



# Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors

Winter 2015

## Welcome !

### Iowa Fire Service Instructors Conference- 2014

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At the conclusion of our 2014 conference, someone asked a Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors board member, "How are we going to top this?" This year's conference did have a special emphasis; it was the Society's 50th anniversary. With the partnership between the Society and the Fire Service Training Bureau, the conference had something for everyone in fire services. Friday afternoon classes included "Crew Resource Management in Training" presented by Jerry Holt, Chief of Urbandale Fire Department, "Training the Next Generation" by Jerry Presta, firefighter from East Norwich (NY); representing for the National Volunteer Fire Council, and "Using the USNG as a Language of Location" by Rob Inouye, Captain of the Cedar Falls Fire Department.

At the conclusion of the afternoon's classes, the Society had their annual membership business meeting. Elections were held for those whose terms were expiring. The Society's board members for 2015 are:

Doug Kolkman- President  
Pat Daly- Vice President  
J. Maulsby- Secretary  
Mike Beck- Treasurer  
Jack Runge- Director  
Jerry Eslick- Director  
Joe Zittergrun- Director  
Rob Inouye- Director

The evening was just beginning. To celebrate the Society's 50th anniversary, a banquet was held at the Quality Inn. After a great meal, the 102 attendees were entertained and motivated by Billy Goldfeder, who spoke of the "Instructor's Responsibility". Following Billy, Cliff McFarland finished up the program with his thoughts on the past 50 years.

Saturday morning we heard again from our key-note speaker, Billy Goldfeder, who started out with an up-date from the International Society of Fire Service Instructors. He then began his program "Firefighters and Fire Officers Survival Program". After lunch, the Iowa Society named Rich Rodewald, of Council Bluffs Fire Dept., our 2014 Instructor of the Year. With bad weather approaching, our afternoon schedule was slightly altered. To conclude the conference, our 2013 Instructor of the Year, Scott Meinecke, presented some valuable information on using technology to enhancing our training.

**The Training Officer's Workshop will be held May 16.**

**The Iowa Fire Service Instructors Conference will be held October 9-10.**

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## *During the Banquet*



Billy Goldfeder spoke at the Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructor's banquet and during the conference.



Cliff McFarland did a presentation on the past 50 years during the banquet

## *During the Conference*



Scott Meinecke, the 3013 Instructor of the Year, presented a class called “Customized Video Based on Training Made Easy”



Billy Goldfeder autographing his new book “Pass-it-on” during a break at the conference

## Fire instructor 101:

### Lacking Personal Preparation

We've all experienced it: instructors who arrive late, are not appropriately dressed, who has an adult beverage during a lunch break, rushes out of the room at each break, or makes inappropriate remarks.

Fire service instructors must be above reproach, which means being there early and staying late, if there are questions. Must be dressed for the occasion. *Tip:* Always dress slightly better than the students. You are in command of the class, and must earn (and keep) the respect of the students.

## IaSFSI promotional items

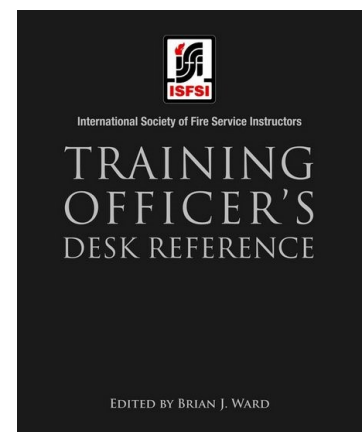
CHALLENGE COINS and limited IaSFSI 50th Anniversary t-shirts are still available. They both will be available during our state fire school February 27th-March 1st .



*New Email Address or Mailing Address? Help the IaSFSI keep you up-to date on the current events and happenings in the Iowa Fire Service by letting us know if you have a new email address or have moved! Please email your new contact information to [iasfscontact@gmail.com](mailto:iasfscontact@gmail.com).*

## New manual from the International Society of fire service Instructors

A comprehensive guide that will assist in the day-to-day training operations. Is available through the FSTB's bookstore.



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## 2015 Officers of the IaSFSI

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*"The Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors provides effective and continuous leadership in training and education for the Iowa Fire Service Instructor."*



## Instructor of the Year-2014



The Iowa Society named Rich Rodewald (left), of the Council Bluffs Fire Dept., our 2014 Instructor of the Year. Presenting Rich with this award is Doug Kolkman, President of the Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors



# Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors

## 2014 Business Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 4:20pm on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 by President Doug Kolkman.

The following appointments were made:

- Parliamentarian – Randy Novak
- Election Committee – Pat Daly
- Audit Committee – Paul Barnett

### Secretary Report – J. Maulsby

A copy of 2013 business meeting minutes was distributed.

Membership for 2014 was 163.

Motion was made by Lynn Manhart, seconded by Jerry Wisner to approve the 2013 Minutes. Motion Passed.

### Treasurer Report – Shaun Ryan

As of Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Balance was \$7,776.29

Audit committee submitted an approval of the treasurers' records.

Motion was made by Sam Kranovich, seconded by John Mills to approve the Treasurer Reports. Motion Passed.

### Committee Reports

Audit Committee – Paul Barnett gave a verbal statement that after completing the audit of the IaSFSI 2014 financial records, “All appears to be in order.”

Election Committee – Pat Daly read the names that have been submitted for each of the open board positions.

President – Doug Kolkman

Directors x2 – Jack Runge, Rob Inouye

Treasurer – Mike Beck

Pat Daly then asked for nominations from the floor.

Hearing none, motion by Cliff McFarland, seconded by Evan Bachtell to cease nominations. Motion Passed.

Motion by Cliff McFarland, seconded by Tony Westendorf to cast unanimous ballot for all nominees. Motion Passed.

### Director Reports - None

### Vice-President Report - None

### President Report - Doug Kolkman

Would like to see 3 things in the future of the society:

- A mentoring program
- More networking among the fire service
- Positive and progressive change

### Old Business – None

### New Business

Training Officer Workshop – Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Open call for articles to be submitted in the IFA newspaper.

### For the Good of the Order

Scott Meinecke expressed a thank you to the board for their past and on-going work.

A move to adjourn the 2014 IaSFSI meeting was made by John Mills, seconded by Al McCune. Motion carried.

# Recognition

We would like to recognize Iowa Society of Fire Service Instructors members who has taught at both state and regional fire schools in 2014.

Alicia Ver Huel  
Dave Zimple  
Doug Kolkman  
Cliff McFarland  
Rob Inouye  
John Zlabek  
Jerry Eslick  
Josh Bennet  
Gary Howard  
Rich Rodewald  
Scott Meinecke  
Randy Novak  
Doug Allen  
Craig Ver Huel  
James Thatcher  
Todd Moonaw  
Joe Zittergruen  
Jack Runge  
Mike Holcomb

Disclaimer: This is a partial list, there are a lot of Society members who teaches for different organizations. If you are doing training at any of these events and you're a Society member, let us know.