

# NATIONAL FIRE/EMERGENCY SERVICES EXPLORING CONFERENCE



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NEWSLETTER

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### **Good bye and have a safe trip home**

It has been a pleasure having each of you on campus this past week the University of Illinois Fire Institute has been honored to have had you here to compete and to learn. We are proud of the great showing that each post has demonstrated. We thank our staff of volunteers and especially the Post Advisors who work so hard to be able to make this event possible. When you get back to your homes and begin to plan your future in fire fighting, consider coming back to the University of Illinois Fire Institute. There is no better facility in the world and certainly no better staff anywhere. Make your plans to attend the next fire conference wherever that may be, and tell your hometown posts about the great program you experienced and how they would benefit from attending. God bless each of you and have a safe trip home.



# Congratulations to the winners.

## Team Events

Place	Post #	State	Team	Company
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### Arson Investigation

1st	2144	WA	A	Woodinville Fire Department
2nd	2144	WA	B	Woodinville Fire Department
3rd	2050	IL	B	Peoria Fire Department

### Bunker Gear and SCBA Relay

1st	2100	AL	A	Hoover Fire Department
2nd	2144	WA	C	Woodinville Fire Department
3rd	911	AZ	B	Casa Grande Fire Department

### CPR and Movement

1st	2902	MI	B	Gerrish Township Fire & EMS
2nd	627	MN	A	Inver Grove Heights Fire Department
3rd	28	IL	A	Niles Fire Department

### Ladder Raise

1st	99	IL	A	Aurora Fire Department
2nd	315	FL	A	Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services
3rd	118	IL	B	Wauconda Fire Department

### Make and Break

1st	2444	AL	A	Trussville Fire and Rescue
2nd	836	FL	A	Martin County Fire Rescue
3rd	911	AZ	B	Casa Grande Fire Department

### Paramedic Biking

1st	911	MA	B	Arlington Emergency Management
2nd	911	MI	A	Grand Traverse Fire Dept.
3rd	2444	AL	B	Trussville Fire and Rescue

### Room Search

1st	264	AK	A	Anchorage Fire Department
2nd	357	CA	D	City of Ontario Fire Department
3rd	547	MN	B	Roseville Fire Department

### Spinal Immobilization and Move

1st	315	FL	A	Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services
2nd	3647	MN	A	West Metro Fire Rescue District
3rd	1717	MI	A	City of Northville Fire Department

### Drill Competition

1st	2144	WA		Woodinville Fire Department
2nd	315	FL		Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services
3rd	357	CA		City of Ontario Fire Department

## Great Shows

If you enjoyed the opening show and the closing ceremony, show your appreciation to Frank Lewis and his crew of dedicated volunteers for making it happen. It takes hundreds of man and woman hours to make a show like that happen. They are called black shirts, because they work backstage and don't want to be seen during the performance. It is truly behind the scenes work, for which we are so grateful. The following volunteers have served in this year's crew:

Steve & Pat & Zachary Setzler, Rob Chinn, Joe & Kelli Meents, Jana Waite, Gene McCoy, Don Maxwell, Amanda Ressel, Brad Ashmore, Jack & Jeff Jones.

Thank each and every one of you for a job well done. *Muchas Gracias.*

## Lost and Found

Lost and found items may be claimed at the office located in Trelease Lounge. We have a few items that need to be claimed today.

*Thank you*



## Individual Events

Place	Post #	Name	Company/State
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### Bunker Gear and SCBA

1st	444	Jeremy Beals	Snohomish Fire & Rescue, WA
2nd	315	Jonathan Vought	Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services, FL
3rd	264	Kathryn Longlet	Anchorage Fire Department, AK

### Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT)

1st	2144	Matt Gau	Woodinville Fire Department, WA
2nd	627	Jon Pedersen	Inver Grove Heights Fire Department, MN
3rd	264	Kevin Coffey	Anchorage Fire Department, AK

### Hose Race

1st	2144	Andrew Morford	Woodinville Fire Department, WA
2nd	118	David Buckel	Wauconda Fire Department, IL
3rd	315	Amy Zeilinga	Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services, FL

### Initial Size-Up and Incident Command

1st	99	Jeffrey Kerley	Aurora Fire Department, IL
2nd	2100	Jay Samander	Hoover Fire Department, AL
3rd	510	Jeff Bird	Fairview Fire Department, IL

### One-Person CPR

1st	547	Tim Picha	Roseville Fire Department, MN
2nd	315	Chad Watler	Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services, FL
3rd	357	Dustin Sansone	City of Ontario Fire Department, CA

### Wildfire Shelter Deployment

1st	444	Charles Erickson	Snohomish Fire & Rescue, WA
2nd	264	Kevin Coffey	Anchorage Fire Department, AK
3rd	444	Yegor Bizyayev	Snohomish Fire & Rescue, WA

### Written Examination

1st	118	Mike Warchal	Wauconda Fire Department, IL
2nd	2144	Matt Gau	Woodinville Fire Department, WA
3rd	911	Matt Farmer	Casa Grande Fire Department, AZ

### Phillip Moore, Health and Safety Director says:

Have a safe trip home and remember whenever in hot and humid weather always to remember to drink water, and drink some more water and if you get full drink more water. It's good for you. Soft drinks don't provide the fluids you body need for healthy living. Drivers be careful and remember to obey all the traffic laws and don't speed. It is a policy of Exploring that all traveling vehicles may not drive more than ten hours with frequent rest breaks and switch drivers when needed.



Surgery doesn't slow this girl down -- Emily Cox of Post 2444 Trussville, Alabama recently had surgery on both feet, but this did not keep her from experiencing the thrill of the Technical Rescue.

**Way to go girl!**

## Check out the Fire Conference Website

You will find photos and information on the Fire Exploring Website in a few weeks. Log on to [www.learningforlife.org](http://www.learningforlife.org) then click on Exploring then Fire Exploring. There you will find the latest information on Fire Exploring and soon photos and info on this year's conference. It is a place to seek information, policy, program guides and what's happening in Fire Exploring. Who knows you may find your photo or your buddy's photo so take a look. You should also check out the monthly Learning for Life Newsletter found on the Exploring site. You can also submit photos and articles of activity to Cliff Takawana at [ctakawan@lflmail.org](mailto:ctakawan@lflmail.org) that might be included in the Newsletter.

## Check Out Procedure

The staff of the Florida Housing Complex wishes everyone had a great stay and wish everyone a safe trip home. The check out procedure is as follows:

1. One post advisor is to return to the front desk all room keys for each explorer and advisor at one time. Each post is responsible for their room keys or pay the lost key fee of \$25.
2. Post advisor returns all key cards to the front desk.
3. Check rooms for damage as all post members are responsible for any breakage or damages after checking out.
4. Place all towels and washcloths in the bins in the bathrooms.
5. Roll linen and place upon the beds for removal.
6. Place all trash in the trash containers and help with the removal of bottle etc from halls and bathrooms.
7. Check for any personal items you may have left.

Check out begins at 9:00AM today. It has been a pleasure serving each and everyone of you, you are a tribute to your departments, hope to see you again someday. When you consider college, give the University of Illinois a good look.



**If you had fun this week, consider returning to Illinois Fire Service Institute in Champaign for the Explorer Cadet Fire School on June 26 - 29, 2008. Watch for details on the Illinois Fire Service Institute web site at [www.fsi.uiuc.edu](http://www.fsi.uiuc.edu)**