

IFIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MESSAGE



Home Fire Sprinkler Day will be held on Saturday May 19th at 10 AM at the Barrington Countryside Fire District on Pepper Rd. This will be a commemoration of the first residential sprinkler ordinance passed in Illinois, in Long Grove. A resolution on the commitment of residential sprinklers to save lives, and a side by side demonstration on residential sprinkler effectiveness will be part of the event. Stop by and support this effort if you can.

More OSFM certification classes are being offered very soon. Inspector 2 is being offered in June, in Palatine. The next PFLSE class will be in September in New Lenox.

We are doing something different with the next two fire inspector classes. We are trying out a facility in Oak Forest, and the classes will be for 5 consecutive days. Inspector 1 will be September 10 – 14 in Oak Forest, and Inspector 2 will be October 15 - 19 in Oak Forest. Contact the IFIA office if you are interested in this. Our instructors are people with extensive expertise in their fields.

Save the Date – July 20. The IFIA will again host a social event at the Arlington Park Racetrack in the afternoon on July 20th. We will have a tent very near the finish line. If you have never been to the racetrack, treat yourself and come down. For the \$75 you get entry to a private tent at the canopy finish line and a buffet. Gates open at 2 pm and the first post is at 3:15. This is a fun time. Bring some friends! See the attachment for details.

Save the Date part two – August 22nd. The IFIA and the Illinois Automatic Fire Alarm Association are partnering for a gold outing. A couple of changes this year: First it will be held at Ruffled Feathers in Lemont, and second, registration is at 12:30 pm. For those that have difficulty taking a full day off of work, this is the event for you. If you are not a golfer, we can use some volunteers, or just join us for dinner. If you are one of the first 80 to sign up, you will be entered into a drawing for a free foursome at Ruffled Feathers. See the attachment for details.

For anyone with an ICC certification, there is a chance to obtain some preferred provided points. On June 22nd we are hosting a mini-seminar in conjunction with the NFSA. The class will be on Fire Sprinklers and Existing Building Codes, and the speaker will be Jeff Hugo, Director of Codes and Public Fire Protection for the National Fire Sprinkler Association. An attachment gives more information.

With some restructuring of the FLSE committee, the IFIA will be looking for anyone who might be interested in chairing or co-chairing that committee. If you have an interest in this committee, send a resume and letter indicating you desire for this position to the IFIA office. This committee meets monthly, and is responsible for the awards luncheon and is active with the annual combined conference.

The Streator Fire Department is pleased to announce that they will be hosting a Youth Fire Setter Intervention Program class for the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Here is the training information:

September 10 & 11, 2018 - 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Registration is from 8:00 am to 8:30 am on Monday, September 10

Streator Public Safety Training Center, # 1 Jim Rhodes (West end of 10th Street), Streator, IL

If you want to register for this class, please visit the OSFM website at www.sfm.illinois.gov , select this class under “Calendar”, fill out the registration form, and submit it online to us.

This class is limited to 25 students. There is a fee of \$100 per student for this class. Please make the check payable to the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and mail it to the Office, prior to the training date:

Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal
Arson Division – YFSIP
1035 Stevenson Drive
Springfield, IL 62703

For further information, please feel free to call Simony Capelli at (217) 782-9116.

“Can You Hear Me Now?” We are finalizing the details for a class on In-Building Public Safety Communication Systems and NFPA / IFC codes. Eighty-five percent of mobile phone calls now occur inside buildings, and 65% of E911 calls are initiated on a mobile device. Inside the building we have to address whether the general public can communicate and will first responder radios work. New buildings and fire codes require a design that will do both. This class will provide training and education on public safety in-building communication design, and engineering as it relates to current fire codes and standards development. This will be held in July in Oak Forest and then repeated Springfield. **Anyone in the State should not have to drive far to attend this class.** Details will be out very soon, look for them.

