



Louisiana Automatic **Fire Alarm** Association

President's Message

From: Roger Bourgeois

June 2008

The Louisiana AFAA General Meeting in Baton Rouge this past Friday was a resounding success. Approximately 42 members, plus several Fire Marshal personnel attended the June meeting.

The membership voted unanimously to adopt the proposed By-Laws. The Board of Directors voted to adopt the new resolutions, which will work hand in hand with the By-laws.

Tom Hammerberg, National AFAA Executive Director was our Guest Speaker. Tom presented a comparison of the Fire Alarm requirements of NFPA 101-2006, vs. IBC2006. The presentation was interesting and well received. The Fire Marshal Question and Answer Session after lunch was equally informative and as usual generated a lot of participation from Louisiana AFAA members. Fifteen (15) Questions were presented to the Fire Marshal for consideration. A copy of the Q&A Session will be attached to the minutes of the meeting, as well as Tom Hammerberg's Presentation.

The June meeting lunch was sponsored by Bourgeois & Associates, Inc. of Houma. Newly adopted Resolution #6, allows for sponsorships by Association Members. Sponsors have already been secured for the next two meetings.

September 19, 2008 Meeting will be sponsored by Wood Electronics, Inc.

January 23, 2009 Meeting will be sponsored by Siemens Building Technologies

Boyd Petty presented an update on the activities of his Licensing Section regarding Violations and Fines. Seems like his Office Staff is staying quite busy! A copy of Boyd's report will also be distributed as an attachment to the meeting minutes which were distributed via e-mail in the next few days.

Contact me at 985-851-0881, or e-mail bourgeois@lahotfire.com if you are interested in sponsoring the Annual Meeting on March 27, 2009. The cost is \$300 per meeting.

A copy of the revised By-laws and Resolutions will be mailed with your current membership certificate. You also will be receiving a separate membership certificate from the National AFAA. Membership is now at 50 members. I am challenging all of our members to go out and secure at least one new member.

Thanks for your support of the Louisiana AFAA!

Sincerely,

Roger Bourgeois
LA-AFAA President