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will be closed  
November  
26th for  
Thanksgiving!

Happy  
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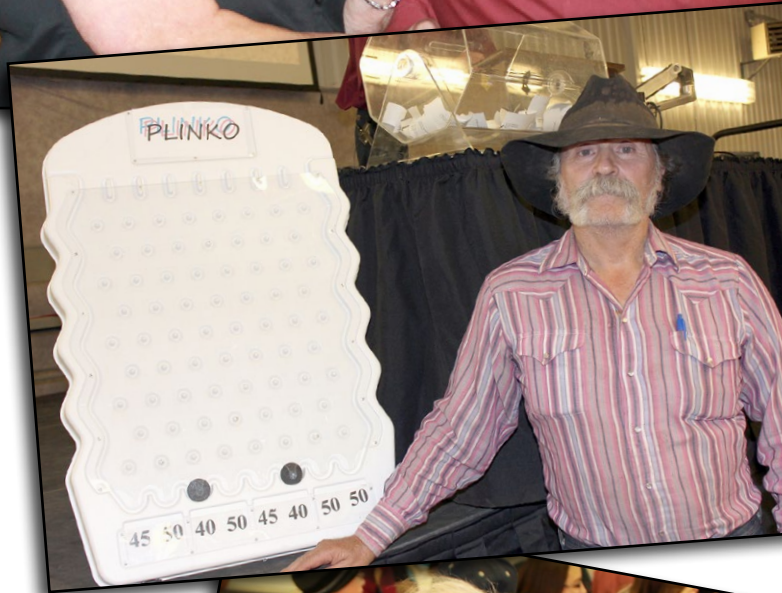
## Annual Meeting Highlights

We had a wonderful evening for our Annual Meeting. Over 200 people attended WRCTC's Annual Meeting on October 5th. Those who attended were greeted with hot coffee, fresh pancakes, two different kinds of sausage and dinner music! Butch Samuelson from Whitewood played the piano while the patrons ate the meal. After the meal, the business meeting started. The Rogers-Smith Post #255 posted the colors and Eliza Loughlin, Bison, sang the national anthem.

Members who registered were entered for a chance to win one of several door prizes as well as a chance to win a 128 GB iPad Air, which was won by Herb Fried, Shadehill. Vernon Klein, Lemmon, won a chance to play PLINKO for

cash. Vernon 374-3135 walked away with \$80 in his hand. During the meeting, numerous

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**TOP: President DeJon Bakken presents employee Pat Palmer with her 50 year anniversary pin. MIDDLE: Vernon Klein, Lemmon, won \$80 by playing PLINKO. BOTTOM: Herb Fried, shows off his new iPad Air.**

# Appreciation Lunches

Round up your friends and neighbors and join us for **Appreciation Luncheons** during the month of November!

To show our appreciation, WRCTC and Grand Electric will be hosting three luncheons.

Bring your appetite and your questions!

- Vale Community Hall at Noon on Wednesday, Nov. 11
- Bull Creek Cafe, Union Center at Noon on Monday, Nov. 16
- Buffalo Rec Center at Noon on Thursday, Nov. 19





## Tailgate Parties were a Hit!



WRCTC and Grand Electric hosted 374-5444 tailgate parties in the Towns of Bison, 456-2973 Buffalo, Lemmon, Newell and Faith. We served up bratwursts, hot dogs and chips. Before the football games started, we shot 375-3864 T-shirts into the crowds. We always enjoy these events to visit with our members, and we hope you enjoyed them as well!



## Resignation

Penny Nelson resigned from 376-3195 her position as the Manager of Customer Service and Internal Operations effective October 1. Penny had worked for the 244-5924 Cooperative for 22 years. We wish her the best in future endeavors.



## West River Cable Television to Cease Services in Faith

Due to the economic feasibility 375-3288 of the current system, West River Cable Television will be terminating services to all customers in Faith effective November 30, 2015. West 866-4690 River Cable Television thanks each of its customers for their continued support.





