



CSRA NEWS



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Chapter Excellence Award

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Greetings from your President

Thank you to all the members for contributing and helping our chapter receive the 2014 SFPE Gold Level Chapter Excellence Award. This year marks the 10th consecutive year our chapter has received such recognition from SFPE International. Great Job!

Also, there was a great turnout at the CSRA College Night in Augusta, GA. Over 6,000 participants attended this event. Thank you to those who attended and helped spread the word about careers in Fire Protection Engineering.

We are looking for members who are interested in helping with the chapter. Participation as a committee chair is an excellent way to become more involved in the chapter and would be greatly appreciated. Please contact one of the officers if you are interested in becoming a chair for a committee (e.g. Sprinkler Installation Projects, Order of the Engineer, Media Relations, Nominating Committee).

Please be advised that meeting locations throughout the year may change. Being a smaller chapter, coupled with an increase in room fees at Houndslake, we can no longer afford the costs associated with meeting at Houndslake Country Club in Aiken, SC. The Executive Committee will meet to discuss future meeting locations and will present the details at the meeting in October.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Flight Deck in Lexington, SC, on October 21st.

Respectfully,

Jason

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Directions to

The Flight Deck Restaurant

From Aiken/Augusta take I-20 East toward Columbia. Take exit 55, SC-6 West. Turn left onto SC-6. McDonalds is on the corner. Turn left onto East Main St./US-1. AT intersection with Hwy. 378 stay straight onto Old Chapin Road. The Flight Deck Restaurant (109-A Old Chapin Rd.) is on the left in a strip mall near Rite-Aid Pharmacy. Rush's Hamburgers is across the street. From Columbia take I-20 West. Take exit 6, hwy. 378 toward Lexington. In Lexington turn right on Old Chapin Road. Restaurant is on left.

RSVP:

Will Cosey

By NOON on Thursday, Oct. 16th
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OR

[Sign up using the Website](#)

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2014

Speaker: Sean M O'Hara, Senior Fire Protection Specialist
Organization: Hilti North America
Topic: Firestop Plans Review and Inspection

Location: Flight Deck Restaurant (803-957-5990)
 Lexington, SC

Times: 5:30 PM-Social Time
 7:00 PM-Technical Presentation

Meal Price: Member Pays for Meal

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report 9/29/14

The Chapter has gotten off to a tremendous start for the new fiscal year. Already we have 26 paid members for the year. In addition, we have two Corporate Sponsors and a Corporate Supporter. The web site is now up and allows on-line registration for meetings, membership renewals/applications, and payment for your convenience. We are also planning to get a credit/debit card reader to accept payment at the meetings. Steve Miller won the 50/50 and donated the entire jackpot of \$6.00 back to the Chapter. Thanks Steve!

Since the September Meeting (including pre-paid amounts on-line), the Chapter had an income of \$386.00 in cash, \$524.75 in checks, and \$390.00 in on-line payments. The Chapter also had expenses of \$462.80, bringing the current total to \$5,058.16.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Allison

Meeting Highlights September 20, 2014

[\(Click Here for Full Meeting Minutes\)](#)

CSRA-SFPE—September 16, 2014 — SUMMARY OF MEETING MINTUES

Members & Guests – Welcome back, and thank for all the returning members. We have two new members to the Chapter – Dale Wilm and Jared Harbold.

Introduction of this year's Officers Jason Butler as President, Paul Anslow as Vice President, Will Cosey as Secretary, Tom Allison as Treasurer, and Stan Hill as Membership Chair. The Chapter is looking for volunteers to Chair other Committees—Sprinkler Installation Projects, Order of the Engineer, Media Relations, and Other Special Focus Areas. If interested please contact any officer.

May Meeting Minutes pass unanimously to accept as published in the newsletter

Treasurer's Report pass unanimously to accept as published in the newsletter

Old Business:

CAPA House: Ralph – Ralph Foster reported the questions that remained about the water service tap and metering have been answered. We will be looking for help when the installation date is set.

CSRA-SFPE.org Website: The website now allows for event registration, membership (new & renewal), Sponsorship and Supporter donations. Use of the website was encouraged and any feedback is welcome. Thanks, Jason.

2014 SFPE Conference & Expo: Reminder the conference is October 12-17, 2014 in Long Beach, CA. Ralph Foster, Paul Anslow, Jamie Patterson, - and tentatively Stan Macaiszek - will be attending.

