

California Fire Mechanics Association Newsletter



ISSUE:

MONTH: Sept/Oct
YEAR: 2018

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LATEST NCFMA MEETING MINUTES:

NCFMA Minutes

Date: August 16th 2018

Location: Golden State Fire Apparatus

Officers Present: Rick N. Jack R. Mike G. Steve S. Fred Y.

Officers Absent: None

Officials Present: Tony B.

Meeting Minutes: Motioned by Bill W. seconded by Marty S. Approved

President's Report: Moment of silence for Andrew Brake Cal Fire Heavy Equipment Mechanic & All Firefighters lost this year,.

Cal Chief's acceptance of Mechanics association.

Rick & Steve are up for reelection this December

NFPA 1071 please ask Marty S. for details

EVT tech certification Who is working on your apparatus

1st Vice President: None

2nd Vice President: October 4th 2018 Burton's Fire, September 14th 2018 joint training North & South sections Bakersfield, CA. on renewable diesel December 13th 2018 Valley Power small equipment fuels

Treasurer: Motion to accept treasurer's report, seconded, approved 58 regular members, 23 are new, 36 lifetime, 12 vendors 5 are new, 17 comp/political.

Secretary: Thank You for the awesome attendance today!

Academy Report: Registration is open for the Fall Academy, There are a couple new classes being added to the Spring Academy, California Legislators to vote soon on the new training standards.

NFPA: None

Old Business: None

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New Business:

- **Tony B. 2018 6.7L Ford diesel major regen issues: 2 to 3 times a day & Ford says this is normal.**
- **Jimmy Faulkner of Dallas Texas sent 5 type 3 strike teams to California to assist fighting the fires.**
- **Cummins 2010 to 2015 recalling all platforms catalyst to small.**
- **Spartan chassis training in Charlotte MI. Sept. 30th thru Oct. 4th 2018**
- **90 day inspection is required all emergency apparatus.**
- **Opacity tests annually.**
- **Red Mountain machines to be certified annually.**

Good of the Order: None

Vendors Present: Golden State Fire: Bill W. Daron Jason, Valley Power Systems: Ernie, Marty & Steve, Wattco: Phil T. Vic G. Lehr: Doug F. Mike W. Boise Mobile Equipment: Glenn B. Fire Mechanics Academy: Rob A. Marty S. Bulygo & Associates: Tony B.

Total number of attendees who signed in: 110

Next meeting location: Burton's Fire Modesto, CA. October 4th 2018

Please see the meeting minutes for the April 2018 and June 2018 Meetings later in the newsletter

SCFMA
MEETING
MINUTES**LATEST SCFMA MEETING MINUTES:****SCFMA Minutes - DRAFT****7/17/18****Location: City of Vista's Fleet/Fire Maintenance Facility**

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Southern California Fire Mechanics Association was called to order by presiding President, George Solano at 10:19hrs.

Officers Present: George Solano.	President
Carlos Alcaraz.	1 st Vice President
Chris Marangakis.	2 nd Vice President and Chief Donut Inspector
Mike Grenert.	Treasurer
John Williams.	Recording Secretary

Officers Absent: None**Officials Present:** Sam Domenic, Chaplin**Officials Absent:** Anthony Bulygo, North & South Liaison**Presidents call to order: (start the recorder)** George Solano 10:19am**Pledge of Allegiance:** 10:20 led by George Solano

Invocation: Sam Domenic, Psalm 100 "Psalm of Thanksgiving", moment of silence for Capt. Dave Rosa and Heavy Equipment Operator Braden Varney

Welcome from the President: George Solano welcomed the group to the facility he oversees and gave a brief overview of their operation.

Self-Introductions (Roll Call): All in attendance introduced themselves. Approx. 25 members in attendance.

Introduction of the Host, Chief, or Other: Victor Lievanos, mechanic for City of Vista educated the group on their brake inspections, policies, practices. George Solano educated the group about JJ Keller forms they use to certify their brake mechanics and why.

Business Meeting:

1. **Approval of past minutes:** Approved via emails.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Mike Grenert presented the Treasurer's Report, it was approved.
3. **Vice President Report**
 - a. **1st VP:** Carlos Alcaraz spoke about next meeting in September with the Northern California Association in Bakersfield and October meeting in either Beverly Hills or Long Beach
 - b. **2nd VP:** Nothing to report
4. **Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report, thanked the membership for support with the death of Capt. Rosa.
5. **Reports from Standing Committee:** Anthony Bulygo mentioned he would present his report after lunch.
6. **Unfinished Business:** none
7. **New Business:** none
8. **Open Discussions pertaining to maintenance:**

Updates:

See the Minutes in the attachments later in this newsletter

Adjournment of Business Meeting (President requested a motion from the floor to adjourn): 10:36

Once motions are made President adjourns meeting and Secretary turns off the recorder. President introduces our Liaison for his State Report: none

2nd Vice President introduces training program presenter: Safer Compliance, Ed & Pam. CHP inspections, accident investigations, documentation, and basics of BIT

1st Vice President announces Lunch (usually around 1130ish to 1145ish)

Recall (Continuance of program if necessary)

Recording Secretary, John Williams _____ Date Approved _____

Minutes are re-produced by the use of the SCFMA recording device. Minutes are transcribed by Recording Secretary, John Williams, City of Long Beach Fleet Service’s Breuer Supervisor.



