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|| President's Message



By: Jerry Halpin

The world "it is a changing". Just like oil and gas, FAMA is changing too. If you were unable to join us in Orlando, you missed a great spring meeting. If you were there, you noticed the beginnings of a different approach to how FAMA conducts the meeting and what you can expect to see in the future. That's a teaser and I am not going to tell you more, but I will encourage you to attend the

fall meeting in Tucson this October.

This year has and will bring challenges to the industry and people we serve. A turbulent economy, standards changes, and a national election on the horizon all demand information. The more important part of that information is the exchange of it. FAMA is helping to give the membership just that. GAC and C (Canadian) GAC have been busy updating FAMA on changes to US lobby laws and Canadian needs for more appropriate funding.

The Technical Committee and its NFPA component are knee deep in new standards ready for implementation, or under review at the subcommittee level for the future. You see it's all about information and how your FAMA dues are utilized. There are actually now eight subcommittees all actively engaged in activities examining how information will change the landscape your business travels. Join one.

Many if not all of you were at FDIC this year. Just the week before, the board and many FAMA members spent two days engaging the Washington circle on FAMA's behalf. With FEMA grants under review and the grant program up for reauthorization next year, FAMA continues to engage and work with Washington for all members. An interesting opportunity allowed FAMA and FEMSA to demonstrate the financial impact made by our industry. You may have seen the map at FDIC showing where our members manufacture in the US and the jobs associated with that manufacturing. This was displayed on the National Mall for the benefit of all. Secretary Chertoff invited FAMA and FEMSA to a briefing to update us on administration views that impact our industry. Five years ago no one knew we existed.

It's all about participation. That is what FAMA does and that is what we need from you.

The membership is growing and we continue to enjoy a strong financial position. People are what make the organization work, so we need you. Join the board and other FAMA members in Tucson. It's important to what you do.



... and with change, comes a new look for the FAMA logo

|| Fall Meeting Preparations



By: John Szykiel, Vice President

As you prepare for summer, keep in mind that the fall FAMA meeting is not that far off. The meeting is scheduled for October 9–11 at the Hilton El Conquistador in Tucson, Arizona.

- Just as the seasons change, so is the emergency rescue business:
- The cost of doing business is rising
- The economy is struggling, which will make future tax receipts less
- There is pressure to reduce federal funding
- Technology continues its accelerated pace of change

The time spent in Tucson, along with speakers and attendees, will better equip you and your firm to outperform in this rapidly changing marketplace...a marketplace of opportunity. Plus, FAMA members will have opportunities to meet and network with FEMSA members, and by working together on specific initiatives we can raise the opportunity for all. As a member, it is the right thing to do.

Also, do not forget the fun. The El Conquistador is a great hotel, and the weather should be sunny and warm. Combine all of the above with friendships — both old and new — and it should be an enjoyable and productive meeting.

While we are all experiencing the pressure of too many things to do and not enough time to do them, it is important not to underestimate the value of:

- Education and the benefits received from it. To quote Aristotle, "The root of education is bitter, but its fruit is sweet."
- Life...enjoy it, it does not last forever.

I look forward to seeing you in Tucson this October.

|| Nominations For 2009 Board Close June 13th

Nominations for the 2009 FAMA Board opened on March 18th at the spring membership meeting, and must be submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration on or before June 27th. If you, or someone you know, are interested in serving on the FAMA Board next year, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members before June 13th.

- Bill Ballantyne, Chair [bill.ballantyne@hydropumps.com]
- Tim Dean [tim@propolyamerica.com]
- Jeff Resch [jresch@piercemfg.com]

|| Hat's Off To Bill Brunts

By: Jerry Halpin, President

An unusual pleasure was afforded me on behalf of FAMA to present an award to a good friend and great advocate of FAMA. The Technical Committee meeting in Indianapolis was the right time.

Bill Brunts, a person known to all, has served this board and organization for over ten years as a board member, committee chair, and helping hand. If Bill was asked he simply said "what and when?". We had an unusual and tragic circumstance last year with the death of Phil Turner, and many stepped to the plate to offer their help. The first, the one who had already given beyond...Bill. On board Bill came, again. His contribution was, of course, invaluable.

It is with great pleasure that I tell you all how proud this board is of Bill and how much we appreciate his leadership and (dare I say it) wisdom!

Please, when you see Bill let him know you appreciate his contribution and extraordinary effort. For myself, it is not the effort but the fact that he is there when you need him. He has been there for FAMA and for me.

Bill, thank you so much from all of us!



|| "Gimme Watcha Got"

On Thursday, April 10th, at the FDIC, FAMA legal counsel Jim Juneau presented a power point presentation titled "Gimme Watcha Got" ... Modern Fire Apparatus and Emerging Technology". This is just one of a number of valuable presentations and documents found on the Resource Library page of the FAMA web site (www.fama.org). You'll also find ...

- GAC2008MemberDemographics Mapping Project — (.pdf)
- 2010 Fire Truck Engine Strategy — (.pdf)
- NFPA 1901 Update — 2009 Presentation — 4.16.08 (.ppt or .pdf)
- NFPA 1901 — 2009 Presentation — 3.18.08 (.ppt or .pdf)
- Annex D — Repair, Refurbish or Replace (.pps or .pdf)
- Selling the Standards — Promoting Customer Acceptance and Compliance with NFPA
- 1901 Safety Standards (.pps or .pdf)

In the "drop down" box of the Resource Library tab, you'll find links to FAMA White Papers, Newsletters, the Buyers' Guide, Technical Committee postings, the GAC web site, and Industry links. All these resources are in the public area of the web site. Feel free to share them with your company employees and customers.

Additional documents may be found in the "Member Area" of the web site, an exclusive section for FAMA Members.



|| NFPA 1901 Update

By: Bill Ballantyne, FAMA Representative

January 1, 2009 is when the next version of the NFPA 1901 standard goes into effect. That's just 6 months away! Many builders and component suppliers are already working on quotations for vehicles that will be delivered after that date. That means you better be intimately knowledgeable of what is in the new standard.

At both the FAMA Spring Membership and Technical Committee meetings, presentations were given detailing the major changes that will go into effect next January. Both of those presentations are available for you to download on the FAMA web site (www.fama.org, Resource Library page). In addition, Carl Peterson, indicated the new standard should be available for purchase sometime around the June — July timeframe. Watch the nfpa.org website for availability.

The new standard applies to all apparatus that are contracted for on or after January 1, 2009, or if both parties agree to apply the new standard to vehicles contracted prior to that date.



