

# ***83<sup>rd</sup> NEBRASKA STATE FIRE SCHOOL***

***MAY 15-17, 2020***

***Fonner Park - Grand Island, NE***



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# **WELCOME TO THE 83<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL NEBRASKA STATE FIRE SCHOOL**

On behalf of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association and the Fire School Committee, I would like to extend a special welcome to our 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Fire School and our Fire School Book. The Fire School Committee, the NSVFA Board, the State Fire Marshall's Training Division and countless others have worked hard to bring you the training, leadership, fellowship and vendor connections that have made Fire School so famous. This year's school will consist of 28 classes in all phases of firemanship, fire investigation, rescue and fire safety, leadership, officer training, fire prevention and EMS. The school is once again held at the Heartland Event Center in Fonner Park using the State Fair facilities and sites in and around Grand Island. Class confirmation packets picked up at Fire School will provide the location of each student's class.

The key is to register early! Some of the classes will have limited numbers in the classes. Using the pre-registration form on page 26 of this book will ensure that you have a better chance of being able to take the class of your choice. It is also suggested that department members attend different classes so that the knowledge taken home will span a variety of educational concepts.

Everyone is invited to attend the school's opening ceremony held Friday, May 15th, beginning at 9:00am where announcements are made, awards announced and traditions observed. This is a quick and easy way to connect with other firefighters from across the region as well as get great information and inspiration right from the start of Fire School! We're particularly excited to welcome Chief Bobby Halton as this year's keynote speaker.

The Fire School Committee extends its deepest gratitude to all who are providing their time, effort and monetary support to make the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nebraska State Fire School a reality. We look forward to everyone participating and reaping the benefits of this experience.

Pat Gould, Nebraska State Fire School Director.

## **Opening Ceremonies Keynote Speaker**

Chief Bobby Halton ret. is currently editor in chief of Fire Engineering magazine and education director of the Fire Department Instructors Conference (FDIC). Chief Halton is a native New Yorker. He began his career in structural firefighting with the Albuquerque (NM) Fire Department and rose through the ranks to include chief of training. Bobby was chief of operations until his retirement from Albuquerque in 2004. He then became chief of the Coppell (TX) Fire Department, Bobby left Coppell to assume the duties as editor in chief of Fire Engineering Magazine.

Chief Halton is a graduate of the University of New Mexico, left a member in good standing with the International Association of Fire Fighters, is a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs, and has served on several of the National Fire Protection Association technical committees. He is active with the National Fallen Firefighters Life Safety Initiatives. He has done extensive speaking and training for the fire service in the United States, Canada and internationally.



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## Schedule of Events

### Wednesday, May 13

11:00am Fire School Committee Meeting

### Thursday, May 14

8:00 - 5:00pm Vendor Setup  
(Vendor sales begin Friday at 7:00am)  
11:00am NSVFA Board Meeting  
(Registration and packets pickup not available until Friday at 7:00am)

### Friday, May 15

7:00am Registration Open  
Pre-Registration Packets to be Picked-up before 11:00am

7:00 - 6:00pm Vendor Exhibits Open  
9:00am Opening Ceremonies

\*Keynote Speaker, Chief Bobby Halton  
Opening Ceremonies to include presentation of Awards  
including Browning Memorial Award

11:00am Area Representatives  
11:00am Instructors Meeting  
11:00 - 1:00pm Lunch

(Served to all registered persons with meal tickets, extra meal  
tickets may be purchased at registration desk)

1:00 - 4:00pm Classes in Session  
5:00pm All Faith Services  
6:00pm Vendor Exhibits Close

### Saturday, May 16

7:00 - 4:00pm Vendor Exhibits Open  
8:00 - 3:00pm Classes in Session  
11:00 - 1:00pm Staggered 1 hour Lunches  
3:30pm Nebraska Fire Chiefs Association  
Semi Annual Meeting  
5:00pm Catholic Church Services  
4:00pm Vendor Exhibits Close  
5:00pm (Buildings for Vendors & Classes)...Closed

### Sunday, May 17

8:00 - 11:00am Classes in Session  
11:00am 2020 NE Fire School Closes

No Vendors -- Lunch will NOT be served Sunday

## Camping and Trailer Park facilities are available at Fonner Park

A \$30.00 **PER DAY** Camping Permit Fee is payable to the NSVFA at the Fire School registration desk inside the Exhibition Building. Campers must display purchased permit in front window of camping vehicle at all times.

### Code of Conduct

Your conduct while attending out of town educational programs or other Fire/EMS service events should be no different than it would be at home in front of your families. Wherever you travel, the window decal, the Maltese cross on your jacket or tee shirt identifies you as a member of an honorable and proud profession. Your actions reflect not only upon you as an individual, but upon your department and the Fire/EMS service as a whole. The public expects our actions to be above reproach on and off the emergency scene.

### No Concealed Weapons

The Nebraska State Fire School will not allow concealed weapons including permit holders on the Fonner Park grounds and/or at any Fire School activity.

### Americans with Disabilities

If you have special needs as addressed by the American with Disabilities Act, please contact the NSVFA Office prior to Fire School at 402-761-2211. Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate your needs.

### Notice of Non-Discrimination

The NSVFA is committed to maintaining an environment free from all forms of discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, veteran status, or any other legally protected characteristic.

### Health Warning

Certain classes offered require significant physical exertion and stamina. Persons with heart, respiratory, or other physical conditions that may be aggravated by this type of exertion, or that may hinder their participation should not participate in the program. Please consult your physician regarding your participation. The NSVFA office will also have information concerning physical requirements of particular courses.





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# NEBRASKA STATE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION AWARDS

The NSVFA and Danko are proud to present the 2020 Recognition Awards. Nominations are due March 28, 2020, to chairpersons noted on these two pages.

Dear Members of the NSVFA:

The NSVFA and Danko have determined that without your volunteer services provided across this great state, communities and areas which you serve would be without much needed emergency services. Therefore, it has been determined that recognition for services which you provide be recognized. Awards consisting of checks and/or plaques will be presented during the opening ceremonies of the Nebraska State Fire School on Friday, May 15, 2020, at the Heartland Event Center in Grand Island, NE.

To be eligible for these awards, membership in the NSVFA must have been paid no later than December 31, 2019, with the exception of the Heroism awards, which are open to all firefighters within the State of Nebraska.

**Letters of nomination for the Firemanship, Heroism and Browning Memorial Awards should be mailed to the NSVFA Special Recognition Committee Chairperson postmarked no later than March 28, 2020.**

Chris Chada (Special Recognition Chairperson)  
408 South Ash, North Platte, NE 69101

## FIREMANSHIP AWARD

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This award shall be presented to (10) ten individual firefighters who have rendered exceptional service to their department and their community for a minimum of 5 years. This award is based on leadership, organizational abilities, civic activities, and responsibilities. If selected, this member of your department would receive a plaque and a check for \$50.

This award is based on what an individual firefighter may have done for his/her department, community, and his/her responsibility to their jobs, and as a firefighter.

**Leadership** would include activities important to their fire department, community, church organizations, business and development.

**Organizational abilities** should include their department, business, employment and community efforts.

**Firemanship** shall include participation in trainings, schools, meetings and fire emergencies.

**Civic activities** pertain to community scouting, business, church groups, policies, etc.

**Outstanding activities** would be their performance in projects, whether departmental or community.

**Responsibility** shall include dependability, trust, family, friends, business, and community.

If your department feels you have numerous firefighters deserving of this award, nominate one or all (in writing only – no faxes or emails can be accepted) accompanied with individual letters to the NSVFA Special Recognition Committee. It would be beneficial to include letters with your nominations from chief officers, department officers, mayors, clergy, and any other community leaders or organizations.

