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Several members of the IFIA attended the annual NFPA conference in Orlando in June. In addition to sitting in on the IFMA meeting, we attended many educational sessions and found many topics that will be in consideration for our annual conference in March.



L – R Bob Morris, Dan Medina, David Wheeler, Cindy Wilson, Dan Riordan

We'd like to congratulate Warren Olsen for receiving the 2024 Committee Services Award from NFPA. He has been active with NFPA on NFPA 72 technical committees for decades and serves on some of those as a representative of the IFIA.



Are you currently an OSFM approved school fire inspector that would like a quick update on requirements, rules, etc.? If so on July 26th, Cathy Stashak, from the OSFM, will present a short update class at the McHenry Fire Protection District. More information and registration information is available on our website.

At our last Board meeting, an Ad Hoc committee on home oxygen fires was established. Dan Medina, from Addison, will be heading that up. Look for additional information on this as the committee begins its work.

The State Fair is right around the corner. The IFIA day is Sunday, August 18th. The tent is open from 10 – 4. It would help greatly if you could provide just a couple of hours of time to assist in this worthwhile event. We will be able to provide parking and gates passes, and lunch, for those assisting. Contact our office if you will be able to assist in this. Also, if you have an Explorer group, this is a great way to introduce them to public education activities.

If you would like good educational information on lithium-ion batteries, UL's Fire Safety Research Institute has created a very good website <https://batteryfiresafety.org/>

This will open to a page for the public, however, at the very top is a button to click for first responders. If you click that, it will take you to where you can download a lot of material.

Save the Date: November 1st in Champaign, for the annual CRR conference. The committee is working to pull speakers together for this one-day conference. Expect more information as it develops, but put this event on your calendar to attend.

Mark your calendars. Our annual Holiday Party will be on December 5th at 6 pm. All are welcome, and more information will be coming out soon.

If you are looking for some one-hour webinars on CRR, see the below list.

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.

The Meeting link, for all sessions is <https://nfpa-org.zoom.us/j/96767596698?pwd=NmN1Vklnmakl6SzZGMGo2WE9NV1hPUT09>

Meeting ID: 967 6759 6698 Passcode: 207855

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 Fire Inspector and FLSE certification classes, **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!

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 Topics and Presenters

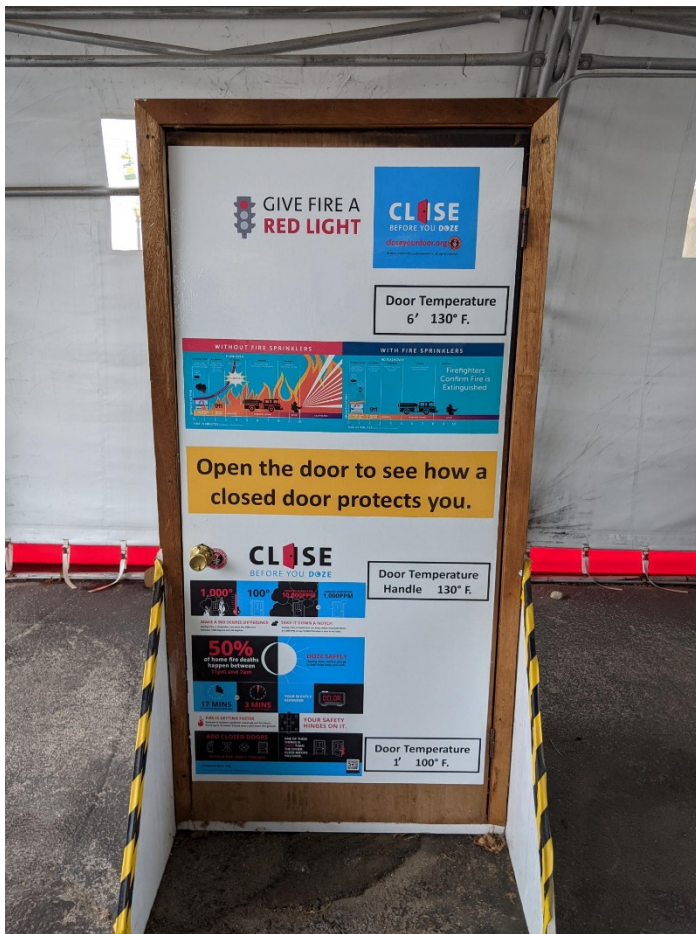
NFPA 72 and I-Code Summary of Fire Alarm and Signaling Requirements

January 2024

Presenters Richard Roberts and Scott Lang from Honeywell

With fire department open houses beginning soon, many departments use a burn door prop to show the benefits of a closed door. If you have one of these props, consider adding some graphics to it – there are many good talking points on them. A company in Roselle, GZ Sign Designs, has made two full length graphics. Their phone number is (630) 307-7446. Ask about the fire door stickers. The cost is minimal, and instead of the Fire Services name they can easily change it to your organization. These graphics have been added to the door prop used at the State Fair, as seen in these pictures. The graphics will allow you many more “visual” talking points.

While the graphics are “designed” for a 36” door, however they are easily trimmed down to fit a 34” door.



If you are a business that 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 bronze, silver, and gold level sponsorships. These are good for a calendar year. Specific details are available on our website.

Upcoming events:

- July 26 - OSFM school inspector update
- Fire inspector I – New Lenox, Thursdays, August 1 – 29
- August 9 -In person, in Alsip, Emerging Electronic Technologies seminar
- Inspector 2 - Romeoville, Thursdays Sept 5 – Oct 3
- Sept 27 - Bulk CO2 tanks
- Nov 15 - Virtual Did You Know?
- Dec 5 – Holiday party

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.illinoisrcc.com.



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