Legislative Corner — GAC Activities Update



By John Granby, Co-Chair

Your FAMA/FEMSA Governmental Affairs Committee has been busy over the last few months — attending monthly Fireside Chats in Washington, representing both organizations during the annual CFSI events, attending the semi-annual CFSI National Advisory Committee meeting, and working with Fire and Emergency Services Alliance Partners helping to promote the U.S. Fire Administration reauthorization bill. In addition, the GAC is gearing up for this year's Home Day program and the upcoming Alliance Partners Luncheon.

to this nation. That afternoon the joint leadership of both organizations was invited to a DHS briefing given by Secretary Michael Chertoff.



(L-r) John Granby, Greg Cade (USFA Administrator), Charlie Dickerson, Steve Lawrence, Giff Swayne, and Jerry Halpin



The CFSI 20th Annual National Fire and Emergency Services Dinner and Seminars program was a most successful event from a positive representation point for our organizations. The festivities kicked off at 8am on chilly Wednesday, April 2nd, with the first ever Emergency Services Showcase on the National Mall. The GAC hosted a booth staffed by FEMSA representatives Giff Swayne, Doug Bonney, Mike Natchipolsky, and FAMA representatives Jerry Halpin and Ken Creese, as well as Dave Gatton, Dustin Joyce and Karen Burnham.



Thanks to all members who responded to a recent survey, a 3' x 6' map of the U.S. served as the focal point of the display demonstrating to Congressional representatives the magnitude of products and services provided by our members and the positive employment impact that members make collectively

Thursday afternoon, April 3rd, at the pre-dinner FEMSA/FAMA reception, GAC Co-Chairs Steve Lawrence and John Granby, with the assistance of Mary McCormack, presented the Edward H. McCormack Spirit of Excellence Award to Chief Charlie Dickerson, who will soon retire as Acting Assistant Administrator of the USFA. U.S. Fire Administrator, Chief Gregory Cade, as well as other known personalities, attended the presentation to support and congratulate Chief Dickerson.

The annual CFSI dinner that evening took on a totally different character — no head table, and great entertainment. Chief Dennis Compton served as the MC. FEMSA and FAMA sponsored the main entertainment of the evening, singer Livingston Taylor. FEMSA President Giff Swayne presented Livingston Taylor with a set of fire fighting turnout gear and a helmet. Artist Michael Israel concluded the evening with his art in concert featuring “Hero” that was auctioned off with proceeds going toward the great works of the CFSI. On Friday morning Co-Chairs Bob Kreps and John Granby, along with DC “coach” Dave Gatton, attended the spring National Advisory Committee meeting.

June is Home Day month. Remember to download the 2008 Home Day Tool Kit from www.famafemsagac.org and plan some interaction with your local Congressional office. It can be anything from a brief meeting at your representative's district office to a small or larger gathering and/or tour at your manufacturing facility or home office. The important thing is that you maintain communications with your Congressional representatives. Be sure to send us a brief recap of your activities and any pictures — we'll post them on the Home Day web site and will publish them in our newsletters.

Keep in mind the Congressional schedule (not in session in Washington, DC) for the balance of this year when planning your Home Day events:

June 30 – July 3	Independence Day District Work Period
July 4	Independence Day
August 11 – September 5	Summer District Work Period
September 1	Labor Day
September 26	Target Adjournment
September 30	Rosh Hashanah
October 9	Yom Kippur
October 13	Columbus Day
November 2	Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 4	Election Day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 27	Thanksgiving Day
December 22	Hanukkah
December 25	Christmas Day (see next page for more in this section)

|| GAC Update



By David Gatton, Consultant

Over the past few weeks, Congress has held hearings in preparation for the fiscal year 2009 appropriations process that will begin later this month. Additionally, both the House and the Senate are working on other legislation that will have an important impact on the fire and emergency response industry.

In April, the Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff provided testimony before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security to discuss the accomplishments of the Department of Homeland Security and presented the President's proposed FY 2009 budget. Secretary Chertoff explained the need to build a nimble, effective emergency response system and a culture of preparedness.

While providing testimony, Chertoff reemphasized the President's budget for funding the US Fire Grants program at \$300 million that would cut funding for the program by \$260 million over the FY 2008 budget. The President's budget also proposes to zero-out funding for the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) program. Every indication is that Congress will ignore the President's proposed budget and fund these two programs at levels that match or increase funding.

While Appropriation Committees convene hearings to discuss the coming FY 2009 budget, the FAMA/FEMSA Governmental Affairs Committee sent out a memorandum urging member companies to contact their Congressional delegations and educate them on the importance of the Fire Grants and SAFER programs. If you have not done so, it is not too late to fax letters to your Congressional Representative or Senator.

In addition to the appropriations process, Congress is also working on the reauthorization of the United States Fire Administration. In April, the House passed HR 4847 which reauthorizes funding the United States Fire Administration for the next four years at slightly higher levels, expands training programs offered through the National Fire Academy and focuses additional resources on fires in the wildland-urban interface. The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs has approved a companion measure (S 2606). According to committee sources, the reauthorization bill is expected to come before the full Senate in the near future and is expected to pass.

Representative Nick Rahall II (WVA), Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee, introduced legislation that would address the growing issue of how to finance the fighting of wildfires. In the Federal Land Assistance, Management and Enhancement Act of 2008, or FLAME Act (HR 5541), Rahall proposes creating an emergency fund to provide supplemental funding for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression on Department of Interior and National Forest System lands. Currently, nearly half of the Forest Service's budget goes toward fire suppression activities that leave other programs critically underfunded. The new fund would allow the regular Forest Service's budget to cover other critical programs and supply

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the Forest Service with funds the department needs for its growing wild fire suppression efforts. In April, the committee marked up the FLAME Act and sent it to the Agriculture Committee that has joint jurisdiction.

|| FAMA Spring Meeting Highlights

By: Grady North, Meeting Planning Chair

Once again we set near records for attendance at the FAMA spring meeting held in Orlando, Florida, March 14–19. We recorded approximately 130 attendees (including 60 spouses and guests) representing 52 member companies. Two important goals were accomplished by attendees:

1. Networking with other member companies — both formally at well catered receptions and informally after hours or on the golf course.
2. Some excellent interactive discussions held in breakout sessions where every attendee had the opportunity to meet with and have constructive input to one of our many committees. In addition, there were timely NFPA update reports with a focus on keeping members informed as changes are being proposed instead of reacting to what has already passed committees.

