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## Make Your Career Dreams Come True!

### \$2,500 FRS Scholarship Available

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS), along with WRCTC, is offering a \$2,500 scholarship! Preference will be given to individuals expressing an interest in returning to work in a rural area following college 456-2657 graduation.

Applications are available online at [www.wrctc.coop](http://www.wrctc.coop), through the Guidance Counselor at your school or from WRCTC in Bison. **Completed applications require the signature of the manager, board president or designated employee PRIOR to March 1, 2017, to ensure applications are postmarked to FRS before the deadline.**

### \$500 Scholarships Available

**ATTENTION High School Seniors from Bison, Buffalo, Lemmon, Faith and Newell: Here is your chance to win a \$500 scholarship!** One senior from each school district will be awarded a scholarship from WRCTC and Grand Electric for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year! Applications are available online at [www.wrctc.coop](http://www.wrctc.coop), through the Guidance Counselor at your school or from WRCTC in Bison. Please mail your completed application and any extra documents to: WRCTC, Attn: Scholarship Program, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620. **Deadline to apply for this scholarship is March 17, 2017.**

Scholarship details  
available at  
[www.wrctc.coop](http://www.wrctc.coop)

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*The Manager's Column*  
by Colle Nash, General Manager

## Please Help Us Find These People

In the fall of 2016, many of you may remember receiving a capital credit check from WRCTC. However, there are some who have yet to receive their checks or 797-4487 their allocation notices 456-2979 because we do not have current addresses for them. If you know the current address for any of the people listed below, please contact our office at 777 or 605-244-5213 or email us at [westriver@sdplains.com](mailto:westriver@sdplains.com).

Bolin, Kathleen	Rapid City, SD	Miller, James	Edgemont, SD
Bossert, Elmer	Spearfish, SD	Miller, Juanita	Buffalo, SD
Capps, Ronold	Lemmon, SD	Miller, Mike	Vale, SD
Chiller, Ian & Angela	Chico, TX	Nelson, Greta	Sturgis, SD
Cody-Simmons, Dena	Casper, WY	Pacetti, Mike	Dickinson, ND
Cooper, Art	Colton, CA	Pawlowski, Michael & Ruth	Belle Fourche, SD
Mary Erhardt Estate	Belle Fourch, SD	Peterson, Jean	Sturgis, SD
Gallager, Caleb & Halee	Vale, SD	Rasmussen, Kevin & Roberta	Newell, SD
Glemba, Paul	St Onge, SD	Saunders-Chiller, Angela	Chico, TX
Goeringer, Bill	Rapid City, SD	Saunders, John	Chico, TX
Kilzer, Valerie	Killdeer, ND	Schwede, Jeremy & Amber	Belle Fourche, SD
Jean, Peterson & LaTone	Goodyear, AZ	Smith, Patti	Wichita, KS
Lewis, Myron	Miami, FL	Stanley, Doris	Belle Fourche, SD
Long, Buck	Belle Fourche, SD	Steele, Jeremy	Lemmon, SD
Louise Estate, Jess	Mott, ND	Turbiville, Larry D	Camp Crook, SD

## Students ages 16 or 17 Experience History in the Making!

Join students from across the U.S. for the 374-7974 Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) Tour to WASHINGTON, D.C. on June 3 - 7, 2017! To apply for this trip, please 374-7925 submit a 500-word essay on the following topic:

**Why I want to participate in the Washington Tour.**



All essays must be typed and 257-2286 include a cover sheet which states the title of the essay, the entrant's name and the school they attend.

**Essays must be postmarked by  
Wednesday, March 29, 2017.**

Please submit essays to:

WRCTC

Attn: Rachel Eggebo

PO Box 39

Bison, SD 57620

OR email your essay to [reggebo@wrctc.coop](mailto:reggebo@wrctc.coop)

Questions? Call 777 or 605-244-5213

*Students must be 16 or 17 years of age at the time of the tour and a dependent of a WRCTC member to be eligible.*



## Adelle Heupel Retires from WRCTC



Adelle Heupel, Customer Service Representative (CSR), retired from WRCTC & Grand Electric on January 4, 2017. The office staff helped her celebrate with a 374-5368 retirement party, and it just so happened to be her birthday party as well!

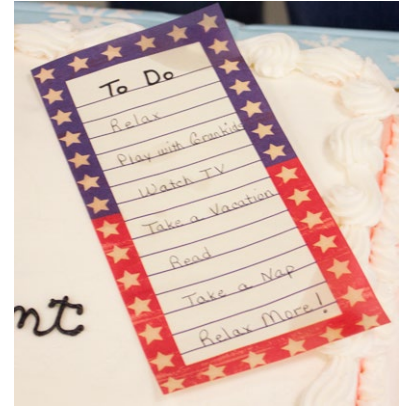
Adelle came to work in August 2007 as the Cashier/Receptionist. In August of 2009, she was promoted to Billing Clerk and in 2011 her title changed to CSR.

