

"An investment in
KNOWLEDGE always pays the
Best Interest" -
Benjamin Franklin

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Front Door Decision Making

Over the last several years, fire-ground tactics have been found to be in a constant state of change. This essential change is an attempt to match the dynamic and volatile environment we respond to every day as firefighters. With the help of UL, NIST and other industry SME's we now have the ability to take the guess work out of the equation and look at our modern-day fire behavior in a more factual light.

These studies prove to be another tool for firefighters and fire officers to effectively and efficiently carry out the mission. An industry wide issue regarding these studies, is the overwhelming amount of data as well as the technical format in which they are written. At times, the most practical and useful material is simply glossed over or never read. In this class we will dive into a number of different technical studies, along with fire-ground footage to show how this information can be transformed into usable "street smart" tactics and strategies. In order to operate successfully on the edge of chaos we must choose to constantly evaluate our methods.

Presented By: James Kenney, Lieutenant with Fairfax County Fire & Rescue

"Leading Strategically-Acting Tactically"- Building a Culture of Safe Extinguishment

Is it possible to be "aggressive" and "safe" at the same time? Within today's fire service, the issue of safety is at the forefront of discussions and there are widely divergent arguments about the importance of not losing sight of why the Fire Department was called in the first place. Such points of view promote the idea that a culture of extinguishment (put the damn fire out!) is somehow mutually exclusive to being safe. Nothing could be further from the truth.

This presentation defines the importance of being continuously and tactically connected to your troops even as you raise the bar of excellence through strategic leadership. With an entire new generation of firefighters emerging on the scene, fire officers cannot afford to sit in their offices and lead from behind their desk. Direct engagement saves firefighters - learn how in this interactive and challenging presentation that covers such topics as "normalization of deviation" and how attention to detail, combating complacency, and understanding the difference between "tradition" and "this is how have always done it" play a critical role in reducing preventable LODD's.

Presented By: Matt Tobia, Assistant Chief with Loudoun County Fire & Rescue

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