

Welcome New Members

Battest Raymond Doland 635-6476
 Berry Amanda Northville 887-3630
 Bretsch Jessica Hecla 994-2207
 Caselnova Sarah Groton 397-8289
 Cole Charles & Carrie Northville 887-3373
 Deloera Enriqueta Andover 298-5266
 Dosch Dan Fax Line Frederick 329-2205
 Draper Denece Bristol 492-3146
 Ellingson Alicia Groton 397-8509
 Engelhart Mildred Bristol 492-3690
 Hoff Ken & Teri Mellette 887-3139
 Johnson Caroline Bristol 492-3315
 Leigh Patty Hecla 994-2108
 Ronning Blake Groton 397-2607
 Shelquist Paul Hecla 994-2602
 Snaza Jeff Bristol 492-3117
 Vogel Jeff Doland 635-6524
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 Weber Dean & Lisa Andover 298-5245

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- * Any day of the week
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IMPORTANT DATES IN JANUARY

- 1 New Year's Day - JVT Office Closed
- 10 Disconnect Day
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 23 National Pie Day
- 26 Australia Day
- 27 1756, Mozart's Birthday
- 31 Bills Sent Out

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Directors

Houghton - Columbia - Frederick	District 1	Roger Zastrow
Claremont - Hecla	District 2	Wendell Rye
City of Groton	District 3	Merle Hanson
Rural Groton - Andover	District 4	Bill Ewalt
Ferney - Mellette	District 5	Duane Jark
Conde - Bristol	District 6	Mark Wattier
Turton - Doland	District 7	William Troske

Annual Customer Do-Not-Call Notification

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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Members Attend Open House

Approximately 140 members attended the JVT's Christmas Open House held on Wednesday, December 6. We all enjoyed Christmas treats, coffee, and hot cider. Door prize winners were:

\$50 JVT Credit	Elda Stange
\$50 Paints N More Gift Card	Kathryn Cutler
\$50 Ken's Fairway Gift Card	Clayton Sternhagen
\$30 Prepaid Calling Card	Lorraine Sippel
\$25 JVT Credit	Millie Dahlin

Thank you to all who stopped by!



Yellow Page Sales

The official JVT phone directory sales representative, Brian Seguin from Independent Pinnacle Services, will be starting the end of January for 2-3 weeks contacting businesses about their advertising for the June 2007 phone book. All members are encouraged to check their white and yellow page listings and call our office at 611 if you would like any changes made.

JVT Announces Computer Lease Program

Last month JVT introduced a new program available to its members. The Computer Lease Program allows members to own a new Dell computer for as low as \$28 per month. The price includes free installation and transfer of information from an old computer if needed.

There are three levels of the program, depending on the processor, memory, monitor, and hard drive size in each computer. All computers include Microsoft Office and Microsoft Windows XP and a CD-RW drive. The lease options for the **Basic** level are:

- 30 Month Lease - \$28/month
- 20 Month Lease - \$41/month
- 15 Month Lease - \$54/month

The **Mid** level lease options include:

- 30 Month Lease - \$36/month
- 20 Month Lease - \$52/month
- 15 Month Lease - \$68/month

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

- 30 Month Lease - \$48/month
- 20 Month Lease - \$69/month
- 15 Month Lease - \$90/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.

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GEEK SPEEK!



Today's Topic: Updating Your Web Browser to Internet Explorer 7.0

Explorer 7.0 has been made available from Microsoft for a free download to update your web browser from version 6 to version 7. Here is some additional information before taking the plunge.

Considerations:

If you are running Windows versions Windows 98 or Windows Millennium ME we do not recommend upgrading. IE 7 requires more computer resources and will slow your computer down. Also, if you are using Mozilla's Firefox we recommend uninstalling this software prior to upgrading. IE 7 is a very stable web browser and increases your browsing security to the next level. If you do upgrade to IE 7 and decide you do not like the new features or look, you can revert back to IE 6 by using the un-installation feature.

