

## CVEA Employees Team Up to Raise Money for the CVEA Community Foundation

As part of Cooperative Month in October, Copper Valley Electric Association employees teamed up to raise money for the CVEA Community Foundation (CVEACF) by hosting a garage sale and bake sale at the CVEA garage in Glennallen.

Over 100 people turned out to show their support and purchase treasures and treats at the CVEA sale over the two day weekend. They were met with free coffee and apple cider and a chance to win a \$50 CVEA energy credit if they spent or donated \$25 or more. Sam Becker was the lucky winner of the drawing and will receive \$50 off her next electric bill!

All items on sale, including the sweet treats, were donated by CVEA employees and Board members as a way to support the Foundation, a 501C3, non-profit organization whose mission is to provide scholarships for students and contributions to educational, scientific, and charitable organizations within our communities.

Each year, the CVEACF provides \$9,500 in educational scholarships to graduating high school seniors and adults who are continuing their education. The Foundation also provides a scholarship to one student in each district to fund their participation in a youth leadership program that includes the Idaho Youth Rally and the National Youth Tour.

The CVEACF's youth program is truly a once in a lifetime experience for students that they cannot get anywhere else. It is a very unique opportunity and definitely sets the CVEA Community Foundation apart from other programs.

In total, \$2,875.75 was raised during the sale and will benefit the Foundation. CVEA and the CVEACF would like to thank everyone who stopped by for their support and generosity.

If you would like to contribute to the Foundation, there are many ways to do so. You can make a one-time donation by cash, check, or debit/credit card, make a monthly donation by adding a specific amount to your CVEA electric bill, and even donate

future capital credit disbursements.

One of the easiest ways to make a contribution is to round up your electric bill to the nearest dollar amount each month. Participants who round up their bill contribute between \$.01 and \$.99 monthly, an average of \$6 a year, to the Foundation.

Individually, this is not a large number, but combined with other CVEA members, it will make a difference. If half of all CVEA members round up their bills each month, the Foundation will bring in an amazing \$10,000 for scholarships and community programs each year.

For more information, contact Sharon Crisp, CVEA Manager of Member Services, at (907) 822-5506 or (907) 835-7005, or email [crisp@cvea.org](mailto:crisp@cvea.org) ■



**CVEA employee, Jeanie Willford, putting out baked goodies at the CVEACF Garage and Bake Sale in October.**

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**Top: CVEA's John Duhamel and CEO Robert Wilkinson waiting for customers early Sunday morning. Above Left: Nancy Heidelberg posing for the camera. Top Right: Gary Willford and Toni Daniels pause for a smile. Left: CVEACF President, Jim Manning, John Duhamel, and Genia Duhamel enjoying the fellowship at the garage sale in October.**

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