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WCCTA Office Manager, Marcie Boerner, is pictured with her son, Logan, as they prepare for the Thor Centennial Parade in August with Jack and Rebel, the team of ponies.

Keeping with the theme of

“Modern Day Pioneers,”

Webster-Calhoun sponsored the Wolf Pony Hitch with as many as six ponies at wonderful parades in Gowrie, Thor, and Farnhamville this summer.



Webster-Calhoun has been “preparing the way for new technology” as it continues to upgrade cable and equipment throughout the serving area.



Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterward.
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What Do Numbers Do?

The telephone number that you dial to call someone is an address, similar to the street address of your home. In the United States, all phone numbers have a total of 10 digits. The numbering plan was developed by AT&T in 1947 and is still used today for wire line and wireless phones.

The days where you could tell where someone was calling from are starting to fade. As technology changes, local number portability allows customers to take their phone number with them. Even cell phones can be used nationwide.

Area Code	Prefix	Line Number
301	555	4567

Area code – A different area code is assigned to each specific geographic region in the United States, such as a city or part of a state. In the example above, the geographic region “301” is part of Maryland. Area codes are assigned by the US Government.

Prefix – The next three digits are called the prefix. This prefix originally referred to the specific telephone company switch that a line connected to. (This makes number portability more difficult because now several companies can share the same prefix.)

Line Number – The last four digits of your land line telephone number is called the line number. It is the number assigned to the phone line that runs to your home or business. The line number is assigned to the line, not the phone. Therefore the phone can be changed and add more phone extensions to the same line.

**Don't forget to call Grandpa and Grandma on Grandparents Day!
Sunday, September 10th**

The Board of Directors voted to retire 50% of the **capital credit dividends** allocated for the year 2000.

Mid November, checks totaling over 1.8 million will be refunded to our past and present members. (Please note that your check will not be mailed if you have a past due account with us.)

Capital Credits...\$\$\$

Each time you subscribe to one of Webster-Calhoun's services, you are not just becoming a customer; you are making an investment in a company you and your neighbors actually own! As an owner of a cooperative company, you are entitled to certain benefits that are not available to customers of big name telephone companies. A couple benefits include:

- You elect each representative on the Board of Directors. Their job is to oversee the operation of your cooperative and protect your investment.
- Once the operating costs and reinvestments in your cooperative have been met, the Board of Directors refunds the remaining money to the members in the form of "Capital Credits."

When Webster-Calhoun makes a profit that means you've just made a profit. Cooperatives are truly a unique business. Everyone has a stake in the success of a cooperative.

Feature Feature: *63

Have you ever wanted some of your calls to be forwarded, but not all of them? Maybe you are at a neighbors or a business meeting, and you want to receive that "special" call without disturbing everyone else.

With *63, you can create a list of 32 phone numbers for calls you want forwarded. When you activate the service, only those calls will be forwarded, even to a cell phone or long distance number (cellular usage or long distance charges will apply.) *To have this feature added to your telephone line, contact Webster-Calhoun at 352-3151. The cost is \$1.00 per month.*

To enter the "forward to" number (first time)

1. Listen for dial tone
2. Press *63
3. Press 3, enter the number you're forwarding to
4. Press #, then 1 to confirm voice prompt

To make your list (first time)

5. Press #, enter telephone number, press #

For subsequent list changes

Press *63, then step 5 above.

To access or turn off your service

Press *63, listen to prompt to tell if list is on or off. To turn list on or off, dial 3.

Be sure this feature is off before attempting to add, delete or change a number on your list.

Have a Safe and Relaxing Labor Day Weekend!!

The WCCTA office will be closed on Monday, September 4th.