



24th Annual Conference & Training Symposium



Welcome to Charleston!

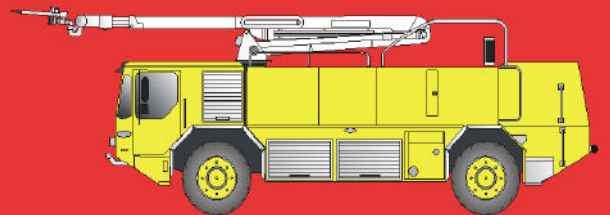


"ARFF... A Global Perspective"



2013

Embassy Suites Hotel
Charleston, SC
October 28-31, 2013





You are cordially invited
to the
ARFF Working Group's
24th Annual Conference
& Training Symposium

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Why Charleston? The Charleston area's unique size and authentic character will envelope you in the old world charm of their colonial seaport while you can easily explore the picturesque beauty of the nearby barrier islands and historic plantations. A bounty of award-winning cuisine, niche tours, engaging attractions, one-of-a-kind venues and locally-made souvenirs are waiting to be discovered.

Charleston Int'l Airport: You'll arrive and depart at the beautiful Charleston International Airport located in North Charleston, just minutes from all destinations in the Charleston area. Arrival/departure gates, the baggage claim area and ground transportation areas are all on one level to help speed you on your way! The Charleston International Airport, complete with international customs facilities, is designed for speed and comfort. With more than 118 flights per day, and ever increasing non-stop service from destinations throughout the U.S., getting here is a breeze.

Notice of the annual meeting of the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Working Group, Inc. is hereby given. The meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 5055 International Blvd., North Charleston, SC 29148, October 29, 2013, 9:00 A.M. local time. The meeting is called for the purpose of receiving annual reports of the Officers and Directors, and to transact such business which comes before the ARFFWG. Only members of record as recorded in the Home Office of the ARFF Working Group by August 29, 2013 shall be entitled to vote at the meeting.

The ARFF Working Group Annual Conference and Training Symposium is the premier event for the aviation firefighting industry. This 4-day program will be packed with seminars, workshops and the opportunity to network with fellow airport firefighters and industry experts from around the world. Exhibit space will be ample. This may be your one chance to see firsthand the newest technology in the aviation fire fighting industry.

Come join us for this conference. The program will feature an impressive line-up of speakers addressing interesting and informative topics. And if you decide to stay a few extra days after the conference for continued fun and networking, we doubt you will be alone. Take advantage of the pre and post hotel rates we have secured at the Embassy Suites North Charleston.

CALL FOR PAPERS - CONFERENCE TOPICS

If you are interested in presenting at the ARFF Working Group 2013 Annual Conference, a "Call for Papers" is currently being advertised on our website. Some of the topics and subject matter we would like to present at this year's conference are:

- Case studies on recent events and aircraft incidents
- Hot topics and areas of concerns for the ARFF community
- New future for ARFF
- International ARFF
- New technology
- ARFF involvement in airport operations and aircraft recovery





REGISTER NOW

Your commitment to the ARFFWG helps to fund not only the Annual Conference, but other educational programs promoted and supported by the ARFFWG throughout the year. The basic registration fee for the 2013 conference is \$475.00 (early) and includes full attendance rights to all ARFFWG activities. The ARFFWG registration also includes one (1) ticket to the Annual Banquet at a discount rate. Complete the enclosed registration form and e-mail, fax or mail it back to the ARFFWG office at your earliest convenience. You may also register on-line through the ARFFWG website at www.arffwg.org

On-site registration will take place at the Embassy Suites Hotel from 12:00 PM to 7:30 PM on Monday, October 28th and from 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM on Tuesday, October 29th outside Ballroom B&C.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

Nominations will be received for Directors from Odd Numbered Sections outlined in the current ARFFWG Bylaws until July 29, 2013. Directors of the ARFFWG carry out the management functions of the ARFFWG. From these Directors five (5) Officers are chosen who are delegated to run the day to day administration. The Director positions are an excellent opportunity to become directly involved in ARFFWG operations.”

We encourage each of you to consider running. Nomination forms are available from ARFFWG headquarters or on the website. Nomination forms must be postmarked by July 29, 2013. All nominees will be allowed an opportunity to introduce themselves, and inform the audience during the Business Meeting on Tuesday, October 29, 2013. All nomination forms will be posted for all to read.



**2012-2013 Board of Directors
And EXECUTIVE BOARD**



Tentative Schedule of Events

Monday, October 28, 2013

9:00 AM	5:00 PM	Exhibitor Set-up & Registration
12:00 PM	7:30 PM	Attendee Registration Open
6:00 PM	9:00 PM	Welcome Reception

Tuesday, October 29, 2013

7:30 AM	3:30 PM	Exhibits Open
7:30 AM	2:00 PM	Registration Open
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Coffee w/Exhibitors
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies
9:00 AM	10:00 AM	Business Meeting
10:00 AM	10:30 AM	Coffee Break w/Exhibitors
10:30 AM	12:00 PM	Keynote Speaker
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch w/Exhibitors
1:30 PM	4:00 PM	Educational Sessions

Wednesday, October 30, 2013

7:30 AM	3:30 PM	Exhibits Open
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Coffee w/Exhibitors
8:30 AM	12:00 PM	Educational Sessions
12:00 PM	1:30 PM	Lunch w/Exhibitors
1:30 PM	4:30 PM	Educational Sessions

Thursday, October 31, 2013

7:30 AM	11:00 AM	Exhibits Open
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	Coffee w/Exhibitors
8:30 AM	12:00 PM	Educational Sessions
11:00 AM		Exhibitors Tear Down
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	Annual Awards Banquet
		Cocktail Reception and Photos
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2012 EXHIBITORS

