Virginia State Firefighters Association
2017 Conference

Training Programs

Wednesday, August 2, 2017
through
Saturday, August 5, 2017

Hampton Convention Center
Hampton, Virginia
The 131st Annual Conference/Expo will be held in Hampton, VA, August 2-5, 2017 at the Hampton Roads Convention Center. Registration fees for the Conference/Expo will be $50.00 for adults, $10.00 for children ages 6 - 12, and under 6 will be free.

The one time registration fee will allow you not only to attend the many functions and events being conducted at the conference but unlimited training program attendance. Please take advantage of the opportunity and sign up for multiple programs as your schedule will allow.

To attend any of the training programs you must register with the Virginia State Firefighters Association by completing the form on line at [http://vsfa.org/news-events/conference/](http://vsfa.org/news-events/conference/) and submitting it to the Virginia State Firefighters Association and sign up for the training programs you wish to attend.

To register for the training programs you either need to register on line at [https://www.fstrs.virginia.gov](https://www.fstrs.virginia.gov) if you have an account with the Department of Fire Programs or submit your application to the Department of Fire Programs, Quality Assurance Division by faxing the completed form to (804) 371-3444. You can find the course registration form on the Department of Fire Programs website at:


Questions regarding registration can be directed either to:

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We look forward to seeing everyone at the conference in Hampton.

Registration for the Conference closes in FSTRS on July 23, 2017
NFA - Best Practices in Community Risk Reduction  
(Wed. & Thurs/8-5)  16 Hours  
Presenter: VDFP Instructors  
School No: 511-18001

Best Practices in Community Risk Reduction is a two-day course that empowers students with an understanding of nationally recognized principles that when used appropriately can lead to the development of effective and efficient community risk reduction programs.

VDEM - Drone Technology in Emergency Services  
(Wed/8:30-12)  3.5 Hours  
Presenter: VDEM Instructors  
School No: 511-18002

VDEM will provide an overview of the latest technology and trends moving forward with the use of drones for emergency service organizations.

HTR - Into to Tech Rescue, Mod II  
(Wed - Fri/8-5)  24 Hours  
Presenter: VDFP Instructors  
School No: 511-18027

This program will cover the NFPA-1006 Standard for Technical Rescue, Chapter 5. The class will contain both classroom and practical requirements around basic rescue skills in the low and high angle environments to include site operations, establishment of landing zones for helicopter operations, victim management, ropes, knots and anchoring systems.

HTR - Machinery Rescue  
(Wed & Thurs/8-5)  16 Hours  
Presenter: VDFP Instructors  
School No: 511-18028

Students will learn to think outside the box when dealing with rescue situations involving machinery.

NFPA 1031 Con-Ed Hours  
(Wed/8-4:30)  8 Hours  
Presenter: VFMA Instructors  
School No: 511-18029

VFMA Academy will provide Continuing Education hours for those members that need them for their inspection requirement.

NFPA 1033 Con-Ed Hours  
(Thurs & Fri/8-4:30)  16 Hours  
Presenter: VFMA Instructors  
School No: 511-18030

VFMA Academy will provide Continuing Education hours for those members that need them for their investigation requirement.

NFFF - Leadership So Everyone Goes Home  
(Thurs/8-12)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Lt. Sidney Lucas  
School No: 511-18003

A course of the Everyone Goes Home Program designed to assist in the reduction of LODDs utilizing a series of case studies. Each study will include what happened, why it happened and what could have avoided it. The benefit of this program is the review of cultural change or adaptive challenges, rather than just enacting a technical fix, which in most cases does not work.

NFFF - Courage to be safe  
(Thurs/1-4:30)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Lt. Sidney Lucas  
School No: 513-17007

This course is a provocative and moving presentation by National Fallen Firefighters Foundation through the Everyone Goes Home program, that is designed to change the culture of accepting the loss of firefighters as a normal occurrence.

Low Down on the High Side  
(Thurs/1-2:30)  1.5 Hours  
Presenter: Ken Crumpler - OEMS  
School No: 513-18008

This program will discuss the treatment and scene management of those incidents surrounding the motorcycle incidents we all run. Ken Crumpler from OEMS will share some personal experiences as he is an experienced motorcycle rider.

