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Rattle Watch

Proudly informing South Carolina firefighters.



Countdown to Fire-Rescue: 20 days!

We're counting down the days til [Fire-Rescue](#) and we hope to see you and your family in Myrtle Beach, June 14-17! To make your experience as streamlined and enjoyable as possible, we've outlined a few important details ahead of your trip.

Registration

There is no pre-registration because the conference is free for members and classes are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. Check-in at the kiosks when you get to the Convention Center to get your badge and pick up guest badges for your family. Members will receive an email with detailed check-in instructions closer to conference.

Hotels

June is prime time for Myrtle Beach tourism so go ahead and [book your room](#) if you haven't yet. We've got a list of hotels near the Convention Center to help you narrow down your search.

Opening ceremonies

Fire-Rescue officially kicks off with the Opening Ceremonies and Business Meeting on Thursday, June 15 at 9 a.m. Join us and hear from keynote speaker [Commander Rorke T. Denver](#).

Exhibit hall soft opening

The Thursday night exhibit hall soft opening is your first glimpse at the

extensive vendor hall. We'll see you there from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Schedule

The course schedule is jam-packed this year and caters to a variety of interests. We've partnered with the South Carolina EMS Association to offer EMS/medical courses, and the T&E Committee took special interest in offering family-centered courses at conference this year. [Take a look at the schedule](#) and make a note of what classes pique your interest. Remember, everything is on a first-come, first-serve basis; we encourage you to get your seat early.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at the beach. Thank you for continuing to support Fire-Rescue and your South Carolina State Firefighters' Association.



Only a few spots left in the Golf Tournament

The South Carolina Firefighters Foundation Golf Tournament is on Wednesday, June 14, at Legends Golf Resort. Tee-time is 8:30 a.m. sharp. We saw a record turnout last year and anticipate another great year. Only a few team spots remain—[register](#) today to secure your spot.

Silent auction

The Foundation is also hosting a silent auction throughout Fire-Rescue. Items include driving experiences, collectable items, wine tastings, and more. Bidding closes on Saturday, June 17 at noon.



Join us on Wednesday for Beach Bash with SCFIS

South Carolina Firefighters Insurance Services is excited to host Beach Bash on Wednesday evening starting at 5 p.m. at Crocodile Rocks at Broadway at the Beach. Thanks to sponsors, *food, drinks, and entertainment are on the house*. It is going to be a great time!



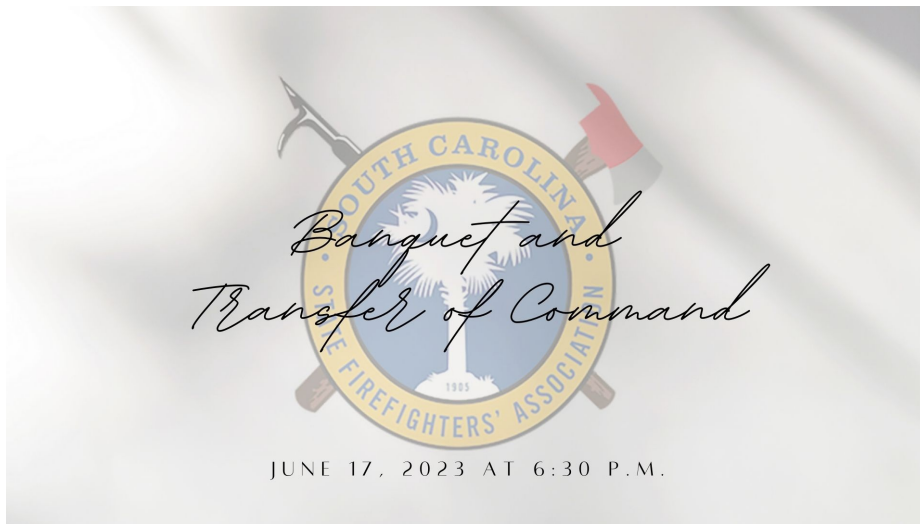
Explorer & Jr. Firefighter Competition is on Friday, June 16

We know the future of the fire service is bright and in good hands. The Explorer and Junior Firefighter Competition on Friday, June 15 at 1 p.m. is a friendly showcasing of skills from Explorer and Junior programs across the state. [Sign up](#) before May 31 to participate.



Fire Safe South Carolina awards designees on Saturday, June 17

Fire Safe South Carolina designees will be recognized on Saturday, June 17 at 1 p.m. This designation signifies dedication and hard work by the department for its commitment to reduce fire-related injuries, promote consistent fire safety messaging, and stress the importance of collecting accurate fire scene data.



Banquet and Transfer of Command conclude

Fire-Rescue on Saturday, June 17

Our Banquet & Transfer of Command Ceremony is the official conclusion of Fire-Rescue on the evening of Saturday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. Please join us as we recognize award winners and swear in incoming officers.

[Tickets are required.](#)



Get your Fire-Rescue t-shirt before conference

Fire-Rescue t-shirts are [available now](#) and will be sold at conference. Shirts come in three colors and sizes small-4XL.



FIRE- RESCUE CHALLENGE COIN

Get your Fire-Rescue
challenge coin at
conference for \$10



Challenge coins will be available at conference

Conference challenge coins will be available at \$10 a piece when you get to Fire-Rescue. If you can't make it to conference, we'll have them available for purchase online mid-June.



Association news



The Association's birthday is May 30

On May 30, 1905, the vision of forward-thinking fire service leaders came to fruition and the South Carolina State Firefighters' Association was formed. As one of the oldest associations in the state, we've proudly been serving and supporting South Carolina firefighters for 118 years.

Thank you for continuing to allow us to serve you!



One year of Rattle Watch

Thank you for reading the 52nd edition of Rattle Watch! The first ever edition debuted on May 5, 2022, and has seen a few cosmetic changes over the last twelve months. We [archive](#) all editions of Rattle Watch on our website so you can reference a previous newsletter if need be.

We are constantly seeking new ways to build community with our membership, and Rattle Watch is one of the many ways we strive to achieve that goal. From local golf tournaments to fundraisers to national fire service announcements, everything included in this newsletter is aimed to benefit you.

If you have an event or content you would like to see featured in Rattle Watch, please contact brook@scfirefighters.org.

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- [June 14 - Foundation Golf Tournament](#)
- June 14 - Beach Bash with SCFIS
- [June 16 - Jr./Explorer Competition](#)
- [June 14-17 - Fire-Rescue](#)
- [July 18 - 1% Regional Training Class: Lexington County](#)
- [August 24 - 1% Regional Training Class: Beaufort County](#)
- October 1-6 - Fire Officer Academy: The Company Officer class 23-02
- [October 17 - 1% Regional Training Class: York County](#)



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