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Our President, David Wheeler, just returned from the Congressional Fire Service Institute's annual dinner in Washington DC. Among others at his table were Richard Roberts and Alan Purdue. He met up with various Illinois Fire Chiefs and MABAS representatives, and visited several congressional offices. They did have an appointment with a staffer for Senator Duckworth. Among the items discussed were Safer, AFG, and the OSHA Fire Services Act.

Check the website for the detailed information and to register for the May mini seminar. It will be May 17th from 8 am – noon and will be on Fire Challenges for Automatic Storage and Retrieval Systems.

Also, for trainings, the NFPA's CRR Kitchen Table sessions continue. On Wednesday, May 8th at 2 pm ET – Capt. William Smith & Marshal Dan Vanderhyde from Grand Rapids, Michigan will discuss their home safety visits and the "What now?" of a smoke alarm installation program approaching the 10-year mark. Learn how these layered initiatives have been impactful in this community. Bring your thoughts and questions about coming-of-age installation programs to the table: Who has the data from the initial installation? Do we have a different method of tracking data now? Are we recording and leveraging success stories? Are there ways to increase efficiency and reach?

The Meeting link, for all sessions is https://nfpa-org.zoom.us/j/96767596698?pwd=NmN1Vklmakl6SzZGMGo2WE9NV1hPUT09

Meeting ID: 967 6759 6698 Passcode: 207855

Other upcoming sessions include:

Wednesday, June 12, 2 pm eastern – Champaign, Illinois' Jeremy Mitchell will be on hand to discuss his approach to CRR as a Firefighter Safety Intervention.

Wednesday, July 10, 2 pm eastern, Pocatello, Idaho's Kim Stouse, along with others in the space, will dig into Older Adults Falls SOLUTIONS.

Wednesday, August 21 at 1 pm eastern, Peg Paul and team members from the Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition will share a new approach to explain the Economic Incentives associated with CRR initiatives.

Wednesday, September 11 at 2 pm eastern, we'll explore the relationship between CRR and wildfire mitigation and look at lessons learned from Firewise USA communities that transfer over into an all-hazards approach.

These are virtual classes that last approximately one-hour.

If you'd like to receive emails on these upcoming classes to email CRR@nfpa.org to be added to the invitation list.

For our OSFM certification **Please note that scholarships are available!** We would like to award those, but you have to fill out a short application available on our website in order to receive that money. Do that now so you don't miss out on some free money!

Summer is not far away and that means the Illinois State Fair. On August 18^{th} we will be staffing the fire safety tent at the Fair. We certainly need your help to make this a success. While the tent hours are 10-4, we only ask for a few hours of time, which will leave you the rest of the time to enjoy the Fair. We will provide gate and parking passes for those participating.

Are you in need of education hours, or did you miss our recent our mini-seminars? We are making the recordings of our November and January mini seminars available. These classes are typically 2.5-3.5 hours. The cost of each class will be \$20 for IFIA members and \$25 for non-members. You can register on our website to receive a link. At that point we will invoice you and send you the appropriate link(s). The classes are:

Did You Know? November 2023

Multiple Presenters

Topics presented: Next Generation Smoke Detectors (Gen 8), New Flexible Sprinkler, ITM Licensing Issues, BDA, Existing Smoke Control System Performance Issues, Electronic Fire Watch Log, Illinois Building Code Change, New Edition of Smoke Alarms, Intelligent Sprinklers

NFPA 72 and I-Code Summary of Fire Alarm and Signaling Requirements January 2024

Presenters Richard Roberts and Scott Lang from Honeywell

If you are a business, and would like to support education of fire inspectors and fire and life safety educators, there is a way to do that. The IFIA Board has developed way for companies to become a sponsor of the IFIA. These are good for a calendar year. The details for the various levels are listed below.

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- 1. \$500 \$749 donation.
- 2. Recognition on the website.
- 3. Recognition in the weekly blasts.
- 4. Recognition in the pre-conference program for our annual conference.
- 5. Recognition in the on-site program for our annual conference.
- 6. Certificate of recognition.

B. Silver

- 1. \$750 \$999 donation.
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- 5. Recognition in the on-site program for our annual conference.
- 6. Certificate of recognition.
- 7. Eligible for ½ price booth at our annual conference.
- 8. A quarter page ad in on the on-site program for our annual conference.

C. Gold

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- 6. Certificate of recognition.
- 7. Eligible for free booth at our annual conference.
- 8. A half page ad in on the on-site program for our annual conference.

Upcoming events:

- > May 17 Automatic retrieval systems
- ➤ June 6 Full day Virtual ICC presentation Significant changes to the IFC 2021 ed.
- ➤ June 14 Working with people with special needs
- ➤ July 26 OSFM school inspector update
- Fire inspector I New Lenox, Thursdays, August 1-29
- August 9 -In person, in Alsip, Photovoltaic and Electronic vehicles
- ➤ Inspector 2 Romeoville, Thursdays Sept 5 Oct 3
- > Sept 27 Bulk CO2 tanks
- ➤ Nov 15 <u>Virtual</u> Did You Know?

Some of the above events are still having the details finalized, but make sure you Save The Date. Once everything is locked in, details will be on our website, so check that as the dates get closer.

To see the latest in the State for CRR, visit their website at www.illinoiscrr.com.



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