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Monday-Friday 7:30am to 4:30pm





## Digital TV expands to your home

If Digital TV from Albany Mutual Telephone isn't available at your home now, it's likely it will be soon.

Digital TV service from Albany Mutual Telephone is expanding to nearly all of our rural areas throughout the fall.

With the Digital TV transition scheduled for February 2009, we have been working hard to make our Digital TV service available to as many of our customers as possible.

By adding new equipment to our network, we will soon be able to reach approximately 90% of all Albany Mutual Telephone customers with Digital TV service.

Digital TV service from Albany Mutual Telephone is similar to the programming you may get from the dish or cable, but without the weather issues and the ugly dish. Best of all, instead of dealing with a national company, you have a nearby company to answer your questions.

Since the service is still distance limited, there are a few customers who will not have access to the Digital TV service. Please call our office for more details at 320.845.2101.

### Nationwide Cellular - Safety without the hassle



Don't take chances with your safety, or staying connected.

Get the best coverage without the hassles of the big companies.

Great plan options, Free phones, no contract required.

## Your Connection



## We've Always been Green!

Recycling has always been our nature.

We recycle your:

- Phone Books
- Cell phones/chargers



Get more business by putting your ad in the Yellow pages reps will be contacting businesses in the coming months for new ads.

If you have a new business and would like to be included in the 2009 Yellow Pages, call us at 320.845.2101



#### **'Economic times'**

Greetings Albany Mutual Telephone members,

As summer winds down and fall approaches I would like to thank you again for your support.

We recognize that with the current economic pressures, everyone is doing their best to save money where they can. I can assure you everyone at Albany Mutual Telephone continually works hard to keep your rates competitive while maintaining quality services, even though we continue to see increases in our wholesale costs.

You can see our commitment to you and our community with the services we offer. By bringing many communication services under one roof you get the value and the benefit of having one, nearby point of contact for any of your questions about our Telephone, High Speed Internet, Digital TV, and Cellular bundles.

## Message from the Manager

By Steve Katka, General Manager

Another way you see our commitment is through our continual upgrades of our network. By replacing the copper phone lines with fiber-optics, you are gaining increased value by enjoying great services without the limits.

The initial phase of the Fiber to the Home project is nearing completion, and we will soon begin connecting individual homes to the new service.

This is a great time to take advantage of all of our convenient service bundles including Phone, Internet, Digital TV, and Nationwide Cellular services.

As we look ahead, we look for new ways to offer valuable services to you. This will likely consist of adding new cutting-edge service offerings, as well a continuation of the fiber-optic build out to the remaining homes in our service area.



## **Back to School computers**



Be sure your kids have the skills and practice they need to be successful in school!

Be sure your student is ready for their homework!

If your current computer is slowing down, we can speed it up. If your current computer is past it's prime you can get a great machine to replace it. Computers, printers, software... it's all here and it comes with years of experienced advice.

Whether you have one computer or a hundred, you can rely on us to be sure your headaches are limited.

## **Faster Internet, Same price**

Recently your Internet speeds were likely doubled.

Due to requests for faster Internet speeds, you now have more Internet package options. And as a thank-you for being here for us, we have doubled most customers' speeds so you can enjoy all the Internet has to offer.

Since Internet speeds are distance limited, package options may vary depending on your location.

How much speed do you need? Depending on what you use the Internet for, you may need more speed. Downloading movies, TV shows, and songs generally requires a faster speed because the large file sizes take longer to download with slower speeds.

If you are using email, or doing general web browsing, the base package is probably your best bet.

Minnesota has one of the highest percentages of rural communities that have access to high speed Internet.

For more info on the new Internet packages, check our website www.albanytel.com, or call our office 320-845-2101.

## Enter to WIN!

Complete the following sentence located in the newsletter, and you can win \$20 in Albany or Freeport Chamber Bucks.

"As a thank-you for being here for us, we have \_\_\_\_\_ most customers' speeds."

Enter the drawing several ways:

- 1. Mail this slip to us
- 2. Include this slip with your bill
- 3. Text your answer to 320-241-1676
- 4. Email to

customersupport@albanytel.com

Congratulations to Sharon Wolbeck, the winner of last newsletter's textto-win entry.



