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U.S. Fire Administration Joins HFSC Steering Committee

In support of the HFSC's mission to increase awareness about the life-and property-saving benefits of residential fire sprinkler systems, the U.S. Fire Administration has joined the Coalition's Steering Committee.

"USFA and the HFSC share a common cause, the prevention of human and property loss caused by residential fires," said Larry Maruskin, USFA Fire Prevention Specialist. "They both also believe that the installation of residential fire sprinklers is an effective fire loss prevention and reduction measure," he added.

As an entity of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), USFA involves the fire service, media, other Federal agencies and safety interest groups in the development and delivery of fire safety awareness and education programs.

"We looked at the HFSC as a vehicle to augment our educational efforts," Maruskin said. "Automatic fire sprinkler technology is grossly under-utilized. Community-based programs and educational material like those developed by the HFSC will help

New Website Drives Sprinkler Message Home With Dramatic Fire Timeline Movie



A six-minute film tracks a home fire from its start to the very different endings that result if the house has sprinklers or not.

Imagine waking up in the middle of the night to the sound of a smoke alarm. How would you react? How fast could you move? How would you save your family? Visitors to the HFSC's new Website, www.homefiresprinkler.org, can experience that frightening event in a dramatic six-minute movie that traces the course of a home fire.

In the movie, a fire starts in the living room during the night while the family is sleeping. One minute later, the smoke alarm activates. The homeowner wakes up, doesn't smell smoke until going down the stairs, then reaches the first floor to see smoke in the living room and the curtains on fire. Heat activates the fire sprinkler and the fire is controlled about two minutes after it starts.

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When Claire Twomey, Habitat for Humanity Lakeland (Florida) executive director, read about the availability of sprinkler systems for Habitat for Humanity (HFH) homes, she knew she had to learn more. The Calloway family was awaiting completion of their home. With eight people in the family and one severely disabled adult child, a sprinkler system could make the difference between life and death in case of fire. Although the house was well under construction, Twomey was determined to make this safety feature available to the family.

“Mrs. Calloway is the primary caretaker for her son during the day,” explains Twomey. “If there were a fire and she was overcome by smoke, he would be unable to save himself or call for help.”

Twomey received a letter from Habitat for Humanity International encouraging affiliates to work with the HFSC and install fire sprinkler systems in their homes. Their construction manager immediately contacted the HFSC explaining the urgency of the Calloway project. HFSC works with HFH affiliates by helping identify the local resources to supply the material, labor and technical support.

“This project moved so quickly, it was amazing,” said Steve Randall, member of the Florida HFSC. “The house was at the ideal point for sprinkler installation when the Habitat people learned about the HFSC. They were willing to stop the project and offset their schedule if we could work fast,” Randall said.

Randall immediately contacted various local resources to donate the material and labor. Phillips Fire Protection agreed to design the system. Wayne Automatic agreed to donate the installation. BlazeMaster donated the pipe and Central Sprinkler donated the heads. The sprinkler system was installed within one week.

Randall said the house stayed on schedule. It’s the first residential installation of a sprinkler system in Lakeland.

As with all residential sprinkler systems, the Calloway’s system activates only when and where needed, so parts of the house not touched by fire are not destroyed. It also includes a bell in the back of the house that sounds when a fire is present.

The Calloway family is very happy with the results. “We feel very secure with this system in place,” said homeowner Beverly Calloway. “Particularly with our special-needs child.”

“We’re so proud of what we’re building,” reports Twomey. “There’s a certain perception that because Habitat for Humanity homes are for lower-income families, they’re not very good. This house proves that we do everything we can to make our homes not only affordable for families, but also safe to live in. Sprinklers are intended to save lives and property. I hope to see them in more of our homes. If even one life is saved, it’s well worth it. And particularly for the Calloway family, it could easily make the difference between life and death.” ■



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“After reading an article about HFSC Chairperson Gary Keith retrofitting his own home with sprinklers, I knew it was the right thing to do,” explains Symons. “I believe in sprinkler systems. They work. And I believe that people in fire protection should do all they can to encourage fire safety.”

