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## Refer a Friend - Earn \$25

Spread the word about West Central Telephone, and we'll give you \$25 when your friend signs up for service. Earn up to a total of \$100 referral rewards each year.

How does it work? Stop in and get a Refer a Friend card. When you get a friend to sign up for any West Central service, complete the card and mail it back to us with your bill. Once we confirm the service, you'll receive a \$25 account credit on your next bill!



## Celebrate Co-op Month at Our October 12th Open House

Cooperatives benefit the economy of the communities served by returning revenues generated by the cooperative to local members rather than removed shareholders. Co-ops are motivated by service to their members in addition to profit.

As your cooperative, West Central Telephone Association offers an ever-expanding list of broadband services like digital TV, high-speed Internet, and security, surveillance and monitoring as well as telephone, long distance, custom calling features, business phone systems and more.

Come celebrate Cooperative Month on October 12th from 11am to 2pm at the Sebeka office. We'll have demonstrations going on throughout the day. As always, there will be special deals, door prizes, food and fun. More information will be sent in October. Don't miss this fun event!



# Congrats to the 2nd Year & Beyond Scholarship Winners!



Brett Brockpahler



Dillon Card



Candice Carlson



Taylor Carlson



Paul Funk



Jennifer Hoppe



Teresa Horton



Natasha Maninga



Maggie O'Keefe



Aleashia Rathcke

Ten second year or beyond college students were recently chosen to receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Scholarship winners include Brett Brockpahler, Dillon Card, Candice Carlson, Taylor Carlson, Paul Funk, Jennifer Hoppe, Teresa Horton, Natasha Maninga, Maggie O'Keefe and Aleashia Rathcke.

## Directory Photo Contest

West Central Telephone is gearing up to bring you the new 2017 WCTA Directory and we want your photo to grace the cover. \*Submit your favorite photo at [www.facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone](http://www.facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone). Be sure to include a sentence or two about the photo, like where it was taken and why you think it would look great on the new directory cover.

### \$200 Cash for the Winning Photo

Contest Rules:

- Amateur photographers only; no professionals please.
- Contest open to West Central customers only; employees or directors of the cooperative or members of their household, are not eligible.
- Each household may submit up to 10 photographs.
- Photos should be in digital form, at least 300 dpi, preferably in jpg format.
- **Name photos with your name and number of entry, such as: geri salmela1.jpg, geri salmela2.jpg, etc.**
- **Photos should not be altered or enhanced** and should be taken within the WCTA territory.
- If the photo includes people, the individual(s) cannot be easily identified.
- Trademarks, commercial names or advertisements must not appear anywhere in the photograph.
- Photos must be submitted online through our Facebook page found at [facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone](http://facebook.com/WestCentralTelephone). \*Alternatively, you may email the photo to [geris@wcta.net](mailto:geris@wcta.net) with "Photo Contest" in the subject line and **your name, address, phone number and brief description of the picture in the body of the email. Entries on Facebook are preferred!**
- **ABSOLUTELY NO PRINTED PHOTOS WILL BE ACCEPTED; DIGITAL COPIES ONLY.**
- All entries will become the property of West Central Telephone; submission implies consent to use photos on the Directory Cover or in any other advertising campaign.



**Star Wars: The Force Awakens**  
Premiering September 10

**STARZ**

Set 30 years after Return of the Jedi, this intergalactic adventure—and the next installment of the Star Wars saga—features familiar faces and new characters!

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**Deadline for entries is Friday, September 30, 2016.**

# Return to Sender: Address Unknown

As a member of a cooperative, each year that we are successful, members are rewarded with a capital credits check. Unfortunately, allocations are not retired until years later, and some members move out of the area but forget to give us an updated address. In some cases, a member may no longer be living. In either case, the checks are returned to us; members below all had checks returned. If you know the whereabouts of any of the people listed below (or the administrator of the estate), please give us a call at 837-5151 or toll free at 800-945-2163.

