



Knuckle Buster



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Happy New Year to Everyone

Happy New Year to all of you in EVT land. Now that the hustle and bustle of the holidays are over, it is time to again turn our attention to all things we do to keep our equipment running and our communities safe.

2018 Spring Seminar Classes and Changes

The 2018 Spring Seminar will be held May 23-24, 2018 at the FVTC Public Safety Training Center. We have lined up Bill Peters with a vehicle specification class, Marshall Brooks with Pierce Aerial Maintenance, and John Merrifield of Spartan to do a NFPA 1911 Annual Inspection class. Registration this year will be \$175 for both days, and **NEW this year a one day registration** of \$100, good for either Wednesday or Thursday. It was necessary to increase the cost due to the cost of instructors. We are hoping to return to the previous cost next year. Information and registration forms will be sent by e-mail and available on the website in February.

Also new this year is the conference hotel. Due to some issues with the hotel last year, we decided to make a change. The conference hotel will be the La Quinta Inn and Suites on College Avenue in Appleton. More info will be on the seminar flyer.

WAEVT Logo Items

The new t-shirts are a hit! If you didn't have a chance to order one, NOW is the time. In order to keep the prices where they are, we need a minimum order of approximately 25 shirts. The order form is available on the website or by e-mailing Jon Coutts. We would like to get enough orders to be able to have them at the Spring Seminar. Deadline for ordering is April 1st. **THE ORDERS MUST BE PAID WHEN ORDERING SHIRTS. Order forms can be found on the website.**

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Medium to XL - \$22 XXL and XXXL - \$30

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



Elections at Spring Seminar

Elections for three Executive Board positions will be held at the Annual Meeting Wednesday, May 23rd, 2018. The three positions that are up for reelection this year are Vice President, currently held by Tom Thiele, Executive Secretary, currently held by Brian Toth, and Treasurer held by Randy Klaybor.

The Rig: Thinking About the Mechanic

Posted by: [chrism](#) in [Apparatus Components](#), [Engines](#), [Features](#), [Pumps](#), [Rigs](#), [Riley](#) January 19, 2018 0 230 Views

Pump Access Points



By [Ricky Riley](#)

In the past when purchasing an engine for a career department or the volunteer firehouse, we usually were only concerned in getting the operational options that would make the apparatus perform better on the fireground and for the firefighters. And when that rig broke, we always wanted it fixed in minutes and hours rather than in days.

Click [here](#) to read entire article

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 www.evta.info/forums.

E-Mail Addresses

If you know of someone that should be receiving our newsletters and information but isn't, please let Jon Coutts 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. Jon can be contacted at jdcoutts@sbcglobal.net.

Training Opportunities

WAEVT Spring Seminar May 23-24, 2018 FVTC PSTC, Appleton www.waevt.com

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

Pierce Factory Training <http://www.piercemfg.com/service/maintenance-training>

EVT Certification Commission <http://www.evtcc.org/>

Spartan Motors www.spartanchassis.com

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