# Knuckle Buster





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## **Good Turnout for Spring Seminar**

The 55th Annual Spring Seminar was held on Wednesday and Thursday, May 17-18, 2023 at the FVTC Public Safety Training Center in Appleton, WI. The classes this year were EVT F4 Prep Class with John Merrifield from Spartan Chassis and Tire Analysis, Forensics and Training with T.J. Tennent and Ron Winkleman from Tennent and Associates. We had great reviews for the classes from the 35 people in attendance. Hope to see you back in fall and next year.



## **Thanks to our Sponsors**

We want to thank Spartan Chassis for being the lunch sponsors this year. We want to thank Rennert's Fire Equipment Services for sponsoring the morning refreshments. We also would like to thank

Emergency Apparatus Maintenance, Rennert's Fire Equipment Services, Roberts Repair and Reliant Fire Apparatus for sponsoring/donating door prizes. We would also like to thank Spartan Chassis for waiving the travel expenses for John Merrifield.

## **Elections held at Annual Meeting**

Elections for two Executive Board positions were held at the Annual Meeting Wednesday, May 17, 2023. they were President held by Brian and Recording Secretary held by Kevin Roberts. Brian Toth was nominated and re-elected President. Kevin Roberts was nominated and elected as the Recording Secretary.

#### 2023 Fall Seminar

The 2023 Fall Seminar will be held on Thursday, September 21rst at the Fox Valley Public Safety Training Center. The class this year will be by the Wisconsin State Patrol. The class will cover recent changes to the state ambulance standards and annual inspection. We will also touch base on the daily vehicle inspection required by SPS 330. Please register with Brian Toth at <a href="mailto:waevt.president@hotmail.com">waevt.president@hotmail.com</a> by September 10th. EVT testing will be hosted after the seminar. Registration is through the EVT Certification Commission.

# **WAEVT Logo Items**



The new t-shirts are a hit. We had several shirts made and still have some in stock.

We have medium to 3XL along with some tall sizes.

We also have a number of old t-shirts, polo shirts and hats. We will have them at the fall seminar if you are interested.

#### **2024 Spring Seminar Planning Underway**

Planning is underway for the May 2024 Spring Seminar. Dates are still to be determined. We are looking into a class on brakes and an EVT prep class. Stay tuned for more information as classes are confirmed. If you have any suggestions for classes contact Brian Toth or any of the board members.

#### **EVTA Bulletin Board**

Do you have a problem that is causing you trouble and can't figure out? Go to the EVTA Forums and become a member of the site. There is no charge and there are technicians and factory personnel from around the country asking and answering questions on all topics. There are several WAEVT members on the board as well. If you haven't visited the website, it is a very valuable source of information and sharing. You do need to register to post to the site, but there is no cost. Visit the site at <a href="https://www.evta.info/forums">www.evta.info/forums</a>.

#### **E-Mail Addresses**

If you know of someone that should be receiving our newsletters and information but isn't, please let Brian Toth know so they can be added to our mailing list. Thank you to all those that have provided your e-mail addresses in the past. We would like to utilize e-mail for sending information and newsletters to help keep costs down. Brian can be contacted at <a href="mailto:waevt.president@hotmail.com">waevt.president@hotmail.com</a>

# **Training Opportunities**

WAEVT Fall Seminar September 21, 2023 FVTC PSTC, Appleton

WAEVT Spring Seminar 2024 TBD FVTC, Appleton

WAEVT Fall Seminar 2024 TBD, Appleton

Hale Pump Schools <a href="http://www.haleproducts.com/Main/Content,30,10.aspx">http://www.haleproducts.com/Main/Content,30,10.aspx</a>

Pierce Factory Training <a href="http://www.piercemfg.com/company/training.cfm">http://www.piercemfg.com/company/training.cfm</a>

EVT Certification Commission <a href="http://www.evtcc.org/">http://www.evtcc.org/</a>

Spartan Motors <u>www.spartanchassis.com</u>

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