## HEROISM AWARDS

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A Heroism award(s) will be presented for Heroic Acts beyond the ordinary duty of a firefighter. Any and all firefighters within the State of Nebraska are eligible for this award. Only one person's name can be submitted per nomination.

A letter from your department chief, line officers, or department officers, shall describe the act of "Heroism" of the individual firefighter, which shall include the heroic actions above and beyond. Relating facts as they occurred would be utmost beneficial.

Nominations for the Fire Prevention Co-operative Award, F.P. Department and Smokey "PAW" Awards and F.P. Leader Award shall be mailed to the F.P. Committee Chairperson, postmarked by March 28, 2020.  
Rhonda Cerny (Fire Prevention Chairperson)  
1618 Denver St., Schuyler, NE 68661

### **FIRE PREVENTION CO-OPERATIVE AWARD**

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A Fire Prevention Cooperative is an organization of fire departments and agencies conducting year around fire prevention programs to educate and increase awareness of the perils of fire and reduce the occurrence of human caused fires. Fire Prevention Co-op's increase the effectiveness of fire prevention efforts by determining common fire problems, exchanging ideas and providing directions and planning for cooperative interagency fire prevention actions.

#### Criteria for Award

1. Must be an officially organized fire prevention cooperative which meets a minimum of four times a year.
2. Each entry shall list the name of the fire prevention co-op and the names of the communities/fire departments in the fire prevention cooperative.
3. List new and innovative ideas you used. Did you attract any new member communities/departments to join your co-op throughout the previous year?
4. Include documentation for at least one joint fire prevention activity per year.
5. Program plan and results may be supported by pictures, news media coverage, (radio, TV, newspaper) materials distributed, contact by individuals and groups, summary of responses to groups of people targeted, number of people contacted, etc.

All documentation and support information shall be submitted to the Fire Prevention Committee by mail or express delivery by March 28, 2020. All forms of submission will be given consideration for the award.

One cooperative will be chosen winner of a \$200.00 cash award to be used to purchase fire prevention materials for use by the cooperative. Member departments of the winning cooperative will receive a certificate.

Note: Participation for the Fire Prevention Co-op Award does not preclude entries by member departments in the Department Fire Prevention Awards competition.

### **DEPARTMENT FIRE PREVENTION AWARD and SMOKEY "PAW" AWARD**

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As applicable, please use either the Fire Prevention Award Application or the Smokey "PAW" Award application found on the NSVFA web at <http://www.nsvfa.org/forms.htm>. The Fire Prevention award shall be presented to no more than (4) four departments annually. Each winning department will be awarded a trophy and \$100. In addition to consideration for the Fire Prevention Award, all entries will be considered for the Smokey "PAW" (Prevention Activity Winner) Award which is given for the most unique single fire prevention activity. The Smokey "PAW" winner will be awarded a plaque and \$100.

#### RULES:

1. The entry should include fire prevention activities, the number of people reached by the activity and the age group or organization that attended the activity.
2. Entries are encouraged to include photos or newspaper articles to share. Additional information may be attached.
3. Entries must be postmarked no later than March 28, 2020

These awards promote fire prevention throughout the state by having departments implement new and creative fire prevention ideas to inform the public that fires need to be stopped before they start and to encourage creativity in their fire prevention activities and be recognized for their efforts. Questions pertaining to these awards may be addressed the NSVFA office at 402-761-2211.

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## ANNUAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

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The application for this award may be found on the NSVFA web at <http://www.nsvfa.org/forms.htm>. The Dave Heywood fire prevention "Outstanding Leader" award shall be presented to one person who is a NSVFA member, submitted by their fire department as deserving special recognition for their outstanding efforts to promote fire prevention in their community. One winner will be chosen from applications received and shall be awarded a plaque and \$100.

The person submitted for this award must be a member in good standing in the NSVFA and must have had their NSVFA dues paid by December 31, 2019.

Please note on the application that the fire department shall describe activities performed by the person they are nominating for this recognition. Applications will be judged by the NSVFA Fire Prevention Committee.

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## ANNUAL CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

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The NSVFA would like to also remind Departments that 25 and 50 year NSVFA membership awards are presented each year at the October Annual Conference banquet. Departments are responsible to complete forms found on the NSVFA web at <http://www.nsvfa.org/forms.htm>. These must be turned into the NSVFA office no later than September 20, 2020!

Recipients or their designees must be present at the Annual Conference banquet to receive the awards as these awards will not be mailed.

