

Conference Registration Information



IAFPD 74th Annual Conference and 75th Anniversary Celebration

June 22-25, 2017

Peoria Civic Center, Peoria, IL

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- Fire District Trustee Training
- Legislative Update
- Administration, Operations, EMS & Pension Topics
- Interactive Tradeshow
- Entertaining Social Events
- Continued Education Credits

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A Message from Your 2017 Conference Committee...

You are cordially invited to the IAFPD 74th Annual Conference. This year the IAFPD celebrates its 75th Anniversary as your Association. Our theme "Mentoring Tomorrow's Leaders Today" embodies what the mission of the IAFPD is about. We have all had someone throughout our lives who has been an influence on us. Whether it a parent, coach, teacher, fellow director, or someone that has given you words of wisdom along your journey, they have mentored you. From its inception in 1942, IAFPD has continued to mentor to the needs of all fire districts throughout the state by educating their administrators.

During the conference, we will have many educational programs geared towards Administration, Legal, EMS and Pension that meet continued education requirements. It is the goal of the Conference Committee to make certain that all attendees leave with their questions answered, and with the latest education and insight to take back home to mentor their fire protection district members. If there is anything you need or would like to comment on, please let us know as we are always trying to improve the conference.

The Annual Conference is the best way to get the most for your money. We offer a one-stop shop with education, legislation and legal updates, but also the technological, and interactive tradeshow as well. There is something for everyone at this year's conference. We have added extra displays to go with the top notch speakers, social events and Fire Service Memorial to honor members, friends and firefighters who have given the ultimate sacrifice. May you not only enjoy the conference and its activities, but relax knowing that we will continue to MENTOR TOMORROW'S LEADERS!

We look forward to seeing you in Peoria June 22-25, 2017!

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THURSDAY, JUNE 22

9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration Open
10:00 am – 5:00 pm	Vendor Move-in
10:30 am – 11:45 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops
10:30 am- 3:00 pm	Advanced Trustee Training Part 1 (with 30 min. break)
11:45 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch On Your Own
1:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Refreshment Break
3:00 pm – 4:15 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm	Meet & Greet Reception (Attendees and Vendors welcome)
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Open Forum
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Caterpillar Visitors Center Tour & Reception

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
7:45 am	Outdoor Flag Ceremony
8:15 am	Opening Ceremonies & Keynote: John Salka, FDNY
10:15 am – 1:30 pm	Exhibits Open & Door Prizes
10:30 am & 2:30 pm	Live Demonstrations
10:30 am – 2:30 pm	Guest Programs: Her Majesty's Tea Room or Greenview Nursery
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Attendee Lunch Available in Exhibit Hall
12:00, 2:30 & 4:30 pm	Live Demonstrations
12:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Advanced Trustee Training Part 2
1:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Breakout Sessions
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Vendor Lunch (Hall Closes until 2:30)
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Live Demo, Refreshments & Door Prize Drawings
2:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Breakout Sessions
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Meet & Greet Reception with Vendors
5:00 pm	Annual Membership Meeting
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Sponsor & Vendor Hosted Hospitality
8:00 pm – 11:00 pm	Peoria Riverfront Museum Tour & Patio Party

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

7:30 am – 2:00 pm	Registration Open
9:00 am	Fire Service Memorial
8:00 am – 10:30 am	Exhibits Open and Door Prizes Drawing
9:30 am – 3:00 pm	Advanced Trustee Training Part 3 (w/Fire Service Luncheon break)
9:30 am – 11:30 am	Guest Program: Canvas Work of Art – Paint Workshop
9:30 am	Live Demos
10:30 am - 11:00 am	General Session: Legislative Update
11:15 am – 12:30 pm	Breakout Sessions
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm	Fire Service Luncheon: Steve Chikerotis
2:15 pm – 4:20 pm	Breakout Sessions
4:25 pm – 5:00 pm	Wrap Up / Closing Session
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	75th Anniversary & Awards Dinner

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

9:00 am	Board of Directors Meeting
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Notice to IAFPD Members:

The Annual Membership meeting will be held in conjunction with the 74th Annual Conference on Friday, June 23, 2017 at 5:00 pm.

Membership Credentials Certification is required to vote at the Annual Meeting.

One vote per District by Credentials or by Proxy (see insert).

Sunday, June 25
9:00 AM
IAFPD Board of Directors Meeting
Marriott Pere' Marquette Hotel



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General Information

Conference Venue & Tradeshow Facility

The Peoria Civic Center is located at 201 SW Jefferson Street and easily accessed from I-74 and a short walk from each hotel listed below. Peoria Civic Center (PCC) is where you will find registration, general sessions and all breakout classrooms, the exhibit hall, live demos and various special events for the IAFPD 74th Annual Conference. Ample free parking surrounds the facility for conference attendees. Registration desk is located on the main floor, Hall C entrance (on Monroe St.) Each of the hotels with discounted room block are near the Peoria Civic Center. For directions, please visit www.peoria.org.



Hotel Information

IAFPD is pleased to have downtown Peoria host hotels. Each of the hotels with discounted room blocks are next door to the Peoria Civic Center. **Discounted room rates are available until May 15.** Rooms that are booked after this date are not guaranteed a special rate and rooms cancelled after this date may incur a penalty.



Host Hotel Group Name: Fire Protection

\$122/night – room rate includes free self-parking. A reservation deposit requirement is required at booking and cancellation fees may apply. The IAFPD website contains a link to online reservations.

