

Midstate Messenger

MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

November 2025

Thank You

Thank you to all our Midstate Cooperative members who joined us for the 73rd Annual Meeting of Members! We loved spending the evening with you. Be sure to check the back of this newsletter for a list of our prize winners.



**WE'LL BE CLOSED FOR
VETERANS DAY ON NOV. 11**

This Veterans Day, we pause to honor the brave men and women who have served our country. Your courage and sacrifice protect the freedoms we all enjoy. Thank you for your service.

November 5 - Disconnect of all accounts with a 30 day balance

November 11 - Offices closed

November 20 - Bills due by 12:00 PM.

November 27 - Offices closed

November 30 - November bills are mailed out and due December 20th by 12:00 PM



Shop Smart



Online shopping is super convenient—you can compare prices, find deals, and order from the comfort of your couch. But unfortunately, scammers love it just as much. They can try to steal your personal and financial information to make purchases themselves or sell your data to others. Midstate Communications wants you to be aware this holiday season and pause before you click to stay safe.

How Scammers Try to Trick You

Here are a few ways attackers target online shoppers:

- Fake websites and emails: They can look real, sometimes even pretending to be charities around the holidays.
- Insecure transactions: If a site isn't encrypted, your info could be intercepted.
- Vulnerable computers: Without proper security software, hackers can get into your devices and grab sensitive data.

Tips to Keep Your Info Safe

Shopping safely online doesn't have to be complicated. Try these tips:

- Stick with trusted vendors: Look up reviews, check for phone numbers and addresses, and make sure the site looks legitimate.
- Look for secure sites: Check for "https" in the URL and a padlock icon in your browser.
- Avoid sharing info via email: Legitimate companies won't ask for sensitive info this way.
- Use a credit card: Credit cards have better fraud protection than debit cards.
- Check your statements: Keep track of purchases and confirm they match your bank account.
- Review privacy policies: Know how your information is stored and used before entering it online.

A few careful steps can go a long way toward keeping your personal info—and your wallet—safe while shopping online.

73rd Annual Meeting of Members

Midstate Communications celebrated our 73rd Annual Meeting of Members at the Kimball High School Gymnasium. We appreciate everyone who came out to support your cooperative. A great meal catered by Ron's Market was served by the Midstate staff and followed by a short business meeting, some games of Bingo and many door prizes. Congratulations to all of the door prize winners as listed below:



Midstate Communications

\$100 Cash - Dave & Lisa Reuland, White Lake
 \$100 Cash - Clement Jankord, Pukwana
 \$100 Cash - Bill & Amy Gough, Kimball
 \$100 Cash - Darlene Jedema, Platte
 \$100 Cash - Richard & Sharlene Duvall, Pukwana
 \$100 Cash - Ronnie & Sondra Zingler, Chamberlain
 \$100 Cash - Duane & Sheryn Ekstrum, Kimball
 \$100 Cash - David & Eileen Carda, Geddes
 \$ 50 Cash - Avis Leiferman, Chamberlain
 \$ 50 Cash - Marion Hargens, Stickney
 \$ 50 Cash - Caroline Butler, Platte
 \$ 50 Cash - C Arrow Fencing, Platte
 \$ 50 Cash - Leonard Thomas, Kimball

Merrill Lynch - David Olson

Shaklee Supplies - Ronald Lee & Jane Gerlach, Stickney
 Shaklee Supplies - Bruce & Gwen Dobberstein, Academy
 Shaklee Supplies - Paul & Ruth Lucas, Platte

SDN/Express

Backpack & Hat - Carol Ann Schieffer, Platte
 Watch Charger & Lg Mug - Linda Ness, Kimball

FS3 Inc

Large Cooler, Cap & Flashlight - Sylvan Dehaai, Stickney
 Soft Cooler & Cap - Connie Knigge, Kimball
 Small Boot Dryer & Speaker - Merle & Joyce Meyerink, Platte
 Large Boot Dryer - Pat Woodraska, Kimball

First Dakota Bank

Folding Lawn Chair - Albert & Elayne Janish, Kimball

GF Advertising

Weighted Blanket - Charlene & Pete Miller, Kimball
 Coat & Screwdriver - Duwayne Moore, Kimball
 Tote, Cup & Screwdriver - Travis Vanden Bos, Platte

