



# CSRA NEWS



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## Greetings from your President

Greetings CSRA Chapter Members!

We had a great meeting in January. Mr. Peter Slavovski gave us an overview of the Mercy Ministry project, which will likely be our next charity sprinkler system installation project. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Rob Plonski. Mr. Robert O'Neil gave a terrific overview of sprinkler system corrosion.

On Tuesday 21 February, the CSRA will hold our annual PE Problem Writing Session at the West Columbia SimplexGrinnell office. Please try to attend if you are a PE. It's through these sessions that the FPE exam has adequate questions. That evening, Chris Jelenewicz of SFPE will be our guest speaker; please try to attend and make our Chapter shine.

Past President Jason Butler will be Chairing our Executive Nominating Committee for the 2017-2018 program year. If you are interested in volunteering and holding an Office next year, or if you would like to assist Jason with nominations, please contact Jason.

Please consider attending the [Greater Atlanta Chapter's Annual Fire Safety Conference](#) on the 14th and 15th of March. A number of CSRA Chapter Members have been assisting the Atlanta Chapter with the planning of this wonderful Regional Conference. A strong showing of CSRA Chapter Members would help make the CSRA Chapter shine! Our March meeting will be the following week on 21 March.

Paul

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## PDH Stamp

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. Turn left onto East Main St./US-1. At the intersection with Hwy. 378 stay straight onto Old Chapin Road. The Flight Deck Restaurant (109-A Old Chapin Rd.) is on the left behind Rite-Aid Pharmacy. From Columbia take I-20 West. Take exit 55 and follow above directions.

RSVP:

Rob Hanson

By NOON on Friday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>  
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OR

[Sign up using the Website](#)

### Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 2017

**Speaker:** Chris Jelenewicz, P.E., FSFPE  
**Organization:** SFPE International  
**Topic:** Proliferation of Structural Fire Engineering  
**Location:** Flight Deck Restaurant  
 Lexington, SC  
**Times:** 5:30 PM-Social Time  
 6:00 PM-Technical Presentation  
**Meal Price:** Member \$3 and Guest \$5 — Attendee pays for their meal

## Treasurer's Report

### Treasurer's Report for January 2017

A great big "Thank you!", to Rob Plonski for standing in for me while I attended a family function for the meeting. The account balances are as follows:

Balances as of 1/31/2017:

Checking:	\$1905.18 (this reflects the \$650 Foundation donation sent)
Savings:	\$2,284.37
Credit Card Balance:	\$0
Petty Cash (for Mtg. Exp.):	\$125 (\$119 original plus \$6 from last meeting's 50/50)
Total:	\$4,314.55

Respectfully submitted,

*Will Cosey*

## Meeting Highlights January 17, 2017

Peter Slavovsky presented on a project to install sprinklers in a Rooming House run by Mercy Ministries at 644, 646, 648, and 650 Crawford Avenue, Augusta, GA.

The building is about 3,400 square feet on each of the two stories, housing 16 people. The building is classified as a Rooming House per NFPA 101 Chapter 26. Sprinklers are required for code compliance. An NFPA 13R system may be possible but there is an unheated attic space. Ideas for the attic space include insulating the attic, heating the attic, or adding a draftstop to reduce the square footage to less than 3,000. An exposed piping system with cover up molding was discussed. The requested schedule was as quickly as feasible. Any necessary funds would have to come from charities.

President Paul Anslow opened the meeting at 6:30.

Paul welcomed new and returning members.

Motioned to approve meeting minutes – Passed

Motioned to approve the treasurer's report – Passed

Old Business:

Paul encouraged everyone to join SFPE International. Benefits mentioned were webinars, resources, and discounts (including one on the 5th Edition of the SFPE Handbook)

Current SFPE International members were also encouraged to upgrade their membership to the Professional level if eligible

Atlanta Fire Safety Conference will be held March 14-15, 2017

Upcoming teach-in on January 26th at Williston Elko High School

New Business:

50/50 raffle was won by Tim Anderson

Discussion of taking on the Crawford Avenue Rooming House sprinkler project in Augusta took place. A sprinkler contractor in Georgia will be required to sponsor the work under their license. Ralph Foster volunteered to be the licensed Project Engineer and Rob Plonski volunteered to be the Project Manager.

