Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 20, 2012

Speaker: Anthony Spencer, Piping Consultant
The Lubrizol Corporation

Topic: “CPVC Piping”

Location: Houndslake Country Club, Aiken, SC

Times:
5:30 PM-Social Time
6:00 PM-Dinner
6:30 PM-Business Meeting
7:00 PM-Technical Presentation
8:30 PM-Adjournment

Meal Cost: $19 for members
$24 for non-members
Dinner is a buffet

Directions:
Houndslake Country Club. Going south on the Hitchcock Bypass (Hwy 118), go 1.1 miles from the intersection of Hitchcock and Huntsman, turn right at the second light onto Houndslake Drive at the bottom of the hill, or going north on the Hitchcock Bypass, go 1.1 miles from the intersection of Hitchcock/Pine Log and Silver Bluff, turn left at the first light onto Houndslake Drive. Go around the bend to the club house.

RSVP:
PLEASE RESPOND to Mark LeGrand
By 5:00 on Thursday, November 15 at
803-502-0657 (work) or mark@legrandengineering.com

When emailing or phoning your RSVP, please verify confirmation via email reply.

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Meeting Location: Grecian Gardens, West Columbia, SC at 5:00 PM.

Members Present:
Jim Allen, Paul Anslow, Barry Beasley, Denny Bennett, Ralph Foster, Kent Gilbreath, Bill James, Steve Jenkins, Eric Johnson, Mark LeGrand, Stan Maciaszek, Ed Weaver, Don Shelley, and Speaker Ryan Lundee from Anvil International.

The meeting was called to order by President Stan Maciaszek.

The September 18 meeting minutes were approved as they appeared in the October newsletter.

The Treasurer’s report was approved as listed in the newsletter. Since Tom Allison was not in attendance there was no current update. Mark LeGrand won $10 in the 50/50 split, and donated the money back to the chapter.

In old business, Kent Gilbreath reported that there was no progress on installing the sprinkler system in the Silver Bluff Volunteer Fire Department. We are still waiting on the Fire Department to provide us with current flow test data. Ralph Foster suggested that the Chapter perform the test.

Stan reported on the Senate Meeting of Chapter Presidents of SFPE held at the Annual Meeting in October in Savannah, GA. There is an effort to get members of the Fire Service community more involved in SFPE. Also, SFPE is working on a chapter support council to assist the chapters with their needs. Stan reported that our Chapter won the Gold Award for Chapter Excellence. This is the eighth year in a row we have achieved this award. No other chapter has achieved this consistency.

Other items discussed at the SFPE Annual Meeting were a chapter liaison program, a knowledge network, and more webinars. Stan also reported that he and David Orr from our Chapter were promoted to Fellow of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers.

Mark requested assistance with participation in College and Career Night at Aiken High School on October 30.

In new business, Stan reported that the Chapter would vote at the November meeting to extend the current officers through July to coincide with the SFPE Chapter Excellence Award Submission. Stan also reported that Angela Pellitier has resigned from preparing the monthly newsletter. She has taken on additional responsibilities at her job.

The meeting was adjourned and the speaker was introduced.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Mark LeGrand, Secretary

Allied Professionals
The CSRA chapter has many individuals on our mailing list who do not qualify for Professional or Associate Member status with SFPE but are still interested in the services that the organization provides. In 2000, SFPE began to recognize such individuals and has created the Allied Professionals program to reach out to such individuals to give them the opportunity to interact with the fire protection engineering community. Without membership in SFPE. This is a special program to meet the needs of those with whom the engineering community works on a daily basis. To learn more about the program, please visit the SFPE website at: http://sfpe.org/About/AlliedProfessionals.aspx

Make sure that there are no spaces when typing it in your web browser.

Treasurer's Report
In the past month, we gained four more chapter memberships. Since the October meeting was held at a restaurant, there were no debits, as everyone in attendance was responsible for their own bill. We had an income of $120, leaving the current balance at $4546.17. the 50/50 winner was Mark LeGrand. Mark graciously returned the 50/50 money to the chapter. Thank you Mark.

Humbly submitted,
Thomas L. Allison, Treasurer

October 23, 2012
President’s Corner

As I write this column Thanksgiving Day is a little more than a week away. Fall has arrived for real as I am fighting a losing battle keeping the oak leaves, acorns, and pine straw off of the driveway and walk and out of the yard. The change from Daylight Savings Time means it’s almost dark when I get home from work. Temperatures are beginning to fall. As I continue to state each month, the executive committee is working diligently for you. Here are some recent highlights.

