



# CSRA NEWS



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## Greetings from your President

Happy New Year! With the busy Holiday Season behind us, it is time to look forward to what 2017 has in store for us.

January 26<sup>th</sup> the Chapter will be participating in a Teach-In at Williston School District. If you would like to assist, please contact Rob Plonski.

February 21<sup>st</sup> will be our Chapter's Annual PE Problem Writing Session. It is only through efforts of currently licensed P.E.'s that the NCEES has enough questions to continue to offer the Fire Protection PE Exam each year. Please note this is a deviation from our normal March session. The venue is still tentative; look for upcoming emails. That evening will be our Monthly Meeting at the Flight Deck in Lexington, SC.

March will bring us the Greater Atlanta Chapter's Annual Fire Safety Conference on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. 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 CSRA Chapter shine! Our March meeting will be the following week on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

April 18<sup>th</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup> will be our regularly scheduled meetings. May will be our Annual Order of the Engineer Induction. To make this successful, we need two key components: volunteers and inductees. Please contact me if you can help, wish to be inducted, or know a good candidate.

Paul

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### PDH Stamp

### Meeting Location

#### Red Lobster

2847 Washington Road, Augusta, GA  
30909

### RSVP:

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**OR**

[Sign up using the Website](#)

### Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 17, 2017

**Speaker:** Robert O'Neill  
**Organization:** Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC  
**Topic:** Sprinkler System Corrosion, The History and Mystery  
**Location:** Red Lobster  
 Augusta, GA  
**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 November 2016

Welcome back for another exciting year with the CSRA SFPE Chapter! So far, we have had a great turn-out for membership and for renewals. Continue to reach out and remind others that we have started up our meetings for FY 17. Please check our website to be sure of your individual information and let me know what may need attention...

#### Balances as of 10/11/2016:

Checking:	\$2,518.66
Savings:	\$2,263.86
Credit Card Balance:	\$0
Petty Cash (for Mtg. Exp.):	\$119
Total:	\$4,901.52

#### Membership Numbers:

Returning Members:	2 (John & Dave)
Renewing Members:	2 (Eric Johnson & Will Cosey)
Guests:	4 (Bo, Adam, Mike, Caprice)
New Members:	0
Total Members 2017:	37

Foundation Check has not been mailed yet. It will be postmarked by COB 11/16/2016 in the amount of \$650.00

Respectfully submitted,

*Will Cosey*

## Meeting Highlights November 16, 2016

The meeting began at 1818 at Aiken Brewing Co. Rob Plonski filled in for Rob Hanson's secretarial duties.

President motioned to accept previous meeting minutes posted in Newsletter- **PASSED**

Treasure report additions— (inserted into the report above.)

50/50 Won by Bo Slendak

President requested a motion to accept previously printed treasurer's report and additions into the record – **MOTIONED & PASSED** in record time

#### Old Business:

SC Professional Engineering Conference in Myrtle Beach, Fire Protection Engineering Track—Paul & Ralph need e-mail commitments by Dec 2nd.

#### New Business:

9V battery outreach went well. Rob Plonski & Rob Hanson put together packets and handed them out at Kroger and Publix in Augusta. Many people took them, some said they recently replaced them, a few said they didn't have smoke detectors and didn't want them.

Tom Allison previously mentioned a possible nonprofit outreach. Rob Plonski made contact and discussions have begun. It's for a local (Augusta) 2-story 1900's vintage home turning into a half-way/low-income home for families in need. AHJ is requiring NFPA13R sprinkler system. The possibility for installing exposed piping may make the work easier.

Previous President Jason Butler was given his Hats-Off award that Ralph picked up from SFPE International in September.

Current President presented Jason Butler with a placard of appreciation for past 2-years he served as president- nearly a standing ovation.

President motioned to close business – **PASSED**

## 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

- January 30th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. eastern time  
The New Standard of Care for Structural Fire Protection Analyses, Kevin Lamalva
- February 27th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. eastern time  
Population Characteristics that Influence Movement Speeds, Bryan L. Hoskins

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.

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