

## “Officers and Operators Responsibilities in Preventing Emergency Vehicle Accidents”

*This program is directed at officers and emergency vehicle operators who are responsible for putting qualified personnel behind the wheel of their apparatus and for administering accident prevention training and information. Subject matter to include; Driver Selection, Driver Training, Accident Statistics and Critique, Rollover Prevention, Intersection Negotiation, Legal Responsibilities, and Driver Testing. Attendees will gain valuable information and insights, on the above topics, through this interactive program.*



### **Mesa Fire Training Coordinator Tom Hand**

Tom Hand is a Fire Training Coordinator for the City of Mesa Fire Department. He is a 44 year fire service veteran. Mr. Hand manages the driver/operator program for the Mesa Fire Department and is an active apparatus driving instructor. He is also an active instructor for Mesa Community College and Central Arizona College in their fire science programs. Tom has developed and implemented two driver/operator programs that currently are being taught at the Arizona State Fire School. Tom was elected to the Arizona Fire Service Hall Of Fame in 2005.



### **VFIS Director of Training Wiatt Wong**

Wiatt Wong is a native Arizonan, born in Flagstaff and raised in Payson. He attended the University of Arizona in Tucson. Upon receiving a degree in Business Administration he spent the early phases of his career in warehouse and distribution management. For the past 15 years Wiatt has been a commercial insurance agent. He is a Certified Insurance Counselor (CIC) and a Certified Risk Manager (CRM). He now is a partner in a family insurance agency along with his wife and father in law.

Wiatt has served in leadership roles in several community agencies from being President of the Kingman Route 66 Rotary Club to serving as Chairman of the City of Kingman Economic and Tourism Development Commission. He has also served on boards for the Kingman Regional Medical Center, City of Kingman Planning and Zoning Commission, the Hualapai Valley Fire District and the Rotary Club at Anthem.

Wiatt's involvement in the fire service started as an instructor teaching safety classes to fire departments across the state. This eventually led to him becoming a volunteer firefighter with the City of Kingman Fire Department. Wiatt is a Certified Firefighter I & II and he has been a Nationally Certified Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-B).

Since that time Wiatt has worked with fire departments all over the country to improve firefighter safety and risk management. Wiatt is a member of the Arizona Fire Chiefs Association, as well as the AFCA Training Section. Wiatt has been involved with the Arizona Fire District Association for over 10 years. He is currently taking classes to attain his AFDA Certification. He currently serves as a Board member and Treasurer of the Daisy Mountain Fire District.