



7th Annual Skins and Fins Tournament



It was held on June 8-11th at the South Shore Harbor Resort in League City.

It is estimated that there were 400 people in attendance. We had over 30 vendors, 38 teams for golf and 25 teams for fishing.

We also had a Q & A with State Fire Marshal Connealy and Assistant FM Wendall

Classes held for CEU's included:

- CPVC Sprinkler Installation
- Testing of Fire Sprinklers
- Update on NFPA 19 Reformat
- Corrosion
- Combustible Concealed Spaces

Sponsors for the Event:

Reliable Sprinkler, Viking SupplyNet, Potter, Tyco, HD Supply, Ferguson, Ameripipe, ACT Pipe & Supply, Spears, Texas Pump, Total Pump, Globe, Merchantek and Blazemaster





1st place in fishing: Jason Zinn, Wes Davis, Carlos Rojas and Mario Moya



Teague Landry, Marcel Landry, Jim Odom & Ron Jacobs were either 2nd or 3rd place in fishing.



We are proud to announce the annual Skins & Fins tournament was a huge success. The weather actually cooperated with us for once. We had (25) boats head out that morning and most had a very successful outing. Our Association has drawn some of the saltiest captains in the area. We have secured them all for our 2018 Fins tournament. Keep an eye out for details this spring.

Our Skins N Fins Committee has already been working on the format for 2018 and are creating more added benefits to the program. The suggested format is shown below and your feedback is valued so please let myself or Travis know your thoughts. David Stone – President FSCATX.

Thursday June 7th – 1 p.m. Shotgun start golf tournament at Magnolia Creek, 1501 West Bay Area Blvd., League City, TX, 77573. Trophies and dinner to follow tournament.

Friday June 8th – 9 a.m classes start in designated classrooms. Potentially three classes could be going on at a time throughout the day. Class times can range from 1 hour to 1-1/2 hours.

11 a.m. – 2 p.m – Table top show is open with lunch being served.

7 p.m. – 11p.m. – Banquet dinner in ballroom with awards and DJ

Saturday June 9th – 5:30 a.m. Fishing tournament

Sunday June 10th - Depart

I wanted to get this information out before the first of the year so you all have time to budget and plan travel accordingly. First of all, thank you for your continued support of this event! We have enjoyed double digit growth year over year because of all of the support from industry leaders. We have decided that a new format would allow us to continue to drive attendance and offer a deeper educational value. We are going to attempt to offer many more classes this year. All topics for classes are welcome and needed. Topics such as new product material, sales, inspections, codes, etc. Your organizations could do more than one class this year. Please submit me all class topics and ideas at your earliest convenience. This will require a lot more planning and we will want to begin advertising all of the classes as early as possible to capture interest. Attached is a rough breakdown of the new format. I feel this format will enhance the quality of the event and attract more potential customers to showcase your products and services.

Please send me all class inquiries to: travis.hitzeman@ferguson.com or david@americanfiresys.com



Upcoming Events

Regional Meetings—You do not need to be members to attend, but RSVP is required for lunch count.

Houston Meeting January 18, 2018 at Dave & Busters on Katy Freeway at 11am

Dallas Meeting January 11, 2018 at CEF Training Building at DFW Airport at 11:30 am

Austin Meeting on January 25, 2018 at 11am Place to be determined

Scottish Rite Golf Tournament October 22, 2018 at Bear Creek Golf Course in Dallas

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