The spouse program received many positive comments. A cooking school was offered through a fine gourmet kitchen shop called Truffles & Truffles. The ladies (and some men) participated in preparing and eating some succulent dishes. Because of the popularity of this program, look for it to be repeated in Tucson!

The awards dinner is always a fun get together with food, wine and both serious and light hearted awards (good egg, tube steak, best dressed, star achiever, goodwill ambassador, golf tournament winners ... and even birthdays — some more significant than others).

Special appreciation is extended to the corporate sponsor of this meeting — Fire Engineering. This sponsorship dramatically reduces the meeting fee rate for all registered members and guests, and has a direct impact on the events that are planned. Be sure to thank Eric Schlett, Lyle Hoyt, and all our friends at Fire Engineering next time you see them.

Additional meeting sponsorships were provided by Spartan Motors (men's shirts and ladies' totes), United Plastic Fabricating (souvenir cups) and VisionMark (annual awards). FAMA is truly grateful for their generosity.

Your Meeting Planning Committee works within budget guidelines established by the Board to provide you with the best hotels and locations to enhance your experience. You won't want to miss upcoming fall and spring meetings, so mark your calendars.

FAMA/FEMSA Fall Meetings

Hilton El Conquistador Resort
Tucson, Arizona
October 8–12, 2008

Crystal City Marriott
Washington DC
October 7–11 2009

Marriott Plaza (near the River Walk)
San Antonio, Texas
October 6–10, 2010

FAMA Spring Meetings

Casa Monica
St. Augustine, Florida
March 27–April 1, 2009

Westin Resort
Key West, Florida
March 19–24, 2010

El San Juan Resort
San Juan, PR
March 18–22, 2011

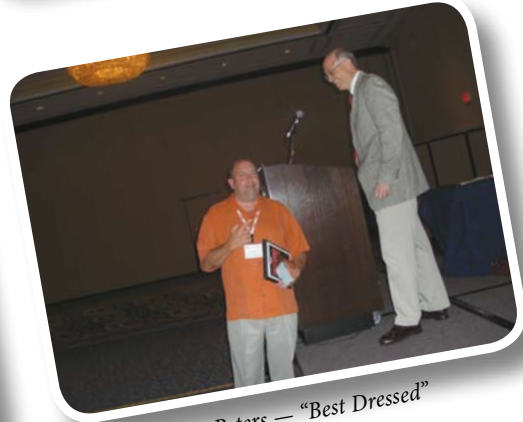
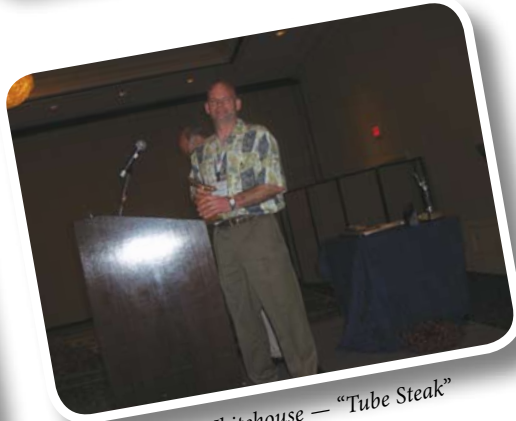


Jerry Halpin, President



"Star Achiever" recipient Phil Schwab (center) with past recipients





Rick Fix — "Good Egg"

Bruce Whitehouse — "Tube Steak"

Dan Peters — "Best Dressed"



Teddi Kozey — "Goodwill Ambassador"

Dominic Colletti — "Director-at-Large" Recognition

Golf Tournament winners Louis Devaleix, John Sztyskiel, Paul Carpenter, Jeff Resch



The Halpin Family with Birthday Boy "Carrot Top"

Rebecca Schenk — "Closest to the Pin"

|| Technical Committee Notes

By: Sean Duffy, Co-Chair

The FAMA Technical Committee met on April 11th at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Indianapolis in conjunction with the FDIC. Over 175 participants were on-hand representing 58 FAMA member companies. The meeting was sponsored by ArvinMeritor.



(L-r) Sean Duffy, Guy Lemieux, Dave Jones (ArvinMeritor) and Dave Durstine

Guy Lemieux announced that he was stepping down as chair of the Technical Committee following this meeting after accepting the government segment marketing manager position with Sterling. Dave Durstine (Akron Brass) and Sean Duffy (Rosenbauer America) were appointed co-chairs of the Technical Committee to succeed Lemieux.

In his welcoming remarks, FAMA President Jerry Halpin praised Guy for his keen wisdom and dedication to the activities of the Technical Committee over the last few years, and thanked Sean Duffy and Dave Durstine for their willingness to co-chair the committee.

Prior to the breakout session for nine (9) sub-committees, Carl Peterson, director of the NFPA Public Fire Protection Division, presented an update on changes that will appear in the upcoming 2009 edition of the NFPA 1901 Standard. A PowerPoint presentation shown to the attendees has been posted on the FAMA web site (www.fama.org) in the Resource Library.

Roger Lackore, chair of the Chassis sub-committee, presented an overview on the FAMA Fire Apparatus 2010 Engine Strategy. This presentation is equally available for downloading on the FAMA web site in the Resource Library.



Guy Lemieux presents to Pat Hester the 2007 Chairman's Award

As his last official act, Guy Lemieux presented the 2007 Chairman's Award to Pat Hester "for outstanding contributions to the Technical Committee." Hester served as a committee co-chair from 2004 through 2007.

Work continues in earnest to update the Technical Committee White Paper, which is expected to be done before the end of the year.

The next meeting of the FAMA Technical Committee will be held Saturday, August 16, 2008, 7:00 a.m., in Denver, CO in conjunction with the FireRescue International.

|| Spring Meeting *continued*



|| A Sincere Thank You ... FDIC



(L-r) Peter Darley (FAMA Secretary), Lyle Hoyt (FDIC/PennWell), Jerry Halpin (FAMA President), and Eric Schlett (FDIC/PennWell)

Every year, beginning in 2005, FDIC has donated to FAMA \$1.00 for every registered attendee of the show. These donations represent a commitment of support by the FDIC to help foster FAMA's governmental affairs and public relations efforts.

"In keeping with FDIC/Fire Engineering's long tradition of support for the fire service, FAMA is proud to accept this fantastic donation from FDIC," stated Jerry Halpin, President of FAMA. "For as long as I can remember, and that is a long time now, FDIC/Fire Engineering has given of its time, resources and funding so that FAMA and the fire service can better serve each other and their communities. From all of us at FAMA ... to Eric, Lyle and the greater FDIC/Fire Engineering/PennWell organization ... thank you! We will put these funds to good use for all!"