# Important Dates to SAVE

Recruitment & Retention Workshop - February 29-30th, Norfolk  
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NSVFA Annual Conference – October 15-17th, Chadron  
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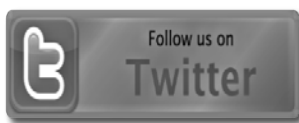
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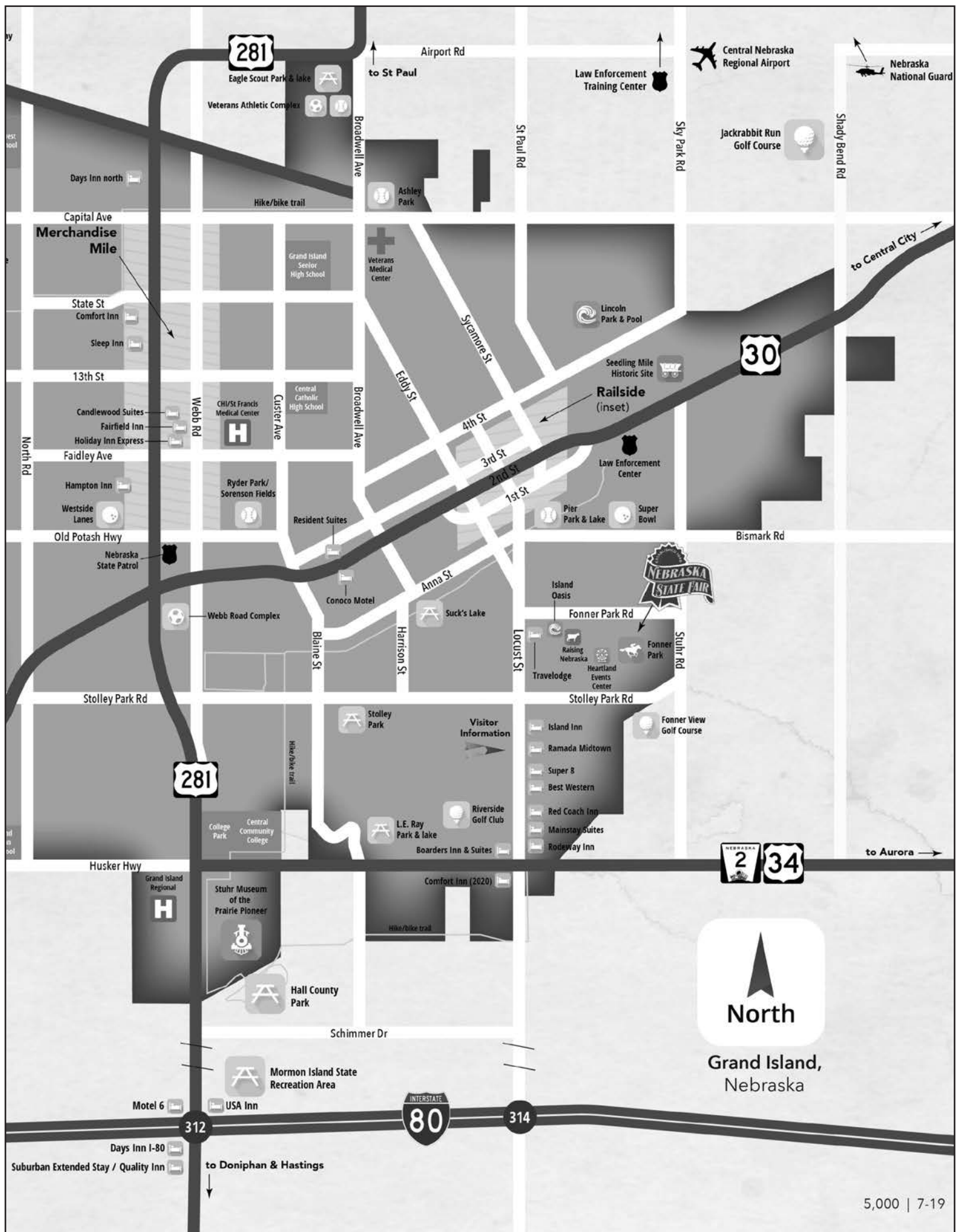
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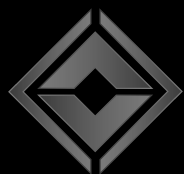
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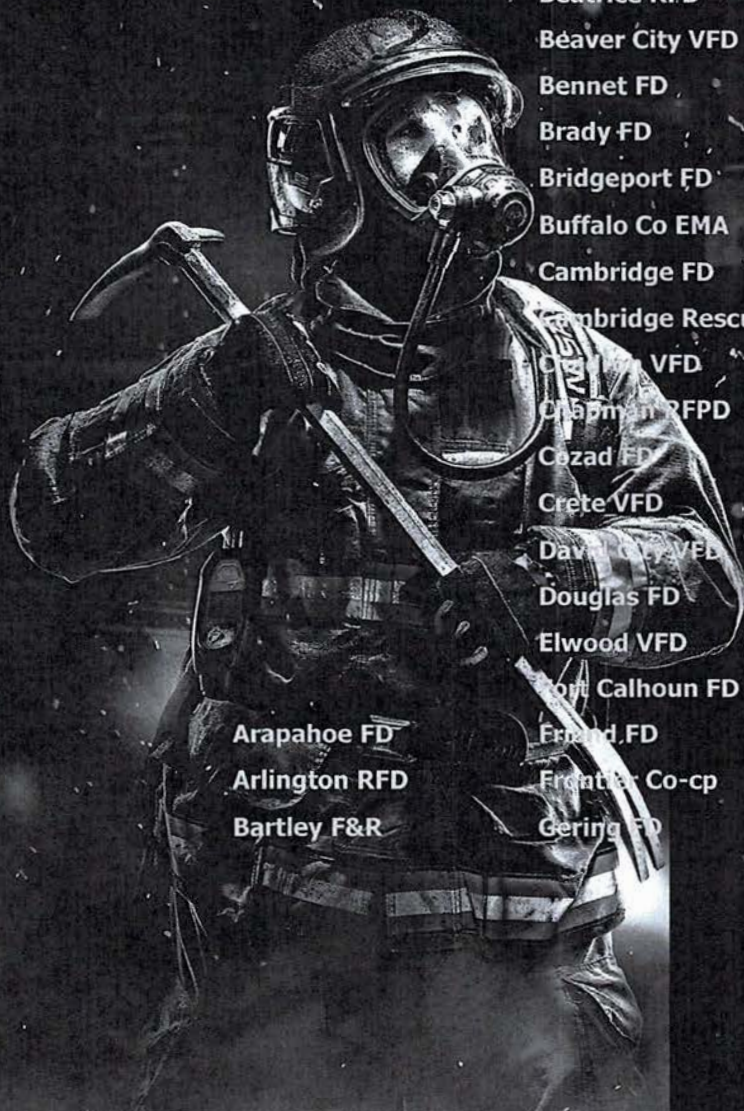
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# 2020 Nebraska State Fire School

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### **SAFETY RULES:**

These safety rules will be enforced throughout the Nebraska State Fire School.

**Vital Checks:** Health safety assessments are required for students of hands-on classes and are available prior to class attendance next to the Fire School registration office.

**Age Disclaimer:** Due to insurance exclusions, school participants under 18 years of age will be restricted to classroom activities only.

When driving, observe all the rules of Nebraska Highway Safety. The life you save may be your own. DO NOT PARK IN "NO PARKING" AREAS.

Cell Phones MUST be turned off as a courtesy to participants during all classes.

Using Video Cameras in the classroom will be at the discretion of the instructor.

### **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

The following rules regarding personal protective equipment will apply for hands-on classes at the Nebraska State Fire School. If "Personal Protective Equipment Requirements Apply" is indicated in the class description in this book; students must provide the following equipment in order to participate. No exceptions will be made unless noted in the class description.

### **Personal Protective Equipment must include:**

- Helmet (NFPA compliant)
- Protective hood
- Coat with liner (NFPA compliant). Shirts must be worn at all times.
- Pants with liner (NFPA compliant) Full-length pants are required to be worn under the protective clothing. No cutoffs or lightweight shorts will be permitted. Note:  $\frac{3}{4}$  length boots are not approved in place of pants.
- Firefighting boots
- Gloves (Cal OSHA or NFPA compliant)
- Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus with spare cylinder (if available)

Personal protective equipment made of rubber, cotton duck; liners of polyester material are not acceptable.

Individuals with beards, sideburns or other hairstyles that interfere with the proper seal of a breathing apparatus face piece will not be allowed to participate in classes requiring SCBA use. Protective hoods over beards are not approved.

### **Class Certification:**

Certain classes stipulate mandatory hours of attendance. Students should make every attempt to attend the 12 hours of instruction provided for most classes and, unless otherwise indicated in the class description, must attend no less than 9 hours to receive a letter of certification which will be mailed to the student's fire department. Attendance is recorded daily.

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- Go to the NSVFA website.
- Navigate to the Fire School Page.
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- Enter your first and last name and email. (Don't need to log in)
- Select the number of people you will be registering.
- Enter each member's name, email address, and title.
- Select which class they would like to attend.
- Enter your credit card information or select pay by invoice to pay by check.
- And you are done!

If you have any questions about registering online or need help, please call or email Taylor at the office.

## **Taylor Moore**

Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association

521 First Street, PO Box 10

Milford, NE 68405

Phone: 402-761-2211

Email: [staff@nsvfa.org](mailto:staff@nsvfa.org)

# 2020 Fire School Pre-Registration Instructions

## Registration and Payment

PRE-REGISTRATION OPENS March 2nd, 2020 and ends May 1st, 2020

- On the next page is a copy of the official registration form.
- Only one registrant per registration. Please copy the form as many times as necessary.
- **Registrants must have been a registered member of the NSVFA by December 31, 2019, to receive the discounted member fee.**
- Please indicate a first, second and third class choice selection on the registration form. Registrants will receive a confirmation email of their class prior to fire school.
- **Some classes have pre-requisites; please read class descriptions!**
- Pay special attention to student numbers per class listed in the class descriptions. **Some classes request only two per department enrollment and classes with student limits of 40 or less will be limited to 3 per department registering in the class.**
- By sending your form in during the pre-registration time, you have a better chance of taking the class of your choice.
- **Payment must be included with the registration form.** The Nebraska State Fire School will not bill any department.
- **Mail the form(s) and payment (check, or completed credit card form found on page 30 to:**

NSVFA FIRE SCHOOL  
PO BOX 10  
MILFORD, NE 68405

### Refund Policy

Cancellations or substitutions must be in writing and postal mailed to the same address as the registration form or emailed to [staff@nsvfa.org](mailto:staff@nsvfa.org).