“Sprinklers save lives,” states David. “So naturally I want to encourage my employees to have them in their own homes. It shouldn’t be a case of the cobbler’s children having no shoes; we as an industry need to promote fire safety within the field.” ■



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- ▶ Underwriters Laboratories (UL)
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- ▶ Connecticut Fire Marshal Association (CFMA)
- ▶ Fire Protection Products, Inc.
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Affiliate Members

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The value of fire sprinkler protection was reinforced for Rivermead residents recently after a fire in which a resident's car ignited in an attached garage. Although sprinklers are not provided in the garages, the incident raised awareness of fire risk among residents. Rivermead management is pleased that they now have state-of-the-art fire safety equipment. "We're grateful for the Chief's suggestion; it has proved its worth!" says Bonnie Cohen of Rivermead management. "I suspect that residents who declined the sprinklers at first will now change their minds after seeing the damage that occurred in an unsprinklered area during the recent fire."

"Rivermead Retirement Community management has a history of wanting to do the right thing for the safety and security of their residents," explains Black. "We'd like to publicly acknowledge the organization's management and Board of Trustees for their progressiveness and cooperation, as well as the builder, Peter Larouch, and Life Safety Fire Protection, which installed the systems in the new buildings."

A similar scenario is being played out in Avon, Connecticut. During the planning phases of a community of 40 single-family homes for seniors, Fire Chief Jamie DiPace worked with the local zoning/planning commission to include fire sprinkler protection.

"Little by little we're educating the public about the importance of sprinkler systems," says Chief DiPace. "It's truly an educational process, in which the fire service must make the needs and benefits known."

HFSC will follow the development of the Avon project in upcoming issues of *The Solution*. ■

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increase the use of residential fire sprinkler protection throughout our country."

Steering Committee Members have the right to vote on all procedural decisions. They meet every four to six weeks to review HFSC activities, financial reports and the strategic plan.

"Most of the issues discussed in our meetings involve the consumer education campaign, our message, challenges we face while implementing the programs and the strategies to best reach our target audiences," said Gary Keith, HFSC Chair. "When you look at the list of Steering Committee Members, it is truly represented by the major organizations from the fire protection industry. It was only natural for the USFA to join."

The HFSC steering committee list includes founding members American Fire Sprinkler Association, NFPA and the National Fire Sprinkler Association. Other members include the Canadian Automatic Sprinkler Association, Underwriters Laboratories, and the Sharel Stokes Education Foundation.

The HFSC also welcomed three new affiliate members: Affordable Fire Protection, Wirsbo U.S. and Wirsbo Canada. Affordable Fire Protection is a residential sprinkler contractor located in Norcross, Georgia. Affordable worked with the HFSC, Viking and BlazeMaster to install a residential fire sprinkler system in a demonstration home at the International Builders' Show in Atlanta.

Wirsbo is the manufacturer of AquaSafe Fire Protection, a new fire sprinkler system that is being introduced in various markets in the U.S. and Canada.

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What Do You Get When You Cross a Hockey Team with Residential Sprinklers?

The answer is a great promotion.

The Portland Bureau of Fire and Rescue, the Plumbers and Mechanical Contractors Association and the Local 290 Plumbers and Steamfitters teamed up with the Portland Winterhawks Hockey Team to promote residential fire sprinkler systems during a game last spring.

Thirteen thousand fans had the opportunity to view live sprinkler activations in the sprinkler demonstration trailer before the game. Fans also received a free limited edition poster featuring their Winterhawk's goalie wearing a fire helmet and mask.

According to event organizer Earl DiMent, Portland Fire Department, the program was a real success. "We promoted the event with radio spots the week before the



game," DiMent said. "We really had the chance to get our message out to all the fans. Our public service message flashed on the scoreboard throughout the game."