We are a member of the ICC, and would encourage your organization to be one too. One benefit of being a member is the **TECHNICAL OPINION SERVICE – AN EXCLUSIVE BENEFIT OF ICC MEMBERSHIP**, that they offer. See the attachment for additional information. In addition there is another ICC attachment for the May ICC update. Of interest are items related to May being Building Safety Month. This year’s theme is “Building Codes Save Lives”.

One of our members is hanging up his code books. Wilke Escondo from the Elk Grove Village Fire Department is retiring in the middle of May. He has spent 20 years with them, and previously was with Mt Prospect. Drop him a line and wish him well as he journeys into the next part of his life.

There will be no mini seminar or meeting in May due to conflicts with venues, however we will have a great mini seminar in June by Jeff Hugo, make sure you attend this.

The most recent Consumer Product Safety Commission recalls are listed below:

Vornado Air Recalls Electric Space Heaters Due to Fire and Burn

Hazards: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Vornado-Air-Recalls-Electric-Space-Heaters-Due-to-Fire-and-Burn-Hazards>

Mizco International Recalls Power Bank Charging Stations Due to Fire and Burn Hazards; Sold at The Container Store: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Mizco-International-Recalls-Power-Bank-Charging-Stations-Due-to-Fire-and-Burn-Hazards-Sold-at-The-Container-Store>

Spirit Halloween Recalls Nickelodeon PAW PATROL Marshall Hat with Flashlight Due to Fire and Burn Hazards: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Spirit-Halloween-Recalls-Nickelodeon-PAW-PATROL-Marshall-Hat-with-Flashlight-Due-to-Fire-and-Burn-Hazards>

Group Rossignol Recalls LOOK Pivot Ski Bindings Due to Fall

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Group-Rossignol-Recalls-LOOK-Pivot-Ski-Bindings-Due-to-Fall-Hazard>

Schneider Electric Recalls Square D Safety Switches Due to Electrical Shock

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Schneider-Electric-Recalls-Square-D-Safety-Switches-Due-to-Electrical-Shock-Hazard>

Jo-Ann Stores Recalls Light Sets Due to Laceration

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/JoAnn-Stores-Recalls-Light-Sets-Due-to-Laceration-Hazard>

Primark Recalls Decorative Cushions Due to Fire

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Primark-Recalls-Decorative-Cushions-Due-to-Fire-Hazard>

Wild & Wolf Recalls Petit Collage Children’s Toy Xylophones Due to Choking

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Wild--Wolf-Recalls-Petit-Collage-Childrens-Toy-Xylophones-Due-to-Choking-Hazard>

Polaris Recalls Phoenix 200 All-Terrain Vehicles Due to Crash

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Polaris-Recalls-Phoenix-200-AllTerrain-Vehicles-Due-to-Crash-Hazard>

Briggs & Stratton Recalls Surface Cleaners Due to Injury

Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Briggs--Stratton-Recalls-Surface-Cleaners-Due-to-Injury-Hazard>

Honeywell Recalls Hard Hats Due to Risk of Head

Injury: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Honeywell-Recalls-Hard-Hats-Due-to-Risk-of-Head-Injury>

Sharper Image and Frigidaire Mandoline Slicers Recalled by Premier Kitchen Products Due to Laceration Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Sharper-Image-and-Frigidaire-Mandoline-Slicers-Recalled-by-Premier-Kitchen-Products-Due-to-Laceration-Hazard>

Carter’s Recalls Children’s Cardigan Sets Due to Choking Hazard: <https://www.cpsc.gov/Recalls/2018/Carters-Recalls-Childrens-Cardigan-Sets-Due-to-Choking-Hazard>

Until next month...

