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Keep up-to-date on all new and upcoming events going on PO Box 645, Buffalo; throughout WRCTC's territory!

This month, if you leave us a review, January 1 – January 27, get a \$5 bill credit towards your February 1, 2022 bill!



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West River Cooperative Telephone Company

Calling on You

West River's **FiberVision** **UPDATES:**

PRICE DROP
SHOWTIME
WAS: \$14 NOW: \$10.99

Check out the other Premium Channels that we offer!



**SUBSCRIBE NOW by calling our
office at 605-244-5213!**

Please Help us Find these People:

In the fall of 2021, many of you may remember receiving a capital credit check or credit towards a bill from WRCTC. However, there are some who have yet to receive their checks or their allocation notices 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 605-244-5213 or email us at westriver@sdplains.com.

Acres of Lemmon	Cheswick, PA	Iverson Construction	Sturgis, SD	Michael & Diane Petts	Owatonna, MN
Clayton Allen	Thedford, NE	Randy & Anna Jaukkuri	Newell, SD	Beverly Pflaumer	Vale, SD
AllTel Communications	Little Rock, AR	Linda G Johnson	Newell, SD	James & Jill Pierce	Deadwood, SD
Badlands Hard Rock Cycles		Eric Jurisch	Rapid City, SD	Joey Price	Banner, WY
%Josh Murray & Tom Horn	Lemmon, SD	K & J's BS Shop-N-Stop	Vale, SD	Prickly Pear Salon	
Carrie Baier	Camp Crook, SD	Jennifer Keffeler	Enning, SD	%Carol Ellison	Lemmon, SD
Karen Baker	Newell, SD	Johnnie & Arlene Kegley	Cascade, MT	Dave & Vickie Puckett	Laramie, WY
Bruce Barker	Piedmont, SD	Brian & Tammy King	Anaconda, MT	Ranchers Roost	Ludlow, SD
Terry & Diane Beardsley	Lemmon, SD	Duane Kirk	Whitewood, SD	Michele Raposa	Watertown, SD
Blue Line Diner		Michael Kochel		Lonnie Richards	Denhoff, ND
%Jack Hostetter	Newell, SD	%Pat Kochel	Lemmon, SD	Arlynn Rieger	Lemmon, SD
Teresa Bohn	Aberdeen, SD	Carl & Patricia Koepf	Sundance, WY	Alice Robbins	Sturgis, SD
David Bohon	Lemmon, SD	Jesse Kracht	Belle Fourche, SD	Harlan & Karen Robbins	Sturgis, SD
William Bruggman	Newell, SD	Verdis & Susan Krisher	Belle Fourche, SD	RSJ Trucking, LLC	Meadow, SD
Marion Case	Sturgis, SD	LaDue River Ranch		Alwood Schalesky	Carson, ND
Don Carpenter	Spearfish, SD	%Dean LaDue	Keldron, SD	DeVonne Schuh	Saint Francis, SD
Joe Carter	Lemmon, SD	Charles & Pamela K Larsen	Newell, SD	Char Seaman	Nisland, SD
Pinky Catron	Whitewood, SD	Lemmon Truck Stop	Cheswick, PA	Robert & Teresa Shape	Provo, SD
Viola E Chiller	Sturgis, SD	Norma Lickfelt	Gillette, WY	Judy Shaykett	Newell, SD
First Lutheran Church	Nisland, SD	J Liedtke	Lemmon, SD	Michelle Shepherd	Edwards, CA
Mike & Jackie Churchill	Spearfish, SD	Jessica Lomelin	Nisland, SD	Nancy Short	Aberdeen, SD
Don Clark		Jessica N Lowery	Belle Fourche, SD	Randy & Peggy Sigman	Hettinger, ND
