

# ASEA In Action

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City & Borough of Sitka Chapter



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#### Steward Training In September

Steward Training will be held in September. Both Basic and Advanced will be combined in this session. Information on the date, time and place will be sent in the next couple of weeks. Be on the look out for the announcement in your email.

This training is mandatory. Per ASEA Policies & Procedures Article 9.03.000, A, B, C, D & E Training of Stewards:

- A. All Stewards will receive ASEA Local 52 or AFSCME steward training. It is the responsibility of ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 professional staff to provide mandatory statewide basic and advanced steward training at least every six (6) months.
- B. The steward must take the mandatory basic training within six (6) months after being elected or appointed in accordance with 9.05.000.C.3. Only the Business Manager may excuse an absence. Two (2) consecutive unexcused absences from either a basic or advanced training opportunity following election or appointment shall result in decertification as a steward.
- C. Following basic training, the steward shall complete at least four (4) hours of advanced steward training annually. Failure to complete annual advanced training for two (2) unexcused consecutive training opportunities when offered by the Union shall result in decertification of the steward.
- D. Chapter Chief Stewards shall provide training on an interim basis. The ASEA professional staff will provide a training module for this purpose. Interim training does not substitute for mandatory basic and advanced statewide training.
- E. When possible experienced and trained stewards should mentor less experienced stewards to provide continuity of service to members and aid in the training of stewards.

## State Executive Board Meeting

The next State Executive Board Quarterly Business Session will be held in Fairbanks at the Fairbanks ASEA/ AFSCME Local 52 office on Sept. 7 & 8. The Executive Board will be in Fairbanks on Labor Day, Sept. 6, and will take part in the Fairbanks Labor Day Parade and Picnic. If you are in Fairbanks come join the fun and walk with your fellow ASEA Brothers and Sisters in the parade. The parade starts at Noon from the Noel Wien Library.



## Members Needed For ASEA Committees

ASEA Committees are looking for members to become involved. This is a great way to become involved in your Union and to learn more about what the Union does for you. The following Committees have seats available that CBS MEMBERS are eligible to fill the Bush Seat:

- \*WOMEN'S COMMITTEE - 2 Seats (Rural/Bush)
- \*NEXT WAVE - 7 Seats (Must be 35 years old or younger)

To be considered for a committee you must submit a statement of interest to ASEA State Executive Board indicating your interest in the committee on which you would like to serve.

Interested members must submit their Statement of Interest prior to Sept 1, to the ASEA State Executive Board c/o MaryAnn Ganacias - 1577 C St., Ste. 201, Anch. AK 99501 or Fax (907) 277-5206 or email [maryann@afscmelocal52.org](mailto:maryann@afscmelocal52.org). More information is available on the website [www.afscmelocal52.org](http://www.afscmelocal52.org).

## ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 BUSH Community Committee

The Bush Community Committee was established by the ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 State Executive Board back in May 2002 to address the issues and concerns of ASEA Chapters not located on a road system, and to look into economic impacts and union opportunities.

The BCC meets at the call of the Chair via teleconference. The committee also holds an annual “face-to-face meeting.” This forum provides a gathering of spokespersons to deal with issues of particular importance concerning ASEA members residing in Bush Alaska.

All of the Bush Community Committee members serve their union in various capacities besides their work on the BCC, both at the statewide level and in their respective ASEA Chapters. **If you are interested in becoming a member of this committee contact MaryAnn Ganacias by Fax (907) 277-5206 or email [maryann@afscmelocal52.org](mailto:maryann@afscmelocal52.org).**

Harry Martin, Chair, Ketchikan  
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