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LIFELINE/TRIBAL LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH
ANNUAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2019**

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Lifeline/Tribal Link Up Advertising/Outreach Activities:

- Advertise in media of general distribution.* (See attached advertisement(s).)
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- Company's information posted on USAC website.

Other (describe):

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"I like that he actually has a message and a platform," said Nichole Cauwels of Sioux Falls. "He's not just out there talking about the other candidate."

Cauwels and her mom, Mary Root, were among several supporters at the Oct. 25 gathering.

They said they believe in Bjorkman because he's not taking outside corporate donations, and he's not a career politician.



Jamie Hult/BV Journal
U.S. Congress candidate Tim Bjorkman chats with Roger Solheim Thursday at Tailgator's while Linda Larson and Jim Solheim look on.

"He's not a slicky boy like Trump," Root said. "We need someone fighting for us for Social Security, Medicare and things like that that we've already earned."

Root worked at 'Ma Bell' for more than 30 years, as did Patty Jenkins.

Both women met Bjorkman at Sioux Falls campaign events and

I couldn't have an affiliation with the Republican party," he said. "That's just not who I am."

He said one of his priorities is helping people with mental illness by getting to the root of it, rather than incarcerating those individuals.

"So many are not in the work force, and instead of treating their needs, we charge them with felonies, their needs go untreated,

to Medicaid.

Those without insurance are often released and untreated from emergency rooms — "and we pay for that. Penny-wise and pound-foolish," he said.

"There are a lot of hurting, struggling people whose lives are so broken," Bjorkman said. "It's a vicious cycle."

Chamber says 'no' to 'W'

Brandon group joins 40-plus opposed to Nov. 6 ballot measure

Jamie Hult
Staff writer

Plenty of people and groups on both sides of the political aisle are saying "'W' is wrong," and the Brandon Valley Area Chamber of Commerce is one of them.

The Brandon Chamber hasn't taken a stance on a political issue before, but after learning about Constitutional Amendment W from South Dakota and Sioux Falls chamber councils she has associations with, Kim Cerwick brought the issue to the local chamber's issues management committee and board of directors.

The Nov. 6 ballot measure is flawed for a lot of reasons, the Brandon Valley Area Chamber CEO/president said.

"It's how it's written. It creates a fourth level of government and completely changes the constitution, and that shouldn't be taken lightly," Cerwick said.

Amendment W proposes to replace the government accountability board recently created by the state legislature with a new board that would have broad power and not beholden to the public for votes.

As the amendment is written, the new board would have the authority not only to override the state constitution, but also fire districts, townships and library boards.

"This amendment goes too far," Cerwick said.

Amendment W would also change cam-

paign finance and lobbying laws — another issue the state legislature has addressed, according to "Vote No on W" and "W Is Wrong" campaign groups.

The Brandon Valley Area Chamber is one of more than 40 organizations that have taken a stance against the Nov. 6 ballot topic.

In addition to the South Dakota Chamber of Commerce and Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce, that list includes the South Dakota Retailers Association, South Dakota Municipal League, and statewide organizations representing agriculture, banking, farming, health care, rural electric coops, telecommunications and townships.

"It spans across the board, and I think that speaks loudly," Cerwick said. "It's not often you see so many organizations come together."

The Brandon Valley Area Chamber has not put any money behind the "Vote No on W" and "W Is Wrong" campaigns — just its name and support.

"I feel our organization has grown to the point where it's time to take a leadership role," Cerwick said.

The Brandon Valley Area Chamber board consists of 13 members, with 20 on its issues management committee and 280 business members.

Amendment W is one of five ballot issues South Dakota voters will decide the fate of in the Nov. 6 general election.

To learn more, see page 7 of this issue.