One of FAMA's objectives is to be a resource to legislators and staffers, educating them on the urgent needs and safety of our nation's first responders. FDIC's generous contributions have helped support this mission. The programs of the Governmental Affairs Committee continue to build relationships with key leaders of fire and emergency-related associations who, together with FAMA, bring a unified message to Capitol Hill.

In a recent message from Lyle Hoyt, Sr. Vice President & Group Publisher of the PennWell Corporation, he noted that, "We value our relationship with FAMA and are very glad we are in a position to be able to help." In addition, Eric Schlett, FDIC Executive Director and Vice President of the Fire Group commented, "The PennWell Corporation, Lyle and I appreciate the partnership with FAMA. We look forward to a long-term, continued partnership that is mutually beneficial to both parties."



FAMA's new booth display premiered at FDIC with loyal staffer Les Wainman

|| "Old Timers' Club" By: Sandra Vandersee, Duo-Safety



Pictured l-r bottom row: Hazel Spotts, Kate Ruth, Bonnie Towers, Ann Schwab, Karen Burnham; Middle Row: Jerry Spotts, Teddi Kozey, Roger Ruth, Gary Towers, Al Burnham. Back row: Ken Fritz, Diana Fritz, Phil Schwab, Earl Everhart, Alan Saulsbury.

On Sunday, March 16th, the 2nd annual "Old Timers' Club" luncheon, hosted by Phil and Ann Schwab (Duo-Safety), was held in Orlando, FL in conjunction with the FAMA spring meeting. A nice small group of "old timers" enjoyed great food with plenty of conversation and lots of catching up. It was great to see Earl Everhart and Jerry & Hazel Spotts who were able to make the luncheon this year.

The 3rd annual event will be held in St. Augustine, FL in late March 2009, with hopes of adding a few more FAMA "Old Timers". The St. Augustine area is a great place with beautiful history and quaint shopping and dining. If you're looking for a fun place to explore in Florida, this is the spot!

As part of our "Old Timers' Club, we'd like to assist FAMA folks in filling in the history books with missing data of past presidents and meeting memories. Please look through your old photos and archives from past meetings and fun memories you have of FAMA's "good 'ol days". If you can copy or allow us to copy your records, please send what you have to Sandra Vandersee at Duo-Safety (PO Box 497, Oshkosh, WI 54903-4097).

|| NFFF 2008 MEMORIAL WEEKEND

Since 1982, a grateful Nation has honored its fallen fire heroes during the annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend held in Emmitsburg, Maryland. This year's Memorial Weekend events will take place October 4-5, 2008.

Families of fallen firefighters being honored this year and returning survivors will register at their hotels and attend a welcome reception on Friday evening.

Survivors of the fallen firefighters will participate in Family Day activities on Saturday on the National Fire Academy campus in Emmitsburg. An evening Candlelight Service at the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton will conclude the day.

On Sunday, honor guard units and bagpipers will open the Memorial Service with a procession honoring America's bravest and their families. The national tribute will conclude with the unveiling of plaques listing the names of the 2007 fallen heroes and others being honored who died in previous years.

Show your respect by sponsoring special events in your community. Ask your local cable company to make the nationally-broadcast services available so all may share in honoring America's bravest.

|| Member News

Akron Brass Company — 90th Anniversary

[March 12, 2008] Akron Brass is proudly celebrating its 90th Anniversary and the opportunity to work with the greatest customers in the world!

Akron started in 1918 when former B.F. Goodrich Rubber company employees formed the Akron Brass Manufacturing Company with the intent of producing couplings for the rapidly growing rubber lined fire hose market. Production began in a leased portion of an American Cereal Company building in Akron, Ohio. Demand was very strong and the company quickly outgrew the leased quarters and found it necessary to relocate to Wooster, Ohio.

The company continued to prosper and in 1935, demands for additional expansion capital led the management team to incorporate. Constant improvement in the products and processes resulted in further rapid growth throughout the following years.

In 1962, Akron Brass merged into the Premier Industrial Corporation of Cleveland, Ohio. Under Premier, continued growth resulted in the increased need for manufacturing capacity and the facilities were expanded by the addition of 24,000 square feet on Spruce Street and 42,000 square feet on Old Mansfield Road in Wooster, Ohio.

In 1996 Premier Industrial merged with Farnell PLC of the United Kingdom to become Premier Farnell PLC. Premier Farnell has continuously invested in Akron Brass including a major facility expansion in 2001 and ongoing investments in world-class automated machinery each year.

Over the past four years, through two acquisitions, Akron Brass has expanded its traditional product range. In 2004, Akron acquired the former GFE Manufacturing in Washington, Illinois and then in 2005, it acquired the former Weldon Technologies in Columbus, Ohio. All these products are now offered through Akron Brass via their global sales and distribution network.

[April 2, 2008] Akron Brass announced they have added Sarah O'Connor as their District Sales Manager for the Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana market areas.

Based in Dallas, Texas, Sarah will be working with authorized Akron distributors to meet the needs of municipal fire departments throughout her geographic territory. This will include sales support for all Akron Brass nozzles, monitors, and fire ground appliances as well as their growing line of reels, scene lighting, warning lighting, and hand tools.

A graduate of Oklahoma State University, Sarah already has several years experience within the industry and represents the third generation in her family that has worked within the fire service.

[April 18, 2008] Akron Brass announced that Steve Rowland has been appointed OEM Account Manager and will be responsible for managing the Southeast region of the U.S. with a focus on Fire, Ambulance and Specialty Vehicles. Joining the company in November 2006, Steve had most recently served as Bus OEM Account Manager for the pupil transportation market.

Allison Transmission Honored by Spartan Chassis

[April 7, 2008] Spartan Chassis, Inc. recently honored Allison Transmission during its 6th Annual SPARC Awards.

Allison Transmission, an Indianapolis, Indiana-based manufacturer of transmissions, was recognized as a six time winner among the 10 companies



to receive a SPARC, which stands for Supplier Performance Action Review Committee. Larry Dodson accepted the award on behalf of the company in the company awards category.

“The continued growth and success of Spartan Chassis goes hand in hand with the performance of our suppliers like Allison Transmission,” said Richard Schalter, president of Spartan Chassis, a subsidiary of Spartan Motors, Inc. (Nasdaq: SPAR). “Allison Transmission has made significant contributions to the ongoing success of Spartan Chassis, and we are pleased to recognize their innovation, reliability, dedication and exemplary performance.”

