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CASIA MEETINGS 2022 Changed to 3rd Thursdays

of the month. Three "REGULAR" MEETINGS (Jan/Apr/Oct); Four "EVENT" MEETINGS (Mar/ Jun/Jul/Dec). Location - Eli's on Whitney unless otherwise noted. Schedule is 6 p.m. Open Forum Networking, followed by 7 p.m. dinner, presentation and discussion.

Thursday, January 20 Annual Meeting and Election of Officers / keynote speaker Andy Markowski, Statehouse Associates / "State of the State" Thursday, March 31 LAST Thursday of the month MEMBERSHIP EXPO & AUCTION

Thursday, April 21 General Membership Meeting Thursday, June 16

Lobsterbake & Barbeque / Location TBD Thursday, July 21

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Thursday, October 20 General Membership Meeting Thursday, December 15

HOLIDAY PARTY



### TMA 2022 Virtual Mid-Year Meeting - April 26-28, 2022

MORE INFO: Online at https://tma.us/events/virtual-mid-year-meeting

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To register, contact Leigh A. McGuire, TMA Director of Marketing & Communications -Email: Imcguire@tma.us Direct

### CASIA PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS 2022-2023

Thursday, January 20

Annual Meeting and Election of Officers / keynote speaker Andy Markowski, Statehouse Associates / "State of the State"

**President:** 

Dana Klesh, United Alarm Service, Inc.

**1st VP:** Rick Weiss, ADT

Secretary:

Zig Sokolowski, USA Central Station

Treasurer: Dominick Prete, ProTek Security, LLC

**Regional Vice Presidents:** Erik Turnquist, Standard Security Paul Welte, Welte Electronic Systems, LLC David Wilson, Berkshire Alarm

Note: There are vacancies for Regional Vice President positions. Please let us know if you are interested. New people bring new voices and new ideas to the table.

Associate Member Rep: John Alberino, Nortek Control

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### **National Training Center** (NTC) has launched a 90-day online training bundle

National Training Center (NTC) has launched a 90-day online training bundle where experienced professionals and beginning students can learn more about security, NICET and life-safety while studying for one of several NICET examinations if so desired. "We've gotten a lot of great feedback from our field technicians who have used the online training in the past year and they've all successfully taken their NICET exams." says Stephanie Wlosinski with Davis-Ulmer of Amherst, NY. Included in NTC's 90-Day Bundle are the following study regiments: Level 1-4 NICET Fire Alarm Certification Online Training, All Security Systems Online Trainings, Fire Alarm Systems Online Training, NICET Water-Based Systems.

To connect with an NTC professional, call 702-648-8899, email cs@nationaltrainingcenter.net, or visit www.nationaltrainingcenter.com.

### Partnership for Priority Verified Alarm Response (PPVAR)

The Partnership for Priority Verified Alarm Response (PPVAR), an organization established to promote the value of verification and validation of alarm events during the emergency response process, recently announced the appointment of the new 2022 board members. The 2022 term will be led by President David Holl, Director of Public Safety for Lower Allen Township, PA. Two Vice President positions have



been added. One from the alarm industry: Mark McCall of Stanley Security and the other from public safety: Frank Fernandez, Chief of Police (Ret.) Director of Public Safety/Assistant City Manager (Frm.).

The complete board is listed at www/PPVAR.org. The

new board members will each help support the organization's mission and work of promoting the value of verification and validation of alarm events during the emergency response process using video, audio, and other emerging technologies along with proven best practices. This collaboration maximizes the effectiveness of all resources required to protect life and property. For more information, contact PPVAR at Communications@ppvar.org or visit the website at www.PPVAR.org.

### CASIA TRAINING REGISTRATION

Training Class Registration forms available online at www.casiact.org. Please contact Pat Shea Remes at premes@casiact.org for information.



