



Tennessee Fire Chief's Association Annual Conference - July 12-14, 2009

Preconference Training - July 11-12, 2009

Airport Marriott Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee

The **Marriott Hotel room block** will only be held open until July 7th for discount room rates of \$111. Call 1-800-228-9200 or 615-889-9300 to make reservations. (The rate is available for July 10th-15th).

TFCA FIRE EQUIPMENT EXPO

The Tennessee Fire Chiefs will host the largest single fire expo in the state this year with more than 75 vendors. Attendees are encouraged to register for the entire event but registration isn't required to attend the TFCA Fire Equipment Expo. Come and see what is new and improved in the fire service. Bring your firefighters, officers, board members, friends and elected officials.

EXPO Schedule: July 12th from Noon to 5pm & July 13th from 9am to 5pm

Preconference & Conference Schedule

Saturday, July 11, 2009

**NFA – Wildland/Urban Interface for
Structural Chief Officers** 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

This Two-Day National Fire Academy Course is designed to provide students with the essential tools and skills to operate safely in a wildland/urban interface incident. Course content covers interface incidents, fire behavior, safety, and operational considerations.

Participants must register with the TN Fire Academy before Friday June 12, 2009.

64 hour Basic Firefighter T-T-T 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Basic Firefighting Instructor Orientation Workshop (IOW)
Train the Trainer Class provided by the TN Fire & Codes Academy
Cost for this class is being covered by the Tn. Fire Chief's Assoc.

Participants must register in advance with the Fire Academy.

Sunday, July 12, 2009

**NFA – Wildland/Urban Interface for
Structural Chief Officers (Day2)** 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Sunday, July 12, 2009 - Continued

TN Fire Chief's Board Meeting 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Strategic Planning Final Proposal Presentation

(Presented by Ray Crouch to the TFCA Board members for approval)

Conference Registration Begins 12:00 Noon

Pick up registration packets (Conference Center Lobby Area)

Introduction to Pumps T-T-T 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Introduction to Pumps Train the Trainer Class is provided by the TN Fire & Codes Academy as a hand-off course for Fire Depts. Cost for this class is being covered by the Tn. Fire Chief's Assoc.

Participants must register in advance with the Fire Academy.

TN Highway Patrol – Air Operations Demo 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Held on the South end of the Marriott Hotel parking lot
Mobile Command Post & New THP Helicopter Demo
Sponsored by the TFCA Mutual Aid Committee

Welcome Reception 6:00 PM

Hosted by Pro-Fire Equipment

Hospitality / Networking 7:00 PM

Sponsored by Southeastern Fire Apparatus

Monday, July 13, 2009

Breakfast 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM

Sponsored by Southeastern Fire Apparatus

Opening Ceremonies 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Break – Sponsored by G & C Supply 10:00 AM

Keynote – “Lessons Learned from Fire Rescue Leaders, Insights for Every Leader!” 10:15 AM – 12 Noon

By: Stephen Gower, The Gower Group, Inc.
<http://www.stephengower.com/>

Walk-Around Lunch with Vendors 12 Noon – 1:30 PM

Utilize this time for getting to know your vendors better!

Fire / Codes 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

By: Gary Hopkins, TN Fire & Codes Academy

**Roundtable Discussion:
“Facing Difficult Times Revisited”** 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM

By: TN Fire & Codes Academy

Homeland Security Information Network 2:45 PM – 4:30 PM

By: Larry Lewis, Tennessee HSIN

Break – Sponsored by Heritage Fire Equipment and Fire-Dex 3:45 PM

Hospitality / Networking 6:00 PM
Sponsored by Southeastern Fire Apparatus

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Breakfast 7:00 AM – 8:30 AM
Sponsored by NAFECO

Mutual Aid Communications 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
By: TEMA

MTAS: Benchmarking Survey Results 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM
By: Melanie Purcell, Assistant Director, UT MTAS

Break – Sponsored by MES 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM

Gas Emergencies 10:15 AM – 12 Noon
By: TGA

Fire Investigation Updates 10:15 AM – 12 Noon
By: Tennessee Bomb & Arson

Lunch on your own! 12 Noon – 1:00 PM

TFCA Business Meeting 1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Professional Ethics 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM
By: Paul Trumpore, TN Fire Chaplains

2009 Legislative Review 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
By: Kevin Lauer, CTAS

Annual Banquet & Benefit Auction 6:00 PM

This is always a great banquet to close out the conference with fellowship and a auction to benefit the Tennessee Fallen Firefighters Memorial.

<http://www.tnffmemorial.com>

Dress is Business Casual or Dress Uniform.

“TFCA Fire Chief of the Year”

To be announced at the TFCA banquet.

There are no TFCA Committee Meetings scheduled at this time.

The Tennessee Commission on Firefighting will not meet at this annual conference.

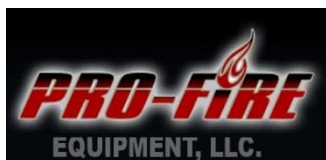
Annual membership dues are payable July 1st of each year. Please don't forget to stay current.

The Tennessee Fire Chief's Association membership continues to grow and with everyone's help, our membership will reach even greater levels. Invite a Fire Chief or associate member who is not a member to join. Membership as of the recent Gatlinburg meeting was the highest ever on record at 296 members. The organization only needs 4 more members to reach a milestone of 300 members. There must be more fire service friends that are not members and would be willing join. Go to the Fire Chief's website to apply and/or pay dues. The link is: http://www.tnfirechiefs.com/member_application.asp

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