

IFIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MESSAGE



Your Board Members would like to wish you a safe summer season and remind you that we have a couple of events we would like you to attendance. The first is our June 24th mini seminar and meeting. The subject that day is on elevators and the speaker will be John Thompson Jr. Sign up can be done at the IFIA website.

Our golf outing will be held on Aug 23rd at White Pines in Bensenville. This will again be done in conjunction with the IL Automatic Fire Alarm Association. There will be raffles for a chance to win one million dollars and \$2,500, as well as many other par three hole-in-one games where people can win golf clubs, a vacation, cash, and even a car. Registration is capped at 144, and 50 are already signed up. Don't wait. Registration is on our website as well as the IL-AFAA web page.

We will again offer the Fire Inspector 1 and 2, and FLSE classes this fall. Inspector 1 will start on Sept 1st and go for five Thursdays. Inspector 2 starts on October 18th and run for five Tuesdays. The fire inspector classes will be in New Lenox. The FLSE class will start on November 16th and will be in Downers Grove. Registration information is on our website.

Several members of the Board traveled to Champaign to attend meetings by the Illinois Fire Service Institute, the Offices of the State Fire Marshal, and the Illinois Fire Services Association.

We are only a month away from the Fourth of July, and this is the time where fireworks related fires and injuries occur. Start putting the word out now about being safe with fireworks – leave it to the professionals, and enjoy one of the many public displays that are put on throughout the area. Don't forget that “consumer” fireworks are illegal in Illinois. Remember that if it explodes, shoots a flame, or goes up in the air, it is illegal. Stay safe.

Not to be forgotten is that we finished our annual combined conference. While attendance was down from last year, we still had 100 attendees and 25 vendors. While the venue will change for the next two years, the area will not – we will still be in East Peoria. We are taking calls for presentations for the 2017 conference. See the website or contact the Office if you know of anyone that might be interested. Remember that next year's conference has been moved up to March, so plan accordingly.

Check the website for the following upcoming events:

NIFIA Golf Outing is July 15th at Lake Bluff Golf Club. Contact Jen Peterson jen.peterson@usafp.us

Fire Inspector 1 class coming in September. in New Lenox

Building and Fire Code Academy Plan Review Class in September in Elgin.

Fire Inspector 2 in October/November in New Lenox

Fire Alarm Plan Review October 19 and 20

Public FLSE in November in Downers Grove

Fire Alarm ITM December 6

Until next month...