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### President's Message....

I hope all is safe & healthy with you and your families. There have been many unique challenges to perform our roles in maintaining a fire safe environment for our industries and communities. As in the past, future fire codes and standards will be rewritten to reflect what this history will have told us.

Before the June Chapter Meeting, we will be electing our new slate of Officers and Trustees for the coming year. Keep an eye out for the ballot in your email.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual NJSFPE-AFAANJ Technical Symposium is scheduled for Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at the Hanover Manor in East Hanover.

The James Goerl Memorial Golf Outing is scheduled for Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the New York Country Club in New Hempstead, NY.

In an effort to continue our mission, NJSFPE will be holding its first virtual chapter (Zoom) meeting in June. We ask your patience in this endeavor, as we learn. The meeting will be held on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. We will begin with chapter business followed by our technical presentation on 'Fire Sprinkler Anti-Freeze Protection' by Amber Bodner, Johnson Controls Fire Protection.

There will be a link here in the fusible link, as well as on the website and the email you receive from Vicki Serafin.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Paul

Chapter President

## June 8th Chapter Meeting Will Be a Zoom Meeting

Given the Covid 19 situation the June meeting will be a video meeting using the Zoom platform. The meeting will begin at **4pm**.

Links and instructions as to how to join the meeting can be found below:

### Click the Link to Join Zoom Meeting

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Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/abqptfWHy>

## **Our Sympathies Go Out to Sarge Slicer**

Sarge Slicer has been an active member in the NJ and Boston SFPE Chapters and in the Property Risk business for many decades at FM and later as a consultant. Our heart felt condolences go out to Sarge and his family for the loss of his wife, Diane Elizabeth Karel on May 20th. Additional information and being able to leave a condolence message can be found below:

[https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/chatham-ma/diane-karel-9190641?utm\\_source=share\\_obit&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=obit\\_detail&utm\\_content=view\\_obit\\_button](https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/chatham-ma/diane-karel-9190641?utm_source=share_obit&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=obit_detail&utm_content=view_obit_button)

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## **CSB Releases Animation Video for the 15 year Anniversary of the BP Texas City Explosion**

Here is the link to the above that explains and shows what happened and why at the above location:

[Updated BP Texas City Animation on the 15th Anniversary of the Explosion](#)

# Mission Critical Fire Protection

## 3 Day Free Conference

This free three day video conference is from Tuesday June 23rd to Thurs. June 25th. For more detailed information and to register see link below:

[Experience Our 2020 MCFP Conference—100% Free Online](#)



### MCFP Virtual Conference

We're excited to announce that we are taking our 2020 Mission Critical Fire Protection conference virtual! We have put together a great three-day event so you can stay up-to-date with everything that is new in Mission Critical Fire Protection for 2020. Below we have outlined what you can expect from our virtual conference experience and how you can reserve your spot so you don't miss out on any of the action.

The three-day event will include:

- Six live Q&A Sessions
- Keynote Session by Lee Kaiser
- Industry Expert Sessions
- Fire System Information from Leading Manufacturers

Don't miss your chance to attend our 2020 MCFP Conference absolutely free!



SFPE New Jersey Chapter  
Nomination of Officers and Trustees  
2020-2021 Term

In accordance with the Incorporated Bylaws of the New Jersey Chapter, SFPE the following is the proposed slate of Officers and Trustees including terms of service beginning August 1, 2020 for Officers and July 1, 2020 for Trustees. The election is scheduled to be conducted at the Chapter's annual business meeting to be held on Monday, June 8th, 2020 at the Hanover Manor, East Hanover, NJ.

OFFICERS

President, Rich Reitberger  
Vice President, Paul McGrath  
Secretary, Joe Janiga  
Treasurer, Marios Michaelides

TRUSTEES

Jim Loftus (Three Year Term – July 1, 2019 – June 31, 2022)  
Marvin Maradiaga (Three Year Term – July 1, 2020 – June 31, 2023)  
Ernesto Vega-Janica (Three Year Term – July 1, 2018 – June 31, 2021)  
Evan Fitzgerald (Three Year Term – July 1, 2019 – June 31, 2022) \*  
Glenn Buser (Three Year Term – July 1, 2020 – June 31, 2023)

\*Remaining portion of Dave Gluckman's Term

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dave Gluckman  
Mike Newman

The Chapter encourages volunteers to serve in leadership roles on the Board or on Committees. Any member who desires to run for Chapter Office or serve on a Committee is encouraged to do so by contacting Rich Reitberger at [richreit522@gmail.com](mailto:richreit522@gmail.com) at least 4 weeks before our business meeting.

Regards,

Rich Reitberger  
Nominations Chair  
NJSFPE



## SFPE NJ / NY METRO EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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OR

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Questions—richreit522@gmail.com

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*The James Goerl Memorial Golf Outing*

**Monday Sept. 28, 2020**  
**Revised Date**

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**WHEN:** Monday September 28, 2020  
**WHERE:** New York Country Club  
 103 Brick Church Road  
 New Hempstead, NY 10977  
**REGISTRATION:** Before Sept 25th: \$145 Per Golfer  
 After Sept 25th: \$175 Per Golfer  
**LIMITED TO THE FIRST 144 GOLFERS!**  
**SCHEDULE:** 7:00am: Registration & Continental Breakfast  
 8:30am: Shotgun Start  
 2 pm (Approx.): Awards/Luncheon

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## NJSFPE-AFAANJ 11th Annual Symposium Attendee Registration

### When

**Thursday, September 24, 2020**

from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM EDT

[Add to Calendar](#)

### Where

**The Hanover Manor**

16 Eagle Rock Ave

East Hanover, NJ 07936

[Driving Directions](#)

As with previous years we will be having our Vendor Trade show throughout the day.

