

Five candidates running for two Chugach board seats

Voting in the annual Chugach Electric election gets underway April 20, and there are five candidates running for two seats on the Board of Directors.

The candidates are Sisi Cooper, Harry Crawford, Fritz Krusen, Rachel Morse, and Bernie Smith. Additionally, there is one proposed bylaw amendment on the 2022 election ballot regarding the number of days required to return paper ballots.

On April 20, members with an email in our system will receive an email including a link to the election materials and instructions for voting, and paper ballots will be mailed to those who have requested them.

Paper ballots and election materials can be requested by emailing service@chugachelectric.com or calling (907) 563-7366.

Win free electricity

Names of members who vote in the annual election go into a drawing and two members will win one free year of electricity (up to 10,000 kWh). More information about the upcoming election is available on the annual meeting page of our website at www.chugachelectric.com.

2022 Candidate Forum When: April 14 at 4 pm Where: Chugach Headquarters 5601 Electron Drive

Hear the candidates answer questions about serving on the Chugach board.



Sisi Cooper



Harry Crawford







Rachel Morse

Bernie Smith

Annual meeting & member appreciation planned

For the first time, Chugach is combining its annual meeting and member appreciation event.

On May 20, from 3 to 6 pm at ChangePoint Alaska (6689 Changepoint Dr.), members can enjoy bucket truck rides, a BBQ lunch, games & prizes, and more.

Tour the Southcentral Power Project, one of the most fuelefficient power plants in Alaska. Tours will start at 3, 4 and 5 pm. Registration is required. Sign up at www.chugachelectric.com.

The annual meeting will get underway at 6 pm in the Commons area inside ChangePoint.

Members can register, vote in the election (if they haven't already), get an update on Chugach business, hear from the board of



directors, and meet the new CEO.

There will be door prizes and the chance to win a surplus vehicle for those members registered at the annual meeting. Please bring photo ID. {191348370}



Prevent wildfires, get a burn permit

Alaska's wildfire season started April 1. As a way to minimize the number of human-caused wildfires, the Alaska Division of Forestry requires anyone burning brush or using a burn barrel between April 1 and August 31 to obtain a burn permit. Burn permits are free and available at your local state forestry office or online at dnr.alaska.gov/burn. They may also be available at your local fire department.

Safe Burning Practices

- Make sure burning is allowed on the day you burn.
- Clear the area around your fire down to soil to keep it from spreading. Always have water and tools nearby.
- Don't burn on windy days and never leave a fire of any kind unattended for any period of time.
- Make sure any fire is completely out before leaving it by drowning it repeatedly with water and stirring until it is cold to the touch.
- Do not burn debris piles or burn barrels within 30 feet of structures or under utility lines.
- Burn only paper, untreated/unpainted wood, and organic debris.



In the community: Powerful lessons

Chugach's safety team recently visited fourth graders at Rilke Schule German School of Arts and Sciences to teach the students about electricity. This is the first "Safety City" in-person presentation we have given since the pandemic began two years ago.

The centerpiece of the presentation is the Safety City model used to demonstrate a variety of contact hazards associated with overhead and underground service. The model is powered by a transformer producing a 10,000-volt, 28-milliamp current which creates dramatic arcs when electrical contacts are made.

Objectives of the lessons include why electricity is important, how electricity is made, and how to be safe around electricity.



From Engineering to Operations to Member Services, all of Chugach's roughly 460 employees live and work in Alaska.

Each month we will introduce you to one of our employees who work every day to provide safe, reliable power to our members.



Name: Cona Carroll Position: Regulatory Affairs & Pricing Coordinator Time at Chugach: 32 years

Cona, who started in 1989 in Member Services, now helps business run smoothly in Regulatory & External Affairs. She enjoys working with her team as they each use their individual skills to meet important regulatory deadlines, while still having fun along the way.

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Member number hide-n-seek

Find your member number {in brackets} in the Outlet and get a \$100 credit on your electric bill. Call Chugach's service center at 563-7366 to claim your prize.



Did you know that 25% to 40% of energy used to heat and cool your home is wasted through air leaks? To minimize energy waste seal all exterior doors with weather stripping. Source: Energy.gov