

FRIDAY PRE-EVENT WORKSHOP | 6:30-9:30 P.M. DINNER: 6:00 P.M.

Being the Company Officer You Always Wanted \$20 (meal provided)

A meal will be served with this class at 6:00 PM courtesy of SERVPRO with desert of Amish pie and ice cream courtesy of FirstNet/ AT&T

Presenter: David Woodward, Eldon, Missouri FD, Batallion Chief of the Min-Mo Ambulance District Of benefit to current and future officers, this highly interactive class will have conversation that covers the ins and outs of being a successful company officer. Class members will drive much of the discussions based off basic leadership principles, expectations both directions, training, and general success strategies for new and experienced company officers. In this workshop we will discuss things you need to know and things you should do as a current or future Iowa Fire Chief or Fire Officer.

David Woodward is a 27 year firefighter-paramedic and currently serves as a firefighter with the City of Eldon, Missouri Fire Department and is the Battalion Chief of the Mid-Mo Ambulance District. David and his wife Elizabeth are the co-founders of Revolutionary Fire tactics at the Lake Fire Conference, as well as One Warrior LLC, their training company.



SATURDAY KEYNOTE | 8:15 – 9:15 A.M.

The Fire Department’s Role in Fire Scene Preservation and Subrogation
Presenter: Cory Benge, Fire and Explosion Investigator | Former Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal Each year, insurance carriers pay billions of dollars in claims for property damage caused by fires, and they aggressively pursue subrogation opportunities through legal counsel, private investigators, and engineering experts. A successful fire origin and cause investigation starts with the fire department’s understanding of the critical importance of fire scene preservation. With a foundational understanding of the investigative process, fire departments and private-sector investigators can collaborate effectively to bring closure to fire victims and help prevent future incidents. Cory will discuss how you and your department can play can an essential role in the subrogation process.


Cory has over 20 years of experience in the fire service, beginning his career as a volunteer firefighter in 2001 before joining the Ottumwa Fire Department as a professional firefighter in 2003. After completing the State Fire Marshal’s Fire Investigation Class in 2008, Cory transitioned into fire origin and cause investigations. His expertise in this field led to his promotion to Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal in 2012, a role he held until leaving the public sector in May 2023. He now serves as a full-time fire and explosion investigator for IFIC, while continuing his commitment to the community as a volunteer firefighter.



SATURDAY ALL DAY BREAK OUT COURSES | 9:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.


 **Continuing Education:** Classes qualifying for EMS credit  **Hands On Class:** Classes with hands on training


Advanced Vehicle Extrication  
Instructors: Professional Rescue Innovations (PRI)
Students will learn how to identify and isolate potential hazards to both you and the patient. Focus on Supplemental Restraint Systems (SRS) and the hazards that these systems pose to today’s firefighters. Students will demonstrate advanced stabilization, extrication and patient handling techniques. Students will work in a team environment and led through evolutions including vehicles on their side and roof using heavy hydraulic and non-hydraulic extrication tools. Upon completion of these evolutions, you and your now “ready to respond” crew will engage in real time staged multi vehicle extrication scenarios. (EMS Ops, 6 CEHs)
Equipment Required: Full turnout clothing, fire helmet, safety glasses, boots, & leather gloves

Critical Thinking for the Aggressive Firefighter: The One Warrior Mindset
Presenter: David Woodward, Revolutionary Fire Tactics at the Lake
The One Warrior mindset sets the stage for an aggressive firefighter to be an example of an exceptional tactician, teacher, leader, and strategist. Aggressive firefighting not only requires a solid set of skills, but also the ability to make sound operational judgements. These judgments rely on excellent critical thinking and reasoning abilities, which are based on current knowledge, past experiences, evidence-based practices, and overall expertise. Here’s your chance to explore the one warrior mindset and learn how to make sound operational judgments. Participants will engage in active learning opportunities to enhance their understanding of critical thinking and operational reasoning. Together we will explore the use of current evidence-based practices and research for effective decision-making on the fire ground.

