



**59<sup>th</sup> Annual  
Michigan Fire Inspectors Society  
Fall Educational Seminar**

September 9-12, 2008

Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center  
Michigan State University – East Lansing, MI

## **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

### **Tuesday, September 9**

- 7:30 am Registration – Coffee and pastries provided
- 9:00 am Opening Ceremonies
- 9:45 am State Fire Marshal Welcome & Update
- 10:15 am Keynote Address – Ronald Siarnicki, National Fallen Fire Fighters Foundation
- 11:30 am *Lunch – on your own*
- 1:00 pm Handling the Media to Your Advantage – Stephen Serkaian, Serkaian Communications
- 2:30 pm Break – Refreshments provided
- 4:00 pm Adjourn
- 4:30 pm Get Acquainted Reception – Red Cedar AB – *Please call and invite your Representative or Senator to this reception*

### **Wednesday, September 10**

- 7:30 am Registration – Coffee and pastries provided
- 8:30 am Politics and the Fire Inspector – Richard Marinucci, Fire Chief, Farmington Hills Fire Dept.
- 10:00 am Break – Refreshments provided
- 11:30 am *Lunch – on your own*
- 1:00 pm Legal Aspects for the Fire Inspector – Ray Walker
- 2:30 pm Break – Refreshments provided
- 4:30 pm Business Meeting

### **Thursday, September 11**

- 7:30 am Registration – Coffee and pastries provided
- 8:30 am Session 1 – Workshop Topics 1, 2, 3, 4 offered
- 9:50 am Break – Refreshments provided
- 10:10 am Session 2 – Workshop Topics 1, 2, 3, 4 offered
- 11:30 am *Lunch – on your own*
- 1:00 pm Session 1 – Workshop Topics 5, 6, 7, 8 offered
- 2:20 pm Break – Refreshments provided
- 2:40 pm Session 2 – Workshop Topics 5, 6, 7, 8 offered
- 5:30 pm Reception – Cash Bar – Big Ten Room A
- 6:30 pm Dinner – Big Ten Room A
- 7:30 pm Installation of Officers / Awards / Door Prizes  
Entertainment: Project 2 Improv Troupe – John Thiede

### **Friday, September 12**

- 7:30 am Registration – Coffee and pastries provided
- 8:30 am MSU Structural Fire Test Facility–Dr. Venkatesh Kodur, Structural Fire Safety & Diagnostics
- 9:45 am Measuring the Effectiveness of Fire Prevention – Casey Grant, NFPA Research Foundation
- 11:30 am Adjourn – Have a safe trip home!

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## **WORKSHOP TOPICS – for Thursday**

### **AM WORKSHOPS**

1. Review of U.L. Design Criteria – Robert James, Underwriters Laboratory
2. High Piled Storage – Combustible – Craig Tuokkola, Chubb Group of Insurance Companies
3. Kitchen Ceiling Systems – Carl Cressey, Halton Company
4. Time Management for the Fire Inspector–Beth Anne Spinner, Amway North America–Quixtar

### **PM WORKSHOPS**

5. Sprinkler Hydraulics Calculations – Bob Buchanan, Ahern Fire Protection
6. Methods of Fire Separations of Occupied Buildings While Under Construction/Modification – Jon W. Pasqualone
7. Green Buildings and Fire Safety – Jim Newman, Newman Consulting Group, LLC
8. Battery Calculations for Fire Alarm Systems – Thomas Hammerberg, American Fire Alarm Assn.

