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At our December planning meeting the new IFIA Board was sworn in at the Elk Grove Fire Department. The elected Board for 2025 will consist of Jason Staidl – President, Dan Medina – Vice President, Ryan Angelus – Secretary, Dave Bricker – Treasurer.

Thanks to the Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board, our topic this month, on January 24th, will be a VIRTUAL class on Sprinkler Performance and Effectiveness. The class will last approximately two hours. Our presenter will be Jon Nisja, from the National Fire Sprinkler Association.

The program will cover fire loss and fire sprinkler performance and effectiveness for the U.S. based on data for the five-year period of 2019-2023. The presentation will also explore factors that could improve fire sprinkler performance.

This class will be free, but you must sign up for the class. Registration can be done on our website.

Fireworks training. It is not too soon to think about education on fireworks. The OSFM has several training opportunities available. Immediate classes are January 9th – Carbondale, January 21st – Morris, February 20th – Joliet. If you go to the OSFM website, <https://sfm.illinois.gov/iam/business/fireworks.html>, and scroll to Upcoming Pyrotechnic Training & Meetings, there will be additional detailed information.



The full program of our Fire and Life Safety Conference is out. The conference is March 26 – 28, 2025 in East Peoria. Registration is open now. Sign up now to get the early bird rate. Go to our website, to see a description of all of the programs and to check out the bios of our speakers.

If your organization is not a member of the IFIA, join now for only \$100 *per department* to receive the discounted member rate. Remember, if your department is a member, all of the personnel receive the benefit of member pricing for all of our education offerings during the year.

If you are a business that would like to support the education of fire inspectors and fire and life safety educators, there is a way to do that. The IFIA Board has developed gold, silver, and bronze level sponsorships. These are good for a calendar year. Specific details are available on our website.

We will be offering Fire Inspector and Fire and Life Safety Educator classes in Romeoville this year. Registration can be done now on our website.

For the first time, we will be offering a Monday through Friday FLSE class in Romeoville at the end of July. If that schedule works for you, sign up now.

If you need a **scholarship** to cover the registration fee, that application is available on our website.

On the IFIA website, on the right side of on the training tab, is a PDF for 2024 CEUs. It shows what we have a record of for people attending our seminar/classes last year. We have done our best on its accuracy, but the ultimate record is the certificate(s) you would have received. To make a copy of your hours, just scroll to you name and print a screen capture of your record.

Due to the fact that the office does not receive faxes anymore, our fax line will be removed. Please make any necessary changes.

Upcoming events:

- Jan 24 – mini seminar, topic to be announced
- Feb 28– mini seminar, topic to be announced
- March 26 – 28 – Annual Fire and Life Safety Conference
- Jul 28 – Aug 1 – FLSE Romeoville
- Aug 17 – IFIA State Fair day
- Sept 4, 11, 18, 25, Oct 2 – Inspector 2 Romeoville

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