

2010 IFSAP Annual Conference Re-Cap

This year's conference marked a milestone for our organization as we celebrated our 30th anniversary. The conference offered a broad range of subjects; as always we attempt to keep the topics general so that they are relevant to our diverse audience. We had 79 attendees this year, up 20% over last year. Our sponsorship increased 184% over last year allowing us to waive membership dues this year, reduce the conference costs for our attendees by 33% and award 6 conference scholarships.

Through the grant awarded to us by the IFCA Educational & Research Foundation we were able to bring in a National Keynote Speaker – Rhonda Scharf. In addition to our keynote speaker once again, our organization is very fortunate to have highly qualified speakers donate their time and present relevant topics. We truly appreciate their dedication to sharing their knowledge and experience with us, as always they do it with humor and style. Thursday night's dinner entertainment "Medleys in Motion" kept the dance floor packed, they were fabulous. The photo booth was a hit; our attendees should enjoy their photos' for years to come. The Irish Cottage staff has adopted us as part of their family and we are grateful for their hospitality. Hats off to the committee for a great conference!

**Remember to keep checking our web site for updates.
We will be posting the power point programs on the training page.**

The board would like to extend a sincere thank you to the Illinois Fire Chief's Educational and Research Foundation for awarding us a grant to bring in our keynote speaker.

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www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/archives/records_management**

www.IMRF.org

They offer a range of workshops for employer; employee and retirees please check their list of upcoming workshops held at several locations throughout the state.

Remember to check your local community colleges and chambers of commerce for courses and seminars.

Listed below please find several websites that may assist you in finding courses, seminars, newsletters and information to support career growth.

On The Right Track – Rhonda Scharf: www.on-the-tright-track.com

Micro Soft Training: www.knowledgewave.com/webinars

Safety & Employment Practices Training: www.vfis.com/resources/

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Financial Training through the IL Municipal Treasurer's Assoc: www.IMTA.org

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Incident Command and NIMS Courses: www.Fema.gov/emergency/nims/

National Fire Academy Online Courses: www.nfaonline.dhs.gov

Incident Command Training: www.fsi.illinois.edu

FMLA Info: www.dol.gov/esa/whd/fmla

Whistle Blower Protection Act: www.whistleblowerillinois.gov

Disc profile information and booklets: www.internalchange.com

Firehouse Software Training: www.firehouse.com

Firehouse User's Group: please e-mail Larry Moran @ fh-bounces@wsfd.us

The 2009 Text of Law books are available through the IL Association of Fire Protection Districts @ www.iafpd.org.