Disasters 101- Fire Service’s Role in Disaster Response 
Presented by: Tim Richmond, IACEM, B.A., Director, Wapello Co. Emergency Management Agency
An F5 tornado has just hit your community! Now what? What do you do first? Who do you call? In this course we will discuss the overall framework of how disasters should be managed and what role local fire departments play. Use of the Incident Command System will be discussed. All disasters start and end LOCAL. Learn how your department makes the critical difference! (EMS Ops, 6 CEHs)

Emergency Vehicle Driver Training  
Instructor: Fire Service Training Bureau Field Staff (FSTB)
Emergency vehicle operators are responsible for the safe operation of the emergency vehicle during both emergent and routine calls for service. Safety of the passengers riding on the apparatus, other drivers using the road, and pedestrians must be a top priority for any emergency vehicle operator. In this class, participants will learn valuable information regarding laws affecting safe operation, general maintenance procedures, and required department training regarding emergency vehicles. This class has combined classroom lecture and emergency vehicle operation utilizing the Fire Service Training Bureau’s NEW mobile driving simulator(s). Students will operate and learn from the various scenarios offered within the driving simulator program. With a variety of emergency vehicles to choose from within the program, all participants will gain valuable information on vehicle handling characteristics. (EMS Ops, 6 CEHs)


Fire Investigation 
Presented by: Cory Benge, Fire and Explosion Investigator | Former Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal
This course will present a basic overview of a fire investigation. Students will review the basics of fire chemistry and develop an understanding of the role of the first responder in relation to fire suppression and fire investigation. The course will stress the importance of fire scene awareness, evidence identification, preservation, and the basics of a fire investigation. Students will develop an appreciation of the convergence of suppression, investigation, science, and law.

Handling Liquid Propane Emergencies 
Instructors: Fire Service Training Bureau Field Staff (FSTB)
Handling Propane Emergencies is a program designed for all firefighters who may be called upon when propane is inadvertently released from its container. The course starts with a classroom session on the physical properties and characteristics of propane, followed by hands-on evolution demonstrating the proper offensive and defensive techniques for a propane device leaking product while on fire.
Equipment Required: Full NFPA compliant PPE including SCBA and spare cylinder if available.





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Interior Fire Attack 
Instructors: Fire Service Training Bureau Field Staff (FSTB)
Participants in this class will gain information and practice the skills required to enter structures at ground level. The basic principles of firefighter safety, fire behavior, thermal layering, ventilation, stages of fire and fire streams will be reviewed in the classroom. Students will put their knowledge to use in the FSTB newest two-story Mobile Fire Training Trailer. This training unit will simulate conditions encountered in actual interior structure fires. During the evolutions the student will be able to practice SCBA usage, hose handling skills, communications, and fire attacks simulating ground level, basement fires, and above ground fires. Accountability and incident command principles will be used during the training evolutions. Prerequisites: Basic knowledge and experience in the areas of safety, fire behavior, ventilation, fire hose appliances, and fire streams.
Equipment Required: Full NFPA compliant PPE including SCBA and spare cylinder if available.

New Vehicle Technology
Instructors: Jerry Eslick, Professional Rescue Innovations (PRI)
This program is a dynamic learning experience highlighting information on new technology found in today’s vehicles. This program is designed for all emergency responders since new technology impacts the response to many different situations, from vehicle lockouts to vehicle fires to motor vehicle crashes. Emergency personnel will be educated on the unique dangers surrounding these Hybrid and EV vehicles and how to minimize the risk to both themselves and victims. From an in-depth look at the technology in response procedures, this training covers everything needed to operate safely and effectively around these electric vehicles.

Pump Operations 101 
Instructor: Fire Service Training Bureau Field Staff (FSTB) & PRI staff.
Water continues to be the most practical and commonly used agent for extinguishing fires. This course deals with the actions required to effectively understand hoses, nozzles and appliances, pumps, as well as the delivery of water in an effective manner to mitigate incidents. Without question, fire department pumpers are the most important apparatus used for controlled application of water and other extinguishing agents. No fire department can operate without pumping apparatus. This course is one of the easiest methods to attempt to ensure that all pump operators perform properly and professionally. Participants will utilize the Fire Service Training Bureau’s NEW fire pump simulators for this class.

