

# Winter Fire School

## 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, January 24

## 8:00 a.m. - noon Sunday, January 25

### Hilton Garden Inn

1501 S. Neil St, Champaign (217) 352-9970

### Hotel accommodations

The Hilton Garden Inn and adjacent Homewood Suites by Hilton are offering special rates for Winter Fire School participants. Please identify yourself as a Winter Fire School attendee when making reservations. Information about other area lodging is available on the IFSI web site

### Low registration fee includes Saturday lunch

\$50 pre-registration (by January 5, 2009 5:00 p.m.)

\$60 after January 5, 2009 and at the door

### Registration check-in at the Hilton Garden Inn

Saturday: 6:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. *You must pick up your registration packet before proceeding to class*

### Register early to hold your place

Again this year: register online

[www.fsi.uiuc.edu/](http://www.fsi.uiuc.edu/)

or use the enclosed registration form and fax to 217-244-6790 or mail to Illinois Fire Service Institute, 11 Gerty Drive, Champaign, IL 61820. If the registration form is missing, you can get a copy on the IFSI web site.

**NOTE: Because of minimum student enrollment requirements for NFA classes, you must register for NFA classes before December 19, 2008.** If minimum enrollment is not met, class will be cancelled and students will be shifted to other available classes.

## Important dates

First day to advance register: November 3, 2008

Registration fee jumps to \$60: January 5, 2009

Last day to advance register: January 16, 2009

Email confirmations sent: December 29, 2008

Penalty to cancel starts: January 5, 2009



## Class schedule

### NFA classes

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

Saturday: 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

### Saturday Evening Bonus

7:00 p.m.

### Short track classes -- each available three times

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**12  
Hour  
Classes**



## **NFA Comes to Illinois**

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Nationally-recognized National Fire Academy (NFA) instructors will be in Champaign in January to teach these four 12-hour classes at Winter Fire School. With these classes you'll hear from top experts and gain a wealth of information that is not available through regularly taught courses.

**NOTE: A minimum number of students must register for each class before December 19 to ensure that NFA instructors are available. If minimum number is not reached, the class will be cancelled and students will be shifted to other available classes. Each NFA class has a maximum enrolment of 35 students.**

**Fire Behavior in a Single Family Residence: NFA (366)** Students will learn the burn characteristics of individual items commonly found in single family occupancies. Analysis of this data, based on room size, detectors, windows, etc. is used to discuss the interpretation and application to effective firefighting strategies. Videotaped test burns and burn data is used to develop an understanding of the value, applications and limitations of fire testing studies. This class is not a fire operations strategy or tactics course.

**Community Risk Issues & Prevention Interventions: NFA (347)** Students will learn a foundational overview of fire prevention education. The course teaches that the most effective way to combat community risk issues is to develop strategies that use the three "Es" of fire prevention (education, engineering and enforcement). The course provides the motivation and leadership for local organizations to enhance fire prevention efforts. The program is focused for individuals who have the responsibilities of designing and conducting fire prevention programs.

**Leadership II: Strategies for Personal Success: NFA (804)** Students will learn foundational leadership skills and tools needed to perform effectively in the fire service environment. Line officers or program supervisors will benefit from the topics of ethics, use and abuse of power, creativity and the management of multiple roles.

**Initial Response to Hazardous Materials Incidents-Basic Concepts: NFA (809)** This course is designed to give the students an understanding of the foundational concepts and techniques of hazardous materials first response. Instruction is based on OSHA and EPA standards. Practical applications and simulations are not included. All emergency personnel would benefit from this program.

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**Saturday Evening Bonus** This Saturday evening bonus class session will present a discussion on the investigation of civilian deaths in fires. Lessons can be learned from all fire incidents but especially those involving injury or loss of life. Possible fire causes, building construction issues, fire and smoke movement, and incident investigative photographs will be presented. Instructor Mike Deckelmann will present the program from the points of view of an experienced fire Investigator and an insightful Fire Officer. **Mike Deckelmann** is a second generation firefighter with 46 years in the fire service. He joined the Chicago Fire Department in 1967 and transferred into the CFD Office of Fire Investigation in 1984. Captain Deckelmann was the Senior Supervising Fire Marshal at OFI. Mike is a Field Staff Instructor for IFSI and is a Past President of the Illinois Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators.

