



GEEK SPEEK!

TODAY'S TOPIC: Laptop Leasing Options

Last month we discussed the advantages and disadvantages of purchasing a laptop versus a traditional desktop computer. This month we would like to talk about JVT's new laptop leasing program, which takes all the guesswork out of purchasing a laptop and allows JVT's computer experts to find the right computer that will suit your needs.

The Computer Lease Program gives members the ability to own a new laptop computer for as low as \$39 per month. The price includes free installation and transfer of information from an old computer if needed.

There are two levels of the program, depending on the processor, memory, monitor, and hard drive size in each computer. All computers include Microsoft Office 2007 Basic Edition, Windows Vista Home Basic Edition, Adobe Reader 8.1, wide screen monitors, large nylon carrying case, and DVD+/-RW drive. The leasing option also comes with 15 months of JVT's Secure IT Plus security software.

The lease options for the **Basic Level** are:

- 30 Month Lease - \$39/month
- 20 Month Lease - \$57/month
- 15 Month Lease - \$74/month

Lease options for the **High-End** laptop are:

- 30 Month Lease - \$52/month
- 20 Month Lease - \$76/month
- 15 Month Lease - \$99/month.

All of the options provide a \$1.00 buy-out at the end of your lease term! The monthly fee can be added directly to your phone bill. Customers must maintain consecutive high-speed Internet service with JVT during the lease period.

Monthly maintenance plans with special computer repair rates are also available with the lease program:

Monthly Maintenance Plan - \$4.99/month

- Includes virus removal, spyware removal, software and hardware troubleshooting and repair.

Computer Repair with Maintenance Plan

- \$25 for first ½ hour, \$45 for each additional hour thereafter. On-site service available for \$65/hr.

Call JVT at 611 for more information.

SHOOT FOR LOOT

School	Date	Game
Groton	Jan. 4	vs Britton-Hecla
Northwestern	Jan. 15	vs Warner
Conde	Jan. 18	vs Langford
Doland	Jan. 22	vs Clark
Frederick	Jan. 25	vs Milbank

"Shoot For Loot" contests will be held at half-time of basketball games in 5 schools this month. JVT sponsors the events, which give one shooter the chance to make up to \$100 by completing a lay-up, free throw, 3-point shot and half-court shot in 45 seconds. JVT also donates \$100 to each school who hosts a "Shoot For Loot" contest, and there is no cost for people to sign up to be the shooter. Make sure you sign up for your chance to win \$100!



SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Every year JVT/NVC awards a \$1,000 scholarship for a student at Presentation College and a \$500 scholarship for a student at Northern State University.

Recipients of the scholarships this year were Beth Bittner (Presentation College) and Alex Hart (NSU). *Congratulations to both students!*



WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS!

Bleyle James & Helen Bristol 492-3413
Fischbach Wayne & Kim Mellette 887-3397
Friedrich Cindy Groton 397-8219
Gilchrist Grant Columbia 396-2335
Hembroff Vicki Frederick 329-2004
Kay's Computing Groton 397-8389
Nack Sara Groton 397-8295
Ness Fran Mellette 887-3395
Robbins Glen & Linda Conde 382-5866
Rosenau Bill Bristol 492-3552
Wagner Paul & Jackie Groton 397-4760

IMPORTANT DATES

National Thank You Month

- 1 **New Year's Day**
JVT Office Closed
- 6 **Three Kings Day**
- 10 **Disconnect Day**
- 15 **Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday**
- 21 **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- 23 **National Pie Day**
- 26 **Australia Day**
- 27 **1756, Mozart Was Born**
- 29 **National Puzzle Day**
- 31 **Bills Sent Out**



Annual Customer Do-Not-Call Notice

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Federal Trade Commission (FTC) have established a national Do-Not-Call Registry that applies to all telemarketers (with the exception of certain non-profit and political organizations) and covers both interstate and intrastate telemarketing calls. Commercial telemarketers are not allowed to call you if your number is listed on the registry.

You may register your phone number free, and it will remain on the national Do-Not-Call Registry for five years. You may re-enter your number onto the list when the five years have passed, and you may remove your name from the list at any time. The Do-Not-Call Registry will not prevent all unwanted calls. It does not cover the following:

- calls from organizations with which you have established a business relationship
- calls for which you have given prior written consent
- calls which are not commercial or do not include unsolicited advertisements
- calls by or on behalf of tax-exempt non-profit organizations

Consumers may register their residential telephone number, *including wireless cellular numbers*, on the national Do-Not-Call Registry at no cost by telephone or on the Internet. To register by telephone, consumers may call **1-888-382-1222**. For the hearing impaired, TTY call **1-866-290-4236**. You must call from the phone number you wish to register. You may also register by Internet at www.donotcall.gov. Inclusion of your telephone number on the national Do-Not-Call Registry will be effective three months following your registration.

