

# Mark Your Calendars-September 18, 2012



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**Gold Level**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 18, 2012**

**PDH Stamp**

**Speaker:** *Billy Morrill, Victaulic*  
**Topic:** *"Couplings, Gaskets, and Corrosion"*  
**Location:** Houndslake Country Club,  
 Aiken, SC

**Times:** 5:30 PM-Social Time  
 6:00 PM-Buffer Dinner  
 6:30 PM-Business Meeting  
 7:00 PM-Technical Presentation  
 8:30 PM-Adjournment

**Meal Cost:** \$19 for members  
 \$24 for non-members  
 Dinner is a buffet

**Directions:**

**Houndslake Country Club.** Going south on the Hitchcock Bypass (Hwy 118), go 1.1 miles from the intersection of Hitchcock and Huntsman, turn right at the second light onto Houndslake Drive at the bottom of the hill, or going north on the Hitchcock Bypass, go 1.1 miles from the intersection of Hitchcock/Pine Log and Silver Bluff, turn left at the first light onto Houndslake Drive. Go around the bend to the club house.

**RSVP:**

**PLEASE RESPOND to**  
**Mark LeGrand**  
**By 5:00 on Thursday, September 13**  
**at**  
 803-502-0657 (work) or  
[mark@legrandengineering.com](mailto:mark@legrandengineering.com)

**When emailing or phoning your RSVP,**  
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# News Flash

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**Meeting Location:** Houndslake Country Club, Aiken, SC at 5:00 PM.

**Members Present:** Jim Allen, Thomas Allison, Paul Anslow, Jason Butler, John Blake, Bill Farmer, Ralph Foster, Kent Gilbreath, Steve Jenkins, Buzz Jenkins, Mark LeGrand, Stan Maciaszek, Alan Porter, Sam Putnam, Don Shelley

- ◆ The meeting was called to order by President Stan Maciaszek. Stan recognized Steve Jenkins' dad, who was visiting with Steve. Stan also recognized the advertisers in the newsletter.
- ◆ The April 17 meeting minutes were approved as they appeared in the May newsletter.
- ◆ The Treasurer's report was approved as listed in the newsletter. The balance was \$4,423.69. Tom welcomed John Blair as a new member. John works for Parsons on the SWPF Project. Kent Gilbreath won \$7 in the 50/50 drawing, but donated it back to the chapter.
- ◆ In old business, Kent gave an update on the Silver Bluff Volunteer Fire Department sprinkler addition. The status is about the same as last month. Jamie Patterson with Lifeguard fire Protection will prepare the sprinkler system drawings. Kent is still waiting on the fire department to give him an updated water flow info. He may have to go do the flow test himself.
- ◆ Stan and Ralph Foster gave an update on the DJJ project. The project is finished. The home dedication was held May 9.
- ◆ Stan read the annual audit prepared by Bernie Till. In summary, there were no discrepancies for the calendar year 2011. The full report is in the archives.
- ◆ The Order of the Engineer Ceremony was held at the Amoco Hall in the Engineering Building at USC on May 2, 2012. There were mostly Chemical Engineering students from USC who participated. Jason Butler

from our chapter, who is an intern at SRNS and a graduate student at WPI also participated. There were a total of 13 inductees into the Order of the Engineer. Alan Porter with Simplex Grinnell donated the refreshments for the event. Stan gave a special recognition for the longstanding support of the chapter activities from Simplex and Alan Porter.

- ◆ In new business, Stan stated that the board will be discussing the direction to take with respect to the chapter website, since SFPE International will no longer be hosting chapter websites.
- ◆ Stan reported that the paperwork for the SFPE Gold star award was in decent shape. The meeting was adjourned.
- ◆ Ralph Foster gave a talk on Above Ceiling Inspection of Sprinkler Systems.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. Mark LeGrand

## SFPE Corporate 100

The SFPE Corporate 100 Program was founded in 1976 to strengthen the relationship between industry and the fire protection engineering community. Membership in the program recognizes those who support the objectives of SFPE and have a genuine concern for the safety of life and property from fire. To join the Corporate 100 Program (Business Membership in SFPE) please contact David Evans 301- 718-2910 ext. 103 To view the Corporate 100 Program brochure and application, please type the website below in your internet browser *without spaces* for a quick reference:

[http://sfpe.org/upload/corporate\\_100\\_application\\_2006c\\_001.pdf](http://sfpe.org/upload/corporate_100_application_2006c_001.pdf)

## Allied Professionals

The CSRA chapter has many individuals on our mailing list who do not qualify for Professional or Associate Member status with SFPE but are still interested in the services that the organization provides. In 2000, SFPE began to recognize such individuals and has created the Allied Professionals program to reach out to such individuals to give them the opportunity to interact with the fire protection engineering community. Without membership in SFPE. This is a special program to meet the needs of those with whom the engineering community works on a daily basis. To learn more about the program, please visit the SFPE website at:

<http://sfpe.org/About/AlliedProfessionals.aspx>

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## 2012 SFPE Annual Meeting

The **2012 SFPE Annual Meeting** will be in Savannah, GA October 14-19.

