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Newsletter

Here we are in the first week of 2018. We've had spring like weather one day and inches of snow and ice on another. Not a typical January so far except for the snow and ice. As temperatures promise to get back to normal, remember to pay attention to the cold and the length of time you are out and about in it. The colder temperatures can lead to slips, strains and sprains as we try to remain upright and our body moves in different directions than what we intended.

It is also that time of year when children will be making their way to school, moose will be along roads where the snow is not as deep, and our roads and intersections are covered with black ice and those fantastic ice washboards. This is also a great time to dig out those ice cleats if you haven't already done so. If you can't find them, tell your manager to pick up some new ones. If you find them but they are worn, well, get some new ones!

[Seven Statistics on Winter Workplace Injuries: Ice, Ice, Baby](#)

1. According to data from the National Safety Council, 25,000 slip, trip and fall accidents occur daily in the US.
2. Snow, ice and freezing temps in the winter multiply the number of wet and slippery surfaces at work and the potential for accidents.
 - o Ladders, scaffolding, machinery, utility poles, and even the entry and exits to a building can all be exponentially more dangerous in the winter months.
 - o As an example, in the US in 2014, there were 42,480 workplace injuries and illnesses involving ice, sleet, or snow that required at least one day away from work to recuperate.
3. As one might expect, most snow and ice-related slips and falls occur on outdoor surfaces.
 - o The majority happen in parking lots, roadways, driveways and walkways where individuals travel on foot between their worksites and vehicles.
 - o About 8 percent do occur indoors; in entryways, hallways and other rooms where ice and snow have been tracked in from outside.
4. Practically all injuries from slips and falls on snow and ice fall under the classification of

“traumatic injuries.” These injuries range from minor bruises, cuts and abrasions to serious bone fractures, spinal cord damage and concussions.

- o Strains, sprains and tears comprise the largest category.

You can see the rest of the list by clicking on the title of this article provided by Bongarde - safetynow.com

Just wanted to share that we have a new SCTE-ISBE membership brochure:

http://www.scte.org/SCTEDocs/Membership/SCTE21114_MemberBrochure_FNL.pdf



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STEM education will be vital to the future of our industry as we work to drive increased engineering literacy and up-and-coming innovators to create the cable networks and technologies of tomorrow. SCTE is also in alliance with the US First Robotics program. If you haven't seen a US First program yet, you need to make it a point to do so. You can get more information on the program by email USFirst@scte.org.



Fiber Deep Networks
Thursday, January 18, 2018, 11:00 AM
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Description:

The drive to provide more bandwidth to homes and businesses is leading to greater deployments of fiber. This webinar will review best practices that ensure economy and efficiency now and the ability to expand in the future.

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- Macromedia Flash
- A separate telephone line to listen to the audio portion of the presentation.



New Board and Associates Ring in 2018

Rumor has it that there will a board meeting on January 10th 2018 to officially welcome our new board members and to thank our outgoing members. The board will also be appointing the new associate board members. With the potential of ten new members, it looks certain that new energy and creativity will infuse our chapter in the coming years. For the record, here is where we stand as of today.

Board Members

Chairman – Mike Snyder

President – Sharee Tserlentakis

Vice President – Dale Franklin

Secretary – Nick Williams

Treasurer – Mitch Stivers

Board - Jordan Blackson

PJ Gomez

Luke Kelley

Clark Branch

Michael Parish

Candidates for Associate Board Members

Gary Gernstein

Barry Abisor

Gary Haynes

Tom Spiak

Markus Kofoid

Josh Swanson

Carl King

Adam Smith

Jake Woolard

Whit Willson
Steve Kaplan
Billy Siekmeier
Jeff Slone
Emily Jones
Jason Ellingson
Erwin Otei

With all the committees we currently have there is plenty of room for volunteers. Along with the planning of our Vendor Day slated for this May 2nd at the Alaska Airlines Center on the UAA campus, there is a need for aggressive volunteers on the training committee, social media committee and community outreach committee.

In 1884, people in New York City were somewhat annoyed by the enormous amount of power lines as well as phone lines along their streets. That year there was a particularly bad winter and as the wind shrieked through the wires the noise was ear splitting.

As the snow and ice built up on the wires the poles could not bear the strain and snapped in some cases crashing through private buildings.

The New York State legislature that same year passed a bill to have all cables placed underground but the order was ignored as the technology to insulate the cables did not yet exist. Mayor Hugh P Grant in response to the frustration of the citizens took matters into his own hands and led a team of axmen around the city cutting down the offending poles. In fact the Mayor is reported to have cut down the first pole himself.

It is also reported that, that year saw the first



formed "Board Of Commissioners of Electrical Subways" was flooded with some six hundred schemes and designs for executing the mammoth task of laying cables underground.



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Executive Webinar: Instinctual Leadership

When: Thursday, March 8th, 2018

Time: 2:00-3:00pm ET (11:00am PT)

SCTE•ISBE Executive Member Price: Free

SCTE•ISBE Professional Member Price: \$50

Nonmember Price: \$50

The webinar will be presented on Thursday, March 8th from 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET by Mario Sikora. In this webinar, Mario Sikora will look at three habitual personality patterns that shape what aspects of leadership and performance we focus on, what we tend to neglect, and how this can hinder our success. These patterns, called "instinctual biases", influence every aspect of our lives. You will learn to recognize your habitual behaviors and implicit values more accurately and acquire tools for capitalizing on the strengths of the biases, as well as for overcoming their vulnerabilities. It will help you understand the root of many conflicts in organizations (most of which are rooted in a clash of

instinctual values) and how you can resolve these conflicts more effectively.

[Mario Sikora](#) is president of the consulting firm Awareness to Action International and ATAI's senior executive coach. For nearly 20 years he has advised leaders in large organizations across the globe. He has worked with leaders in numerous multinational corporations, including Motorola, TE Connectivity, Dow Chemicals, Panasonic, Arris Inc., Rovi Corp., and Johnson & Johnson.

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