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## **Lorrell Bush named Executive Director Florida Fire Sprinkler Association a chapter of NFSA**

The Florida Board of Directors unanimously voted to name Lorrell Bush Executive Director for the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association. Lorrell has worked as Executive Assistant to Buddy Dewar, VP of Regional Operations for the past 5 plus years and has worked closely with Florida's Executive Director starting with Steve Randall in 2006 and then Bob Trotter and most recently Dr. Dave Bowman. Lorrell has been involved in every aspect of Regional Operations working on many projects throughout the years and has a background in the fire sprinkler industry. Lorrell Bush replaces Dr. Dave Bowman who has left the NFSA and is pursuing a political career. Dr. Bowman is running for State House of Representative – District 21 in Marion County. Dr. Bowman is a friend to the industry and we wish him well as he works toward his goal of making Florida a safer place to live.

### **January 2012 – NEW NICET (NFPA 25 Class) Free to AHJ's**

Coming in January Three (3) Day - 24 CEU's (24 NICET CPD's)

**January 18-20, 2012**

Advanced Fire Protection Training Room  
37 Tupelo Ave., SE

Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548

**January 23-25, 2012**

Hilton Altamonte Springs  
350 S. Northlake Blvd.

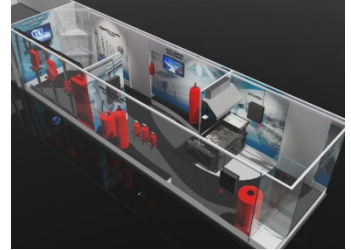
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

\*\*Special Room rates of \$94.00 per night – call 407-830-1985 -code FFSA

Click [HERE](#) for class details

## November Area Interest Meetings....VERY Well Attended

Starting in Pensacola where we partnered with Tyco FireXChange where we had more than 35 AHJ's and contractors come by and join us for lunch while touring the Tyco FireXChange Demo trailer. A great time of networking, learning and earning CEU's



We left Pensacola and headed for Tallahassee. Special thanks to Chief Vickers and Chief Gatlin who made it possible for us to have a Side by Side Fire Sprinkler Demonstration. We had 40 – 50 present to watch the demonstration as well as the local press and FAMU press. It was a great demonstration with our partners at the Tallahassee Fire Department and we are actively working on securing a date for the next demo in Tallahassee.



After Tallahassee we had three more meetings held in Tampa, Orlando and Jacksonville visiting with about 100 more AHJ's and Contractors. Presentation was by our newest SAM member Florida Aquastore. Peter Boccagna and John Viale did a great job on a presentation about Factory-coated, Bolted-Steel Tanks for fire protection (manufacturing, design & construction.) There was lots of great information and some great questions from the audience. Peter and John have agreed to come back in February and present to our South Florida group. It was a busy month with a great outcome. Next round of meetings coming in February.

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Florida Edition



## Conference scheduled for May 2012 at World Golf Village



Beautiful World Golf Village will be the setting for our Spring Conference 2012. May 21- 24, 2012 we will have 32 CEU's available to Florida Contractors and AHJ's including the mandated classes required by the State of Florida. We have an exciting line up including classes in protecting yourself in Worker's Comp cases, Debt Collection, Improving your team to provide better Customer Service, Legislative updates and much more. We have negotiated a special room rate of \$139.00 per night. Check out our website for more details. [www.floridafiresprinkler.com](http://www.floridafiresprinkler.com)

## 2012 Florida Board of Directors

Voting is complete for the Florida Fire Sprinkler Association Board Member seats 2012. Congratulations to Terry Noonan, Clark Gey, Dave Haney, Lenny Hollis, Pete Sautie, Zarko Ognjenovic on retaining their seats for another term. And we welcome our newest contractor member Jerry Huff of J&J Fire Protection, Sunrise, FL and in a very close SAM Board election welcome to Clint Decuir of Tyco Fire and Building Products and George Nicola of Reliable Automatic Sprinkler Co., Inc. The next Florida Board of Directors meeting will be held in Tallahassee on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012. As with all BOD meetings all members are invited and encouraged to take part. Working together for a safer Florida.

## Preparing for the Next Legislative Session

The FFSA Board of Directors along with the AFSA Board of Directors will be holding a joint meeting in Tallahassee on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to discuss the issues that face our industry. The fire services have been under attack by many legislators who are speaking out against fire service issues. It is critical that we stay informed and work together. We want to be heard in Tallahassee and we need to work together as one voice. Please make sure to stay on top of the legislative issues by checking out our website at [www.floridafiresprinkler.com](http://www.floridafiresprinkler.com) with the latest updates, if you are a member of NFSA or AFSA plan to attend one of our board meetings so that you can see where you can help so that our voices are heard. ***We need you to stay engaged on legislative issues.***

## NFSA ONLINE Interactive Seminars Upcoming Schedule

### ***December 13, 2011 – Types of Pipe***

This seminar will provide an update on the types of pipe allowed for use in fire sprinkler systems under the various NFPA sprinkler installation standards and different occupancy hazard classifications. It will include a review of the joining methods permitted for the various types. It will also address the limitations of special listed piping products, such protection requirements versus when piping can be exposed, and discuss current compatibility concerns.

**Instructor:** Russell P. Fleming, P.E. - Executive Vice-President

**Level:** Beginner

### ***January 10, 2012 – Introduction to Standpipes***

Standpipe systems are required in buildings that are four stories or more to fight fires in these larger structures. This seminar serves as an introduction to standpipe systems, NFPA 14, and this series of standpipe lessons. It covers the general types, classes, and components of these systems as well as typical layouts used for standpipe systems.

**Instructor:** Karl Wiegand, E.I.T. - Manager of Installation Standards

**Level:** Beginner

### ***January 24, 2012 – Class II Standpipe Systems***

NFPA 14 defines three different classes of standpipe systems. The Class II Standpipe System is the simplest of the three, being designed for trained personnel in the building that arrive before fire department apparatus. This seminar will discuss the purpose, design and calculation of Class II systems including how to determine where hose connections need to be located and pressure limitations on the water discharging from the system.

**Instructor:** Kevin J. Kelly, P.E. - NFSA Consultant

**Level:** Beginner

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