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FIRST CELL PHONE CUSTOMER



JVT is excited to announce that cell phone service is now available! On Tuesday, Dec. 4, Mark and Ellen Harr of Columbia became the first members to receive cell phones from the cooperative. Since that time many people have been in to sign up for service, check out the selection of handsets, and find out more about the bundles available that combine cell phone, landline phone, high-speed Internet, and cable TV.

Handsets continue to arrive almost on a daily basis. Brands available include Motorola, Kyocera, Samsung, and LG. Members are encouraged to bring in their old cell phones to have address books transferred at no charge to their new phone. JVT will also properly recycle and/or discard the old phones. Most outdated cell phones contain toxic substances such as arsenic, lead, nickel, copper and zinc that linger in the environment for a long time. The toxins have been linked with health disorders in humans. Cell phones that are not reused or donated will be broken down according to environmental standards and the metals reused or disposed of properly.

Visit www.jvtwireless.net
for more information today!

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Open houses were held in the Groton office Dec. 3-7 and in the recently remodeled Aberdeen office Dec. 10-14. About 350 members enjoyed holiday treats and in-store specials and were able to register for several door prizes. Winners in Groton include:

- \$100 Credit - Don Parsons
- \$50 Paint 'N More Gift Card - Virginia Needham
- \$50 Credit - Eddy Opp
- \$50 Ken's Gift Card - Jeanette Jensen
- \$25 Credit - Barney Dombrowe

JVT staff enjoyed the new week-long format which provided more opportunity for members to stop by. Thanks to all who attended!



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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

What's On This Month...

Add A Little Music To Your Life!

Have you checked out JVT's cable TV music selection lately? All customers who subscribe to the "Expanded View" package receive 37 additional digital music channels found on channels 401 through 444.

There is something for everyone, with music including *Rap, Alternative Rock, Classic R & B, Rock 'n Roll Oldies, Golden Oldies, Blues, Jazz, Modern Country, Classical, Gospel, Children's*, and *Big Band/Swing*.

Channel 425, *Holidays & Happenings*, currently features Christmas music. All channels run 24 hours a day for your listening pleasure and are completely commercial free.

Customers on the "Family View" package can add the digital music channels for only \$3.95 per month. Or, call JVT by dialing 611 from your home phone and upgrade to the "Expanded View" package today!

Digital Music Line-Up

401	Adult Contemporary	415	Trends	433	Dance
402	Alternative Rock	416	Album Rock	434	Reggae
403	Hottest Hits	417	Hard Rock	435	Groove Lounge
404	Coffeehouse Rock	418	Classic Rock	436	Big Band/Swing
405	Rap	420	Blues	437	Jazz Vocal Blends
406	Urban Adult Contemporary	423	Traditional Country	438	Great Standards
407	Urban Beat	424	Modern Country	439	Jazz
408	Classic R & B	425	Holidays & Happenings	441	Smooth Jazz
409	Golden Oldies	426	Gospel	442	New Age
410	Retro Disco	427	Contemporary Christian	443	Lite Classical
411	Rock 'n' Roll Oldies	428	Soft Hits	444	Symphonic
412	70s Hits	429	Beautiful Instrumentals		
413	80s Hits	430	Children's		

KDLT Weather Plus

A new channel is coming to JVT's cable TV line-up! *KDLT Weather Plus* will soon be found on channel 62.



KDLT's Weather Plus has local conditions 24 hours a day, featuring local weather information delivered by KDLT's meteorologists Rusty Lord and Travis Klanecky.

KDLT's Weather Plus offers local and national weather forecasts, local radar, and local satellite images.

Visit www.kdlt.com for more information regarding *KDLT* and *KDLT Weather Plus*.

Add Cable TV Today! Service Available in 11 Towns

JVT's all-digital cable television service is available in the towns of:

- ✓ Andover
- ✓ Claremont
- ✓ Columbia
- ✓ Conde
- ✓ Ferney
- ✓ Groton
- ✓ Hecla
- ✓ Houghton
- ✓ Mellette
- ✓ Stratford
- ✓ Turton

You can select from two TV packages. The Family View package includes 58 channels with local networks and popular networks such as The Weather Channel, ESPN, CNN, Discovery, History Channel, NFL Network, and American Movie Classics. The Expanded View package includes 40 additional channels and 40 channels of digital music. If you live in one of the above towns and would like to add cable TV, call JVT's office at 611 today!

Feature Channels

Noggin - Channel 119



Pre-schoolers and Tweeners now have more programming options since *Noggin* and *The N* each became their

own 24/7 network on December 31.

