



JOHN E. BALES
FIRE CHIEF
GOLDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT
GOLDEN, COLORADO

EXPERIENCE AND AFFILIATION:

- Thirty-eight years of fire service experience in municipal fire service organizations
- Fire Chief with the City of Golden Colorado Fire Department since February 2001
- Contract Instructor with the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland instructing courses in tactical operations, incident command and fire department response to terrorism
- Current President of the Metro Denver Fire Chiefs Association

EDUCATION:

- Chief Bales possesses three college degrees and is a graduate of the National Fire Academy's "Executive Fire Officer Program."
- Awarded the Chief Fire Officer Designation (CFOD) by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International in 2005

SPECIFIC INFORMATION:

Chief Bales began his career as a volunteer firefighter with the Wichita Fire Department, following in his Dad's footsteps, and has been in the fire service for 37 years progressing through the ranks to his current position of Fire Chief.

Chief Bales and his wife Pat have two sons, Jeff and Steve, a daughter-in-law Niki and two granddaughters, Sydney & McKenna. Jeff is contract salesman for BMC West Lumber Company in Boulder. Steve has chosen to pursue a career in the fire service as a third generation firefighter and is a Lieutenant with the Denver Fire Department currently assigned to District #3.

In his spare time, Chief Bales has been a Colorado High School Football Official, enjoys golf and his 1966 Ford Mustang that Steve and he are rebuilding and is spending time being grandpa to Sydney & McKenna.

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