



# **2018 Annual** ELECTRIC A Touchstone Energy\*Cooperative



CEO John Duhamel during his report at the meeting in Valdez



**CVEA's John Schenck and Kathryn Peltier ready to** hand out door prize gifts in Valdez



Members going through registration at the meeting in Glennallen



Mayor Jeremy O'Neil and son Brayton pose in the Valdez photo booth



President Rake presenting Cindy Unger with a 5 year service award



COO, Travis Million, presenting Josh Geldersma with a 5 year service award



Copper Basin Line Foreman, Ryan Cook, giving Senator Dan Sullivan and his wife Julie a Power Town safety demonstration



96 door prizes were given away in each district at this year's annual meeting



This beater was won in the Valdez District by Phyllis Johnson of **Acres Beverage Center** 



Cindy Unger and Travis Million at the member tour registration booth in Valdez



Registration, information, and activities at the Copper Basin annual meeting



Elections committee members Sheila Mann, Carol Harris, and Kathy Jones



Vice President Mary Odden announcing door prizes



The Valdez Line Crew was on hand giving Power Town safety demonstrations and helping members in the photo booth



Lisa Nicholai was the grand prize beater winner in Glennallen



Mary Ellen Bedrick announcing the lucky door prize winners



Toni Daniels at the member tour registration table in the Copper Basin



Wade and Bobbie Sampson enjoy the photo booth in Glennallen



Valdez employees standing to be recognized



Jamie Winchester and her little ones enjoying the annual meeting in Valdez



Zena Disney and Cindy Butherus at the registration table in Valdez



CVEA employees at the ready to distribute door prizes to members at the Copper Basin meeting



CVEA's Wayne McKinzey and elections committee Chairperson Sue Roscovius helping in Glennallen



# **2018 Annual Meeting Recap**



CVEA President Lon Rake and CEO John Duhamel recognizing Nancy Heidelberg for 25 years of service to the members of CVEA Sharon Crisp

Members came out in large numbers this May to support your electric co-op, with approximately 275 people attending the 2018 Annual Meeting in Glennallen and 188 attending in Valdez.

CEO Duhamel talked to the crowd about the lengthy power outage caused by severe weather in the Copper Basin last winter, outage prevention and reliability improvements, right-of-way clearing guidelines, and hydro successes. Additionally, he outlined the forthcoming automated meter infrastructure installation and rate study.

He also discussed CVEA's successful safety program and announced that CVEA was recently awarded a first place honor from the Northwest Public Power Association (NWPPA) for having the best safety record for a utility CVEA's size. The NWPPA includes over 150 utilities in Alaska, British Columbia, California, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Other highlights included the announcement of the Board of Directors election results, the introduction of the 2018 Community Foundation scholarship award recipients, and recognition of employee service awards.

In Board of Director elections Paul Kildal, Lon Rake, and Will Stark were re-elected to three year terms. Gloria Jacobson and Jared Bowden were each awarded a \$1,000 educational scholarship, Aric Cox, Kathleen Hale, Bobbi Mott, and Aidan Hinkle were each awarded \$500 scholarships, and Celia Chmielowski and Gaea Latta-Bard were both selected to attend the Idaho Youth Rally Leadership camp this summer.

In addition, Foundation volunteers Genia Duhamel, Dalon Gage, Gaea Latta-Bard, Celia Chmielowski, and Cassidy Matthews were on hand selling Split-the-Pot tickets to raise funds for the Community Foundation. In total \$632 was raised to benefit Community Foundation programs.

Several CVEA employees were recognized for their years of service to the Cooperative. Kyle Anderson, Cindy Unger, and Josh Geldersma celebrated 5 years; Ryan Compehos celebrated 10 years, and Nancy Heidelberg celebrated 25 years of service.

There were 96 door prizes given out in each district. Grand prize winners Lisa Nicholai and Acres Bever-age Center each won a CVEA beater! Winners of the ballot drawing were Nora and Richard Tombaugh, in the Copper Basin, and Bobby and Diane Gibbs, in Valdez; each received a \$50 credit on their bill.

