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Bowdle Belcher Charles & Jaime 285-6660 Dewald Pat 285-6144 Isaak Mercedes 285-6123 Reuer Lewis 285-6224	Hitchcock Col. Bubba's Saloon 266-2700 Rabjohn Tim 266-2184	Sioux Falls Construction 742-0467 TLC Physical Therapy, Inc 698-4110 Torness-Smith Pat 698-3028 Wiconzani Medical Transport 742-0060 Williams Frank L & LeAnn R 698-3668
Britton Anderson Travis 448-2743 Buro Emma 448-2625 Chouinard Carrie 448-5012 Hassebroek Deloris 448-2736 Juelfs John 448-2915 Kretchman Jon 448-2315 Larson Harold & Barb 448-2400 Oelkers Jeff 448-2446 Sjomeling Don 448-2764 Wegleitner Donna 448-0038	Hoven Korn William F Jr 948-2462	Tulare Nash Doug & Brandi 596-4109
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Faulkton Raba Martha 598-4577 Sonny's Auto Parts & Repair 598-4302	Onida Martin Deann 258-2777 Schmahl Andy & Janet 258-2181	West Onida Fast Delbert Jr 264-5469 Sheehan Jim 264-5535
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Director Election Cancellations

In accordance with the bylaws of the cooperative, director elections were scheduled in the four districts where directorships were to expire in September 2010. All four elections were cancelled with only one petitioner filing in each of the respective districts. The following individuals will be re-seated for three-year terms on the Venture Communications Board of Directors at the annual meeting in September.

Mr. Harry Thomas District #1	(East Onida, West Onida, Onida & Blunt Exchanges)
Mr. Charles Birkholt District #6	(Selby and Bowdle Exchanges)
Mr. Ron Anderson District #10	(Rosholt Exchange)
Mr. Wayne Erickson District #11	(Sisseton Exchange)

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Rural America Deserves Equal Rights

What would happen if the federal government decided that urban areas and city roads, bridges and infrastructure should be better-constructed and more efficient than the roads in rural America? What about if policy-makers determined that urban and city consumers should be able to get where they are going and get what they need faster than rural consumers? A new government plan intends to make that true of our nation's information superhighway-the Internet. And while it's not the highway we drive on, rural consumers should still be very concerned.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has crafted a plan to make broadband Internet access universally available. Reliable, high-speed Internet (broadband) has become the essential service of today, like electricity and telephone service were decades ago. Broadband can improve the lives of all consumers, but access is especially important for those of us living in rural America. The Internet enables farmers to monitor weather patterns and ranchers to buy and sell livestock in markets far from home. It also gives small businesses the opportunity to reach customers nationwide; offers local students the chance to take classes online; and allows doctors to remotely diagnose patients and even offer remote emergency care.

The many benefits of high speed Internet (broadband) are clear and we applaud the government's efforts to make affordable, reliable high speed Internet connections a reality for all Americans. But the FCC's plan will make rural Americans second class citizens in the new broadband world, because it establishes a speed goal for rural areas that is **twenty-five times slower** than for urban areas. Shouldn't rural communities have access to the same broadband services as our larger towns and cities?

Years ago, Congress established a universal service policy for telephone service. It required that those living in rural areas have access to communications services at prices that are affordable and reasonable comparable to those available in urban areas. Rather than support this same universal service philosophy for broadband, the FCC's plan offers faster, better service to some Americans while guaranteeing lesser service to others such as the rural areas.

Don't let the FCC keep our rural community on the slow side of the broadband digital divide. Contact your congressional representatives and urge them to support regulatory action that ensures equal access to broadband for all Americans. South Dakota's congressional delegation has always been sympathetic to rural communication needs.

Contact information for each of the SD representatives:

Senator Tim Johnson
Hart Senate Office Bldg Room 136
Washington, DC 20510-4104
Phone: (202) 224-5842
Fax: (202) 228-5765

Senator John Thune
Russell Senate Office Bldg Room 383
Washington, DC 20510-4001
Phone: (202) 224-2321
Fax: (202) 228-5429

Representative Stephanie Herseth
Cannon House Office Bldg Room 331
Washington, DC 20515-4101
Phone: (202) 225-2801
Fax: (202) 225-5823

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Notice of Forfeiture of Property Rights

Notice is hereby given that the persons or entities listed below have outstanding capital credit checks issued from 2002-2003. The amounts of these outstanding checks will be forfeited to Venture Communications Cooperative (formerly Sully Buttes Telephone Cooperative) six months after the first publication of this notice unless the money is claimed and proper evidence of ownership is submitted to Venture Communications Cooperative within the six month period. Please contact us at 800-824-7282 to claim outstanding checks or to notify us of a member's whereabouts.

