

# The Communicator

News from your local coop to keep you connected.

March 2016

## 2016 Annual Meeting

Spring Grove Communications invites all its members to the Annual Membership Meeting of the company. We will serve a meal at 6:00pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm. Door prizes will be given out during the meeting.

### The 2016 Annual Meeting will be held:

When: Tuesday, March 29th  
Where: Fest Building  
Dinner: Served at 6:00pm  
Meeting: Starts at 7:00pm  
RSVP: 498-7787

In order to make appropriate arrangements with the caterer it will be necessary to have an accurate count of people who plan to attend the meal. Therefore, please RSVP by Wednesday, March 23rd.

## Two Director Positions Up

We currently have two director positions up for election for the Spring Grove Communication's Board of Directors. If you are interested in running and would like your name on the pre-printed ballot to become a Director, please stop in the office and pick up Section 4.3 Qualifications to be Nominated, To Become or Remain a Director. You will be required to sign a form upon acknowledgement of the information given to you. We

would also like you to include a paragraph or so as to why you would like to serve on the Board of Directors. This, along with a photo of you, will be included with the program given to each member at the Annual Meeting prior to voting. Please have your paragraph turned into LeAnn no later than noon Wednesday, March 23rd to be included in the program. You may drop off your information at our office or email it to [leann@springgrove.coop](mailto:leann@springgrove.coop).

## Don't Pay Your Bill!

Call us today to have your capital credit check applied to your monthly bill and enjoy not having to worry about one more bill to pay for many months.

## New TV Channels

New channels added March 1st to the **Enhanced package**:

34 NBC Sports Network  
54 BBC America  
60 AMC  
61 WE  
62 Bravo  
65 Discovery Life  
74 E!  
81 IFC  
82 Sundance  
84 SyFy  
87 TBN  
88 Oxygen  
93 CNBC  
95 MSNBC  
100 ESPNEWS  
132 Hallmark Movies & Mysteries

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### H2 Channel Change

The H2 channel 51, has changed to Viceland. The more popular shows aired on H2 will now air on the History channel 50.



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## The Cooperative Way

At Spring Grove Communications you are not just a customer, you are also a member of the cooperative. As a member you share in the profits of the company along with many other benefits. It's the Cooperative Way!

- Did you know that when you purchase services from Spring Grove Communications you are investing in a company that you and your neighbors actually own?

## Know what's below.

### Call before you dig.

Planning to do some digging this spring? Whether you are digging in a new garden, flower bed, planting a tree, building a deck, garage or even adding on to your home, you need to call 811 before you get started. You will need to plan ahead and make this call a few days prior to starting your project. The 811 operator will notify the affected local utility companies and send locators to your dig site to mark approximate location of buried lines with flags or paint. Making this call will help avoid injury, expense, embarrassment and

- Did you know that Spring Grove Communications has paid out over \$3,000,000 to its members over the last 5 years?
- Did you know members actually got back 81% of the money they spent on services in 2014.

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It's the Cooperative Way.***

inconvenience without critical services like electricity, internet or phone.

It doesn't matter if you are a contractor or a home owner in Minnesota or Iowa it's a simple call, a simple number to remember and simply the right thing to do!

**For more information or to submit a locate request online go to:**

**Minnesota:** [www.gopherstateonecall.org](http://www.gopherstateonecall.org)  
**Iowa:** [www.iowaonecall.com](http://www.iowaonecall.com)

## Plan to Build or Remodel?

Whether you are building a new home or remodeling, it is a good idea to think about wiring for the future. Ask yourself, Do I have or will I want a smart TV? How many rooms will have a TV? Will I want to install a security alarm or surveillance cameras? Will I need internet access in each room including the kitchen, bathroom or even the garage? You maybe thinking "Why run wires when most everything is wireless?" Wireless is great, but when equipment like a smart TV is hard wired it will work much better when using Hulu, Netflix, and other streaming services. Gaming systems will work better when hard wired as well.

When walls are open is the best time to run wires. It is also a good idea to have a drop ceiling in your basement for ease of running wire in the future. There are some nice ceiling tiles out there to choose from.

## New Residential Subscribers

David Allen	401 3rd Ave SE	498-3439
Paul & Paula Gustafsson	110 5th Ave NW	498-5430
Joe & Lisa Kessler	554 2nd St SW	498-5420
Roger Lamm	111 5th Ave NW	498-3751
Sherry Pitts	105 4th Ave NW Apt 4	498-5519
Joe Rask	121 W. Main Apt 4	498-3558
Jason Solum	19810 County 8	498-3717
Thomas Trehus	21915 Church Rd	498-5950

Don't assume the electrician will automatically run what you need. Ask questions! If you are not sure what you want or need for internet, TV or phone give us a call and we will help answer your questions. Remember, we are here to help!



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