**SEE YOU  
NEXT YEAR!**

## WIN A \$25 VISA GIFT CARD FOR CHRISTMAS!

WRCTC is giving away 12 \$25 VISA Gift Cards for Christmas 456-2351 this year! In order to enter the drawing, please fill out the certificate located to the right and 797-4657 return it to WRCTC, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620. You may also register online at [www.wrctc.coop](http://www.wrctc.coop). You must be a member of West River Cooperative Telephone Company to win. **Please enter only once.**



**Deadline to register is  
December 7, 2015.**

### WRCTC VISA GIFT CARD REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to WRCTC • PO Box 39 • Bison, SD 57620.



## Annual Meeting (continued)

door prizes were handed out. Kids were encouraged to register for a chance to win an iPad Mini! 456-2384 Anna Larson, Lemmon, won the iPad Mini.

The Nominating Committee Report was presented to the members by Chairperson Alice Holcomb. After director elections were completed and votes counted, the following directors were elected to the WRCTC Board of Directors: DeJon Bakken, Lemmon; Sandi Helms, 788-2858 Reva and Kacie Turbiville, Camp Crook.

General Manager Reed 866-4495 Metzger reported on the accomplishments of the Cooperative over the past year and discussed the challenges the Cooperative faces in the future. President DeJon Bakken and Manager Reed Metzger recognized the following individuals for their years of service: Director Joe Burke, 244-5258 5 years; Employees Bill Anders, 20 years; Eric Kahler, 15 years; Darin Prella, 15 years; Andy Arthur, 10 years; Josh Mackaben, 10 years and Lyle Reiff, 10 years. They also congratulated John Johnson on his retirement after 27 years of serving on the 257-2714 Board of Directors.

**TOP: Directors elected were (left to right): DeJon Bakken, Sandi Helms and Kacie Turbiville. MIDDLE: John Johnson (right) receiving a watch and plaque from President DeJon Bakken for his 27 years of service on the Board of Directors. BOTTOM: Butch Samuelson, Whitewood, providing entertainment during the evening meal.**



**Anna Larson, Lemmon, receiving her new iPad Mini from President Bakken.**



**Celebrating anniversaries were Andy Arthur, 10 years; Bill Anders, 20 years; Josh Mackaben, 10 years; Eric Kahler, 15 years; Lyle Reiff, 10 years and Darin Prella, 15 years.**

## New WRCTC Members

### Bison, Meadow, Sorum

Parmely, Kolby & Paige 866-4415

### Buffalo, Camp Crook

Du Plessis, Jana 375-3187

Lewandowski, Matt 375-3878

Nelson, Kaycee 375-3571

### Lemmon

Canton, Michael 374-4466

Carlson, Jon & Dorothy 376-3158

French, Joe 374-4463

Kling, Cody & Lesley 374-4445

Miller, Alden E. & Martha 374-3368

Westphal, Barbara 374-4465

Young, Irene 374-3167

### Newell

Briggs, Jessica 456-3267

Ganje, James 456-7823

Liggett, Lacy 456-3785

WHB Video Auctions 456-3822

Yung, Jim & Mandi 456-3778

### Nisland

Pearce, Jon 257-2902

Wilson, Derick & Tanya 257-2901

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

**SDPlains Help Desk 888-464-9513**

## Find Your Phone #

Fifteen telephone numbers were hidden in the last newsletter. Those members who hunted and found their number were: Karen Zoeller, Lemmon; David Wickstrom, Buffalo; John Uhrig, Newell; Matthew Teigen, Camp Crook; Linda Nible, Buffalo; Gary McCall, Prairie City; Vonnice Foster, Meadow and Keith Bunch, Vale. 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 November 18, 2015.**

## From the Mailbox



*Thank you to West River Telephone and all the people who contribute to the Round-Up program for the money I received. I am grateful for all the support I have been given. This will really help with travel expenditures. It is great to have a Cooperative that cares about its people. Thank you!*

Kindra Aaker, Bison

WRCTC,

*Thank you very much for the Round-Up money. It is very much appreciated.*

Evelyn Fogerty, Lemmon

WRCTC,

*Thank you so much for your generosity.*

Robert, Misty, Dylan & Hayley Wilbur, Nisland

Dear WRCTC,

*Thank you so much for your generous gift from the Round-Up! We are so blessed to live in such a caring community and we are so thankful that Amos has made a full recovery. Thank you so much.*

Luke, Amber, Lucille, Amos & Lydia

Wiechmann, Prairie City

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