



# ASEA In Action

## Fairbanks North Star Borough Supervisors Chapter

### AFSCME Partners With The National Child Identification Program



Each year nearly a million children are abducted or run away and many are never returned to their families. That's a staggering statistic and one that our union can help to reduce.

AFSCME is partnering with the National Child Identification Program to make our children's lives safer. This fall, AFSCME members and retirees will receive a child identification kit that can be used to store a child's fingerprints and DNA in case the child goes missing.

There's nothing more important to AFSCME than the members who help keep their communities running and our union strong. And there's nothing more important to us as parents and grandparents than our children and grandchildren. Through the use of the child identification kit, a parent or guardian can dramatically increase the chances that a missing child will be located and safely returned.

The provided fingerprint kit, DNA swab and fact sheet are kept by the parent or guardian in their personal records, but when needed — give law enforcement agencies up to 80 percent of the information they need to initiate an immediate search when time is of the essence.

In teaming up with the National Child Identification Program, AFSCME joins several unions and dozens of community, faith and athletic organizations to make our communities safer. In addition to receiving one free kit, AFSCME members will have the option of buying additional kits at the specially negotiated price of \$4.95, half the usual cost.

The kits will arrive with the Fall issue of *AFSCME WORKS* magazine and include instructions for use. It's so easy to gather the information and it could make all the difference in the future.

A missing child is a parent's worst nightmare and we sincerely hope that once AFSCME members complete the kit, they'll never have to use it. As public service workers, we take pride in making our communities safer. If we all take a few moments to protect our families, we can help bring every missing child home safely.

In solidarity,

Lee Saunders, President  
Laura Reyes, Secretary-Treasurer

### FNSB Members Holiday Lunch

Dear Chapter Member,

On behalf of the Chapter Executive Board, I am extending my sincere gratitude to each of you individually and to all of the Borough employees that make up the chapter. Your Chapter Executive Board consists of members, just like you, that are elected by you. You are a member of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Chapter and a voice in how our chapter operates.

To thank you for everything you do, the Executive Board is holding a Holiday Lunch Meeting on Thursday December 8, 2016 beginning at 12:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Palace Saloon in Pioneer Park. Bring your appetite, because this will be a catered event. Some of the items on the menu are Macaroni and Cheese, Roasted Potatoes and Chicken Margarita.

This holiday season we will be providing outreach to the community through charitable contributions to the following well deserved organizations:

- Fairbanks Youth Advocates (The Door)
- Breadline, Inc. (Stone Soup Café)

Similar to last year, your chapter would love to have your input on how we will distribute those contributions. We will be providing each member at the Holiday Luncheon 2 \$20 vouchers (Borough Bucks). On the back of the Borough Bucks you can choose if you want all of the money to go to one organization or choose to split the money between the two organizations. Once you have filled out the Borough Bucks, we will have a basket there to turn them in.



We look forward to seeing you on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Keep watch for your Break Time Reading email for future announcements.

In solidarity,  
Michael Bredlie  
FNSB Chapter President  
ASEA/AFSCME Local 52



## President's Message - Seasons Greetings



Brothers and Sisters,

These last few months has brought forth many changes and challenges in our workplace, our union, our community and our Nation. We must be thankful for all of our blessings each and every day. Your service to the community you live in is much appreciated. Be proud of what you do and proud of being part of our awesome Union!

As ASEA members, our collective voice is powerful and should be heard in everything we do. Our Union has launched the Never Quit Campaign. Using short video snippets, we want to show YOU doing your work and how YOUR work as an ASEA member impacts State services. Our goal is to reach out to the public and tell YOUR story. I will be putting on my smile, so please join those of us participating and make your own Kodak™ moment. Contact your Chapter President to find out how you can be a STAR in your own short Never Quit Campaign video.

My wish for OUR Union this Holiday Season and in the New Year is Peace, Love and Blessings to you and your family. Collectively we can make things happen. Thank you for all you do for our State and the ASEA Local 52 Family.

*Dawn Bundick, State President ASEA/AFSCME Local 52*