



**Department of Public Safety  
Division of Fire and Life Safety**

*From the desk of  
The Alaska State Fire Marshal*

**The Fire Flyer**

**G**reetings,

After a busy summer I think it is about time to put out another issue of Fire Flyer to let everyone know what we have been up to.

The big news is that we were finally able to get the 2012 codes signed into regulation. It was our intention to start working immediately to adopt the 2015 codes so that we could get to the 2018 and hopefully be caught up. We have instead decided to go straight to the 2018 codes. This will cause us some more work up front, but in the end we will save some time by only having to go through the regulation process once.

We hope to have a draft to everyone before the Fire and Building Officials Forum so that we can discuss any issues you folks may have up front. We will be working with the oil and gas industry and other interested parties as we have in the past. It is my goal to have as near of a consensus document forwarded for public comment as is possible. So hang on, this is going to be an interesting ride.

**W**e are nearly 6 months into our reorganization and are getting our feet back underneath us again. At roughly the same time we were closing the Fairbanks Plan Review Office we found our selves replacing 3 of our admin staff. The largest impact was felt by our Plan Review Office. For a while this summer we only had 2 Plans Examiners able to do plan reviews. One Plans Examiner was doing nothing but intakes. We found ourselves 8 weeks behind. I could not be more proud of how my staff in the Plan Review Bureau responded to this difficult sum-

mer. We are going to watch how next summer starts out very closely. With this group up and fully functional now I do not foresee another summer like 2017.

BFASST has also taken some hits. We are down another staff member due to budget reductions. The good news is that we have all of our admin positions filled, so we are getting back on track. Gordon and crew are working hard on the IFSAC accreditation audit.

Potentially we have good news for our Life Safety Inspection Bureau. For years there have been two vacancies for Deputy Fire Marshal I's. It looks like we still have 4 strong candidates as we near the final phase of hiring. If we can fill both of these positions it will be the first time in my memory that we will have no vacancies. (No, I'm not going to knock on wood.)

John Cawthon from our TAPS office has also left state service to pursue other interests. We will be advertising that position shortly. I do not expect any difficulties in filling that one.

**W**e are working on our input for the Governor's FY19 budget. There isn't much to report at this time other than I am hopeful that we are going to get some much needed help this year. I will keep everyone updated.

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**The mission of the Division of Fire and Life Safety is to prevent the loss of life and property from fire and explosion.**

Here is a quick introduction to our newest employees

**Pam Bowden**

Was hired to be our Office Assistant II in the Plan Review Bureau on July 24, 2017

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**April Eichhorn**

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That's all for now. **Stay safe.**