To be eligible for a SPARC award in 2007, suppliers must have:

- At least 98 percent on-time shipments.
- Fewer than 1,400 parts-per-million, or ppm, errors.
- At least 99.5 percent accuracy in shipping paperwork.
- Competitive pricing.
- Received unanimous approval from the judges.

The SPARC awards, now in their sixth year, recognized the top three percent of Spartan Chassis' 300 suppliers for their ability to deliver quality parts on time and on budget.

ArvinMeritor

[May 6, 2008] ArvinMeritor announced that its board of directors has approved a plan to spin off the company's Light Vehicle Systems (LVS) business into a separate, publicly traded company, to be named Arvin Innovation. ArvinMeritor will continue to operate Commercial Vehicle Systems (CVS) as its primary business. The board's decision comes after a comprehensive and thorough review and represents the culmination of a corporate transformation that we have been implementing for the last several years. A copy of the press release we issued this morning is attached to this letter.

As an independent company, ArvinMeritor will benefit from a stronger, more competitive position, improved financial flexibility and an enhanced strategic focus on its core commercial vehicle expertise and business growth opportunities. We are also confident that ArvinMeritor will be better positioned to serve our global customers.

Following the completion of the spinoff, which is expected to occur within the next 12 months, our Number One priority will be to remain sharply

focused on meeting our customers' needs by delivering high-quality, reliable products and services on time.

ArvinMeritor will continue to be led by Chip McClure as chairman, president and CEO. Jay Craig, senior vice president and controller, will replace Jim Donlon as ArvinMeritor's senior vice president and CFO, effective immediately. When the spinoff is completed, Carsten Reinhardt, senior vice president of ArvinMeritor and president of the company's Commercial Vehicle Systems business, will be named COO for ArvinMeritor.

Rakesh Sachdev, senior vice president of ArvinMeritor and president of Asia Pacific, will become executive vice president, chief administrative officer and managing director of Emerging Markets of the new company, upon the completion of the spin. However, until a successor is named, he will continue to be responsible for ArvinMeritor's Asia Pacific region.

In addition, Mary Lehmann, currently the company's senior vice president, Strategic Initiatives, and Treasurer, will expand her responsibilities to include Information Services, M&A activities, and Investor Relations. Vernon Baker, currently senior vice president and general counsel, with overall legal responsibility for all of ArvinMeritor's global operations and its subsidiaries, and Environmental and Health and Safety, will also assume responsibility for Human Resources.

While ArvinMeritor's corporate structure is changing, many other things will stay constant. We will continue to be a market leader in the area of driveline components and systems for heavy-and medium-duty trucks, trailers, buses, off-highway commercial vehicles and government heavy-duty vehicles, as well as supply the commercial vehicle aftermarket. In addition, your day-to-day contacts at ArvinMeritor will remain the same.

Crimson Fire

[January 11, 2008] Kevin Crump has been promoted to president of Crimson Fire, Inc.

The veteran manufacturing expert joined the Brandon, S.D.-based manufacturer of custom fire trucks and other rescue vehicles in July as executive vice president and general manager. During this period, he has worked with the manufacturing team to improve efficiency, reduce delivery times and streamline operations.

In his new role as president, Crump will be heavily involved with day-to-day operational issues, particularly those related to manufacturing. He will also assume responsibility for inside sales, quality, engineering, service and support, and related areas, and he will continue to report to Jim Salmi.

Salmi, chief operating officer of Crimson Fire and president of Crimson Fire Aerials, will continue to handle all functions for the aerial subsidiary, as well as finance, human resources, sales and marketing for both business units.

"Our manufacturing efficiencies and quality in Brandon have improved greatly under Kevin's leadership," Salmi said. "Kevin is a hands-on leader who is committed to the principles of performance in everything he does, and we are pleased to promote him to president of Crimson Fire and further expand his role.

"Crimson continues to work to take advantage of competitive opportunities in the emergency-rescue marketplace. Backlog grew during 2007 as Crimson significantly expanded its distribution network in North America, improved delivery times and introduced a revolutionary new product."

Crump brings more than 20 years of manufacturing and management expertise to Crimson, the majority of it in heavy-duty vehicles. He has experience in production, engineering, purchasing, strategic sourcing, logistics, materials management, quality assurance and related areas.

Prior to joining Crimson, he served as director of operations for Seagrave Fire Apparatus where he was responsible for the production of its complete line-up of customized vehicles. During his tenure at Seagrave, he instituted systems to streamline the manufacturing process for highly customized fire apparatus.

He has also served as vice president of operations for Optima Bus Corp., a manufacturer of urban and suburban transit buses. During his tenure with the Kansas manufacturer, he was responsible for improving productivity, reducing material costs and improving inventory turns.

Crump also spent significant time with Nova Bus, a manufacturer of urban and suburban heavy-duty transit buses owned by Volvo. He held a variety of positions of increasing responsibility at the company, which had operations in the United States and Canada.

[April 1, 2008] Crimson Fire, Inc. has added Maryland-based FESCO Emergency Sales to its growing dealer network. FESCO will cover Maryland, Delaware and a large portion of Virginia

[April 3, 2008] Ohio-based PHOENIX Safety Outfitters has joined Crimson Fire, Inc. as a new dealer. PHOENIX Safety will serve the entire state of Ohio from its home in Springfield

Elkhart Brass Manufacturing Co., Inc.

[April 23, 2008] Elkhart Brass is pleased to announce the following promotions and title changes:

- Don Sjolin has been promoted to Vice-President of Marketing & Strategic Development. Company President Hans Ashbaugh notes, "Don's promotion better reflects his vital role in our organization."
- Tammy Comer has been promoted to Customer Service Supervisor. She is responsible for the Customer Service Department's daily activities and all Customer Service. Representatives report to Tammy.
- Dawn Little transferred from the Customer Service Department to Repairs where, through her extensive product expertise, she will continue to support customers as Elkhart's new Repair & Warranty Service Coordinator.
- Alison Vance's title was updated to Event & Advertising Coordinator.
- Two recent hires continue Elkhart's commitment to excel customer service:
- Maribeth Schoen joined Elkhart's Customer Service Department late in 2007. Maribeth brings over 10 years of Customer Service and Administrative Support to the Elkhart team.
- Dané Bixler also joined Elkhart's Customer Service Department in late 2007. Dané brings over 12 years of Customer Service and Administrative Support including time working for Medtec and as a volunteer EMT for Larimer County (Colorado) Search and Rescue.

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Fire Equipment Services



[April 23, 2008] Fire Equipment Services and its parent company, G and G Metal Fabrication, Inc., have relocated to a 34,000 sq. ft. building in Sumter, S.C. in response to increased market acceptance of its custom building, modification, service and refurbishing of fire, rescue and service vehicles.

