Training and safety issues.



Welcome To Your May Newsletter

Spring is in the air and in our step. What a great time of year.

WATCH FOR MOTORCYCLES

We started our spring season by collecting a number of awards at last months CLC. YES! Once again we took home the Chapter of the Year Award. If you haven't had a chance to read any industry publications or our *occasional emails* then you may have missed the fact that we also took home awards for Recruitment, Striving For Excellence and Professional Development. Congratulations!

18th Annual Vendor Show

Of course, we kick this month off with our 18th Annual Vendor Show! This year we are in a new venue with plenty of parking and hopefully a bit more convenient to all those that want to attend. Our show which is slated for May 10th will be held at the relatively new and always exciting Alaska Airlines Center on the UAA campus. To quote Sharee Tserlentakis; "This year, we are particularly excited about our lunch time entertainment...Athletes from the Native Youth Olympics (NYO) will be treating us to a demonstration. Local icon, NYO advocate and well-known champion, Nicole Johnston, will be the emcee and will be providing us with some entertaining history lessons on each of the events." Bring your camera's or at least make sure there is room on your smart phone because you are going to want to take lots of pictures.

The vendor floor will open at 8:00am and training begins at 9:30am with the sessions repeated at 2:30pm. This year our topics are "Hardening The Drop" presented by Doug MacLeod of PCT International. Our second training topic is "Total Power Solutions" presented by Chad Waltari or Alpha Technologies. Our vendor floor closes at 5:00 pm so make certain that you leave yourself plenty of time to meet and speak with our vendors.

Our keynote speaker this year is Deighton Liverpool, SCTE V.P. of IT. You are encouraged to take the opportunity to speak with Deighton as well. Deighton is not unfamiliar with Alaska as he had lived and worked in Bethel prior to moving to sunny Pennsylvania and joining the staff of SCTE.

There will also be and evening reception with begins at 6:00pm at the Peanut Farm Sports Bar and Grill. WHAT!! Oh yeah, you are going to want to spend your entire day with us on May 10th!

Upcoming Training

This month brings more seminars, webinars and good ol fashioned face to face training to keep you up to date and well informed. Do you know that our chapter posts videos of some of our training on YouTube? You should come out and see us sometime.

"FTTx – Fiber Inspection at the Premise"Four one hour sessions to be hosted by Tom Spiak at AOC
Part One – Friday May 5th
Session One at 9:00am
Session Two at 10:00am
Part Two – Tuesday, May 9th

Session One at 9:00am

Session Two at 10:00am

"Noise Mitigation" – Wednesday, May 17th at 10:00am Hosted by Luke Kelley at the FS Building in Anchorage.

"Downstream Ingress" - Three separate sessions to be hosted by Luke Kelley at the FS Building in Anchorage

Wednesday, June 7th at 4:00pm Wednesday, June 14th at 8:15am Wednesday, June 21st at 10:15am

"CLI Detection and Repair" - Three separate sessions to be hosted by Luke Kelley at the FS Building in Anchorage
Wednesday, July 5th at 4:00pm
Wednesday, July 12th at 8:15am
Wednesday, July 19th at 10:15am

We are hopeful that we can get some of these sessions presented by GoToMeeting. Look to your emails as Mike Snyder or Gary Gernstein will send that information our to one and all.

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Speaking of training, have you downloaded the CORTEX app from SCTE yet?

CORTEX MOBILE - download the CORTEX from the <u>App Store</u> or from <u>Google Play</u>. Earn College Credits Through SCTE

SCTE training can help you succeed with more than just knowledge. Take SCTE courses and get a jump start toward a technical degree through an SCTE College Partner. The majority of SCTE's technical courses qualify and are available both online or onsite—offering convenience and flexibility for busy cable professionals. SCTE prides itself in providing you with the resources needed to maintain long-term employment value to your employer. SCTE's educational programs offer members a first hand opportunity to acquire new knowledge and skill sets as the demands of the profession change. Learn more and enroll in an SCTE college partnership program below.

• Fort Hays University

All SCTE courses qualify for SCTE Recertification Units (RUs) that can be applied to maintaining SCTE certifications. Learn more about <u>SCTE Certification</u> programs.

Analyzing and Troubleshooting Today's Wi-Fi Networks

Thursday, May 18th, 2017, 2:00 PM Eastern

Description:

WiFi has emerged as the most common means of distributed broadband capacity around the residential subscriber's premises. It also holds the potential to become the most common source of trouble calls. This webinar will review what can be done to ensure a happy WiFi-enabled customer.