- **Marriott Pere Marquette** (<http://bit.ly/2pPpR2Y>)
501 Main Street, Peoria - Phone: 309-637-6500
- **Courtyard by Marriott Downtown** (<http://bit.ly/2azRKSP>)
(Connected to Pere Marquette) - 533 Main Street, Peoria
Phone: 309-671-5050
- Alternate Lodging offered at **Staybridge Suites**
\$129/\$149/\$169 Single/1-bdrm/2-bdrm
300 W. Romeo B Garrett Ave., Peoria
Phone: 309-673-7829

Parking

Free self-parking is included in hotel room rate for registered hotel guests. Oversized vehicles must park in a city-owned lot located around the Peoria Civic Center.

Registration

Conference packets may be picked up at the registration desk near the box office at the Peoria Civic Center:

- 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Thursday, June 22
- 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Friday, June 23
- 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 24

Registration Fees

	Before June 12	After June 12
IAFPD Members	\$110	\$135
Non-members	\$210	\$235
Spouses/Guest*	\$30	\$30
One Day Only	\$60	\$110

Registration includes a name badge that allows admission to the educational sessions, tradeshow, refreshments, beverage and meals served in exhibit hall and admittance to the Riverfront Patio Party (live music and free beverages). "Saturday Only" registration allows admission to events on Saturday only. Special event tickets can be ordered on the registration form on page XX. **Sign up before June 12 and save \$25 per person**

Guest Registration

All spouses and guests must register (\$30) in order to receive a name badge that allows access to the exhibit hall, educational sessions, opening and closing sessions, meals in the exhibit hall, and admittance to Street Party on Friday. A guest cannot be a member of the fire protection district board of trustees or fire personnel. Offsite Guest Programs have been arranged and separate registration fees apply.

Name Badges

Name badges are required for admittance into classes, tradeshow and street party. Name badges will be made based on information provided on the registration form. On-site badge replacements are \$5 each.

Exhibit Hall

Exhibits are on display in the Peoria Civic Center. Admission to the IAFPD Conference Exhibit Hall require a name badge or wristband. Security will be stationed at the entrance to the exhibit hall. A one-day exhibit hall pass may be purchased for \$10 in the form of a wristband, which is good for admission only to the exhibit hall and only on the day purchased.

ADA and Services for the Hearing Impaired

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the IAFPD will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities. If you have special needs, please contact Cheri Breneman at 800-524-6620. All event venues are accessible.

Policy on Children

To preserve the professional business environment and ensure a quality educational experience, no one under the age of 16 will be allowed in educational sessions. Children are welcome to join us for the Peoria Riverfront Museum Tour and Patio Party.

What to Wear?

Educational Sessions—Casual attire or business attire (**Bring a sweater, session rooms are often cool**)

Thursday & Friday Evening Social Events —Comfortable, casual clothes
Tribute (Awards Banquet)—Evening attire or business casual

General Information Continued

IAFPD's Advanced Trustee Training

Trustees who complete the entire ATT Program under PA 95-0799 are entitled to additional compensation. Each 4-hour session of the ATT Program will be presented during the conference, see daily listings for the descriptions of each session:

- Part 1** Organization & Administration of the FPD
Thursday, 10:30 am – 3:30 pm
(includes 30-minute lunch break)
- Part 2** Finances, Procurement, Legal Liability
Friday, 12:30 – 4:30 pm
- Part 3** Personnel and Human Resources
Saturday, 9:30 – 3:00 pm

As a Conference registrant, you may attend the ATT Program at no additional charge, however, you must indicate on the registration form (page 15) that you will participate. Three publications are required for the ATT Program (and are referenced throughout the training) and will be available for purchase at the Conference. You may bring your own copies if you already have them.

Required Publications:	IAFPD Member	Non Member
Text of Laws (2015 Edition)	\$30	\$50
Handbook for Trustees (2015)	\$50	\$70
Modern Rules of Order	\$45	\$45



IAFPD Foundation Introduces a New Program for Trustees

A new program is available to assist trustee members of the Association who are interested in attending the Annual Conference, but may have financial constraints hindering their ability to participate.

The vision of the new program is simple:

- to promote education for those serving as an elected or appointed trustee,
- to present opportunities for networking with others tasked with the same role, and
- to provide a venue to learn from the experts who provide resources, specialty services and fire equipment utilized by the fire services.

The Foundation's Trustee Scholarship may award up to \$500.00 per recipient for 2017 Annual Conference and up to 20 qualified fire protection district trustees. Some restrictions apply and all applications will be considered. Interested members must submit Trustee Scholarship Application no later than May 25, 2017. For more details and application, visit IAFPD.org

Continued Education Credit

Fire Protection District Trustees (A)

Public Act 95-0799 requires trustees who have completed the Advanced Trustee Training Program to fulfill a 3-hour annual continued education requirement.

All sessions offered in the Administration Track qualify for Trustee CE. In addition, some sessions in the Operations track qualify for Trustee CE. See session descriptions on the following pages for which sessions qualify.

Some sessions will offer dual credit hours and will be noted accordingly on the program schedule.

Pension Fund Trustees (P)

Public Acts 96-6 and 96-429 imposes mandatory training requirements for pension fund trustees. All trustees are now required to have continuing education each year in ethics and pension fund administration. The Pension Fund Trustee Track will provide 9 hours of training with the opportunity to fulfill these annual continuing education requirements.

In addition to the required ethics training, the sessions will cover fiduciary duties, investment of pension funds, actuarial analysis of funds, financial record keeping, Open Meetings Act and Freedom of Information compliance, retirement and benefit determination procedures and other topics germane to the administration of the pension fund. See conference program schedule for the descriptions of each session.