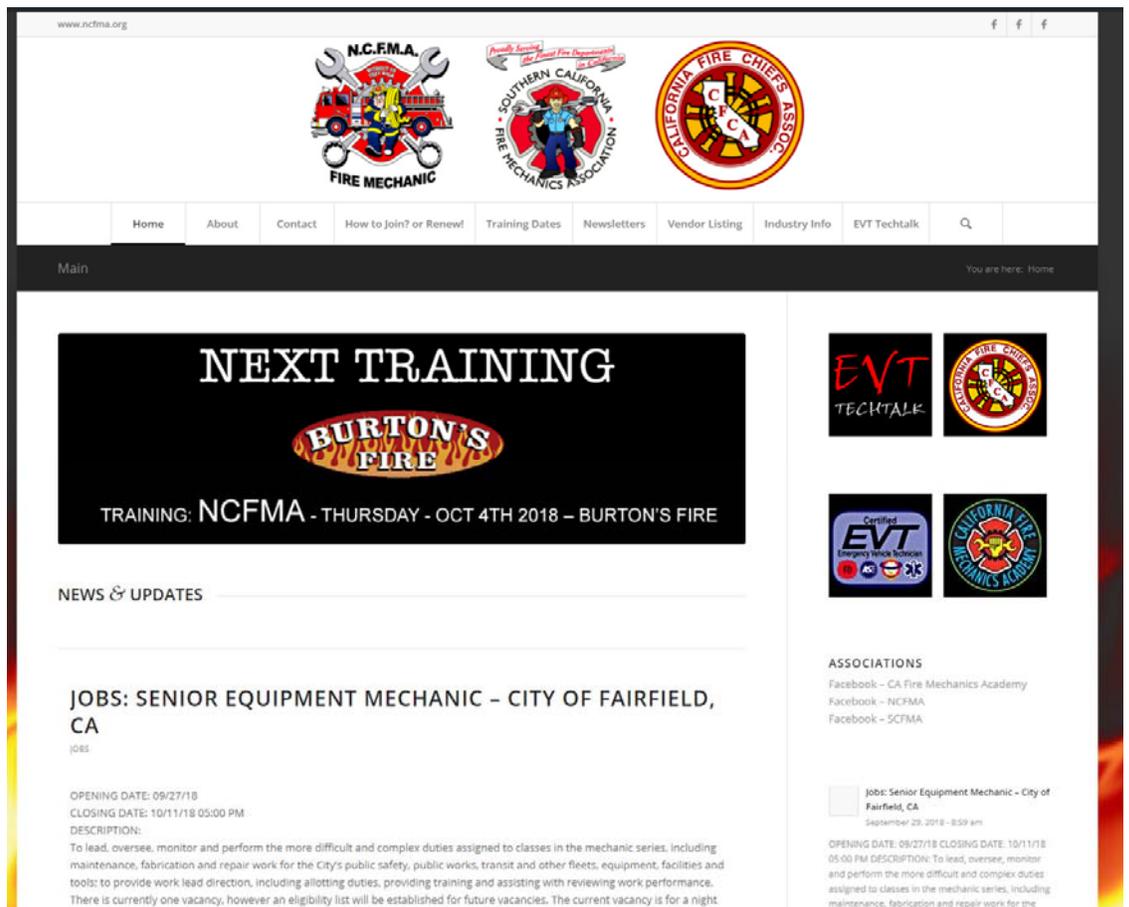
**California Fire Mechanics Association
50th Anniversary Commemorative
Challenge Coin - Cost per coin \$8.00 (Available at select meetings)**

SHOP TALK:

List of Articles and Information Attached with this Newsletter:

- **Upcoming Trainings**
- **Vendor List – Thank you for your support**
- **Reports**
- **Jobs**
- **Industry Information**
- **Photos**

Please submit the info you find and want to share with the NCFMA and the SCFMA to: Tony@ncfma.org



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IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP UP TO DATE?

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Meeting Dates:

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BULLETIN BOARD: <http://www.evta.info/forums/>

Upcoming Meetings

<p>NCFMA NEXT TRAINING:</p> <p>Oct 4th, 2018 – Burtons Fire</p> <p>Business Meeting: 9:30AM – 10:30AM</p> <p>Class: 11:00AM – 3:00PM</p> <p>1301 Doker Dr B, Modesto, CA 95351</p> <p>Training – Hendrickson Suspension Design Criteria, & General Maintenance Items, Suspension Attributes (Spring vs. Rubber vs. Air)</p> <p>NCFMA Burtons Training 2018 – RSVP Form</p> <p>FUTURE TRAINING DATES:</p> <p>Dec 13, 2018 – Valley Power Systems</p> <p>Training TBA – Tentative – Small Engine Repair</p> <p>Association T-shirts for sale for \$15 for Long or Short sleeve in Blue or Grey. They will be for sale at all meetings while supplies last.</p>	<p>SCFMA NEXT TRAINING:</p> <p>October 16th 2018:</p> <p>Location: Rancho Cucamonga – Rancho Cucamonga Fire Protection District Fire Shop</p> <p>Subject: Vehicle Multiplexing Systems & Ari Hetra Lifts</p> <p>A flyer for this meeting will be sent out on Monday, September 24.</p> <p>At this meeting we also have available for sale, the California Fire Mechanics Association(s) 50th Anniversary Commemorative Coin</p> <p>Flyer to be posted soon with RSVP Information</p> <p>FUTURE TRAINING DATES:</p> <p>November 20th:</p> <p>Location: No Meeting Due to Thanksgiving</p> <p>December 11:</p> <p>Location: Rancho Cucamonga Fire Dept. Shop (Tentative)</p> <p>Subject: TBD - Lunch: TBD</p>
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Time to Renew:

Please take a moment to renew now.