Side X Side and Wildland Fire Safety 
Instructor: Mark Neff, Fire Service Training Bureau (central staff), Fire Chief Oskaloosa Fire Department (retired)
The use of UTVs and SXS is become more common everyday with rural fire departments. While utilizing these machines for wildland fire suppression saves time and energy for department responding to wildland fires, many departments are not putting together any SOG’s for the staff to safely operate and understand the operating characteristics of these OFF-ROAD machines. Damage to equipment and personal injury to operators are becoming more common. Participants in this class will learn about the capability of the machines they are being asked to operate, safe driving techniques, and the dos and don’ts of operating the winch system if equipped. This class is a combined lecture and hands-on session. Participants are asked to bring their department SXS or UTV for the hands-on portion of the class if possible.

Equipment Required: Wildland or Structural PPE (including head, eye, and hand protection) (No SCBA)

Tactical Considerations on the Fireground 
Instructors: Will Munley, Cole Owens, Ottumwa Fire Department
This will be a down and dirty tactical class that will focus on the first priorities of any structure fire for first due units. From adding to the traditional 360 size-up, to flowing quick water and conducting aggressive searches in little to zero visibility using modern science and practices from current industry leaders. This class aims to meet the needs of both rural and urban fire departments for members with all levels of experience. Hands-on portion will be heavily involved, students should be prepared to go to work.
Equipment Required: Full NFPA compliant PPE including SCBA and spare cylinder if available.



REGISTRATION & OTHER INFORMATION

For more information and the link to register go to: <https://indianhills.edu/cews/fireschool.php> When registering, participants should indicate 1st and 2nd course choice. If a session has filled or is cancelled, the participant will be moved to their second choice course.

LOCATION

Fire School registration will be held at the IHCC North Campus in the North Advanced Technologies Building (Workforce Training Center) and (Former Aviation Building) 14383 College Ave. Maps and directions are available by clicking on “campus Locations” at the bottom of the IHCC website www.indianhills.edu

T- SHIRTS

Due to the gracious support of sponsors, T-shirts will be provided for all participants. Please indicate your shirts size when you register. Additional T-shirts may be ordered when registering, or a few may be available at fire school for \$15 each.

HEALTH LIABILITY WAIVER & RELEASE

All participants acknowledge that they are aware of the risks associated with participation in such courses and voluntarily agree to assume such risks. IHCC, except as provided under Chapter 669 of the Code of Iowa relating to tort claims, shall not be held liable for damages or injuries to students or persons participating in the fire school. There may be some programs presented that require significant physical exertion. 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 certain programs. Individuals may be removed from the hands-on portion of a session should there be health-related concerns.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Several of the courses at fire school have the requirement of “Full NFPA protective clothing and SCBA.” For those classes, students must provide the following to participate:

- Helmet (NFPA compliant)
- Gloves (Cal OSHA or NFPA compliant)
- Protective hood
- Coat and pants with liner (NFPA)
- SCBA with spare cylinder
- Fire fighting boots

Individuals with facial hair or hairstyles that interfere with the proper seal of the SCBA will not be allowed to participate in the hands-on portion of classes requiring SCBA use. Protective hoods over beards are not approved.

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025

6:00 PM – 6:30 PM	Dinner (provided)
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM	Pre-event Workshop

SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2025

7:30 AM - 8:15 AM	Breakfast, Check In, Vendor Hall Open
8:15 AM - 9:15 AM	Keynote
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	All day & AM Classes in Session
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch (provided)
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	All day & PM Classes in Session

SESSION COSTS

Two prices are listed for each course, the lower price indicates the “Early Bird” price for registering before March 1st. The second higher price is for registrations after March 1st. Refunds will not be allowed after March 12th, however substitutions may be made up to the conference start. Walk-in registrations are accepted for classes on a space-available basis only.

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SATURDAY ALL DAY SESSIONS			
Vehicle Extrication	\$50*		\$55
One Warrior Mindset	\$60		\$65
Disasters 101	\$50		\$55
Emergency Vehicle Driver	\$50*		\$55
Fire Investigation	\$50		\$55
Propane Emergencies	\$50*		\$55
Interior Fire Attack	\$50*		\$55
New Vehicle Tech	\$50*		\$55
Pump Ops 101	\$50*		\$55
S X S Wildland FF	\$50		\$55
Tactical Considerations Fireground	\$50		\$55

Tuition Reduction

*Tuition in some classes has been reduced due to support from the Volunteer Fire Fighters Fund with cooperative assistance from the Fire Service Training Bureau.

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