

In Touch

JULY 2026

Save the Date of Our 69th Annual Meeting

Wednesday, September 9th
12:00 p.m. meal with the meeting
to follow at 1:00 p.m.



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We Welcome a New Employee

We are excited to announce the addition of a new member to our Venture team in the Highmore community. Megan Peterman joined us in late March as a Marketing Specialist and has already brought fresh ideas and great energy to the role. We are thrilled to have her join our team and look forward to the impact she'll make both in our company and in our efforts to provide exceptional telecommunications services to our valued customers.

Reminder Regarding Credit Card Payments

As a reminder, a 3% processing fee now applies to payments made by credit card. This fee helps offset rising processing costs and is not retained by Venture Communications.

Customers can avoid the fee by paying with a debit card or ACH (bank account), both of which remain available at no additional cost. Customers enrolled in Autopay with a credit card on file are encouraged to update their payment method in eBill if they wish to avoid future processing fees.

Board of Directors 2026 Elections

In accordance with the Bylaws of Venture Communications, director elections were scheduled, and notices were mailed to members in the five districts where directorships are to expire in September 2026.

The Director Election in District 3 was held June 9th. A total of 128 members participated. The candidates were Nick Ferens and Kyle Gilmour. Kyle Gilmour was elected to serve a three-year term, beginning in September.

Venture Communications also held an election on June 4th, 2026, for the District 5 Director position. A total of 128 members participated. The candidates were Rick Arneson and John Hoffmann. John Hoffmann was elected to serve a three-year term, which will begin in September.

We appreciate all the members who took the time to vote. Thank you!

Director elections for District 2, District 6 and District 9 were cancelled, as only one valid petition was submitted in each district. In accordance with the Bylaws of Venture Communications, Brian Bergeleen, Chris Stallkamp and Jessica Simonson are considered elected by acclamation.

The following individuals will be seated on the Venture Communications Board of Directors for a three-year term at the Annual Meeting in September.

- **Brian Bergeleen, District 2:** Wessington Springs Exchange
- **Kyle Gilmour, District 3:** Highmore, Ree Heights, Orient & Seneca Exchanges
- **John Hoffmann, District 5:** Hitchcock, Tulare and Wessington Exchanges
- **Chris Stallkamp, District 6:** Bowdle, Roscoe & Selby Exchanges
- **Jessica Simonson, District 9:** Langford, Pierpont & Roslyn Exchanges



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