Adelle answered members questions at the front desk as well as on the phone and 244-5247 helped train her replacement, Brooke Schecher.

Adelle grew up on a farm 20 miles south of Bison and graduated from Bison High School. She attended the National College of Business in Rapid City. Prior to coming to work for Grand Electric, she worked in the Register of Deeds office at the Perkins County Courthouse.

Adelle and her husband, Harold, reside in Bison. She has one son, Cody, a daughter, Tiffany, two grandsons and one granddaughter. In her spare time, she enjoys knitting, crocheting, gardening, traveling and playing with her grandkids.

Congratulations on your 376-3183 retirement, Adelle!



**Adelle's cake came with some very specific instructions, including "Relax," "Play with Grandkids," "Watch TV," "Take a Vacation," "Read," "Take a Nap" and "Relax More!"**



**The office staff surprised Adelle with a retirement/birthday gift, which she unknowingly had picked out for herself!**



## WRCTC'S PAY-BY-PHONE

# 844-252-5267

**Make a payment on your bill over the phone  
using a debit/credit card or check.**

**Available 24/7!**

## New WRCTC Members

### Bison, Meadow, Sorum

Brockel, Fern	244-5422
Erickson, Donald & Corina	244-7066
Peachey, Jonathan & Janelle	866-4711
Haynes, Bonnie	244-6797
Kreamer, Kaleb & Kelly	244-5377
Larson, Duane	244-7294
Urban, Kayla & Colan Kellogg	788-2651
Wiechmann, Ethan & Katie	244-5417

### Buffalo, Camp Crook

Sigler, Brianna	375-3863
Wahlfeldt, Barbara	797-4492

### Lemmon

Campbell, Patrick	374-4515
Campbell, Tyrell J.	374-7483
Dauwen, Susan G.	374-1735
Merten, Bob	374-4859
Pendergrass, Cody & Kaitlyn Rosenberg	374-4512
Rook, K.	374-5753
Seim, Horace	374-4514
Tri-County Excavating	374-7827

### Newell

Butler, Judy	456-7798
Deschamps, Kevin & Debbie	456-1722
Taton, Lila	456-0117

### Nisland

Hofer, Brandon & Marjorie	257-1689
Voorhees, Cameron	257-6219

### CHANGE

Johnson, Lyndel & Kimberly	from	244-5922
	to	244-5920

## Find Your Phone #

Ten telephone numbers were hidden in the last newsletter. Those members who hunted and found their number were: Bob Bowen, Lemmon; Blane Kari, Bison and Dan Perkins, 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 February 22, 2017.**

## From the Mailbox

WRCTC Round Up Committee,

*Thank you so very much for the check I received before Christmas. What a wonderful gift. Medication is always a worry but this was a blessing. Thanks 375-3990 again to all who give to the Round-Up Program. So many have been helped.*

Linda Borchert, Lemmon

*Thank you very much for the \$100 credit to our bill. What a very nice surprise!*

Ardel & Deanna Reder Prairie City

Cooperative Christmas Drawing Winner

West River Cooperative Telephone Company,

*Thank you very much for the \$100 donation for Harding County Community Action Team cupboard. We sincerely appreciate your generosity.*

Harding Co. Community Action Team

% Shirley Latham, Buffalo

West River Telephone,

*Thank you so much for the VISA gift card I received. It will be fun to use it to brighten up a winter day.*

Dan Anderson, Meadow

\$25 VISA Gift Card Winner

*Thank you so much for the \$50 bill credit. It was a very nice surprise. Thanks for all you do!*

Jill Archibald, Bison

Cooperative Christmas Drawing Winner

*I wish to THANK WRCTC for the gift card I won in the Christmas 866-4401 drawings. Thanks a lot!*

Ronda Cordell, Camp Crook

\$25 VISA Gift Card Winner

*To all the members of the West River Telephone Round-Up Committee,*

*We would like to express our gratitude for choosing Brad to be the recipient of the Round Up Funds. We will use this money to help meet deductibles and expenses associated with his on- going chemotherapy. Brad continues to go the Sturgis VA every 3 weeks for oncology appointments, lab work, and chemotherapy. We are so blessed to live in a wonderful, caring community. We are thankful for all the prayers and support we receive.*

*Sincerely,*

Brad and Deb Johnson, Camp Crook