

41st Annual

Business Leader of the Year Banquet
honoring



Steve Lundgren

of Denali State Bank

Saturday, April 15, 2017

6 p.m. Cocktails

Westmark Hotel

7 p.m. Dinner

Gold Room

Fairbanks, Alaska

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Steve Lundgren

Steve Lundgren is President and CEO of Denali State Bank, a locally-owned community bank. Steve's career in the financial services industry is a true success story spanning over three decades, during which he has served the Fairbanks business community as a leader, mentor, and influencer.

Steve began his career in Oregon as a management trainee at a small savings and loan after graduating from Oregon State University. After working locally for Alaska USA FCU, Steve accepted a position at Key Bank working

with Mike Milam, who would become a lifelong friend. After nearly 15 years at Key Bank, Steve was offered a position at Mt. McKinley Bank, where he worked for six years before moving to Denali State Bank.

He has been a progressive leader in the local banking industry and is also well recognized nationally. He's the Alaskan representative on the American Bankers Association Community Bankers Council, and he's past president of the Alaska Bankers Association, representing all seven banks that operate within the state of Alaska.

Steve serves on the board of directors, is a past board chair, and currently chairs the Finance Committee of the Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce. He's a member and past president of the Fairbanks Sunrisers Rotary Club, and a former board chair of Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation.

He also has a long history of supporting the military. He's a member of the Alaskan Command Civilian Advisory Board, and he currently serves as National Treasurer of the Air Force Association, headquartered in Washington, D.C. Steve is also the Alaska vice-chair and Northern Alaska region chair for the Alaska Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Steve served for many years on the Fairbanks Chamber's Military Affairs Committee, and the fruits of his efforts are apparent in the announcements regarding military expansion. He was active in promoting Eielson AFB during the threats of closure or realignment, as well as promoting the F-35s introduction to Eielson AFB. Steve understands the economic impacts on the community and the needs for housing, financing, and community services that adding several thousand new residents will entail. In the year 2000, Steve received the prestigious Jim Messer Award, given by the Fairbanks Chamber at the Military Appreciation Banquet to an individual who best promoted military/community relations over the years.

He is a remarkable advocate for education. He serves on the UAF Advocacy Committee and in this capacity, has provided testimony to the UA Board of Regents and other legislative bodies in support of the university's mission. Steve provides support and mentorship for university students and local young professionals. Steve is proud that 16 of his 80 employees at Denali State Bank have degrees from UAF, many from the School of Management, and others are currently attending school at UAF.

BUSINESS LEADER OF THE YEAR BANQUET

6 p.m. *No-Host Cocktails*

7 p.m. *Welcome*

Claire Everts

Zachary Morris

Invocation

Nancy Hanson

Dinner

8 p.m. *Opening Remarks*

UA President Jim Johnsen

UAF Chancellor Dana Thomas

SOM Dean Mark Herrmann

Invest Today, Impact Tomorrow

Aaron Cottle, SOM Student

Lorna Shaw, Sumitomo Pogo Mine (BLOY 2014)

Guest Speakers

Bill Bailey, Alyeska Pipeline Service Company

Dan Gavora, Doyon Utilities (BLOY 2013)

Pin Presentation

Bob Hajdukovich (BLOY 2016)

Acceptance Remarks

Steve Lundgren

Door Prizes

Sara McBride

Closing Remarks

Aaron Cottle

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- Economics
- Homeland Security and Emergency Management

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Community Nomination Letters

Nominations for the Business Leader of the Year are taken year round with the deadline in November. Candidates are chosen on merits of their leadership, business accomplishments, community involvement and educational support. It starts with one simple nomination and often additional letters are provided to support the nomination.

Betsy Campbell, AVP and Denali State Bank Branch Manager, nominated Steve Lundgren and the following community members submitted letters of support:

Rebecca Dean, Sportsmedicine Fairbanks

Jim Dodson, Fairbanks Economic Development Corporation

Dan Gavora, Doyon Utilities and
2012 Business Leader of the Year

David Hale, Hale & Associates and
2013 Business Leader of the Year

Luke Hopkins, Community Member and
Former Mayor of Fairbanks North Star Borough

Derek Miller, Institute of Northern Engineering

Rick Schikora, Warwick & Schikora, CPAs

“The reaction of many of the past recipients has been – why me? There are plenty of deserving members of the community. Steve’s reaction will be no doubt be the same. Folks who go about doing good things don’t do it for the recognition or awards. Like Steve, they do it for the good of the community.”

~ RICK SCHIKORA, WARWICK & SCHIKORA, CPAs



Steve Lundgren
*2017 UAF School of Management
Business Leader of the Year*

Steve and the Denali State Bank board, management & staff appreciate the opportunity to live, work and play in the Greater Fairbanks community. We're grateful for the opportunity to support our University and the School of Management students.

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We've crunched the numbers
and concluded:

**Steve
Lundgren
is #1**

CONGRATULATIONS

GCI congratulates Steve Lundgren on being selected
as the 2017 UAF Business Leader of the Year!



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CONGRATULATIONS, STEVE LUNDGREN!
41st UAF BUSINESS LEADER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations, Steve **Lundgren!**

2017 Business Leader of the Year

You make our community great!



Jim Dodson



Fairbanks
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Andie Levesque



Juliet Shepherd



Samantha Reynolds



Kristen Gagné

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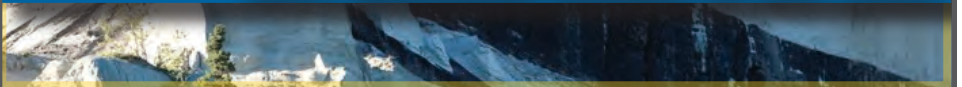


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Congratulations Steve.

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Steve Lundgren!**

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students, staff, and faculty
for your continued success.

**Cary S. Keller
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2009 Business Leader
of the Year

Congratulations Steve!
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Congratulations Steve Lundgren!

Thank you for your years of leadership and service to the Fairbanks Chamber and our community.



"Steve seizes all opportunities to build Fairbanks and its businesses. He is laser focused on keeping Fairbanks dollars in our community. He is a remarkable advocate for education and mentoring students."

~ REBECCA DEAN, SPORTSMEDICINE FAIRBANKS

Steve,

You are always a joy to work with, and your contributions to this community are vast and never-ending!

Congratulations!

Mayor Karl W. Kassel and
FNSB Administration



Congratulations Steve!

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1993	Jim & Jinx Whitaker	2013	David Hale
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1995	Gary Wilken	2015	Andy Warwick
1996	Norm & Angie Kruckenberg	2016	Bob Hajdukovich

*Deceased

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THANK YOU for sharing this evening with us.

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