



International
Association of
Arson
Investigators
Illinois Chapter

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2nd Annual BUXTON/MAZZONE
Fire Investigation Training Conference

June 24-25, 2010

In cooperation with the
Illinois Fire Service Institute

Greg Gurney
C/O State Farm Insurance
8333 Express Drive, Suite C
Marion, IL 62959

DOUBLE TREE HOTEL – COLLINSVILLE, IL

**NEW LOCATION!!
Exit 11 on I-64/70
Collinsville, IL**

1000 Eastport Plaza Drive
Collinsville, IL 62234
Hotel Reservations – 1-618-345-2800
ROOM RATES - \$89.00

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Contact hotel directly for reservations.
Please indicate you are with the Illinois Chapter – IAAI
to insure the discounted rate. Discount Rate is only guaranteed until May 15, 2010.

Free buffet breakfast provided for hotel guests

BILL BUXTON and AUGUST F. MAZZONE

In 1974 the Southern Illinois Arson Investigators Association was formed. At the time, August “Gus” Mazzone was Chief Arson Investigator for the State of Illinois. Gus was the “creator” of arson investigation within the state. In his position, Gus saw the need for fire investigation training in the fire, law enforcement, and insurance fields. Because of his personal commitment to training programs, Gus felt the association could provide fire investigation training for Southern Illinois. Chief Mazzone underwrote the costs of the first and second conferences.

The training conferences continued because of Bill Buxton’s guidance and support. His commitment to quality continuing education has benefited every fire investigator in Illinois and across the country. Because of his confidence and trust, we were able to go on and establish a truly professional annual conference.

The tradition of the conference continues and in tribute to the bedrocks of Fire Investigation is now known now as the –

Buxton/Mazzone Fire Investigation Training Conference.

INSTRUCTORS

William Watson III, CIFI, FFCLS

William joined State Farm Insurance in 1985 as a Fire Claims Representative. In 1992 he joined the company’s SIU and has investigated claims under all the various State Farm Companies® and Coverage’s. He has successfully testified as an expert witness in both criminal and civil cases involving arson and insurance fraud and currently has over 1200 hours of training in arson and insurance fraud issues. He has instructed classes on arson and fraud investigation techniques for the Jacksonville Sheriff’s Office, the NICB National Academy, the State of Florida Fire College, the Florida Insurance Fraud Education Committee, the Insurance Committee on Arson Control, the Florida Advisory Committee on Arson Prevention, the Kentucky Chapter of IASIU, the Arizona Chapter of IAAI, the Georgia Chapter of IAAI and NSPII.

Steve Chasteen, CFEI, CFI

Steve is a long time instructor for FSI and the IAAI. Steve has over 34 years combined experience as both a volunteer and career fire fighter. He has more than 25 years in criminal and civil fire investigations. He has testified in court as an expert in fire origin and cause. In addition, Steve holds an Associate Degree in Fire Science and is certified as a Fire Investigator by IAAI, as well as a Fire and Explosion Investigator by NAFI. He is also certified as a Fire Investigator and an Arson Investigator by the State of Illinois Office of the State Fire Marshal.

John P. Cunningham

John P. Cunningham is a lawyer at the law firm of Brown & James, PC. He has practiced with Brown & James, PC since 1986. He is Vice Chairman of Brown and James PC Liability Insurance Litigation Department. He has been involved in several successful trials and appeals in the area of first party insurance claims and tort law, including arson and fraud litigation. He is a recipient of the American Jurisprudence Award for Excellence in Evidence.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday - June, 24th

0800 – 0900

Registration

0900 – 1200

Stove Fires Intentional or Accidental?

William Watson III

1200 – 1300

LUNCH (provided)

1300 - 1600

Court Testimony

John P. Cunningham

1900 - ?

Hospitality Room

Friday - June, 25th

0800 - 1200

Origin Determination

Cause Determination

Steve Chasteen

1200 – 1300

LUNCH (provided)

1300 – 1600

Incendiary Fire Analysis

New Techniques in Fire Investigation

Steve Chasteen

Testing and Certificates to Follow

Testing is eligible for certification points in the

IAAI-CFI program and OSFM CFI Recertification.

Conference Objectives

- /// Provide comprehensive instruction regarding the investigation of fire cause
- /// Provide a forum for interaction between those responsible for civil and criminal investigations
- /// Assist in the development of professional credentials for those involved in the field of fire investigation
- /// Teach the highest standards of professional ethics

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Registration form for the Mazzone Fire Investigation Conference June 24-25, 2010

NAME: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____ ORGANIZATION: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Conference Registration

IL Chapter Members \$ 75.00
Non-Members \$100.00

Send To: Amy Beasley
Midwest Fire Consulting Group
P.O. Box 1096
Murphysboro, IL 62966

Checks payable to: Illinois Chapter IAAI

*** Cancellations subject to a 50% fee if received after May15, 2010. No refunds will be made for any cancellations received after May 31, 2010. Substitution of registrants will be allowed only with prior notification of substitution.*

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