



# Society of Fire Protection Engineers

NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

## Fusible Link

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### BACK IN CIRCULATION-

After almost a year , we have a lot of information accumulating on the desk. It will not fit into this last Fusible Link of the 1988-89 year so we will be selective. First, announcements;

SFPE ANNUAL MEETING-- May 14-18, Washington Convention Center, Wash.D.C.  
Focus will be on Sprinklers- that is Fire Sprinklers in 3- $\frac{1}{2}$  day sessions. Senate Meeting will be Sunday Afternoon, May 14. Since the meeting is close, we hope more members will be attending.

RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER WORKSHOPS- Sponsored by the US Fire Administration The International Fire Chiefs Assn & the Nat'l Fire Sprinkler Assn. will conduct workshops during 1989. Closest to New Jersey will on May 12, Fairfax, VA-Holiday Inn-Fair Oaks. No Fees to Attend. If interested call (202) 833-3420.

Note- The 1989 supplement to BOCA Building Code-probably applicable in N.J. before the end of the year requires ALL R1 and R2 Hotels and Multiple-Dwellings to be sprinklered. In June this year, BOCA members are expected to overturn an ad-hoc report and reverify this requirement. The N.J. Fire Safety Commission is supporting the change and have challenged the ad-hoc report. Therefore you may want to become acquainted soon with the new NFPA 13R standard for sprinklers in four story and lower residential buildings.

INTERNATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEERING INSTITUTE- May 21-31, 1989 at Carleton University Ottawa, Ontario Canada. Phone (613) 546-5510. or call editor for copy of program. There are a lot of good topics.

BOCA INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING- June 18-23- Schaumburg, Illinois Hyatt-Regency-Woodfield. The membership will make decisions concerning more than 270 Building code changes, plus many others in the Plumbing, Mechanical, Fire Prevention , and Existing Building Codes. Some of the changes are the most far-reaching ever debated since 1950. BCMC recommends a complete revision to the Height and Area Tables and a reorganization of the Assembly Occupancy Classifications. (16 changes). A complete reorganization and redrafting of Sprinkler requirements (53 proposals)- Alarm systems, (16 proposals), Elevators (13 Proposals). To accommodate the expected number of challenges to the Code Changes Committee Recommendations hearings will begin Sunday. What happens in June in Schaumburg will be law in New Jersey in 1990.

PUBLICATIONS- Get out your credit cards. There are a number of new publications that you may find useful if not necessary/  
SFPE- Handbook on Fire Protection Engineering- Available from NFPA  
NFPA- Revised Fire Protection Handbook  
- Life Safety Code & Hand book- 1988 edition (adopted in Conn.)  
- Standard 13, 13D, 13R (New)- and Handbook Available in May.  
SFPE- Journal of Fire Protection Engineering-Free to SFPE members Available on subscription basis (617) 482-0686- We personally found the 1st edition to be great. It has a lot of good up-to-date technical information in it. What do you think?

JOURNAL OF APPLIED FIRE SCIENCE- Executive Editor Paul R. DeCicco P.E  
If you are or have ever been a member of the NY Metro Chapter you will remember Paul. He has done a lot of research like burning down buildings. He has been associated with Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute. Additionally he has one of our own esteemed members of SFPE- Fellow Member Ted Ventrone on his editorial staff. We expect a great publication Ted. If you want a paper considered for publication contact Paul at 117 Grace Street Plainview , NY 11803.

Hope to see you at the May meeting. & The GOLF OUTING ???????

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NOMINATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Dear Frank:

The Nominating Committee of the New Jersey Chapter - SFPE submits the following list of officers and directors for election at the May 8, 1989 annual business meeting of the Chapter:

Mr. Marv Melton, President  
Mr. Frank Bender, First Vice President  
Mr. Glen Buser, Second Vice President  
Mr. Jim Tolos, Treasurer  
Mr. Thomas Brereton, Secretary  
Mr. Walt Wesolowski, Assistant Secretary  
Mr. Richard Wnek, Director  
Mr. Karl Meyers, Director  
Mr. John McCormick, Director  
Mr. Michael Frisz, Director

AS you know, the Board of Directors includes the Officers, the latest past President, and four (4) Directors. Note that three (3) Directors are to be elected this year. Messers. Richard Wnek, John McCormick, and Michael Frisz and being nominated for these positions--Mr. Karl Meyers has one year remaining as a Director since he was elected to a two-year term at the 1988 annual meeting.

It is my understanding that this list of nominations will be published in the upcoming meeting notice.

Sincerely,

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Chairman, Nominating Committee  
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THB/kas  
cc: Marv Melton  
Lyman Parks, PE