- Registrations canceled and received in writing before May 8, 2020, will be charged a \$25 administration fee.
- Cancellations made after Saturday, May 9, 2020, will not be eligible for refunds.
- Substitutions may be made at any time, subject to class availability.

### Insufficient Fund Check Fee

- \$30 will be charged for any insufficient fund check fee received for payment of registration.

### Onsite Registration Sign In

- Onsite registration will take place at the Fire School Office at Fonner Park, Grand Island, Nebraska, in one of the new State Fair buildings beginning at 7:00 am, Friday, May 15, 2020, and run concurrently with fire school.
- All participants must check in at REGISTRATION before proceeding to their classes and pick up nametags as well as meal tickets and class confirmation information prior to 11:00 am, Friday, May 15, 2020. Class confirmation packets will include class location.
- Walk-in registrations will be accepted for a class on a space available basis only.

All Nebraska State Fire School participants will be required to show proof of registration to attend classes. Proof of registration must be worn at all times while a participant at the Nebraska State Fire School. For additional information regarding registration:

Telephone: 402-761-2211  
Email: [staff@nsvfa.org](mailto:staff@nsvfa.org)



# Registration Form 83<sup>rd</sup> Nebraska State Fire School

May 15-17, 2020

First Name

Last Name

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State

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Fire Department

Date of Birth

Phone Number



To receive confirmation of class, include email.



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## 2020 Fire School Class List

Please Mark you 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Choices

Fireground Operations on Main Street for Company	_____	001
& Command Officers	_____	002
Legal Smorgasbord	_____	003
Supporting Your Fighter Spouse - FREE	_____	004
Fire Prevention Live - 2020!	_____	005
Structure Protection in the Wildfire Interface	_____	006
Fight Fire From the Air	_____	007
Ag Emergency & Extrication Principals	_____	008
Intro to Firefighting	_____	009
Advanced SCBA	_____	010
Basic Vehicle Extrication	_____	011
Commercial Vehicle Extrication	_____	012
Forcible Entry	_____	013
Basic Rope Rescue	_____	014
Fireground Operations	_____	015
Pump Operations	_____	016
Hazardous Materials	_____	017
Nebraska Fire Happenings	_____	018
Fire Investigations	_____	019
CSI Nebraska	_____	020
Live Stock Emergencies	_____	021
Fire Science Class	_____	022
Staying Safe as a First Responder	_____	023
Resources for the New Chief & Officers	_____	024
Grain Engulfment Rescue	_____	025
EMS Segmented Class	_____	026
Incident Leadership & Decision Making	_____	027
Live Flashover Training Simulator	_____	028
Recruitment & Retention Seminar	_____	028

### NSVFA MEMBER FEE:

\$115.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_

### NON-MEMBER FEE:

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### LEGAL SMORGASBORD:

(Saturday, May 16th, 8:00-3:00 pm)

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### Method of Payment:

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☐ Department Check

☐ Personal Check

☐ Credit Card

Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

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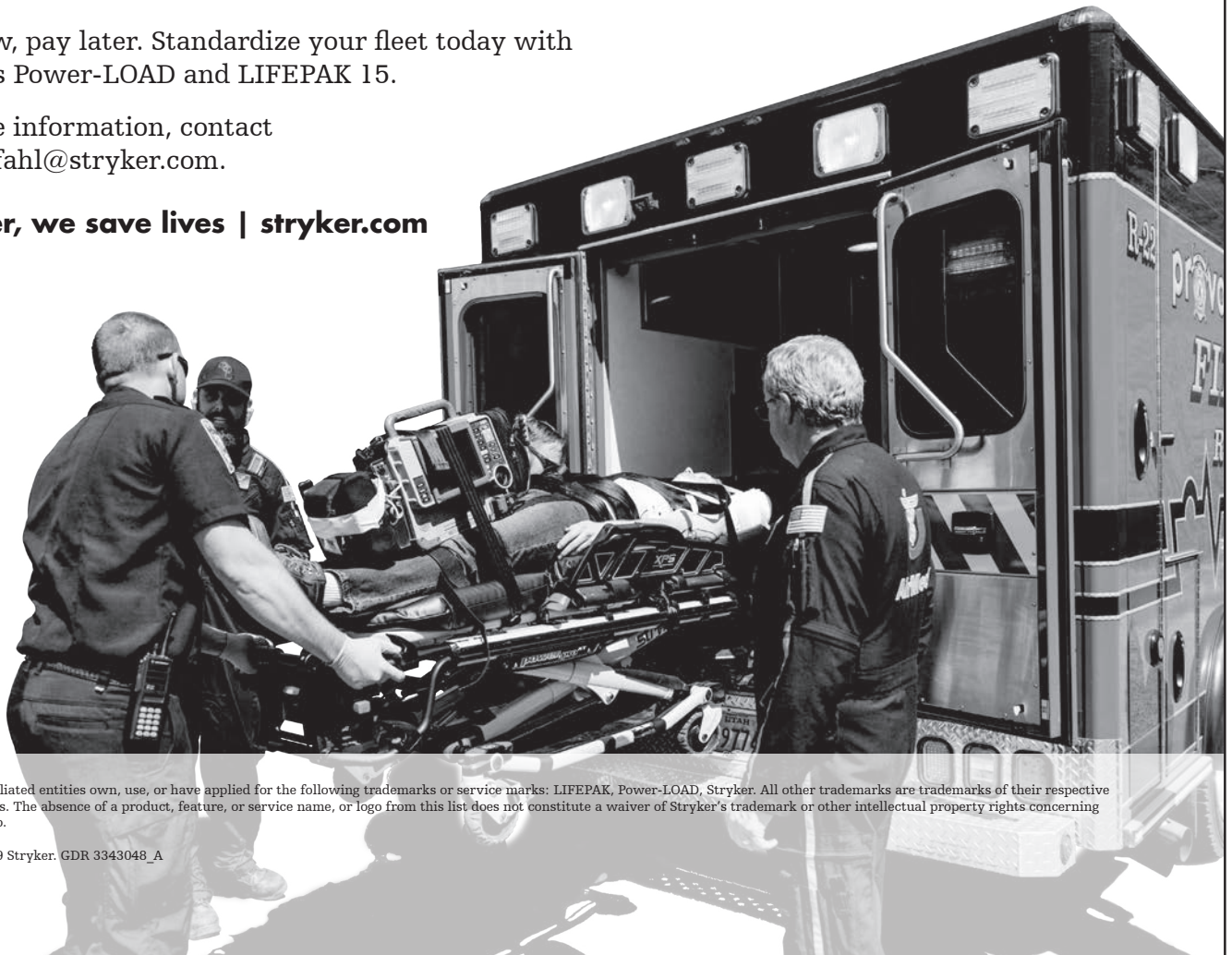
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# 2020 Nebraska State Fire School Class List

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## 201

### **Fireground Operations on Main Street for Company and Command Officers**

Sponsor: NSVFA / Nebr. State Fire School  
Instructor: Chief Christopher Naum, SFPE

A fundamental building type that has profound operational considerations on the fireground commonly found in nearly all jurisdictions and response areas throughout Nebraska. This program goes beyond the cursory discussions of "main street" construction and occupancies, but expands and explores the complexities of this heritage and legacy construction system and their renovations, adaptive reuse, make-overs and fireground operations. Focusing on Building Construction and Tactical Fireground Considerations, Key Building Anatomy features, design systems and building size-up considerations, will be explored on this often-neglected building system. Collapse zone identification and management with integrated case studies and discussion on adaptive use, integrated engineering components and how to effectively Size-up and Read the Building and Safely operate at building fires of ordinary (type III) and heavy timber (type IV) construction. This program is for all ranks and experience levels and will address both main street buildings and stand-alone type III structures in common rural town settings and occupancies.