To learn more about this opportunity and to learn more about the Meeting, go to: <http://www.sfpe.org/SharpenYourExpertise/Education/2012SFPEAnnualMeeting.aspx>

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## President's Corner

Summer is almost over and school is back in session. That means our meetings are beginning again for the fall. We still have a lot of activity

Here are some of the highlights:

- ♦ "The House That DJJ Built" is now complete and the Johnson's will be moving in very soon. The installation of a sprinkler system in this house was a wonderful opportunity to partner with SC Department of Juvenile Justice and Habitat for Humanity. It gave us the opportunity to spread the residential sprinkler message. Again, thanks to Foster Engineering & Consulting, LLC, Tyco,

Simplex-Grinnell, Blazemaster, and Home Fire Protection, LLC. A celebration is scheduled for August 31 at DJJ in Columbia.

- ♦ The executive committee submitted the chapter's application for the SFPE Chapter Excellence Award. We are attempting to receive our 8th consecutive Gold Award.
- ♦ The executive committee will be meeting before the September meeting to discuss upcoming issues and plan for the new year
- ♦ Two chapter members will be recognized as Fellow of the society at the annual meeting in October.

- ♦ The annual SFPE meeting is October 14 - 19, 2012 at the Hyatt Regency in Savannah, GA. Plan to attend all or part of the meeting since it is so close to us. The SFPE Awards and Honors Luncheon is at 12:15 and the Fellows Reception is at 5:30 on Monday, October 15. Several of the Professional Development Seminars have been revised and several are brand new. Advanced registration is due by Monday, September 10, 2012.
- ♦ Lastly, just a reminder that chapter dues for the new year are due at the September meeting.

Stan Maciaszek

## New Chapter Dues Structure

The chapter will have a change of dues structure for the 2012-2013 year. Those paying their membership on or before 9/30/12 will be able to renew their membership for \$20.00. Members renewing after 10/1/12 or after will pay \$25.00. The change in our membership dues is being made by the Board to help defray the costs associated with hosting the chapter website. We have acquired our own domain name now which is [www.CSRA-SFPE.org](http://www.CSRA-SFPE.org). We are working to develop the website and will let you know when to update your internet bookmarks real soon! For those members mailing their renewals, be sure the envelope is postmarked by midnight 9/30/12.

## Treasurer's Report

With the summer vacation, there has been little activity. Since the last meeting on 5/15/2012, the Chapter has had deposits of \$349.00 and checks written for \$78.08 (Bill Farmer for Habitat materials) and \$249.42 (Houndslake meals). This leaves the Chapter with \$4445.19 in the account. Ralph Foster refused his speaker fee (free meal) and Kent Gilbreath donated his 50/50 winnings (all \$7.00) back to the organization. Please remember to thank Ralph and Kent for their generosity.

With start of the new Fiscal Year, dues are once again due and payable at the

first meeting in September. Please see the special notice regarding dues. Returning members may simply renew at the door or send me a check made out to CSRA SFPE. Please print and complete the membership form attached to the newsletter so we can keep our records up to date. It is very important that we know if you are a member of SFPE International because it is part of one criteria when submitting for the Gold Award each year.

Respectfully and humbly submitted;

Thomas L. Allison, Treasurer

## Mark Your Calendar!

The next Chapter Meeting is October 23 in Columbia, SC at a yet to be determined location. The speaker is Jeff Robinson, P.E., CSP from Robinson Risk Consulting, LLC. The topic will be "Creative Fire Protection Design Solutions and the AHJ." Location has yet to be determined



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*THE E-MAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED WILL BE USED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AND OTHER CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENTS.*

THE CHAPTER  MAY /  MAY NOT RELEASE THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO OTHER PARTIES.**PROFILE INFORMATION:**

1. Are you a member of the International SFPE? (Please select one): \*\*

 Yes, my current grade is:  Member  Associate  Other Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ No, please e-mail me membership information.  No, not currently interested.

\*\* International membership information is gathered for Gold Award purposes and will not be distributed without your permission. For information on joining the International program, contact any officer for assistance.

2. Professional designations [PE, EIT, NICET, CFPS, etc.]: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you interested in helping with a Chapter committee or special event?  Yes  Not at this time.**MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Select any that apply):** INDIVIDUAL CHAPTER MEMBER/AFFILIATE (by Sept. 30) \$20.00 INDIVIDUAL CHAPTER MEMBER/AFFILIATE (after Sept. 30) \$25.00 CORPORATE SPONSOR<sup>1 & 2</sup> \$250.00 CORPORATE OR INDIVIDUAL ADVERTISEMENT<sup>2</sup> \$50.00

<sup>1</sup> This membership includes one individual annual membership and one corporate sponsor website link from the chapter home page through the 2010-11 membership year. (Please include two business cards with your payment).

<sup>2</sup> An advertisement the size of a standard business card will be included in our sponsors section of each newsletter (8) and will be posted on our web page for one year.

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK NUMBER: # \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to "CSRA SFPE"*

*Mail Registration with payment to:*

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