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WELCOMING MEMBERS TO THE **2023 ANNUAL MEETINGS!**

The 2023 Annual Meeting preparations have begun, and you won't want to miss the big event! We are excited to bring our communities together for informative discussions, good local food, fun prizes, and a new tech showcase. Mark your calendar, grab a friend, and we'll see you there!

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When fiber internet—the fastest, most reliable internet you can get—comes to a new area in rural Alaska, you can almost feel the excitement in the air. After all, fiber's extraordinary speeds and bandwidth capacity provide an outstanding internet experience for your streaming entertainment, video calling, and gaming. Most importantly, it keeps you connected to the people that matter most.

But part of installing and maintaining our network includes the need to access property—your neighbor's property and your own. There are laws that allow internet service providers (as well as other utilities) access to private property, and even to make considerable impacts to it.

It's called a "public right of way"—and at Copper Valley Telecom, accessing it is essential to our efforts to providing our community with quality high-speed internet.

What Is a Public Right of Way?

A public right of way is simply a piece of land (usually including the surface area and subterranean level) that may be accessed and utilized by certain public entities for particular purposes. Similar to the concept of easements, public rights of way are critical to utilities like your local electric co-op, water and sewer systems, and of course, your local internet and telephone providers.

When you purchase your home, any public rights of way are defined and delineated, so (hopefully) there are no surprises. A public right of way grants a utility the right to traverse that property and even build and make improvements on it. This can include digging, installing infrastructure, and occasionally repairing or maintaining that infrastructure.

For internet service providers like CVT, a public right of way allows us to install the fiber network infrastructure in the neighborhood so that

you and your neighbors have access to our services. It does not allow us to connect your particular home to our network, which we only do with your permission when you sign up for services.

After initial construction, from time to time, our technicians may need to access the right of way to upgrade the equipment or fiber-optic cable or repair it. It's all key to making sure everyone's internet remains as fast and reliable as possible.

Cooperation and Communication: How CVT Works With You & Public Rights of Way

The decision of whether to avail yourself of our high-speed internet is yours! However, Copper Valley Telecom is upgrading copper infrastructure to fiber, and if you decline access during the initial construction phase but request service in the future, an installation charge will be assessed.

But whether or not you choose to purchase our services, we may still access the right of way in front of your home to lay fiber that connects your friends and neighbors. We'll do our best to communicate what's going on before, during, and after construction.

But, perhaps the most common concern any homeowner has is also the most natural—what happens to the lawn and landscaping when the public right of way is being worked? The short answer is: Don't worry! After construction is done, we will do our best to restore all rights of way back to its original state.

If you have any questions or concerns about "public right of way," you can always reach out to us at 800.235.5414, Option 6 - we are happy to help!

Glennallen Regionals Recap

Copper Valley Telecom proudly outfitted fans with GHS gear to cheer on our Glennallen Basketball teams during the Interior Conference Regional Tournament.

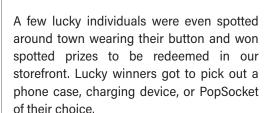
In between games, customers visited CVT, scored Up to 50% Off Accessories, and took a turn at Spin to Win for a chance at huge discounts and prize.! Fun was had by all!

A big "CONGRATULATIONS" to our Glennallen Lady Panthers for taking 1st Place and earning their spot in the 2A State Basketball Tournament!



Frosty Fever
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CVT kicked off Valdez's annual Frosty Fever as the first button pick-up location! We had some on-air time with KVAK while the store was packed full of happy customers picking up their buttons. Everyone tried their luck at the Spin to Win wheel for prizes, CVT swag, and extra big discounts on top of our Blowout Accessories Sale!



See you next year, Frosty!



Entertainment Bundle Winner

Thank you to everyone who participated in our text-to-enter Entertainment Bundle Giveaway! We can't wait to share alerts for new products, sales, and exclusive offers!

Congratulations to Teresa Cox, who won our text-to-enter Entertainment Bundle Giveaway, which included a JBL Speaker, Nintendo Switch, and a 65in LG Smart TV!





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UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL MEETING & TECH SHOWCASE: May 9 in Glennallen & May 11 in Valdez.

Visit cvtc.org for more information.

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Solve the crossword, tear off, then mail or drop off at the Glennallen or Valdez business office. Return by the 10th of the month to ensure your entry is included in the monthly drawing. Congratulations to the last issue's winners, **Cynthia Buchanan & 1.5 y/o Iris** (Glennallen) and **Amber Cawley** (Valdez). **REMEMBER TO FILL IN YOUR NAME!**

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