



# BURNING ISSUE

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GREATER SAINT LOUIS CHAPTER SOCIETY OF FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEERS

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WHEN?	May 20, 2019
WHERE?	Sprinkler Fitter's Hall 1544 S. 3rd Street St. Louis, MO 63104
PROGRAM TOPIC	Field Trip
OFFICERS & DIRECTORS MTG	11:15 AM – 11:30 AM
REGISTRATION	11:30 AM – 12:00 PM
LUNCH & BUSINESS MTG	12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
PROGRAM	1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
COST	No cost for Lunch with an RSVP by the due date of 5/13.

### RESERVATIONS

Reservations must be called in or emailed to Sheila DeMand at 314-624-9536/sheila.demand@aon.com and received prior to **12:00 PM, Monday, May 13.** Reservations made and not canceled prior to the closing for reservations will be billed to that member.

### SOCIETY OF FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEERS .....

A not-for profit technical and professional organization, SFPE is the international clearinghouse for fire protection engineering information. The Society's goals are to advance the science and practice of fire protection engineering and its allied fields, to maintain high ethical standards among its members, and to foster fire protection engineering education.

**May Field Trip**

We will have a Field Trip in May! We will be going to the St. Louis Sprinkler Fitter’s Hall for a tour of the training center. SFPE will be picking up lunch for everyone that RSVPs by the due date 5/13 (Monday).

Topics covered will be:

- Roll grooving/cutting/threading pipe
- Installing different types of couplings
- Testing dry valves/backflow preventers
- Basic welding process
- Inside workings of a fire pump (diesel and electric)
- Installing large pipe up in including hanger takeouts etc.

<http://www.sprinklerfitters268.org/>

**2018/2019 Meeting Dates**

<i>DATES</i>	<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>SPEAKER</i>
9/17/18	Litigation from an Expert Witness Point of View	Dave Burkhart, CCI
10/15/18	Fire Sprinkler Pipe Corrosion and Solutions	Jeff Kochelek, Engineered Corrosion Solutions
11/19/18	Applications for Linear Heat Detection	Gary Paul, Protectowire
1/21/19	Fire Pump Arrangements and General Seismic Bracing	Micah Johnson, FM Global
2/18/19	Encapsulator Technology....Not a foam, More than a Wetting Agent	Keith Savage, Encapsulator Specialist - Hazard Control Technologies
3/18/19	TYCO® LFP™ Antifreeze for Fire Sprinkler Systems	Mike Ellwein, Tyco Fire Protection Products
4/15/19	What’s up in the Attic – Attic Sprinkler Protection	Karl Wiegand, P.E. Technical Education and Research Engineer Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation
5/20/19	St. Louis Sprinkler Fitter’s Hall	Field Trip

**2019/2020 Slate of SFPE Officers**

The vote for 2019/2020 Officers will take place at our May Meeting. There will be a few changes next year due to professional workloads and possible relocation of some of our current Officers/Directors. If you are interested in becoming more active in our Chapter or would like to know more about the positions contact Sheila DeMand [Sheila.demand@aon.com](mailto:Sheila.demand@aon.com) for more info or any of the Officers/Directors.

- President – Steve Jones, Ahern
- VP – Tim Ruiz, CCI
- Secretary – Elyse Carter, Boyer
- Treasurer – Holly Olson, CCI
- Director – Bill Kennedy
- Director – Larry Wills
- Director- Micah Johnson, FM Global

**2019 Greater St. Louis Science Fair**

Once again, our chapter will be awarding \$300 (total) to students with projects related to fire protection! Science Fair Judging this year is on **Wednesday, May 8**. We usually arrive in time to eat “free judge dinner” around 4:30 or 5 and then spend an hour or so judging projects. We are looking for volunteer judges! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Sheila DeMand at [sheila.demand@aon.com](mailto:sheila.demand@aon.com) or 314-624-9536.

**SFPE 2019 Golf Outing – Mark your calendars!**

The SFPE Golf Outing is Thursday Sept. 19, 2019. Lunch will be at noon with a shotgun start at 12:45. More info to follow this summer. Remember all proceeds for our event go to our Scholarship Fund!

**Request for Articles**

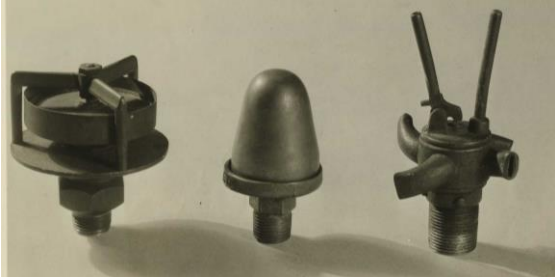
We are always looking for informative articles to share with our members. If you have authored an article or find one you believe would be of interest, please send it to me at [sheila.demand@aon.com](mailto:sheila.demand@aon.com)

**SFPE STL Website Link**

<http://www.sfpe-stl.org/>

## Fire Protection Oddities

A little nostalgia.....



### **PDH Certificates**

We will be providing a certificate that states the date, title of the presentation, and speaker name along with 1 hour of PDH for every meeting attended. Certificates will be available after the presentations.

### **SFPE Portfolios Available**

SFPE St. Louis leather portfolios are available to members for \$15. The portfolio includes a calculator, pockets and a pad of 8.5 x 11 in. ruled paper. Anyone interested in purchasing a portfolio, let Ben Brooks know at a meeting.

### **Careers in Fire Protection Engineering**

Here's a link to the online version of the new "Careers in Fire Protection" booklet. Please share! (Works best in Firefox browser)

<http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/f128952f#/f128952f/1>