Never too late to sign up!! Registrations are still Open!!!

Nashville, Tennessee is the destination for the 2019 NFSA Annual Seminar and North American Expo on May 15-18! Our host is the Omni Hotel Nashville located in the heart of downtown. Experience Broadway like never before!

Here are 4 great links to speed and ease your registration process:

1.) [https://nfsa.org/annual-seminar/](https://nfsa.org/annual-seminar/)
3.) Straight access to the registration form is here: [https://members.nfsa.org/events/register.aspx?id=1150912&itemid=0716195c-7a49-4f56-ba33-cd35f4d82cce](https://members.nfsa.org/events/register.aspx?id=1150912&itemid=0716195c-7a49-4f56-ba33-cd35f4d82cce)

Southwest NFSA Chapter News!!

The Los Angeles Chapter met on April 18th at the Rio Hondo Golf and Event Center in Downey, CA. for a great dinner meeting that began with drinks and conversation and later found members in attendance receiving a report from Regional Manager Bruce Lecair on the Office of the State Fire Marshal NFPA 25 Work Group project for adoption of the next edition of NFPA 25 in California. Regional Manager Lecair also reported on the OSFM Automatic Extinguishing Systems Advisory Committee meetings being held at the State Fire Marshal’s Office as well as NFSA and FPO news and events throughout the state. Additional meetings are scheduled for June 20th, August 15th, and October 17th.

The next Arizona State Chapter meeting will be at the Phoenix Fire Department Headquarters at 150 S. 12th Street in Phoenix, Arizona on May 14th followed by meetings on July 9th, September 10th and concluding the 2018 schedule on November 12th.

The next San Francisco Bay Area Chapter will be held on May 30th in Fremont, CA. at the Saki’s Spin a Yarn Restaurant and Grill. Associate Director Caleb Armbrust will be in attendance to report on the NFSA
Membership site and how members can obtain news and information by better use of it. Additional meetings for the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter are planned for July 25th and September 26th.

### ICC NFSA Code Development Committee Information

Early in March, the International Code Council (ICC) released the monograph for the upcoming code hearings on the 2021 IRC. To the pleasant surprise of residential fire sprinkler proponents, there are **NO** proposals to R313, meaning, no one is challenging the residential sprinkler requirement in the 2021 IRC. This is great news!

Just a few notes held over from the March report and the NFSA Code Development Team lead by Director of Code Development Jeff Hugo and some links for your use!

Regarding ITM-Reporting Services, do you submit your ITM inspection reports online? If so, chances are it is going through an ITM reporting service employed through a jurisdiction. The NFSA is establishing a map of ITM-reporting services across the US and we are in the process of identifying these areas. Please help us and fill out this form: [https://members.nfsa.org/general/custom.asp?page=ITM_Reporting](https://members.nfsa.org/general/custom.asp?page=ITM_Reporting)

Regarding the tracking of codes, has the code changed in the areas you work, design, or inspect in? The NFSA tracks when codes are updated, as well as several referenced standards, like NFPA 13 and NFPA 25. Please help us update our records by filling out this one-minute form: [https://members.nfsa.org/page/ITM_Code_Tracker](https://members.nfsa.org/page/ITM_Code_Tracker)

### FPO’s Meet in April!!

The Fire Prevention Officers in California met at both ends of the state during the month of April beginning with the SoCal FPO meeting at the Huntington Beach Central Library located in Huntington Beach, CA. on April 10th. The meeting featured reports from committees and stakeholders that included ICC, NFPA, the Office of the State Fire Marshal and the NFSA.

The NorCal Fire Prevention Officers Association met on April 26th in Winters, CA. at the PG&E Gas Safety Academy. The meeting also featured stakeholder reports including one from Regional Manager Bruce Lecair as well committee meetings for the various association sub-committees. The afternoon presentation was given by PG&E on electrical safety and fire protection.

The Association also honored long term member Evelyn George (above with the official NFSA umbrella) from the City of Davis Fire Department. George recently announced her retirement after serving 18 years as a City of Davis Fire Prevention Specialist. She also served for 10 years on the NorCal FPO Board of Directors as the Sergeant of Arms. Although we will miss her, we all wish her a long and fun retirement.
NFSA Training in the Southwest!!

NFSA is still accepting students for seminars next week in Concord, CA. on May 8-9 and Las Vegas June 5-6. It also looks like we will be offering a 3-day seminar in Maui in later this summer. This will be a contract class sponsored by Maui County Fire Department and hosted by Assistant Fire Chief Val Martin.

