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## THE FUSIBLE LINK

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To Members of the N.J. Chapter, S.F.P.E. from the President:

John Ed Ryan is away in Australia on a consulting project and asked me to prepare this issue of the Fusible Link. I thought I would give you an update on our program for this year and discuss some issues we need to address.

During the summer break the Board met to plan for this year and we have a series of speakers we hope will be challenging and interesting. As you have expressed in the past we are trying to emphasize technical subjects and unusual fire protection problems and solutions. In this vein our first program will discuss fire protection for an inflatable covered sports arena and other unique detection problems. In November we expect Rolf Jensen, S.F.P.E. President to tell us about a project he has engineered as well as discuss the concerns of the National Society from the president's perspective. The Board hopes you will join in as many of the meetings as you can and that they will be as beneficial to you as we expect!

As most of you know the National Constitution was voted on recently with changes in the titles and levels of membership. The proposed Constitution passed and the new membership grade of Affiliate is in effect. "An Affiliate shall be a person who supports the goals and objectives of the Society and does not qualify for another membership grade." Most of our current Chapter Affiliates may be able to qualify and join the Society, if they desire. You can apply now with the current blue application or later on a streamlined form now being prepared.

This leaves the Chapter with a need to find a new title for our current affiliates - any ideas? See me or anyone on the board. We will be talking about this at meetings as more information develops.

Finally, please plan to support the Chapter by coming to meetings. Let us know your ideas, gripes or concerns. We can't make improvements if we don't know what you want!

L.L. Parks

May 9, 1988

President, Lou Parks, opened the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The Minutes of the March 7, 1988 meeting was approved as published in the Fusible Link.

Treasurer, Jim Tolos, reported that the balance as of 05/09/88 is \$2,860.55. A motion was made and seconded to approve the report. The President read a letter from Mr. Ted Ventrone indicating that an audit was conducted and was acceptable, despite several missing bank statements.

Don Batal read a list of proposed members. The candidates included:

Clifford Lucido	Colgate-Palmolive
Kevin McGlory	AFA Protective
James Ingram	A.P.C.
Paul McGrath	City Fire Equipment
Maryanne Fitzgerald	IRI
Gary Hundley	J&J
Robert Kasiski	Pyro Chem, Inc.
Mark Hyland	IRI
Don Drewry	Hartford Steam Boiler

A motion was made and accepted to accept these individuals into membership.

An introduction was made of the attendees and the head table.

Lou Parks indicated that the National SFPE Constitution revisions had passed. It is assumed that these will go into effect immediately, and individuals should use the new membership criteria if applying as an affiliate member.

There will be two golf outings. On June 2, the Fire Sprinkler Association will have an outing. The Chapter Golf Outing will be on July 7. There will be a notice published in June.

There will be a joint seminar with N.J. at the Gateway Hilton in Newark during the first week in November. The subject will be protection of computers. If anyone knows of a good speaker on this subject, please contact Lou Parks. Several of the speakers have already been set.

Frank Bender read a letter from Joe Bolton concerning the Nominating Committee report. The nominees were as published in the meeting notice.

No nominees were presented by the general membership. A motion was made and seconded to have the Secretary cast a ballot for election of officers as published.

The first two meetings for next year's program will be September 19 and November 7, 1988.

Mr. Marv Melton introduced Alex Anselmo, of R. Stohl Co., who spoke on intrinsic safety for electrical equipment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary