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## The Alaska Chapter of SCTE-ISBE May 2019 Newsletter

# Vendor Show Just Two Days Away!

What a show it is going to be this year. If I listed all the vendors and activities there wouldn't be any space left in your email box.

The location this is year is back at the Alaska Airlines Center. A great venue with plenty of free parking. The Alaska Airlines Center is located on the UAA Campus at 3550 Providence Drive in Anchorage.

Along with the vendors and vendor demonstrations, there are a number of fantastic training opportunities.

"DAA & Remote Phy – The Future of OSP" Wednesday, May 8th 2019

Session # 1 - 9:30am - 11:30am Session # 2 - 2:15pm - 4:15pm Presented by: Jason Patterson and Eric Fagan w/ CASA Systems

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"Home Networking – Testing and Troubleshooting"

Wednesday, May 8th 2019

Session # 1 - 9:30am – 11:30am Session # 2 - 2:15pm - 4:15pm

Presented by: David Dolnick w/ VIAVI Solutions

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"Hardening the Drop – Best Practices" Wednesday, May 8th 2019

Session # 1 - 9:30am - 11:30am Session # 2 - 2:15pm - 4:15pm

Presented by: Doug MacLeod w/ PCT

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The Alaska Chapter holds BOD meetings typically once a month on Wednesdays at noon, and we always have a conference bridge setup for those outside of Anchorage, or who are busy in the field. An email should be going out shortly with the conference bridge number for this months meeting so keep your eye out for that one. If you are not receiving those emails, drop us a line and tell us to get on the ball and let you know how to participate.

Don't forget to enter the 'I want to go to the National Expo this year' contest. Send us an email as to why you think you should go. Don't forget to tell us who you are and where you are, sort of a brief bio will work. A winner will be selected at the Vendor Show. You do not have to be present to win so there is no excuse not to enter.

To get involved in the Alaska Chapter, contact us at thealaskachapter@gmail.com.

Be Safe. Have Fun.

Just wanted to share the new SCTE membership brochure: http://www.scte.org/SCTEDocs/Membership/SCTE21114\_MemberBrochure\_FNL.pdf

# **Training On The Fly**



The micro-lessons are awesome! They will work well for the busy technical and non-technical folks alike - Mike Snyder

Speaking of MicroLessons, they're a complimentary part of our membership along with Primers, MicroLearnings and LightningMods. You can go to the <u>SCTE.org</u> website for more information and a list of programs currently available to members.

Your Alaska Chapter is pleased to announce more valuable and informative training sessions May 1<sup>st</sup> Grounding and Bonding

8:15a-9:30a

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** OTDR – Best Practices Ketchikan 9a-3p

## May 7th

OTDR pt 1 Anchorage 9a-12p

**May 8<sup>th</sup>** – Vendor Show and Training Day Each session 9:30a-11:30a, repeating from 2:15p – 4:15p

- Hardening the Drop, Noise Mitigation and LTE Ingress
- Home Networking Testing and Troubleshooting
- DAA and Remote Phy the Future of OSP

May 9th

OTDR pt 2 Anchorage 9a-12p

**May 9<sup>th</sup>** Ladder Handling and Safety Anchorage 9a-11p

**May 10<sup>th</sup>** OTDR Fairbanks 9a-3p

May 16<sup>th</sup> Fusion Splicing/FTTH – Best Practices Anchorage 9a-3p

#### SCTE•ISBE LiveLearning Webinars™

## The Impact of Full Duplex DOCSIS on Cable Networks

Thursday, May 16, 2019, 11:00 AM EST

#### **Description:**

Now that most larger North American MSOs are wrapping up their rollouts of DOCSIS 3.1, it's time to prepare for rolling out the next DOCSIS spec – Full Duplex DOCSIS. But that's easier said than done because Full Duplex requires operators to extend fiber much deeper into their access networks and eliminate all amplifiers. What kind of impact will Full Duplex have on the HFC network? How can operators cope? Our experts will tackle these issues and more.