Established 25 years ago as a commercial/industrial metal fabricator, G & G initially concentrated on air handling systems for furniture, cabinet and cotton gins. Demand for the specialized metalwork involved in fire and rescue vehicles soon overtook the other work and now accounts for 95% of production. G & G / FES employs 19 people.

In addition, FES recently was honored as “Small Manufacturer of the Year” by the Sumter County Development Board for 2007 based on the company’s benefit package, return on investment in the local economy and employee involvement in the community.

As well as its own line of apparatus G & G/FES is the Ferrara Fire Apparatus dealer for South Carolina.

INTEC Video Systems, Inc.

[April 28, 2008] INTEC Video Systems, Inc. is pleased to announce that its Laguna Hills, California headquarters received ISO 9001:2000 certification in October 2007. ISO plans are also in motion for the company’s other location in Pennsylvania.

The certification reflects INTEC’s commitment to continuous improvement and to meeting its customers’ quality requirements.

Pierce Manufacturing, Inc.

[April 25, 2008] Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. honored firefighters with a donation of artwork auctioned for nearly \$10,000 to benefit the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. The paintings were created during the Fire Department Instructors Conference (FDIC) in Indianapolis by live-art painter Michael Israel who created two original paintings in the Pierce booth, in front of hundreds of spectators.

“Pierce took the opportunity at FDIC this year to commemorate and honor the men and women of the fire service,” said Wilson Jones, Pierce Manufacturing president. “Michael’s artwork is a tribute to their courage,



Michael Israel Hero and Pierce fire truck paintings]

and with the donation through the auction, we’re proud to help advance the work of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, and to also thank and support this community.”

The paintings sold for a combined \$9,800, with all proceeds directly benefiting the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. The Foundation coordinates memorial events and assistance programs for surviving family members of fallen firefighters, and has launched major initiatives to help reduce firefighter deaths.

“Pierce Manufacturing is known for its dedication to firefighter safety,” said Ron Siarnicki, executive director of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. “We are grateful to Pierce for bringing Michael Israel to the event and donating his amazing artwork to our fundraising efforts. It’s a true testament to the company’s values, which are so closely aligned with our own.”

Accompanied by music, Israel first turned a blank canvas into a painting of a Pierce fire truck as part of the company’s legacy as a leader in the fire service industry and to recognize the Pierce Ultimate Configuration (PUC) apparatus on display at FDIC. Then, Israel performed his renowned tribute to firefighters with “Hero” — a painting of a firefighter rescuing a child with the American flag in the background.

[March 24, 2008] Pierce Manufacturing announced today that it has completed a territory change in its North American dealer network for Canada.

Darch Fire Inc., centrally located between London, Toronto and Hamilton in Ayr, Ontario, has assumed responsibility for the province of Ontario for specific Pierce fire apparatus. Darch Fire is now an authorized Pierce dealer, with a sales and service office in Ontario.

Pro Poly of America

[April 25, 2008] Most businesses today have been faced with the extended absence of one or more employees who have been called upon to serve our country. As these brave men and women set off to fight our nation’s war on



terrorism, companies across the U.S. make the necessary adjustments that allow for minimum disruption to their day to day operations.

Ocala, Florida-based Pro Poly of America, Inc., is geared up to handle just this sort of situation....with a twist. President and founder Tim Dean has been serving as an officer in the U.S. Army Reserve, a position that has allowed him the opportunity to assist soldiers and their families without being away from his company

for extended periods. This changed in February '08 when Tim headed off to Georgia, where he will serve up to 12 months of active duty.

"I am fortunate in that my assignment is at Fort Benning, which is less than 5 hours from home," Tim says. "I should be able to visit often, unlike many of my colleagues who often leave home for 12 months or more to go overseas without leave."

During this period, Tim knows that Pro Poly will continue to operate with the same level of quality and attention to detail that its customers have come to expect. "Our management team is committed to ensuring that my activation will have no effect on our performance and capability."

Tim also anticipates being able to communicate frequently by cell phone and e-mail, but points out that his usual time frame for prompt communication may be adjusted slightly.

All across America, families are coping with the extended absence of loved ones, while businesses adjust to the deployment of valuable employees. Tim Dean, who will experience first hand the demands on both family and business, asks that you "continue to keep our troops in your thoughts and prayers."

Rosenbauer America

[May 6, 2008] Scott Oyen has been promoted to Vice President of Sales for Rosenbauer's Central Division.

Oyen set out on his career path attending South Dakota State, in Brookings, SD, in 1985 and majoring in Agriculture Business. In 1991, he found himself entering the fire service industry as a production employee of Central States Fire Apparatus in Lyons, SD, an industry that he has since dedicated his time to for nearly two decades.

In 1993 he moved to inventory manager and then to CAD engineer and body design in 1996. Oyen also earned his Masters Degree in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, SD, in 1996. Three years later he became a sales and production coordinator. Now, in 2008, he can add Vice President of Sales to his resume.

"I welcome the opportunity for greater responsibilities working for the world's largest manufacturer of fire apparatus," said Oyen. "It is amazing to see how far this company has come, and I look forward to seeing what lies ahead in the future."

As the new Vice President of Sales, Oyen will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of sales administration which include specification design, pricing and support for sales staff. He shares this new business opportunity with his wife, Denise, and children, Tyrel (15), Trent (13), and Rachel (12).

CEO of Rosenbauer in America, Harold Boer, commented, "I have seen Scott's dedication to this industry and his commitment to get the job done right. I am confident that he is the one for the job."

After handing duties over to Oyen, Boer will now focus on product development and marketing.

Rosenbauer America further announces the expansion of its dealer network that now includes:

- Empire Emergency Apparatus Inc., North Tonawanda, NY
- Frontier Emergency Products, Phoenix, AZ
- DPC Emergency Vehicles, Marydel, DE
- Major Firefighting Technology, Kenil, NJ

Smart Power Systems

[April 2, 2008] Smart Power Systems has announced the promotion of Will Leach to Director, sales and technical service. Leach said "I look at our key products as being the most efficient mobile hydraulic generators in the fire/emergency service today. My role is to introduce and educate customers on the significant advantages of integrating our superior products into their fleets quickly".