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### CAA Offers New Training Program

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a Partner. Alyson started her career with BPSD in September 2013 after relocating from Ohio. She was certified as a CPA in January 2012. Alyson is involved with all aspects of the practice and the clients we work with. Her involvement with the California Alarm Association continues thru her work with the Board of Directors, participation in industry seminars and workshops as well as working directly with many of the firm's industry clients. Alyson plays a prominent role in developing firm internal policies and procedures and

working with our entire organization. We congratulate Alyson once again and look forward to many years of continued growth and success. Our BPSD family also wants to take this opportunity to wish you and yours the best for the holidays and a happy, safe, healthy, and prosperous 2022. We value and appreciate your relationship with us very much and look forward to continuing that for many years to come.



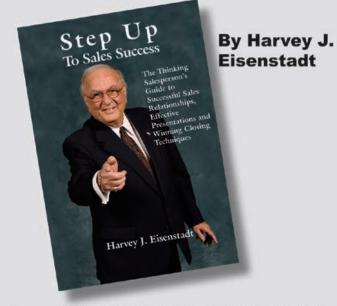
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The AFAA Fire Expo will be held May 2 - May 5, 2022 in Palm Coast, FL at the Hammock Beach Golf Resort & Spa.



### 2022 AFAA Annual Fire Expo *May 2-5, 2022*

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POTTER ELECTRIC SIGNAL COMPANY announced that Valcom has become a new division within Potter. Potter's strategic investment in Valcom will allow the business to expand its engineering, marketing, and sales initiatives to drive growth in new applications. With this acquisition, Potter now offers a portfolio that covers the broadest range of emergency communication systems used in commercial projects. Valcom's range of mass notification systems complement Potter's fire and life safety offering, including their voice evacuation and emergency responder communication systems. Potter's CEO, Gerry Connolly, commented, "We have had a longstanding respect for Valcom's products and culture. With more building owners and facility managers looking to manufacturers to provide better platform and system integration across their mission-critical life safety and communication systems, we see the potential for additional strategic growth given our complementary products and channels."

**POTTER ELECTRIC SIGNAL COMPANY** announced the release of the Integrated Voice System along with the IPA-4000V and AFC-1000V fire alarm control panels. These updated panels have all the functionality of the original IPA-4000 and AFC-1000 panels, and now include the ability to create and send out voice evacuation messages. The Integrated Voice System can be used to address multiple site requirements for the Potter AFC-1000V and IPA-4000V, with industry leading capacity including up to 104 programmable push buttons, 31 total system amplifiers, 248 speaker circuits, and remote system control using the new LOC-1000 Local Operator Console. The Integrated Voice System utilizes a text-to-speech feature that allows users to create custom spoken audio messages themselves without needing third party software or voice artists. Amy Liedman, Potter's Director of



Product Management for Fire and Security, said, "The Integrated Voice System is going to revolutionize the capabilities of Potter's large-scale fire and life safety systems. Giving our customers the ability to provide voice evacuation systems into the market ensuring their installations will provide clear evacuation needs in an emergency situation, and it's been designed with an easy-to-use interface for much easier initial set-ups and modifications. Visit www.pottersignal.com for more information on Potter's Integrated Voice System and all products and services that Potter offers.

The STANLEY SECURITY WHOLESALE MONITORING team donates time and auction item to the Heroes@Home Tournament. The United States Army Special Forces, known as the Green Berets, produce some of our nation's finest and mostelite military personnel, who fight across a broad spectrum of missions, in the pursuit of freedom for those oppressed and to protect our nation from those who seek to do us harm. The Heroes at Home Golf tournament is played to help raise funds to assist the mission of The Green Beret Foundation. This year was the fourth year of the event and to date the Tournament has given over 1 million dollars to the foundation. This money is used to help connect U. S. Army Special Forces and their families with the resources needed for healing from injury, family support, and transition to life after service. At the year's event in Houston, Texas, Peggy Page of STANLEY Security Wholesale Monitoring was proud to volunteer her time and an auction item for the event to add to the monies raised this year. If you would like more information please check out www.stanleymonitor.com, 800-932-3304 or wholesale-sales@sbdinc.com.