UBS Financial

\$25 Culvers Card - Jerry's Body Shop, Kimball
 \$25 Culvers Card - Robert Westra, Platte
 \$25 Culvers Card - Alvin & Peggy Munneke, Stickney
 \$25 Culvers Card - Ron & Nancy Falor, Kimball

Edward Jones

Sweater - Eva Lou Wells, White Lake
 Sweater - Rodney & Marlene Olivier, Stickney
 Lg Cooler & Mug - Helen Rosenberger, Chamberlain
 Sm Cooler, Hat & Mug - Audrey Chapman, White Lake

Consortia Consulting

\$75 Omaha Steak Certificate - Dallas & Mary Beth Kok, Geddes
 \$75 Omaha Steak Certificate - Richard & Paula Feltman, Chamberlain

Calix

\$50 Gift Card - Barb Schleder, Kimball
 \$50 Gift Card - Duane & Delores Overweg, Kimball

May Construction

\$50 Cash - Morries & Sharon Rommen, Platte
 \$50 Cash - Darold & Carol Thomas, Kimball
 \$50 Cash - Mark & Linda Wagner, Chamberlain
 \$50 Cash - Becky Teichmeier, Kimball
 \$50 Walmart Card - Steven & Karen Christensen, Platte
 \$50 Walmart Card - Robert & Patti Thayer, Kimball
 \$50 Walmart Card - Donna Rogers, Stickney
 \$50 Walmart Card - Jerry & Donna Wulf, White Lake
 \$50 Walmart Card - Richard & Ann Schuman Jr, White Lake
 \$50 Beef Certificate - Lorraine Mosemann, White Lake
 \$50 Beef Certificate - Harlan & Judy Van Genderen, Platte
 \$50 Beef Certificate - Tim & Janet Lutter, Kimball
 \$50 Beef Certificate - Delores Bueber, Delmont
 \$50 Beef Certificate - James & Charlotte Brown, Stickney

Blooston, Mordkofsky, Dickens, Duffy & Pendergast

Omaha Steaks - Katie & Tyrel Long, Kimball

Golden West Internet Solutions

Blanket & 2 Coffee Packs - Loren Dejong, Kimball

Goldfield Telecom, LLC

\$100 Gift Card - Leslie Jensen, White Lake
 \$100 Gift Card - Paul & Danielle Assmus, White Lake
 \$100 Gift Card - Alvin & Monica Swanson, Pukwana

Minnesota Telecom Alliance

2 Coffee Mugs - Amy Spinar, White Lake

MP Nexlevel LLC

Backpack - Evelyn Wulff, Gann Valley
 Sweater & Stocking Cap - Richard & Marina Kunzweiler, Chamberlain
 Sweater & Stocking Cap - Hilary Hoffman, White Lake
 Mug & Speaker - David & Georgia Johnson, Platte
 Mug & Speaker - Reeves Pheasant Ranch, White Lake
 Mug & Speaker - Kenneth & Elaine Wulff, Gann Valley
 Mug & Speaker - Darlene Koopal, Platte
 Mug & Speaker - Robert, Brad & Barbara Westendorf, Kimball
 Mug & Speaker - Todd Clark, Stickney
 Mug & Speaker - Richard & Bonnie Hoppe, Platte

Innovative Systems

\$50 Amazon Gift Card - Gordon & Vicki Munneke, New Holland
 \$50 Amazon Gift Card - Gene & Faith Van Zee, Platte
 \$50 Amazon Gift Card - Linda Miller, Chamberlain
 \$50 Amazon Gift Card - Dolly Michels, Chamberlain
 \$50 Amazon Gift Card - David Raysby, Geddes
 \$50 Amazon Gift Card - Betty Van Soest, White Lake

Cutler Law Office

\$50 Walmart Card - Larry & Constance Miller, Platte
 \$50 Walmart Card - Mary Harms, Chamberlain
 \$50 Walmart Card - Nellis Hoing, Kimball
 \$50 Walmart Card - Larry & Ladean Svoboda, Kimball
 \$50 Walmart Card - Robert Turtura, Kimball
 \$50 Walmart Card - Alan & Connie Assmus, White Lake

