

Anderson Clear Dispatch

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Community News & Notes

Jean Murray Shares about Iceland

Recently, Karen Southwood mentioned the idea of going to Iceland on Facebook. I want to second her idea and tell you about our trip last year. There are several reasons for Alaskans to have interest.

Icelandair makes it easy to fly direct from Anchorage to Reykjavik in under eight hours over eight time zones. We returned home within the same hour we left Iceland.

Alaska sits on the west side of the North American tectonic plate. The east edge of the plate runs through the center of Iceland where separation from the Eurasian plate occurs at maybe a centimeter a year.

When you visit you may see lots of blue lupines, just like ours, because Iceland collects seeds from Alaska. Apparently, lupines are very good at binding soil and slowing erosion. You will see only 25 year-old trees because from the 9th century all the trees were cut off for buildings and heat. They have learned to harness the heat from the steam bore holes which can be seen everywhere on the countryside. We were told only one real geyser exists. It goes off every 5-10 minutes but isn't as big as our Old Faithful.

If you squint, the countryside has the appearance of tundra. It is so open and expansive. However, it really is lava rock covered with moss, more difficult to traverse than tundra. No granite. Flat land and farming do exist with numerous hiking trails and housing, some with naturally heated pools. Sheep graze along the roadside, with some dairy cows and the famous Icelandic horses. The Collins twins at Lake Minchumina have (or had) two. Fishing is also a resource

Iceland has its pipeline with zig-zags to allow for earthquakes (but not permafrost). The pipeline transports steam from borehole

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sources to a power plant where it is used for their steam heat and other power needs. I've told you more than I understand about the process.

We have hot springs. They have heated swimming pools in many places.

Reykjavik is a modern city with European touches, a great National Museum and many other sites of interest, most within walking distance of each other. Seafood and whale and other delicacies are available but you will recognize items on the menus. There are many hotels and B&Bs, from a "Y" to luxury. English is spoken by nearly everyone though they also proudly speak Icelandic. Isolation has prevented it from changing with the European languages.

Iceland claims one alumna of Anderson. In 1978 Linda Josefsdottir attended one year of high school while her father was at Clear Air Force Station. She and her family live in Keflavik about 30 miles from Reykjavik. She has fond memories of her time in Anderson.

Don't forget to bask in the Blue Lagoon - complete with cocktail in your hand if you wish.

Also, airline connections for going to Europe are much better through Iceland than through Minneapolis or other cities.

Idaho Gentleman in Search of Housing

"Hello, my name is Bill Hanson and I live in Gooding, Idaho. Over the past few years have thought about moving to Alaska. I am looking for a place to rent of any size. If you or someone you know has a place you would be interested in renting, I am interested and have references. You can call me at (208)320-5881. Thank you."

Anderson Library Has a New Assistant Librarian

The Anderson Community Library would like to welcome Brandi Duffy as their new assistant librarian. Brandi will be working all summer filling in for the librarian, LuAnn Reams, while she is on vacation. Stop in and say "Hi" and visit. While you're there check out the 60 new DVD titles we have in like The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug, I, Frankenstein, Frozen, Catching Fire, and a collection of John Wayne movies. We also have 20 new titles for Audio Books!

Please be aware that the hours for the Library will be changing within the next month over to our summer hours. We will get those hours out to the public as soon as we know what they are to give you plenty of warning.

We will also be closed on June 15th for Father's Day and during the week of July 4th.

Ladies Night Out

Cindy Wright invites all ladies to a dinner and craft night on Sat, June 14, 2014, from 7pm – 9pm at her home. Guests will be making "stamped" pillar candles. Please contact her at 582-2702 or ccurrywright@gmail.com.

Strategic Planning Committee Being Formed

The Anderson City Council is seeking volunteers to become members of a Strategic Planning Committee. Nancy Hollis, the Grant Writer, will be in Anderson this summer and would like to meet with the committee. Please call Dorothy at the Anderson City Hall (582-2500 or coaclerk@maonline.net) for more information and to participate.

**NOTICE OF CLOSURE
ANDERSON DMV WILL BE CLOSED
Starting June 1st
UNTIL POSITION IS FILLED**

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**EMPLOYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT  
Part Time DMV Clerk/ City Clerk Assistant**

The City Of Anderson is looking for a responsible individual to fill the position of DMV Clerk / City Clerk Assistant to work Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9 A.M.- 4 P.M. in the summer and the number of days to be determined during winter months.

Will be required to attend a week of training in Anchorage.

SALARY: \$13.00-15.00 DOE

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Please apply with the City of Anderson  
260 West First Street, Anderson AK 99744

E-MAIL: coaclerk@mtaonline.net

The City of Anderson is an equal opportunity employer. For more information please call 907-582-2500.

