

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police

2018 Winter Conference

Keynote Session ~ DeVos Conference Center

KEYNOTE SESSION
Friday, February 9th
9:30 am—12:30 pm

It's Your Ship!

Mike Abrashoff
Former Commander
USS Benfold

At the age of 36, Mike Abrashoff took command of the worst performing ship in the Navy's Pacific Fleet, the *USS Benfold*. At the time, he was the most junior commanding officer in the Pacific Fleet. The challenges aboard this underachieving destroyer were staggering, with extremely low morale and the highest turnover rate in the Navy. Twelve months later it was the best ship in the **entire** Navy... using the same crew. How? The transformation began with Abrashoff working to see the ship through the eyes of his crew and learning to lead differently.

Mike's New York Times best-selling book "*It's Your Ship*" details his system of beliefs that he calls the leadership roadmap: a process of re-imagining leadership and replacing "command and control" with "commitment and cohesion." By engaging the hearts, minds, and loyalties of his sailors, he achieved a level of operational success never before seen in the Navy.

We are extremely fortunate and proud to present Mike Abrashoff, as he brings his story of organizational change, innovation, leadership lessons, and breakthrough performance to our 2018 Winter Professional Development Conference. As a bonus, Mike will devote a good part of his time giving advice to and answering specific questions of those in attendance.

This presentation will take place Friday, February 9, 2018, from 0930 – 1230 hours, as part of the Winter Professional Development Conference.

Because this is such a unique opportunity and important message, we are opening this session up to non-conference attendees and lowering the regular rate of \$130 down to only \$75!