New for 2020 will be a tactical exercise component that rounds out the program. Continuing the New Tradition at Fire School and highly successful feature from past year's programs the class highlight consisting of a three-hour walking tour of buildings in downtown Grand Island learning first hand about construction features, how to read a building and tactical considerations. This highly interactive and thought-provoking program identifies integral functions impacting First-Due tactical decision-making and firefighting. This class is geared towards Company and Command Officers, however all ranks and experience levels will benefit from this program.

Student Course Limit: 60 Students (2 per department)  
**PPE NOT Required** - Classroom Only

## 202

### **Legal Smorgasbord**

Sponsor: NSVFA  
Instructor: Jim Egr, NSVFA Legal Counsel

This special six-hour course will be offered Saturday, May 16 from 8am-3pm with a lunch break. This class will answer questions, discuss concerns and address matters of interest to Rural Board members, Firefighters and Municipal Officials.

Participants may bring their discussion topics with them or provide them early to the NSVFA office at 402-761-2211 or by email to [staff@nsvfa.org](mailto:staff@nsvfa.org).

Student Course Limit: 30

## 203

### **Supporting Your Firefighter Spouse -FREE**

Sponsor: NSVFA  
Instructor: David Fulton - NSVFA Chaplain

We will present a 2-hour class Saturday afternoon for the spouses/significant other of First Responders (especially first responders new or fairly new to the fire service). This class will give them a feel for what to expect now that their loved one has become involved in the fire service. The children that come will go with Rhonda Cerny to the Fire Prevention class so that the adults can have a deeper, more serious discussion. We will use the NVFC booklet "What to Expect: A Guide for Family Members of Volunteer Firefighters". Allowing time to have class participants ask questions will be part of the class. Our plan is certainly not to scare them in any way, but to educate them and help prepare them so if there are some trying times that arise they won't be completely unprepared for them.

Student Course Limit: 50  
**PPE NOT Required.**



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## **204**

### **Fire Prevention Live - 2020!**

Sponsor: NSVFA Fire Prevention Team

Class Moderator: Rhonda Cerny

If you want to walk the walk and talk the talk for Fire Prevention then this is the class for you! As this class is targeted to fire prevention/education personnel, volunteers in your community, teachers and public education officers from fire departments, community groups and fire prevention co-op's, there will be fire prevention tricks of the trade available to everyone participating.

Fire Prevention Education is so important for all ages, both young and old. This Hands-on class will offer inventive ways to deliver effective fire prevention education and offer excellent information and materials that are available to assist you.

This is a great opportunity to start a new program in your department and a valuable resource to supplement your existing fire prevention efforts. Many of the class presentations will be made by firefighters that have successful programs currently being used in their departments. This class is a great place to develop a network of people understanding the importance of practicing fire prevention 365 days of the year.

We look forward to this year's class and hope you are able to join us we strive to bring you the latest and greatest in Fire Prevention Nebraska Style!!

Student Course Limit: 24

## **205**

### **Structure Protection During Wildland Fire Incidents**

Sponsor: Nebraska Forest Service

Instructor: Justin Nickless, Fire Management Specialist

Fires In the rural/ Urban interface can quickly become a major incident despite the number of acres burning, demanding a shift in wildland fire suppression tactics. As people continue to build homes in the rural areas, these fires-along with structural threats and losses- are becoming more common across Nebraska, particularly in increasingly populated areas of eastern Nebraska. This interactive course will utilize several actual fires as case studies to discuss incident command, firefighter safety, pre-incident planning , size-up and initial strategy, Structure triage, structure protection and tactical operations in the interface. Local Firefighters who took initial action during these events will also be on hand.

Student Course limit: 30

**PPE not required**

## **206**

### **Wildfire Tactical Leadership**

Sponsor: Nebraska Forest Service

Instructor: Seth Peterson, NFS Fire Management Specialist

Leaders within the fire service are faced with making some of the most difficult decisions on the fire grounds. If you are someone acting in that leadership role or have recently transitioned from follower to leader, this class is designated as a self-assessment opportunity for you to consider. This class consists of classroom instruction, tactical simulations, and team cohesion techniques. This class will be mostly hands on training and not "Death by PowerPoint". Topics will include leadership values & principals, transitioning challenges for new leaders, operational leadership, communications, and tactical decision making.

Student Course Limit: 20

**PPE NOT Required.**

## **207**

### **Agricultural Emergency and Extrication Principles**

Instructors: Brandon Willey and Justin Morehead

Students will become familiar with different types of agriculture related accidents and how the various incidents should be handled. Course content will include:

- Rescue equipment
- Rescue procedures
- Care of victim(s)
- Safety will be discussed and practiced.

Student Course Limit: 40

**PPE Requirements Apply all three days.**

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## **208**

### **Introduction to Firefighting**

Sponsor/Instructors: State Fire Marshal Training Division

This class will involve knowledge and skills training for the student on a variety of topics for the beginner. This class is NOT for those who have acquired firefighting skills. Students will be divided into groups for participation in each session. Topics include:

1. Fire Theory – 3 hours
2. SCBA – 3 hours
3. Fire Streams – 1.5 hours
4. Live Fire – 1.5 hours
5. Ladders – 1.5 hours
6. Hoses & Loads – 1.5 hours

Course Limit: 240 (4 per department)

**PPE Requirements including SCBA apply for all three days.**

## **209**

### **Advanced SCBA**

Sponsor: State Fire Marshal Training Division

Students will be taught the latest techniques for self-rescue and fire fighter survival, air supply monitoring and preservation, team accountability and communications, large and small area search and rescue techniques for both civilian and firefighters and sharing of air supplies through RIT connections and other methods.

Classroom activities will teach the students air concerns, inspection, maintenance and proper use of SCBA. Computerized equipment will be available to test all students SCBA face piece for proper seal and regulator flow testing will be demonstrated.

Students will be exposed to their own reactions of both the mental and physical effects of SCBA use upon the firefighter and taught how to deal with each in real time evolutions.

A newly designed situation solution and confidence development training module created by Kearney Fire Department will be available for use by all students to experience different fire scene problems and their solutions in simulated fire rescue situations.

Student equipment that does not meet required testing period dates will not be utilized. Students should be physically fit and able to perform strenuous tasks in full gear.

Student Course Limit: 40

**PPE Requirements: SCBA apply for all three days.**

## **210**

### **Basic Vehicle Extrication**

Sponsor/Instructors: SFM Training Division

This class provides emergency response with an understanding of the current challenges, techniques, skills & equipment used for the safe, effective extrication of patients from today's vehicles. The tools, equipment and techniques presented in this class are considered state-of-the-art practices used today but should not be looked at as the only practices for extrication.

Skills will be developed for scene safety, incident command and safe and timely rescue. Topics will include scene size up, vehicle size up, vehicle safety systems, vehicle stabilization, electrical shut down, hybrid vehicle safety concerns and other.

Addressed will be: Sections 6.4.1 & 6.4.2 of NFPA 1001 2008 Edition, Chapters 4, 5 & 10 of NFPA 1006 2008 Edition and Chapters 4,8 & 12 of NFPA 1670.

Student Course Limit: 35

**PPE Requirements are required on Saturday and Sunday of 3 day class.** Participants will need to provide personal safety eye protection.