Our speakers and program:

- John Drucker - Fire Protection Sub-code Official, Borough of Red Bank, NJ
  - New Jersey's Rehabilitation Code
  - Jason Webb- Director of Industry Relations- Potter
  - How to prepare for automated inspection and testing
  - Steve Cummings -Director Sensors Business Unit- Nexceris
  - Energy Storage Systems (ESS) Gas Detection Designs Based on Large-Scale Fire Testing
  - Phil Gunning, PE.-Director Education & Training-Globe Fire Sprinkler Corporation
  - Sprinkler Protection Attic Spaces
  - Shamim Rashid- Sumar, PE, FSFPE-Vice President, Fire Codes and Standards - National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
  - Benefits and Fire Resistance Qualities of Concrete in Construction
  - Michael J. Hosch- Lead Applications Engineer-Det-Tronics
- Ultra-high-speed Optical Flame Detection and Releasing System Solutions

Raffle Prizes following the last speaker.

Please use the link below to register or RSVP.

[Get more information](#)

**[Register Now!](#)**

[I can't make it](#)

If you have any questions please contact Ed Armm (see below) Vicki Serafin [vicki.serafin@affiliatedfm.com](mailto:vicki.serafin@affiliatedfm.com) (973) 541-6771, or Jim Loftus, [james.loftus@siemens.com](mailto:james.loftus@siemens.com) (973) 590-0048

Thank you for your attention and response, we look forward to seeing them at your event.

**Sincerely,**

Jim Loftus  
AFAANJ & NJSFPE  
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973-590-0048



## Meeting Dates/Programs 2019-2020

Most meetings are held at the Hanover Manor, 16 Eagle Rock Ave., East Hanover, NJ.  
Social hour starts at 5:00PM, Dinner meeting starts at 6:00PM.

2019-2020 SFPE Program Schedule	Presenter	Date
<b>Fire Sprinkler Anti Freeze Protection</b> This will be a video /Zoom platform meeting	Amber Bodner, Johnson Controls Fire Protection	June 8, 2020
<b>NFPA Conference &amp; Expo</b>	National Fire Protection Association	CANCELLED
<b>NJSFPE &amp; AFAANJ Technical Seminar</b>	Various Presenters	<b>*NEW DATE*</b> September 24, 2020
<b>NJ-NY Metro Education Foundation Golf Outing</b>	New York County Club	<b>*NEW DATE*</b> September 28, 2020

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To apply, please email your Resume and experience in Specialty Occupancies to [efitzgerald@risklogic.com](mailto:efitzgerald@risklogic.com)

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It is a new advertising year and we invite you to participate with a spot in our Chapter newsletter the ***Fusible Link***. We have a few options to get your name out to the full membership and also to be a part of our website, Just click on the convenient link below to register now. Thanks in advance for your consideration to advertise with us today. We appreciate your support of the Chapter.

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## 2018- 2019 Chapter Committees

### STANDING COMMITTEES

**Program**  
Joe Janiga

**Arrangements**  
Vicki Serafin, Chairperson

**Membership**  
Rich Reitberger

**Nominating**  
Rich Reitberger

**Auditing**  
Vanessa Gallagher, Chairman

**Archivist/Historian**  
Vicki Serafin

**Speakers Gifts**  
Rich Reitberger

**Communications**  
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Lindsey Taylor—Coordinator

**Communications-Other**  
Paul McGrath

### SPECIAL COMMITTEES

**Spring Seminar**  
Jim Loftus

**Bylaws**  
Rich Reitberger

**Career Recruitment**  
Tim Costello

**Chapter Excellence Awards**  
Paul McGrath

**PE Examination**  
Donna Spano & Marios Michaelides

**Legislative**  
Jerry Naylis

**Finance**  
Dave Gluckman

**Fire Prevention Week Grant Program**  
David Gluckman

### HELPFUL LINKS

**ADAAG** <http://www.access-board.gov/adaag/about/index.htm>

**AFAA National** <http://www.afaanet.org/>

**AFFSA** <http://www.firesprinkler.org/>

**ANSI** <http://web.ansi.org/>

**ASHRAE** <http://www.ashrae.org/>

**Campus-Firewatch** <http://www.campus-firewatch.com/>

**Coffee Break Training** <http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/nfa/coffee-break/>

**CPSC** <http://www.cpsc.gov/>

**CSAA** <http://www.csaaul.org/>

**Municipal Codes (E Codes)** <http://www.generalcode.com/Webcode2.html>

**FDNY** <http://nyc.gov/html/fdny/html/home2.shtml>

**FM Global** <http://www.fmglobal.com/>

**FSDANY** <http://www.fsdany.org/regs.htm>

**FSI** <http://www.firesprinklerinitiative.org/>

**FSSA** <http://www.fssa.net/>

**Fire Tech Productions—Nicet Training (FTP)** <http://www.firetech.com/>

**Home Fire Spkrl Coalition** <http://www.homefiresprinkler.org/>

**HVAC Bld. Control Fire Safety** <http://www.iklimnet.com/hotelfires/hotelfiresmain.html>

**AFAA-NJ** <http://www.afaanj.org/>

**International Code Council** - <http://www.iccsafe.org/>

**International Code Council Residential Sprinkler Exam** - <http://www.iccsafe.org/news/>

[nr/2009/0709\\_ResidentialSprinklerExam.pdf](http://www.iccsafe.org/news/nr/2009/0709_ResidentialSprinklerExam.pdf)

**The Joint Commission (JCAHO)** - <http://www.jointcommission.org/>

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**Material safety data Sheets (MSDS-OSHA Site)** - <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/hazardcommunications/index.html>

**National of Fire Equipment Distributors (NAFED)** - <http://www.nafed.org/index.cfm>