We have split California in half at approximately the Bakersfield line, if you are below Bakersfield, please download and join the Southern California Fire Mechanics Association. If you are above Bakersfield, please fill out and join the Northern California Fire Mechanics Association. If you have any questions please contact us and we can clear up any confusion.

NCFMA Membership Application – [Click Here to Download](#)

SCFMA Membership Application – [Member Application 2018](#)

After completing the form - please mail your application and payment to the address on the form.

Here is what you get for your low annual membership:

- Our Newsletter full of informative update info, TSB's, recalls and other information that directly affects your day to day work.
- Links and information on upcoming training classes
- Association meetings with free food!
- Access to the members area on this website
- Membership into one of the fastest growing Fire Mechanic Associations in the nation.
- The ability to ask technical questions to the association via our bulletin board or mailing list (Coming Soon!)
- And much more!

Please join today and tell your fellow mechanics - Our membership is bolstered by personal references from those in our service.

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About Our Organization

The Northern California Fire Mechanics' Association is a section of the California Fire Chiefs' Association. Our membership consists of government and private sector mechanics, who service and maintain fire service vehicles, emergency vehicles and equipment. Our goals are to inform the fire service mechanic, provide a forum for maintenance problems and solutions, and provide training.

We hold bi-monthly meetings in February, April, June, August, October and December. Through these meetings we provide updated information on current maintenance issues and the latest equipment available. It also is an opportunity for mechanics to share their problems and solutions to problems that they are experiencing.

Member Vendors are also present to assist and inform the members on the latest products and maintenance information.

Training classes are presented to update mechanics and help prepare for re-certification through Continuing Education (CE) credits when applicable.

We are proud of the accomplishments of our individual and vendor members and the contributions they make to the Northern California Fire Mechanics' Association.

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MEETING MINUTES



NCFMA Minutes

Date: April 10th 2018

Location: California Fire Mechanics Academy

Officers Present: Rick N. Jack R. Mike G. Steve S, Fred Y,

Officers Absent: None

Officials Present: Tony B.

President's Report: None

1st Vice President: None

2nd Vice President: None

Treasurer: Motion to accept treasurer's report by Joe Pastore seconded by Rob Ayo Approved 126 members, of which 23 are new, 20 vendors and 52 lifetime members.

Secretary: None

Liaison Report: None

Academy Report: None

NFPA: None

Meeting Minutes: Motion to accept minutes by Doug Link seconded by Joe Pastore Approved

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good of the Order: None

Vendors Present: Bulygo & Associates

Total number of attendees who signed in: 14

Next meeting location: HiTech Emergency Vehicle service, Inc. June 21st 2018



NCFMA Minutes

Date: June 21st 2018

Location: HiTech Emergency Vehicle Service Inc.

Officers Present: Jack R. Fred Y.

Officers Absent: Rick N. Mike G. Steve S.

Officials Present: None

Meeting Minutes: Motioned to accept minutes by Steve Davidson seconded by Bill Walton Approved

President's Report: None

1st Vice President: None

2nd Vice President: Training dates August 16th 2018 Golden State Fire Apparatus, October 4th 2018 Burton's Fire, December 13th 2018 Valley Power Systems.

Treasurer: Motion to accept treasurer's report by Bill Walton seconded by Steve Davidson Approved.
57 Regular members of which 23 are new, 36 lifetime, 12 vendors of which 5 are new, 17 comp/political.

Secretary: None

Academy Report: Marty S. has stepped down as President and Joe Pastore is now Academy President and Eric Reed is Vice President

NFPA: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Good of the Order: None

Vendors Present: HiTech: Ben R. Marlo R. Bryce A., Wattco: Phillip J. Vic G. Lehr: Doug F. Valley Power Systems: Ernie P. Fire Mechanics Academy: Rob A.

Training:

Total number of attendees who signed in: 48

Next meeting location: Golden State Fire Apparatus August 16th 2018

UPCOMING TRAININGS



Is Hosting the **October** 2018 SCFMA
Training Class



Tuesday, OCTOBER 16, 2018



- 1000 - SCFMA Business Meeting**
- 1030 - Liaison Report**
- 1045 - SCFMA - Training V-MUC & ARI Hetra**
- 1145 - Lunch. Sponsored by KME (Tentative)**

Location:

