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Notice of Annual Meeting Wednesday, October 26, 2011

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Where:

Girard High School Cafeteria When:

**Annual Meeting!** 

Oct. 26, 2011 Time:

7:30 PM, Registration starts at 5:30 PM

\* Refreshments and Entertainment will be provided

#### **Board of Directors**

Barry Bedene President

Mary Smith, Vice-President

Frank Dunnick, Secretary-Treasurer

Wilda Pentola, Director

John Koyacic Director

Jim O'Toole. Director

Terry Kunstel, Director

Roger Doue, Director

Sharon Starr, Director

Craig Wilbert, General Manager

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# CKtv

Craw-Kan is thrilled to announce to our members that CKtv is now available to customers in the following areas: McCune, Girard, Arma, Franklin, Columbus, Cherokee, Weir, Purcell, and Pleasanton. CKtv is coming very soon to: Uniontown, Bronson, Redfield and West Mineral.

What is CKtv? CKtv is our next evolution in home entertainment. We have provided digital cable to our customers since 2002 and are pleased to announce our leap into the next generation of digital IP television. Don't lose your signal when you need it the most. NO DISH REQUIRED! We now have the ability to serve you with a mix of well over 200 unique, high quality digital channels! This includes more than 110 HIGH DEFINITION (HD) channels, 220 standard definition (SD) channels, and several premium movie channel packages including HBO, Starz, The Movie Channel, Cinemax and more. And since it is delivered over buried copper or fiber optic lines, your signal won't go out every time it storms.

Stop in our business office (200 N. Ozark, Girard, KS) and see how good HD TV looks! Additionally, if you sign up now, installation is free! And for a limited time only, first time install of

CKtv gets the Movie Gallery Package Free for the first three months of billing. This includes HBO, Showtime, Cinemax, Starz, and The Movie Channel networks. Surf the web faster -AND SAVE MONEY- by bundling CKtv with CK Web high speed internet packages up to 15Mbps.

#### Be on the lookout for CKtv Channel 6 "The Cube"

our own local channel. We are partnering with our member school districts to capture and distribute content generated by the students themselves. Imagine being able to watch athletic, academic, extracurricular events, view calendars, check lunch menus, and more. Stay involved in real local events that involve your grandkids, kids, friends and neighbors. We feel like this is a great opportunity for kids to learn about video production and editing techniques, as well as a great resource for the community. It will be content that you won't see ANYWHERE else! Call today and find out if you can get CKtv at your



# **Q&A** Concerning "Who Is Entitled To Vote At The Annual Meeting"

Q: May I have my child, relative or neighbor vote in my place?

No, Craw-Kan's bylaws do not allow proxy voting.

Q: Can an administrator or a person with power of attorney vote?

Yes, providing the member has the proper credentials at the time of the Annual Meeting registration.

Q: If I own a business and have a residence, may I have two votes?

No, if you are the sole owner you are considered one member and therefore, have only one vote. However if you are in a partnership or a corporation that business will have one vote and you would have one vote.

# Capital Credit Checks To Be **Distributed Before** Christmas!

Again this year, your President will make an announcement at the Annual Meeting concerning the amount of capital credits which will be distributed this year. Only through close monitoring of costs and careful management can your Cooperative declare profits in spite of competition and increased costs of material and labor.

# Call Before You Dig Kansas 800-344-7233 Missouri 800-344-7483 Oklahoma 800-522-6543

### FIVE NOMINEES TO BE VOTED ON AT THE **ANNUAL MEETING ON OCT. 26 2011**

Three directors will be elected for a term of three years each. Below is a brief description of each nominee. We would like to point out that additional nominations may be made from the floor by any member.



# **Barry Bedene**

Barry Bedene is a resident of the Arma, Kansas exchange. Barry has operated the Bedene Funeral Home in Arma for 37 years. He has been the past president of the Rural Fire District #2. He served on the board of directors of the First State Bank in Arma and is currently on the board of directors of the Exchange State Bank in Girard. Barry is also a former member of the Arma City Council. He was appointed to the Kansas State Board of Mortuary Arts by Gov. Finney and reappointed by Gov. Graves and Gov. Sebelius and still serves on the board. He serves on the Board of Trustees on the Pittsburg State

University Foundation, a member of the Scottish Rites in Ft. Scott, the Masonic Lodge in Arma, and the Mirza Shrine. He has been on the Craw-Kan Board of Directors since 1984 and is currently President of the board.