Prior to joining Smart Power Systems in early 2003, Leach served as a Captain in the USAF. During his tour in the military, Leach filled technical engineering leadership positions. He last served at the Air Force Research Lab, Kirtland Air Force Base, NM. Since that time he has held various other engineering and management positions with Smart Power Systems including a Product Manager and Regional Sales Manager, SE, USA. Leach holds his BSME degree from Illinois Institute of Technology. Leach is an active member of the NFPA Technical Committee and he also serves as Vice Chairman, FAMA Hi-Voltage Technical Subcommittee.

Task Force Tips

[April 25, 2008] Task Force Tips (TFT) has assembled a team of specialists to form the industry's first technical customer service support team.

"The idea came up at one of the group management meetings about eight months ago," explained Mike Mayer, manufacturing engineer and new technical customer service group manager. "They wanted to stay on the forefront in providing good customer service, so they gathered together a team of some of their top service experts."

Senior Customer Service Coordinator Mike Grich, Customer Service Coordinator Doug Heller, Electric Service Coordinator Eric Miller, and Mayer are the team of four specialists who share the newly renovated second floor office in the North Plant on East Evans Street in Valparaiso, IN. Product Customer Service Tech Rob Beatty and Service Tech/Tester Mike Cervik round out the hand picked group as service technicians.

"The way the group interacts is great," Mayer said. "We have such a wide array of knowledge and areas of expertise — that's what makes this team so well rounded. If one person has trouble, the group backs that person up and gets what the customer needs NOW. The other big advantage of the group is issue overlap. Not only can we compare notes to find ways to better service the customer, but we also get to hear what the other team members are working on. Then, even if one person is away, the other members can jump right in and complete the customer's request."

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For customers on either coast, this means that TFT service and technical support will be available from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. CST Monday through Friday. “Although the nation should revolve around the Midwest, you have to remember that there’s a big difference in time zones,” Mayer said. “This way, by staggering our team’s hours, we’ll be able to help customers from the East to the West.”

Response to the new service team has been overwhelmingly positive according to Rod Carringer, TFT vice president of sales and marketing. “I wish I knew who it was who first suggested this,” Carringer said, “because I’d ask them why they didn’t mention it years ago. Gathering talents for a common good seems so obvious now that we’ve done it. We’re always looking for ways to improve our relationship with those who trust and use our products. This time, it seems that we were lucky enough to find one that works.”

TFT’s service team can be reached by writing them at sts@tft.com or call toll free to 800 348 2686. (Should the need arise, a team member is on call 24/7.)

Tempest Fireco Towers

[March 31, 2008] Tempest Fireco Towers, LLC announced successful completion of a compliance review for their pneumatically telescoping towers in accordance with the requirements of NFPA 1901. In March 2008, the company was informed that its vertical tower product meets criteria set forth by the NFPA to qualify for the Total Vehicle Assessment Program (TVA), established by Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

TVA is a multi-part inspection program consisting of the following elements: Initial audit, Third-party testing, Apparatus inspection, Periodic manufacturing process audit and Yearly or biannual follow up.

According to UL, their third-party Certificate of Inspection for TVA allows greater confidence that apparatus was built and inspected in accordance with the applicable requirements of NFPA 1901 for manufacturers and purchasers than self-declaration. Vehicle manufacturers get the added assurance that component supplier (vendor) products also meet the requirements of the Standard. Manufacturers can rely on UL — the standard in safety — to provide a comprehensive certification system to help manufacturers and, ultimately, the departments who purchase their vehicles be certain that compliance with the NFPA 1901 Standard is met and maintained.

VISIONMARK

[February 29, 2008] VisionMark today announced that it received recognition as a RFID label partner for Alien Technology®. Alien Technology has established an ecosystem of partners focused on providing RFID solutions including RFID Label providers that offer labels built on Alien® RFID inlays. VisionMark has joined Alien’s network as a certified supplier.

VisionMark successfully passed Alien Technology’s certification process required of all their label partners. The qualification process included Alien RFID training for VisionMark personnel, followed by VisionMark production runs incorporating Alien Technology RFID inlays in VisionMark designed Durable labeling systems. VisionMark completed all test runs with 100% functionality.

“VisionMark continues to design and manufacture durable labeling and branding systems for its OEM markets. This successful development and qualification of durable RFID-enabled labels provides our customers with reusable Identification tags, suitable for harsh service environments,” said David S. Clarkson, VisionMark’s president. “This innovation is a direct reflection of our company’s sixty year commitment to our manufacturing customers.”

W.S. Darley & Company — “100 Years of Passion”

By: Paul Darley, President and CEO

I have been looking forward to writing this 100th Anniversary column for a long time. Now that it’s here, I am struggling to find the words that can do justice to honor this special occasion.

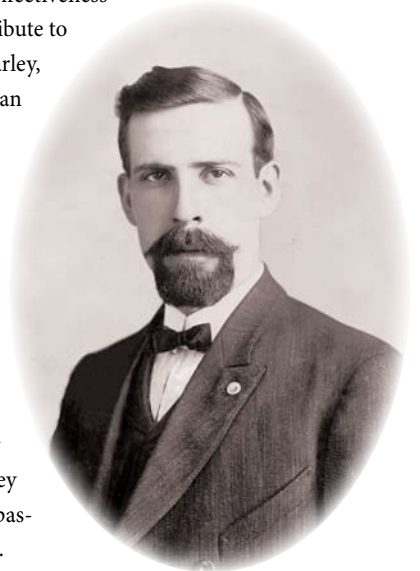
In preparing for our anniversary, I spent considerable time pouring through our company archives. I went through literally hundreds of old catalogs, brochures, photographs, newspaper articles and other material.

I never met my grandfather because he died at an early age, but after reading through this material, I feel as if I have come to know him. His vision, commitment and values have transcended generations, and have not only endured, but have flourished long after his passing. What a testament to his life’s work!

There was incredible wisdom in his words. This article does not allow me space to share all of his acumen, but a couple of his quotes that I would like to share with you are: “The simple truth about Darley shall always be adequate recommendation,” and “Today I shall say nothing that is untrue, nothing that is unkind, and nothing that is unnecessary.” This second quote is written in his handwriting and I understand hung next to his desk.

Our new ad campaign features catalog covers from years past and chronicles our company’s history in 25-year increments. While working on our new ad campaign, I ran it by a few marketing gurus, all of whom criticized it saying, “It was too busy, no call to action, etc...” These ad execs may be right, but regardless of the effectiveness of the ads, we view them as a tribute to our grandfather William S. Darley, and his son Bill Darley who ran our company for 50 years.

Their passion for our company has been instilled in our third generation which is now unning the business, and we hope to instill these values in the fourth generation as they join the company. As stewards of this business, I am confident that with your continued support, W.S. Darley & Co. will prosper and thrive passionately for another 100 years.