Money Matters  
(Thurs/1-4:30)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Chief T.C. Hairston  
School No: 513-18009

This workshop will teach you how to identify dead money and make it live, create a guaranteed lifetime income, reach your financial goals 30% quicker, achieve peace of mind and financial security (even if you start late) and invest like the wealthy where you participate in market gains but are guaranteed to never lose when the market drops. The question is: are you or will you be ready for retirement?

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LODD Benefits - What is the update?  
(Thurs/3-5) 2 Hours  
Presenter:  Chief David Hoback  
School No: 513-18031  
This workshop is being presented to provide information about the updated legislation (9.1-400.1) Line of Duty Death and Health Benefits Trust Fund that becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

Taking action against Cancer in the Fire Service  
(Fri/8-12) 4 Hours  
Presenter:  Steve Weissman  
School No: 513-18010  
This class is designed to raise awareness of the problem of cancer that we face in the fire service. You will also be presented with tips and techniques to reduce the risk of Firefighter Cancer. There are large amounts of data and scientific evidence to show the increase in risk to firefighters.

Mayday, Firefighter Down  
(Thurs & Fri/8-4:30) 16 Hours  
Presenter:  VDFP Instructors  
School No: 511-18011  
This program is designed to provide the firefighter with the skills necessary to both perform self rescue techniques as well as function as part of a team to conduct basic rescue efforts for firefighters trapped at an incident scene.

Best Practices in Recruitment and Retention in Virginia’s Fire Service  
(Fri/1-2:30) 1.5 Hours  
Presenter:  State R & R Workgroup  
School No: 513-18012  
This session will be in conjunction with the Statewide Retention Workgroup and will discuss the latest trends in recruitment and retention efforts.

Sport Meds - EMS Stand Bys  
(Fri/8-10) 2 Hours  
Presenter:  School No: 513-18013  
This program will work to identify those differences we are faced with while performing a “stand by” at sporting events. Many rural schools do not have certified sports trainers and look to EMS to provide that expert advice on the sideline. This course will highlight many common sports injuries seen today. The program will look at the development of the policies and procedures necessary to effectively provide services.

Traffic Incident Management  
(Fri/1-4:30) 4 Hours  
Presenter:  Bubby Bish - VAVRS  
School No: 513-17014  
The National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training was created by responders for responders. This course provides first responders a shared understanding of the requirements for safe, quick clearance of traffic incident scenes; prompt, reliable and open communication and motorist and responder safeguards.

Mentoring in the Fire Service  
(Fri/8-12) 4 Hours  
Presenter:  Chief T.C. Hairston  
School No: 513-18015  
Mentoring is the process of sharing experience and expertise to assist someone in their personal and professional growth. Research indicates that compared to their peers, mentored personnel perform better on the job, advance more rapidly, and report more job satisfaction. A successful mentoring relationship can have far-reaching benefits for both the mentor and the mentee. Join us as we discuss the “Characteristics of a Quality Mentor”, the “Key Elements to Good Mentoring” and “Suggestions for the Quality Mentoring Program”.

Response to Aviation Accidents for the First Responders  
(Fri/1-3) 2 Hours  
Presenter:  Division Chief Tom Phalen  
School No: 511-18016  
This program is designed to provide emergency response personnel who may be the first to arrive on the scene of an aviation incident or accident the fundamental knowledge and skills to insure a positive outcome. The base program consists of a lecture/field trip program designed for all types of first responders (Fire/EMS, LEO, etc.). The program is designed to introduce first responders to the aviation industry in Virginia. This includes data on the size and scope of the aviation industry and infrastructure in Virginia. The program also includes a section combining actual Virginia aviation accident and incident case studies with an emphasis on what first responders can expect to encounter. Responders will also learn the basics of aircraft anatomy, construction, and potential dangers. Additionally, responders will also learn about possible agencies and organizations that may be a part of an aviation accident or incident. Topic discussions that are designed to give the participants some suggestions for improvement.

