SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION LIFELINE/TRIBAL LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH ANNUAL REPORT JULY 1, 2017

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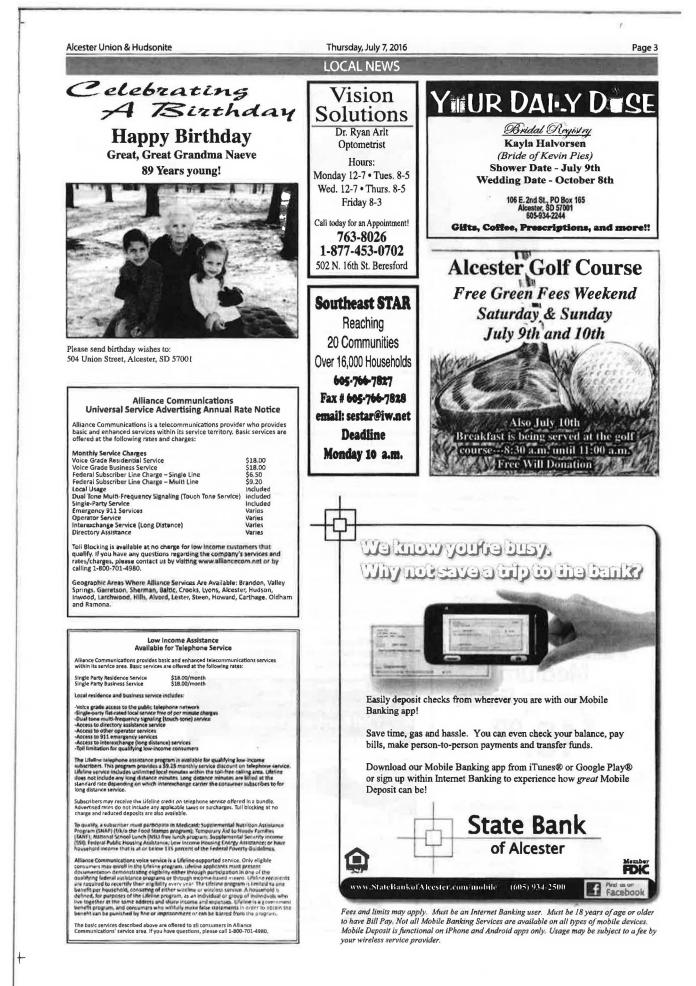
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Study Area Code: 391642, 391657, 391405

Lifeline/Tribal Link Up Advertising/Outreach Activities:

- <u>X</u> Advertise in media of general distribution.* (See attached advertisement(s).)
- <u>X</u> Letter to existing and new customers regarding the availability of Lifeline/ Tribal Link Up within 1st 30 days of service.* (See attached letter.)
- ** Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information in directory.
- <u>X</u> Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information available on Company website. ((www.alliancecom.com)
- X Company's information posted on USAC website.
- ** ____ Other (describe): Alliance does not publish its own directory. The information is published by DEX for the local areas served._

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University graduate traded in her bowling gear to pursue an-other pas-sion: music.



Rubin grad-uated with degrees in Haley Rubin piano per-formance

and education, and now she's bound for the University of Iowa this fall on a full-ride scholarship, where she has se-cured a teaching assistant-

"I wanted to do music, I "I wanted to do music, I just didn't know what," Ru-bin says of her education path. "I was in choir there (Waldorf) all four years and did voice lessons and con-tinued all of that, but I didn't know what path I wanted to aged me to apply for graduate school in voice, so I did to see if I could get in, and I did."

At Iowa, Rubin will study vocal performance, and in her assistant role, she will also give voice lessons.

Within a day or two of learning she was accepted to the University of Iowa, Rubin also learned she had to the University of Iowa, Rubin also learned she had been accepted to an elite in "The 25" Annual Putnam program in Germany. The County Spelling Bee" as opportunity came to her as she was looking for more Dolly Parton's famed movie singing opportunities. "My aunt loves singing rad she loves opera an gave me the name of this program in Germany, and

scholarship to help with tu-ition costs for the musical theater and intensive opera program. "We're exposed to both

but I will be performing mu-sical selections," she said, as well as dance class, voice lessons, and even German language class. The latter, she said, will

be helpful as she explores Germany during her free time on the weekends. "I've been learning on an

"I've been learning on an app I downloaded," she said. "I do a little bit every day be-cause I want to be able to say 'Hello' and things." Rubin describes the

"a whole month of intense training, learning, explor-ing and traveling, and I thought I was going to work all summer and go to school in the fall.

