



FPANT

This Month's Meeting:

January's meeting is cancelled, due to conflicts with the TEEX Leadership conference.

Please be aware that your 2010 FPANT Membership fees are due!!!!

Fees may be paid by credit card at www.fpant.org. Membership applications are available for download at the site as well.

Last Month's Meeting Minutes:

Meeting called to order at approximately 12:08 pm, December 9th, 2009, at 'Love and War in Texas' in Grapevine, TX. The previous month's meeting minutes were accepted.

Treasurer Report: \$2276.24

No Committee Reports.

Internet: www.fpant.org

Membership: FPANT paid for the meals of members and guests for the December Meeting.

Old Business: Discussed last month's training – thanks again to Kimbrough for providing such worthwhile training to the membership.

New Business: Fire Advisory Board - 1/2 through Chapter 9 for COG amendments.

Building Code Amendments near completion. Jeff Shapiro has contacted FPANT representatives to start the discussion and work on the residential sprinkler legislation for the State. Discussion included work through the legislative committee on recommendation or a letter from FPANT to building officials and state reps, work with other state fire protection organizations, and meet with building officials to get support in each jurisdiction.

Have fire departments or other representatives to submit for the FPANT newsletter lessons learned or fire prevention activity due to fires or other options to showcase.

Presentation: Larry Pruitt briefly discussed SMPL's fire retardant application techniques and NFPA requirements. Stephen Epstein - VP – made a request to the membership of ideas for meetings and training for the next year – please email the officers or board members with such.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:40 pm.

Next Meeting:

January's meeting is Cancelled.

Next meeting to be

Wednesday, February 10th

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Location:

Love and War in Texas

2505 E. Grapevine Mills Circle

Grapevine, TX 76051

972.724.5557

www.loveandwarintexas.com

Presentation:

February's speaker is Ed Salazar with State Fire Marshal's Office

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2010 Chapter Officers:

President: Bryan Beckner,
Rowlett Fire Dept

Vice President: Steven Epstein,
Richardson Fire Dept.

Treasurer: Todd Haines,
DFW Airport Fire Dept.

2009 Chapter Directors:

Andrew Barr, McKinney Fire Dept.

Terry Broome, Lewisville Fire Dept.

Bob Morgan, Fort Worth Fire Dept.



Training Events:

- Continuous: Public Agency Training Council – www.patc.com
- Emergency Preparedness Training Schedule via NCTCOG - www.nctcog.org/ep/training
- **TEEX 2010 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SYMPOSIUM - January 11-13, 2010 - Frisco Convention Center, Embassy Suites, Frisco, TX - <http://www.teex.com/teex-third.cfm?area=esti&templateid=356>**
- ICC Final Action Hearing – Dallas, TX – May 14-23, 2010 – Dallas, TX – www.iccsafe.org
- International Hazardous Materials Response Team Conference – May 19-23, 2010 – Baltimore, MD – www.iafc.org
- NFPA Conference and Expo – June 7-10, 2010 – Las Vegas, NV – www.nfpa.org
- Fire-Rescue International (FRI) - August 24-28, 2010 – Chicago, IL – www.iafc.org

If you have other training opportunities that you would like to have posted in this newsletter, please email them to bob.morgan@fortworthgov.org. Thank you.

Requests from Members:

- Charles Anderson requested posting of <http://inspectpa.com/phpbb/index.php>, which is the Building Code Message Board - Forum for communication with inspectors, architects, engineers, contractors and plan reviewers.
- From Bob Morgan: If you were unable to attend the Texas Fire Marshal's Conference in Austin in October, visit www.tdi.state.tx.us/fire/fm2009confer.html to see photos and download information from the presentations, including Power Points etc.
- **Next Fire Advisory Board meeting for COG is scheduled for Thursday, January 14th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Tejas Conference Room at NCTCOG, 600 Six Flags Drive, Arlington, Texas.**

2010 Leadership Development Symposium

REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED. ON-SITE REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN.

Check-in tables open for those pre-registered on Sunday, January 10 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. and on Monday, January 11 starting at 6:30 a.m.

January 11-13, 2010

Frisco Convention Center, Embassy Suites, Frisco, TX

Overview

The Texas Engineering Extension Service is proud to offer the Leadership Symposium designed for fire and EMS service staff and command. Come join your fellow leaders as they receive up-to-date information on leadership, management, safety, budgeting and other relevant topics for these challenging times. Sessions are geared specifically to meet continuing education requirements for Texas fire officer and EMS personnel. This program is part of the Leadership Development Program which is funded by Texas general revenue.