- The chapter website continues to be under construction. Steve Jenkins and I, mostly Steve so far, continue to make progress. As it is developed please provide your ideas and suggestions to us.
- After many years of publishing the newsletter for the chapter, Angela Pelletier of Johnson, Laschober & Associates, informed me last month that due to increased job responsibilities she needed to step aside as the newsletter editor. Angela began editing the newsletter when Bill Farmer “volunteered” her services while he was an active partner at JLA. She has continued for several years since Bill retired. We appreciate all Angela has done for the chapter through the newsletter. I personally appreciate what she has done. The first position I held with the chapter was as the newsletter editor. I’ve resumed that task for this edition of the newsletter.
- If you missed the annual meeting in October in Savannah between now and the end of the year you can view all of the presentations from the conference on the SFPE website. You can find them by going to the SFPE website at www.sfpe.org. From the home page click on the Educational Calendar at the top of the page. On the left side of the page click on “2013 SFPE Annual Meeting”, then on “2012 Engineering Technology Conference”.
- As I announced at the October meeting we will vote this month to change the time for election of chapter officers. Briefly, we will vote to change the term officers serve from the current term to a term that will run from August to July.
- During October Mark LeGrand, Eric Johnson, and I manned a table at Aiken High School’s Career Night. It was an opportunity to speak with middle and high school students about careers in engineering and more specifically fire protection engineering. This was another opportunity to spread the word about careers in the field of fire protection.

In closing I look forward to seeing you at the November meeting. Happy Thanksgiving.

Stan Maciaszek

SFPE Corporate 100

The SFPE Corporate 100 Program was founded in 1976 to strengthen the relationship between industry and the fire protection engineering community. Membership in the program recognizes those who support the objectives of SFPE and have a genuine concern for the safety of life and property from fire. To join the Corporate 100 Program (Business Membership in SFPE) please contact David Evans 301-718-2910 ext. 103 To view the Corporate 100 Program brochure and application, please type the website below in your internet browser without spaces for a quick reference:

http://sfpe.org/upload/corporate_100_application_2006c_001.pdf

Ask one of the individuals in our Executive Committee how you can help our Chapter. Time commitment is not an issue, whether you can give 1 hour a month or 1 hour every couple of months, there are ways you can be involved in your Chapter.

Suggestions:
1. Invite a colleague to one of our meetings.
2. Lead or participate on a committee or task team
3. Write an article that can be included in the newsletter.
4. Attend a PE Problem Writing Session.
We invite you to get to know us and to join us in growing our profession.

Change of Dues Structure / Chapter Website

The chapter will have a change of dues structure for the 2012-2013 year. Members renewing after 10/1/12 or after will pay $25.00. The change in our membership dues is being made by the Board to help defray the costs associated with hosting the chapter website. We have acquired our own domain name now which is www.CSRA-SFPE.org. We are working to develop the website and will let you know when to update your internet bookmarks real soon. The new website will allow us manage chapter functions much easier. More information to follow.

Mark Your Calendar!

Plan to attend one of our monthly meetings. Below is a list of dates to mark on your calendar:
January 15
February 19
March 19
April 16
May 21
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2012-2013 Membership Invoice

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NAME: ____________________________

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POSITION/TITLE: ___________________

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THE E-MAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED WILL BE USED FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER AND OTHER CHAPTER ANNOUNCEMENTS.

THE CHAPTER ☐ MAY / ☐ MAY NOT RELEASE THE ABOVE INFORMATION TO OTHER PARTIES.

PROFILE INFORMATION:

1. Are you a member of the International SFPE? (Please select one): **
   ☐ Yes, my current grade is: ☐ Member ☐ Associate ☐ Other  Member No.: _____________
   ☐ No, please e-mail me membership information. ☐ No, not currently interested.
   ** International membership information is gathered for Gold Award purposes and will not be distributed without your permission. For information on joining the International program, contact any officer for assistance.

2. Professional designations [PE, EIT, NICET, CFPS, etc.]: ____________________________

3. Are you interested in helping with a Chapter committee or special event? ☐ Yes ☐ Not at this time.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (Select any that apply):

☐ INDIVIDUAL CHAPTER MEMBER/AFFILIATE (after Sept. 30) $25.00

☐ CORPORATE SPONSOR¹ & ² $250.00

☐ CORPORATE OR INDIVIDUAL ADVERTISEMENT² $50.00

¹ This membership includes one individual annual membership and one corporate sponsor website link from the chapter home page through the 2012-13 membership year. (Please include two business cards with your payment).

² An advertisement the size of standard business card will be included in our sponsors section of each newsletter (8) and will be posted on our website page for one year.

PAYMENT INFORMATION: TOTAL ENCLOSED: $ _____________

CHECK NUMBER: # ____________

Please make checks payable to “CSRA SFPE”

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