

# In Touch

MAY 2023



## Congrats to Grads, Thanks to Teachers

Venture Communications would like to recognize the hard work of two special groups of people — the students who will soon graduate and the teachers who have educated them.

We congratulate all graduates and wish them luck as they continue their journeys. We also express our thanks to teachers for all they do to promote learning and development.

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**We remember** the lives of our country's fallen on Memorial Day. It's a time to pay tribute to those who have died in military service for our country and an opportunity to express gratitude for the many sacrifices these men and women—and their families—made on our behalf.

When we look at these boots, we think of brave steps forward. We owe a debt that can never be repaid.

Our office will be closed on  
Monday, May 29th.

## Director Elections for 2023 Scheduled

In accordance with the bylaws of Venture Communications Cooperative, director elections have been scheduled for four districts where terms are to expire. Election notices will be mailed to each member in districts where an election is to be held.

Any person who qualifies under the cooperative's bylaws may run for the directorships, including incumbent directors.

District Director Elections are scheduled as follows to elect one director from each district:

### **June 6, 2023 • District # 2**

Wessington Springs Exchange

### **June 8, 2023 • District # 3**

Highmore, Orient, Ree Heights,  
& Seneca Exchanges

### **June 15, 2023 • District # 5**

Hitchcock, Tulare,  
& Wessington Exchanges

### **June 13, 2023 • District # 9**

Langford, Pierpont,  
& Roslyn Exchanges

Should there be only one petitioner in any of these districts, the scheduled election will be canceled. Notification of meeting cancellations will be published in local newspapers.

Members should refer to the election notice for meeting details such as time, place, and petition deadlines. Please call 1-800-824-7282 or 605-852-2224 if you have questions concerning the elections.



**FAST**  
*Mornings*  
**FAST**  
*Internet*

*Mothers quickly become heroes*

Early morning wake-up cries from the baby. Mad scrambles to get kids dressed, fed, and out the door. Emails with family and friends. Online searches for parenting tips and community activities. Plus, more and more and more.

Considering the fast-paced demands of motherhood, she clearly needs high speeds.

**Happy Mother's Day to all of our heroes!**

## May is Small Business Month

Small Business Month, celebrated yearly in May, was created by the Small Business Administration (SBA) to celebrate the courage, hard work, and community contributions of small business owners and entrepreneurs. According to the SBA, there are 33.2 million small businesses in the United States. They account for half of our country's workforce, and more new jobs come from small businesses than any other source.

As you make purchase decisions in May — and throughout the year — we encourage you to make a big effort to shop small. Support the small businesses in our community when it's time to buy products and services for your household or pick out gifts for family and friends. And don't forget to choose small, locally owned restaurants whenever you have a big appetite.

By shopping small, you can feel good about the fact that your dollars stay local, since small business owners reinvest in their communities. They also give to school programs and other local nonprofit organizations through donations and volunteer hours. That's no small thing!



# Notice of Forfeiture of Property Rights

Notice is hereby given that the persons or entities listed below have outstanding capital credit checks issued in 2016. The amounts of these outstanding checks will be forfeited to Venture Communications Cooperative (formerly Sully Buttes Telephone Cooperative) six months after the first date of publication of this notice unless money is claimed and proper evidence of ownership is submitted to Venture Communications Cooperative within the six-month period.

Agns  
Agri-Systems  
Albrecht, Dan & Tess  
Anderson, Robert D  
Andresen, Richard D & Sandy  
B & L Business Enterpr.  
Barber, Tom  
Barse, Larae  
Batross, Ted & Susan  
Birdsall Sand & Gravel Co  
Boever, Robert & Sarah  
Boomsma, Mark  
Boys & Girls Clubs Of The Glacial  
Lakes  
Brenner, David & Carolyn  
Brown Estate, Keith Allen  
Brown, Jeremy  
Budack, Charlyne Patricia  
Buechler, Glen & Angela  
Campbell, Jaret & Holly  
Campbell, Kimberlee  
Cleveland, Jessica  
Cloud, Sonny  
Comdata Rcs  
Cowan Brothers Partnership  
Crown Technical Systems  
Cruse, Cody  
Dacotah Blue Sky & Paintball  
Supply  
Damgaard, Glen & Verlaine  
Dfas-Pe/fpd-ditco Branch  
Donner, Richard H & Verna  
Dow Chemical  
Eagle, Cletus J  
Eagle, Robert & Patricia  
Elsberry, Mike & Becky  
Emmett H Johnson  
Fallis, April  
Fleischer, Jennifer  
Gangone, Frank  
Garland, Darin  
George, Diane  
Gerber, Dawn  
Gibson, Jennifer J  
Glen, Suzanne  
Griese, Julie R  
Grigg, Justin  
Gupta, Vijay & Bhawna  
Hageman, Roxy  
Haggerty, Ike  
Halone, Deb