The best among SD musicians



Submitted photo
These 24 Brandon Valley High School musicians performed last weekend with the 66th South Dakota All-State Chorus and Orchestra in Rapid City. Pictured are, from left, row one: Aiden Carson, Kody Postma, Ross Oren, Jimmy Hoffmann, Grace Wilford, Kristofer Smith, Landon Smith, Henry Helberger, Courtney Moeller, Connor Klimek, Calista Kocmick; row two: Emilii Widrig, Abby Waldner, Emma Eichelberg, Keaton Beyer, Sierra Coyle, Garrett Lien, Kenzie Polasky, Zach Hentschel; and row three: Isaac Burchill, Issy DeWitt, Morrigan Crapser, Harry Helberger, Anna Nuss. The All-State Chorus and Orchestra Concert was broadcast live on SDPTV1, and will be rebroadcast Thanksgiving Day.

A chili cook-off with a kick

Brandon VFW to stage first annual event Nov. 9

Jill Meier
Journal editor

Post 4726 Quartermaster.

Did you hear the one about the two former Marines that found a bunch of old trophies while scavenging through the boxes stored in the basement of the local VFW?

There's no punch line here, but the old trophies have inspired former Marines Luke Reimers and Andrew Schmidt to organize a "fun" chili cook-off Nov. 9 at Three Rivers VFW Post 4726.

"We just want to get the community involved and have a little fun," Reimers said.

Reimers and Schmidt are now tasked with repurposing the box of old softball and pool trophies into chili cook-off trophies for first, second and third place and the crowd-favorite's "Fire Breather" concoction.

"They're (the trophies) probably aren't worth displaying loudly and proudly, but at the same time, we're going to have some fun with them," Reimers assures.

"The prize is the trophy, probably a free drink and bragging rights," said Ron Harris,

There's no entry fee to participate or to sample the entries, and those who plan to cook up a pot of chili should notify the bar staff prior to the cook-off or "just show up."

"We don't want your money, we just want you to come," Harris said.

And there is not a minimum amount of chili required, Harris said. "Bring as much as you want - three or 300 bowls of chili."

"Think of it as more of a potluck-style event," Reimers adds. "Don't bring the tiniest of crockpot, bring enough to share."

The first-third place and "Fire Breather" winners will be determined by a vote of the people.

The Marines and their peers from all branches of the military hope to make this an annual event leading up to Veterans Day which is Sunday, Nov. 11.

"We just want to drum up a little community support, and we know the support is there," Reimers said. "So, just bring your chili and yourself and we'll have a good time."

Local man killed in Neb. collision with sem

Staff report

way 183.

A Brandon man, 23-year-old Brandon Massmann, was fatally injured in a collision involving a semitrailer and a pickup truck in central Nebraska near Broken Bow.

The accident occurred around 11:15 a.m. Tuesday at a Custer County road intersection with U.S. High-

According to a Nebraska State Patrol report, the driver of the semitruck, David Skeels, 66, of Ansley, Neb., was traveling eastbound and failed to stop at a stop sign and collided with the pickup truck being driven by Wyatt Torcicill, 43, of Baltic.

Massmann, a 2013 Brandon Valley High School

graduate, was killed and Torcicill was transported to a Kearney, Neb., hospital Torcicill's injuries are unknown, the State Patrol reports.

Funeral services for Brandon Massmann were held Saturday, Oct. 27 at Brandon Lutheran Church. Heartland Funeral Home in Brandon handled the arrangements.

Ad run Oct 31, 2018

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Capital Outlay Fund:
 Follett School Solutions, text and library books 1029.22, Geotek Engineering, testing 715.00, High Plains Technology, projectors & smartboards 5379.23, Independent Viking Glass, doors 2560.00, Mid America Books, library books 169.66, Pro-Vision Video Systems, shipping on bus cameras 77.93, School Specialty, desks 547.98, Tellinghuisen, Inc., Pmt #6-HS Addition 280,250.00, TSP, Inc., architect fees 20,733.26.

Special Education Fund:
 Mirinda Hattervig, sub teacher 45.00, Janeane Henn, sub teacher & aide 300.00, Cheryl Lewis, substitute aide 45.00, Jamie Nelson, sub teacher 100.00, Berin Pach, sub aide 100.00, Rhonda Pulford, sub speech 100.00, McKenna Rudebusch, sub aide 138.00, Ashley Schwader, sub aide 124.20, Kristi Schwader, meal 5.73, Rod Ulrich, sub teacher & aide 295.00, Melissa Voelz, meals 12.33, Payments made to other institutions for student services 9816.24, First National Bank-VISA, manipulatives 99.35, Mileage paid to parent 185.64, High Plains Technology, projector & smartboard 2922.62, Paula Kingery, mileage 100.80, Madison Central School District, director services 2993.48, Prairie Lakes Education Coop, director & psych expenses 2739.69, Rusty's Store, food and supplies 20.63, Sanford Health Plan, flex fees 4.00.