Jason Butler brought forward another possible service project. This would involve renovating a sprinkler system for Millbrook Church.

PE Problem Writing Session is on February 21st at Simplex Grinnell in West Columbia, SC

Next meeting is on February 21st, 2017 at the Flight Deck Restaurant in Lexington, SC

Motioned to close Business Meeting – Passed

Bob O'Neil from SRS presented on Corrosion in Sprinkler Piping

Respectfully submitted,

*Rob Hanson*

## Chapter Announcements

### Don't Miss the Inaugural Middle East Conference This March

#### Register Now

The inaugural 2017 Middle East Conference “Getting-It-Right: Tools and Strategies to Improve Fire Protection Engineering on Projects” is fast approaching. Have you registered yet? If not, don’t delay—[register today](#) and [make your hotel reservation](#) and save, early-bird ends February 3. The conference will be held March 19–23 in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. In addition to offering an exceptional [technical program](#) and [pre-conference professional development courses](#), Dubai’s rich [cultural offerings](#) promise to make this conference an experience you won’t want to miss.



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### CSRA Website - Are You Signed up?



The CSRA website has:

- ⇒ Meeting registration,
- ⇒ Membership renewal,
- ⇒ Newsletter E-mails,
- ⇒ Archive of past newsletters,
- ⇒ Photos of chapter members at work, and
- ⇒ Chapter announcements, and more!

**Come see what you're missing!**

## Save the Dates

### Have you participated in SFPE's Members Only Webinars?

#### Upcoming Webinars

- February 27th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. eastern time  
Population Characteristics that Influence Movement Speeds, Bryan L. Hoskins
- March 6th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. eastern time  
Fires in the Middle East: Challenges and Opportunities, John Woycheese
- April 24th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. eastern time  
Wildland Urban Interface Fires – Emerging Challenges for FPEs, Nelson Bryner

Did You know you can watch the recordings in the archives if you miss the webinars? Select the Members Resources tab on the SFPE website and scroll to the bottom of the page and click on “Member Only Webinar Archives.”



### Membership Chair Message

Well we are getting ready for our fourth meeting of the 2016-2017 year. Thank to everyone who has renewed their chapter membership for the year. The Chapter is off to a great start for the new term with 37 active members and 27 who are members of SFPE International. If you have not renewed yet - you can do so through the website, at the next meeting, or by mailing you renewal. Please continue to encourage others to join the chapter and bring new attendees to meetings.

*Thanks—Stan Hill*

### SFPE INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

SFPE is the professional organization that includes fire protection engineers, fire safety engineers, fire engineers, and allied professionals. Join over 4,000 colleagues in over 60 countries who believe in engineering a fire safe world. SFPE pursues its vision by serving its members and customers globally through world-class information, education, credentialing and advocacy. Connect with the best minds in fire protection and fire safety engineering, advance your career, and make a difference by getting involved. Our strength and the future of the profession rely on the innovative thinking and active participation of engineers - just like you.

[Start your membership today—Click Here](#)

### SFPE Corporate 100

The SFPE Corporate 100 Partner Program was founded in 1976 to give organizations and individuals an opportunity to show their support of SFPE's mission. With the financial support of Corporate 100 Partners and the dedication of both volunteers and staff, SFPE has made groundbreaking strides to define and improve the practice of fire protection engineering. For questions or more information contact SFPE Membership and Chapter Relations Manager contact Julie Gordon at [jgordon@sfpe.org](mailto:jgordon@sfpe.org) or (301) 915-9721 or to view information on the Corporate 100 Program follow the link below:

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