William S. Darley

|| Tribute to Betty Simpson



Elizabeth “Betty” Simpson, 79, of Clintonville, WI, passed away April 23rd at Life Care Hospital of Wisconsin, with her children and husband holding her hands. Betty suffered a ruptured aortic aneurysm in July 2007; that and numerous complications kept her hospitalized until her death. The day before her passing, while Betty was still fully alert, the entire family came to her hospital room to celebrate her life with stories and sang family songs with trombone accompaniment by husband Bud. They ended by holding hands, saying a prayer and singing “God Bless America”. Betty closed this special gathering by saying “I love you all ... Make Every Day a Happy Day”.

Betty was born in Oak Park, IL, was a graduate of DePauw University (IN) and united in marriage to her “high school sweetheart”, Vinson “Bud” Simpson in 1950. They settled in Marion/Clintonville, WI where they owned and operated Marion Body Works, Marion, WI. Betty had been an employee and officer since 1980. She was a member of Christ Congregational Church, Clintonville, and held various offices in her church; of the St. Rose Bridge Marathon; the Riverside Golf Bridge Club; and the P.E.O. Sisterhood, holding the offices of chaplain and treasurer. She enjoyed traveling, sewing, cooking and entertaining guests. She was a Salvation Army bell ringer for many years; active in the Hasbrook Lake Owners Association serving as board member, secretary, and editor of the newsletter. She was known for her great sense of humor.

Betty’s funeral services were a true celebration of her life. They opened with the entire family marching in playing percussion instruments with Bud leading on trombone playing “Saints Go Marching In”. The family sang one of the family standards (“Titanic”) in three-part harmony, followed by lots of story telling. Survivors include husband Bud, daughter Kathleen (Zier), daughter Nancy (Ignacio) and son Jim.

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|| In Memoriam

FAMA is deeply saddened to report by passings of

Charles Robert Tarbox, father of Brian Tarbox (Turck) — February 6, 2008

H. Alfred Eberhardt, Hale Products-retired, Past President of FAMA (1973), and recipient of the distinguished FAMA “Good Egg” award (1978) — March 2, 2008

Richard Correll, Westates Truck Corp. — March 28, 2008 (see also “Tribute” article)

Elizabeth “Betty” Simpson, Marion Body Works — April 26, 2008 (See also “Tribute” article)

Please keep the families and friends of our dearly departed in your thoughts and prayers.

|| Tribute to Richard Correll

Fire truck maker and boat enthusiast Richard R. Correll, who worked for and eventually took over his family’s fire truck company in Woodland, CA, died on March 28th at his Woodland home from melanoma. He was 70 years old, and will be remembered for several key innovations he made to the design of fire trucks and emergency vehicles that his firm sold across the West.

Mr. Correll’s approach led him to develop an innovative and much-loved improvement in fire truck design. Seeing that frustrated firefighters were always strapped for storage compartments on the sides of their vehicles because of the presence of bulky ladders, he came up with a much improved and better design. “His idea was to put a sleeve inside the water storage tank at the center of the truck body, leaving room for a rear door. That allowed ladders to be stored inside, freeing outside storage space,” stated Steve McCormick, President of Westates Truck Equipment Corp.

“Mr. Correll also took concepts of modular design developed by the automobile industry and brought them to the fire truck world. Older fire truck parts were typically welded together and, when damaged, had to literally be cut apart to make repairs. His push for modular components, assembled with big bolts, has made it easier and faster to take apart and fix damaged fire trucks,” McCormick said.

“As a younger man, Mr. Correll developed a passion for boats and airplanes that was lifelong. That was the result of several trips [he] made to the Pacific Rim aboard ocean freighters. Later in life, he had his own 61-foot steel-hulled boat built in his factory — ‘an ocean crosser’. Richard loved big, shiny objects. If it had an engine and was made out of metal, he was in,” McCormick noted.

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FAMA's 2008 FIRE SERVICE TRADE SHOW AND EVENTS CALENDAR

Show/Meeting/Contact	Date/Phone	Place
NFPA World Safety Conference	Jun 2-6	Las Vegas, NV
Asian International Security, Safety and Fire Protection Show and Conference www.allworldexhibitions.com	Jun 4-6	Hong Kong
Alberta Fire Chiefs	Jun 7-11	Edmonton, ALB
Fire 2007 (New York Fire Chiefs), Contact: 800-676-3473	Jun 12-14	Lake George, NY
IAFC Southeastern Division	Jun 19-21	Chattanooga, TN
New England Fire-Rescue/IAFC N. E. Division Contact: Chief Charles Maurais 781-631-3086	Jun 19-22	W. Springfield, MA
Maritimes Fire Chiefs Conf.	Jul 6-8	Lunenburg, NS
IAFC Missouri Valley Division	Jul 9-11	Joplin, MO
Texas A & M Municipal Fire School	Jul 20-25	College Station, TX
Firehouse Expo, Contact: Rob Brice, 800-827-8009	Jul 22-26 (Ex. 24-26)	Baltimore, MD
Fire-Rescue International, *Contact: Kelly Piringer at IAFC 703-537-4840	Aug 14-16	Denver, CO
FAMA Tech Meeting	Aug 16	Denver, CO
Incident Management Symposium (Phoenix FD)	Aug 27-29	Phoenix, AZ
Pittsburgh Fire/Rescue & EMS Contact: Kelly Simon Productions 800-747-5599	Sep 5-7	Pittsburgh, PA
New Jersey FF, Contact: Ron McGowan 609-522-1822	Sep 11-13	Wildwood, NJ
Fire Rescue Canada	Sep 21-24	White Horse, YT
National Fallen Fighters Memorial Service	Oct 4-5 (Memorial Service Oct 5)	Emmitsburg, MD
Fall Meeting: FEMSA (8-9) FAMA (10-11)	Oct 8-12	Tucson, AZ
Firehouse Central/EMS	Oct 15-17	Las Vegas, NV
IAFC Southwestern Div.	TBD	TBD
FDSOA Annual Conference, Contact: FDSOA 508-881-3114	Oct 26-31	Orlando, FL
F.I.E.R.O. Fire Station Design Symposium	Nov 3-5	Charlotte, NC
IAFC Volunteer & Combination Officers Symposium	TBD	TBD
Expo Protection, International Exhibition of Risks Management www.expoprotection.com	Nov 4-7	Paris, France
Fire Rescue Conf. & Expo, Contact: Ed Nichols 203-840-5968	Nov 5-9	Las Vegas, NV

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