

BUSY LINE

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And The Winner Is...



Directory Cover Winner: Ron Ruebush, Good Hope; **2nd Place:** Karen Jarrett-Reeves, Tennessee; **3rd Place:** Marilyn Shelley, Colchester; **Honorable Mention:** Linda Wilson, Niota; Jan Shoemaker, Blandinsville; Richard Fross, Industry; Lacey Caldwell, Colchester. Congratulations to our winners and thanks to everyone who participated!



2018 FRS Scholarship Deadline Approaching

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2018. Applications and guidelines have been mailed to guidance counselors at area schools or they can be downloaded from the FRS website at www.frs.org. Prior to mailing, the completed application must have the Sponsor Certification section signed by MDTC. If you have questions, please contact Pam Downey at 776-3211.

Welcome TO THE COOP

Amanda Smith	Jeremy Smith
Amanda Tarleton	Joni Bucher
Branson Rutledge	Kim Bischoff
Cody & Kelsey Havens	Myra Howard
Cody Shinall	Rosa Keller
David & Carol Patton	William Salyers
Sam & Stephanie Hilten	Jade West
Ben & Kelsey Broadhead	Javier Perez
Matthew Richardson	

Fun Facts

February 17th is **National Cabbage Day**. Check out our recipe in this issue for a great way to incorporate cabbage in one of your dinners this month.

The month of February is the only month that can pass without a full moon. We will see such a scenario this February.

Every Valentine's Day, the Italian city of Verona, where Shakespeare's lovers Romeo & Juliet lived, receives about 1,000 letters addressed to Juliet.

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2 New Channels Premiering On MTC-TV

Subscribers in McDonough, Hancock, Schuyler and Fulton Counties can now enjoy KHQA Comet on Channel 167. Comet focuses on science fiction with some supernatural, horror, adventure and fantasy series and films.



Subscribers in Warren and Henderson Counties can now enjoy KGCQ THIS TV on Channel 166. THIS TV maintains a large programming emphasis on films, but also includes other limited general entertainment content in the form of classic tv series and children's programming.



Say "Happy Valentine's Day" For Free!



MTC Long Distance subscribers can call FREE anywhere in the continental United States on Valentine's Day, Wednesday, February 14. Don't forget to call your sweetheart!

Community Calendar

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- 2/1: Childbirth and Infant Care, 6-8:15pm, MDH
- 2/1-16: Gallery Exhibition: Laken Bridges, 9am-4pm, WIU Art Gallery
- 2/1-22: Gallery Exhibition: Dustin London, 9am-4pm, WIU Art Gallery
- 2/7: Winter Storytime, 10:45-11:45am, Colchester Public Library
- 2/7: El Circo Cheapo, 7:30-9:30pm, The Forum
- 2/10-11: Ag Mech Show, Western Hall
- 2/10: Tree ID Hike, 1:30-3:30pm, Argyle Lake
- 2/14: Honor: Confessions of A Mumbai Courtesan, 7:30-9:30pm, COFAC Recital Hall
- 2/16-17: WIU Jazz Festival, COFAC Recital Hall
- 2/21: Winter Storytime, 10:45-11:45am, Colchester Public Library
- 2/24: McDonough County United Way "Reading Day", 1-3pm, Macomb Public Library
- 2/26-28: Gallery Exhibition: Eun-Kyung Suh, 9am-4pm, WIU Art Gallery

For more events or details, visit macomb.com/events/

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Recipe Of The Month

Recipe Title: Escalloped Cabbage



Ingredients:
 1 Head Cabbage (Cut into 6-8 wedges)
 2 Tbsp. Butter (Plus more for greasing the pan)
 2 Tbsp. Flour
 1 1/2 Cup Milk
 1 Jar of Cheez Whiz
 Salt & Pepper to taste
 1 Cup Grated Pepper Jack Cheese
 1 Whole Jalapeno Pepper (Sliced into rounds, seeds removed)
 Paprika for sprinkling

Directions:
 Preheat oven to 350. Butter a 9 x 9 baking dish.
 Bring a medium pot of lightly salted water to boil. Parboil the wedges of cabbage for 1-2 minutes. Drain very well, slice off the cores, then arrange in the prepared baking dish.
 In a nonstick skillet over medium heat, melt the butter. Whisk the flour and cook for a minute or two. Whisk in the milk and cook until beginning to thicken. Turn off the heat and stir in Cheez Whiz. Sprinkle in salt and pepper, then stir in the grated cheese. Pour over the cabbage. Dot with jalapeno slices, and sprinkle on paprika.
 Bake for 20 minutes or until golden and bubbly.

*Notes: Can use jalapenos in a jar. This makes a good amount of cheese sauce, so could be enough for more cabbage if desired.

Can You Find The Hidden Number?



There is a 2-digit number hidden somewhere in the picture. If this number is the LAST 2 numbers of your landline phone number, call our office for a prize!