## Alaska Regulatory Commission Proposes Electricity Rate Increases

### Notice of Proposed Revision to Power Cost Equalization Base Amount

The REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA (Commission) gives notice that pursuant to AS 42.45.110(c)(2), it proposes to adjust the base amount for Power Cost Equalization (PCE) calculations (Docket No. U-14-080). AS 42.45.110(c)(2) provides in part:

“each year, the commission shall adjust the power costs for which power cost equalization may be paid to an electric utility based on the weighted average retail residential rate in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau...”

The current base amount is 14.06 cents per kilowatt-hour ( $\phi$ /kWh). The Commission proposes to adjust the base amount to 14.82 $\phi$ /kWh. The proposed 14.82 $\phi$ /kWh base amount is a calculation of the weighted average cost of residential energy sales within Fairbanks, Anchorage and Juneau during calendar year 2013.

The utilities providing service to these areas during 2013 were Chugach Electric Association, Inc. (Chugach); Matanuska Electric Association, Inc. (MEA); and the Municipality of Anchorage d/b/a Municipal Light and Power Department (ML&P) in Anchorage; Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc. (GVEA) in Fairbanks; and Alaska Electric Light and Power Company (AEL&P) in Juneau. The proposed 14.82 $\phi$ /kWh base amount calculations are as follows:

| PROPOSED FY2015 PCE BASE AMOUNT CALCULATION |                               |                              |                                  |                           |                          |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Utility                                     | Total Residential Sales (kWh) | Total Residential Sales (\$) | Total Residential Sales (\$/kWh) | % Total Residential (kWh) | Weighted Average per kWh |
| AEL&P                                       | 141,237,000                   | \$ 18,067,817                | \$0.1279                         | 14.49%                    | \$ 0.0185                |
| Chugach                                     | 524,419,534                   | \$ 77,713,172                | \$0.1482                         | 53.79%                    | \$ 0.0797                |
| GVEA                                        | 59,237,666                    | \$ 13,549,252                | \$0.2287                         | 6.08%                     | \$ 0.0139                |
| MEA                                         | 110,327,545                   | \$ 16,674,352                | \$0.1511                         | 11.32%                    | \$ 0.0171                |
| ML&P                                        | 139,733,000                   | \$ 18,480,248                | \$0.1323                         | 14.33%                    | \$ 0.0190                |
| <b>Total</b>                                | <b>974,954,745</b>            | <b>\$ 144,484,841</b>        |                                  | <b>100.00%</b>            | <b>\$ 0.1482</b>         |

Any interested person may present written statements or arguments relevant to the proposed action by writing to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, 701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, so that comments are received by 5:00 p.m., June 20, 2014.

Comments may also be filed electronically on the Commission's website under the public notice section via our website at:

<https://rca.alaska.gov/RCAWeb/WhatsNew/PublicNoticesComments.aspx>.

Please reference Docket No. U-14-080 in the subject line of your comments.

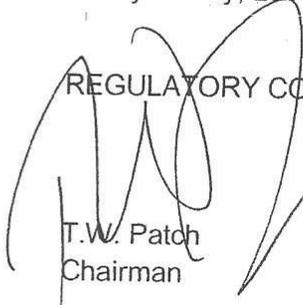
In addition, a public hearing will be held on June 24, 2014, in the Commission's hearing room, 701 West Eighth Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska to consider comments on the proposed action. Individuals wishing to present oral comments at the public hearing are requested to notify the commission of that intent by June 20, 2014; however, such notification is not mandatory.

Individuals or groups of people with disabilities, who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or service, or alternative communication formats, please contact Joyce McGowan at (907) 276-6222, toll-free at 1-800-390-2782, or TTY (907) 276-4533 or send a request via electronic mail to [rca.mail@alaska.gov](mailto:rca.mail@alaska.gov) by June 13, 2014.

Additional information about the calculation of the proposed base amount may be obtained from Tariff Section Staff at the Commission's office at 701 West Eighth Avenue, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. The Commission's telephone number is (907) 276-6222, email address is [rca.mail@alaska.gov](mailto:rca.mail@alaska.gov). The Commission, after the deadline stated above, will either adopt this or other proposals dealing with the same subject without further notice, or decide to take no action on them.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA



T.W. Patch  
Chairman

## Community Events and Programs in June

**June 2** - Anderson Quilters and Crafters meet at the Clear Sky Lodge, 10 A.M.-1 P.M

**June 9** - Anderson Quilters and Crafters meet at the Clear Sky Lodge, 10 A.M.-1 P.M

**June 10** – Denali Borough Planning Commission Work session - Title 4 - Panguingue B Classification and Management Plan, 6:15 PM

