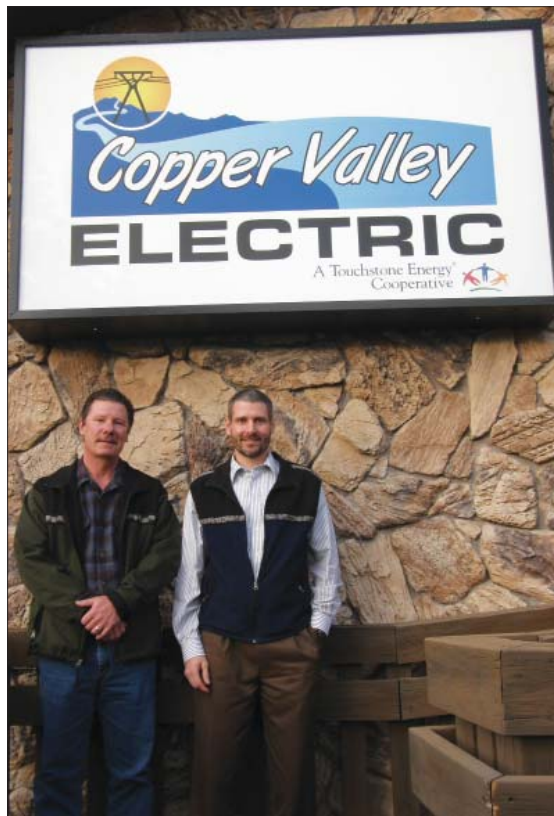


It's Your Cooperative.... Get Involved!



CVEA Board President Will Stark (right) and Vice President Lon Rake pose under the CVEA sign in Glennallen after completing the Credentialed Cooperative Director course, a curriculum designed to provide basic knowledge and skills required of electric cooperative Directors, in 2013.

Photo by Sharon Crisp

CVEA Board of Directors Candidates Wanted

Join a dedicated group of community members who work on a volunteer basis for the benefit of all CVEA members.

Three director seats will be up for election in 2015; these seats are currently held by Paul Kildal in the Copper Basin and Will Stark and Lon Rake in Valdez.

As a CVEA director, you can help make decisions that impact your neighbors and friends, the folks up and down the T-line, and all cooperative members.

The Board meets once a month, normally on the

third Thursday, for regular board meetings, and often for special meetings or work sessions.

Directors may also travel to participate in statewide and national meetings.

If you have been a member of CVEA for at least 12 continuous months, are a member in good standing, and are not an employee or close relative of an incumbent director or employee, you may be eligible to be a director. For a complete list of director qualifications, please refer to CVEA's Bylaws Section 4.02, Qualifications.

In order for a member to become a candidate, they must be nominated by petition. Candidates must complete a petition signed by at least 15 active CVEA members and submit the petition to the CVEA office in their district by 5 p.m., Friday, February 13, 2015.

For more information on the election, please stop by CVEA for an application packet and petition.

Help Wanted for Credentials and Election Committees

A very important part of the annual meeting election process is the Credentials and Election Committee.

The people who serve are responsible for validating the signatures on the back of the envelopes and counting the ballots for Director elections and Bylaws amendments.

Each district's Committee is comprised of interested members who are not employees, directors, candidates or relatives of these persons.

The Board will appoint committee members for each district in February. Service on the Credentials and Election Committees takes place during March and April, with most of the work performed the week prior to the meeting.

In 2015, the annual meeting is scheduled for April 14 in the Copper Basin District and April 16 in the Valdez District.

The Foundation Scholarship Selection Committees Need You

If you are interested in being a part of your local

Cooperative, but don't have a lot of time to give throughout the year, the Scholarship Selection Committee is for you.

The Scholarship Selection Committees review scholarship application packets, determine which students to interview, conduct interviews and select who will receive scholarships.

Participation on the committees requires attending three or four meetings, and is estimated to take up to 15 hours.

If you have questions, or would like more information on CVEA Director elections, Bylaws amendments or you would like to volunteer for the C&E or Scholarship Committees, please contact Sharon Crisp at 822-5506, 835-7005, or email crisp@cvea.org. ■

CVEA Foundation Scholarships are NOW Available



The CVEA Community Foundation (CVEACF) will award \$8,000 in educational scholarships in 2015. The CVEACF scholarship programs are funded with unclaimed, escheated capital credits and voluntary donations from CVEA members, like you.

For high school seniors, the Foundation is offering two \$1,000 and two \$500 general scholarships. General scholarships are awarded for vocational, technical, or apprenticeship training or college degree programs.

They will also be offering two \$500 community college scholarships to adults looking to continue their education at Prince William Sound Community College in Valdez or Glennallen. Half of these scholarships will be awarded in each district.

In addition, the CVEACF will award one Idaho Youth Rally scholarship in each district. The Idaho Youth Rally scholarship provides an opportunity for sophomores and juniors attending high schools in our service area to attend a week-long electric industry leadership camp where students practice leadership and communication skills and teamwork, while learning about electric utility issues.

Scholarship recipients will be decided in April and announced at CVEA's Annual Meeting and at 2015 graduation ceremonies.

Scholarship information and applications will be available at the high school counselors' offices, at either CVEA office, and on cvea.org under Community Support in the Scholarship section. Applications will be available after December 20, 2014.

The deadline for submitting completed scholarship application packets is 5 p.m., Friday, February 13, 2015.