& Nancy Pebworth	Belle Fourche, SD	Lynk3 Technologies	Moorhead, MN	Kolt Simons	
Dena Cody-Simmons	Russell, KS	Jess & Angela Martin	Dupree, SD	& Melissa Bachand	Piedmont, SD
Gary W Coles	Amarillo, TX	Bret Marxsen	Lemmon, SD	Greg & Sherry Smeenck	Belle Fourche, SD
Heidi Cuka	Sturgis, SD	Mark McGarvey	Hettinger, ND	Chris & Susan Smith	Rhame, ND
Dalcam Oil Co Inc		Ray Meade	Lemmon, SD	Ernie & Rebecca Smith	Gillette, WY
%Darrell L Lich	Rapid City, SD	Sammie & Tony Meckle	Anamoose, ND	Brenda Snyder	Belle Fourche, SD
James Davis	Williston, ND	Christine Messmer	Lemmon, SD	South Western Traders	
Robin Dieken	Bison, SD	Marty & Juanita Miller	Spearfish, SD	%Lois Seng	Waverly, KS
Malik & Stephanie Dixon	Rapid City, SD	Tim & Jolene Monnens	Vale, SD	Gus & Laura Stauss	Saint Helens, OR
Tom & Dawn Dusek	Stanley, ND	Jody Moody	Parkston, SD	Beth Stewart	Smithwick, SD
Karin Ernst	Bismarck, ND	Morcco Inc		Casey Stirling	Rapid City, SD
First Western Insurance	Newell, SD	%Glen Morovits	Trinidad, CO	Tracy Swenby	Spearfish, SD
Debbie Flegel	Vale, SD	Robert & Electa Morrow		Tangles Salon	Moorcroft, WY
Kathy Fox	Buffalo, SD	%Charles Martens	Newell, SD	Joby Timm	Hailey, ID
George Franklin		Joel Murphy	Burnt Cabins, PA	Steve & Linda Torgerson	Belle Fourche, SD
%Catherine Dunn	New Underwood, SD	Joann Muir	Rapid City, SD	Neal Trainor	
Ken & Linda Gabert	Belle Fourche, SD	Judy Myers	Nisland, SD	%Sheila Smith	Newell, SD
Niki Gobin	Lakewood, CO	Burton Nehl	Lemmon, SD	Transcore	Portland, OR
Ruth M Green	Lemmon, SD	Paul & Bonnie Nehmer	Nisland, SD	Jackie Urban	Northglenn, CO
Grant Hamilton	Newell, SD	Craig Nelson	Rapid City, SD	Codi Vallery	Sturgis, SD
Mark Hanson	Black Hawk, SD	Jewell Nelson	Lemmon, SD	Tracey Walker	Custer, SD
Hard Rock Cycles	Killdeer, ND	Gordon & Fawn Ness	Vale, SD	Dorothy E Walter	Lemmon, SD
Kenneth & Pamela Harman	Sturgis, SD	Nisland Café & Mall		Yvonne Watts	Aberdeen, SD
Larry & Christa Headington	Elgin, IA	%Paulett Walls	Newell, SD	Western Winds Inc	Selby, SD
Frank & Mary Hogan	Vale, SD	Nisland Mall & Café		Jim Whittemore	Newell, SD
Merrill Hohenberger	Newell, SD	%Terri Zarling	Ettrick, WI	Nichole Wiechmann	Martin, SD
Alvin & Ida Holst	Casa Grande, AZ	Wiley Orr	Newell, SD	Al Williamson	Bemidji, MN
Darwin D Horton	Sturgis, SD	Virgil & Bonnie Otterberg	Lemmon, SD	Julie Widell	Diberville, MS
Howdy's Family Dining		Patrick Patton	McIntosh, SD	Bryan & Elizabeth Wise	Saint Lawrence, SD
%Jared Lewton	Hettinger, ND	Noah & Pamela Pawlowski	Newell, SD	Ray Witte	Bison, SD
John Hunter	Dupree, SD	Bob Penfield	Bowman, ND	Josh Wittrock	Blaine, KY
Pete Huseby		Jemond Petersen	Williston, ND	Travis Wood	Pleasanton, TX
%Rene Kari	Bison, SD	Dereck & Heather Peterson	Vale, SD	Leroy Yotter	Belle Fourche, SD

From the Mailbox

Thank you for buying my sheep. Thank you for supporting 4-H. You are the best!