IAFPD Honors Its Own



Trustees' Service Award: Recognizing Trustees who have served 12, 30 or 42+ years with a fire protection district.

Trustees' Outstanding Service Award: Awarding a nominated trustee for outstanding service to the IAFPD, the fire district or the Illinois Fire Service.

Association Outstanding Service Award: Awarding a nominated individual within the Illinois Fire Service for outstanding service to the IAFPD or a fire protection district.

Nomination forms are included in the winter Issue of The Fire Call or may be downloaded at www.iafpd.org. Awards will be presented during the Tribute & Awards Dinner Saturday June 24, 2017.



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Featured Speakers



FRIDAY, JUNE 23 Opening Session Dave Sanderson

Brace for Impact

When US Airways Flight 1549, or “The Miracle on the Hudson” ditched into the Hudson River on January 15, 2009, Dave Sanderson knew he was exactly where he was supposed to be. The last passenger off the back of the plane on that fateful day, he was largely responsible for the well-being and safety of others, risking his own life in frigid water to help other passengers off the plane.

In this stirring presentation, Sanderson shares the story of Flight 1549, revealing the inner strength it took to make it through the day, and how teamwork, leadership, and state management can help overcome any obstacle.

Dave Sanderson is an inspirational survivor, speaker, and author. His thoughts on leadership have made him an internationally sought-out speaker.

Sanderson thought only of helping others and emerged from the wreckage with a mission: to encourage others to do the right thing. Today, he travels the globe sharing his inspirational and motivational leadership messages to help people make a difference in how they do business and live their lives.



SATURDAY, JUNE 24 Fire Service Luncheon & Afternoon Breakout Session Steve Chikerotis

LEAD FROM THE FRONT: Team Building & Achieving Personal and Organizational Goals

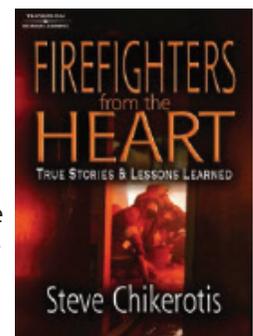
This program will offer insight about why mentors are so important to our personal and organizational success. The speaker will compare the difference between a leadership position

and how to become the person people want to follow. Program objectives also include tips to building a winning team through positive leadership, using discipline as a positive tool.

LEAD FROM THE FRONT: Fire Service Leadership

Steve will take the discussion a step forward and discuss how the Fire Service develops leaders and build a winning team from the ground up using case studies and examples taught on the fire ground. Training to succeed, communication and the real benefits from a healthy mind and body are contributing to this discussion that leads to good public relations.

Chief Steve Chikerotis is author of *Firefighters from the Heart* and currently working on/off the set for the NBC television drama series **Chicago Fire**. He was a 35-year member of the Chicago Fire Dept. where he served as a deputy district chief. He also served as chief officer for 17 years, an instructor for 25+ years and taught classes at the Chicago Fire Academy, Illinois Fire Service Institute, RICO Fire Training, and Harold Washington College.





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Special Events

Salute to America Flag Raising

Outdoors Friday at 7:45am on Fulton Street

IAFPD will kick off the conference with a traditional and ceremonious outdoor rising of the flag (weather permitting), just before the opening ceremony. Bag pipes and a patriotic song are a great start of day!

Opening Ceremonies and Keynote

Friday, 8:15–10:15am

The event begins with opening remarks by the Association's and State dignitaries, followed by keynote Dave Sanderson.

Fire Service Memorial

Saturday, 9:00am

This special dedication is held in the exhibit hall as our way of honoring fallen firefighters and other members of the Illinois fire service who have passed away of the past year. The event welcomes family and fire department members to attend, share and remembers. **To include a person on the necrology and program please be sure to notify IAFPD before June 12.**

Tradeshow

Friday, 10:30am – 4:00pm (Closed 1:30 - 2:30)

Saturday, 8:00am – 10:30am

See what's hot with fire equipment, apparatus, supplies and gear put on display in the exhibit hall where we expect more than 75 commercial manufacturers, distributors and educational displays. Free popcorn, door prizes on-the-hour, give-away items, live demos, refreshments and Cyber Café are all offered during show hours.

Fire House Lounge

Friday and Saturday during exhibit hours

This is the place to be! While visiting the exhibit hall, stop by the Fire House Lounge to see videos of cutting-edge products and services, check your email in the Cyber Café, and meet with friends or exhibit representatives while enjoying refreshments.

Demonstrations

With support of our vendors and sponsors, we urge our attendees to visit the live demonstrations to learn from experts using technology at its best.

Caterpillar Visitors Center Reception & Tour (Thursday)

We invite this opportunity for attendees to see one of Peoria's favorite attractions. Shuttle transportation will be provided from host hotels to the riverfront and the event includes a tour and reception from 7:00-9:00 pm on Thursday.

Riverfront Museum Tour, Patio Party & Bag Tournament (Friday)—New Venue!

8:00pm – 11:00pm

Open to all registered attendees, the Riverfront Party brings everyone together for an evening at the Riverfront Museum while keeping with the Friday night social event tradition with live music, fresh air and cold beverages. The Riverfront Museum is a fabulous city attraction we want to share with conference attendees. Each paid registrant receives a ticket for museum admittance and additional tickets may be purchased at registration. This social function also invites attendees and families to partake in the Second Annual Bag Tournament to raise funds for the firefighter scholarship program. A night at the Riverfront you won't want to miss!