Between the first and second periods, the Portland Fire Bureau and the Local 290 had a match of their own playing a short game of broom hockey. DiMent said the game ended in a tie. "We had a lot of fun on the ice and the fans had fun. The whole thing was a big success that we plan to continue next hockey season," he said. ■

Team Effort Brings Fire Sprinklers to Grants Pass Habitat Homes

Rick Alves owned a construction company that built high-end homes in the San Francisco area when he first learned about residential fire sprinkler systems. He was determined to include the same life-saving benefits of fire sprinklers when he later became construction manager at the Grants Pass Habitat for Humanity in Oregon.

With plans to build five Habitat homes on a cul-de-sac, Alves heard about the HFSC as a resource to help install residential fire sprinkler systems. "Three of the homes were being built for families that had members with disabilities," Alves said. "I thought it would be especially beneficial for those families to have fire sprinklers in their homes," he said.

The HFSC had commitments from Viking Corp. and BlazeMaster (Noveon) to donate the material, but informed Alves they needed time to identify a local sprinkler contractor to donate the system design and labor.

So Alves asked Lyn Cox, one of the homeowners, to volunteer her time to help find a contractor. Cox didn't hesitate. Three months earlier, one of her family members lost everything in a fire.

"My sister-in-law lost everything. You don't realize how devastating fire can be until it hits close to home," Cox said. "When I found out my new house could have fire sprinklers, I thought the idea was fantastic," she said. "I started calling local sprinkler contractors. My second call was to Omlid & Swinney Fire Sprinklers and they agreed. So far I've had very good luck getting people to help," she added.

Dennis Mendoza from Omlid & Swinney was excited about volunteering for Habitat. He agreed to donate the time to design the system. "Everyone was supportive of the idea. Company owners O'Jay Omlid and Steve Swinney gave us the o.k. to install the systems in all three homes," Mendoza said. In addition to Viking and BlazeMaster donating material, Potter Electric donated the riser for the system.

The first home was completed in July. According to Alves it was a good experience for everyone, especially working with the Grants Pass Fire Department during the plan review and inspection process.

"The Habitat projects provided a good opportunity to learn more about how residential fire sprinklers are installed today," said Sgt. Kurt Pilcher. "Fifteen years ago, fire sprinkler systems were installed in group homes in the area using metal pipe. The systems installed in the Habitat Homes have the plastic (CPVC) pipe. So it didn't take very long for the contractor to install the system."

Pilcher said he hopes to see more homes with fire sprinkler protection in Grants Pass. "The benefits are huge. Fire sprinklers are a matter of survival," he said.

Cox agrees. With three children between the ages of eight and fifteen, she feels safer knowing her family will be protected. She is also proud of all the volunteers who helped make fire sprinkler protection a reality in her new neighborhood. ■



Pictured from left to right: Dawn Stroh, Samantha Cox, Lynn Cox, Ashley Cox and Dennis Mendoza, the local Fire Sprinkler Systems, Inc. representative.

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tection. In less than five minutes, the fire spreads until it reaches "flashover" and the entire living room is engulfed in flames, before fire-fighters arrive at the scene. According to the Gary Keith, HFSC chair, the movie was developed to make fire timeline information more realistic. "For years, we've used charts and data to educate people about how quickly a house fire spreads. The photos and sound effects used in this presentation bring that information to life," Keith said. The movie also shows how dark and deadly the smoke in a house fire can be. "We want viewers to understand that it is the smoke that kills," Keith said. "Even though the fire started in the living room, thick poisonous smoke spreads throughout the house. You can't see anything when the house is filled with smoke. While the clock is ticking and the fire spreads, people in the house are blinded by smoke while they try to escape. The best way to control the development of smoke is to control the development of fire with a sprinkler."

Information from *The Scottsdale Report* is also used in the movie. *The Scottsdale Report* is an analysis of fire records during the first 10 years the City of Scottsdale had an ordinance requiring the installation of residential fire sprinklers in all new homes. This information compares the average amount of water used by fire sprinklers to the amount used with fire hoses. It also compares average fire loss in a home protected by fire sprinklers to an unprotected home.