**June 17** - Planning Commission Work Session, Public Hearing Regular Meeting 6:15 PM

## **Borough Services**

### **Denali Borough**

Tri-Valley Community Center, Healy AK  
Mon-Thu, 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.,  
PO Box 480, Healy, AK 99743, 907-683-  
1330, Fax: 907-683-1340,  
E-Mail: [dbgovt@mtaonline.net](mailto:dbgovt@mtaonline.net)  
Website: <http://www.denaliborough.govoffice.com>

### **Denali Borough School District**

1 Suntrana Street, Healy, AK 99743,  
907-683-2278, <http://www.dbsd.org>

### **Borough Land Fill**

Winter hours: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat 9 A.M.-  
4 P.M. Holiday Closures:  
New Year's - January 1, 2014  
MLK Jr Day - January 18, 2014  
President's Day - February 15, 2014  
Seward's Day - March 29, 2014  
907-683-1330 or check the Denali  
Borough website (above).

## **Anderson Services**

### **Anderson City Office**

Mon-Thu 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. 907-  
582-2500

### **Division of Motor Vehicles**

Temporarily closed.

### **Anderson Post Office**

Mon-Fri, 12-3:15 P.M. 907-582-2992

### **Anderson Volunteer Fire Dept.**

907-582-2500

### **Anderson Public Library**

Winter Hours (effective during the  
school year): Tuesdays & Thursdays  
4:00-7:00 P.M., Sundays 12:00-4:00 P.M.  
The library will be closed if the  
temperature outside reaches -40. 907-  
582-2628 [andersonlibrary@dbsd.org](mailto:andersonlibrary@dbsd.org)

## Classified Advertisements

### **2 Lots in Anderson:**

Located at 197 D Street and reaches back to E Street.

Connected to Anderson sewer system. \$20,000. 907-378-9040 or mreams@mtaonline.net

### **Log Home:**

950sq ft , 2 bd, 1 ba, remodeled, two lots, 3 car garage/shop w/ eff apt, connected to Anderson sewer system. \$130,000 OBO 907-582-2120, 907-347-0467 or mmn2099@yahoo.com

### **2,000 Sq ft home**

181 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Anderson  
3 bedroom  
\$49,900  
Fixer-upper/foreclosure  
AK MLS 142517  
Contact Amanda Salmon  
907-841-2124

### **4 Bedroom house on .23 acres,**

170 C Street, Anderson  
\$119,000  
AK MLS 123083  
Contact James Arend  
907-378-5447

### **12 City Lots in Anderson**

100'x100'  
Not subdivided /developed. Lots are located on Aspen Street.  
907-745-1860 or e-mail jauna@mtaonline.net

### **Free to a Good Home:**

Bearded Dragon and all supplies, including some food. 582-3635.

## Local Businesses

**Alpine Plumbing & Heating** (Commercial & Residential, Licensed, Insured & Bonded) 907-209-7645.

**Cookie Lee Jewelry** is available in Anderson today. Try it on and take it home. Shop for your favorite styles at guilt-free prices. Book a show and earn free jewelry. I also do fundraisers. Check out my website [www.cookielee.biz/janiscarney](http://www.cookielee.biz/janiscarney).

**Fireweed Roadhouse** located on the Parks Hwy milepost 288.5 We offer comfortable lodging, full menu with all inclusive contractor rates. Come enjoy true Alaskan hospitality in one of the last standing roadhouses. We serve homemade pizzas, burgers, soups and salads. I look forward to serving your family and friends! 907-582-2224 or 907-460-9292 and web: [www.fireweedroadhouse@denali.com](http://www.fireweedroadhouse@denali.com)

**Homefire Country Inn** Bed and Breakfast, Past Fire Hall on South D Street, Left on Park Ave, follow to end, last house on right. 907-209-1895.

**Rabideau's Clear Sky Lodge**, Mile 280 Parks Hwy, 907-582-2251

**Scentsy:** Wick-less, flameless, soot-free candles, and personal care and laundry products that add scent-sationally to your life!

**Velata Fondu:** Chocolate, Cheese & Artisan Rubs. Grab your friends and get together. Velata makes parties fun and EASY!

Dawni Corbin  
(907) 582-2419 or (907)378-8272  
Scentsy Lead Consultant  
<https://scentsforalways.scentsy.us>  
Velata Lead Consultant  
<https://makeminemelted.velata.us>

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Thank you for reading the Dispatch and for your submissions! Please inform us of any errors. And send us your submissions for the next Dispatch by June 10, 2014.