## **4-Hour Classes**

### **Short Track Classes – Dynamic Instructors Each class offered three times over the weekend with unlimited enrollment**

**Look Up, Look Down, Look Around** This course helps the first responding initial attack resources examine the wildland fire environment and the indicators firefighters and supervisors should observe on the fireline in order to anticipate fire behavior. By understanding these indicators the first arriving officers / firefighters will make a more concise and accurate size-up, enabling them to order the appropriate additional resources necessary to bring the incident under control with the least risk to the responders and the public. *Instructors: Bill Farnum and Tom Richter*

**Farm Machinery Rescue** Many area departments will find themselves involved in this type of incident, especially during planting and harvest seasons. This class is designed to present the student with foundational information regarding common farm machinery related rescues. A variety of rescue situations and scenarios will be presented and discussed. *Instructor: Duane Bales* retired from the Collinsville Fire Department in 2002 after 26 years of service and became an IFSI Field Staff Instructor and the Vehicle/Machinery Coordinator and Metro East Representative. Students will benefit greatly from Duane's passion for quality automobile and machinery rescue operations.

**Rural Water Supply** The availability of enough water certainly affects the success and safety of all fire operations and many other emergency situations. How to get enough water to the fire is the primary focus of this class. Methods of moving water from the source to the fire scene will be presented. *Instructor: TBA*

**Forming the Attack Team on Scene** Organizing and structuring the fire scene is vital to successful and safe outcomes. This class presents the organizational concepts necessary to generate quality fire attack and other operational teams on the fire ground. *Instructor: Ray Hoff* is a retired Battalion Chief from the Chicago Fire Department and is presently the Fire Chief of the Topinabee, MI Fire Department. He is a 42-year veteran of the fire service, on IFSI's Field Staff, an Instructor for FDIC and routinely conducts independent instruction activities.

**Quality Customer Service** Have you ever thought about your community as being your customers? This course presents the training needed to inspire and encourage your organization to deliver a quality product no matter what the emergency. What your community thinks of your agency is a vital component to your success. Delivering "Quality Customer Service" is a foundational part of conducting truly successful operations every day. *Instructor: Barry Henby*

**Mayday-Calling for Help** Calling or hearing a "Mayday" on an emergency scene means the situation has become critical, perhaps life threatening. Being able to operate calmly and appropriately during this condition will most likely effect the successful outcome of the incident. When to activate a "Mayday" and how to respond are the major issues discussed in this class. *Instructor: Eddie Enright* is a third-generation member of the fire service and retired after 38 years from Chicago Fire Department where he served as a Deputy District Chief. He is member of the IFSI Field Staff, a Vietnam veteran and well known for his "Duty-Pride-Tradition" motivational speaking engagements.

**Passenger Train Emergency Response** Presented by Amtrak, this class is a must for any department that may respond to a passenger train incident. Information includes how to stop train traffic during rail emergencies, who to contact regarding passenger train problems and how to gain access to passenger rail cars. Information will also be provided on how to attend the follow-up "hands on" portion of the training in your department's area. *Instructor: TBA*

**Training Resource Showcase** This class will present many of the types of training opportunities that are available through the Illinois Fire Service Institute. Free CDs, DVDs and on-line materials will be presented via live on-line access demonstrations. IFSI library staff will discuss some of the materials that are available through the library system and the support available for your research needs. *Instructor: Rich Valenta*

**Fire Sprinkler Systems** This class is presented through the courtesy of the National Fire Sprinkler Association. Cecil Bilbo, the instructor for the course, is a designer and national instructor for NFSA. The basics of fire sprinkler systems along with how to support systems during a fire event will be covered. This is a great opportunity to ask about the things you've always wanted to know about automatic fire sprinkler systems. *Instructor: Cecil Bilbo, National Fire Sprinkler Association*