinois Museum

10/19: Lakeview Nature Workshop, 12:30-1:30pm, Lakeview Nature Center

10/19: WIU Leathernecks vs. Illinois State University, 1pm, Hanson Field

10/19: Stargazing at the Park, 6-9pm, Argyle Lake State Park

10/22: Serena Stevens & Tim Van Ginkel "Milk and Honey: Tones of Home" Reception, 4:30-6pm, WIU Art Gallery

10/26: Atkinson McCord Cemetery Tour, 10-Noon, Argyle Lake State Park

2019 Annual Meeting Prize Winners

8 inch Fire HD Kids Edition Tablet: Randi Jo James, Plymouth

50" 4K Toshiba Smart TV - Fire TV Edition: Kathleen Markey, Colchester

43" 4K Toshiba Smart TV - Fire TV Edition: Connie Vance, Macomb

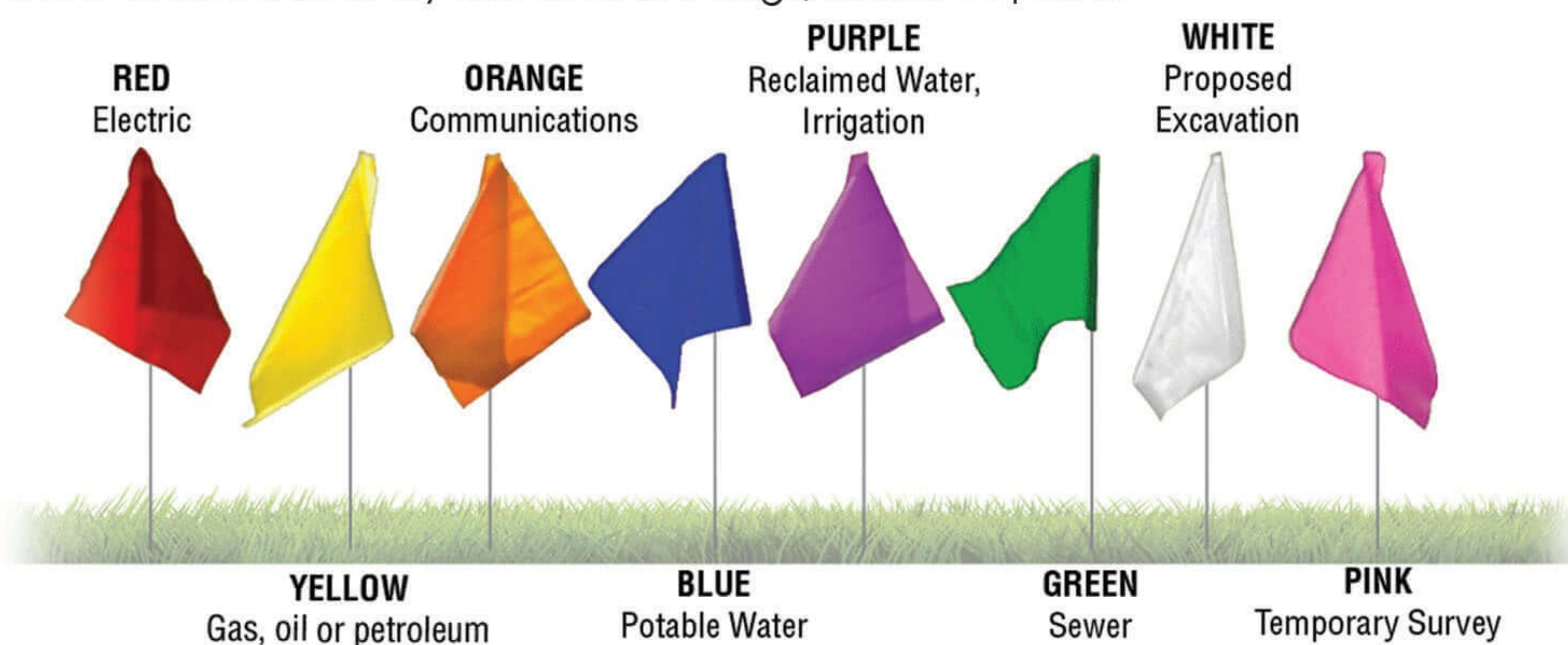
Fire TV Stick w/ Alexa Voice Remote: Melissa Easley, Colchester; Stanley Creasy, Colchester; Harold Miller, Macomb

\$50 Tharp Bros Contractor Service Credits: Penny Williams, Industry; United Methodist Church, Blandinsville; Don & Cathy McCourt, Sciota; Kenneth McGlaughlin, Colchester; J. Doyle Lutz, Good Hope; Maureen Vanvooren, Tennessee; J. Ray Danielson, Colchester; Jamie J. Sullivan, Colchester; Richard Beck, Colchester; Anthony James, Plymouth; Steve Chipman, Good Hope; E.K. Foust, Colchester; Jack Swearingen, Littleton; Rachel Louderman, Colchester

\$25 MDTC Service Credits: Roger E Brue, Blandinsville; Larry Rickard, Colchester; Nancy Hookom, Colchester; Alma Feathers, Colchester; George & Debbie Coutre, Colchester; George Parsano, Good Hope; Angela & Scott Hance, Industry; Robert T Elder II, Colchester

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Recipe Of The Month

Recipe Title: Grilled California Avocado Chicken

Ingredients:

3/4 cup balsamic vinegar
1/4 cup honey
3 cloves garlic minced
2 Tablespoons olive oil
2 teaspoons italian seasoning
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
4 boneless skinless chicken breasts
4 slices mozzarella cheese
2 avocados diced
3 roma tomatoes diced
1/4 cup fresh chopped basil
salt and pepper
balsamic vinegar for drizzling

Directions:

In a medium sized bowl, whisk the balsamic vinegar, honey, garlic, olive oil, italian seasoning, and salt and pepper. Add the chicken breasts and coat. Marinate for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl add the avocado, tomato, basil and salt and pepper to taste. Set aside.

Heat the grill to medium high heat. Grill the chicken on each side about 6 minutes or until cooked throughout and no longer pink. Top with mozzarella cheese and avocado, tomato basil mixture. Drizzle with balsamic vinegar and serve immediately.