New Business:

Meeting Addition: We have added a meeting this year. Ralph Foster will be presenting Underground Fire Line Requirements to a joint meeting of SFPE and the ASCE SC Chapter on Wednesday, December 17, 2014, in Columbia, SC. Please come out and make the joint meeting a success.

Meeting Location and Balance of Meetings: Houndslake has tripled the room fee from \$50 to \$150 per meeting. We will modify the current balance of meetings to 3 meetings in Columbia (at the currently used facility of the Flight Deck), 3 meetings in Aiken (meeting location TBD), and 2 meetings held in Augusta (location TBD). The Executive Board will determine the locations and schedule and presenting the results at the next meeting.

Executive Board Business Meeting: On August 25, 2014, the Executive Board met to address the new Executive Board members, the existing Chapter Bylaws, and the Chapter Membership forms.

Jamie Patterson, President of Lifeguard Fire Protection, presented Sprinkler System Inspection, "What Engineers Need to Know".

2014 CSRA College Night - Augusta, GA



Members of the CSRA SFPE Chapter attended the 2014 College Night in Augusta, GA, to inform high school students and parents about the vast array of careers in Fire Science and Fire Protection Engineering. Tom Allison, Jason Butler, Nick Everett, and Mark Legrand represented the Chapter at this event. Students and parents were given information on colleges that offer degrees in fire protection and career opportunities available upon graduation. Over 6,000 students attended the event featuring 140 Universities and 17 Professional Societies.

(Pictured, from left to right: Tom Allison, Jason Butler, and Nick Everett at our booth during the influx of students)



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

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:

[\(Click Here\)](#)

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 Julie Gordon at 301- 915-9721. To view the Corporate 100 Program brochure and application:

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Saluting our Corporate 100 Members:

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SFPE International Membership

The Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SFPE) is the professional organization that represents engineers engaged in the fire protection worldwide. Through its membership of over 5000 professionals and more than 65 national and international chapters, SFPE advances the science and practice of fire protection engineering while maintaining a high ethical standard. SFPE and its members serve to make the world a safer place by reducing the burden of unwanted fire through the applications of science and engineering. As an SFPE member you will greatly enhance your career and play an important role in promoting the Fire Protection Engineering profession.

Membership in SFPE brings many benefits. The SFPE's quarterly magazine, SFPE's peer reviewed Journal of Fire Protection Engineering, the opportunity to contribute to the growth of the fire protection engineering profession, Discounts on publications and education programs, SFPE group insurance plans and more!

If you are not already a member, join today! ([Click Here](#))

If you have any questions about membership, please contact Julie Gordon at jgordon@sfpe.org. or 301- 915-9721

Congratulations & Accolades

Paul Anslow received his upgrade to Professional Member of the Society

CSRA Chapter salutes three of our members who received SFPE's Hats Off Award for their work on the Silver Bluff Fire Department sprinkler system

Jamie Patterson

Stan Maciaszek

Ralph Foster

Stan Maciaszek was recognized for his service to the chapter during the September meeting. Ralph Foster presented him with his Past President plaque and lapel pin for his service.

Chapter Provides Plan Review Class

On September 17-18, 2014, Ralph Foster taught a class on reviewing sprinkle & fire alarm shop drawings to 20 fire marshals from 12 departments in the Greenville area. The class teaches AHJs how to review shop drawings, common design mistakes, CAD errors, and deceptive practices.

The class provides students a combination of lecture and hands on practice reviewing a sets of shop drawings.

Great Job Ralph!

Check out the CSRA Website



What you're not registered!!!

What are you waiting for?

The CSRA website is ready help you with :

- ⇒ Meeting registration,
- ⇒ Membership renewal,
- ⇒ E-mail for newsletters and announcements,
- ⇒ Past Newsletters, and
- ⇒ Chapter announcements, and more!!!

Hurry Before You Miss It!

www.csra-sfpe.org

Chapter Sponsors

Please consider promoting your company in the CSRA Newsletter and on our website. It's simple! Just complete the Sponsor Form attached to this newsletter and send your business card and check payable to SFPE – CSRA Chapter in care of Tom Allison, 202 Watervale Road, Martinez, GA 30907. Your money is used to support chapter operations and special projects in the community.

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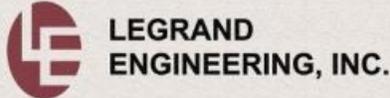


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