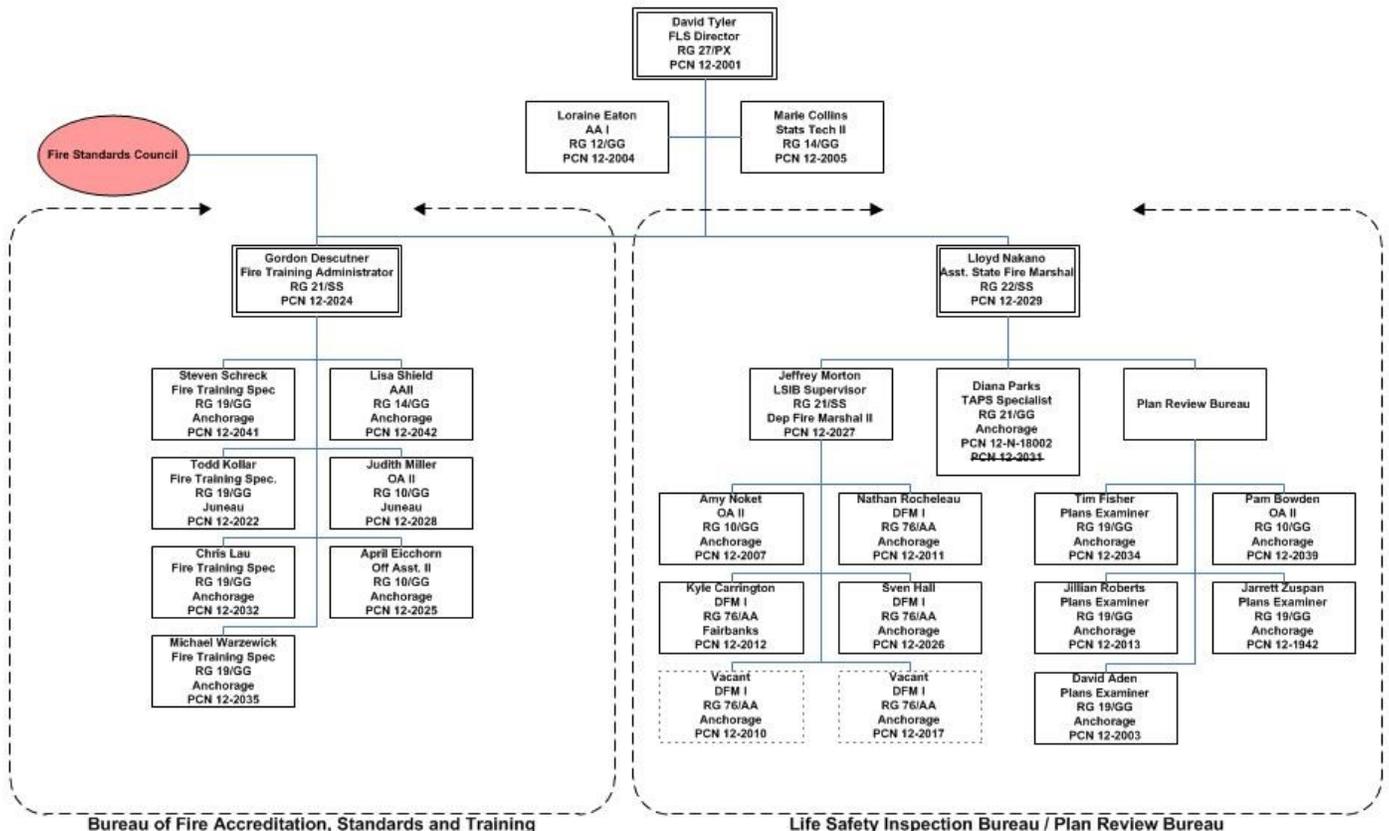
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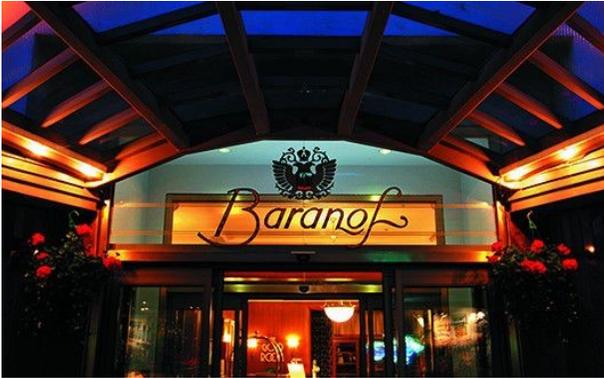
October 1, 2017





# ALASKA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION 2018 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

February 5-8, 2018  
Juneau, AK



## Westmark Baranof Hotel

Juneau, AK

Standard Room – \$137/night, Premium King – \$179/night, King Suite – \$199/night

### Summit Registration:

Early – Member:\$350 / Non-Member:\$400  
After 31 Jan – Member:\$400 / Non-Member \$450  
One Day - \$225

## Four (4) Day Format

### Monday, February 5th

Welcome/Legislative Update 08:30-10:30  
Workgroup Sessions 10:30-16:30  
Board Dinner/Meeting 17:30 – 20:00

### Tuesday, February 6th

Continental Breakfast 08:00  
Program & Sessions 08:30-17:00  
Governor's Reception 17:00-19:00  
Exhibit Hall Vendor Setup 17:00



### Wednesday, February 7th

Continental Breakfast 08:00  
Program & Sessions 08:30-11:30  
Vendor Show/Luncheon 11:30-13:30  
Program & Sessions 14:00-17:00  
Presidents Reception 18:00-20:00

### Thursday, February 8th

Continental Breakfast 08:00  
AFCA Business Meeting 08:30-10:00  
Program & Sessions 10:00 – 17:00  
Special Event 18:00-????



*State of Alaska*  
**11th Annual**  
**Fire and Building Officials Forum**

During the week of March 5th 2018  
Exact dates will be posted soon

To be held at the *Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory*  
Anchorage

For more information contact Lloyd Nakano  
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**Alaska Association of Fire & Arson Investiga-**

**33rd Annual Fire & Arson Investigator  
Training Conference  
JBER Alaska  
April 2018  
(Exact dates will be set soon)**



**Mark it on your calendars now!!**

The 2018

**Alaska Fire Conference**

**Kenai, Alaska**

**September 24<sup>th</sup>– 28<sup>th</sup>!!**



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