Check the website for the following upcoming events:

June	Inspector 2
June 22	Mini seminar and meeting
July	In-Building Public Safety Communication Systems seminar
July 20	Arlington Park
Aug 19	State Fair day
Aug 22	Golf Outing
Sept 10 – 14	Inspector 1
Sept	FLSE
Oct 15 – 19	Inspector 2
Mar 20 – 22	Combined Conf in East Peoria

IFIA MEETING MINUTES (*April 27, 2018*)

Meeting commenced at 1133

Attendees-

Bob Morris- Exec director
Dan Riordan- President
John Janozik- Vice President
Bill Schmidt- Secretary
Jamie Brown- Treasurer
Mike Toika- Legislative Rep
Craig Studer- Code and Professional Development
Fran Lundin- Social committee
Ed Dunne- Past President
75 attendees for the mini seminar

Agenda-

General information-

1. President Riordan stated that the topic for the mini-seminar was a good topic and pertinent. Well attended by 75 members besides the board.
2. President Riordan introduced guests who attended the mini-seminar as well; John Christiansen/IAFC, Dan Finnegan and Warren Olsen

New Business

1. No minutes from February, mini seminar at Top Golf.
2. President report- good conference, well attended, and something to build off of. President Riordan stated that it will be a busy schedule for next 4 months
3. Treasurer's report- Presented by Treasurer Brown. Total amount of \$28672.10. Motion to approve by Jan Yates, second by Mike Toika. Approved.

Reports-

- **Executive Director's report (Bob Morris)**- If anyone has an idea for speakers for next years combined conference, let the board know. We need speakers and keynote speakers, we are in the process of looking for them now. 2 surveys going out, 1 from Texas on mobile file dispensers. Another survey from Arlington Heights regarding fire alarm monitoring. Please fill out the surveys. OSFM is moving to online testing over the next 3 years which will replace the old testing process. Work in progress. Wilke Escondomis retiring from EGVFD. End of report
- **Past Pres report- Nothing from Ed Dunne.** Past President Dunne was then presented with a Plaque of Appreciation by current President Dan Riordan for his work as president.
- **Educational opportunities-** In building communications , July 10, Cook County Homeland Security Building in Oak Forest and in Springfield on July 12th.
- **Legislative (Mike Toika)**- Not a lot going on right now. Discussion regarding legislation. NFPA 72. Vote to remove AHJ as making decision where central station is. Vision 20/20. Just had conference. Good 3 days of information. Trying to get I'll to be at the forefront.
- **Codes development (Studer)**- June 22nd next seminar with Jeff Hugo, on sprinklers. Will get ICC credit with this.
- **FLSE (Dunne)**- State Fair next opportunity in August. Awards in October

- **Certifications (Brown)**- Inspector I done, fall classes set for Inspector I & II, in Oak Forest at Cook County Homeland Security. FLSE in New Lenox in September.
- **Social (Lundin)**- July 20 day at the race \$75, Arlington Int'l Racecourse, Aug 22nd golf outing \$125 at Ruffled Feathers in Lemont.
- **OSFM (Wetzel)**- 5/4 indoor fireworks at the Rosemont theater. 5/2 school inspector in Rockford. 5/16- Oak Park on fireworks.
- **NFPA (Olsen)**- NFPA conference upcoming. Alarm industry wants to remove language to have AHJ removed as determining factor for central stations. Will remove ability for AHJ to tell property rep to change Central Station IF there is an issue with a particular Central Station. Keltron compatibility with AES, there is compatibility. Discussion on monitoring ensued, benefits of central station and direct connect.
- **NIFSAB (Lia)**- Fire sprinkler day May 19th at Barrington/Countryside. Recognition for villages that have passed ordinances regarding sprinklers. Additional information on the IFIA website
- **ICC**- IFC code hearings in Columbus. Good stuff came out of the conference. Discussion ensued regarding sprinklers at the conference, look at the reports when they come out.
- **Norther Illinois Fire Inspectors Group**- May meeting at UL, going thru smoke detector lab. June meeting; in bldg communications. Documentation in minutes to use as CEU's.
- No Old Business, no new Business. Next meeting June 22nd
- Motion to adjourn- motion by Olsen, second by Turner. Meeting adjourned at 1207.