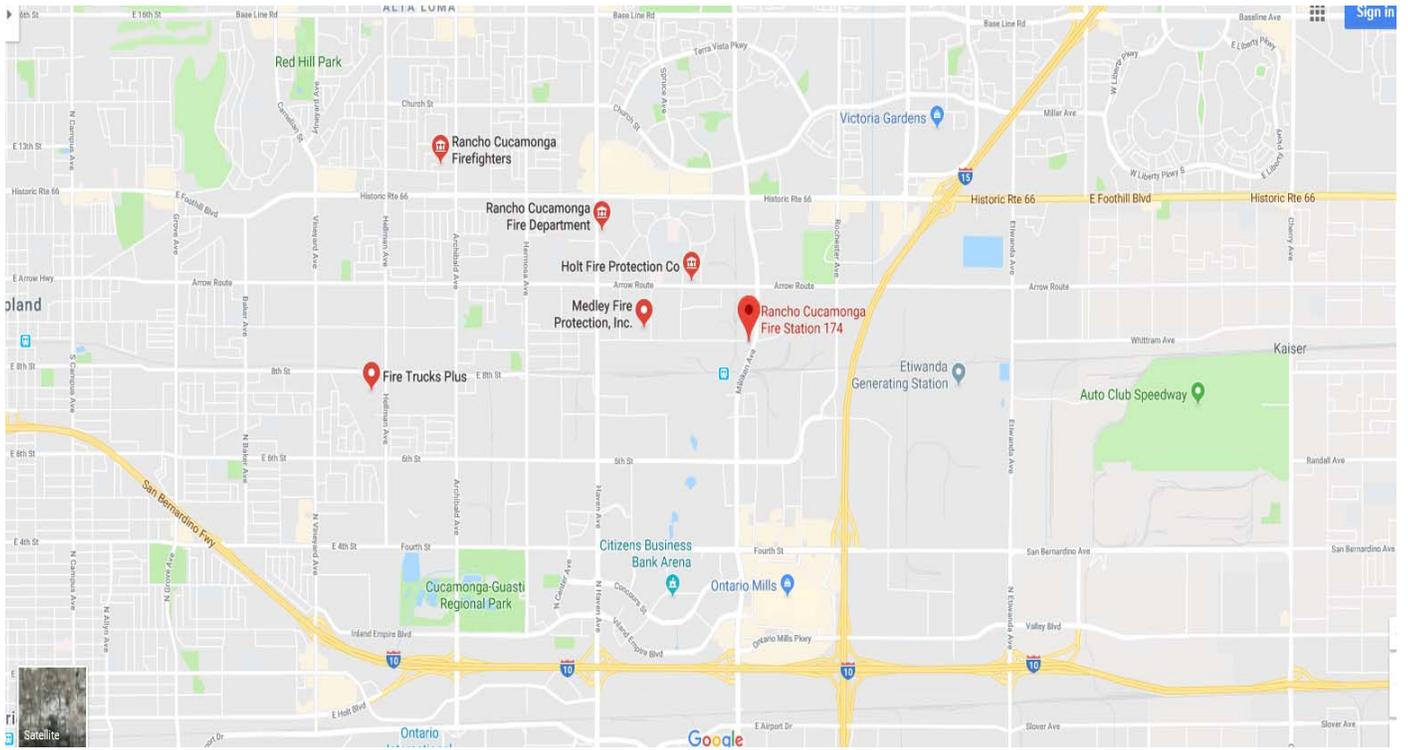
Jersey Fire Shop - 11297 Jersey Blvd.
Rancho Cucamonga, California

This month's training session and meeting will be hosted by the Rancho Cucamonga Fire Protection District. The training will be held at their Fire Equipment Repair Shop. The training program will be presented by guest speakers from V-mux Vehicle Multiplexing System and from ARI Hetra vehicle lifts.

Lunch will be catered by a local **Barbeque Restaurant, YUM!**

Please **RSVP ASAP** for the lunch head count to:
john.a.williams@longbeach.gov

Street Map Below



Hope you can make it. May your drive be safe



BURTON'S FIRE, INC.

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**PROUDLY HOSTS THE NCFMA
HENDRICKSON STEERING TRAINING**

Instructor: Bob Albano from Hendrickson Factory

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2018

Business Meeting: 9:30AM - 10:30AM

Class: 11:00AM - 3:00PM

TOPICS TO BE COVERED ARE:

Hendrickson Suspension Design Criteria, & General Maintenance Items, Suspension Attributes (Spring vs. Rubber vs. Air)

**CLASS AND LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED AT NO COST
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REPORTS



CALIFORNIA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES

Monthly Teleconference Board Meeting

August 7, 2018

0700 – 0830 hours

1. Call to order. Roll Call

X	Mark Hartwig, President
X	Jeff Meston, President Elect
X	Michael DuRee, Past President
	Mark Heine, Treasurer
X	Steve Prziborowski, Northern Director

X	Wolfgang Knabe, Southern Director
X	David Rocha, CA Metro Chiefs
X	Michael McLaughlin, Legislative Director
X	Eric Dutton, Executive Director
X	Tracey Hansen, Asst to Exec Dir
X	Russ Noack, Legislative Advocate

2. Executive Director Report

a. Memberships

Associate	Group	Chief	Retired	Volunteer	Totals		
4	575	295	27	30	931	\$166,500	2017/18
4	358	164	15	15	556	\$124,375	2018/19

b. General Update

- i. Membership – *the process is moving along as the numbers show. We had a surge in June for those agencies wanting to use last years funds. Most of the payments now are coming in via check. With the new rates we are at 60% by memberships and 75% by dollar amount. Reminder notices will be going out soon.*
- ii. Annual Conference – *we are in full planning mode at this point. Hansen and Meston have been a great help with the program. We are at 130 registered and will be sending out a reminder. Our hotel rooms are going fast. We have already exceeded our contracted room block. We have 51 exhibitors though our sponsorships are down this year.*
- iii. FY 2017/18 Year End Financials – *The final balance sheet was provided showing where we're at with checking, savings and investments. The profit and loss statement for 7/1/17 through 6/30/18 showed all the revenues and expenses for the fiscal year. It does not reflect the actual numbers for membership and conference as those purchases overlap the fiscal year. The bottom line is we spent over \$200k more than expected when the budget was approved. Our two biggest expenses have been for EMS legal services and D-RiSC. Dutton moves \$40k from the Firefighters First Credit Union into checking to cover expenses through May. A Draft Budget was presented, and discussion included expenses for 2018/19 and how to acquire more revenue. Dutton, Hansen and Meston to work on revisions. McLaughlin made a motion to approve the draft budget, so Dutton could continue to make payments, seconded by Rocha, passed. A revised budget will be brought back to the September meeting for final adoption.*

"To strengthen and advocate for the California Fire Service through leadership, unity and collaboration."