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Aeschlimann, William C.
Alli MD, Khurram
Amezola, Leonardo & Miyirmaofer
Appl, Nick
Ati Inc.
Austin, James & Charllis
Barber, Evan M.
Becker, Jr, Larry & Judy A.
Bellomy, Norman J.
Bergeson, Bert & Susan
Bertsch, Korbyn
Block, Bernice
Boone, Fred
Bordeaux, Richard
Bosse, Gordon
Bostrom, Wallace
Botha, Nicolaas
Boutchee, Samson
Brewer, Christina
Brown, Allison B.
Brown, Galand & Lucile
Buchholz, Ray & Bev
Campbell, Nancy
Carey, Jack
Carlson, Duwayne V.
Christensen, Ruth
Cj's Club/Johnny & Carol Reuer
Coe, Dirk
Cook, Tracy Alan
Crain, John E.
Crawford, Dionne
Curns, Orvel & Carol
Daily, Joe
Dakota Nation Broadcasting
Daugherty, Dale
Davis, Robert & Glenda
Demarce, M.
Derouchey Bros. Shop/ Mike & Steve Derouchey
Derrick, Michael
Dickerson, Abbey
Dickhaut, Jeffrey & Cindy
Dirt Cheap Auto/Roger Schultz
Discounts Unlimited/Verla J. Gutzmer
Draeger, Bill & Alison
Drager, Melissa
Duggan, P.
Durfee, Mrs. Emmett
Dykstra Construction/ Earl Dykstra
Eastman, Raymond & Virginia
Eklund, Daniel & Karen
Elder, Erin
Enloe, Cynthia

Eskridge Estate, Deanna
Evans, Antonio
Faver, Paul
Feather, Winfred
Flansburg, Albert & Mette
Flute, Thomas
Foss, David
Foster, Rebekah
Franco, Rane
Frank, Beatrice K.
Freidel, Matthew
Froiland, Erik
Gallardo, Celia
Gapp, Timothy & Andrea
Garcia, Joel & Sophia
Gcc South Dakota 9-Corp.
Giedosh, Stephen & Debbie
Gilley, Robert L.
Gjevre, Monica C.
Godwin, Pamela & Marshall
Goff, Thomas A.
Gomez, Margaret
Goodman, Dan W.
Gruis, Pam
Gunderson, Karen
Gutzmer, Verla J.
H & M Harvesting/Heath & Michelle Seeker
Hall, K.
Ham, Kevin
Harding, Charles G. & Lois
Haug, Clarence
Hauge, Orville
Haynes, Brian & Lynette
Heezen, Chad
Henry, Patrick & Cathy
Hensrud, Larry W.
Hoarty, Tom
Hofer, Larry
Hofland, Robert
Hokanson, Elizabeth
Holland, Emma
Hollsten, Rick
Hostbjor, Stella
Howard, Mark
Huizenga, Mike
Huyck, Matthew
Java Community Cafe/ Pat Aldrich
Jensen, Nels
Jesz, Shannon
Johnson, Kirby
Johnson, Lyla
Johnson, Marty
Johnson, Maxwell
Johnston, Richard & Susan
Karst, Jacob
KG Travel Plaza LLC/Karie Gillaspie

