

# the NETWORK



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## Scholarship Winners

JVT is pleased to announce the winners of the three \$2,000 Bob Peterson Memorial Telecommunications Scholarships for 2024!

Congratulations to (Left to Right): Megan Gustafson, of Langford Area High School, daughter of Joseph and Jennifer Gustafson; Sofia Losure of Frederick Area High School, daughter of Dave and Sofia Losure; Morgan Sumption of Frederick Area High School, daughter of Mark and Michelle Sumption.

Any graduating senior whose parents or legal guardians are members of the cooperative could apply for the scholarships. The winners were selected based in part on an essay on the theme, "Tell a story from your life describing an experience that either demonstrates your character or helped to shape it."

Each winner's essay will be printed in a future issue of the Network.



## Grand Giveaway Winner

*Congratulations to Jennifer Aman, who won a \$200 Visa gift card in our Grand Giveaway!*

Wondering how to register? No problem, because there's no purchase or registration, just winners! Each month we randomly select one of our "grand" residential customers to win. Our next winner could be you!

## AAHS Sponsored Pet

As of printing deadline, our March Aberdeen Area Humane Society pets, Peaches and Cream, are still available for adoption. They are a pair of sweet senior sisters that the AAHS would love to see adopted together. Because our February pet, Cora, was adopted within the month we will donate \$250 to the AAHS.

You can find out more about available pets at [anewleashonlife.net](http://anewleashonlife.net) or call the AAHS at 605-226-1200 to schedule a time to visit.



## Customer Loyalty Discount

We're so thankful for our long-time customers and want to thank you for your years of continued business. If you've been a customer for 5 years or

more, you may be eligible for our customer loyalty discount of 10% off all your monthly recurring services!

Contact us to hear more about our loyalty discount.

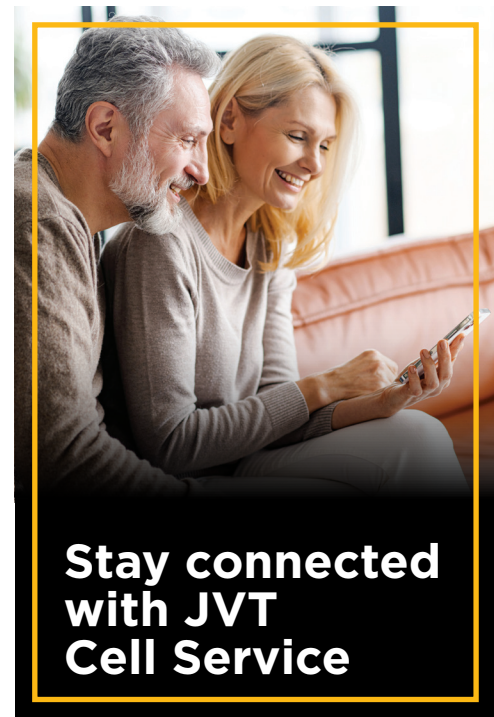
*Discount for residential customers only, restrictions apply.*

## SDTA Scholarship

The South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA) is offering three \$2,000 SDTA Memorial Scholarships.

The SDTA Memorial Scholarships will be awarded to students who have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent; are accepted into or attending a multi-year program degree at any accredited technical college or other accredited post-secondary higher education institution in South Dakota for the fall 2024 semester; are majoring in a degree/program or field of study that is useful in the telecommunications or broadband industry or which significantly relies on the use of broadband services and related technologies. Applicants must be a member/customer or have a parent or legal guardian that is a member/customer of an SDTA member company. Previous SDTA Memorial Scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply.

The deadline to apply for the scholarship is June 14, 2024. The application and details can be found online at [sdtaonline.com/sdta\\_scholarships.php](http://sdtaonline.com/sdta_scholarships.php)



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# NVC/JVT Supports Esports

Aberdeen Central, Northwestern, and Warner esports teams joined a dozen other schools recently in the first-ever esports high school state tournament at SDSU in Brookings.

Esports, or electronic sports, are video games played in organized and competitive matches. It has grown into a multi-billion dollar industry.

We were happy to contribute support to these local schools as they launched their esports programs for the 2023-2024 pilot season. Twenty schools in South Dakota have signed up for the pilot season of esports.



Pictured from top to bottom are the esports teams from Warner Area, Northwestern Area, and Aberdeen Central High Schools on stage at the state tournament. Congratulations on your season!



## New Members

Conde City Of		
Fire Chief Lance Haskell	Conde	382-5325
Svoboda Betty	Frederick	329-2216

## LuAnn Steen Retires

LuAnn Steen's history with JVT began long before she started working here in 2000. LuAnn remembers visiting her dad, Casey Witlock, at work during his 30 years (1955-85) of employment with JVT. Loyalty and dedication obviously run in their family as LuAnn is now "out of service" after 23 plus years serving our customers.

LuAnn graduated from Groton HS and attended NSU before marrying her husband, Jeff. Before JVT, LuAnn worked as a department manager at a craft and hobby store in Pocatello, ID. Wanting to be closer to family, LuAnn, Jeff, and their twins, Jennifer and Jordan, made their way back to Groton. LuAnn started as a receptionist at JVT and then moved into Customer Service as a CSR, which as many of you know, she excelled at.

LuAnn has many great memories with her coworkers and said they've all become like family. One of her funniest memories was when a mouse was caught enjoying treats from a candy dish in Janet and Tricia's office. We took a break from candy dishes for a while after that.

LuAnn plans to spend more time with family and friends, attend races, do some quilting, and get a few overdue projects done at home. Lucky for us she has agreed to help out at the offices sometimes, so you may see her around or hear her on the phone.

Thank you, and congratulations on your retirement LuAnn! We wish you the best and hope you enjoy every day of your well-deserved retirement!



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