Noggin now airs 24 hours a day on channel 119 with its pre-school age appropriate programming including popular shows such as *Dora The Explorer*, *Blue's Clues*, and *The Upside Down Show*.

Nick GAS has now become *The N* on channel 120 and is geared towards youth in the pre-teen and teenage years. The channel features the same programming *The N* has been providing on *Noggin*, including shows like

The N - Channel 120

Kenan & Kel, *Fresh Prince*, *Degrassi*, and *Sabrina the Teenage Witch*.

Both channels have very interactive websites with games, TV schedules, and additional information about your favorite shows. *Noggin's* website provides members with games and reports to help you monitor your child's learning. *The N's* site includes message boards, the N'Sider Blog, on-line safety tips and resources specifically for teen issues such as violence and discrimination, substance abuse, and teen health.

www.noggin.com

www.the-n.com



Dance War: Bruno vs. Carrie Ann

Premieres Monday, January 7 at 7 pm on channel 13 ABC

Dancing with the Stars judges and renowned choreographers Bruno Tonioli and Carrie Ann Inaba will put their reputations on the line as they search for America's most talented amateur performers -- who can both dance and sing -- in a massive nationwide hunt. They'll create two rival teams and battle it out on the dance floor to form the ultimate performance group.

Pop sensation and *Dancing with the Stars* Season Two champion Drew Lachey hosts the six-week primetime reality series.

After the audition show, *Dance War* goes live with the top 12 contestants divided into two teams. Captains Tonioli and Inaba will mentor their teams through

spectacularly-themed song and dance numbers ranging from Latin to Pop and Country. The fate of the teams is in the hands of viewers who will vote for their favorite group each week.

The captain of the lowest scoring team -- whether it be Bruno or Carrie Ann -- will face the dilemma of having to choose one of their performers for elimination. The champions will win a life changing prize -- they'll go on tour as the opening act for a major performing artist and a chance to start a thrilling career as part of a brand new all-dancing, all-singing act.

You can watch all the action



on JVT's channel 13 - ABC.

NEW SECURITY REQUIREMENTS NOW IN PLACE

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, new requirements are now in effect to protect the privacy of your account information. When you call the office, you will be asked to provide additional information to confirm your identity before we can discuss your account. We may have to call you back at your phone number of record if information to authenticate you is not available. When you stop by, you will be asked for a photo ID. These new requirements are the result of the FCC's new rules made effective Dec. 8.

The new rules provide further protection of the CPNI (Customer Proprietary Network Information) contained in your account. CPNI includes information such as which services and plans you subscribe to and details about the phone calls you make and receive.

Although JVT has always treated your account information with confidentiality, these new rules will further assure that your information is discussed and released only to an authorized individual listed on your account.

The new rules allow us to discuss your account information only with the person(s) listed on your account. If you are the only person listed on your account, your spouse, child, or legal representative will not be able to make any changes or discuss any of your account information.

These new rules also require JVT to authenticate you (confirm your identity) before sharing any account information. When you visit our office, JVT will authenticate you by asking for a valid photo ID. When you call our office, JVT will authenticate you by asking for the answer to a previously established security question.

If you have not already done so, please fill out and return the "Account Verification" form included with this month's statement as soon as possible to add authorized contacts to your account and to establish your security question and answer. You may also email the information to cpnisecurity@nvc.net. We apologize for any inconvenience the new requirements will cause. However, not following the FCC requirements could result in large fines being imposed on your cooperative.

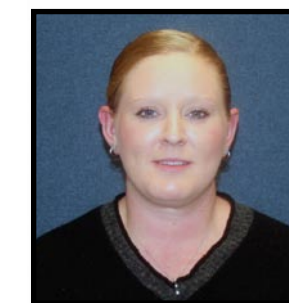
WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES



Brandon Smith

Three new employees have been hired recently to assist with the continued growth of NVC into Redfield and the addition of cell phone service.

Brandon Smith is originally from Aberdeen and is a telecommunications technician for the Aberdeen office. He attended high school at Aberdeen Central and was previously employed with ELM Locating of Aberdeen. Brandon and his wife, Dawn, have two children - Sierra and Zander.



Lisa Sudlow

Lisa Sudlow is a customer service representative for the Aberdeen office. Lisa grew up in Aberdeen and also attended Aberdeen Central. She previously worked for Shenanigans. Lisa and her husband, Charlie, have one son Dade, age 7.



Will Gauer

Will Gauer is a network operations technician for the central office in Groton. He is originally from Ipswich and was previously employed as a telecommunications technician for Swiftel Communications in Brookings. Will is attending South Dakota State University and pursuing a major in Electronics Engineering.

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