Seven West Band has been invited back for a repeat of non-stop fun and dancing as they perform a broad range of styles from rock to country and has been raising the bar for musicianship and production. The group is easy on the ears yet plays music that will draw you to the dance floor. They have over 100 years of combined experience locally and on national stages, sharing the bill with Artist such as Sugarland, Joan Jett, Jason Aldean and more.

Fire Service Luncheon

Saturday, 12:30–2:00pm

This special event is for all fire service personnel and suppliers. The Legislator of the Year Award will be presented, followed by a message on leadership by retired chief, author and Chicago Fire celebrity and a new friend to IAFPD, Steve Chikerotis.

IAFPD's 75th Anniversary Celebration and Presentation of Awards

Saturday, 6:00pm

The final evening brings people together for a special milestone for the organization, the IAFPD 75th Anniversary. Attendees will enjoy a delicious meal, recognize trustees for their years of service and witness the excitement of outstanding service awards. The evening includes entertainment by a Dakota Horath, a vocal stylist that puts his audience in a pop nostalgic mood by blending the music of vocal icons from the 40 and 50s and 60s...when music was music. The event is a ticketed function (\$35) which can be ordered on the registration form on page 15. Evening attire or business casual dress please.

Session Descriptions

All sessions are tentative and subject to change. Please refer to the IAFFPD website (www.iaffpd.org) for any changes that may have occurred since print.

Thursday, June 22 (Pre-Conference Workshops)

10:30 am - 3:30 pm (includes 30-minute lunch break)

■ **Advanced Trustee Training—Part 1**

Fire District Finance and Administration

Speaker: John T. Brady, Brady Law Office

The first of a three-part program covers the basics of being a fire district trustee, resources, organization and structure, territory and governance issues, laws, procedures and requirements. This class does not earn continued education credit.

10:30 - 11:45 am

■ **Understanding Firefighter Peer Support (A)**

Speaker: Matt Olson and Hada Hudson, Illinois Firefighter Peer Support

Should you be concerned about mental health issues in your fire department? Mental health is a growing concern in the Fire Service and the emergency responder community in general. This program will address problems related to mental health issues which can arise from firefighter stress and exposure to traumatic events. It will offer practical suggestions on policies and practices which districts should consider having in place for such situations beyond just the awareness/recognition level.

■ **Strategic Planning for Your Fire Protection District (A)**

Speaker: Chief Jim Grady (Ret.) Frankfort FPD

Does your district have a strategic plan? Should it? This program will discuss the need and reasons for strategic planning as well as provide guidance to district boards and administrators in conducting effective strategic planning that leads to a comprehensive, and at the same time, practical plan for your district's future.

■ **Dealing with Unfunded Mandates (A)**

Speaker: Bernie Weiler, Mickey Wilson Weiler Renzi & Andersson; Brian O'Connor, Ottosen Britz

What do we do? Unfunded mandates are a reality. This program will address the many unfunded mandates which burden local government and, in particular, the Fire Service. Among those to be considered are old and new mandates: Prevailing Wage Act Compliance and Reporting; Fire Investigation Act Responsibilities and Duties; Department of Labor (Illinois OSHA) Requirements; Census Reporting; Freedom of Information Act Issues and new Open Meetings Act Compliance. The program will examine these mandates and offer suggestions on how best to deal with them efficiently and in compliance with the law.

■ **"Hire, Retire, Rehire, Repeat" (P)**

Speaker: Carolyn Clifford, Ottosen Britz

This program will deal with the frequently occurring situation in which a pension fund participant retires and is rehired creating issues for pension funds. The issue of hiring a retired pension fund

member is of interest and concern to both pension fund trustees as well as district trustees. Recent cases on this subject will be discussed with suggestions as to future developments.

1:30 pm - 2:45 pm

■ **How to Conduct an Orderly Meeting (A, P)**

Speaker: Andrew Carruthers, HeplerBroom, LLC

Avoid being a "Dysfunctional Board"! This program will be a follow up to a popular session at the 2016 Conference on dysfunctional governing boards. The program will discuss compliance with the Open Meetings Act as well as providing suggestions for conducting the business of the Board efficiently and in a transparent and accountable manner which meets not only legal requirements but also today's greater scrutiny and higher expectations of local government governing bodies.

■ **Being Prepared for Consolidation (A, P)**

Speaker: James Sinclair, Stobbs, Sinclair & Associates, Ltd.

It Won't Go Away! Local government consolidation continues to be a hot topic for the Governor and the General Assembly. As new legislative proposals are introduced and implemented, they will impact the process of consolidation of units of local government including fire protection districts. This program will be not only an update regarding current developments, but also will suggest how districts can best prepare for consolidation.

■ **Dealing with Abuse and Fraud in Disability Claims (P)**

Speaker: TBD

In legal and practical terms, this program deals with instances of abuse in connection with pension fund and worker's compensation disability claims. Improper or fraudulent claims increase the costs incurred not only by individual pension funds, but the Fire Service in general. Speakers experienced in both pension fund and worker's compensation law will be presenting this program providing practical advice on how to deal with suspected fraud.

3:00 pm - 4:15 pm

■ **Who's Watching Our Backs? Dealing with Risk in the Fire Service (A)**

Speakers: Dave Broz, RAILSIDE CITRUS; Greg Steffen, COMPASS INSURANCE PARTNERS

Are you adequately insured? This program will involve a discussion of risks that may create liability for fire protection districts and the procurement of insurance coverage to provide protection against those risks. Two experienced independent insurance brokers will discuss the various types of insurance coverages which districts should consider having in place and how to evaluate different insurance programs.

Thursday, June 22 Cont.