In the fail. The opportunities she gained at Waldorf, Rubin said, were highly unexpect-ed. Among those opportuni-ties are the lead roles she was cast for in three musi-cals at Waldorf cals at Waldorf. "That was never on my

radar, I never expected to get one of the lead parts," she said.

NEWS BRIEFS

Haley Rubin played the role of "Doralee" in Waldorf's presentation of "9 to 5." It's the same role Dolly Parton played in the movie by the ie name.

Valley High School) but it was just kind of a fun thing to do on the side. I always played piano and did choir, and at Waldorf I really got exposed to the musical as-pect of the art."

Rubin's love for music was first inspired by her family's involvement.

"My mom played plano and my grandma she did music, and I remember starting plano lessons in second grade. My sisters were in plano, and whatever were in plano, and whatever my sisters did, I wanted to do too, so I started and was the one that continued with plano. I had a great teacher, Vicky Tucek. She was amaz-ing and then I was in choir and we had Mr. Gullickson, and he was an amazing and

inspiring teacher." Ironically so, it wasn't until college that she discovered her voice.

ered her voice. "I never took voice les-sons un high school. I was in choir and knew I loved too-sing, and knew I was pretty good at it," she said. "I did All-State, but it wasn't until was at Waldorf that some-one said, "You should pursue this."



Haley Rubin scored a leading role in "Urinetown The Musical" at Waldorf.

Rubin said her master's forms, and I think if you find degree will be in opera, a a storyline that you like and music style she's come to listen to the music and actulove and appreciate. "I love the music. Some

"I love the music. Some of it can be kind of dry...but if you can actually look at the translations of things, some of it can be really fun-ny or really dramatic, and same of the story lines are if you can actually look at able," she said. The translations of things, some of it can be really fun-master's degree, Rubin said ny or really dramatic, and same of the story lines are really intense.... It's really. ijust a blending of all music

ally have an understanding of what they're singing about, it can be really enjoy-able," she said.

lege level. And there are ad-junct positions where you junct positions where you can play or accompany, be a yocal coach, or coach them in the language and the mu-sic, but it could also change in two years and if there are performing opportunities that come up, you never know," she said. "And I've always also wanted to open my own music studio for my own music studio for voice and piano."

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Jusk and Charlie's to sell USD, SDSU rft gjenn

Sioux Falls-area residents will no longer have to choose sides in the friendly University of South Dakota and South Dakota State ta and South Dakota State University rivalry when shopping for spirit gear. The Empire Mall will open the aptly named Jack and Charlie's, after South Dakota's favorite mascots,

this summer. Jack and Charlie's will Jack and Charlie's will be open to aboppers across from the new Red Robin next month. The 3,000-square-foot store will car-ry apparel, gifts, souvenirs and more from both the University of South Dakota and South Dakota State University

University. "USD and SDSU are fierce rivals in NCAA Division I athletics, but so many South Dakota fam-ilies have ties to both schools," said Tena Haschools," said Tena Ha-raldson, director of mar-keting communications at the University of South Dakota. "It will be fun for them to shop at one loca-tion. Together the two schools have tens of thou-sands of alums right here in Sioux Falls."

"The opportunity to partner with USD allows us to come up with creative opportunities that could tie into various community or statewide efforts," said Derek Peterson, director of South Dakota State's of South Dakota States business and auxiliary op-erations. "This is a great opportunity for both insti-tutions and we look for-ward to working together."

Governor's House program hits 20-year milastone

The Governor's House Program from the South Dakota Housing Develop-ment Authority (SDHDA) is celebrating its 20th anni-versary. ince the pro-gram's inception in 1996, the Governor's House proclude » Household the Governor's House pro-gram has been able to serve more than 2,000 South Dakota Families with energy efficient and affordable homes. "The Governor's House

program was created as a way to provide reasonably sized, affordable homes to income-qualified individ-uals and families," SDHDA Executive Direc-SDHDA Executive Direc-tor Mark Lauseng said. "The program continues to find ways to keep costs down by offering several incentives, allowing us to continue to offer South Dakota residents an opportu-nity to have a quality, low-

cannot exceed \$44,030 for couples or individuals and \$50,320 for families of three or more. » For families and indi-

For families and indi-viduals under the age of 62, net worth must be least than \$90,000 and least than \$70,000 in liquid assets.
For families and indi-viduals age 62 and older;

income

net worth must be less than \$175,000 and less than \$100,000 in liquid assets.