3. Correspondence Received

- a. *AFSS reached out to us requesting financial support of \$1,500 for padfolios for their 2019 conference. After discussion on past practice, and our own financial situation, there was not a motion to approve. Knabe motioned to deny the requested financial commitment, 2nd by McLaughlin, passed.*
- b. *We receive an occasional correspondence email, mostly from overseas, suggesting ways we could manage and extinguish our large wildland fires. While somewhat entertaining, most are not practical.*

4. Legislative Update (McLaughlin / Noack)

a. Leg Task Force

- i. *McLaughlin: A decision was made to move the AB 2118 QAF bill, that would change last year's QAF language to the inactive file. All the work has still been valuable with the connections that have been made working with DHCS. With the current QAF there are 120 public providers in the state, 103 will be winners and 17 losers. The QAF allows those to recover the cost to provide service and the QAF and GEMT cannot be added together. IGT is the managed care of services and billing.*
- ii. *Also discussed were SETNA funds and how important this bill is for public safety agencies. SB 794, Fireworks, has been 5-6 years of work and looks like there will finally be resolve to confiscation and disposal this year. AB 2293, EMT Certification regarding those with a criminal background has been gutted and looks like it is now a reporting process bill for EMT I and II. It will be reviewed again.*
- iii. *Noack: spoke about how SB 1838, sugar tax, was handled meaning there are many ways to get things done. The private meetings created a 13-year moratorium on taxing sweetened beverages. SB 833, activation alert bill, was having some struggles in the Dept. of Finance. SB 944, Community Paramedicine bill, is coming up next week and we'll have to see what happens. Many other similar type bills have died.*

5. Old Business

- a. *California Governor's Endorsement – A vote needs to go out to the full board for us to take an official position. Hansen mentioned our consultant, the Crane Group, met with Newsom in Washington DC and might be able get us a sit down with him.*
- b. *DRISC Update - Hartwig provided a brief update on our weekly meetings and efforts to put together a letter from the coalition. With many unable to be a part of the letter, we are moving ahead with one that includes CalChiefs, CA Metro Chiefs and FDAC. We are still working on more funding and getting a trailer to the trailer bill that would clean up already approved language for \$25 million. The Pre-Positioning Guideline was discussed. There isn't a very transparent or coordinated effort on the update. Some changes have been made on the fly. Hansen is working on getting the most current version for review. The Conference Committee on Wildfire Preparedness and Response is meeting every Tuesday and Thursday during the month of August to address SB 901. The coalition member's lobbyists are meeting today to discuss the committee and direction. Additionally, we have been invited to attend the Assembly Natural Resources Committee meeting on Thursday.*
- c. *President Elect Process – Status Update – The official electronic voting process went out on August 1st and is open for two weeks. Of the 1041 emails that went out only 20 were rejected. As of today, there have been 140 votes submitted.*

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6. New Business
 - a. Executive Director Contract Incentive – *Dutton explained the revenue comparisons for membership, conference and new revenue to the eBoard over a 3-year rolling cycle. Per his contract, incentives are available. Meston motioned to approve the contractual incentive, 2nd by McLaughlin, passed.*
7. Commissions, Committees & Boards Reports
 - a. 911 Advisory Board, Chief Ed Hadfield, Rincon Tribe FD appointment, *congratulations.*
 - b. *DuRee informed everyone that he has been requested to join a national IAFC cost recovery workgroup and will represent CalChiefs and Metro Chiefs.*
 - c. *We are still trying to get clarification on who can be on the state homeland security committee. Hansen is still on it from her term as president.*
8. Board Member Reports
 - a. South Area Director (Knabe) – Still looking for South Area 3 Director.
 - b. North Area Director (Prziborowski) – Bill Gillespie is back with us at North Area 1 Director now that he is Chief at Crescent Fire.
9. Presidents Report
10. Good of the Order – Upcoming Events (see following calendar) *Joanne Hayes White was selected as the paid agency fire chief of the year for the IAFC.*
11. Adjournment at 0831, **Next Meeting September 4, 2018**

2018			
August	5-8	APCO International Conference	Las Vegas, NV
August	8-11	IAFC Fire Rescue International	Dallas, TX
September	6-8	American Ambulance Association	Las Vegas, NV
September	7	CalChiefs FPO's Annual Golf Tournament	Chardonnay GC, CA
September	12-14	League of CA Cities Annual Conference	Long Beach, CA
September	15	IAFF Firefighter Memorial	Colorado Springs, CO
September		CSFA 95th Annual Conference	Healdsburg, CA
September	24-27	California Special Districts Association (CSDA)	Indian Wells, CA
September	26-28	CalChiefs Annual Conference	Sacramento, CA
September	29	California Firefighter Memorial	Sacramento, CA
October	16-20	Firehouse Expo	Nashville, TN
October	21-26	ICC International Conference	Richmond, VA
November		VCOS Symposium in the Sun	Clearwater, FL
November	5-8	Fire Shows West / Nevada Fire Chiefs Assoc. Conf.	Reno, NV
November	12-16	Fresno Training Symposium	Fresno, CA
November		Fire Mechanics Academy - Fall Event (tentative)	SoCal
December	12-13	League Fire Chiefs Leadership Institute	San Francisco, CA
Indicates a California Fire Chiefs Association and/or Section Activity			

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CALIFORNIA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION DIVISIONS/AREAS MAP



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Job Title:

Fire Apparatus Mechanic - Phoenix, AZ

Job Description:

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Job Requirements:

