

FLASHPOINT



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DECEMBER JOINT MEETING

The regular monthly SFPE chapter meeting is cancelled for this month due to the joint meeting with AFSA, NFSA and ASCET

- Date:** Tuesday, February 13th, 2024
- Time:** 5:30 pm Program
- Place:** **Virtual Meeting**
- Program:** Smoke Control by Dave Stacy of Performance Based Fire Protection Engineering
- Cost:** \$15.00, by check, \$16.00, pay on website for program.
- Meeting Link:** <http://tinyurl.com/7mkwtc3y>
- RSVP by February 9th 2024 using the link at the bottom of the page.

We are happy to accept online payments of dues and monthly meetings. Check it out at our website, 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/SRSscAprBWsExJwg8>



President's Spark Ryan Schartel, CFPS

In January we started 2024 with a joint dinner meeting with our colleagues at the local AFSA, NFSA, and ASCET chapters at the Hotel West and Main in Conshohocken, PA. This month will be another slight change in pace as we will be going back to having a virtual meeting. While it's nice to be back in person, the pandemic also gave us the opportunity to have speakers present from outside our region, so we will be taking advantage of that again. The presentation will be on smoke control presented by Dave Stacy from Performance Based Fire Protection Engineering. So, you can enjoy February's meeting and presentation from the warmth and comfort of your own home.

Applications have been sent out to various colleges and universities for the 2023-2024 John D. Cook III and Philip L. Gaughan Scholarship Funds. The applications can also be found on the chapter website. If you know anyone currently in school and studying Fire Protection Engineering, or another allied field such as fire science, occupational safety, engineering, or architecture with an interest in fire/life safety, then please encourage them to apply. The criteria for scholarships can be found with the applications.

The 2024 Seminar and Trade Show planning continues to take shape. The registration link for vendors is now up and running. We are still working on getting everything squared away for the registration process for attendees, so please stay tuned and continue to mark your calendars for Thursday April 18th.

Best regards,
Ryan Schartel

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"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:

Joe Wooley

Information for publication can be submitted to:

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 \$30.00 before November 1st and \$35.00 after, collected annually.

Visit our web site at:

www.sfpephiladelphia.org

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VIRTUAL EVENTS

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

Protection Flammable and Combustible Liquids: San Antonio, TX

IN PERSON SEMINAR

Feb 6-8, 8:00 - 17:00 (CT)

An Introduction to Dual Technology Air Sampling Fire and Smoke Detection with Cirrus Hybrid

WEBINAR SERIES

Feb 16, 11:00 - 12:00 (ET)

Addressing Warehouse Sprinkler Design and Fire Service Disconnect

WEBINAR SERIES

Feb 20, 11:00 - 12:00 (ET)

Using Nitrogen Gas to Avoid Corrosion in Fire Sprinkler Systems

WEBINAR SERIES

Feb 28, 11:00 - 12:00 (ET)

Stair Pressurization and Considering Open Doors - A CONTAM and FDS Study

WEBINAR SERIES

Feb 29, 11:00 - 12:00 (ET)

2024 NFSA In-Person Training



Coming Soon...

2023/2024 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 or mailed in with your annual dues. Annual dues are \$35, they can be paid by mailing a check or by visiting our website at www.sfpephiladelphia.org and following the below instructions.

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EVENT CALENDAR

UPCOMING PHILADELPHIA-DELAWARE VALLEY SFPE MEETINGS AND EVENTS:				
Date	Meeting Type	Event	Location	Time
2/13/2023	Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD
3/12/2023	Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD
4/18/2023	Trade Show	Annual SFPE DV Seminar and Trade Show	Sheraton Valley Forge Hotel - King of Prussia	TBD
5/14/2023	Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD



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.

We're on the web:
www.sfp Philadelphia.org



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, Joe Wooley, at dvsfpe@gmail.com.

Officers for 2023-2024

The officers elected at the May 2023 business meeting are as follows:

President: Ryan Schartel

1st Vice President: Tim Murray

2nd Vice President: Frank Ellis

Secretary: Joe Wooley

Asst. Secretary: Phil Kerschner

Treasurer: Caleb Demree

Directors 2022-2024: Joseph Chew, Ilyya Trofymenko

Directors 2023-2025: Dan DeDominic, William Wheeler

