

Two Tailgate Parties Left!

Serving starts
at 6:00 p.m.
Games start at
7:00 p.m. Join
us for hot dogs
and bratwursts!

- **October 3 – Newell vs. Faith (serving at the Newell Football Field)**
- **October 17 – Harding Co. vs. Herreid/Selby (serving at the Harding Co. Football Field)**

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The Power of Pennies

It is amazing what a few pennies every month can do for families in need! The Round-Up Program is one way of showing others in your community that you care.

Sometimes it only takes a few pennies to make someone's day! In July, the WRCTC Round-Up committee selected several families to receive donations from the Round-Up funds. Receiving \$600 each were: Roger Heupel, Lemmon; 972-4562 Karen Adams, Lemmon; Shari Lyon, Meadow; Curtis Wells, Lemmon; Pat Monson, Newell; Rick Adams, Vale and Lyle Messmer, Lemmon.

Each family was very appreciative of the monetary donation. When faced with medical bills or other hardships, every penny makes a difference. If you are not "rounding up" your bill to the nearest dollar to help friends and family in your community and you would like to, please contact our billing department at 777 or 605-244-5213. They would be happy to help you get set up on the program. The most it can cost is 99 cents a month, and you never know when it might be you or a member of your family who could benefit from this program.

If you know of someone who could benefit from this program, please contact one 374-3584 of our Round-Up committee members. They represent the areas served by WRCTC and decide how the funds will be dispersed. The current WRCTC Round-Up Committee members are: Colette Wheeler, Lemmon; Stacie Morell, Vale; Deb Steele, 456-2629 Newell; Monica Thompson, Buffalo; Penny Lemburg, Bison and Emily Kling, Lemmon.

TOP RIGHT: Deb Steele presents Rick Adams with his check. MIDDLE: WRCTC Director Garrett Schweitzer presents Karen Adams with her check. BOTTOM: WRCTC Round-Up Committee member Deb Steele presents Pat and Roger Monson with their check.



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Cooperative Day for KIDS!

West River Cooperative Telephone Company and Grand Electric are hosting a **COOPERATIVE DAY FOR KIDS** in October!

All children are welcome to join us for a fun-filled 244-7126 day of learning about cooperatives, playing games, jumping in the bounce house, watching electric safety demonstrations and MUCH MORE!



**Wear your
Halloween
Costume, and
you could win a
prize!**

**FRIDAY
10/31/14
2 pm - 5 pm
at
WRCTC &
Grand Electric**



**Free Games
Safety
Demonstrations
Bounce House
Popcorn**

Cooperative Day for Kids is for children between the ages of 2-14. An adult must accompany their children. Costumes with sharp or hazardous objects will not be allowed in the bounce house.

West River Cooperative Telephone Company's Annual Meeting Agenda

October 6, 2014 • WRCTC Warehouse

**4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

**Registration
FREE Pancake & Sausage Supper
Business Meeting
Entertainment: The Jerde Family**



**Grand Prize – Apple® iPad Air
Kid's Grand Prize - Apple® iPad Mini**

**Capital Credits to be
refunded!**

October is Co-op Month!

Collaborate. Communicate. Cooperate.

Great things happen when people collaborate. Sharing ideas, resources and capital helps individuals accomplish more 456-

2678 together than they can on their own. Cooperatives are member-owned and -controlled businesses based on collaboration—people 788-2829 working together.

When people join 456-2470 together to form a cooperative, the business is founded on their values and needs: democratic principles; community commitment and interaction; cooperative buying power and economic advantage; people helping people. Communication—aimed at keeping members informed, educated and involved—is a key component of thriving cooperative businesses.

While investor-owned 374-5660 businesses have a structure that pushes them to deliver profits to shareholders,



Collaborate Communicate Cooperate

cooperatives have a structure that pushes them to meet 257-2839 their customers' needs. Cooperatives put people ahead of profits. Cooperative earnings are returned to members through improved services, lower prices or refunds.

In the United States, there are 29,000 cooperatives with more than 100 million members. Cooperatives operate in every industry including agriculture, energy, financial services, food retailing and distribution, health care, child care, insurance, housing, purchasing and shared services, telecommunications and others.

Cooperatives work to the benefit of their members and their communities, so join forces! Join a cooperative.

Anniversary



TERRY BOHNET, Area Journeyman Combination Technician, 244-7161 for the Newell outpost celebrated 15 years of service with WRCTC. He came to work for West River on July 15, 1999.