There is no admission fee for Texas residents. (Up to 15 hours of CE available.)

Out-of-state residents are welcome to attend for an admission fee of \$150.00.

Session Topics and Speakers

Day 1

- **Fire Department Leadership...A Critical Safety Issue**, [Chief Dennis Compton](#), Mesa Fire Department, Retired
- **EMS - Advanced Practices**, [Chief Ernesto Rodriguez](#), Austin/Travis County EMS; [Chief Skip Kirkwood](#), Wake County EMS, Raleigh, NC
- **Heads vs. Hearts, Command Decisions**, Chief Jon Hanson, Executive Director, Oklahoma Council of Firefighter Training
- **Four Generations in the Workplace**, Dr. Kelli Peck-Parrott, Professor, Texas A&M University
- **Budget and Finance Boot Camp**, Chief Steve Bass, Grapevine Fire Department
- **EMS Community Paramedic**, [Gary Windgrove](#), Director of Government Relations and Strategic Affairs for Mayo Clinic
- **Drift and Fireground Decision Making**, [Chief Bobby Halton](#), Editor-in-Chief, Fire Engineering Magazine

Day 2

- **Leadership Under Fire - Organizational Culture and LODDs**, [Chief Chris Connealy](#), Cedar Park Fire Department; Chair, Texas Fire Commission
- **EMS Demonstrating Value**, [Gary Windgrove](#), Director of Government Relations and Strategic Affairs for Mayo Clinic
- **EMS - Changing Culture**, [Chief Ernesto Rodriguez](#), Austin/Travis County EMS
- **Firefighter Safety**, Chief Paul Stein, Santa Monica and Lakeside Fire Department, Retired
- **Current Issues Facing Texas Fire**, [Chief Chris Connealy](#), Cedar Park Fire Department & Chief J.D. Gardner, Killeen Fire Department; TFCA, President
- **Meeting Service Needs: City Officials and Fire chiefs Working Together**, Chief Mike Baker, Copperas Cove Fire Department & Andrea Gardner, City Manager of Copperas Cove
- **Crew Resource Management Applied to the Incident Management System**, [Chief Dennis Rubin](#), Washington D.C. Fire Department

Day 3

- **Added Value Leadership**, [Chief Alan Brunacini](#), Phoenix Fire Department, Retired
- **General Session**, [Coach Gene Stallings](#), Texas A&M University Board of Regents and Former College and Professional Football Coach

For more information Call or E-mail [Sonya Maness](#) at 979.845.0518



NTC-ICC BANQUET - 2010

NTC—MEETING & BANQUET

**Annual Awards - Employee of the Year,
Honorary Member, Scholarship Recipients, &**

Ravi Shah - ICC Board of Director

Dinner— Italian Buffet

& Casino Night!!!

Sponsored by Bureau Veritas

Cocktails at 6:30 ~ ~ Dinner at 7

\$10 ~ person

**Le Peep Restaurant - Las Colinas
in Irving, Texas**

Date: January 23, 2010

Time: 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Le Peep
4835 N. O'Connor Blvd., Irving, Texas
972-717-0422



RSVP to Brett King

email

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Society of Fire Protection Engineers
Dallas / Fort Worth Chapter
Next Meeting

January 11, 2010
11:30 am Registration
12:00 am Meeting & Lunch

Meeting location:

DOUBLE TREE HOTEL
4099 Valley View Lane
Farmers Branch, TX 75244
(Exit Midway Rd. from LBJ Freeway, IH 635 North)

[Map to hotel](#)

courtesy of 

Cost of lunch:

\$15-Chapter Members
\$20-Non-Chapter Members
Annual Chapter Dues \$50.00

Please RSVP to [Ray Battalora](#) later than Friday, January 8, 2010

Minutes from past meetings can be downloaded at: <http://www.sfpe-dfw.com/minutes.htm>

Speaker/Program

Speaker

Mr. Jim Amy

Mr. Tom Izbicki

Rolf Jensen & Associates, Inc.
Plano, Texas

Topic:

A Discussion on Computer Fire Modeling

Please feel free to pass this along to anyone you think may have an interest in this presentation.