Hanson, Paul & Valerie  
Hart, Kristie R  
Healey, Carol  
Heartland Red Roofs LLC.  
Heezen, Jon A & Darcie  
Helgeson, Phillip  
Hemmah, Rodney L  
Heuer, James  
Hites, Sharon  
Hogwood, James R  
Houghton, Richard  
Hoven Review Inc  
Howell, Victoria  
Hurley & Associates  
Igt-Online Entertainment  
Systems Inc  
Janis, Christine  
Joachim, Craig  
Job, Paul  
Johnson, Clyde  
Johnson, Dale C  
Johnson, Tammy  
Kadoun, Mark  
Kearney, Randall D  
Kempema, Audree  
Kimble, Judy  
Kindopp, Velta  
Knot Head's Bar & Grill  
Kurtz, Jason & Jennifer D  
Langbehn, Larry & Amy  
Laughter, Robin  
Lehrkamp, Leo  
Lewis, Linda  
Little, Patrick Keith  
Logan, Mark & Shelli  
Lone Fight, Dr William  
Long Hollow Dev Corp  
Lunsman, Michael  
Makin' Milk Dairy  
Marks, Deon  
Marlow, Marla G  
Maroney, Gary  
Martinson, Brenda  
McCumiskey, Shelly  
McDonalds Custom Meats  
McGaa, Aloma L  
McLean, Calvin D  
Meier, Neil & Becky  
Miklos, Jesse R  
Mitchell, Darin  
Murphy, John

Paladin Group Inc  
Parsons, Samuel & Cheryl  
Pelton, Michael Or Jeanine  
Peters, Anthony & Kathleen  
Presbytery Of Dakota  
Quinn, La Shannon  
Ramirez, Dan & Autumn  
Renville, Robert L J  
Richter, Ralph & Joan  
Rieger, Chris & Jennifer  
Riemann, Richard  
Rondell, Robert  
Roth, Robert & Samantha  
Sargeant, Lucy  
Schaller, Robert Michael  
Schlebusch, Andre  
Schmidt, Leona M  
Schweigert, Mark & Leslie  
Schweitzer, Leslie  
Shefner, Allen  
Shepherd, Harriet  
Shipman, Crystal & Dennis  
Shottenkirk, Tom  
Simon, Michael  
Stavick, Robert  
Steamway Country Cleaner  
Stiegelmeier & Jamie Westby,  
Scott  
Stiegelmeier, Jina  
Stiles, Diane  
Strough, Danie & Judy  
Svare, Al & Harriet  
Thornes, C M  
Treeby, Colin  
Trejos, Mercedes  
Van Bockel, Rebecca & Justin  
Vincent, Chance Lea  
Volker, Barb  
Wagner, Susan  
Wells Fargo Bank-lcc  
Wenzel, Debra  
Wiederhold, Agnes  
Wilkinson, Cindy  
Williams, Ronald J & Phyllis  
Wojcik, Bernard & Betty  
Wolfe, Tom  
Wolforth, Kent & Holly  
Yao, Edmund  
Zebroski, Ronnie & Tanya  
Ziadat, Imad

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when you set up  
Auto Pay and enroll  
in Web Bill Only

Venture Communications has an easy way to save you time and money. All you have to do is start using these two programs:

- **Auto Pay**, which automatically deducts your monthly payment to us from the checking account or credit card you designate
- **Web Bill Only**, which replaces your paper bill with a web bill

Not only will you save time on bill paying and eliminate the cost of postage and checks, you'll also get a \$2 monthly bill credit! What's not to love?

Go to [www.venture-comm.net](http://www.venture-comm.net) and click on "Pay My Bill" or download the **eBill Mobile app**. If you have questions or need assistance, please call our office at 605-852-2224.



## Know the Proper Way to Display the Flag

Many people like to display the American flag but aren't aware of the rules associated with this activity. For reference, here are guidelines from the United States Flag Code:

- It's the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset. However, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.
- The flag should only be flown in fair weather, unless the flag is designed for inclement weather use.
- When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the observer's left.
- The flag should never be displayed with the union down.
- The flag should never touch anything beneath it such as the ground or the floor.
- When a flag is in such condition that it's no longer a fitting emblem, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

**We encourage you to display the flag this Memorial Day, May 29th, and hope your family can spend meaningful time together to honor those you've lost.**



## Answers to Your Questions About Live TV Streaming

Live TV streaming services—such as DirecTV Stream, fuboTV, Hulu + Live TV, Philo, Sling TV, and YouTube TV—deliver prime-time network shows and sports over your internet connection. That's why they're often referred to as cable replacements.

If you're thinking about switching from cable TV to a live TV streaming service, you'll want to do your homework to select the service that will provide the channels you most want to watch. To help you get started, here are the answers to frequently asked questions:

### What channels are available through live TV streaming services?

Each service offers a different number and variety of channels. To compare, you can visit [gostreamnow.com/venture/channel-lineup](https://gostreamnow.com/venture/channel-lineup).

### How much does a live TV streaming service cost?

The price varies from service to service, but most cost between \$25 and \$75 per month. This makes live TV services a less expensive alternative to cable.



### Can I get a free trial for a live TV streaming service?

Yes, many of these services offer free trials. Check their websites for details on current offers.

### After I subscribe, how many people in my family can watch a live TV streaming service at the same time?

Most services offer subscribers the ability to stream to two or three devices simultaneously.

### Will I be locked in a contract?

No. Live TV streaming services are all month-to-month with no commitment. You can cancel at any time without penalty.

### Which devices can I use to stream live TV?

Live TV streaming services work with smartphones, tablets, computers, and streaming devices like Roku, Fire TV, Chromecast, and Apple TV.

**Do you have more questions about live TV streaming or related topics? Venture Communications offers the StreamNow step-by-step guide to answer them. Visit [gostreamnow.com/venture](https://gostreamnow.com/venture) to learn how to choose your ideal internet speed, select the right streaming services for you, set up a streaming device, and much more.**