

## Philadelphia-Delaware Valley SFPE

# FLASHPOINT

### Special points of interest:

- \* BRING-A-FRIEND!
- \* Online Training
- \* Calendar



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## FEBRUARY “BRING-A-FRIEND” MEETING

**IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN THE CHAPTER, EACH MEMBER IS ENCOURAGED TO “BRING A FRIEND” TO THIS MEETING AT NO ADDITIONAL COST.**

**Date:** Tuesday, February 14th, 2023 ♥  
**Time:** 5:30 Fellowship - 6:00 Dinner/Program  
**Place:** Oliver Fire Protection and Security  
420 Feheley Drive, Suite A  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

**Program:** “Transitioning to Fluorine Free Foam Systems”  
Presented by: Pat Dixon, Perimeter Solutions

**Cost:** \$30.00 for dinner and the program.

**Reservations:** **Please RSVP by COB 02/09/2023**



We are happy to announce that we have recently recruited a new SFPE Corporate 100 Partner!

Congratulations to **WPW Consulting** and thank you for your support.

We are happy to accept online payments of dues and monthly meetings. Check it out at our website, [www.sfpephiladelphia.org](http://www.sfpephiladelphia.org), and in the lower right-hand corner of the page there is a heading “Payment Options”. Pick from the drop-down menu whether you are paying for annual dues, a virtual meeting, or an in-person meeting, click “Buy Now” and you will be directed to PayPal for processing.

**RSVP ONLINE AT: <https://forms.gle/XBMhDK1j3djdqpf86>**



## President's Spark **Jack Fairchild, PE, CFPS, CET**

Hello everyone,

It's been a busy for the chapter! Frank Ellis, John Kampmeyer, and I attended the FutureCity competition. This is an annual event to get kids interested in engineering. The students create a model of a city sometime in the future. Our chapter is a special award sponsor. This year's SFPE award went to St. Andrew Newton School in Newtown, PA for their "ceiling mounted sound fire extinguishers". Congratulations to them and thank you to Frank and John for their commitment to FutureCity.

A big thank you to Bill Wheeler for his companies commitment to SFPE by becoming a corporate 100 partner! WPW Consulting works in the oil and gas industry promoting fire safety. Be sure to thank Bill for his contribution when you see him. More information about the corporate 100 program can be found on the SFPE.org website.

The annual seminar and trade show is going to be held on April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Valley Forge Hotel. The formatting is the same as last year, a key note, two tracks of speakers, and 50 vendors.

Attendee tickets can be purchased here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/472570289457>

and vendor booths can be reserved here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/472590901107>

On the legislative front, PA has finalized it's PFAS rule. This is primarily a monitoring rule for water purveyors. Read the final rule here:

<https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pabull?file=/secure/pabulletin/data/vol53/53-2/46.html>

Finally, Philadelphia council has introduced a retrofit Residential Sprinkler requirement for high rises. This proposal hasn't been brought to council for a full vote, but is something we are closely monitoring. As seen in Chicago this week, residential high rise fires can be just as deadly as any other fire. Fire does not discriminate.

Be safe,  
Jack Fairchild

### FLASHPOINT

"The purpose of FLASHPOINT is to provide a forum for the transfer of information between members of the Philadelphia-Delaware Valley Chapter of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SFPE) and to give the Chapter visibility."

Newsletter/Publicity  
Committee:  
**Frank Ellis**

Information for publication  
can be submitted to:  
[dvsfpe@gmail.com](mailto:dvsfpe@gmail.com)

This Newsletter is  
published 9 or 10 times/  
year (September through  
June) and received as  
part of membership of the  
Chapter. Membership  
Dues are \$35.00  
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Fall of the Year.

Visit our web site at:  
[www.sfpephiladelphia.org](http://www.sfpephiladelphia.org)

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not necessarily those of  
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# VIRTUAL EVENTS

Sign up online at: <https://www.sfpe.org/events-education/calendar>

## Beyond the Checklist - A Virtual Handbook of Engineering Resources for WUI Property Fire Risk Assess

RESEARCH IN FIRE ENGINEERING SERIES

Feb 13, 13:00 - 14:00 (ET)

## SFPE Foundation WUI Summit

SUMMIT

Feb 15, 10:00 - 15:00 (ET)

