



## **Illinois Fire Prevention Association**

### **Monthly Newsletter**

March 23rd, 2010

To all distinguished IFPA Members,

Based on the overall amount of exhibitors as well as the number of attendees at this year's Product Show, It would be more than fair to say that this event was a great success. Seeing all of the membership in attendance along with all of the AHJ's, Engineers, Contractors, etc..... Clearly displays we are all being very supportive of our industry and all it has to offer. We thank those of you that were kind enough to donate some form of giveaways for the attendees, this was truly wonderful and went over very well. I could continue to go on and on about the success of the product show, but I will leave this for our April meeting. As much as I would like to provide more information, I would like to allow the man behind the scenes William Sedlak of the SFPE the honors of filling us in with more of the details at the meeting.

A special thanks to William Sedlak, Danielle Sandfox, Harold Miller, SFPE, all of the IFPA Committee, family members and friends that assisted with the event. It would not have been such a success without your valuable assistance.

The CEU classes were also a big hit at this year's Product Show. Both sessions for each of the two classes ended up completely full, and for this type of an outcome, we are grateful. The presenters (Marty Pabich and Cecil Bilbo) would like to extend their thanks to everyone who attended the classes, and the SFPE and IFPA would like to also thank both the presenters and the attendees for all of their contributions to making this so successful.

As for our next IFPA monthly meeting, we will be gathering for this meeting on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the Glendale Lakes 1550 President Street location in Glendale Heights, Illinois. The gathering will begin with cocktails at 6 pm and the meeting

to begin at 7pm. Please be sure and RSVP on line at the website [www.ifpanet.org](http://www.ifpanet.org) for this meeting. We have been continuing to receive membership fees from many of you, for those who have not re-registered their membership, please do so in order to avoid being invoiced for your dinners at the monthly meetings.

The guest speaker for this meeting will be as follows:

**Michael Jontry – Illinois Department of Public Health  
To Discuss Latest IDPH Requirements For Sprinkler and Fire Alarm Systems  
Under IDPH Jurisdiction**

**We would like to ask the membership to please submit any questions that you might have for Michael Jontry ahead of time. This will allow our guest speaker to utilize the time most effectively with regards to these and other questions.**

**Questions should be submitted to [bmodica@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bmodica@sbcglobal.net)**

Not to switch gears on all of you so fast, but I have been asked to provide some information regarding an organization that we would like to ask all of the membership to consider supporting. If you go to the following link [www.ftttf.org](http://www.ftttf.org) and view **Dave's Story**, you will learn about a gentleman (Dave Schury) a former Com Ed employee, who's life changed in an instant, when an unfortunate incident occurred meanwhile working in an electrical substation in Chicago. A rat short circuited a 12,000 volt piece of equipment, leaving Dave with 3<sup>rd</sup> degree burns to 30% of his body in the blink of an eye.

This individual has since, decided to dedicate a great portion of his time and efforts towards helping young burn survivors achieve their social confidence and meet their educational goals.

If we could ask that you not only view the website, but also consider some form of contribution to assisting Dave and his mission to provide emotional support to burn victims and their families. You will also learn about a fundraiser that will be held on **April 25<sup>th</sup> at Bourbon Street 3359 West 115th Street Merrionette Park, IL** <http://ftttf.org/poster.pdf> . **If you have a chance, try and support this up and coming event.**

**Meetings to follow:**

**April 13<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting (Glendale Lakes location)**

**May 11<sup>th</sup> Trackside Cocktail Party**

**Save the date**



Continue to support our Industry and all of the hard work that has been put forth by all of those involved.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent Rodriguez  
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