Updating to Internet Explorer 7.0:

In order to upgrade to IE 7, all you need to do is be connected to the internet and perform a windows update. Microsoft has already pre-selected this update for you to install with your next update. Unfortunately the upgrade to IE 7 takes some time so plan accordingly. Microsoft takes extra precautions to make sure the upgrade is secure and successful, so make sure to read all pop ups when they appear. You will also be asked if you would like to install a phishing filter during the update. You will want to install this feature as it checks all sites against a whitelist of valid websites before navigating to the page. This will make your internet experience more safe and secure.

How to run Windows Updates:

To run Windows Update simply click on the "Start" button and click on a large button called "Windows Update" or, open Internet Explorer, click "Tools", then "Windows Update". On the first Windows Update page, select "Scan for Updates". The Microsoft web site will run a program to see what updates are needed on your computer. Then click the "Install Updates" button and follow instructions from the install wizard. *Note: You may also want to install any General or Driver updates as well. These can also improve the performance of your computer.*

Employee News

NEW EMPLOYEE HIRED



Sherry Koehler

Sherry Koehler was hired last month as a part-time employee for the JVT accounting department.

Sherry and her husband, Rick, live in Groton and have four children - Ryan (16), Ashleigh (15), Nikki (10), and Katie (7).

Welcome, Sherry!

FREE DIRECTORY LISTING CHANGE!

JVT is in the process of getting ready to publish the June 2007 phone directory. If you would like any additions or changes to your existing listing in the white pages, please call 611 as soon as possible to make sure these changes are incorporated in the next phone book. **During the month of January, all listing changes are free!**

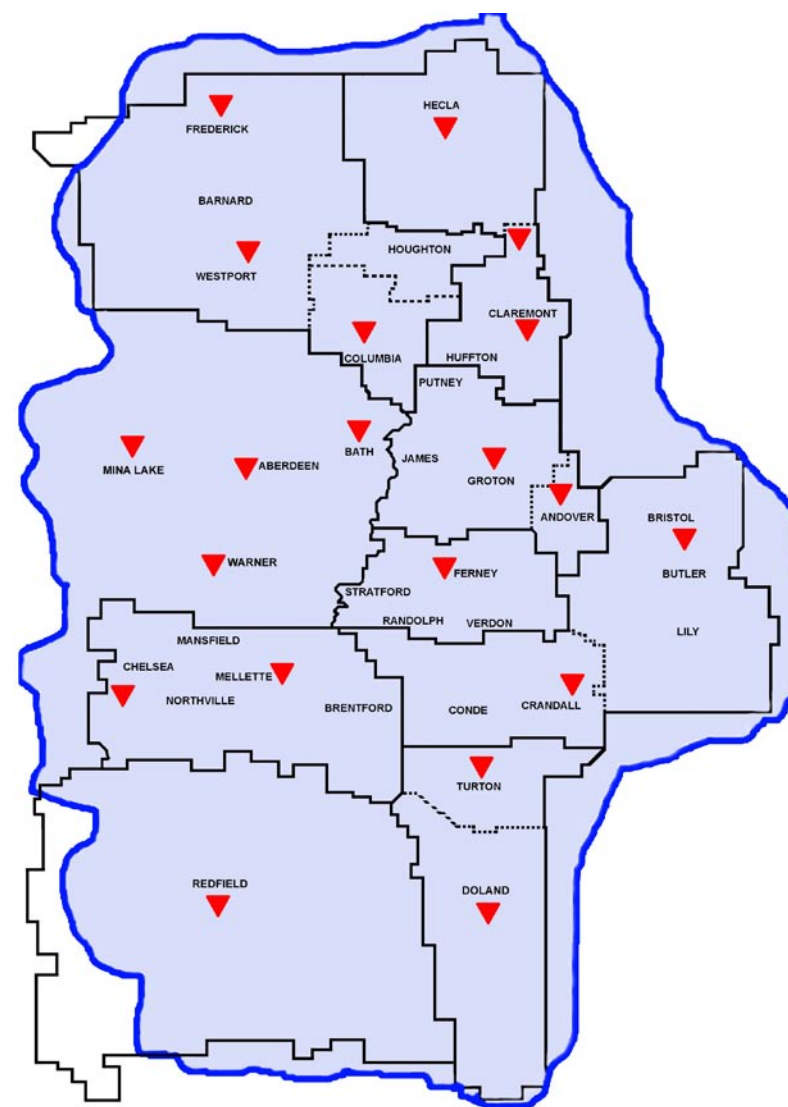
You may want to consider adding information such as a PO Box, an email address or a cell phone number. There is no charge to list a PO Box in the same community as your 911 address. Additional line listings (email addresses, cell phones, lake cabins, etc.) are \$1.00 per month. Fill out and return the form below for your free listing change!