While developing the movie, the HFSC sent it to various members of the fire service throughout the country for feedback. Keith said it was very well received. "Members of fire service were anxious for us to post it on the Website so they could use it for community education," Keith added.

Anyone who visits the HFSC Website can download the timeline movie to view when they are not on the Internet and to use for presentations. Viewers do need the "Flash" plug-in, which is also available to download on the Website at no charge.

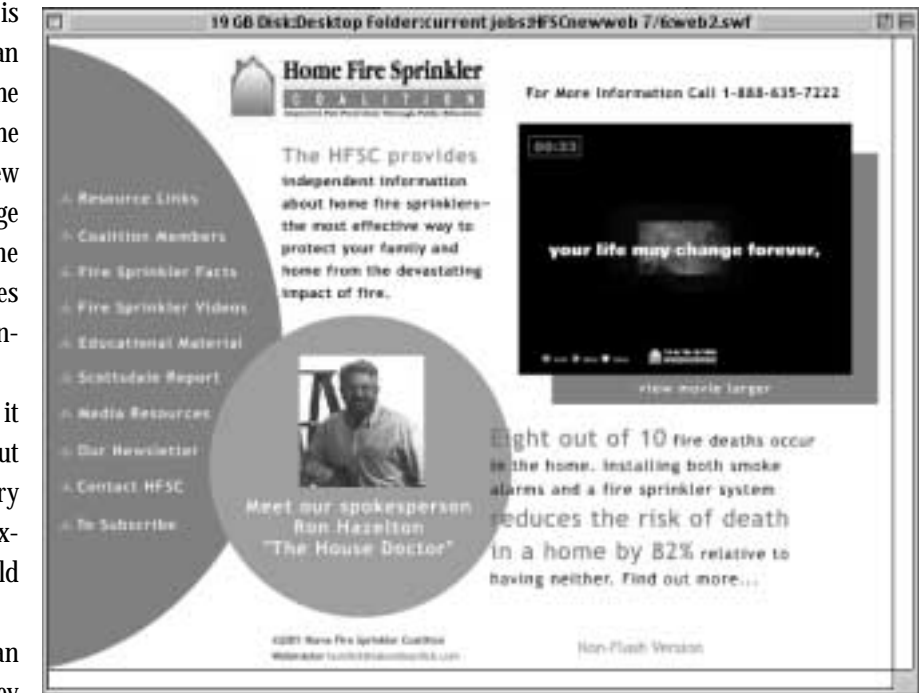
The movie is just one of the exciting new changes in the redesigned HFSC Web site. The home page has a colorful new look and simple intuitive navigation for the entire site. Because the Website was designed for use with Flash software, most visitors will experience more interactivity, and faster downloads than the old site. For visitors who prefer, there is also a standard HTML version. If you're not sure if your computer can read Flash, the site automatically tests your browser and sends you to the Flash version, offers the option to download Flash (which only takes a couple minutes) or sends you to the standard HTML version.

One of the most popular destinations on the site is *The Scottsdale Report*. The full version of the report, which analyzes 10 years of fire records from Scottsdale, Arizona, can be downloaded and viewed or printed on your computer. The report has become a favorite tool of public educators and others wanting to demonstrate the life-saving benefits of home fire sprinklers. Other educational tools such as PowerPoint presentations and onscreen slide shows can be downloaded, as can an order form for printed materials.

www.HomeFireSprinkler.org is also a great place to connect to other sources of information and services. There are links to the Websites of the HFSC member organizations, and a resource page is being developed that will provide information about successful activations, examples of how residential fire sprinklers can provide construction and development alternatives, and information to help find a sprinkler installer.

The Solutions newsletter, including all back issues, is available on the HFSC Web site for either online viewing, or for downloading in a printable format. And unlike the print version, Solutions is in full color online and includes animations, videos and links to other resources.

There are even more changes planned for the next year that will make www.HomeFireSprinkler.org more interactive, informative, and valuable in the effort to drive home the importance of residential fire sprinklers. ■



The newly redesigned HFSC Web site features more interactivity, faster downloads, and easier navigation.