



FIRE BUCKET

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UPCOMING MEETING:

The Central Ohio Chapter, Society of Fire Protection Engineers, next chapter meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18th at the Fawcett Center, Registration: 11:15-11:30 AM, Lunch at 11:30 (Fawcett Center Buffet), Presentation: 12:15 PM. Our speaker for this event will be Michael Campo, Regional Sales Manager for Firetrace International. Firetrace is a miniature fire suppression system that can distribute a variety of fire suppressants. It uses a small tube that melts away to release the agent.

Mark Bowman, Vice President of this chapter will be e-mailing everyone a Meeting Announcement with the itinerary. The cost for members is \$20.00 or for non-members it is \$25.00. The organization would appreciate everyone make reservations for this meeting. Mr. Bowman's E-Mail is as follows: mark.bowman@xlgroup.com, also you can contact Sheryl Stahl at: sherylstahl8384@aol.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Also, I would like to mention we are offering new for this year; you can pay a single/one time fee and receive ALL the regular scheduled chapter meetings (5) and your local membership dues all for only **\$98.00**. This is a savings for the year of \$22.00. You must pay the full **\$98.00** with this membership application or renewal to take advantage of this new program. Deadline to take advantage of this program will full payment must be received by **September 30th, 2008**.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

GOLF OUTING – JUNE 27TH, 2008

The last Chapter meeting and outing for the year was held on June 27th at Willow Run Golf Course in Alexandria, Ohio. It was fun outing and many door

prizes were given away. Also, a wonderful dinner was served. We many winners on items such as: the longest put and closes to pin. The Golf Committee and the Chapter would like to thank all those who volunteered, donated door prizes and other items. We would also like to thank Mr. Mark Bowman and Mr. Phil Gentile for organizing this golf outing, every year. They always do a wonderful job.

19TH ANNUAL BURN CENTER GOLF OUTING:

The Central Ohio Chapter, Society of Fire Protection Engineers, 19th Annual Golf Outing to benefit the Burn Unit at The Ohio State University Medical Center will be held on Monday, October 6th, 2008 at the "The Lakes Golf & Country Club", located at 6740 Worthington Road, Westerville, Ohio 43082-9100, 614-899-3080, E-Mail: www.lakesclub.com If you need further information on this outing please contact Mr. Bob Dawson, 614-602-2024, or Mr. Carl Sellke, 614-882-1916 for information or reservations.

UPCOMING POINTS OF INTEREST

UPCOMING NFPA CONFERENCE & EXPO:

If anyone is interested in attending this event it will be held at McCormick Place, Chicago on June 8th through the 11th, 2009. If you are looking for education topics in the following areas: Building Life & Safety, Codes & Standards, Detection & Suppression are just a few of the topics. If anyone is interested please contact Mr. Carl Sellke, President of Industrial Sales Co. by E-Mail: csellke@industrialsalesco.com or at 614-882-1916 for further information.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Welcome back for another exciting SFPE year. I have completed my first year as your chapter president and I have learned a lot from the more experienced board members. Hopefully I can do a better job for you with this experience.

Our first chapter meeting will be on a THURSDAY. September 18 at the OSU Fawcett Center. 11:15 AM registration with Fawcett's wonderful buffet at 11:30AM. Please read the article here in the Fire Bucket for the meeting topic and speaker credentials. You will also receive a separate meeting announcement as a reminder. Please make your reservation by the announced deadline.

Please also notice that we are offering a "one fee" pre-payment for membership dues. This up front payment of \$98.00 will include all five regular chapter meetings and your local membership dues. Meetings that are not included in the pre-payment would be the joint ASHRAE, ASPE, MCACO meeting in October (date to be announced), the golf outings and any special meeting associated with the SFPE-OSU Burn Center Golf Outing (check presentation). For those of you who normally attend all the meetings, this is a great opportunity for you to save a little money. You can also pay the total one time (in September) and not have to worry about bringing payment to the chapter meetings. We will still ask that you make a reservation for each meeting by the reservation deadline.

We would like to have a half or full day seminar this year. It has been a year or two since we have organized and offered a seminar. Training and education is a very important part of who we are. If anyone has a suggestion for a topic or speaker, please contact Mark Bowman or any of the board members.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone of the October 6, SFPE-OSU Burn Center golf outing to be held at The Lakes this year. This is always a wonderful event, a great location and a very worthy cause. This is good chance to "give back" to a cause directly influenced by our Industry. We promise, we will not give out umbrellas this year, so we are guaranteed it will not rain. We have some special events planned this year including an address by Ohio State Representative, Mr. Larry Flowers. We also have some games of chance planned for on course play, a putting contest, silent auction and some great raffle and door prizes. The registration deadline is September 19, 2008. Please contact any of the golf committee or chapter board members if you have not received a registration announcement or if you have any questions.

Let's have a great year!

Carl Sellke

ARTICLES OF INTEREST:

The Greenville News:
Residents recall escape from off-campus apartment fire
By Paul Alongi • STAFF WRITER • July 31, 2008

SPARTANBURG -- Nearly 50 residents lost their homes Thursday as fire destroyed an off-campus apartment building across the street from the University of South Carolina Upstate, officials said.