Food Service Fund:
 Thrive Nutrition Services, Aug and Sept meals 30,807.33.
Other Enterprise (FAST):
 Raylynn Laible 112.54, Riley Laible 138.83, Lea Selken 359.75, Kristen Steinmetz 316.40, wages and FAST-Petty Cash, snacks 123.98.

Meyer moved to declare the following surplus:
 • Percussion equipment for sale to the Dupree School District for \$1250
 • Generator replaced by HS addition project for sale to best offer
 • Computer equipment with no value to be disposed.
 The motion was seconded by

Connor and unanimously carried.

Public School Exemptions 2019-009, 010 and 011 were noted and filed with the State of South Dakota.

Motion by Meyer, seconded by Shumaker and carried, to allow Sarah L. Feldhaus three additional days of professional leave in the 2018-2019 school year to participate in the Technology in Education organization's "Reaching Out: Meeting the Needs of Rural School Librarians" program. Feldhaus was one of thirteen South Dakota librarians selected for the events ranging from October 2018 through April 2021.

Julie Schwader will serve as the voting delegate for the ASBSD Delegate Assembly.

Noid and Lee delivered administrative reports.

Public access to the weight room facility upon completion was discussed. It was the consensus of the board to organize that process and program for the next school year term.

Shumaker attended and Schwader and Kampshoff were registered to attend ASBSD Regional meetings.

Motion by Meyer, seconded by Shumaker and carried, to purchase a 2004 Chevy Silverado 1500 pickup at a cost of \$6100 from SD Federal Surplus Property Agency to be used for buildings and grounds maintenance.

The Table Committee met earlier in the evening and teacher representatives shared results of a staff survey. Three top areas were discussed: Adding late starts one Wednesday morning each month for staff collaboration, allowing time for tutoring and directing administration to see what they can do to improve staff morale.

Strategic Planning documents will be updated with timelines of various identified projects and goals.

Motion to enter into executive session at 8:07 p.m. for personnel matters in accordance with SDCL 1-25-2 (1) was made by Kampshoff, seconded by Shumaker and carried.

The board came out of executive session at 8:58 p.m. Motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. was made by Kampshoff, seconded by Hoyer and carried.

ATTEST:
 Marcia Sherman,
 Business Manager

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One of Canova's Own Holding a Free-Will Donation Supper

By Adyson Glanzer

I am sure by now some of you have heard that our friend Todd Glanzer was recently diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, high-grade Mucoepidermoid Carcinoma. Todd's initial needle core biopsy on June 19th came back clear. The mass continued to grow in size and was impending on a nerve, so its eventual removal was necessary. Following surgery to remove the mass on July 17th, we discovered that the tissue around the mass was malignant. As you can imagine, we were all shocked by this news.

Todd started his treatment on Wednesday, September 12th for both Chemotherapy and Radiation at Avera Prairie Center in Sioux Falls. He has treatments for the next seven weeks. He attends Chemotherapy once a week and Radiation five days a week. Every week or two, he also has to attend appointments for follow-up CT scans.

For those of you who know Todd, you know that he is a kind, generous, hardworking, doting father with a giant heart. He would give the shirt off his back to help anyone in need. He loves animals and sports and spending time with his family. To help with medical costs and fuel for trips to and from appointments we are planning a

supper with a free will donation sponsored by Howard Cold Storage. It will be on Saturday, October 27 at the Care Center in Canova. We are planning a silent auction and a corn hole tournament for that same day and location as well. Tentatively, corn hole will take place at 2:00 p.m., followed by a meal at 5ish and the auction shortly after.

round. At the time of his voyages, it was already a widely acknowledged fact in the European upper class that the earth was a globe.