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## **211**

### **Commercial Vehicle Extrication**

Sponsor/Instructors: SFM Training Division

**Pre-requisite: Basic Vehicle Extrication within last 24 months.**

This class is designed to provide emergency response personnel with an extended understanding of the challenges, techniques, skills and equipment used for the safe and effective extrication and removal of patients from commercial or heavy vehicles that are on the road today. The tools, equipment and techniques presented in this class are considered to be current state-of-the-art practices used throughout the country today, but should not be looked at as the only practices for extrication to be performed.

The information presented also addresses sections 6.4.1 and 6.4.2 of NFPA 1001 2013 Edition, Chapters 4, 5 and 10 of NFPA 1006 2013 Edition as well as Chapter 4 and 8 of NFPA 1670 2014 Edition covering the information needed to meet Operations and Technician level vehicle extrication training.

Students will develop skills needed to provide for scene safety, incident command as well as performing safe rescue of individuals trapped in vehicle accidents. Other topics discussed include: scene size up, vehicle size up, vehicle safety systems, vehicle stabilization, electrical and fuel shut down as well as techniques for door removal, dash lifts, and roof removals.

Student Course Limit: 35 (Hard Limit)

**Saturday and Sunday Only:**

**PPE Requirements Personal Safety eye protection** (meeting OSHA Z87) Wildland gear is allowable (per Fire Department)

## **212**

### **Forcible Entry Techniques**

Sponsor: State Fire Marshal Training Division

Participants will develop skills necessary to make entry into locked structures for the purpose of fire suppression, rescue, EMS assistance, etc. with minimal damage to the structure's design by reviewing forcible entry skills and building construction.

Several types of locks will be worked on and disassembled and entries made with provided forcible entry tools.

Student Course Limit: 40

**PPE Requirements Apply all 3 days of class.** All head protection must have eye protection in place.

## **213**

### **Basic Rope Rescue**

Sponsor: State Fire Marshal Training Division

Students will gain basic knowledge on ropes, rescue equipment, and personal protective equipment used in the high angle rope rescue environment. This course will consist of both classroom and skills training, including the practical applications and use of skills taught in this dynamic class. Safety is taught and stressed in this high-risk environment.

Student Course Limit: 40

**PPE Requirements: Lace-up type footwear, clean-welling fitting leather gloves (no dirty gloves) and a helmet with a chinstrap. Full length pants and appropriate shirt should be worn. No personal rescue equipment allowed. All equipment/rope used in class will be provided for by the SFMTD.**

## **214**

### **Fireground Operations**

Sponsor: State Fire Marshal Training Division

The course would have limited classroom time and maximum hands on repetition work. The course is based on activities that happen on most structure fires for every department: Crew assignments from the rig, connecting to a hydrant and laying in, dropping a portable water source and getting a supply to the engine, working with several different hose lays for supply and attack lines of all sizes, placing multiple ladders and understanding the methods of placing a ladder on the fire ground and how that may differ from the training ground, search and rescue, using the knowledge of building construction to help make solid decisions when a search is required, force entry to soften a structure and where it fits within the sequencing of operations, basics of saw work (not intending to be a truck academy though) handling and operations.

The course is primarily a teamwork and skills course that is intending to give options of operations, challenge to mind and body to use the skills that have been learned and put them to use in the most efficient way possible. The course is about drill work, sweat equity for the craft, becoming efficient at fire ground operations.

Student Course Limit: 25

**PPE Requirements including SCBA apply for all three days.**

## **215**

### **Pump Operations**

Instructors: State Fire Marshal Training Division

This course covers a variety of topics related to the operation of fire pumps on fire apparatus. Topics included; components and maintenance of a fire pump, principles of hydraulics, friction loss, nozzle pressure, nozzle reaction and basic hydraulics for application on the fireground. Combined with classroom and hands-on training students will increase their knowledge and skills to operate safely on any fireground situation.

Saturday and Sunday:

**PPE requirements applies for all evolutions as students will be actively working on and around fire apparatus.**

Student Course Limit: 30

## **216**

### **Introduction to Unified Command for All Hazards Incidents**

Instructors: National Fire Academy

This two-day course will provide students with an understanding of the Incident Command System (ICS) and resource management for the fire service and their application in both emergency and nonemergency situations.

This course addresses the need for an ICS, an overview of the structure and flexibility of ICS, an understanding of the command skills necessary to function effectively in an ICS structure, and the need to effectively manage your resources.

This course meets the requirements of ICS-100 and ICS-200.

Student Course Limit: 30



## **217**

### **Nebraska Fire Happenings**

Sponsor: Nebraska State Fire Marshal

Coordinator: State Fire Marshal's Office

This class will provide students an opportunity to hear information about current events and trends in the fire service as related to Nebraska.

Subject matter will cover both current and historic incidents that have and continue to play a role in our fire service history. Several instructors will participate in this class that is always interesting and dynamic. In 2020, this class will include a look back at the 2019 flooding events that occurred throughout Nebraska. Topics will also include fires events that have occurred and a look into outside resources available to fire departments.

Student Course Limit: 50

**No PPE is required. This is a classroom setting only.**

## **218**

### **Nebraska Fire Investigations**

Sponsor: Nebraska State Fire Marshal Investigations

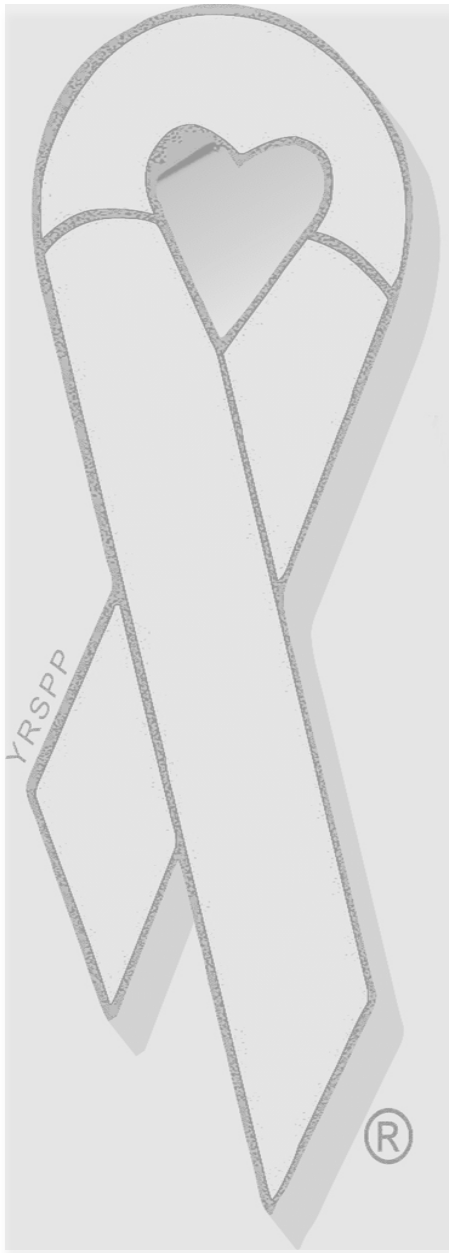
Coordinator: Adam Matzner, Chief of Investigations

This class will examine the fundamentals of basic fire investigation for responding firefighters and fire officers. Participants will discuss the information and observances that need to be collected to establish the basis for a thorough fire investigation and documentation for a (NEFIRS) fire incident report. Basic terminology and burn pattern analysis will be provided and reinforced through practical post fire scene exercises.

