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NEW MEMBERS DIRECTORY

New Members

Anderson Shop	Andover	298-5683
Hinrichs Don	Groton	397-2484
Nordine Carl & Tanya	Frederick	329-2233
Schley Dustin	Stratford	395-6666
Setter Dave & Kristie	Frederick	329-2149

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Official Notice of Director Elections

Three directors will be elected at the 2011 annual meeting, which is scheduled for May 26, 2011, at the high school in Groton. Roger Zastrow (District 1), Bill Ewalt (District 4) and Bill Troske (District 7) are up for re-election for 3-year terms.

Anyone interested in running for a director position, in the district which they reside, should file a nominating petition signed by at least fifteen members also residing in that interested member's district. The petition can be picked up at JVT's business office and must be filed at JVT's business office between the hours of 8am-5pm no sooner than March 25 and no later than April 8.

At the annual meeting, members from each district in which a director is being elected will receive a ballot listing the names of all the candidates who have submitted valid petitions for that district. The candidate receiving the majority of votes cast for each district will be elected.

Bylaw Section 4.3. Qualifications to be Nominated, to Become, or Remain a Director. Any member shall be eligible to be nominated, elected and remain a director of the Cooperative who resides in the district from which he is nominated and is not an employee of the Cooperative or in any way financially interested in a competing enterprise or a business engaged in selling communication services or communication supplies or maintaining communications facilities. However, the Board may grant exceptions for "de minimis" competing enterprise. The director is expected to attend two-thirds or more of the regular meetings during each twelve-month period beginning with the month of his election.

Nothing in this Section shall affect, in any manner whatsoever, the validity of any

action taken at any meetings of the Board.

Bylaw Section 4.4. Candidate Petitions. Any member who meets the qualifications of Section 4.3 and wishes to appear on the ballot for election as a director for the member's district, shall, not less than 45 nor more than 60 days preceding the day designated for the annual meeting, file during business hours at the business office of the Cooperative, a nominating petition signed by at least fifteen members residing in such member's district. The petition shall be in a form approved by the board of directors. The signature of only one member of a joint membership may be counted among the valid signatures on a petition, and any other signatures on the same petition by other members of the same joint membership shall be stricken.

Bylaw Section 4.5. Election of Directors. Elections of directors shall be by a separate printed ballot for the exclusive use of the members of each district in which a director is being elected. Each district's ballot shall list the name(s) of the candidate(s) who have submitted valid petitions, the order of which shall be determined by drawing of lots.

At the membership meeting considering the election of directors, the Secretary of the Cooperative shall place in nomination the names of all those who have submitted valid petitions.

The candidate from each district from which a director is being elected receiving the majority of votes cast for that office at such meeting shall be declared elected as a director. At least seven members from that district must cast votes at the membership meeting for the election of the director to be valid. Failure of an election for a given year shall allow the incumbent

director whose directorship would have been voted on to hold over only until the next member meeting at which a quorum is present.

Director petitions must be filed at JVT's office between March 25 and April 18, 2011.



Roger Zastrow – District 1
Houghton - Columbia - Frederick



Bill Ewalt – District 4
Rural Groton - Andover



Bill Troske – District 7
Turton - Doland

Calling for Cash Winners



Recent Calling for Cash Winners include Darla Knox (Doland), Jaime Neuendorf (Roncalli) and Jim Smith (Northwestern). Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all who participated this year!

Catch State Basketball Action

Catch all the state high school basketball action this month with JVT. Below is a schedule of the games and channels they can be found.

Girls Basketball, March 10-12
Class AA on PBS, JVT channel 3

Class A on PBS World, JVT channel 66 and Special Events Channel 63
Class B on PBS Create, JVT channel 67 and Special Events Channel 64

Boys Basketball, March 17-19

Class AA on PBS World, JVT channel 66 and Special Events Channel 63

Class A on PBS, JVT channel 3

Class B on PBS Create, JVT channel 67 and Special Events Channel 64

Special event channels not available in all areas. Call now to check availability.



2011 Bob Peterson Memorial Telecommunications Scholarship

James Valley Telecommunications will be awarding five \$1000 scholarships this year to area seniors whose parents or legal guardians are members of the cooperative.

Scholarship applications have been forwarded to the guidance counselors at area schools. Applications are also available online at www.jamesvalley.com.

The deadline for returning the scholarships to James Valley Telecommunication's office is April 4, 2011.

Seniors must be attending an accredited college, university or vocational school in South Dakota in the fall of 2011. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. As part of the application process, all students shall submit a short essay of 500 words or less answering the question, "How will you use technology to further your post high school education?"

Phone Directory Changes and Additions

James Valley Telecommunications is getting ready to publish the June 2011 phone directory. Please take a moment now to check your listing in the 2010 directory. If you would like any additions or changes to your existing listing in the white pages, please call 611 to make sure these changes are incorporated in the next phone book.

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. If you have a cell phone from James Valley Telecommunications, you can also list your cell number at no charge.

Additional line listings (email addresses, non-James Valley Telecommunications cell phones, lake cabins, etc.) are \$1.00 per month. There is a one-time \$5.00 fee to change your current listing.

THE DEADLINE FOR PHONE DIRECTORY CHANGES IS APRIL 15.



SAVE THE DATE!

55th Annual Meeting

May 26, 2011

Groton High School



Getting the Network

in your mailbox is great, but why not also get it in your inbox!

Sign up for JVT's newsletter. Send an email to marketing@jamesvalley.com to request being added to the list.

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