- A minimum 2-5 years of experience as a mechanic repairing and inspecting fire trucks and equipment
- Ability to read schematics (both hydraulic and electrical)
- Perform annual certifications and inspections
- Capable of accomplishing task independently without direct supervision
- Computer literate with the ability to process information
- Strong work ethics with a commitment to quality
- A history of safe work habits
- Maintains a great attitude toward work
- Able to lift up to 40lbs
- A high school diploma or equivalent is required

Preferred Qualifications:

- Factory, vocational or mechanical training

- History of working with different forms of heavy equipment, specifically excavators, forklifts, boom lifts, compactors and other types of aerial and earthmoving equipment

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EMPLOYMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

FIRE APPARATUS, EMERGENCY VEHICLE, FLEET TECHNICIAN

POSTING DATE: August 21, 2018

FILING PERIOD: Open until filled

SALARY: Based on experience and certifications

Performance Truck Repair is a premier truck fleet and fire apparatus repair and service center based in Azusa, CA that is growing exponentially due to its high level of professional and personal customer service which reaches out from Santa Barbara County to the Mexico Border. Employees are highly valued and provided competitive compensation and benefits.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES: Maintain and repair fleet, firefighting and emergency vehicles, including fire engine, tender, tanker, rescue, aerial, hazmat, command and other various fleet vehicles. Perform journey level technician duties as required such as;

1. Diagnose, adjust, service, repair, overhaul and/or replace a variety of fleet, firefighting and emergency vehicles systems to include engine and emissions, transmission, suspension and steering, braking and electrical systems, heating and air conditioning, fire pumps, valves, aerial ladder and foam systems.
2. Disassembles truck and fire apparatus and accessories, make required repairs or replace and/or overhaul parts and components as necessary.
3. Diagnose DC and AC electrical circuits, repair or replace fuses, batteries, lights instruments, warning devices, controls and switches, modules, alternators, starter, and defective cables and wiring.
4. Diagnose, service and repair hydraulic systems, repair or replace hydraulic pumps, valves, hoses, cylinders, motors and ancillary components.
5. May perform service calls on the road or at customer sites.

6. May perform after hours service and emergency repairs as needed.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Five (5) years experience in diesel heavy truck repair consistent with the duties listed above with at least one (1) year of fire apparatus and emergency vehicle related work experience.

Must possess their own set of general hand tools for the essential duties including but not limited to ASE and metric combination wrenches and ratchets and sockets up to ½” drive and 1-1/2” hex size.

DESIREABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- ASE Truck Technician certifications (T-1 through T-8)
- Emergency Vehicle Technician (EVT) certification
- Aerial ladder experience
- Electronic engine and transmission diagnosis using both factory and aftermarket diagnostic software
- Welding and metal fabrication

APPLICATION PROCESS: All interested applicants should email their resume to info@ptrcorp.com and include pertinent contact information.

Individuals who do not meet the minimum qualifications are encouraged to apply for consideration for other technician positions which may include training for those that are motivated to learn and excel.

INDUSTRY INFORMATION

Renewable Diesel: New Nevada Plants to Produce 11,000 Barrels Per Day

August 31, 2018



Ryze Renewables and Phillips 66 have partnered on two new facilities to produce renewable diesel fuel.

Photo courtesy Ryze Renewables

Ryze Renewables has partnered with Phillips 66 to build two renewable diesel fuel plants in Nevada that will be capable of producing 11,000 barrels per day.

Once operational, the two plants will manufacture high-cetane renewable diesel fuel from agricultural oils and animal fats. The facilities will use a hydrogenation technology to do this, which Ryze stated was more efficient than current conversion processes.

Ryze Renewables has partnered with Phillips 66 on a long-term supply and offtake agreement. Phillips 66 will supply both plants with feedstock and move renewable product from the plants to customers in West Coast markets.

The first plant in Reno, Nevada is expected to come online in mid-2019 and the Las Vegas location will begin operations in 2020.

Renewable diesel fuel is compatible with current diesel engines without needing to be blended with traditional diesel fuel. Producing renewable diesel has lower overall emissions than other

biofuels, according to Ryze, which translates to a low carbon intensity score and maximizes the low-carbon fuel standard credit from the California Air Resources Board.

“These innovative Nevada plants are strategically located to provide our western customers with an efficient, reliable source of renewable diesel fuels,” said Brian Mandell, senior vice president, marketing and commercial, Phillips 66.

Related: [Going Beyond Electric and Natural Gas](#)

Originally posted on [Trucking Info](#)

RECALLS

Spartan Motors:

Spartan Motors USA is recalling certain 2009-2018 Gladiator and MetroStar emergency vehicles. The fire water pump solenoid may corrode internally, causing a loss of power to the fire pump control module. A loss of power to the pump control module can cause a loss of water pressure for fighting fires, thereby increasing the risk of injury. NHTSA recall

18V424000

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/recalls?nhtsald=18V424000&refurl=rss>

FCA Recalls 4.8M Vehicles for Cruise Control

https://www.worktruckonline.com/303102/fca-us-recalls-4-8-million-vehicles?utm_source=email&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=20180530-NL-WT-MediumDuty-BOBCD180524007&omdt=NL-WT-MediumDuty&omid=1009832711

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Redding Fire Department

Fire Prevention Inspector Jeremy Stoke

Memorial Services Information

The **Redding Fire Department** and the **Redding Firefighters, Local 1934** are saddened to announce the passing of one of their own.

Fire Prevention Inspector Jeremy Stoke passed away on July 26, 2018, while battling the Carr Fire in Shasta County.