3:00 pm – 4:15 pm Continued

■ Fire Commissioners' Workshop (A)

Speaker: John Kelly, Ottosen Britz

Full time (career) fire protection district fire departments must have a board of fire commissioners whether as a separate board or handled by the board of trustees. This program will be a workshop format to discuss current developments in the full time career setting. Included in this discussion will be the use of pre-hire psychological testing and the evaluation of candidates for the Fire Service.

■ Heroin Overdose and High Performance CPR (A)

Speaker: Mike Schofield, Orland FPD

The growing use of heroin poses ongoing challenges for emergency responders and reviving overdose victims. This session shares insight on the ongoing fight against the opioid epidemic, the use of Narcan and techniques used for related incidents. The class will also cover High Performance CPR, it's benefits, success rates and related information. Trustees can benefit from this class as well in an effort to gain more knowledge and to see what their personnel are up against

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm

■ Open Forum (A, P)

The traditional pre-conference evening discussion among experienced attorneys continues to serve as a springboard for discussion and networking for the rest of the Conference.

Friday, June 23

8:15 am -9:15

■ Opening Session

The morning kick off with bagpipes, honor guard, invocation and messages by the Association leaders and State dignitaries.

9:15 am - 10:15 am Keynote

■ Brace for Impact

Speaker: Dave Sanderson, President Sanderson Speaks

The story of the Miracle on the Hudson and Flight 1549, revealing the inner strength it took to make it through the day, and how teamwork, leadership, and state management can help overcome any obstacle.

12:30 pm - 4:30 pm

■ Advanced Trustee Training Part 2: Finance, Procurement & Legal Liability

Speaker: James Sinclair, Stobbs, Sinclair & Associates Ltd.

The second part of the three-part ATT program examines taxes, budget, levy and finances, legal liability, procurement and acquisition, and station construction. The class will divide at the break and form groups. This class does not earn continued education credit.

1:15 pm – 2:30 pm

■ Worker's Compensation Workshop (A)

Speaker: Robert Buhs, Illinois Public Risk Fund

Participants will take a journey from the filing of a claim to acceptance and beyond. And just as important, the speakers will cover significant cases and the aspects of procedural and substantive workers' compensation law, including compensability and responsibility issues

■ Cyber Security in the Fire Service (A, P)

Speaker: Glenn Davis, HeplerBroom, LLC

Have you been hacked? Incidents of hacking and other cyber intrusions are becoming a routine occurrence. This program will discuss the risks associated with information technology systems and how to address those risks. Techniques for improving your district's cyber security will be discussed as well as insurance related questions associated with cyber security risk.

■ Top 10 Agenda Items for Pension Boards (P)

Speaker: Dennis Orsey, Attorney & Counselor at Law

This program will provide an overview of important items to be included on the meeting agenda at various times of the year. All board members will benefit from this program, secretaries in particular and those responsible for preparing the meeting agenda.

■ Drones in the Fire Service II (A)

Speakers: Melanie Harris, AeroVista Drone Academy and Dave Broz, Railside Citrus Insurance

This popular topic was introduced at the 2016 Conference. The 2017 program will be an update of developments in connection with the use of drones in the fire and emergency services including regulatory compliance, privacy issues, recordkeeping requirements associated with information collected by drones and other pertinent issues.

2:45 pm -4:00 pm

■ Case Law Update (A, P)

Speaker: Steve DiNolfo, Ottosen Britz

The Judge Said What This Time?! This popular annual program will provide an update of court decisions from both the state and federal court systems that bear on the Fire Service and fire protection districts in Illinois. It will be presented by an experienced fire protection district attorney who will discuss not only the holding of these decisions, but also their practical applications to your district.

■ Referendum Options and Opportunities (A)

Speaker: Shawn Flaherty, Ottosen Britz

"Whatever Can We Do?" This program will discuss the opportunities and mechanics of presenting referendum questions to district voters including those related to tax rate and PTELL questions. Requirements under both Fire Protection District Act, the Property Tax Code, the Election Code will be discussed along with interrelationships among those statutory provisions. In light of discussions regarding a statewide property tax freeze, this program will be of interest to all districts throughout the state.

Friday, June 23 Cont.

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm Continued

■ **Grant Writing Tips & Tricks (A)**

Speaker: Steve Spraker, McHenry Township FPD

We need money! In tight financial times, districts continue to seek federal grants to supplement regular sources of revenue. Grant writing is a skill and the quality of the grant application can make the difference between receiving a grant and being rejected. This program will focus on tips and suggestions for effective grant application writing.

■ **Treasurer's Workshop (A)**

Speaker: John T. Brady, Attorney at Law

The rules have changed—again! This program will focus on the responsibilities of district treasurers and those who work with the financial recordkeeping and compliance of the District. In addition to a review of basic duties, it will cover recent developments involving the preparation and filing of the Illinois Comptroller's Annual Financial Report (AFR) as well as auditing and other reporting requirements.

IAFPD Foundation Battle of the Bean Bags for Firefighter Scholarships



Friday 8:00 - 11:00 pm

Peoria Riverfront Museum Patio Party

with Live Music and Cold Beverages

Double Elimination & Cash Prizes

\$15/person or \$30/team

Sign up at the IAFPD Booth!

Saturday, June 24

9:30 am - 12:30 pm & Resumes from 2:15 pm-3:15 pm

■ **Advanced Trustee Training—Part 3: Personnel & Human Resources**

Speakers: Shawn Flaherty and Tom Gilbert, Ottosen-Britz

In the final session of the ATT Program, you will learn about the Board of Fire Commissioner requirements for personnel, pension, disability and death benefits, as well as both labor and volunteer employment issues. This class will divide after the luncheon break to form groups by Volunteer and Career department types.