Safe-N-Secure Security

Lipstick Stun Gun - Steve & Janice Desloover, Chamberlain
 Lipstick Stun Gun - Wendell Kuipers, Platte

Light Path Communications

Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Valley Spraying Service, Gann Valley
 Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Corey Kapp, Kimball
 Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Tony & Rebecca Rasmussen, Kimball
 Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Harlan & Judy Veurink, Platte
 Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Brett & Patty Surat, Kimball
 Cap, Travel Mug & Pocket Knife - Betsy Van Zee, Platte

Unitel

2 - Yeti Mugs - Christina Fey, Kimball



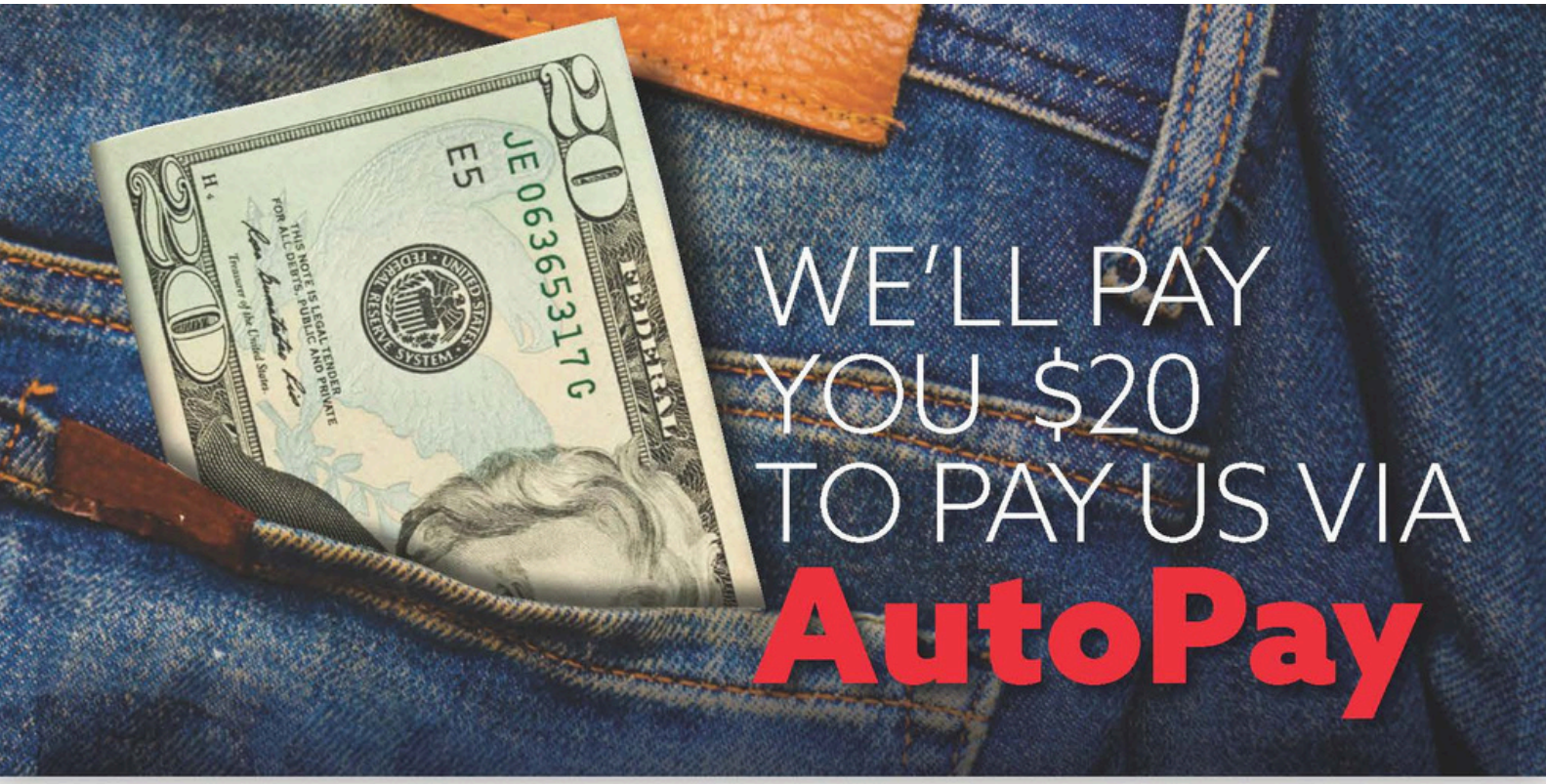
*Thank You To All
 Who Attended!
 See you next year!*