## VIRTUAL ACCESS 2023 SFPE European Conference & Expo on Fire Safety Engineering

VIRTUAL EUROPEAN CONFERENCE

Mar 29 - 30, (ET)

# 2023 NFSA Training

## SAVE THE DATES

### Fire Pumps 101, Fire Pumps for High Rises, and Fire Pumps for Multiple Water Supplies

VIRTUAL

TUESDAY MARCH 21, 2023

9:00AM - 12:00PM

### Fire Sprinkler Plan Review

IN-PERSON

TUESDAY MAY 16, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Montgomery County Fire Academy

WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Gloucester County Fire Academy

THURSDAY MAY 18, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Sprinklerfitters Local 696, Millburn, NJ

### Understanding, Applying & Enforcing NFPA 25

IN-PERSON

TUESDAY DECEMBER 12, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Montgomery County Fire Academy

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Fire University, PennsGrove, NJ

THURSDAY DECEMBER 14, 2023

8:30AM - 3:30PM

Sprinklerfitters Local 696, Millburn, NJ

REGISTRATION OPENS SOON!

# 2022/2023 SFPE PDVC MEMBERSHIP NEWS

To enhance our distribution list and make sure that we are using the most up-to-date information to reach out to all of our membership, we ask that you please submit a new membership form with every membership renewal. Membership forms can be submitted digitally to [dvsfpe@gmail.com](mailto:dvsfpe@gmail.com) or mailed in with your annual dues. Annual dues are \$35 and can be paid by mailing a check or by visiting our website at [www.sfpephiladelphia.org](http://www.sfpephiladelphia.org) and following the below instructions.

**SFPE Philadelphia Delaware-Valley Pay your Dues Online!** Thanks to We accept online payment of dues and monthly meetings. Check it out at our website, [www.sfpephiladelphia.org](http://www.sfpephiladelphia.org), and in the lower right-hand corner of the page there is a heading "Payment Options". Pick from the drop-down menu whether you are paying for annual dues, a virtual meeting, or an in-person meeting, click "Buy Now" and you will be directed to PayPal for processing.

## EVENT CALENDAR

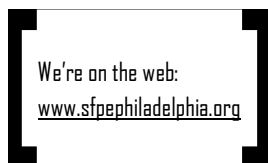
UPCOMING PHILADELPHIA-DELAWARE VALLEY SFPE MEETINGS AND EVENTS:				
Date	Meeting Type	Event	Location	Time
2/14/2023	Monthly Meeting	Transitioning to Fluorine Free Foam Systems	Oliver Fire Protection	TBD
2/21/2023	<b>SPECIAL EVENT</b>	Joint Training with Chesapeake Chapter SFPE	General Air Products	10am-2pm
3/14/2023	Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD
4/20/2023	<b>SPECIAL EVENT</b>	Annual Seminar and Trade Show	Sheraton Valley Forge Hotel - King of Prussia	7am-3pm
5/9/2023	Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD



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## Mission Statement

The Philadelphia/Delaware Valley Chapter purpose is to advance the art and science of fire protection engineering and its allied fields, for the reduction of life and property losses from fire, to maintain high ethical standards on engineering among its members and to foster fire protection education.

Recognition of fire protection engineering as a discrete engineering discipline is a prime goal. Engineering disciplines exist because there is a special body of knowledge based on the fundamentals of mathematics, physics, chemistry, engineering science and economics.

The chapter strives to facilitate sharing of sound engineering experiences and knowledge between its members and the fire protection community in general with an active program of education and scholarship activities.



The SFPE Philadelphia Delaware Valley Chapter Board of Directors has decided that fire protection engineering related job announcements will be welcomed in the Flashpoint newsletters. Job Announcements will be \$50 per month for a 1/3 page advertisement. Submittal of artwork / text to be included in the advertisement is required. If you are interested, please reach out to the DVSFPE Secretary, Frank Ellis, at [dvsfpe@gmail.com](mailto:dvsfpe@gmail.com).

### Officers for 2022-2023

The officers elected at the May 2022 business meeting are as follows:

**President:** Jack Fairchild

**1st Vice President:** Ryan Schartel

**2nd Vice President:** Tim Murray

**Secretary:** Frank Ellis

**Asst. Secretary:** Phil Kerschner

**Treasurer:** Caleb Demree

**Directors 2021-2023:** Dan DeDominic, William Wheeler

**Directors 2022-2024:** Joe Chew

