



## Avoid the Thousand-dollar Mistake

In anticipation of the upcoming changes in digital television service, Montezuma Telephone has recently installed about six miles of new fiber optic cable for residential service in and around Lake Ponderosa. With all the new cable in the ground, we thought it was a good time to remind all residents to remember to “call before you dig.”

If you accidentally cut the new fiber optic cable, the cost for repairs could be measured in thousands of dollars. Avoiding such a costly mishap is both free and easy to do.

So, as Spring approaches, if you are considering doing any digging in your yard, please call Iowa One Call at 1-800-292-8989 at least 48 hours prior to your excavation. You can also simply dial “811” from any phone to connect to Iowa One Call. An agent will clearly mark your property so that you can avoid areas with buried cable.

The Iowa One Call notification system is a free call and a free service to all persons planning an excavation within the state of Iowa. The required 48 hours advance notice does not include Saturdays and Sundays or legal holidays.

The new cable Montezuma Telephone has installed will provide you with high quality television and communications lines for years to come. Doing your part to prevent cuts is easy: just remember to call before digging!