

Utah State Certification Council Members



Jim Bacon has been in the fire service for 25 years starting full time with Park City Fire District before going to work for the Unified Fire Authority/ Salt Lake County Fire Department. Currently, he is an Operations Battalion Chief on "B" Platoon on the East side of Salt Lake Valley. Other department positions Jim has held include Training Officer, Logistics Officer, and Operations Hazardous Materials Officer.

Jim's off duty time includes working as a Flight Medic for AirMed (over fifteen years) and as a Fire Commissioner on the Administrative Control Board, Park City Fire District.

Jim has been married for thirty years and has four children, two son-in-laws and one grandson. For vacation and fun, his family loves to go to Disneyland two or three times a year and a few times up to Yellowstone National Park, along with maybe a cruise thrown in for the wife and himself during the Winter.



George Sumner retired May 31, 2007 from Fire Chief of South Davis Metro Fire Agency, a fire department formed January 1, 2005 by the consolidation of Bountiful City Fire Department and South Davis Fire District. George worked 29 years for Salt Lake City Fire Department, retiring as a Deputy Chief in 2000 to accept the position of Bountiful City Fire Chief. In the 1980's George taught leadership, fire prevention, fire investigation and firefighter safety for UVSC Fire Training and for the National Fire Academy. Although he is remaining active in the Certification Council, Fire Caucus and Joint Council, George is looking forward to spending more time with his wife, Tina Hose, and his grandchildren.



Wesley "Corky" Brewer has been the Chief of the Moab Fire Department since 1989 and has been with the department since 1979. His specialties include HazMat Technician, Fire Inspector, and rescue diver. Corky is on the State HazMat Committee and is also Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security for Grand County. He is also L.E.P.C. chair and chair of the Safe Schools Coalition.

He and his lovely wife Cindy are the parents of 3 kids, 3 grand kids and 1 on the way. His son is a deputy sheriff and a firefighter on the Moab Fire Department. His hobbies are hunting and fishing, especially with his kids and grand kids.



Gary Bulloch is the Chief of Brian Head Fire Department. He has 19 years in the fire service. In addition to fire service, Gary is also a Police Officer and EMS.

Gary is married and has three children. His part time job is cattle operation. His hobbies include motorcycles, and he spends lots of his spare time at the baseball field with kids. He is known to be an excellent batting coach.



Andy Byrnes is a retired Special Operations Battalion Chief from the Orem Fire Department. He is currently a Programs Developer for the Institute of Emergency Services and Homeland Security – Utah Fire and Rescue Academy. Recently, he has led a development team in the reorganization and rewriting of the new Apparatus Driver Operator – Pumper and Apparatus Driver Operator – Aerial courses for the Academy. He has also led the development of the new Hazardous Materials Awareness, Basic Operations, WMD Operations, and Fire Officer I & II courses. He is an experienced Emergency Services Instructor working for local state and national Fire/EMS and Law Enforcement organizations to include the National Fire Academy and the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA. He is also a consultant/instructor for the Defense Threat Reduction Agency providing response and border protection training and exercises in Eastern European and the former Soviet bloc countries. He has been a member of the Certification Council for 10 years.



Greg Chamberlain is the Deputy Chief of the Ogden Fire Department. He has 26 years of service with 24 of them as a career firefighter. His positions include the following: Firefighter, Driver, HazMat Team Member, HazMat Team Leader/Captain, Medical Team Captain, and Secretary/Treasurer for IAFF Local 1654, Records Management System Administrator, Fire Preventions and Operation Divisions Deputy Chief. Greg has been an Adjunct Instructor for National Fire Academy.

In his spare time, Greg enjoys travel, fishing, camping, and geocaching. He is the father of 2 sons, 2 daughters, 2 sons-in-laws, 1.5 daughters-in-law -engaged, 3 grandsons, and 1 set of twins - granddaughter and grandson.



Jeff Cox has been with the Fairview Fire Department for thirteen years. For nine of those years he has served as chief of the department. He was the Training Officer for the Sanpete County Fire District for four years. He now serves as a city councilman for Fairview City.

Jeff has been married for twelve years and has three children. His career has been with the local telephone company and his hobby has been the fire department.



Shane Freeman began his fire career in the summer of 1978 with the US Forest Service. Since that time he has held various positions in the fire service in Utah, Arizona, and Florida. Currently, Shane is the Assistant Fire Management Officer of the Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands.

Shane has been married 10 years. He and his wife Kitty reside in Riverton. They have two dogs, Frank and Gus. Shane enjoys hunting, fishing, playing the guitar and bagpipes, and restoring Chevrolets – 1953 Pickup, 1968 Camaro and 1976 El Camino.

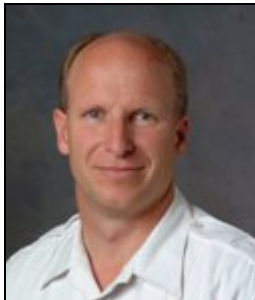


Jason Earl, Battalion Chief, Orem Fire Department.



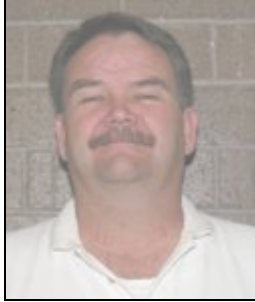
Scott Spencer is the Chief of Payson Fire Department. He has been with the department for 20 years. He was recently appointed to the Utah State Fire Prevention Board.

Scott has a BS, AS, and AAS from UVSC. He has a lovely wife Gwen, 3 boys and 2 girls ranging in age from 6 to 17 yrs. old. Scott enjoys camping, snowmobiling, hunting, and four wheeling.



Ray Stokes has been working full time in the fire service for over 20 years and as a fire chief for the last 3 years. He was an Assistant Fire Chief/Incident Commander/Training Officer for over 15 years. Ray enjoys the certification system and testing/visiting various fire departments around the State.

In his spare time, Ray enjoys water and snow skiing, hunting, rock climbing, mountaineering, and lately, rock crawling. Ray is happily married with four children.



Randy Willden is the Battalion Chief of Murray City Fire Department. He has been in the fire service for 22 years. This includes 8 years as a Battalion Chief. Randy teaches for the Center for Domestic Preparedness – both domestic and international students. He has worked at UFRA for over thirteen years.

Randy has been married to Sherrie Willden for 31 years and is the father of four and grandfather of five. He enjoys camping, boating, and off-road recreation.

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