CVEA thanks everyone who attended and those that helped make this year's events successful.

For additional information on the annual meeting or any CVEA topic, please contact Sharon Crisp at 822-5506, 835-7005 or email crisp@cvea.org.



The CVEA Community Foundation (Foundation) is proud to offer educational scholarships to graduating seniors, leadership scholarships to sophomores and juniors hoping to attend the Idaho Youth Rally, and to make contributions to local nonprofit organizations.

In 2018, the Foundation awarded one \$1,000, and two \$500 general scholarships in each district to help further educational goals, and a scholarship for one student from each district to represent our cooperative, our communities, and our state at the Idaho Youth Rally leadership camp in Caldwell, Idaho, this summer.

Funding of the scholarship program comes from unclaimed capital credits that have reverted to the Cooperative, mem-

# **CVEA Community** Foundation at the CVEA Annual Meeting

bers who have made one-time or recurring donations to the Foundation, and from those who participate in Foundation fundraisers.

At this year's meeting, Foundation volunteers Genia Duhamel, Dalon Gage, Gaea Latta-Bard, Celia Chmielowski, and Cassidy Matthews were on hand selling Split-the-Pot tickets to raise funds for the Foundation. Leslie Bauman took home \$224 in Valdez and Ryan Cook won \$408 in Glennallen. In total \$632 was raised to benefit Foundation programs.

Through the Foundation, CVEA is making an investment in our youth and in our future. Please join us in congratulating the 2018 CVEA Community Foundation scholarship winners.

### **Copper Basin Scholarship Winners**



Gloria Jacobson \$1,000



Aric Cox \$500



Kathleen Hale \$500

### Youth Rally Scholarship Winners





Celia Chmielowski Copper Basin











Top left, Cassidy Matthews helped sell Split the Pot tickets in Glennallen Top right, Leslie and Sara Bauman, of Valdez, with their winnings Bottom left, Ryan Cook showed off his \$408 take from the Split the Pot Bottom right, Genia Duhamel sold the first ticket of the night to Todd Stahley

### **Valdez Scholarship Winners**



Jared Bowden \$1,000



Aidan Hinkle \$500



Bobbi Mott \$500



#### **Board of Directors**

Lon Rake, President Mary Odden, Vice President Dan Stowe, Secretary Brad Honerlaw, Treasurer Paul Kildal, Director Jeff Saxe, Director Will Stark, Director Fred Williams, Director

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#### Important Dates

#### June

**CVEA Member Tours:** Member tours will be held 10-12 p.m., Tuesday, June 12, in Glennallen, and 12-4 p.m., Wednesday, June 13, in Valdez. The Valdez tour is FULL, but there is room in Glennallen. Advance registration is required.

**CVEA Board Meeting:** The June meeting of the Board of Directors is 1 p.m., Thursday, June 21, 2018, in Glennallen

#### July

**CVEA Offices Closed:** The CVEA offices will be closed Wednesday, July 4, 2018, for Independence Day

**CVEA Board Meeting:** The July meeting of the Board of Directors is 1 p.m., Thursday, July 19, 2018, in Valdez

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## **Copper Valley Electric Association** 2018 Election Results

At the 2018 Annual Meeting of Members, Board of Director election results were announced. The Copper Basin District re-elected Paul Kildal and the Valdez District re-elected Lon Rake and Will Stark, each to a three-year term.



The Credentials and Election Committees in both districts reported voting results for the director election as follows:

Copper Basin		Valdez	
Ballots Received	258	<b>Ballots Received</b>	255
Ballots Counted	244	Ballots Counted	232
Paul Kildal	244	Lon Rake	217
		Will Stark	225

CVEA welcomes the returning directors and appreciates the participation of everyone involved in the election.

Winners of the 2018 ballot drawing for a \$50 energy credit were: Nora and Richard Tombaugh in the Copper Basin, and Bobby and Diane Gibbs, in Valdez. Thanks to all who submitted valid ballots.