

# The 2009 Governor's EMS Awards Banquet Keynote Speaker

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Michael Perry is the author of the best-selling memoir *Population 485: Meeting Your Neighbors One Siren at a Time*, where he wrote about his experiences as a volunteer firefighter.

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