» The house must be used as the homebuyer's

only residence. » The house must be placed within South Dako-ta and be owned by the individual(s) living in the

nity to have a quality, low-maintenance and energy For more information efficient place to call about the Governor's home." House program and quali-The Governor's House fications, please visit us at program qualifications in-http://www.edhda.org.

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HOWARD CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS June 27, 2016

The Howard City Council met in special session on Mondayi, June 2016 in the Council Chambers or Andrew Dold presided with Aldermen Bernard Feldhaus, Jean Thompson, Mark Karstens and Greg Dufault, Mary Leary and Ryan Spader were absent.

OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION

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Low Income Assistance

Available for Telephone Service

\$18.00/month

\$18.00/month

The Lifeline telephone assistance program is available for qualifying low-income subscribers. This program provides a \$9.25 monthly service discount on telephone service. Lifeline service includes unlimited local minutes within the toll-free calling area, Lifeline does not include any long distance minutes. Courd distance minutes are billed at the standard rate depending on which interexchange carrier the consumer subscribes to for long distance and/one.

Subscribers may receive the Lifeline credit on telephone service offered in a bundle Advertised rates do not include any applicable taxes or surcharges. Toll blocking at no charge and reduced deposits are also available.

To qualify, a subscriber must participate in Medicaid; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) {//k/a the Food Stamps program); Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF); National School Lunch (NSL) free lunch program; Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Federal Public Housing Assistance; Low Income Housing Energy Assistance; or have household income that is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Alliance Communications voice service is a Lifeline-supported service. Only eligible consumers may enroll in the Lifeline program. Lifeline applicants must present documentation demonstrating eligibility either through participation in one of the qualifying federal assistance programs or through income-based means. Lifeline recipients are required to recertify their eligibility every year. The Lifeline program is limited to one benefit per household, consisting of either wireline or wireless service. A household is defined, for purposes of the Lifeline program, as an individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline is a government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the benefit can be onividend by the or limits one of the order of the torgaran.

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benefit can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the program.

The basic services described above are offered to all consumers in Alliance

Alliance Communications voice service is a Lifeline-supported service. Only eligible

Alliance Communications provides basic and enhanced telecommunications services within its service area. Basic services are offered at the following rates:

OFFICE Alderman Ward III Gerald H. Adler **Tom Glanzer**

Single Party Residence Service

Access to other operator services

Access to 911 emergency services

long distance service.

Local residence and business service includes:

-Voice grade access to the public telephone network -Single-party flat-rated local service free of per minute charges -Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch-tone) service -Access to directory assistance service

-Access to interexchange (long distance) services -Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers

Single Party Business Service

Howard Precinct Andrew Dold Donald M. Arens

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)

We, the City Council, appointed as the Board of Canvassers, because of our positions on the governing board in the jurisdiction of Howard for the Municipal election held on the 14th day of June, 2016, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the votes cast in the jurisdiction of Howard at the election as shown by the returns certified to the person in charge of the election Mark Karstens Jean Thompson

Bernard Feldhaus Greg Dufault Andrew Dold

Sworn to before me this 27th day of June, 2016 Donna Klinkhammer

Dufault moved, Thompson seconded and carried to approve the canvass of the election held June 14, 2016

Executive Session

Feldhaus moved, Karstens seconded and carried to go into executive session with Supt Greg Gross to discuss personnel matters. Feldhaus moved, Thompson seconded and carried to come out of executive session.

June Weather

Recap

There being no further business Feldhaus moved, Dufault seconded and carried to adjourn to the regular July 11th Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Dold, Mayor

ATTEST: Donna Klinkhammer Finance Officer

Published one time at an apporximate total cost of \$20,18 (July 7)



Housekeeping Position- Part Time

Prairie Winds Dental Clinic, an office of Horizon Health Care, Inc. in Howard, South Dakota is seeking a part time housekeeper. Requirements of the position are the ability to do housekeeping and manage ones time.

Horizon Health Care is an Equal Opportunity/ Affirmative Action employer. We strongly encourage applications from those who identify as diverse in terms of gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, and/or veteran status.