Knecht, Leisa M.
Knutson, Jeff
Koranda, Lonnie A.
Kraus, Lester & Katherine
Kukrall, Evalyn, G.
Kullbom, Matthew & Marlene
Kutz, John & Heidi
Labarr, Chris
Lacroix, Elizabeth
Lafontaine, Jody
Lafortune, Walter
Lafromboise, Willard & Myrtle Lake & Lake/ Jim Allen Lake
Lake, Boyd & Lillian
Lakner, J S
Langsten, Kristin
Larsen, Joelle
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Lavoie, Raymond & Joan
Lawrence, Kelvin & Marlys
Lee, Jessie
Leidholm, Dorie
Leshner, Esther & Donald
Lindell, E M
Link, John R.
Loebs, Shari
Loges, Alta
Long Hollow Swifty Lube/ Guy Canku
Loveday, Cliff & Patty
Lower, Linda
Lyon, Matt
Lytle, Mrs. George
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Manning, Eleanor E.
Martin, Henry P.
Martin, Jay
Mattson, John & Robin
McAlpine, Eugene & Sarah A. Reed
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Mendoza, Oscar
Miller, Jerry
Mills, David & Janie
Millsap, Olivia K.
Mink, Audra L.
Mullenburg, Jeff
Murphy, Tim
Neff Estate, Clara
Nelson, Danny
Nelson, Troy D.
Newcomb, Heather
Nold, Roy & Emma
Olson, Janet
Olson, Randy & Leah
Onida Feeders Inc.
Paladin Group Inc/ Sterling Mann
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Paul, Larry
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Pies, Elaine
Planteen, Herb
Proefrock, Rick & Debbie
Quiett, David
Quinton, David
Red Dog, Brandie
Reed, James
Reher, Arthur
Reid, Wallace
Renville, Sabine
Retail Liquor Enterprises Inc.
Reuer, A G
Richards, Meranda
Rilling, Selma
Rohrbach, Donald
Rosenkranz, Tina
Ryan, Todd & Kathy
Salfrank, Melissa
Schaefer, Cory & Yvonne
Schilling, Mathilda
Schlebusch, Andre
Schneider, Gregg
Schryer, Margaret
Schuler, Lee
Schwans Rexall Drug
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SD Aviation Association/Don L. Bice/Roots Aero Spraying
Sechser, Jerome
Sharpfish, X
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Shroll, William V.
Sieck, Doug & Gail
Simmons, Scott
Simon, Francis M.
Sing, Kapana Niki
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Smith, Jon & Sandra
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Spawn, Mildred M.
Starkey, Tony
Sterrett, Ardis
Stiles, Harry & Diane
Stout, Peggy
Swenson, Julie
Symens, Richard
T & W Inc.
Talish Sr., Michael D.
Tamayo, Angelina
Tautimer, Ramon
Testerman, Gabrielle
Thayer, Paul
Thoof, Michelle

Trudo, Gene
Tschetter Sr., Peter
Vocelka, Mike & Mary
Vogel, Scott
Waldner, Benjamin D.
Waldner, Clarence
Waldner, Joel
Waldron, Janet & Gary Redden
Walker, Jason & Angela
Wall, Stormy
Walter, Shane & Billie
Waltman, Carl & Dorene
Walton, Donna
Wamsher, Ralph & Joanne
Weber, William
Weischedel, Daniel W.
Wells, Allen
West Goose Camp/ John L. West
Westerman, Steve
Whitney, Carl E. & Lora D.
Wiedrich, Mike
Williams, Laverne
Wilson, Freda
Wilson, Marvin
Wipf, Andy
Witt, Don & Jocie
Wright, Renee
Yager, Greg & Heather
Zweber, Daniel (Huntsy)
Zebroski, Bruce

Bogus E-Mail is to be Expected

I think we can all agree, fighting spam and virus attacks is an ongoing battle that is not going away. Our best defense is to stay up to date and aware of the threats, choose secure passwords, upgrade existing insecure passwords, and be alert for attempts via email or a web page to force a download of unknown software, or divulge personal information.

According to Project Honey Pot, a voluntary community of web defenders, formed by web administrators as an alliance against online fraud and abuse in 2004, it takes the average spammer around two and a half weeks from harvesting an email address to sending the first spam message to this address. Every time a user's email address is harvested from a website, it results in an average of 850 spam messages.

Spammers use dozens of tricks to get through email filters that block messages containing frequently used spam words. Monday is the busiest day of the week for email spam, and Saturday the quietest.

The networking computer company Cisco estimated that worldwide spam volumes this year could rise by 30 to 40 per cent compared with 2009. Spammers already send out up to 100 million junk emails a day and, although the vast majority are never opened, enough people click on the links to make spam a multimillion-dollar industry.

To review recent email scams go to www.venturecomm.net – click on the Internet Tab – click on the red flashing SCAM E-MAIL ALERTS icon.

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If you wish to report a suspicious email message, please forward the email message to support@isalerts.com.

If you have questions about updating your password please contact technical support for assistance.