Greetings from your President

CSRA-SFPE Family,

We’re dwindling down to the last couple of meetings of our chapter year. As I’ve stated in past meetings, it is now time to vote on the next incumbent officers. Jason Butler spearheaded the nomination committee and the current officer candidates are:

President: Rob Plonski
Vice President: Robby Hanson
Treasurer: Will Cosey
Secretary: Nick Everett

There is nothing that prohibits new nominations on the floor, so if you know of someone excited to step up to the plate, there’s no time like the present!

Coming up next month is the Order of the Engineer Ceremony, so please continue to reach out and encourage engineers to participate in this very important tradition.

And lastly, we’re asking for your suggestions for another chapter social event. At the beginning of the chapter year, I hosted a BBQ and we got a lot of positive feedback.

If there is something you’d like to do, please mention it to one of your chapter officers. I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting!

Cheers,

Rob Plonski

March Membership Discount Code: SUZ2YG3R

Tin Lizzy’s Cantina (Augusta)
Tin Lizzy’s Cantina is on Wasington Rd, between Bertram Rd and Alexander Dr at 2821 Washington Rd, Augusta, GA, 30909.

Tin Lizzy’s Cantina has a large dedicated parkinglot not connected to adjacent properties.

RSVP:
Stan Maciaszek
at csmaciaszek@gmail.com

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 17, 2018

Speaker: Dal Brazzell
Organization: Siemens
Topic: Lessons Learned - NFPA 72 Codes Changes for South Carolina
Location: Tin Lizzy’s Cantina
2821 Washington Rd, Augusta GA, 30909
Times: 5:30 PM-Social Time
6:00 PM-Technical Presentation
Meeting Highlights March 20, 2018

President, Rob Plonski, called the meeting to order at 6:00 and welcomed returning members, guests, presenter, and sponsors.

Motions / seconds to approve the meeting minutes and treasurer’s report from the January meeting passed a voice vote.

Chapter Newsletter – Hyperlinks have been added to the newsletter for conference announcements

Old Business
Mercy Ministries update – The permit came through. We are now waiting on the drawing for the attic suppression system.
The NSPE meeting is in Myrtle Beach June 7 – 9. Ralph will confirm the fire protection track. Thanks to those who are presenting.
The April meeting will be at Tin Lizzy’s in Augusta, GA on April 17.

New Business
The slate of officers for 2019 is Rob Plonski, president, Rob Hanson, vice-president, Nick Everett, secretary, and Will Cosey, treasurer. A vote will be taken at the April meeting.
The PE problem writing session resulted in 24 new questions. Participants were: Ralph Foster, Rob Plonski, Rob Hanson, Stan Maciaszek, Jason Butler, and George McColl.
Chapter Excellence Award application is being worked
Nominations for outstanding society members are due April 16. Fellow nominations are due April 20.
The SFPE annual conference is in Nashville, TN October 27 – Nov 2

Rob Plonski made a presentation of What’s Going On from SFPE Headquarters.

A motion and second to close the business meeting passed. Rob Hanson introduced the speaker, Herb Hurst of SRNS whose presentation was NFPA 72 Battery Test Methods: 2019 Edition Changes.

Respectfully submitted,
Stan Maciaszek
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LeGrand Engineering, Inc. and Foster Engineering & Consulting, LLC
2018 Award Nominations

Do you or chapter know a fire protection engineer, fire safety engineer or student who is doing exceptional work and deserves to be recognized? Now is your chance to nominate this individual for the 2018 SFPE Awards. To view the award categories and the nomination form.

**Submission deadline is Monday, April 16.** If you have any questions or issues with a submission, contact Julie Gordon or by phone at 301-915-9721.

Awards will be presented at the **SFPE North American Conference & Expo**, October 27–November 2 at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel in Nashville, TN.

Nominations Open for the Grade of Fellow

Fellow (FSFPE) is the highest grade of membership in SFPE. To be eligible, an individual must have been a Professional Member of SFPE for at least 10 years. Election as a Fellow recognizes service to the society, as well as significant accomplishments and stature in fire protection engineering and fire safety engineering.

The number of living Fellows at any time shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total Society's living membership.

View the complete list of eligible nominees, newly revised 2018 Fellow instructions, and initiator and sponsor forms, ([login is required](#)). **Submission deadline is Friday, April 20, 2018.** If you have any questions or issues with submission, contact Julie Gordon or at 301-915-9721.

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