

In Touch

AUGUST 2023

Save the Date

66th Annual Meeting

September 13th, 2023
Highmore, SD

Venture Communications will hold our 66th Annual Meeting of the Cooperative on Wednesday, September 13th in Highmore, SD. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., followed by the business meeting at 12:45 p.m. Music will be provided by the Company Cowboys. Look for more details in the annual report, which will be mailed to all members in early September.

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September 4th – Labor Day

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Old School Meets **NEW SCHOOL**

PUT NEW INTERNET ON YOUR SHOPPING LIST

Old school classics like notebooks and colored pencils are still around. But new school technology has moved to the head of the class, with most homework now being done on tablets or laptops rather than paper.

To help your student succeed, consider upgrading to an A+ internet plan from Venture Communications. We offer super-fast speeds and unmatched reliability, so the only thing getting in the way of completing homework efficiently will be texts from friends!

**CALL 605-852-2224
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UPGRADE**





Welcome to a New Employee in NE Area

We're pleased to announce that Scott Smith has joined the IR department at Venture Communications in July and will be servicing the NE area of our exchange. We're thankful to have such a talented individual join our team and are confident he'll play an integral role in our efforts to provide exceptional telecommunications services to our valued customers.

Notice on Availability of Big Ten Network

Due to changes in the availability of content and in how Venture Communications can best serve our TV customers, we will no longer be offering the Big Ten Network channels — 171, 172, and 173 in the Extra Package — effective August 31st, 2023. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

To watch live streaming of televised games airing on Big Ten Network, FOX, or FS1, visit [FoxSports.com](https://www.foxsports.com) or download the Fox Sports app. To watch live streaming of non-televised games, visit B1G+ at bigtenplus.com.

Help for Those Who are Hearing or Speech Impaired

The Telecommunications Equipment Distribution (TED) Program for South Dakota allows those who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and/or speech disabled to communicate effectively on the telephone by obtaining special equipment at little or no cost. To be eligible for the equipment, you must be a resident of South Dakota with difficulty communicating on the telephone because of a hearing or speech disability. You also need to already have telephone service in your home.

The TED Program stocks phones that offer speakerphone with volume adjustments, volume amplifier, and large visual display. They also provide oversized and lighted dial buttons, hearing aid compatible phones, visual ringer alert or adjustable loud ringer, sound frequency clarifying adjustment, and tone adjustment.

To apply, visit www.relaysd.com. Under the TED Program at the top, you'll find a section called TED Program Overview. There you can apply for a free or reduced-price phone. If you have questions or need help, call 711 or customer service assistance at 1-877-8950 (TTY/Voice).

August Calls for Family Fun and School Prep

Did you know August is Family Fun Month? This means if you need an excuse to have more fun with your family, now you have it! August was chosen to coincide with the end of summer and the start of a new school year — perfect timing for “last blast” summer activities such as swimming, outdoor concerts, or camping.

Speaking of school, Venture Communications is a big supporter of our community's schools and the important work that happens inside their classrooms — from solving problems to inspiring creativity. As another academic year begins this month, we wish good luck to all the students, parents, and teachers who are making preparations.



Do you have an internet or WiFi problem to solve? Contact Venture Communications for the solution.