Description:

This webinar, presented through **SCTE LiveLearning** will provide an overview of major trends in test and measurement for cable operator networks with a deep dive into areas of significant

interest from three experts in the field.

Register for this Webinar

Executive Webinar: The Decision

When: Tuesday, May 23rd 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 Tuesday, May 23rd from 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET by Grace Killelea. In this webinar, Grace Killelea, leadership expert, best-selling author, and executive coach, discusses The Decision to Lead and how to bring your best self and be the best leader under challenging circumstances. The webinar will tackle what taking accountability really means and help you to provide leadership that drives teams forward in adverse situations as well as understanding that leveraging resilience and making the decision to lead is what ultimately defines us as leaders.

For over 30 years, Grace Killelea has been keenly focused on developing, supporting, mentoring, coaching and connecting leaders. An accomplished human resource and talent executive, Grace retired as a Senior Vice President from a Fortune 30 company, and in 2013, founded the GKC Group, a leadership development firm with programs designed for high potential men and women. Now in her fourth year, her programs have graduated over 600 leaders from nearly 100 partner companies. Last year, her book "The Confidence Effect" was published and it was listed as a Top 10 Book for "Women in Business" on Amazon.com and was also noted as 'on of the most important new business books' by Inc. com.

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Trivia Question

Do you know when cable television first became available in the United States? Do you know when subscription service became available? Do you know who was credited as being the fater of community antenna television and the first See answers at the end of the newsletter.

Spring Weather Can Bring Workplace Hazards

Flooding is the most common natural disaster that affects workplaces. When your workplace gets flooded, the dangers do not recede with the floodwaters and leaves in its wake many unexpected hazards.

Here are just a few of the many hazardous situations which can be created by a flood:

- Water and electricity are a dangerous mix. When walls, flooring and other objects are damp, they can conduct electricity from live electrical installations.
- Mechanical hazards can occur in unexpected places as machinery has been moved around by the flood.
- Damage to floors, stairs and walkways may not be apparent, so you should assume these surfaces are insecure until you can determine otherwise.
- Flammable liquids and gases may have been spilled, ready to explode if ignited.
- Toxic chemicals may have been tipped into the floodwaters, creating even more toxic combinations. Not only is the water contaminated, but so is every surface it has touched.
- Sewage may have seeped into the floodwaters, contaminating it with diseasecausing bacteria and viruses.
- Rotting trash, vegetation, fabrics and other materials may harbor molds which cause respiratory problems.
- Asbestos insulation may be exposed, requiring removal by persons properly trained and equipped to do so to avoid lung damage from the fibers.



USPS: Taking a Bite Out of Dog Attacks

Many service workers who must enter residential properties, dog bites are high on the

occupational hazard list. Safety and prevention efforts highlight the United States Postal Service's Dog Bite Week, which runs April 9 through April 15. Do you live or work in one of the 40y cities that make up the top 30 dog attack city rankings? <u>FULL ARTICLE</u>

Members That Certified this Quarter

Jacob	Mills	BPE	Fairbanks
Spenser	Bouasri	BPI	Anchorage
Mordecai	Gionson	BPI	Anchorage
Kathleen	Wonhola	BPI	Anchorage
Michael	Parish	BPI	Anchorage
Robert	Zentmire	BPI	Anchorage
Orion	Grimm	BPI	Anchorage
Henry	Schildbach	BPT	Anchorage
Kelly	Hall	BPE	Ketchikan

Answer to trivia question

Cable television first became available in the United States in 1948,^[1] with subscription services following in 1949.

Leroy E. "Ed" Parsons built the first cable television system in the United States that used coaxial cable, amplifiers, and a community antenna to deliver television signals to an area that otherwise would not have been able to receive broadcast television signals. In 1948, Parsons owned a radio station in Astoria, Oregon. A year earlier he and his wife had first seen television at a broadcasters' convention. In the spring of 1948, Parsons learned that radio station that fall. He found that with a large antenna he could receive KRSC's signal on the roof of the Hotel Astoria and from there he ran coaxial cable across the street to his apartment. When the station (now KING-TV) went on the air in November 1948, Parsons was the only one in town able to see television. According to MSNBC's Bob Sullivan, Parsons charged a \$125 one-time set-up fee and a \$3 a month service fee.^[7] In May 1968, Parsons was acknowledged as the father of community antenna television.^[8]



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