10:30 – 11:15 am

■ **Legislative Update: General Session (A, P)**

Speaker: IAFPD Legislative Team

They're still at it! Despite the lack of a state budget, legislative activity in other areas of importance to fire protection districts continues unabated with thousands of bills being proposed in every legislative session. This annual program will review new and pending legislative matters affecting fire protection districts and the Fire Service in Illinois. It will also discuss current developments in the General Assembly including the State Budget impasse and how it relates to issues such as the proposed statewide property tax freeze.

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

■ **Open Meetings Act Workshop (A)**

Speaker: Andrew Carruthers, HeplerBroom LLC & David Livingstone, Stobbs, Sinclair & Associates, Ltd.

Are you the OMA Officer? The Open Meetings Act continues to be a subject of frequent amendment by the General Assembly adding new compliance burdens—including penalties for noncompliance. At the same time, the Attorney General's Public Access Counselor continues to issue binding opinions which are creating a "common law" of Open Meetings Act interpretations. This program will be of benefit to all trustees and administrators, however, it will be directed primarily to the Open Meetings Act Compliance Officer of the district.

■ **Setting up an Effective Cadet/Junior Firefighter Program (A)**

Speaker: David Christensen, VFIS & John T. Brady, Attorney at Law

"We Need People!" As efforts to recruit and retain personnel continue to challenge fire protection districts, many districts and fire departments are turning to cadet and junior firefighter programs as a tool to add members to their rosters. This program will discuss the ins and outs of such a program and how to utilize them effectively and legally.

■ **Actuarial Valuations 101: A Primer (P)**

Speaker: Nick Meggos, EA, FCA, Nyhart

It's Not Paint Drying! A fundamental issue for all Article 4 pension funds is the actuarial basis for determination of contributions by districts to their funds as well as the computation of benefit liabilities. Understanding the role of the actuary and the factors taken into account is important in understanding the role of actuarial science in the pension area. This program will focus on a basic discussion of these topics by an experienced actuary who will explain what can be otherwise be an arcane subject.

Saturday, June 24 Cont.

■ Understanding the “Real Value” of ISO in Your Community (A)

Speaker: Chief Larry Curl (Ret.) Wayne Twp. VFD, Indianapolis & Chief Fred Windisch, Ponderosa VFD, Huston TX

ISO – friend or foe? This program is a value-based discussion on how to relate ISO, community and service while removing the M&Ms (Myths and Misunderstandings). The speakers will explain how ISO does impact you, your department and your community.

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

■ Fire Service Luncheon Keynote: Lead From the Front (A)

Speaker: Steve Chikerotis, Chicago FD

This program will offer insight about why mentors are so important to our personal and organizational success. The speaker will compare the difference between a leadership position and how to become the person people want to follow. Program objectives also include tips to building a winning team through positive leadership, using discipline as a positive tool.

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm

■ Advanced Trustee Training—Part 3 Cont’d

■ Freedom of Information Act Officer Workshop (A, P)

Speaker: Joseph Miller and Brian O’Connor, Ottosen Britz

“They want what? But I don’t want to give them that!” Districts are increasingly receiving requests for records under the Freedom of Information Act. Because the potential penalties for noncompliance have been expanded by amendments to the Act, it is critical for the Freedom of Information Act Officer of each district to be familiar with the requirements of that law as well as the Local Records Act. Binding opinions issued by the Public Access Counselor’s Office have also created interpretations concerning how and what is required to be produced to be in compliance under the Act. Record retention requirements and programs will also be discussed under the Local Records Act. While directed to the district’s FOIA Officer, all trustees and administrators will benefit from this program.

■ Social Media in the Fire Service (A)

Speaker: Vlad Shuliga, Ottosen Britz

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc., etc.! Social media continues to explode and liabilities continue to arise in connection with the use of social media in the Fire Service. This program will discuss developments in the use and implementation of social media policies by fire protection districts and how it bears on district personnel and the dissemination of information to the public.

■ Fiduciary Duties for Section 457 and Article 4 Pension Plans (P)

Speaker: John Motylinski, Ottosen Britz

While most pension fund trustees realize that they are fiduciaries with respect to the funds they administer, they may not be fully aware of all the duties and liabilities associated with the position. In addition, many districts offer Section 457 programs

for members of their fire department and these carry fiduciary obligations as well. This program will discuss those duties in particular and address pitfalls and concerns in connection with these employee benefit plans.

3:20 pm – 4:20 pm

■ Lead From the Front: Team Building & Achieving Personal and Organizational Goals (A)

Speaker: Steve Chikerotis, Chicago FD

Steve will take the luncheon discussion another step forward and discuss how the Fire Service forms leaders that build a winning team from the ground up using case studies and examples taught on the fire ground. Training to succeed, communication and the real benefits from a healthy mind and body are contributing to this discussion that leads to good public relations.

■ When and How to Write Truck and Equipment Specifications (A)

Speaker: Bob Britz, Ottosen Britz

Specs!—We Don’t Need No Stinkin’ Specs—Oh Yes You Do! Under Section 11k of the Fire Protection District Act, districts are now generally required to use competitive sealed bidding to purchase new apparatus and equipment with a cost of more than \$20,000.00. Issues continue to arise regarding the application of Section 11k, but the development of realistic requirements and specifications to enable districts to effectively carry out procurement is a key issue under Section 11k. It involves more than simply requesting a set of proprietary specifications from your favorite apparatus dealer. This program will focus on practical suggestions and resources to develop effective procurement process.