While no one was seriously injured in the Spartanburg blaze, residents said they barely had enough time to warn others and escape with their lives. Some leaped from the second floor to escape the fast-moving inferno, witnesses said.

The cause and origin of the fire at the private Campus Edge apartments remained under investigation, said North Spartanburg Fire Chief Larry Brady.

Chris Paulsen of Greenville said he was visiting some friends in one of the apartments when the fire broke out. He said he lost track of his dog, Earl, as they banged on doors to warn others.

"In the panic, I couldn't find the leashes," Paulsen said. "He freaked out and took off on me."

Firefighters found Earl in the building about 10 a.m. The Australian shepherd was wet and thirsty but otherwise seemed fine. "My buddy!" Paulsen said, while nuzzling up to the dog.

Twenty-five of the 48 residents who lost their homes were students, said university spokeswoman Tammy Whaley. Seven of the students were temporarily moving into the university's Palmetto Villas, while the others made their own arrangements with family and others, she said. Among the victims were about 12 student athletes who played softball and volleyball for the university, Whaley said.

The building had 24 apartments, Whaley said. About 50 firefighters rushed to the fire after receiving a call about 3:45 a.m., Brady said. The blaze didn't appear suspicious, he said. Three minor injuries were treated on the scene, Brady said.

As the rising sun revealed the extent of the damage, residents stood in the parking lot and watched smoke rise from the smoldering ruins. Some carried plastic bags filled with Red Cross-supplied toiletries.

Ruth Free of Spartanburg thanked the Lord that her son, Jay Free, was alive. He'd sprained both of his ankles and a wrist after jumping from the second floor to escape the flames, she said. All of his belongings had been in boxes because he was supposed to move out a few hours after the fire hit, she said. "Everything is gone," Ruth Free said.

Brady said he believed the building had working fire detectors, although he couldn't immediately confirm that. The building wasn't required to have sprinklers and didn't have them, Brady said. Darryll Williams, who lives across the parking lot from the fire, said he awoke to a pop and smoke detectors about 4 a.m.

He said he called a friend who lives in building G and learned that he'd made it out alive. Paul Alongi can be reached at 298-4746.

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ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Daily Designs

Business News for PEs.

Today's News for the National Society of Professional Engineers from Newspapers, TV, Radio and Journals

College engineering students serve as mentors for Ohio middle school students.

Ohio's [Columbus Local News](#) (8/6, Perrin) reports that, "[f]or the last month," the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), Ohio State University, the Educational Council, Columbus City Schools, and STEM Columbus "have teamed up, hoping to sweep about 250 sixth- through eighth-graders into" the science "technology pipeline with a three-week free camp known as the Summer Engineering Experience for Kids (SEEK)." According to the Columbus Local News, the "program tries to prove young mentors...can lead the way. Nearly 40 NSBE mentors -- engineering students from colleges throughout the nation -- took the Columbus students under their wings to guide them through weeks of discussion and hands on activities aimed at teaching gear ratios, torque, building simple machines, and conducting controlled experiments." The camp debuted last summer in Washington, D.C. "Columbus and Washington are the only locations for the camp in the nation so far," but the NSBE seeks to expand it "to every major city in the country as financial support grows."

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

October 6th, 2008 – OSU Burn Unit Golf Outing

November 13th, 2008 – Speaker to be announced a later date

October 6th, 2008 – OSU Burn Unit Golf Outing

October 14th, 2008 – Joint Meeting With: MCACO, ASHRAE, ASPE, & SFPE at the Pipefitter's Union Hall, 1250 Kinnear Road, Evening Meeting

January, 2009 – Chapter Meeting for SFPE

March, 2009 – Chapter Meeting for SFPE

May, 2009 – Chapter Meeting for SFPE

June, 2009 – Chapter Golf Outing for SFPE



Society of Fire Protection Engineers Central Ohio Chapter

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CENTRAL OHIO CHAPTER OF SFPE

NEW

RENEWAL

NAME _____

COMPANY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Note: We will be e-mailing all information if you do not have an e-mail address please let me know.
Sheryl Stahl, Secretary for SFPE, 3540 Parkway Lane, Hilliard, Ohio 43026, phone #614.777.6009.

ARE YOU A NATIONAL MEMBER IN SFPE? YES NO

Annual dues for the Central Ohio Chapter of SFPE are \$20 (\$10 Retirees). Membership in the Chapter includes the member fee for meetings, and a subscription to *The Fire Bucket*, our Chapter's Newsletter.

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PLEASE MAIL TO: SFPE-COC
 % John C. Falk, Sr.
 5700 Cali Glen Lane
 Westerville, Ohio 43082

Please make check payable to *SFPE-COC*. Applications can be submitted at the next meeting. Please complete a new application every year, so we can keep our database current. Dues run from September 1st to August 31st of each calendar year.

September 2008 – August 2009

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ICC Website	www.iccsafe.org
BBS Website	www.com.state.oh.us/ODOC/dic/dicbbs.htm
NFPA Website	www.nfpa.org
US DOE Office of Energy Efficiency Website	www.energycodes.gov
State Fire Marshal Website	www.com.state.oh.us/sfm
Underwriters Laboratories Website	www.ul.com
OSU Fire Safety Website	www.firesafety.osu.edu
National Fire Sprinkler Association Website	www.nfsa.org

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