Following his journey, Columbus did not discover America, Amerigo Vespucci did, nor did Columbus ever set foot in North America. He initially landed in the Bahamas (and later in Central and South America) believing he had landed in Asia, even though several of his contemporary navigators swore he hadn't. During his voyages through these lands, he likely did not introduce Syphilis to native tribes, as is the common conception of an argument used against Columbus.

Reflection on a Holiday: Misconceptions About Columbus

By M. Ravenberg

As Columbus Day, now Indigenous Peoples Day in many places, has passed we can take a moment to pause and reflect. Christopher Columbus has been elevated to a state of near worship in American culture, primarily due to falsely attributed "facts" about his achievements, leading to arguments over whether or not he should have a holiday dedicated to him. On one side are the people who believe his positive qualities outweigh his negatives. On the other hand, the people who believe he didn't do any good and was an incompetent though lucky fool. Both sides have their shortcomings and flawed points.

To start at the beginning, Columbus did not set out to prove that the Earth was

To Columbus's credit, he did help establish new trade routes and was the first European to remain for extended periods in the western hemisphere. This led to later colonization of the Americas, including, of course, North America.

The primary reason Columbus was credited with so much he didn't do was that early Americans made an effort to distance themselves from John Cabot, the explorer who landed at and claimed Newfoundland for England, which led to a boom in colonization efforts of North America. Early Americans wanted a hero figure, and that is what Columbus became.

Many modern Americans are now petitioning to rename the holiday because Columbus isn't nearly as important to us as he once was, and now we see his legacy and his infamy for what it is, not what we had wanted it to be hundreds of years ago.

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This auction presents a great opportunity to purchase a productive parcel of Lake County, SD land that has been in the Haugmo & Roling families for many decades. This is farm that has a mixture of productive cropland, along with some areas that may provide a haven for deer, pheasants, waterfowl and other wildlife, thus this property affords a combination of income, hunting and recreational opportunities, uncommonly found on one parcel of land. According to FSA information this +/-154.61 acre farm has approx. 134.77 acres of cropland, with an FSA 125.06 acre corn base with a 143 bu. PLC yield and a 3.74 acre soybean base with a 44 bu. PLC yield, with this farm enrolled under the ARC County election of the USDA farm program. The nontillable portion of this farm are comprised of some pasture, grassland, creek, lowland and roads. According to the Lake Co. Assessor this parcel has an Overall Soil Rating of .706, similarly info, obtained from Surety Agri Data, Inc. indicates that this farm has an overall productivity index of .707. This general topography of this land is level to gently rolling, with some low lying land in the lowland and drainage areas. The 2017 RE taxes payable in 2018 on this property were \$2,960.00. This land is located in Franklin Township in southern Lake County bordering Taopi Twp. in Minnehaha County, which is a highly regarded agricultural and recreational/hunting area. This is a farm that could serve as an excellent addition to an area row crop farming operation and/or investment property, complemented by some excellent hunting and recreational opportunities.

LEGAL DESC.: The SE 1/4, Except Lot 1 & Lot 2 of Henry Laun Add'n., in Sec. 35, T. 105N. R. 52W., (Franklin Twp.), Lake Co., SD.

TERMS: Cash - A 10% nonrefundable earnest money payment sale day & the balance on or before Dec. 20, 2018. Warranty Deeds will be conveyed and owner's title insurance provided with the cost divided 50-50 between the buyer and seller. Jay Leibel, Attorney at Law or his designee will act as the closing agent for this transaction, with the legal costs and closing agent's fees to be paid by the sellers. All of the 2018 RE taxes payable in 2019 will be paid by the sellers. This property will be sold based on the acres stated on the county tax records, with acres understood to be more or less. The seller does not warranty or guarantee that existing fences lie on the true & correct boundary and new fencing, if any, will be the responsibility of the purchaser pursuant to SD Law. FSA yields, bases, payments or other info. is estimated and subject to County Committee approval. Information contained herein is deemed to be correct but is not guaranteed. This property is sold subject to existing easements, restrictions, reservations or highways of record, if any, and subject to Lake Co. Zoning Ordinances. The RE licensees in this transaction stipulate that they are acting as agents for the seller. Sold subject to confirmation of the owner. For additional information contact the auctioneers or see www.suttonauction.com