|                                |                                 |                             |                          |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Anderson, Cheryl               | Fouts, Margaret                 | Kliever, Constance          | Pesola, Mae              |
| AT&T                           | France, William                 | Kluge, Darrel               | Phillips, I H            |
| Automated Wagering Inter. Inc. | Friest, Bruce                   | Kuha, Carl                  | Pickar, Leisa            |
| Bartholomew, Kenneth           | Frimanslund, Jeff               | Kumpula, Rebecca            | Plautz, Mike             |
| Bauer, Wendy                   | Fuller, Jeffery                 | Kyllonen, Michael           | Pride, Debra             |
| Beach Ardis (Sanchez)          | Gambino, Joe & Nancy            | Larson, Tamara              | Priebe, Magdalene        |
| Beaver, Gary                   | Garner, Mark                    | Larson, William             | Raisanen, Niilo          |
| Beavers, Gena                  | George, Kyle                    | Lemir, Tom                  | Randall, Julia Ann       |
| Bentson, Charles               | Gilmour, Georgine               | Lenzen, Neil                | Rasmussen, Dick          |
| Bickford Art                   | Gise, Ruth                      | Leritz, Steve               | Relitz, Sharon           |
| Blooflat, Bradley              | Godlevske, Kevin                | Lillquist, Derek            | Riddle, Raymond          |
| Borch, R J                     | Gomez, Sheila                   | Lubo, Floyd                 | Rittenhouse, Lawrence    |
| Boutain, Harvey                | Graba, Jayson                   | Lund, Edwin                 | Roiko, Douglas & Annette |
| Boyd, Robert                   | Gravalin, Karen                 | Mack, Lawrence R            | Ronning, Robert & Anna   |
| Brenna, Todd                   | Gravelle, Durwood               | Makinen, Maynard            | Rono, Robert             |
| Brown, Caroline                | Gravy, Haulin                   | Malin, Carol                | Runnoe, Marlene          |
| Buckley, Eric & Gwendolyn      | Haavisto, Alpo                  | Manley, Doug                | Ruona, Harold            |
| Bunnell, David                 | Hahn, Elise                     | Martin Instrument Co        | Rural Cellular Corp      |
| Bunting, Toni                  | Hailstone, Bethanee (Shepersky) | Mason, Jim                  | S & M Auto               |
| Burkman, Chad                  | Hailstone, Mark                 | Matheny, Kent               | Sanchez, Rodney          |
| Bushey, Pete                   | Halpaus, Harlen                 | Matson, Lyle                | Schmitz, Lyle            |
| Cain, Elaine                   | Hammerbacker, Lawrence          | Mattila, Bernard            | Schowinsky, Lisa         |
| Cameron, Robert                | Handt, William                  | Mcgrath, Karen              | Schultz, Laurie          |
| Cameron, Russ                  | Hansen, Jacob                   | Mcmangle, Curtis            | Sebeka, Salvage          |
| Caulk, Chris                   | Haraldson, Martin & Ardith      | Meek, William               | Sharp, Danny             |
| Cherne, Ferne                  | Haverinen, Bobbi                | Mensen, Betty               | Sidenkrantz, Shirley     |
| Christensen, Tina              | Helling, John                   | Mettler, Janice             | Smith, Adrian            |
| Christiansen, Dan              | Hendricks, Lizabeth             | Mico, Paul                  | Spatz, Carol             |
| Clark, Chadd & Monica          | Hepokoski, Lisa                 | Midnight Tanning            | Spindler, Adam           |
| Cooper, Carol                  | Hiltunen, Beverly               | Milbradt, Ryan              | Spirit Lake Cafe         |
| Cottrell, Barb                 | Holmquist, Debby                | Miles, Chris                | Stanhope, Frank          |
| Dahl, Richard                  | Housman, Melissa                | Miller, Charles             | Suhl, Ronald             |
| Davis, Anna                    | Hovin, John & Mary              | Miller, Ernest R            | Sullinger, Marty         |
| Davis, Donna                   | Hovin, Verna                    | Mohs, Susan                 | Swank, David Jr & Monica |
| Dean, James & Shaun            | Hunter, Steve                   | Mueller, Evan               | Swank, Taylor            |
| Demarre, Edward                | Hutmacher, Mark                 | Musgrove, Carol             | Tann, George             |
| Demarre, Timothy               | I Should Have Bought It         | Nation, Ivan E              | Thompson, Connie         |
| Denny, Dale Jr                 | Jensen, Marlys                  | Neal, Wayne                 | Thompson, Loyal & Adele  |
| Devore, Joe                    | Jepson, Mark                    | Nelson, George              | Thompson, Scott          |
| Driza, Charles                 | Johnson, Harvey R               | Nord, David & Nancy         | Vandeusen, Jane          |
| Dumpprope, Darrin & Vanessa    | Johnson, Scott                  | Norris, Wanda               | Ward, Gary               |
| Dunbar, L (Skeets)             | Johnston, Andrew                | Olson, Brenda               | Wegner, Daniel           |
| Ehrens, Dean & Ana             | Juntunen, Jeffrey & Melanie     | Olson, Duane & Karla        | Wick, Lloyd D & Evelyn   |
| Elfstrum, Donald William       | Kalba, Linda                    | Olson, Nancy E              | Wiese, Eli               |
| Erickson, Harvey V             | Kam, Ling                       | Ottens, George              | Wikman, Edward           |
| Evergreen, Real Estate Co      | Kaufman, Roy                    | Otterstetter, Adam          | Wilcox, Becky            |
| Ferguson, Troy                 | Kern, Victor                    | Oudhraj, Nandraj            | Williams, Leroy          |
| Fern, Daniel                   | Ketchum, Wilma P                | Packila, Linda              | Williams, R T            |
| Foley, Cindy                   | Kimball, Sue                    | Pangrac, Andy               | Wittstruck, Doug         |
| Foster, Ron                    | Klemz Jr, Gerald W              | Paulson, William & Patricia | Yliniemi, William N      |