Student Course Limit: 50

**PPE is not required;** HOWEVER, work boots, older clothes and gloves are recommended for practical exercise. SCBA will not be needed. (Saturday Only)





On average, there are  
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## **219**

### **CSI – Nebraska**

Class Instructors:

TBA: NSP (1) or (2) NE Attorney General's Office  
SA Don Neily, Bomb Technician (FBI Omaha, NE)  
Jim K. Lawson, Past President, NSVFA

***Friday, May 15 – 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.***

***"Human Trafficking, EMS and the Fire Service"***

NOTE TO COMMITTEE: I am still awaiting a commitment from NSP Inv. TONY KA VAN I will follow-up with him to make sure we are in possession of the correct information for the Fire School program. (In the event Tony cannot do it again, I will contact Glen Parks at the NE. AG 's Office. They have assisted us before.)

Human trafficking anywhere is modern day slavery. Forced labor, sex trafficking and domestic servitude - It's happening in our communities! It's time to open our eyes, get informed and recognize human trafficking. Learn how Nebraska EMTs and firefighters can help and how they can make a difference.

***Saturday May 16 – 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.***

***"Bombs and Explosives" (Classroom)***

- Recognition of precursor chemicals used in improvised explosives.
- Recognition of IED components.
- Sources of acquisition of precursors and components. Familiarization with terrorist employment of improvised explosives

***Saturday May 16 – 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.***

***"Bombs and Explosives" (Field Demonstrations)***

- Stand-off distances for personal safety.
- Live demonstrations

The field lab session is conducted with the assistance of Nebraska State Patrol bomb technicians.  
(Bus transportation provided to off-site location)

***Sunday May 19 – 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.***

***"Firefighters, EMTs, Crime Scenes & Death Investigations"***

Law enforcement, EMT's and firefighters working together. Topics to be discussed include physical evidence, eyewitness accounts, confessions, probable cause, elements of an offense, scene safety and much more.

No PPE required. This is a classroom setting only.

Student Course: 60

## **220**

### **Livestock Emergency Response Training**

Sponsor: Nebraska Extension & NE Dept. of Ag

Hundreds of head of livestock are transported by commercial vehicle across Nebraska for the purposes of breeding, feeding and slaughter. Nearly all of these livestock are transported via truck and semitrailer. The objectives of the Livestock Emergency Response Plan (LERP) training aim to develop a framework local law enforcement, first responders and emergency management can use to more appropriately address accidents involving livestock transport vehicles.

This training aims to be consistent in covering all of the critically needed areas across the state, but it allows for flexibility to fit the needs of local jurisdictions.

Training includes the handling of animals in their everyday situations, handling of animals during times of stress and injury, how livestock trailers including semi-trailers function (an extrication exercise will take place), and how to properly euthanize all livestock species. Participants will gain hands-on experiences with animals and learn how to properly and effectively move animals, apply euthanasia techniques using captive bolt on practice animals and more.

Course Limit: 30

**PPE Requirements. Apply all 3 days of class.**

## **221**

### **Behavior of Fire and Applying Water for Fire Fighting Safety & Success**

Instructor: J.C. Mitera

This 12 hour classroom presentation has been designed for all levels of Fire Personnel. Students will focus upon some sciences involving the Behavior of Fire and Applying Water. Reading Smoke, Fire Control, Fire Command, and Emergency Scene Safety primarily while at structure fires will be emphasized. The program will provide insight how to utilize science principles rather than a random effort when attacking various fire situations. Students are encouraged to take notes. Student questions or related experiences will be welcomed.

Course Limit: 40

**PPE is not required**

## **222**

### **Staying Safe as a Fire Responder**

Instructor: Mark Meints

We must remember that life safety is "#1" and how important it is to stay safe while responding to, on the scene of and returning from a call. The class will begin with a comprehensive review of the National Incident Command System (NIMS), learning the six step incident response process, including a scenario.

"Stop the Bleed" The purpose of this campaign is to build national resilience by better preparing the public to save lives by raising awareness of basic actions to stop life threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies and man-made and natural disasters. You will be trained in basic bleed control techniques including how to apply a tourniquet to yourself or someone else that may save a life!

"National Traffic Incident Management" (TIM) training. You will learn the importance of safety on a crash scene. Upon completion of this course, you will receive a certification from the Federal Highway Administration. Learn how your department may be eligible for free safety equipment.

"Standard Response Protocol" (SRP) this training is from the "I Love You Guys" Foundation and adopted by the Nebraska Dept. of Education and used by schools across the state for all hazards response to emergencies. We will discuss how important it is for your fire and EMS departments to know what to expect when dispatched to your school when it is in a "Lock Out", "Lock Down", "Evacuating" or "Sheltering" situation.

Course Limit: 30

**PPE is not required**

## **223**

### **Resources for the New Fire Chief and New Chief Officers**

Instructor: Shane Cuttlers, Chief Raymond Volunteer and Rescue and Captain with Lincoln Fire & Rescue.

As a new Chief or Chief Officer, where do you find the resources within the State of Nebraska needed to run your department more effectively and efficiently? What laws are you required to follow and where can you find them? How do you not only plan for next year but the next 3-5 or 5-10 years?

#### **Subjects covered will include:**

1. Rural Boards Election & Responsibilities
2. Budgets, Mill Levy's, General and Sinking Funds
3. Emergency Funding for Hazmat & Wildland Fires

4. House Burn Permits & Requirements
5. Strategic Planning
6. Budgeting Apparatus & Equipment
7. Maintenance of Fire Apparatus
8. Recruitment & Retention
9. NeFIRS
10. Nebr. Forest Service Materials and Grants
11. Training Opportunities & What is Required
12. Your Significant Other and Family
13. State and National Resources
14. Critical Stress Management & Debriefing
15. All other items important to your department

Student Course Limit: 40

**PPE is NOT Required**



## 224

### **Grain Engulfment Rescue**

Instructor: Craig Bergland

This course provides the knowledge and skills required to perform a Grain Engulfment Rescue - the skills and knowledge required to rescue a victim engulfed in grain. This course requires a basic knowledge of Confined Space Rescue techniques as well as knowledge of lockout/tagout procedures as prescribed by OSHA and other regulations. Removal/rescue from grain bins and hoppers, grain bin cutting procedures, entrapment prevention and hazards of working in and around grain storage facilities are also addressed in this course. Removal of victims from locations requiring high-angle rescues is not covered in this course due to the advanced nature of this training.

Training for this course includes the use of the Institute's Grain Engulfment custom built 35' Rescue Trailer that contains a grain bin, grain hopper and metal (grain bin) cutting station that allows for replication (to the extent possible) the "real world" environment in which grain rescues occur. This trailer provides the realistic challenges of performing these rescues in a safe environment.

This class is an eight-hour class and instructors will provide students approximately four hours of free time which may be used to view vendors or participate in additional grain rescue simulations.

The class will provide three hours of classroom instruction on Friday which must be attended to participate in hands-on portion on Saturday and Sunday. Hands-on portion will begin Saturday afternoon after grain bin is loaded.

Student Course Limit: 45

**PPE Requirements: Hard toed work boots, leather work gloves, hard hat and eye protection (shields, safety glasses or goggles).**

## 225

### **EMS (Segmented Class)**

Coordinator: Rhonda Meyer, EMS Committee

EMS changes and ways of improving how we practice are in continuous motion. 2020 brings a new decade with challenges facing each and every EMS provider in the state. Early identification of Sepsis saves lives, getting in your comfort zone with care of pediatric patients, and scope of practice changes are a few of the lessons you will learn by attending this course. Variety of instructors will keep spark zest as we continue adding tools to our tool belt.

