

2017 MSFCA State Chiefs Convention

Raddison Colonial Hotel, Helena, Montana

October 11-13, 2017

Presented by Montana State Fire Chiefs Association

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE (As of June 16, 2017)

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

10:00-5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open	
10:00 - 1:00 pm	MSFCA Board Meeting (working lunch)	
1:00-2:00 pm	Career Meeting	Volunteer Meeting
CONFERENCE BEGINS		
2:30-3:00	Welcome and Opening Ceremony Chief Mark Emert, Helena Fire Department	
3:00 - 5:00	PLENARY SESSION Leadership in the Fire Science Movement Eddie Buchanan, Assistant Chief, Hanover Fire & EMS, Richmond, VA	
5:00-7:00	Vendor Social Event	
7:30 pm	Story Telling/Campfire Gathering (BBQ included)	

Thursday, October 12, 2017

7:00-8:00 am	Breakfast (Sponsored by TBD)
7:15 - 5:15 pm	Registration Desk Open
8:00-8:30	Welcome Back and MSFCA Business Session
8:30-10:30	PLENARY SESSION An Alternative for Preventing Wildland-Urban Fire Disasters Jack Cohen PhD, Research Physical Scientist, USFS Rocky Mountain Research Station (ret.)
10:30-11:00	Networking Break with Exhibitors (Sponsored by TBD)
11:00-12:00	PLENARY SESSION Leaving it Better off for the Next Generation Eddie Buchanan, Assistant Chief, Hanover Fire & EMS, Richmond, VA
12:00 - 1:45	Lunch (Sponsored by TBD) and Vendor New Product/New Technology Demos/Talks
	Lunch (12:00-12:30) Vendor Demos/Presentations (12:30-1:30) Six - 10 minute demos/presentation
1:30-1:45	Networking with Exhibitors & Transition to Breakout Sessions
1:45-3:45	FirstNet TBD
3:45-4:15	Networking Break with Exhibitors (Sponsored by TBD)
4:15 - 5:15	PLENARY SESSION Firefighter Stress, PTSD and Suicide; Saving the Lives of Firefighters Steve Heitman, Fire Chief, Mercer Island Fire Department, Washington & Scott Geiselhart, Firefighter, Frazee (MN) Volunteer Fire Department
6:30 pm	Evening Event/Banquet (included)

Friday, October 13, 2017

7:00-8:00 am	Breakfast (Sponsored by TBD)
8:00	Registration Desk Opens
8:00-8:30	Welcome Back and MSFCA Business Session
8:30-9:30	PLENARY SESSION Moving Forward or Falling Back: Planning for your Agency's Future Lane Wintermute, Western Regional Director, Emergency Services Consulting International
9:30-9:45	Networking Break and Transition to Breakout Sessions
9:45-10:45	Succession Planning & Mentoring Norvin Collins, Fire Chief of Sauvie Island Fire District, Oregon
10:45-11:00	Break and Transition to Keynote Presentation
11:00-12:30	PLENARY SESSION We've Been Working on the Railroad: Collaborative Safety Efforts between Montana Railroads and Emergency Responders Anthony Bacino, Chief - Safety & Security, Montana Rail Link
12:30	Closing Remarks
12:45	CONFERENCE ADJOURNS