# James O'Toole

Jim O'Toole is a resident of the Girard, Kansas exchange, living at Greenbush. Jim is a senior partner of O'Toole Construction Inc., which has been in business for over 40 years. He also farms and has a cattle operation. He has served on the RCD Board. church council, water board, and has held various offices in the Brazilton Ruritan Club. Jim has been a past president and a member of the Kansas Land Improvement Contractors of America. He is a former member on the board at Westridge in Girard. Jim has been on the Craw-Kan Board since 1987 and has served as its president. Jim has also been a member of the Craw-Kan Communication Systems Board



# Wilda Pentola

Wilda Pentola is a rural resident of the Farlington, Kansas exchange. Wilda is a Girard native where she completed grade school and high school. She attended Pittsburg State University receiving her B.S. in 1966. After receiving her Master's degree she then completed her Educational Specialist degree in 1988. She taught school in Carl Junction, Girard, and Erie later working as the Technology Director at the Southeast Kansas Education Service Center(Greenbush). Wilda accepted a position as Regional Account Manager with Apple Computer Inc. in Kansas City in 1990. She retired from

Apple in July 2002. Wilda currently serves on the board of WestRidge, an assisted living community and on the boards of the Community Foundation of SEK and the Girard Area Community Foundation. She was elected director on the Craw-Kan board in 2002.

# Jack Beezley

Jack Beezley, aside from a time earning degrees from Kansas State University, has lived his entire life in the area. Born in Pittsburg, Jack attended Salem school for five years until moving to Girard. After completing his studies in Girard and KSU, Mr. Beezley eventually became a dairy and beef veterinarian. Mr. Beezley has worked on several boards over the years including Mid-America Dairy Board, Dairy Farmers of America, Producers Coop. Assn., and the Kansas Milk Advisory Board. He was involved in crop, beef, and dairy production in the area. Jack enjoys working and enjoys all aspects of outdoor life. Mr. Beezley currently resides just west of Girard.



# Ronald Brust

Ronald Brust was born and raised in Rogers, Arkansas. He moved to the Pittsburg area in 1968 and operated his own construction business for 31 years working on many construction projects in Crawford and Labette counties. He also served as a committee member for the Arkansas Electricians Board. Ronald has been a member of the American Legion since 1960 having served his country as an airman the United States Air Force. Mr. Brust is now retired and has lived in rural Girard with his wife Virginia for prizes in the m, a drawing, will be held for door p Only members present are eligible. Following the program, a amount of \$2500.00.

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2011, at 7:30

CRAW-KAN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.
The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Cooperative will be held in the cafeteria at the Girard High School, 401-415 North Summit,

Annual Meeting

Very Truly Yours, Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

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Election of Three Directors of the Cooperative. All other business which may come before the

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Barry Bedene President

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THREE YEAR TERMS-ELECT

James O'Toole. Wilda Pentola... Barry Bedene..

Jack Beezley. Ronald Brust.

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# ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF CRAW-KAN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

The Annual Meeting of the members of Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, was held in the Cafeteria at the Girard High School, 401 – 415 North Sumi Girard, Kansas at 7:30 P.M., October 27, 2010.

President of the Cooperativ Cooperative, kept the minu meeting was called presided and Frank (Urban) Arma (Urban) Girard (Rural) Farlington (Rural) Girard (Rural) Girard (Rural) Girard (Rural) Girard (Rural) Girard

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PRESENT DIRECTORS

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members held October 28, 2009 and upon motion duly made and esented in printed form the Balance Sheet an arative and Craw-Kan Communication System olanation of various items on the reports. Upo te reports were approved as printed. r, presented in poperative and ( Statement for the Cooperativy year 2009 and gave explan y made and seconded the re Craig Wilbert, General Manager, Operating Statement for the Coo s of the last Annual Nated to the members were presented seconded they v र्घ व

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Barry Bedene, President