4:25 pm – 5:00 pm

■ Wrap Up/Hot Topic Session (A)

This session will wind up the Annual Conference programming by providing attendees with the opportunity to ask questions and discuss issues raised during the Conference. It will also deal with any late breaking developments in the fire service.



IAFPD's 75th Anniversary Celebration and Presentation of Awards

Saturday, 6:00 pm

The final evening brings people together for a special milestone for the organization, the IAFPD 75th Anniversary. Attendees will enjoy a delicious meal, recognize trustees for their years of service and witness the excitement of outstanding service awards. The evening includes entertainment by a Dakota Horath, a vocal stylist that puts his audience in a pop nostalgic mood by blending the music of vocal icons from the 40 and 50s and 60s...when music was music. The event is a ticketed function (\$35) which can be ordered on the registration form on page 15. Evening attire or business casual dress please.



IAFPD 74th Annual Conference and 75th Anniversary Celebration

Guest Programs

Friday, June 23

10:30 am – 2:30pm

Two (2) Options for a Lovely Visit to Dunlap

(15 minutes from Peoria Civic Center)

(#1) Her Majesty English Tea Room at Fairchild's

Escape with other guests to another time and place and experience a formal High Tea as one would have in England. An exquisite meal accompanied by specialty teas and elegant surroundings. The garden is in full bloom with various photo opportunities. Fairchild's is chock full of English memorabilia, fabulous clothing, handbags, jewelry, china and all things needed to have tea at home.



(#2) Green View Nursery

Green View Nursery will host a special treat for our conference guests that includes a picnic lunch, greenhouse tour and container workshop. Enjoy seeing the gardens in full bloom while picking up a few tips and take home a special gift. There will be time for shopping, with a special discount for our conference guests.



Each guest program is \$30 person to cover meals and charter bus transportation. Tickets are ordered on registration form, have limited availability and are sold on first come first serve basis.

Special dietary needs are accommodated when ordered in advance. Attire is casual, but no denim jeans allowed at Her Majesty's Tea Room.

Saturday, June 24



9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Canvas Work of Art Painting Workshop

Join other guests Saturday morning for an art lesson and creative expression with local artist, Jody Tockes, owner of The Hive Studio located on the Peoria Riverfront. The workshop fee is \$50 which covers the 12x12 canvas, all materials and instruction **plus** a function ticket to the Fire Service Luncheon held down the hall at 12:30. Pre-registration is highly recommended.

At-a-Glance Schedule

THURSDAY, June 22

- 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration Open
- 4:15 pm – 5:00 pm Meet & Greet / Reception
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Open Forum
- 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Caterpillar Visitor's Center Tour & Reception

FRIDAY, June 23

- 7:00 am – 5:00 pm Registration Desk Open
- 7:45 AM Outdoor Flag Raising
- 8:15 am – 10:15 am Opening Ceremonies & Keynote
- 10:15 am – 1:30 pm Exhibits Open/Door Prizes
- 10:30 am – 2:30 pm Daytrip to Dunlap
- 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Vendor Meet & Greet
- 5:00 pm IAFPD Annual Membership Meeting
- 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Sponsor & Vendor Hosted Hospitality
- 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm Peoria Riverfront Patio Party at Museum & Live Music, Fresh Air & Cold Beverages

SATURDAY, June 24

- 7:00 am – 2:00 pm Registration Open
- 9:30 am – 11:30 am Canvas Work of Art Paint Workshop
- 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm Fire Service Luncheon: Steve Chikerotis
- 4:25 pm – 5:00 pm Wrap Up General Session
- 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm Tribute & Awards Dinner with Entertainment

Registration

Register Online at:
www.iafpd.org

Please submit a separate form for each attendee (and their spouse).
Enter names as they are to appear on badge. (Please Print or Type)

Name of District or Affiliation: _____

First Time Attendee

Title with Fire Service: _____

Attendee Name: _____ Special Dietary Need

Spouse/Guest Name: _____ Special Dietary Need

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email (required): _____

Check One:

- Fire District Trustee
- Pension Board Trustee
- Fire Chief
- Assistant Chief
- Commissioner
- Attorney
- Other: _____

I have served _____ years with the Illinois Fire Service

The ATT training sessions ARE included as part of the conference registration fee, however, you must pre-register for this session to reserve a seat.

I will attend the Advanced Trustee Training* (ATT) Part I - Thursday Part 2 - Friday Part 3 - Saturday

*The ATT requires three publications (Text of Laws, Handbook for Trustees and Modern Rules of Order). If you are attending the ATT and do not have these books, you may order and pay for the **ATT Book Bundle** below and pick them up at conference registration.

Conference Registration

Circle Registration Type	On or before June 12	After June 12
IAFPD Member	\$110	\$135
Non-Member	\$210	\$235
Guest/Spouse* <small>*A guest or spouse cannot be a member of the fire protection district board of trustee or fire personnel.</small>	\$30	\$30
Thursday Only	\$60	\$110
Friday Only	\$60	\$110
Saturday Only	\$60	\$110
ATT Book Bundle	\$110 Mbr.	\$140 Non-Mbr.

Registration fees:

Registration fee includes a name badge that allows admission to the exhibit hall, all educational sessions, meals in the exhibit hall, and the Riverfront Museum / Patio Party. Saturday Only registration allows admission to events on Saturday only. Name badges will be made based on information provided on the registration form.