Brother Stoke joined the Redding Fire Department in 2004, and had worked as an engineer before moving up to become an inspector. He was killed on the front lines, while helping with evacuations in Redding ahead of the blistering and deadly Carr Fire.

Memorial Services

A Celebration of Life for Jeremy Stoke will take place on **Saturday, August 11, 2018** at **Redding Civic Auditorium, 700 Auditorium Drive, Redding, California.**

The memorial service will **12:00pm.**

Uniformed personnel are asked to arrive no later than 10:00am at the location of the service.

Honor Guard and Apparatus Information

HONOR GUARDS: *All departmental and local union honor guards are encouraged to participate.* Honor Guard personnel are asked to bring Class A dress uniforms, as well as any available flags, poles, harnesses, tools and pike poles.

Honor Guard personnel are being asked to **RSVP as soon as possible to Ben Dominguez** of the [California Fire Foundation's Last Alarm Service Team \(Cal LAST\)](#) at either **916-709-9069** or bendoverfire@yahoo.com.

Honor guard members are asked to arrive by 8:00am.

APPARATUS STAGING AND RSVP: Departments sending apparatus are asked to RSVP their participation as soon as possible. Apparatus RSVP contact: **Erick Mattson**, Redding Fire Dept. **530-604-3895**; emattson@cityofredding.org.

Apparatus are asked to stage at the Memorial location by 9:00am.

For additional information and updates, visit www.cafirefoundation.org

More Calif. Fleets Switch to Renewable Diesel

May 22, 2018



Two California cities have made the switch to renewable diesel to fuel their diesel fleet vehicles. The City of San Leandro in Northern California has switched all its municipal vehicles that run on diesel to renewable diesel, and the Pasadena Fire Department in Southern California has begun fueling its fleet of fire apparatus with renewable diesel. Both are using Neste MY Renewable Diesel, according to the company.

The Pasadena Fire Department operates one truck, four engines, and four rescue ambulances on renewable diesel and plans to transition all remaining apparatus to renewable diesel by 2019. Fire Chief Bertral Washington said the switch allows the city to reduce its carbon footprint. In addition, firefighters and engineers have reported a reduction in vapors while fueling the trucks, and firefighters who connect their vehicle exhaust removal systems are reporting that the smell of exhaust has reduced to near zero levels.

“Our fleet mechanic also has nothing but good things to report about the fuel,” Fire Station 32 Captain David Marquez said. “We will continue to assemble this kind of feedback with the hopes that it will assist in making this fuel available in all our city pumps,” he said.

The City of San Leandro has switched all municipal vehicles that run on petroleum diesel to renewable diesel. This move is part of the city's Climate Action Plan, with a goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The decision to make the switch was aided by Fleet Manager Freddy Barajas' familiarity with renewable diesel. "I had firsthand knowledge of the benefits of switching to renewable diesel from my experience at a previous agency," he said. "The first benefit is the environmental impact of having a cleaner burning fuel. The second is being compatible with the varied array of equipment we have in our fleet."

Barajas said the transition was easy and noted the fuel's ability to make machinery run more cleanly. This means less soot to trap, extending the life of the diesel particulate filter system components, he added.

Neste MY Renewable Diesel is a low-carbon fuel produced from 100% renewable and sustainable raw materials. It cuts greenhouse gas emissions by up to 80% and enables reductions in engine-out emissions, according to the company. Unlike biodiesel, renewable diesel is a drop-in fuel that requires no blending and is compatible with all diesel engines.

The City of San Leandro and the Pasadena Fire Department join other government fleets that have switched to renewable diesel, including [New York City](#); the [City of Beverly Hills, Calif.](#); [Sacramento County, Calif.](#); and the [City of San Diego](#).

Related: [What You Need to Know About Renewable Diesel](#)

Originally posted on [Government Fleet](#)

Government Fleet Magazine released is 2018 Industry Handbook which has a lot of useful data and information in it. You can read or print out the Handbook at the following web link.

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RIP EVT Gabe Greaves

Today, 11:00 AM

This just in from the Washington State Fire Mechanics Association

Gabe Greaves, EVT for the Camano Island (WA) FD, died recently from a fall. Jay Jacks, his working supervisor and Master EVT is now alone at the task of maintenance for the Camano FD fleet.

We, in the EVT community send our prayers to Gabe's family and the Camano FD family.

<https://komonews.com/news/local/fami...atching-sunset>

Tony Bulygo

Good Afternoon Members,

One of our members is seeking help with a Waterous pump transmission. He is looking for a used transmission or parts for this model:

If you can help him, email him at: David Mezquita David.Mezquita@SMGOV.NET





All,

In my years as a firefighter, even before I started, as just a young kid, like many of us- the noise, the sirens and the lights of flashy fire apparatus racing to help people was always intriguing. As I got older, I started getting more interested in firefighting, company operations, tactics and eventually command and control. But that never stopped my interest in the warning devices-the apparatus-the flashy stuff.

A legend in that end of our business passed away yesterday.

I regret to pass on that former Firefighter and Whelen Engineering President and CEO John F. Olson, 83, passed away suddenly. John became one of the first full-time Whelen employees in January 1959, and I got to know him as a friend many years later.

John was an avid pilot and dedicated volunteer firefighter, chief engineer (DRFD) and ambulance tech (Deep River, CT) along with snow plow operator; he was genuinely fully involved in using lighting and warning systems to protect us all.

