



IN THE NEWS

MABAS-Illinois announces leadership changes effective July 2017. Chief Reardon has stepped down as CEO and Chief Glenn Ericksen, current MABAS Administrative and Finance Section Chief, will assume the duties. Reardon will assume the position as an Advisor to the Leadership Team and Executive Board effective July 1 and serve in the position with decreasing work hours until December 31, 2017.

Reardon was elected President in 1999 and instantly become a member of Illinois Terrorism Task Force as the Fire Services Operational and mutual aid advisor for fire, EMS and Special Operations Teams. On January 16, 2001 MABAS-Illinois and Illinois Emergency Management Agency signed a first ever Intergovernmental Agreement allowing MABAS Local Agency resources to fall under the control as a State of Illinois Governor's direction as a mobile support team for Declarations of Disasters. As all know, on September 11, 2001 the world changed and so did MABAS-Illinois.

IFCA welcomed James Grady III, retired Fire Chief from Frankfort and great friend to IAFFPD as their Executive Director as of June 1. Grady brings a high level of history and leadership to the IFCA that will serve their organization and membership well. Congratulations Chief!

FEMA's Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response grants program announces \$1.8 Million to three fire departments in Illinois to help increase or maintain the number of trained firefighters available in their communities. Alton Fire Department (\$863,602), Frankfort Fire Protection District (\$547,511) and the Village of Schiller Park Fire Department (444,000) were among the first round awarded July 21, 2017.



**Join us in the Fire Service Tent for
IAFFPD Day at
the Illinois State Fair
Friday, August 11, 2017**



**ANTHONY J. LA ROCCA
MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017
Bloomingdale Golf Club
Bloomingdale, IL**

Please join friends and family in celebrating the life of IAFFPD past president and friend, Tony Larocca, playing the game he truly loved. His passion for the game lives on in each of us who knew him and plays the game. Event donations, sponsorship and dinner ticket only options are available.

Proceeds for this event will support the fire and environmental industries through scholarships. For more information, contact Bernadette at tonybdtd@att.net.



Douglas E. "Doug" Albrecht Sr., age 71, of Wonder Lake, died suddenly May 15, 2017. Doug was a veteran of the United States Navy from 1961-1964. Doug

dedicated his talents and countless hours to the Wonder Lake Fire Protection District (WLFPD) for a total of 48 years, serving 24 years in active service as Firefighter/EMT and 24 years as a member/officer of the Board of Trustees. Doug became treasurer of the Board from 1995-2007, when he became President of the Board of Trustees, a position he held until the time of his death.



John Probst (35) of Shorewood passed away on May 10, 2017. Probst was on vacation in Estero, Florida, when he collapsed from a medical issue.

Probst served as lieutenant with Troy Fire Protection District working out of Station 1 had been with the department for 11 years.



Robert Dean "Bob" Day (41) Hammond, IL, formerly of Bement, passed away July 20, 2017 from injuries sustained from a farming accident. He was

a trustee of Hammond Fire Protection District and regular attending at the IAFFPD Conference. Bob was a Lakeland Community College and Illinois State University graduate. He was employed in the agriculture industry since 1998. Bob, through employment, joined his father and uncle in the daily operations of Day Farms in 2000 and manages Day Trucking. Bob loved farming and spending time with his family, especially all the time he was able to spend with his dad and son together.