> Apply on line @ www.horizonhealthcare.org/careers Resumes can be emailed to HR@horizonhealthcare.org



Foundation Database / Development Assistant – Fulltime

Horizon Health Care, Inc. is seeking a Foundation Database / Development Assistant. The individual will be responsible for recording and maintain all records of gifs, maintaining donor records, communications with and to donors, reconciliation of accounts, cash management policies and procedures, development and production of financial reports and projections. Position will process and/ or coordinate communications, maintain current donor/ prospect information, perform data entry and corrections in order to maintain accurate detailed records of donations to the Foundation.

Advanced degree preferred. Minimum of two years advanced support requiring computer proficiency or bookkeeping and/or accounting required. Nonprofit experience and Raisers Edge software experience preferred,

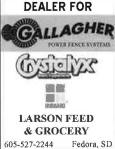
A competitive wage and excellent benefit package is being offered that includes: health, dental, vision, short and long term disability, life insurance, 401 K plan, 9.5 paid holidays, vacation and sick leave,

Horizon Health Care is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer. We strongly encourage applications from those who identify as diverse in terms of gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, and/or veteran status.

Apply on-line @ www.horizonhealthcare.org Resumes can be emailed to hr@horizonhealthcare.org



by James McCain Average High 82 Average Low 57 Average Temperature 70 High Temp, June 12 95 Lowest Temp, June 2 & 7 47 Total Moisture in June 141 Total Moisture Year to Date 12.33



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Dear DELIVERY NAME:

Once a year, Alliance Communications is required to notify all residential customers about low-income assistance programs for telephone service. If you already participate in Lifeline, you do <u>NOT</u> need to do anything at this time. The annual Lifeline recertification will occur later this year.

What types of discounts are available?

- The Lifeline program offers support to qualified low-income residential consumers for one telephone line per eligible household. Lifeline assistance lowers the cost of basic, monthly local telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive \$9.25 per month in discounts. In addition, the Federal Universal Service Charge is not assessed to consumers participating in Lifeline.
- **Toll Blocking** prevents the placement of all long distance calls for which a subscriber would be charged. Toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost. Also, by choosing this option, consumers are usually not charged a deposit for local phone service.

How do I know if I'm eligible? Consumers are eligible for Lifeline if they, one of their dependents or their household participate in one of the following qualifying assistance programs:

- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Medicaid
- National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Lifeline applicants must present documentation demonstrating eligibility either through participation in one of the qualifying federal assistance programs or through income-based means. Acceptable documentation of program-based eligibility includes current or prior year's statement of benefits from a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; notice letter of participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; or another official document evidencing the consumer's participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program.

See reverse side for more information.

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Household Size	Income	Household Size	Income
1	\$16,038	6	\$43,983
2	\$21,627	7	\$49,586
3	\$27,216	8	\$55,202
4	\$32,805	Each extra person	\$5,616
5	\$38,394		

Can I qualify based only on my income? Yes. Consumers are eligible for Lifeline if their household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Acceptable documentation of income eligibility includes prior year's state, federal or Tribal tax return; current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub; social security statement of benefits; Veterans Administration statement of benefits; retirement/pension statement of benefits; unemployment/workmen's compensation statement of benefits; federal or Tribal notice of letter participating in General Assistance; or a divorce decree or child support award or another official document containing income information.

What services do I receive through Lifeline? Lifeline includes unlimited <u>local</u> minutes within the toll-free calling area. Lifeline does not include long distance minutes. Long distance minutes are billed at the standard rate depending on which carrier the consumer subscribes to for long distance service. As part of the Lifeline service, toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost. Subscribers may receive the Lifeline credit on telephone service offered in a bundle. Advertised rates do not include any applicable taxes or surcharges.

Will I need to recertify my Lifeline eligibility every year? Lifeline recipients must recertify their eligibility annually. Failure to properly recertify a recipient's continued eligibility for the Lifeline program will result in termination of the Lifeline recipient's monthly Lifeline discount and de-enrollment from the Lifeline Program.

Are there any other restrictions in the Lifeline Program? The Lifeline program is limited to one benefit per household, consisting of either wireline or wireless service. A household is defined as an individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline is a government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements to obtain the benefit can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the program.

Lifeline enrollment forms are available at <u>www.alliancecom.net/phone/local-phone</u>, or dial 611 from any phone with Alliance service or call 605-594-3411.

Sincerely,

Shirley Henegen

Shirley Flanagan Customer Service Supervisor