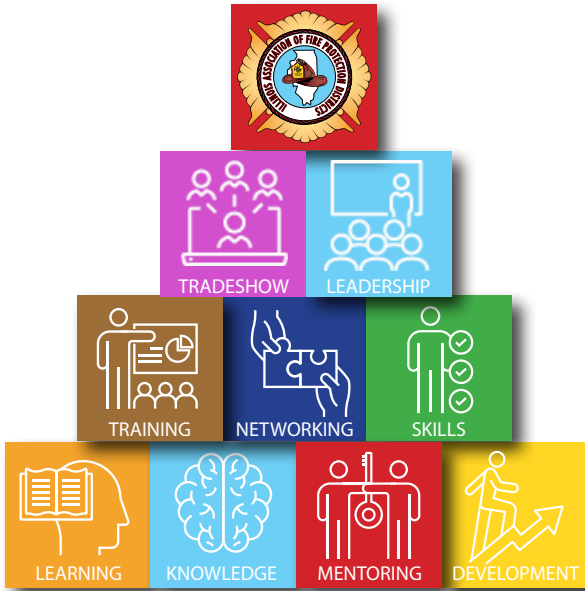


# BUILDING SUCCESS THROUGH EDUCATION

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### Thursday Keynote: *Building Success through Education* **Doc Patterson**

Building Success Through Education is the climate of the fire service today. We have the opportunity to share global leadership trends for our next generation of firefighters and leaders. What's amazing is that we have a new firefighter culture, and we must continue to modify how they learn and are skill-tested. We will present the attributes and experience needed to meet the global challenges of today's America Fire Service.

Leadership and mentorship must earn the respect of others instead of demanding it. The best in our profession are fire service members who share their education and experience and pass that knowledge on to the next generation with pride and tradition. Firefighters are empowered to step into this environment and love it. We must never forget that we don't teach subjects; we teach people.

Doc Patterson is a passionate, charismatic motivator who understands what it takes to build high-performance

people. With over 39 years of experience in the motivational and leadership industry, Doc is genuinely an example of how you are given a title and you own your character. He lives this principle every day in his professional and personal life.

Doc has successfully trained people to use the power of the mind to make their visions and personal goals a reality. He serves as Commander of the Southeast Iowa Regional Fire Honor Guard and is a Field Staff and Mentor with the Illinois Fire Service Institute.



### Friday Keynote: *Leadership-Education-Training to Avoid Fire Scene Chaos* **Chief Roger Lunt**

A well-organized fire scene has become an elusive longstanding challenge for too many fire departments. The solutions to this challenge require time and commitment through essential leadership at all department levels. Chief Lunt accentuates the values of Trust based on Ethical and Moral Standards for fire department leaders. While distinguishing between leadership and management, he will show that both are essential to achieving department response goals and community responsibilities. With a subject matter deep-rooted in his experiences over a 40+ year career, Chief

Lunt will hold everyone accountable, from the Fire District Trustee to a new firefighter recruit. The title cannot be fully addressed in a brief presentation. However, significant questions about self-responsibilities, personal accountability, and actions impacting scene chaos will be addressed. Chief Lunt's book, *Avoiding Fire Department Induced CHAOS*, will be referenced in his presentation.

Chief Lunt entered the career fire service in 1978 with the Urbana Fire Department and retired as Taylorville Fire Chief in 2007. Chief Lunt is a founding member of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. As a member of

FEMA Region V DMORT, he deployed to New York within 24 hours of the collapse of the World Trade Center towers and as a US HHS DMORT WMD team member in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Chief Lunt has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Law Enforcement Administration and a Fire Science Technology Associate Degree and has attained numerous State of Illinois Fire Service Certification Levels.

Chief Lunt has been an instructional staff member at the University of Illinois Fire Service Institute since 1983. He served as the IFSI Deputy Director under Director Richard Jaehne and Director Royal Mortenson and retired in 2013.