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- Sioux Empire Fair Board
- Sioux Falls Development Foundation
- Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce
- Regional Ambulance Commission
- Regional Emergency Medical Services Committee
- Metro Management (911 System) Board of Directors
- Urban Planning Development Committee
- Chairperson - Finance Committee/City of Sioux Falls

Community Involvement

- Church Council, Deacon, & Trustee of Our Saviors Lutheran
- Downtown Rotary Club
- Junior Achievement Advisor
- Boy Scout Troop Chairperson & Eagle Scout Advisor
- United Way Volunteer
- SERTOMA District Governor

Family

- Wife, Brenda
- Son, Geoff & daughter-in-law Jenn and grandsons, Alec & Andrew
- Daughter, Angie

Education

- Lennox High School
- Nettleton Junior College
- University of Sioux Falls

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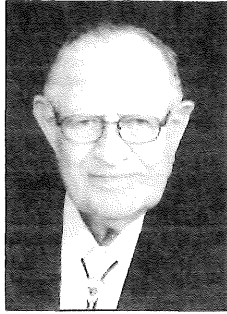
Obituaries...

Elmer D. Homandberg

Elmer D. Homandberg, 92, passed away Monday, October 29, 2018 at the Veterans Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 PM Friday, November 2 at Nathanael Lutheran Church in Alcester, SD. Visitation will be held from 5:00-7:00 PM Thursday, November 1 at Nathanael Lutheran Church with a prayer service beginning at 7:00 PM. wassfuneralhome.com.

Elmer was born August 18, 1926 in Canton, SD to Nels and Myrtle (McConnel) Homandberg. He attended school at the Oakland Country School. In 1946, he enlisted in the United States Navy and proudly served his country in Guam. Following his honorable discharge in 1948, he returned home to South Dakota. He married Wava Hagen on June 14, 1950 at Hudson Lutheran Church.

Elmer and Wava happily raised their children on the farm. Conditions were not always pretty or easy, but they all cherished their time together as meals were prepared, children were cared for and chores were done. Elmer loved his family and was proud of his kids and grandkids. He loved listening to music, making homemade ice cream, bowling, cheering on the Twins, and taking the family on road trips across the country. For many years, he would drive his tractor right out of the field and head to the Union County Fair tractor pull. He made a point to stop at any museum that he could find. He was proud



of the awards he won playing horseshoes at both in-state and national tournaments.

Elmer is survived by his loving wife of 68 years, Wava, Alcester, SD; his sons, Regan (Linda Smith) Homandberg, Alcester, SD and Grant Homandberg, Beresford, SD; his daughters, Patricia (Robert) Lynott, Hawarden, IA, Renae (John) Vandemore, Fairview, SD and Jill (Dave) Hammitt, Owatonna, MN; 27 grandchildren; 41 great-grandchildren; his sister, Norma Vandemore, Rock Valley, IA; and sisters-in-law, LeAnn Knudson, Centerville, SD and Vonda Hagen, Sun City, AZ.

He was preceded in death by 2 daughters, an infant and Melanie Homandberg in 2009; a granddaughter, Katherine; his parents, Nels and Myrtle; his in-laws, Lawrence and Opal Hagen; 3 sisters, Helen Snedeker, Borghild Lund and Nila Miller; and his

Goose, Sandhill Crane, Spring Light Goose Seasons Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized the 2019 goose, Sandhill crane and spring light goose hunting seasons at their November meeting.

Dates for these seasons include:
Canada Geese (and Brant)
Unit 1: October 1 – December 22, 2019
Unit 2: November 4, 2019 – February 16, 2020
Unit 3: January 11-19, 2020
Light Geese
Statewide: September 28, 2019 – January 10, 2020
White-fronted Geese
Statewide: September 28 – December 10, 2019.

Daily limits will be eight Canada geese for Unit 1 and four Canada geese for Units 2 and 3. Daily limit for light geese is 50 statewide.