Ticketed Functions

Attendee Functions	Price	#Tickets Needed	Total
Caterpillar Visitor's Center Reception	\$15/ea	x _____	\$ _____
Riverfront Museum Party* <small>*One per registrant is included</small>	FREE	x _____	\$ _____
Additional Museum Tickets	\$20/ea	x _____	\$ _____
Fire Service Luncheon (Saturday)	\$25	x _____	\$ _____
Anniversary Tribute (Saturday)	\$35	x _____	\$ _____

Guest Programs

Friday

Tea Room Luncheon	\$30	x _____	\$ _____
Garden Tour & Workshop	\$30	x _____	\$ _____

Saturday

Paint Workshop & Fire Service Luncheon Ticket	\$50	x _____	\$ _____
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REGISTRATION FEES (see above) x _____ \$ _____

TOTAL ATTENDEE & GUEST FEES: \$ _____

ONLINE REGISTRATION IS PREFERRED

Payment Information:

Check payable to IAFPD is enclosed
 Charge my credit card Mastercard Visa
 Card#: _____

Exp. Date: _____ CSV Code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Billing address: _____

Signature: _____

To register mail this form and payment by June 12, 2017 to:

IAFPD
1201 S. 6th Street New Address
Springfield, Illinois 62703

Deadline for registration is June 12, 2017
 Cancellations received by June 12 will be entitled to a refund (less 50%). No refunds will be issued after deadline.

Questions? IAFPD (800) 524-6620 Fax: (217) 525-6627 - Karrie Boardman or karrie@iafpd.org

Credentials Certification

IAFPD 2017 Annual Membership Meeting 5:00 pm - Friday, June 23, 2017, Peoria, IL

The undersigned certifies that he or she is the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Trustees of _____ Fire Protection District and that the persons listed herein are the duly appointed or elected Trustees of said Fire Protection District as of _____, 2017:

_____, Secretary

Note: The foregoing Credentials should be completed and signed by the Secretary of the Board of Trustees and returned to the IAFPD Office at 1201 S. 6th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703, prior to or at the time of the Annual Conference, to entitle the member district to participate in the Conference and meetings of the Members.

PROXY _____

The _____ Fire Protection District, being an active member in good standing of the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts (IAFPD), does herewith appoint the President of the IAFPD, or such other person as may be designated by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the IAFPD, as Proxy for the Fire Protection District, with the authority to exercise all voting rights, as such Proxy, at the Annual Meeting of the Membership of the Association to be held at the 74th Annual Conference of the IAFPD, to be held in Peoria, IL, Friday, June 23, 2017, and at any adjournment thereof. The undersigned, on behalf of the said Fire Protection District, do hereby ratify, confirm and approve any and all action taken pursuant to this Proxy. This Proxy shall revoke all prior Proxies which may have been issued by the said Fire Protection District.

(Signature of Trustee) (Signature of Trustee)
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The undersigned certifies that he or she is the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the _____ Fire Protection District, and does herewith certify that the signatures hereto affixed above are the duly appointed or elected Trustees of the aforesaid Fire Protection District, and that this Proxy was executed by said Trustees after passage of a Resolution authorizing that act.

Date: _____, 2017 _____, Secretary

Note: In order to make the above Proxy effective, the Board of Trustees should adopt a Resolution authorizing the Proxy and a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Fire Protection District must sign this Proxy. It should then be returned to the Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts, 1201 S. 6th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703.

IAPFD FOUNDATION INTRODUCES NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



The Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts Foundation's Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce a new program available to assist trustee members of the Association who are interested in attending the Annual Conference, but may have financial constraints hindering their ability to participate.

The vision of the new program is simple: to promote education for those serving as an elected or appointed trustee, to present opportunities for networking with others tasked with the same role, and to provide a venue to learn from the experts who provide resources, specialty services and fire equipment utilized by the fire services.

The Foundation's Trustee Scholarship may award up to \$500.00 per recipient for 2017 Annual Conference and up to 20 qualified fire protection district trustees. Some restrictions apply and all applications will be considered.

Interested members must submit Trustee Scholarship Application no later than May 25, 2017. Send completed form to IAPFD via email: info@iafpd.org, Fax: 217-525-6627, or mail to: 1201 S. 6th St. Springfield, IL 62703.

Trustee Scholarship Guidelines & Application

- Scholarships are awarded for attendance of the IAPFD Annual Conference in June.
- Scholarship recipient's fire protection district must be an IAPFD member in good standing.
- Recipients are reimbursed up to \$500.00 upon submission of receipts after conference.
- Reimbursements are limited to reasonable expenses incurred by attending conference (meals, lodging at conference host hotel or other approved location, mileage at federal rate and/or registration fees).
- Proof of conference attendance required for reimbursement (sign in at registration)
- Grantees must be trustees serving their first (or second) term of office.
- Applicants must describe the need for financial assistance, budget issues or financial constraints of the applicant and/or district which support the request for assistance

Fire Protection District: _____

Applicant Name _____ Title/Affiliation: _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

*Email: _____ Phone: _____

Date Appointed/Elected: _____ Have you ever attended the IAPFD Conference? Yes / No

Describe your financial need, funding constraint or reasons you are applying for the trustee scholarship.

If awarded a scholarship, will you commit to full conference, including the closing session on Saturday? Yes / No

Select (3) topics are you most interested in seeing presented at the conference?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trustee Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Meetings Act | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> FOIA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ISO | <input type="checkbox"/> Purchasing & Bidding | <input type="checkbox"/> Grants | <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Update |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> Strategic Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial | <input type="checkbox"/> Firefighter Mental Health |

*All applicants are notified by email of IAPFD's receipt of their application and again if they are granted a scholarship.

QUESTIONS? CALL 800-524-6620 or VISIT US ONLINE AT IAPFD.ORG



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