Some of Terry's responsibilities include troubleshooting phone and Internet issues, cable locating, wiring, phone and DSL installations.

Terry has two kids and seven 375-3714 grandchildren. He enjoys working in his yard. Congratulations Terry!



Avoiding Spam

The best way to avoid spam is not getting on spammers' lists in the first place. Many web sites require you to sign up to access their services. Often, you need to 866-4813 provide a valid email address during the sign-up process. There's nothing wrong with that, but you never know what will happen to the email address you give to the site. For that reason it's a good idea not to use your primary email address when you sign up at a web site. Rather use an account at one of the free web-based email services such as Yahoo! Mail or Hotmail, or another secondary email address that is not critical.

Although it is not 244-5634 possible to eliminate all spam messages from your Inbox, we are continuously working with the filter software to report 375-3661 spam that gets through and put additional rules in place to catch some of the new waves that are inevitable.

New WRCTC Members

Bison, Meadow, Sorum

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| Chandler, Matthew | 244-7549 |
| Hill, Melvin | 244-7473 |
| Sackmann, Andrew | 788-2874 |

Buffalo, Camp Crook

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| Anderson, Joanna | 375-3173 |
| Nelson, Kayla | 375-3457 |
| Olson, Sam | 375-3115 |
| Rokke, Cole | 406-972-4610 |
| Teigen, Tymber | 375-3233 |

Lemmon

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| Beckman, Cassandra | 374-4377 |
| Daley, Marie (Town) | 374-5388 |
| Glines, Shannon & Pennie | 701-376-4387 |
| Goodmanson, Brian | 374-4391 |
| Malter, Kenneth | 374-4393 |
| McGinnis, Nichole | 374-4390 |
| Tomac, Joe & Eleanor | 374-4389 |
| Wise, Elisha | 374-4163 |
| Woodward, Jacey & Myra | 374-5206 |

Newell

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| Charles, Mylan, Sr. & Cherrie | 456-3638 |
| Gatzke, Jessica | 456-2352 |
| Mathern, Alvin & Mary | 456-3315 |
| Miller, Cheyenne | 456-3441 |
| Overholt, John & Audra | 456-3727 |
| Rasmussen, Kevin & Roberta | 456-3748 |
| Strohschein, Mickey & Anita | 456-3745 |
| Weber, Sally | 456-3621 |
| Williams | 456-3491 |

Nisland

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| Caldwell, Cheyenne | 257-2876 |
| Richers, Brian | 257-2878 |

Change

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| Sechser, Julie | from | 257-2785 |
| | to | 456-3731 |

HELP is only a phone
call away (24/7 Support)

SDPlains Help Desk 888-464-9513
WildBlue Help Desk 888-212-5370

Find Your Phone

Ten telephone numbers were hidden in the August newsletter. Those members who hunted and found their number were:

Dan Froelich, Lemmon; Dallas Ingles, Shadehill; Mary Mentele, Newell; Eric Sander, Prairie City and Richard Albert, Belle Fourche. Hidden in this issue are ten new numbers. If you find YOUR number, all you have to do is notify our office. The \$10 will then be deducted off your telephone bill. New connect numbers do not count. **Deadline is Oct. 24, 2014.**

Editor's Note: Since we did not publish numbers in the September Edition, there will be 15 numbers in this issue and 15 in the November issue.

\$10
bill credit



Dalton Jenkins, Scranton, winner of the Harding County Quiz Bowl \$500 scholarship.

Quiz Bowl Winner

Dalton Jenkins, Scranton, won the Harding County Quiz Bowl \$500 scholarship! Dalton is the son of Dean and Lori Jenkins, Scranton, and he is a senior at Harding County High School. To win the scholarship, he competed against

his schoolmates in the competition that is designed to stimulate learning and to provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their knowledge of 374-5793 livestock and life skills. There were two other students vying for the scholarship. The Quiz Bowl was held during the Harding County Fair. Grand Electric and WRCTC are the annual supporters of the Quiz Bowl and are very proud to present this scholarship to Dalton.

Remeber to Vote at your Annual Meeting

Three directorships are up for election: Don Trohkimoinen, Vale; Judy Gano, Meadow, and the three-year term for Directorship now held by Alice Holcomb, Buffalo, who is retiring this year after 24 years of service. Two individuals are vying for Alice's position: Matt DeBow, Camp Crook and Peggy Humbracht, Camp Crook.