The Commission increased the daily limit of white-fronted geese from two to three, but also shortened the season from 86 to

74 days.

The Commission expanded the area where hunters can hunt Sandhill cranes, modifying the open unit from that portion of the state lying west of U.S. Highway 281 to that portion of the state lying west of a line beginning at the South Dakota-North Dakota border and State Highway 25, south on State Highway 25 to its junction with State Highway 34, east on State Highway 34 to its junction with U.S. Highway 81, then south on U.S. Highway 81 to the South Dakota-Nebraska border.

The Sandhill crane season will run from Sept. 28 – Nov. 24, 2019, have a daily limit of three and a possession limit of nine.

The Commission made a slight change to the season dates for the Spring Light Goose Conservation Order, changing it from 79 days beginning the day after the Unit 2 dark goose season to the day after the Unit 2 dark goose season to May 15.

Camping Fee Changes Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission recently made three adjustments to park fees.

The Commission defined the new service of a modern cabin being a structure with beds, electricity, sewer and water and established a fee of \$150/night. The Commission also increased the per night

fee for the lodge at Shadehill Recreation area from \$205 to \$280 due to expansion of the lodge. The last adjustment established fees for the use of the Good Earth State Park amphitheater of \$300 for four hours and \$600 for all day (6 a.m. – 11 p.m. from May 1 – Sept. 30 and 6 a.m. – 9 p.m. from Oct. 1 – April 30).



Southeast Farmers Coop

Notice of Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting (the "Meeting") of stockholders of **Southeast Farmers Coop** (the "Company") will be held at the Bridges (Golf Club), Beresford, South Dakota on Monday, November 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. (an evening meal will be served) for the following purposes:

1. to review the audited financial statements of the Company for the fiscal year ended July 31, 2018, together with the auditors' report thereon;
2. election of 2 Directors.
3. to transact such other business that may legally come before the Meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Notice of this meeting is being mailed to all current stockholders at their last known address.

Beresford, SD
November 1, 2018

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
Brian Chicoine
Secretary

Low Income Assistance Available

Financial assistance through the federal Lifeline program is available to help qualified customers afford and maintain basic telephone or broadband Internet service. Lifeline provides a monthly bill credit of \$9.25 on either one telephone service (home or wireless) or one Internet service (home or mobile) per qualified household.

Lifeline telephone service includes unlimited local minutes within the toll-free calling area. Local residential and business telephone service costs \$18.00/month and includes:

- Voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent
- Minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users
- Access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems
- Have toll limitation services available to qualifying low-income consumers

Lifeline does not include any long distance minutes. Long distance minutes are billed at the standard rate depending on which interexchange carrier the consumer subscribes to for long distance service. Subscribers may receive Lifeline credit on 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.

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. Households currently receiving more than one Lifeline service must select a single Lifeline service provider and de-enroll from the program with any other provider(s).

Households must verify eligibility through proof of participation in Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP or food stamps), Supplemental Security Income Program (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance Program, or Veteran's Pension or Survivor Benefits. Consumers may also qualify if they can provide proof of income below 135 percent of the federal poverty level.

A Lifeline application form is available at www.alliancecom.net/phone/local-phones/lifeline. To apply, simply complete the application form and then return it to your chosen participating provider.

Re-certification forms are sent to all Lifeline subscribers each year. In order to continue receiving Lifeline assistance, these forms must be completed and returned to the subscriber's telephone or Internet provider within 60 days. If the re-certification form is not returned, the telephone or Internet provider will discontinue the subscriber's Lifeline assistance.

Lifeline is a government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain benefits 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 Communications' cooperative service area. If you have questions, please call 1-800-701-4980.

Mailed Nov 5, 2018

DELIVERY NAME
DELIVERY ADDRESS
DELIVERY CITY

Low Income Assistance Available

Dear DELIVERY NAME:

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Sincerely,
Alliance Communications

**The Lifeline program is available to residential customers in Alliance Communications cooperative service area. The program isn't available in the communities of Beaver Creek, Hardwick, Jasper, Kanaranzi, Kenneth, Magnolia and rural Luverne.*