**TELGUARD** announced its Customer Service and Technical Support teams have won a 2021 Security Sales & Integration Supplier Stellar Service Award for Training Programs. With average hold times of less than a minute, these Atlanta based teams work hard every day to provide expert service and tech support to its customers so their customers' professionally monitored assets,



property and lives are secure. The award comes from a SS&I subscriber poll of professional security dealers and integrators, where they specify who they recognize as having the best service in areas like training programs and customer service. "We operate from a dealer-first mentality and care enough about our customers' time and

reputation to implement a dealer support system that allows our customers to reach our experts in under a minute, provides customized in-person and virtual training opportunities, and encourages product education as a tool that empowers integrators to become the experts in the eyes of their customers," said Daniel Rosales, Senior Director, Telguard Technical Services.

ALULA introduced BAT-Fire, an innovative universal 5G-ready fire communicator for system integrators requiring an allpurpose, full-featured device. BAT-Fire builds on Alula's long history of developing award-winning products and services. BAT-Fire offers easy configuration and support of all fire alarm control panels using dial-capture to report Contact ID signals, or flexible inputs for interfacing with dialer-less FACPs. The new communicator provides sole path cellular (LTE-M) and IP or dual path communications. "Previously, you may have needed one

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communicator for cellular communications and another for ethernet," said Dave Mayne, Alula's senior vice president, product and marketing. "Both are always available on BAT-Fire, and you can turn the cellular radio on or off if desired, something other communicators can't do." The BAT-Fire is now available through security and electrical distributors that carry Alula products.

**RSPNDR** announced partnering with **MAS MONITORING** for a native integration with MASterMind central monitoring station software. "The opportunity to integrate with MAS will accelerate adoption so more monitoring stations, dealers, guard companies and end-users can start to see the benefits of having a faster, more transparent response to unverified alarms in less steps", said Mark Zimmerman, CEO of RSPNDR. RSPNDR connects monitoring stations that have active unverified alarms to a network of licensed on-demand mobile guards that respond based on proximity. Without employing guards, RSPNDR partners with local licensed guard companies to deliver alarm response demand, as needed in just one-click.

**HAKIMO** announced the release of its smart monitoring software powered by artificial intelligence (AI) to holistically manage enterprise physical security operations. Hakimo's software significantly streamlines the workflow of a global security operations center (GSOC) by freeing up time for operators and by surfacing security threats which would have gone unnoticed previously. "Hakimo leverages state-of-the-art deep learning technology developed over the last few years," said Sam Joseph, cofounder and chief executive officer of Hakimo. Hakimo's software detects tailgating using existing cameras without needing any additional



hardware to be deployed. Not only that, Hakimo has an industry leading performance rate that even beats out other tailgating solutions that rely on specialized hardware, such as sensors. Hakimo uses video analytics to auto-resolve false alarms and consistently reduces nuisance alarms by 75 to 85 percent.

Chris Lanier, President of **LRG INC**, a manufacturer rep firm based in Jasper, TX, is celebrating 20 years in business. To celebrate this momentous occasion, LRG Inc and select vendor partners decided to give back to their customers by giving away

\$20,000 in prize money to 36 lucky winners from across the Central US via a monthly drawing of entries by dealers and distributors utilizing products from leading manufacturers. Jasper County Judge Mark Allen selected the final Grand Prize winners. Judge Allen has assisted LRG with their anniversary drawings for more than 15 years. "Jasper is proud of the LRG, inc Team of professionals.



It has been an honor to participate in their 20th Anniversary Celebration" said Judge Allen. Visit www.lanrepgroup.com for more information.



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Thursday, June 16

Lobsterbake & Barbeque

Thursday, July 21

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Thursday, October 20

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April 26-28, 2022

https://tma.us/events/virtual-mid-year-meeting/

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