EXAMPLE

Jones John & Jane 1234 Main St Grtn397-5555
E-mail: jones@nvc.net
Jones Katie 1234 123rd Av PO Box 99 Cnd.....382-5555
Cell Phone.....380-5555

Name _____
Phone _____
Change Listing To: _____
Add A New Listing (\$1.00/mo per listing): _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____
Deadline for free listing change: 1/31/07

Significant Progress Made On Cell Phone Project



Foundations were dug and poured at several cell site locations last month in preparation for JVT's cell phone service; including Claremont, Frederick, Columbia, Hecla, and Andover. The next step will be constructing the towers. Existing structures in Groton and Crandall were also prepared for the service.

The cooperative plans to construct 20 cell phone towers or sites throughout its service area. The approximate locations of these sites are indicated by red triangles on the map. The blue border around the map indicates the potential local coverage area, although national coverage will be available. While a few of the sites will be built on existing structures such as water towers, the majority will be actual cell phone towers.

The service will not be available to members until the entire network is completed, probably in mid- to late 2007. Plans are still being developed and will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are also being made with large national cell phone companies for JVT's customers to use those networks when they travel outside of JVT's network coverage area.

Stay tuned to future issues of the Dial Tones for more information and updates on the service! In the meantime, try to stay out of long-term contracts with your current provider.



JVT manager James Groft with Jason Winter, the project manager for Wanzek Construction, the contractor for the cell tower.



Workers pour concrete in the foundation for the cell phone tower site located in Claremont.

Check out JVT's website:
www.jamesvalley.com/cellservice.html
for more pictures and updates.



ESPNU Update



Channel 31

JVT is currently working with ESPN to add ESPNU as soon as possible on channel 31 for Expanded View customers. ESPNU is a 24/7 college sports network that is the home for avid, passionate and under served college sports fans.

Programming Highlights

College Baseball - exclusive coverage of the NCAA Regionals.

College Lacrosse - ESPNU televises the most comprehensive lacrosse schedule. Throughout the season, lacrosse fans can keep up on all the action by catching *Toyota Lacrosse Weekly*, as well as *High School Lacrosse All-Star Games*.

Men's Basketball - coverage of *High School All-Star Games* and *NBA Pre-Draft Camps*.

Olympic Sports - ESPNU is the home for many Olympic sports such as rowing, rugby and volleyball.

The U - ESPNU's signature news and information program keeps viewers up-to-date with scores, highlights, interviews and analysis.

To upgrade to Expanded View and get ESPNU, along with channels like Food Network, Nicktoons, and the Golf Channel, contact JVT today.

High Definition Television Service

James Valley Telecommunications is working hard to launch HD service as soon as possible. If you are interested in receiving HD service, email marketing@nvc.net with your name and phone number and we will contact you when it becomes available. *Thanks for your patience!*

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What's on?

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New Channels Coming In January!



Channel 131

In January, JVT will launch the **Biography Channel** on channel 131 and **History International** on channel 132 on the Expanded View package.

People-lovers have a destination every day on **The Biography Channel**, where they can lose themselves and get inspired by the world's most watched, most wanted and most interesting people. And now, the channel is the exclusive home of the award-winning BIOGRAPHY series.