Winners

Bingo winners had an opportunity to draw an envelope from a bag that would have either a \$100, \$50, or \$20 bill enclosed. The winners were:

\$100 Cash - Larry Fredrickson
 \$50 Cash - Charlie Totton
 \$50 Cash - Samantha Assmus
 \$20 Cash - Dale Troll
 \$20 Cash - Lydia Hoing
 Youth Winner - \$100 - Jade Bohon



WE'LL PAY
YOU \$20
TO PAY US VIA
AutoPay

CHOOSE PAPERLESS BILLING ALONG WITH AUTO BANK OR AUTO CREDIT CARD AND GET A ONE-TIME \$20 BILL CREDIT*

Now's the time to switch to Midstate Communications paperless billing, which means you'll receive your statements via email rather than "snail mail."

With auto bank or auto credit card and paperless billing, you'll have one less bill in your mailbox each month, less clutter on your kitchen counter, and receive a recurring \$1.50 credit every month on your invoice! Plus, you'll help us use less paper and save some trees.

- 1. Complete and return the auto bank or auto credit card form on the back of this sheet.**
- 2. Go to estatement.midstatesd.net to set up eBill**
- 3. Once logged in, click on SETTINGS.**
- 4. At the top click on GENERAL.**
- 5. Choose WEB BILL ONLY and we will set up your \$1.50 monthly discount and give you a one-time \$20 discount!**



**12 month eBill commitment required.*

MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC
Customer Authorization for Direct Payment via ACH or Credit Card

Direct Payment via ACH is the transfer of funds from a consumer account for the purpose of making a payment. If you wish to have your account set up on Direct Payment from your Bank Account or Credit Card, please complete the Authorization form below and return to: Midstate Communications, Inc. PO Box 48 Kimball, SD 57355.

Name _____ Account # _____

CHECK ONE: ☐ New Payment ☐ Change Information ☐ Cancel Auto Bank/Auto Credit Card

I (we) agree that the authorized MONTHLY debit date will be as elected: ☐ 4th ☐ 10th ☐ 19th

I (we) understand that this is a recurring entry request and that debits will occur at substantially regular intervals, as chosen above, without further affirmative action by the receiver.

AUTOMATIC BANK WITHDRAWAL:

CHECK ONE: ☐ Checking Account ☐ Savings Account

Depository (Bank) Name: _____ Routing Number: _____

Name on Account: _____ Account Number: _____

Please enclose a personalized **VOIDED CHECK or an account verification letter from your financial institution containing their letterhead.*

AUTOMATIC CREDIT CARD WITHDRAWAL:

CHECK ONE: ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ DISCOVER ☐ AMERICAN EXPRESS

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____ CVV # _____

**I agree to inform Midstate when my card expires and provide them with a new card number and updated expiration date.*

I (we) authorize Midstate Communications, Inc. to electronically debit my(our) account and, if necessary, to electronically credit my(our) account to correct erroneous debits to the account listed above. I (we) agree that ACH transactions I (we) authorize comply with all applicable laws.

I (we) agree that the authorized debit amount will be: The balance due on the account on the elected debit date stated above.

I (we) understand that this authorization will remain in full force and in effect until I (we) notify Midstate Communications, Inc., in writing, that I (we) wish to revoke this authorization. I (we) understand that Midstate Communications, Inc. requires a minimum of five business days prior notice to cancel this authorization.

Customer(s) Printed Name(s): _____

Customer(s) Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

Go PAPERLESS? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If yes, please go to www.midstatesd.net – Click on My Bill Pay – Sign up for Estatement. You will need your latest invoice with the account number and the amount due. Once signed up, you will need to change your invoice preference to WEB BILL ONLY. Click on SETTINGS and at the top click on GENERAL. Choose to receive “Web bill only” Once your sign up is complete, you will begin to receive a \$1.50 per month discount on your bill!