The NFSA training site is open and we are accepting students for the 2-week Layout Technician Class to be held from July 22 – August 2 in the Sacramento area.

For more information on NFSA classes and seminars, go to: seminars@nfsa.org or contact Regional Manager Bruce Lecair at: lecair@nfsa.org or (951) 805-8992.

2019 Schedule

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2019 Tech Tuesdays… a free member benefit!

On-line Tech Tuesday seminars are free to members…. but you must be registered 24 hours prior to the event. Once the Tech Tuesday seminar is over, it becomes archived in NFSA’s on-line training portal. You do not have to watch it live to get free price, but again, you must register in advance. These seminars qualify for CEUs and are live at 10:30 a.m. Eastern Time.

- May 21: Proposed Updates to NFPA 25, 2020 edition
- June 18: Recommended Practices for Insulation

NOTE TO WEST COAST MEMBERS -- a new time slot for Tech Tuesdays will be announced soon. You may be able to sleep in!

Three Fire Sprinkler Saves in the Southwest

April 11, Yuma, AZ. Fire sprinkler system contains fire to machinery at paper company. The Yuma Fire Department responded to a fire at the International Paper Company last Friday night. YFD said they arrived at around 8:15 p.m. and discovered that machinery inside the building was on fire, and the fire suppression sprinkler system was keeping the fire contained. View the full post at http://sprinklersaves.com/yuma-az-sprinkler-system-contains-fire-to-machinery-at-paper-company/.

April 14, Pasadena, CA. Overnight fire at a commercial medical building extinguished by fire sprinkler system. Pasadena firefighters responded to a fire alarm at 39 Congress Street early Wednesday at a multi-story commercial medical building. The fire sprinkler system activated in response to the fire authorities that believed was caused by an electric cup warmer left plugged in and placed in a wooden box with coffee.
April 19, Scottsdale, AZ. Man sets fire to his own business. Fire sprinkler system helps extinguish blaze and protect neighboring businesses. A 75-year-old Scottsdale man was arrested Sunday after a fire investigation determined he set his own business on fire earlier this month, according to police. James Richard Waller is being charged with arson of an occupied structure and criminal damage for his involvement in the April 14 fire near Pima, AZ. View the full post at http://sprinklersaves.com/scottsdale-az-man-sets-fire-to-his-own-business-sprinkler-system-helps-extinguish-blaze-and-protect-neighboring-businesses/.

Upcoming Meetings in the Southwest

**SoCal Fire Prevention Officers Association**, The SoCal FPOs will be meeting at the Chevron Refinery in El Segundo, CA. on May 8th from 10:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**Arizona NFSA Chapter Meeting**, Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at the Phoenix Fire Department Headquarters at 150 S. 12th Street in Phoenix, AZ. From 11:30 to 1:30 p.m.

**California Fire Sprinkler Coalition Meeting**, “New date for Meetings!! From this point moving forward we will be meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. The May Coalition Meeting will be held Wednesday, May 15th at 10:00 a.m. You will be able to attend the meeting by accessing teleconference at 1-855-747-8824, access number: 446676#.

**Nor Cal Fire Prevention Officers Association**. The next meeting will be held on May 17th at the U.A. Sprinkler Fitters Local 483 at 2531 Barrington Court in Hayward, CA. The meeting will be held from 9:30 to 3:00.

**NFSA San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Meeting**, the next meeting date is being scheduled for May 30, 2019 at Saki’s Spin A Yarn Restaurant in Fremont, CA. from 5-8.

**San Diego Fire Protection Association**, Tuesday, June 11, 2019, Sizzler’s Restaurant, 3755 Murphy Canyon Road 11:30 to 1:00 p.m.

**NFSA Los Angeles Area Chapter Meeting**, Thursday, June 20th from 5:30 pm to conclusion at the Rio Hondo Golf and Event Center in Downey, CA.

“The new title *Fire Sprinkler Retrofit, Making Your Community Fire Safe* reflects a change in approach for the publication itself.

To obtain a copy go to: [NFSA Retrofit Guide 2017](#)
Not getting the most from your membership???

Are you and your staff accessing time-saving Expert of the Day when you have an issue that is taking a lot of time to resolve?
Do you and your staff know how to search the extensive NFSA Technical archives?
Are the NFSA Technical Updates reaching the right people?
Are you involved in the many social media platforms to learn the latest industry information, and share what you and your company have to say?

If you answered "no" to any of these questions, please give me a call to schedule a time to stop by your office. I want to make sure you are getting a great return on your investment with NFSA!

Your Regional manager is Bruce Lecair, (951) 805-8992 or at: lecair@nfsa.org.