Channel 132

Who in America today is not impacted by the world beyond our borders? **History International** gives you the chance to "globalize yourself" by taking you to countries around the globe to experience history and culture through their eyes. Find out more about the world, and understand how we got to where we are today.

To upgrade to Expanded View and receive **The Biography Channel** and **History International**, along with other channels such as **ESPNews** and the **Food Network**, call JVT today!

What's on this month

- What's On PPV
- Your "Tip of the Month"
- Featured Channel of the Month -- *WE*

WHAT'S PLAYING ON VOD?

We are continuing the VOD upgrade and movies are now available in many homes. If you are unable to access the VOD menu, the upgrade has not been completed for your equipment yet. Below is a listing of VOD movies and some of the free VOD programming that will be available in January.

VOD Movies in January

Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest Starting January 4

Captain Jack Sparrow's life is in debt to the legendary Davey Jones, Captain of the Flying Dutchmen who are supernatural warriors out for blood. Facing possible eternal damnation, Jack must save himself with help from Will Turner and Elizabeth Swann, who must come to Jack's aid.

Ice Age: the Meltdown Starting January 5

While Skrat the Saber Toothed Squirrel is still ineffectually trying to regain his precious acorn, the misfit trio of Manny the Mammoth, Sid the Sloth and Diego the Sabretooth Tiger have settled down in an isolated valley with numerous other animals. However, the trio discover that the ice wall surrounding the valley is barely holding back a massive body of water behind it and it's melting state threatens to break and flood the valley. With their one chance of survival being a boat at the other end of the valley, the trio follow the desperate exodus there. Along the way, they meet Ellie, a female mammoth who is convinced she's an opossum like her brothers. While the strange group continues the trek, they must learn to get along even as Manny struggles to find some connection to this strange female who may be the only other one of his kind.

You, Me and Dupree Starting January 4

Kate Hudson, and Matt Dillon are just-married and are starting their life together--complete with a cute house, boring neighbors, stable jobs and the routines of newlywed existence. There's just one unfortunate hitch in their perfectly constructed new world...Dupree, an eternal bachelor and old friend who just lost his job and needs a place to stay. Indefinitely.

Free VOD Programming in January

Rockettes & Soap Opera Camps Starting January 1

If you want to be a Radio City Rockette or soap opera star, follow that dream -- learn choreography from a Rockette and take part in the Rockette Experience, or work alongside stars at Daytime Encounter Soap Opera Fantasy Camp.

Secret Life of ...Diets Starting January 1

Being on a diet used to mean simply eating less to lose weight, but today's diets

satisfy the dining urge by offering a range of delicious alternatives. Host Jim O'Connor tightens his belt to examine the history of weight loss.

National Open House 101 Starting January 1

Explore what kinds of homes you can find in Ann Arbor, Mich., Austin, Texas, and Los Angeles at price points of \$250,000, \$500,000, \$750,000, and \$1 million.

Sweat Equity-Living Room Upgrade Starting January 1

Homeowner Jeanne and her contractor decide her 100-year-old house needs a skim coat on the walls, a new hardwood floor and more. After remodeling, the realtor lets Jeanne know if the hard work paid off with a home value boost.

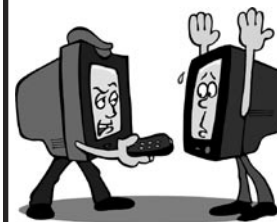
THIS MONTH'S FEATURED CHANNEL



WE TV is the network dedicated to helping women connect to one another and the world around them. With quality original programming including the hit series "Bridzillas," unique movie packages like "Three Men and A Chick Flick," topical specials and its public affairs initiative WE Empowers Women, the network supports women and appeals to their interests in pop culture, relationships and personal style on-air and online.

WE TV is located on channel 117 on JVT's Expanded View package. Visit www.we.tv for more information.

The Cable Corner "Tip of the Month"



Returning to the previous channel

You can return to the previous channel you were watching by pressing the "LAST" or "LAST CH" button.

Viewing future programming

Use the < DAY and DAY > buttons to see what will be playing on a specific channel for the next several days.