Course Limit: 60

## 226

### **Incident Leadership & Decision Making**

Instructor: Todd Manns, The Blue Cell, LLC

This workshop combines the attributes of tactical decision making with managerial decision making for leaders of all types. In addition to traits of leadership, the course explores the concepts of using a decision-making model in high stress environments. Through a series of activities, participants are exposed to the concepts of the Military Decision-Making Process and will learn how to adapt its usage to all hazard incident management and emergency management environments.

The workshop further incorporates concepts of the ICS and NIMS into the model and process.

**A working model (diorama) of a fictional town is used for the final exercise portion of the workshop along with matchbox vehicles for scenario play where leadership skills can be tested.**

Course Limit: 25

**PPE not required**

## 227

### **Live Flashover Training & Mobile Live Burn Simulator**

Instructors: Customized FF Training, Iowa, Jim Carpenter, Primary Instructor

If you want to get HOT "Hands on training," this class is for you! You will spend time in the classroom discussing vital lifesaving topics such as Modern Fire Dynamics from the latest NIST and UL studies, Transitional Attack, and S.L.I.C.E.R.S.

Instructors will utilize the most current research to assist in developing basic fire attack skills. Participants will then witness this training in action by entering Customized Firefighter Trainings live fire trailers.

One trailer is a fire attack simulator. It simulates a small house fire with propane burners and the use of class A materials. The other trailer is for flashover. This trailer lets the firefighter witness the awesome life cycle of an unfriendly fire from ignition to flashover.

Learn to recognize the conditions leading to Flashover—how it happens, how to recognize the rapidly developing fire, dense smoke, high heat, and rollover which are all present in the unit. Learn to use defensive techniques. Who would send a firefighter to face a situation in the real world that he has not seen in training?

Student Course Limit: 60 (2 Students per Dept.)

**PPE Requirements Apply. Students must be competent in hand line and nozzle operation and SCBA usage and should make every attempt to bring their own SCBA and a spare bottle, if possible.**



## Recruitment & Retention Seminar

Topics include: Leadership Challenges, management skills, R&R incentive programs, funding ideas, communicating your volunteer needs to the public, as well as developing & implementing local marketing plans.

Course Limit: 30  
**PPE not required**

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# NOTES



# NSVFA MEMBER BENEFITS

## Our Mission

"To provide a unified voice for the fire and rescue services across the state, to provide advice and guidance pertaining to legislative issues, to encourage education and training within the fire/rescue service and to promote a communications network across the state."

Membership in the Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association provides your fire department and its members with the following benefits...

**NEBRASKA FIREFIGHTERS NEWSPAPER:** A one year, monthly subscription to all NSVFA members with the subscription year beginning in October. This is a well read, professional communications tool of the NSVFA.

**FIRE SCHOOL DISCOUNT:** NSVFA members receive discounted Fire School class fees. Nebraska State Fire School is an annual event taking place the third weekend in May. Fire School is one of the great achievements of the NSVFA and the Fire School Committee. Through participation departments can continue to build and strengthen their programs.

**LEGISLATIVE/LOBBYING:** The NSVFA sponsors lobbying at state and national levels supporting a State Lobbyist and two representatives to the National Volunteer Fire Council. Each Year the NSVFA and the Nebraska Fire Chiefs Association choose legislative goals which senators may sponsor as bills.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH/DISEMBLEMENT INSURANCE:**  
\$4,000 Coverage is provided to each NSVFA member 24 hours a day. Coverage is "by member" to NSVFA members enrolled by September 1.

**CALIFORNIA CASUALTY AUTO & HOME INSURANCE:**  
This program offers special rates, money-saving discounts, exceptional customer service and unique firefighter benefits. To learn more or to get a quote call 1-866-680-5143 or visit [www.calcas.com/nsvfa](http://www.calcas.com/nsvfa)

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**LEGAL COUNSEL:** The Legal Advisor retained by the NSVFA is available to assist member departments with legal guidance. (Additional fees may apply to be determined.)

**COMMITTEES:** Members have an opportunity to serve and provide guidance on numerous committees appointed by the President of the NSVFA.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Professional, up to date information, calendar and activities of the NSVFA, the NVFC and the Nebraska Fire Chief's Association are available on the web at <http://www.nsvfa.org>. The office communicates important news with Fire Chiefs, members and area representatives for dissemination throughout the state through email at [staff@nsvfa.org](mailto:staff@nsvfa.org) and a web based Constant Contact system which any member may join. Like us on Facebook at Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter's Association.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** The NSVFA Annual Conference is held annually in October and is open to NSVFA members enrolled by October 1. The meeting supports leadership, business sessions and fellowship.

**LIAISON WITH NEBRASKA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION:** The Nebraska Fire Chiefs Association is supported through the NSVFA and actively promotes leadership and involvement at the highest level.

**ENTERPRISE RENTAL:** 5% off daily, weekly and monthly vehicle rentals. 50% off on the weekends.

**COLUMBIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY /WALDORF COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP:** Continuing educational opportunities for members at these 100% on line universities with 10 percent discount on all tuition rates, including a waived application fee and textbooks at no cost. Spouses and children are also eligible.

**LODD INSURANCE:** Upon the death of a NSVFA Member, a \$2,000 benefit shall be paid to be divided equally (if more than one) of the designated beneficiaries. The Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association will designate covered members as related to this policy.

**NATIONAL REPRESENTATION:** The NSVFA has one National Volunteer Fire Council Representative and one Alternate who attend national meetings annually, promoting the Nebraska State Volunteers Firefighters Association goals for its members.

**ELAN credit card:** Available to NSVFA members and family. NO annual fee, NO balance transfer fees, low interest rate, 24/7 customer service, each application supports NSVFA with a stipend from Elan.

**NEBRASKA FIREFIGHTERS MUSEUM AND EDUCATION CENTER/MEMORIAL:** The NSVFA is giving full support to the museum and education center/memorial which will give Nebraska Fire and Emergency services nationwide recognition. \$5.00 of each Fire School student registration supports the museum.

**RECOGNITION:** Awards programs are presented annually at Fire School to outstanding firefighters and departments in the State of Nebraska. A Browning Memorial award is also presented to a recognized individual each year at Fire School. 25 and 50 year members submitted by their department are recognized at the NSVFA Annual Conference. An Annual Conference Memorial Service and Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Service to honor deceased members are held each year.

**STATE AGENCY COOPERATION:** The NSVFA works closely with the NE State Fire Marshal, State Fire Marshal Training Division, NE Forest Service, NE State Patrol and NE State Emergency Management Agency and Dept of Health and Human Services.

More information  
available at [www.nsvfa.org](http://www.nsvfa.org)





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A white Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck with a utility body, equipped with various tools and equipment, parked on a paved surface. The truck has "CHEVROLET" and "SILVERADO" written on the side. It features a large red fire extinguisher mounted on the back, a toolbox, and other utility equipment. The truck is parked on a paved area with trees in the background.

A red and white fire truck is shown from a rear three-quarter view. It has a white storage compartment on the side and a ladder rack on the back. The truck is parked on a paved surface with trees in the background.

A white mobile office unit with 'CRESTLINE' branding and 'MOBILE OFFICE' text on the doors. The unit has a large open doorway in the center, revealing an interior with a desk and chairs. The unit is parked on a paved surface.

A side-profile photograph of a white and red Central City Ambulance truck. The truck features a large blue Star of Life logo on its side, with a white heart rate line graphic running horizontally across the middle. The text "CENTRAL CITY AMBULANCE" is printed in black on the side of the ambulance. The truck is parked on a paved surface in front of a building.



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