From the Firehouse to the Fireground

Chief Salka



Chief Lasky



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\$75 for full weekend \$50 for a single day Lunch is provided Tickets available at Eventbrite



SATURDAY

Five Alarm Leadership: Real Leadership with Real People

Five Alarm Leadership is a dynamic program that is designed to energize and motivate the people in your department to perform and excel in everything they do. This program outlines many of the common situations that fire departments and fire companies find themselves in and presents suggestions and solutions to those situations. Chiefs Salka and Lasky, both 40-plus year veterans of the fire service have experienced many of the challenges and hurdles that your fire department is facing. They have learned through their experience as a company grade officer, command-level officer, and executive officer, how to treat people, how to motivate them, to coach and counsel them, and in some cases discipline them, so that they want to come back and contribute even more to this great profession. Issues such as integrity, inspiration, interest, innovation, insight and initiative are all discussed and applied to life in the firehouse and on the fireground.

Sweating the Small Stuff: Keeping Your People Safe and Alive

For those in the private sector the practice of "sweating the small stuff" may come as a nuisance and seem unnecessary, but for those of us in the fire service it's often the "small stuff" that leads to a firefighter's injury or worse yet death. In this program Chief Lasky and Chief Salka examine the areas our fire service needs to once again place emphasis if firefighter safety is to remain paramount.

SUNDAY

The Three Degrees of Mayday

This program is a discussion about 3 categories or situations that firefighters can find themselves in that could result in a Mayday operation. Not every Mayday is the same and as a result not every RIT operation will be the same. Rapid Intervention Teams need to prepare for various urgent and dangerous situations of increasing difficulty.

A single firefighter that is lost in a house fire may be handled adequately by a 4-person RIT with little other assistance. A 3-person engine company crew that experiences a loss of water or sudden flashover will require a larger and more robust RIT operation along with additional logistical support. The collapse of a burning building that traps 6 firefighters in a 2-story burning pile of debris will require an even more complex response.

Fireground Scenario Workshop

This program is a one-of-a-kind opportunity for firefighters, company officers, and chiefs to experience a number of different types of structural fires. Examine fires in private dwellings, commercial buildings, apartment houses, and office buildings. Whatever your experience level is, you will certainly see something you have never seen before in this workshop. During the fire scenarios, the tactics, strategies and other factors will be analyzed and discussed. Students will have an opportunity to comment on what is happening in the scenario and how they might handle a similar situation in their own department. This will be an interesting, fast-moving, and entertaining program that you don't want to miss.