Access Air Systems, Inc.
 Airport Professional Services
 Akron Brass Company
 Allison Transmission
 AAAE
 American Pacific Corp.
 Beacon O.H.S.S.
 Company Two Fire
 DFW Airport Fire Rescue
 Elkhart Brass
 Embry-Ridle Aero. University
 Emergency Reporting
 E-One

Fire Combat
 Fire Research Corp.
 FireBlast 451, Inc.
 Firetrucks Unlimited
 FLIR Systems, Inc.
 Global ARFF Services
 Harrison Hydra-Gen
 Hortstman, Inc.
 Kirila Fire Training Facility
 KME
 Morrison-Maierle, Inc.
 Oshkosh Corporation
 Rosenbauer

Safety Vision
 Salt Lake City Dept. Of Airports
 San Bernardino Regional Emergency Training Center
 SCR₂, LLC
 Setcom Corporation
 Systems Atlanta
 Team Eagle
 TEEEX - ESTI
 United Plastic Fabricating
 University of Missouri Fire & Rescue
 Unruh Fire, Inc.
 Voicelnterop
 VSTEP
 Ward Diesel Filter Systems

HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

EMBASSY SUITES HOTEL-- The [Embassy Suites North Charleston](#) has been selected as the ARFF Working Group's host hotel.

Enjoy this convenient location. Take the complimentary shuttle from Charleston International Airport just two miles away and walk to over 30 restaurants in the local neighborhood.

- [Explore Charleston!](#) Their restaurants, carriage rides, golf courses and shopping just to mention a few.
- Take a spooky ghost tour through historic Charleston
- Tour the historic sites of Fort Sumter, Middleton Plantation and the Charleston Tea Plantation
- Enjoy water sports on one of the intercoastal waterways
- Visit the South Carolina Aquarium, Tanger Outlet Center, Patriots Point and the Battery

Two-room suites offer more space for living and working. Each suite features a separate living room and bedroom, two flat-screen TVs, a work desk, a refrigerator and a microwave. Our special conference rate of \$139 per night includes the following:

- Complimentary parking and shuttle to and from the Charleston In'tl Airport.
- Complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast and nightly Manager's Reception
- Charleston-inspired cuisine at PalmTree Grille and Falls Lounge
- Discount shuttle service from hotel to downtown Charleston (\$9.00 per person).

To make reservations select the link below or call the hotel direct at 1-800-EMBASSY or 843-747-1882.

http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/C/CHSEMES-ARF-20131025/index.jhtml?WT.mc_i

AIR LIFT AND GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Air Lift: To assist our members, the ARFF Working Group has made arrangements with American Airlines to be the official airline for our program in Charleston, SC. American will offer a 5% discount off the lowest applicable published airfare.

To make airline reservations, call American Airlines at 1-800-433-1790 from anywhere in the United States or Canada and refer to your Promotion Code 64H3AF or go online to www.AA.com and choose More Flight Search Options and insert the promotion code in the appropriate box.

A service charge of \$25 USD per ticket will apply for tickets purchased by phone subject to change. At this time there is no ticketing charge for reservations made and ticketed on www.AA.com area.

Avis Rent-A-Car - The ARFF Working Group has partnered with Avis to provide rental cars at a discounted rate. If you wish to reserve a car please contact Todd Alexander at 1-800-525-7537 Ext. 35003 or the Meetings and Convention Department at 1-800-525-753. They can ensure that you maximize your rental dollars. Please mention AWD# D016562 when you call."

Additional Ground Transportation:

The Embassy Suites Hotel offers a complimentary airport shuttle from Charleston Int'l Airport.

If you plan on using the shuttle service, once you confirm your airline reservations, please e-mail your arrival information including airline, flight number, arrival date and arrival time to info@arffwg.org. This will assist the hotel in scheduling the shuttle more efficiently.

Hotel Shuttle Downtown:

The Embassy Suites Hotel offers a shuttle to downtown Charleston for a discounted fee of \$9. The shuttle holds a maximum of 11. Please check the front desk for shuttle schedules.

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION

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Attendee Information:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Country: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

[Register On-Line](#)

Spouse/Guest Registration

_____ Welcome Reception & Exhibits \$35.00

_____ Additional Banquet Ticket \$50.00

SPOUSE/GUEST NAME: _____

(Required for Badge)

Please print your spouse/guest name here if they are planning on participating in any event during the Conference.

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____

ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FEES

Member Attendee \$475.00 Prior to September 25	\$
Non-Member Attendee \$540* Prior to September 25	\$
Member Attendee \$525.00 After September 25	\$
Non-Member Attendee \$590* After September 25	\$
Banquet Tickets** (Add'l Fee For Spouse/Guest Only) \$50 X _____	\$
Welcome Reception \$35 X _____ (Add'l Fee For Spouse/Guest Only)	\$
TOTAL	\$

*Non-Member registration includes one (1) year membership.

**One banquet ticket included with all attendee registrations.

Check here if you plan on attending the banquet

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL:

If your membership expires between the conference dates and 12/31/2013, take this opportunity to renew your **Individual** membership now. Just pay the Non-Member Rate and your membership will automatically be renewed for 2014.

Payment Options:

_____ Check _____ Amex _____ MC _____ Visa _____ Discover

_____ Purchase Order

_____ Credit Card Number:

_____ Expiration Date:

_____ Card Holder Signature:

Registrations and cancellations must be submitted in writing. Refund requests received prior to September 1st are subject to a \$75.00 processing fee. There will be no refunds after this date. Transfer of registration will be accepted without penalties.

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