GAFSED has had a busy summer promoting the industry at the Georgia Fire Safety Symposium. We held three 8 hour training classes and are developing the Randy Carlisle Scholarship Program. During the Georgia Fire Symposium GAFSED promoted the products and services of our membership by handing out tee shirts to the 350 AHJ's and fire safety educators in attendance. The shirts promoted GAFSED, GFIA and the SFMO as "Georgia’s Fire Safety Triangle". I would like to thank both GFIA and the SFMO office for joining us promoting this message. Also during the symposium GAFSED was a tee sponsor of the GFIA golf tournament which was won by the way at 16 under par by some of our own GAFSED members. Congratulations to; Bobby Agee, Carl Horst and Josh Bennett. I’m sure the fire marshals will have stacked team looking to take these guys down next year!

At this point I am happy to announce the rollout of the Randy Carlisle Memorial Scholarship program. For those of you new to GAFSED Randy owned H&R Fire in Cartersville and was involved with GAFSED from it’s founding in 2000. We tragically lost Randy two years ago this month while he was serving as GAFSED president. The program is open to high school seniors and current college children of Active GAFSED members in good standing. If you or an employee have children in this category please read more in this newsletter on page 2 or go to www.gafsed.org for more information!

Now that the kids are back in school, it’s time for our last State approved training classes before we renew our state licenses and permits. Registration is NOW OPEN for 3 classes, September 20-21 don’t miss out, REGISTER NOW as the deadline is fast approaching.

Finally, as we go into the fall we will be accepting nominations to serve on the GAFSED Board. Terms are for 2 years. This is YOUR association so please consider nominating yourself or someone in your office to serve, you’ll be glad you did. Contact admin@gafsed.org for more information.

As always, do not hesitate to contact me with any need at; president@gafsed.org
It’s hard to believe two years have come and gone since our great friend and industry leader Randy Carlisle passed away unexpectedly. That’s 104 weeks, or 728 days, or 17,472 hours, or 62,899,200 seconds, but for a lot of us the memory of him is still as fresh as if we saw him yesterday. Most of you know Randy was a quiet man unless he was laughing, then everyone for miles could hear him. He was a friend to everybody, a gentle giant. You always knew where he stood on any issue and he would fiercely defend what was right while never hesitating to admit when he was wrong. Even though his education never exceeded high school he was always about “learning”. He always used to tell us “...never let an opportunity to learn something pass you by.” He was also a wonderful philanthropist. He did so much for so many people and never wanted any credit in return. He was much more comfortable sharing anonymously in their happiness.

For these reasons and many others, GAFSED has decided to partner with Randy’s legacy in offering an educational scholarship to the owners, employees, and their children to be used to help further their education past high school. We at GAFSED are excited about this opportunity to “Give Back” to those who have have made this association the leader in our industry that it is today.

Details on the GAFSED / Randy Carlisle Memorial Scholarship can be found at :www.gafsed.org

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**GAFSED ANNOUNCES COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
**BY: ARNOLD HARNER**

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**LAST TRAINING OPPORTUNITY FOR 2013!!!**

Time to get those Georgia approved training hours for your 2014 licenses and permits is approaching FAST... Don’t miss out on the final GAFSED training opportunities this year! GAFSED will host 3 classes over 2 days in the north Atlanta metro area September 20&21st. at the Waverly Renaissance hotel.

Registration is now open! You can download, print and mail to register at : www.gafsed.org We have a special negotiated rate for the Renaissance of $95.00 per night, for hotel registration go to the link on our website or call 770-953-4500 by August 30th. and mention “Georgia Association of Fire Safety Equipment Dealers” to get the special rate of $95.00.

HURRY DON’T MISS OUT !!!

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**NFPA UPDATE**
**BY: CARL HORST**

Back in June Chris Hendrix and I attended the NFPA Committee Leadership program during the NFPA Annual Conference and Expo in Chicago. As an alternate for us on NFPA 10, the leadership program brought Chris up to speed on how meetings are conducted and the overall obligations of a technical Committee member. The day long program is intense and covers a lot of material in the consensus standards making process.

The next 2016 edition of NFPA 10 Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers is already open in the “Public Input” stage. Submission forms can be submitted online or downloaded and submitted by mail. Mailed submission deadline is November 29,2013 and online submissions deadline is January 3,2014. If you have any changes you would like to submit “Public Input” on and would like some assistance getting started email Chris or myself @ admin@gafsed.org.

For more information go to: www.nfpa.org/10
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NEW NFPA STANDARDS AVAILABLE

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has completed 2013 revisions of the following Standards pertaining to our industry:

- NFPA10 Standard for Portable Fire Extinguishers
- NFPA 17 Standard for Pre Engineered Dry Chemical Systems
- NFPA17A Standard for Pre Engineered Wet Chemical Systems

These Standards are available for purchase now in both traditional hard copy, and electronic versions at www.nfpa.org

NFPA 96 Standard For Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations, will be voted on at the NFPA Standards Council July 31– Aug. 2nd..

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OVER 200 ATTENDED JULY CLASSES

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BY THE NUMBERS

State issued Licenses:
Portable Fire Extinguisher – 166
Pre Engineered Kitchen Systems -104
Pre Engineered Industrial -56
Engineered Systems – 41

State issued Permits:
Portable Fire Extinguisher—570
Pre Engineered Kitchen Systems—294
Pre Engineered Industrial—144
Engineered Systems—90


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