WEBEXTRA

WebExtra presentations, created specifically for NFPA members, will feature NFPA technical staff or outside experts discussing a topic related to the featured content in the latest NFPA Journal®. Member WebExtras will consist of a presentation by a topic expert, followed by a question-and-answer session that members are invited to participate in. Part webinar, part expert analysis, WebExtras promise to be an informative and educational tool that you can use to stay current on important codes and standards issues. Most WebExtras will last 20-30 minutes.

The inaugural WebExtra will look at staffing accountability in health care and residential board and care occupancies. [Register now!](#)

“Staffing Essentials: Enough, Aware, and Able”

January 21, 2010

Speaker: Robert Solomon, NFPA department manager for building and life safety codes

[Register now](#)



Mr. Solomon will discuss the fire safety responsibilities of the staff in nursing homes and board and care occupancies. Among the examples Mr. Solomon will discuss are the Greenwood Manor nursing home fire in Hartford, Connecticut, that killed 16 in 2003, and the Riverview group-home fire in Wells, New York, that killed four in 2009. Another fire event in March of 2009 in a long term care facility in Connecticut had a positive staff response that will also be discussed. Mr. Solomon’s presentation will note the importance of the Operating Features provisions that include staffing-related details of NFPA 101®, Life Safety Code®. [Register now.](#)

Future Member WebExtra presentations will address industrial/storage occupancies (March); proposed changes to NFPA 70®, National Electrical Code® (May); assembly occupancies (July); institutional/educational occupancies (September); and sprinklers and alarms (November).

Meetings and Associations

- Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers meet first working Monday of the month, Sept through May at the Double Tree Hotel, 4099 Valley View Ln., Farmers Branch, TX at 11:30 a.m. For reservations email at sfpe-dfw@comcast.net.
- The Metroplex Fire Safety Educators Assoc. meets during odd numbered months the 3rd Thursday. See website at www.mfsea.net for time and location, or call Christopher Balanciere, Public Education Specialist, Garland Fire Department, at 972-205-2271 or email GFDpubed@ci.garland.tx.us for more information.
- The Tarrant County Fire Investigators Association meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Tarrant County Fire Marshal's Office, 2750 Premier Drive, Fort Worth, TX. Contact Sabino Vasquez, Fire Investigator, Fort Worth Fire Dept., 2222 Wenneca Ave., Fort Worth, TX 76102, at (817) 392-6856 or sabino.vasquez@fortworthgov.org for further information.
- The North Texas Fire Investigators Assoc. meets monthly on the 3rd Wednesday at the Double Tree Hotel, 4099 Valley View Ln., Farmers Branch, TX at 11:30 a.m. Contact Wesley Caskey, Captain, Fire Prevention, Richardson Fire Department, 136 N. Greenville Avenue, Richardson, Texas 75081, (972) 744-5750 or email wesley.caskey@cor.gov for more information.
- The North Texas Fire and Police Chaplains Association will meet on December 6 at 11:00 a.m., at the Double Tree Hotel, 4099 Valley View Ln., Farmers Branch, TX. Contact Mark Chambers, at 972-744-5755 or Mark.Chambers@cor.gov for more information.
- Each month Tarrant Co. hosts a Juvenile Fire Setters meeting periodically at the Tarrant Co. Fire Marshal's Office, 2750 Premier Dr., Ft. Worth, TX. At 9:00 a.m. This meeting includes the Fire Services, Police, School Districts, Juvenile Justice Department, Tarrant Co. DA, Mental Health Department and Counselors. For more information contact Mike Rehfeld at (817) 838-4600 or mrehfeld@tarrantcounty.com.

Internet Links of Interest

- FPANT <http://www.fpant.org>
- ICC <http://www.iccsafe.org>
- NFPA <http://www.nfpa.org>
- TCFP, Texas Commission on Fire Protection <http://www.tcfp.state.tx.us/>
- Texas State Fire Marshal's Office <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/fire/fmlinefaq.html>
- IAAI, International Association of Arson Investigators <http://www.firearson.com/>
- interFIRE Online <http://www.interfire.org/>
- BOAT, Building Officials Association of Texas <http://www.boatx.org/>
- Society of Fire Protection Engineers <http://www.sfpe.org/>
- NIST Building and Fire Research Laboratory <http://www.bfrl.nist.gov/>
- National Fire Academy <http://www.usfa.fema.gov/fire-service/nfa/nfa.shtm>

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