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Tough Talking: The Art of the Difficult Conversation  
(Fri/1-4:30)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Battalion Chief Tim McKay  
School No: 513-18018

Have you ever had that feeling like you know you should speak up but decided not to? Have you ever thought about engaging a member about their behavior or performance but then shied away from the conversation? No one enjoys being the bad guy. As it turns out, you don’t have to be. Among the most important skills for a supervisor to possess is the ability to have a critical or potentially unpleasant conversation with an employee, co-worker or even with their supervisor. Utilizing skills from the popular book Crucial Conversations, this session will teach leaders how to identify the need for a tough conversation, to consider the costs of not having that needed talk, and then to identify ways to hone and utilize their emotional intelligence to have the conversation be as beneficial, meaningful and productive as possible. This course is designed to be highly interactive between instructor and students and encourages use of real world scenarios to make, emphasize and apply the topics discussed.

NFFF - Leadership, Accountability, Culture, Knowledge (LACK)  
(Fri/1-4:30)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Lt. Sidney Lucas  
School No: 513-18019

Is your department on the path to a LODD? This compelling presentation by the National Fallen Firefighter Foundation examines the root causes of LODD’s and the role of Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge as it influences the end result. Many fire departments across the United States “LACK the Right Stuff” to prevent them from being on the path to a line of duty death.

NFFF-Stress First Aid  
(Fri/8-12)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Lt. Sidney Lucas  
School No: 513-18020

Stress First Aid is a flexible set of tools used to care for stress reactions in firefighters and rescue personnel. Unlike other acute stress management procedures, SFA was designed specifically to support firefighters and rescue personnel. SFA is a toolkit that emphasizes the importance of continuously monitoring the stress of fire and rescue personnel and to quickly recognize and appropriately help individuals who are reacting to stress and are in need of interventions to promote healing.

Back to the Basics  
(Fri/8-4:30)  8 Hours  
Presenter: B.T. Clark - Hanover FD  
School No: 513-18021

A hands-on, movement-driven class covering nozzle selection, water delivery and stream application. We will explore the pros and cons of different hose loads, deployments and stretches with evolutions to enforce appropriate applications of each under a variety of fire ground conditions. We are focused on aggressive, fast water actions for initial engine company responses that will set you up for success regardless of your departments staffing levels, size or whether in an urban or rural setting.

Instructor In-Service  
(Sat/8-4:30)  8 Hours  
Presenter: Division Chief David Jolly  
School No: 511-18022

This will be the adjunct instructor in-service for 2017. The session will cover a variety of topics from Risk Management to Instructor Responsibilities with student testing, just to name a few. All fire service instructors are encouraged to attend.

Lessons from the Mouse  
(Sat/8-12)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Chief Allen Baldwin  
School No: 513-18023

An out of the box look on some everyday basics that can make us all better. What basics can we as the fire service learn from Disney Operations! Pride, Tradition, Commitment, Technology, Customer Service, Vision and Appearance will all be discussed.

Training and Movie Night - Leadership 101  
(Sat/1-4:30)  4 Hours  
Presenter: Chief Allen Baldwin  
School No: 513-18024

Using some popular movies as a station drill to help develop leadership skills and qualities while having a little fun in the station. What movies to use, what learning process to use and how to bring it all together will be presented.

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Response to Aviation Accidents for the First Responders  
(Sat/10-12) 2 Hours  
Presenter: Division Chief Tom Phalen  
School No: 511-18025

This program is designed to provide emergency response personnel who may be the first to arrive on the scene of an aviation incident or accident the fundamental knowledge and skills to insure a positive outcome. The base program consists of a lecture/field trip program designed for all types of first responders (Fire/EMS, LEO, etc.). The program is designed to introduce first responders to the aviation industry in Virginia. This includes data on the size and scope of the aviation industry and infrastructure in Virginia. The program also includes a section combining actual Virginia aviation accident and incident case studies with an emphasis on what first responders can expect to encounter. Responders will also learn the basics of aircraft anatomy, construction, and potential dangers. Additionally, responders will also learn about possible agencies and organizations that may be a part of an aviation accident or incident.

L. P. Gas Emergencies  
(Fri & Sat/8-4:30) 16 Hours  
Presenter: Division Chief Tom Berry  
School No: 511-18026

Propane Emergencies is designed to help fire service and industry emergency responders to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and effectively manage a propane emergency in transportation or at fixed facilities. It is based upon nationally recognized engineering practices, recommended operating practices and training programs.
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