It is time to submit your presenter proposals for the International Technical Rescue Symposium! This year’s event is occurring Thursday, October 31, - Sunday, November 03, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Details can be found at http://itrsonline.org/

Please consider sharing your latest research, experiences, and testing with others – just like you - in the rescue field. If you know someone willing to present a topic that the ITRS community would enjoy, please share this information with them now. ITRS is gathering persons from across the spectrum of rescue disciplines to share theoretical and practical news and views on:

- Controversial Issues
- New Equipment
- New Developments in Gear Technology
- Research and Testing Results
- Technique and Systems Discussions
- Medical Considerations in Rescue
- Analysis of High Angle Accidents
- Developments in Helicopter Rescue
- Swift water Rescue topics

**ITRS Presentation Proposals**

Anyone interested in presenting at ITRS can access the required Presenter Forms at http://itrsonline.org/presenter-info/. Please type in your information, save it to your computer and send the completed form to Program@itrsonline.org. If you fill out the form and scan it, then we have to retype all of the information. The deadline for submitting a presentation proposal is August 12, 2019. Once the completed paperwork has been received, the ITRS Program Committee will review and respond to proposals by September 1. Final Proceedings Papers (2-8 pages total in length) will be due by October 1, 2019.

**ITRS 2019 Presentation Awards**

To encourage and reward excellence in presentations, the Symposium offers a “Presenter Award” program. The program is intended to award and acknowledge presenters who give presentations which reflect experience in facts and data (rather than opinion or conclusion); choice of topic (applicable to field work); and state of the art technical rescue. After the final presentation, attendees will have opportunity to vote on the presentations based on six categories, with one award going to each category. Each winner will receive a $200 honorarium.

**ITRS Poster Sessions**

Posters are a great opportunity to share your technical rescue material in a more personal, conversational setting. Go to http://itrsonline.org/presenter-info/ and click on “Poster Session Info.” to get the guidelines for poster presentations.

**Limited Enrollment**

In order to encourage an informal flow of information involving all participants, enrollment has been limited to 150 persons. If necessary, a waiting list will be available.

**ITRS Sponsors**

The International Technical Rescue Symposium is presented jointly by Pigeon Mountain Industries (PMI), Inc. and CMC.

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Thank you for your consideration in presenting your topic at the International Technical Rescue Symposium. We look forward to your participation and for contributing to the ITRS community!