John was also an inventor and quite frankly, it would be nearly impossible to find a North American Firefighter, EMT, Police Officer, Wrecker Operator or Highway Worker that hasn't been protected by some of John's ideas over his decades with Whelen Engineering. From the early Roto-Beams to halogen lighting to strobes and to today's LEDs-John's passion lead the charge every step of the way,

Way back in the '50s and '60s, he pioneered reliable local automatic fire alarms systems, the use of "white" flashing lights (instead of red only) in improve response warning, optics to improve warning (halogen, strobes and LED) and much more that has certainly saved lives of countless people.

A few years ago, the University of New Hampshire received a \$5.3 million gift from Whelen Engineering to establish a manufacturing center in its College of Engineering and Physical Sciences. The gift from then retiring Whelen President and UNH alumnus John (Olson) helped create the John Olson Advanced Manufacturing Center

<https://ceps.unh.edu/olsoncenter> to establish a pipeline of trained, skilled workers able to bring practical knowledge and experience to the state's manufacturing sector.

John graduated from UNH with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1957 and began his career two years later at Whelen, where he had served as president since 1976.

Everything John did was about giving, improving and doing it/making it "all American" as his country was his passion.

HERE is a video about John and Whelen from Sirenet.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRLT8sfcBvY>

Rest in Peace John. Our condolences to the Olson family, the Whelen family and all those mourning his loss.

Take Care. Be Careful. Pass it On.

BillyG

The Secret List 8-3-2018-1430 Hours

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NCFMA - August Meeting







Ray Looze

It is with sadness that I report to you the passing of Ray Looze, the knower of all things Allison Transmission. Ray served the NCFMA for many years and was a valued attendee at every training session, whether it pertained to Allison Transmissions, or not. We valued his knowledge of the product and our vocation. He has been missed these many years since his retirement. RIP, Ray.

Tony Bulygo

Ray Lamberson (Little) Looze Aug. 20, 1936 - Aug. 16, 2018 Resident of Belmont
Ray Lamberson Looze passed away on August 16, 2018 after a diagnosis of cancer. He was born with the surname of Little, August 20, 1936 in Honolulu, HI to Virginia Rae Lamberson of Oakpark, IL and Captain Rex Beach Little of Center, KS. He was the grandson of Ray Guernsey Lamberson of Lyons, KS (one of the founders of World Book Encyclopedia) and Myrtle Irene Whiteker of Topeka, KS.

Ray was blessed to grow up in a full home. First with his brother Don and then joined by his brother in marriage John and finally by his twin half brothers Rick and Jack. Ray attended Wayland Academy for High School and earned his BA degree from Carleton College. He served in the Navy for four years, two of which were at NAF Sigonella, Sicily and two more at NAS Norfolk, VA. He counted those years among his fondest memories. He met Helene in San Diego after the Navy and they were married in Pasadena. They made their home in the Midwest near Ray's family and eventually in Belmont, CA where they lived for 47 years. Ray worked for Detroit Diesel Allison a division on [General Motors](#) for 36 years and remained a GM faithful. He and Helene lived their final years at Sterling Court in San Mateo.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years Helene Vivian Johnson (daughter of Ragner Guno Johnson and Elizabeth Hamilton Johnstone) who died on August 12, 2015. Helene was a Professor of History and taught at Chabot College in Hayward for 30 years. Ray is survived by children; Lane (Scott) Poms of San Mateo, Ray (Kandis) Looze Jr. of Bloomington, IN, and Elizabeth "Tish" (Andy) Walters of Penryn, CA and grandchildren Max, Alex, and Ross Poms and

Bryce and Mackenzie Looze. His brothers also survive him; Don (Kaaren) Little of Havasu City, AZ, John (Donna) of Boise, ID, Rick (Kara) of Baraboo, WI and Jack (Judy) Looze of Englewood, CO. He is further survived by Helene's brother Drs. Nils (Sue) Johnson of Casper, WY, niece Dr. Sonia (Mike) Johnson of Glendale, CA., nephews Matt and Jordan Looze, niece Casey Looze and great nephew Mikko Johnson. He was unfortunately preceded in death on August 29, 2017 by his nephew Dr. Niles Ragner Johnson, the father of his great nephew Aysa and great neice Lilu.

Ray and Helene will be greatly missed by their family and friends. They rejoice in the fact that they are together and will never be separated again. Ray and his family are most especially gratefully to the Kaiser Permanente Hospice individuals and would like to thank their administration for assembling such a wonderfully merciful team.

Please see our newly redesigned joint website:

www.ncfma.org and www.californiafiremechanics.com

The screenshot shows the homepage of the joint website. At the top, there are three logos: N.C.F.M.A. Fire Mechanic, Southern California Fire Mechanics Association (with the tagline 'Proudly Serving the finest Fire Departments in California'), and California Fire Chiefs Assoc. Below the logos is a navigation menu with links: Home, About, Contact, How to Join? or Renew!, Training Dates, Newsletters, Vendor Listing, Industry Info, EVT Techtalk, and a search icon. The main content area features a large banner with the text 'RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!' over a background of flames. Below the banner is a 'NEWS & UPDATES' section, followed by a job listing for 'SENIOR EQUIPMENT MECHANIC - CITY OF FAIRFIELD, CA'. The job listing includes the opening date (09/27/18), closing date (10/11/18 05:00 PM), and a description of the role. On the right side, there are two columns of social media links and logos, including 'EVT TECHTALK' and 'CALIFORNIA FIRE MECHANICS ACADEMY'. The bottom right corner features a 'JOBS: Senior Equipment Mechanic - City of Fairfield, CA' listing with a small thumbnail image and the opening/closing dates and description.

- Industry Info
- Recalls
- How to Join
- Updated Vendor Sponsor Page
- Links to Important Websites
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- Association Facebook Page Links