## Speakers:

Alan Breznick, Cable/Video Practice Leader - Light Reading

#### **Register Now**

## More from National

Publications and Education Resources such as the <u>SCTE Bookstore</u>, <u>Primer Series</u>, or <u>LiveLearning</u> <u>Webinars™</u> are filled with in-depth information where you can immerse yourself in existing and new cable technology.

**Knowledge and Information Resources** such as the <u>Job Aids and Mobile Apps</u>, <u>Pocket</u> <u>Guides</u> or <u>SupplierConnect</u> are quick sources for facts, product information and tips to help you excel doing daily job tasks.



Did you know... Catherine Oakes Memorial Leadership Scholarship for Women



Catherine Oakes, former Senior Vice President, Operations at SCTE, was

a key contributor in the cable telecommunications industry, a great leader, mentor and friend who will be missed by many.

#### Read More About Catherine and Her Accomplishments

The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize and reward women currently working in the cable telecommunications industry's technical workforce, or those who aspire to. One annual scholarship recipient may use the funds toward registration in an industry leadership development or executive education program, such as SCTE-Tuck Executive Leadership Program, SCTE-Georgia Tech Management Development Program, or a similar industry education program.

#### Catherine Oakes Memorial Leadership Scholarship For Women

\$3,500—Awarded annually to a woman pursuing leadership in telecommunications

This year's winner will receive \$3,500 to go towards being selected to participate in WICT's 2019 Rising Leaders Program.

Click <u>here</u> to apply. Applications were due by May 1, 2019. If you missed the deadline this year, mark you calendars now to participate next year.

All applications were reviewed and selected by past <u>Women in Technology Award winners</u>.

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## May is National Bike Month

Bicycling is one of the best ways to get exercise, see the sights and reduce your carbon footprint. However, bicyclists face a host of hazards. They often must share the road with vehicles, and injuries can happen even on a designated path.

The number of deaths from bicycle incidents increased 29% over an eight-year period, from 793 in 2010 to 1,024 in 2017, according to *Injury Facts*. Of the 1,024 bicyclist deaths in 2017, 679 involved motor vehicles.

With about 80 million bicyclists sharing the road with motorized vehicles, it is vital bicyclists take the following safety precautions.

I would extend this out to Motorcycles as well.

During National Bike Month, cycling enthusiasts across the country celebrate the many benefits of cycling.

<u>The League of American Bicyclists</u>, which advocates for a "Bicycle Friendly America," sponsors Bike Month each year. The 32-page <u>National Bike Month Guide</u> has everything you need to plan a Bike Month event in your community. The League's <u>Ride Smart program</u> also is a great resource for educational videos, classes, tips and other information about bike safety.

## **Other Resources**

- Bike Riding Safety video (NHTSA)
- How Bikeable is Your Community? (NHTSA)

## **Did You Know**

Did you know that SCTE is a proud supporter of numerous STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education and career initiatives.

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 <u>USFirst@scte.org</u>.



#### Congratulations are in order for these certified members!

Are you certifiable? Did you recently earn your certification? Don't be shy. Let us know about it and we'll help you along with the bragging rights.

Brian Middleton - BPE William Eagle - BPI

You may take the <u>Demo Exam</u> and/or <u>read about the exam platform</u> to see how exams are administered. Read the <u>Testing Policies Summary</u> Need assistance paying for certification? <u>SCTE•ISBE Foundation has resources</u>.



Gallegos performed life-saving CPR on a man while responding to a residential call GCI's RJ Gallegos honored at Red Cross Real Heroes Breakfast

ANCHORAGE, Alaska – GCI Field Technician RJ Gallegos was honored earlier this week by the American Red Cross of Alaska at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Real Heroes Breakfast. Gallegos was nominated for

the award for his life-saving efforts in July 2018 while responding to a request to resolve a cable TV issue.

While working inside a customer's home, Gallegos realized a man lying on a nearby couch was not breathing. Gallegos quickly began performing chest compressions on the man while waiting for emergency responders to arrive on scene. After the patient was safely in the hands of EMTs and on his way to the hospital, Gallegos continued with his work day and went on to the next customer on his list.



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