Will Erk, Newell
(Pictured to the Right)



Thank you for purchasing my animal at the Butte-Lawrence County Fair.

Orrin Youngberg, Nisland
(Pictured to the Left)



Connect SD Update

Director of Operations
Eric Kahler

In June of 2021, we were notified by the State of South Dakota that we were once again successful in applying for a Connect SD broadband grant. The area where we were awarded the grant is just west of our Nisland Exchange along Highway 212. There are an estimated 140-160 possible locations which we will be able to offer phone service, digital TV service, and reliable high-speed internet by using underground fiber optic cable. The underground construction portion of this project is anticipated to commence PO Box 155, Nisland; in the spring of 2022 and is expected to last anywhere from three to six months. Once the construction has been completed, crews will then prepare the fiber optic cable for service by grounding and splicing it together. Then our technicians will begin installing services in customers' homes and businesses. We expect to have all customers connected to the new network and the project completed by the end of August of 2023.



Changes to IPTV

Price Change effective March 1, 2022:

Unfortunately, starting March 1, 2022, there will be a rate increase on the IPTV system. Every year, WRCTC negotiates pricing for the television networks we offer. This year, enough networks increased their prices that WRCTC had to make changes to members bills to cover the costs of offering some of the network channels. Please understand that WRCTC will not make extra revenue off of this price 10157 SD Hwy 73, Lemmon; increase, it is solely there to cover the new pricing for the networks we offer. Call the office if you have any questions. 605-244-5213.

	From	To
Silver Pkg	\$39.00	\$44.00
Gold Pkg	\$89.50	\$102.00
Platinum Pkg	\$102.00	\$114.00

	From	To
Cinemax	\$12.00	\$14.00
Showtime	\$14.00	\$10.99
HBO	\$18.00	No Change
Encore/Starz	\$14.00	No Change

Channel Lineup Changes effective January 1, 2022:

- ESPN Classic, channel 24, will be discontinued on January 1, 2022.
- NBC Sports Network, channels 31 and HD 531, will be going off the air permanently as of January 1, 2022.
- The DIY Channel, channels 126 and HD 626, will be renamed Magnolia Network on January 5, 2022.

New WRCTC Members

Bison, Meadow, Sorum

Richards, Noah & Haley 244-6705
Seim, Jed & Tally 244-2981

Lemmon

Eisenbarth, Ronald & Ramona 374-1903
Wiesinger, Katrina A 701-376-6963

Nisland

Boe, Dean 257-2888

Number Change

Rice, Lucas & Tommi Jo from: 866-4865
to: 244-7087

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!!!



\$500 Scholarships

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 18859 Youngberg Rd, Newell; the upcoming 2022-2023 school year! Applications are available online at 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.

Applications must be postmarked by March 11, 2022.

\$2,500 FRS Scholarship

The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS), along with WRCTC, is offering a \$2,500 scholarship! Preference will be given to individuals 13160 215th Ave, Meadow; expressing an interest in returning to work in a rural area following college graduation. Applications are available online at 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 February 18, 2022, to ensure applications are postmarked to FRS before the deadline.

SECURE PAY

Make a payment on your bill over the phone using a debit/credit card or check. Available 24/7!

844-252-5267

INTERNET HELP IS ONLY A PHONE CALL AWAY

(24/7 Support)

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

Find Your Address

Five addresses were hidden in the last newsletter. Hidden in this issue are five new addresses. If you find YOUR address, all you have to do is notify our office. The \$20 will then be deducted off your next telephone bill. Changes of address in the New WRCTC Members section do not count. **Deadline is January 21, 2022.**

**\$20
bill credit**