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CVEA Announces Winners of Eighth Annual Ruralite Cover Photo Contest

Copper Valley Electric Association (CVEA) is pleased to announce the winners of the 8th Annual Ruralite Magazine Cover Photo Contest. Congratulations to Bob Benda, Nicole Wattengel, Rebecca Smith, Eric Scheidt, and Joann Benda. Two of Nicole Wattengel's photos were chosen by CVEA employees this year; *Fire in the Sky* and *The Bright Porcupine*. Bob Benda won for his photo *Bear With Salmon*, Eric Scheidt for his photo *Spring Thaw*, Rebecca Smith for her photo *Reflections*, and Joanne Benda won for her photo entitled *Waxwings with Berries*.

Forty-five photos were submitted by nine member photographers. After being narrowed to 14 finalists, CVEA employees voted on their top six photos. These votes were tallied to determine our winners.

Each winning photo will be featured on the cover of Ruralite Magazine for one issue in 2015. Over 2500 copies are distributed monthly, so this means great exposure for the photographers. Photos are also posted on cvea.org and the CVEA Facebook page. In addition, winners will receive \$100 per winning photo.

CVEA would like to congratulate the winners and thank everyone who submitted photos.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this issue or any other CVEA topic, contact Sharon Crisp at 822-5506, 835-7005, or email crisp@cvea.org.

Photo Enclosure: *Reflections* by Rebecca Smith