## Welcome, New Members

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Belknap, Heath.....            | 445-1047 |
| Follingstad, Arick.....        | 445-9272 |
| Jones, Matt.....               | 445-1219 |
| Maasconi's Char & Bar.....     | 445-2855 |
| Sirucek, Roger.....            | 445-4905 |
| Devriendt, Nancy.....          | 472-2297 |
| Gertken, Lois.....             | 472-5126 |
| Kotila, Karen (Huntington).... | 472-5814 |
| Aho, Layla.....                | 538-7086 |
| Kandoll, Neal A.....           | 538-5095 |
| Anderson, Susan.....           | 564-0460 |
| Anttila, Chris.....            | 564-8987 |
| Baso, Christopher.....         | 564-7964 |
| Boppre, Nancy.....             | 564-7431 |
| Callahan, Michael.....         | 564-1116 |
| Fowler, Evelyn.....            | 564-8755 |
| Heiling, Dustin.....           | 564-4490 |
| Henry, Christine.....          | 564-2775 |
| Houser, Les.....               | 564-3223 |
| Johnson, Gail.....             | 564-8110 |
| Kasperek, Michael.....         | 564-1092 |
| Kaumans, Holly.....            | 564-3435 |
| Kyro, Richard.....             | 564-2306 |
| Lawrence, Thomas.....          | 564-6656 |
| Machovsky, Carol.....          | 564-6240 |
| Madsen, Michele.....           | 564-7909 |
| Marjama, Sandy.....            | 564-0631 |
| May, Larry.....                | 564-5330 |
| Morris, Samantha.....          | 564-7953 |
| Nelson, Verona.....            | 564-7717 |
| Pulju, Cody.....               | 564-3217 |
| Schilling, Darin.....          | 564-3698 |
| Schwartz, Benjamin E.....      | 564-5639 |
| Skaro, Scott.....              | 564-8076 |
| Spencer, Dianne.....           | 564-7017 |
| Boelz, Henry.....              | 837-4779 |
| Crabb, Emily.....              | 837-0807 |
| Huepenbecker, Sheryl.....      | 837-8648 |
| Kumpula, Todd.....             | 837-7230 |
| Palmer, Matthew.....           | 837-0163 |
| Roth, Deon.....                | 837-2698 |
| Schaefer, Cerilda.....         | 837-7434 |



## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: Maasconi's Char & Bar

**Location:** Verndale, HWY 10

**Hours:** Tues – Thurs 11am - 9pm; Fri & Sat 11am to 10pm; Sunday 10:30am to 2pm

Jim and Kim Maas, former owners of The Uptown restaurant in neighboring Wadena, purchased the Bullseye Bar & Grill and reopened this summer as Maasconi's Char & Bar. Maasconi's is a destination that will satisfy you and your family with fresh, made-from-scratch meals in a casual dining atmosphere. You'll also find a vast menu of on-tap beer, wine and liquor.

Maasconi's serves items such as Thai chicken flatbread pizza, hand-cut steaks, Gouda mac with candied bacon, shrimp and fish, and homemade tator tots. Their beer lineup includes fresh craft beer from Gull Dam Brewing in Nisswa and Disgruntled Brewing in Perham.

The couple agreed that it's great to be back in the area, saying, "We're excited to meet new customers, and happy that we're seeing a lot of our old customers from The Uptown. Maasconi's uses our Internet service for their point of sale system, and they also turned up the Wi-Fi for their guests. Jim added, "Having strong, reliable Internet service that West Central provides over a fiber network is important for our business. In addition to delicious food, we offer our guests reliable Wi-Fi because we believe that is also part of a great customer experience."

**For casual dining with to-die-for appetizers and entrees, visit Maasconi's Char & Bar in Verndale. For information on Internet service with strong Wi-Fi, contact West Central Telephone at 837-5151.**