

2016 Annual Meeting Recap



CEO John Duhamel addresses the crowd at the Annual Meeting in Glennallen
Sharon Crisp

Local community members came out in large numbers in April to support your electric co-op, with approximately 250 people attending the 2016 Annual Meeting in Valdez and 310 attending in Glennallen.

CEO Duhamel told the crowd that the co-op is in the home stretch on the Allison Creek Hydroelectric Project, showed a video of project construction to date, and outlined what work is left to do before commercial power production begins this fall. He also discussed ways CVEA is saving the members money by doing more work in-house, increasing hydro output from Solomon Gulch, and increasing efficiency. Finally, members were reminded that winter rates were lower in 2015 due to fuel cost savings, and made aware that changes will be made to the Tariff that governs the co-ops Net Metering Program once the Allison Creek Hydroelectric Project comes online.

Other highlights included the announcement of the Board of Directors election results, the introduction of the 2016 Community Foundation scholarship award recipients, and recognition of employee service awards.

Concerning the Board of Director elections Brad Honerlaw was elected, and Fred Williams was re-elected in the Copper Basin District, and Dan Stowe was re-elected in the Valdez District.

Community Foundation scholarship awards were announced and a split-the-pot fundraiser raised \$645 to benefit Foundation programs. See page 28 in this issue for details on all winners.

Several CVEA employees were recognized for their years of service to the Cooperative. Travis Million celebrated 5 years; Zena Disney and Barbara Eaton celebrated 10 years; Cindy Butherus celebrated 15 years, and Mary Ellen Bedrick celebrated 25 years of service.

100 door prizes were given out in each district. Craig Grams won the Chevy Tahoe in Glennallen and Chuck and Delores Gard went home with the Ford Beater in Valdez!

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

If you have questions on this or any CVEA topic, please contact Sharon Crisp at 822-5506, 835-7005 or email crisp@cvea.org. ■

Copper Valley Electric 2016 Annual Meeting Photo Highlights



CVEA's Todd Stahley and Carl Schmokel hanging the Allison Creek Hydro Banner in Valdez



Darin Sauls and CEO Duhamel in discussion at the net metering table



Christopher Spring, William Matthews, and Theron Rude; future members of CVEA



100 door prizes were give away at this year's annual meeting



Members going through registration at the meeting in Glennallen



President Kildal giving meeting reports in Valdez



President Kildal and CEO Duhamel pose with Zena Disney celebrating 10 years with CVEA and Cindy Butherus celebrating 15



CVEA Board member, Fred Williams, chatting with member Warren Ulrich



CVEA employees Toni Daniels and Misty Rude awaiting members at the registration table in Glennallen



CEO Duhamel celebrated service awards with Barbara Eaton (10 years), Mary Ellen Bedrick (25 years), and Travis Million (5 years)



Cassidy Matthews taking her traditional photo with the CEO after the meeting in Glennallen



Jamie and Kit Winchester and their little ones enjoying the Annual Meeting in Valdez



Registration tables at the meeting in Valdez



Local kids grabbing their goody bags at the meeting in Valdez



CVEA's Alex Gearhart and Pinky Becker pose with Miguel Saavedra at the meeting in Glennallen



Craig Grams poses inside the Chevy Tahoe Beater he won at the Copper Basin meeting



CVEA employees Cindy Unger, Nancy Heidelberg, Joyanna Hoffman, and Coreen Palacios



Approximately 250 people enjoyed the meeting in Valdez



Madison and Hailey Sauls handed out door prizes with the team in Valdez



Board Secretary Mary Odden announcing door prizes in Glennallen



CVEA Community Foundation Joins the Annual Meeting

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

In 2016, the Foundation awarded a \$2,000 general scholarship to one student in each district to help further their 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, members 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, Cindy Orvedahl, Zoe Langseth, Cassidy Matthews and Christian Spring were on hand selling Split-the-Pot tickets to raise funds for the Foundation.

Marc Grugier took home \$360 in Valdez, and Sarah Valentine won \$285 in Glennallen. In total \$645 was raised to benefit Foundation programs.

Through the Foundation and the scholarship program, CVEA is making an investment in our youth and in our future. Please join us in congratulating the 2016 CVEA Community Foundation scholarship winners.

\$2,000 General Scholarship Winners



Zoe Langseth
Valdez District



Taylor Vollman
Copper Basin District



Top left, Zoe Langseth and Genia Duhamel selling Split-the-Pot tickets in Valdez. Top middle, Marc Grugier won \$360 and supported the Community Foundation. Top right, President Kildal and CEO Duhamel with Zoe, winner of a \$2,000 general scholarship. Bottom left, Grazyna Brocka and Magdalena Brocka Mccay purchasing tickets from volunteer Cindy Orvedahl. Bottom middle, Sarah Valentine shows off her \$285 win. Bottom right, volunteers Genia Duhamel and Cassidy Matthews selling tickets in Glennallen. (Christian Spring not pictured)

Idaho Youth Rally Scholarship Winners



Timothy Kimble
Valdez District



Gerek Chmielowski
Copper Basin



Board of Directors
 Paul Kildal, President
 Lon Rake, Vice President
 Mary Odden, Secretary
 Will Stark, Treasurer
 Michael Johnson, Director
 Jeff Saxe, Director
 Dan Stowe, Director
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Important Dates

May

CVEA Board Meeting: The May meeting of the Board of Directors is 1 p.m., Thursday, May 19, 2016, in Valdez

CVEA Offices Closed: The CVEA offices will be closed, Monday, May 30, 2016, for Memorial Day

June

CVEA Board Meeting: The June meeting of the Board of Directors is 1 p.m., Thursday, June 16, 2016, in Glennallen

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Copper Valley Electric Association 2016 Election Results

At the 2016 Annual Meeting of Members, Board of Director election results were announced. The Copper Basin District re-elected Fred Williams and elected Brad Honerlaw, each to a three-year term. The Valdez District re-elected Dan Stowe to a three-year term.

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

<u>Valdez</u>		<u>Copper Basin</u>	
Ballots Received	166	Ballots Received	272
Ballots Counted	149	Ballots Counted	253
Dan Stowe	148	Brad Honerlaw	146
		Fred Williams	177
		Peggy Sutton	Withdrew

CVEA welcomes the returning directors and appreciates the participation of all director candidates in the election.



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