



MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Spring 2024

Exciting news!

The FAMA / FEMSA newsletter is now digital for enhanced accessibility.
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FAMA & FEMSA Hill Day 2024: A Resounding Success

On April 29-30, 2024, FAMA and FEMSA held a highly successful Hill Day, focusing on the reauthorization of Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) and Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grants.

Hill Day By the Numbers

- 108 Meetings Scheduled with Congressional Offices
- 28 State Congressional Offices Held Meetings
- 65 Participants from FAMA and FEMSA

The collective efforts of FAMA and FEMSA members during Hill Day have made a substantial impact. The dedication and proactive engagement of our members have brought the critical needs of the firefighting community to the attention of key policymakers.

As we await further developments, the success of this event serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of advocacy and the strength of our unified voice. FAMA and FEMSA extend our heartfelt thanks to all participants for their hard work and commitment. Together, we are making a difference in supporting the firefighting community and ensuring they have the resources needed to protect our communities.



Member News



Clarion Events Fire & Rescue Group proudly announces the promotion of Erin Moriarty to the position of Vice President of Sales. This elevation recognizes Moriarty's exceptional leadership, dedication and strategic ability, marking a significant milestone in her career with the company. In her new role, Moriarty will take on the additional responsibility of overseeing the management of FDIC Exhibits and Sponsorships.



Cooperative Services, LLC is pleased to announce that Victoria Lee has joined the organization as its Business Manager. Vicki's 30-year career in public safety includes serving as a volunteer firefighter/EMT and as Managing Director for a public safety technology consulting firm and working in several public safety stakeholder and fire chief member focused positions with the First Responder Network Authority and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC).



Curtis welcomes Kevin Seddon: Outside Sales for San Mateo to San Luis Obispo Counties, Tracy Rabe: Outside Sales for Riverside and San Bernardino Counties and Jason Parrish: Outside U.S. Government Sales for the Central United States. Recent promotions include Gregg Flood to Northwest Service Manager and Jason Haislip to Intermountain Service Manager

Curtis announces the retirement of Gary Feer, Northwest Service Manager and thanks him for his support of the fire industry for many years.



FEMSA and FAMA Members Shine at FDIC 2024



FDIC International 2024 marked a robust start to the trade show season, showcasing the latest advancements in fire and emergency services. The event featured over 800 exhibitors, including many members of FEMSA and FAMA.

Our members presented cutting-edge fire apparatus, emergency vehicles and innovative safety equipment, reflecting their commitment to enhancing fire safety and emergency response capabilities.



Thank you to FAMA Technical Committee



After nearly 40 years of dedicated service to the fire industry the retirement of Mike Dupay, Vice President of Marketing, was announced. Dupay has been an integral part of Safe Fleet's success story.



The brand is pleased to announce that Chris Martin has been promoted to Vice President of Marketing. Chris Martin joined Safe Fleet in 2016 after a notable tenure at Elkhart Brass. Starting as an intern in 2000, Chris ascended through various roles.



Fire-Dex has filled six positions and promoted six associates over the last quarter. Christina Smith (Quality Assurance), Chris Carson (Regional Zone Director), and Nicholas Hamm (Content Marketing Specialist), Teddi Morgan (Operations Supervisor) and Deyanira "Dee" Valero (Operations Manager) have recently been onboarded. Fire-Dex also welcomed former associate Denise Bradley (Quality Assurance Administrator) back to the team.

Additionally, six deserving team members have received promotions in the new year. Jim Aylward was promoted to Plant Manager, Janie Hollik became a Team Lead, Misty Rackley rose to the role of Warehouse Manager, James Mobley became the Assistant Operations Manager, Katie Andrews the Regional Operations Manager and Misty Johnson the Business Development Manager for the West Coast.



Fort Garry Fire Trucks would like to announce that Chris Pilek will be transitioning from sales manager for Central and Southwestern Ontario to sales manager for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Northwestern Ontario (West of Thunder Bay). It was also announced that Jimmie Adam is the newest Sales Manager for Central and Southwestern Ontario.

Congratulations to Taylor Young for achieving the 2023 Top Sales Dollar Volume Award and Chris Derochers, who earned the 2023 Contract Administrator of the Year Award. Sales manager, Peter Somerton, also celebrated his 25th anniversary with the company.



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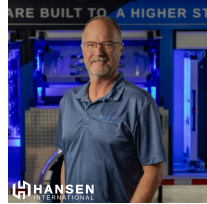
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Hannay Reels is pleased to announce the promotion of Brad Winnie to the position of Sales Manager. Brad is a 10-year veteran of the company, starting on the factory floor in various roles before joining the inside sales team.



Hansen International, Inc. has announced the appointment of Scott Wright as its new Director of Sales. In his new role, Wright is tasked with driving Hansen International's sales strategies, fostering customer relationships and spearheading the company's expansion into new markets.



Hansen also announced the appointment of John Helgesen as their new Engineering Manager.



Milliken & Company announced it is working to design and manufacture flame resistant undergarment fabric for NASA's Artemis missions. Artemis III will be the first U.S. crewed Moon mission in more than 50 years, planned for launch no earlier than 2026. Milliken is collaborating with global professional services firm Jacobs through the JSC Engineering, Technology & Science II contract with NASA to develop a next-to-skin textile that will be used in the clothing worn while astronauts operate space vehicles during the lunar landing mission.



SoundOff Signal is pleased to announce that Brandon Whittaker has joined the team as the new Director of Fire and EMS Sales. Whittaker comes to SoundOff with over 18 years of experience in the fire truck industry and more than 16 years as a volunteer firefighter.

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May 30-June 1, 2024 | North Battleford, SK

IAFC HazMat Response Conference
June 5-9, 2024 | Baltimore, MD

NY State Fire Chiefs Fire Expo
June 12-15, 2024 | Syracuse, NY

South Carolina Fire-Rescue
June 12-15, 2024 | Myrtle Beach, SC

MD State Fireman's Association Convention
June 16-21, 2024 | Ocean City, MD

NFPA Conference and Expo
June 17-19, 2024 | Orlando, FL

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The United States Army is partnering with Sourcewell for support in making sure its bases and forts across the U.S., are getting the supplies and services they need to remain mission ready. The agreement allows Sourcewell to support the Army's procurement efforts.



Super Vac proudly announces the appointment of two new regional sales managers with the addition of Kirk Grau in the South Central region and the promotion of Wade Fossum to Southeast Regional Sales Manager.

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We invite member companies to enhance their participation by encouraging more employees to get involved. By attending our Annual Conference, joining committees and engaging with our educational resources, your team can expand their professional network, stay informed on industry trends and influence legislative developments.

Increased involvement offers benefits such as community engagement, access to industry insights and advocacy opportunities, strengthening both your company and the fire service industry as a whole.

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