



**State of Connecticut  
Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection  
Commission on Fire Prevention and Control**

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**1. 12th Annual Ride-4-Justin Benefit Motorcycle Ride - Sunday May 7th 2017**

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride-4-Justin Benefit Motorcycle Ride will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2017. All proceeds from this event fund the **Justin Wisniewski Firefighters Scholarship Fund Inc.** Please visit our website at: Please see our website, [www.Ride4Justin.com](http://www.Ride4Justin.com) for pictures and info.

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**2. Fiscal Year 2017 Omnibus Spending Bill Released**

In the early morning hours of Monday, May 1st, Congressional leaders introduced H.R. 244, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017, a \$10.7 trillion spending bill to fund the federal government for the remainder of the current fiscal year. Currently, the federal government is operating under a continuing resolution, which expires on Friday, May 5th. Congress will need to approve the omnibus spending measure before the Friday deadline to avoid a government shutdown.

Included in the spending package is funding for several programs of significance to the nation's fire and emergency services. The Assistance to Firefighters (AFG) and Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant programs are funded at \$690 million, split evenly between the two programs. The State Homeland Security Grant Program is funded at \$467 million. This is the same funding level Congress approved for these three programs in Fiscal Year 2016. Additionally, the United States Fire Administration (USFA) is funded at \$44 million, the same level as the previous fiscal year.

Several programs receive a slight increase in funding under the measure. The Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) is funded at \$605 million, an increase of \$5 million compared to Fiscal Year 2016. The bill also provides \$38,20,000 for the Urban Search and Rescue Response System (USAR), an increase of \$3.1

million. The Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) program is funded at \$15 million, an increase of \$2 million from Fiscal Year 2016.

"These figures contained in the omnibus measure affirm the importance of maintaining communications with our elected leaders," said Bill Webb, Executive Director of the Congressional Fire Services Institute. "Our hope is that the House and Senate will move swiftly on final passage so that these funds can be appropriated to the aforementioned programs that continue providing support to our nation's fire departments. We appreciate the commitment the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, as well as the leadership of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, have given to our nation's first responders and we look forward to working with them as they complete work on funding the federal government for the current fiscal year and we turn our focus to the Fiscal Year 2018 spending bills."

The House could potentially vote on the omnibus spending package as early as Wednesday, May 3rd. If approved, the measure would then be sent to the Senate. CFSI will continue to provide updates throughout the appropriations process.

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### **3. 2Q Driver Training Program**

The Valley Fire School is offering a 2Q Driver Training Program. Please go to our website to see the schedule and to sign up for the class. [valleyfireschoolct.org](http://valleyfireschoolct.org)

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### **4. Firefighter I**

The application for the Valley Fire Chiefs Regional Fire Schools summer Firefighter I class is now open. Please go to our website to see the schedule and to sign up at [valleyfireschoolct.org](http://valleyfireschoolct.org).

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### **5. New England Fire Investigation Seminar**

The 39th Annual New England Fire Investigation Seminar to be held May 22-26, 2017 at Saint Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire. The seminar, formerly known as the New England Arson Seminar, is presented by the New England Fire Investigation, Research and Education Committee and offers the same great training as ever!

The 40 hour seminar offers Fire Marshal credits and 10 tested points for IAAI-CFI recertification. This year's topics include Fire Fighter Arson, Wildland Fire Investigation, Homemade Explosives, Clandestine Labs, Spontaneous Combustion and Technology Demonstrations. There will be current case studies presented in conjunction with practical exercises.

See attached flyer for complete details.

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## 6. CT Chapter of the National Fire Sprinkler Association Fee One Day Seminar

The Connecticut Chapter of the National Fire Sprinkler Association would like to invite you to attend a “**FREE ONE DAY SEMINAR**” This seminar will include policy makers, fire officials, water purveyors and building officials.

Fire Team USA is partnering with the CT Fire Sprinkler Coalition to bring you a **free** community-based workshop, which includes expanded information and concerns regarding residential fire sprinkler systems.

Special Guests include NFSA President Shane Ray, who will share his past experience as a Fire Chief and Mayor with the attendees.

Understanding residential fire sprinklers, their benefits and what role you play is crucial to protecting our community from fire! If interested, please see attached flyer.

**LIMITED SEATING! Please make sure you click on the link to register.**

The free workshop includes morning refreshments, lunch, resource information and a live side-by-side burn demonstration. You don't want to miss this amazing opportunity! **Seats are limited, register today at [www.fireteamusa.com](http://www.fireteamusa.com)!**

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## 7. IFSTA Seeking Committee Members – Chief Officer 4<sup>th</sup> Edition

IFSTA is currently seeking members for one new committee that will begin their work at the 2018 IFSTA Winter Meeting to be held in Oklahoma in January, 2018. The new committee will be: **Chief Officer, 4<sup>th</sup> edition**

Individuals with interest in this topic are encouraged to apply. Please fill out the attached application form and return it to IFSTA/FPP no later than June 30, 2017. All applicants will be notified of the disposition of their application on or around August 1, 2017. You may also fill out the application online at [www.ifsta.org](http://www.ifsta.org)

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## 8. Deadline Pending: Accelerated On-Line FF 1 and FF 2

The Burrville Fire School announces their on-line accelerated classes for this summer. These are fast moving, demanding courses of study/practice. You are expected to make *all* of the classes. You must be a self-motivated student who is comfortable with on-line learning.

Mandatory orientation will be at 6 PM on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Bantam Fire Company in Bantam.

Firefighter 1 will begin on May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Bantam Fire Company. It will run on Monday & Wednesday nights from 6 PM to 10 PM. It is approximately 3-months in length. The state practical exam will be on August 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$1,050 and includes the course text.

Firefighter 2 will begin on May 17<sup>th</sup> at the South End VFD (Nepaug) in New Hartford. It will then run on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6 PM to 10 PM. It is approximately 2-months in length. The state practical will be on July 8<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$850. This does not include a text (which can be purchased separately). The text is available to all as an on-line e-book and downloadable audio book.

The deadline for applying is May 1<sup>st</sup>. **After May 1<sup>st</sup> there will be a 10% late fee.**

For more information, contact Richard Marcus at 860-307-2267 or [richardmarcus@earthlink.net](mailto:richardmarcus@earthlink.net)  
An application is attached.

**PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL**

# Fire Training School Torrington (Burrville State Fire School)

P.O. Box 335  
Pleasant Valley, CT 06063

Chairman Tom Osborne  
Director Richard T. Winn  
Asst. Director John B. Field Jr.

## Course Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Course Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Course Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

(First 3 Initials of last name and last 4 numbers of social security number)

(Example: Joe Smith; SS# 123-45-6789: ID would be SMI-6789)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

(Cell) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you at least 18 Years of Age?  Yes  No

\*\*\*Firefighter I & II applicants **must** be at least 18 years of age\*\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicants Signature

As Chief of the \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Department, I hereby authorize the above applicant to participate in the Firefighter I or II program and therefore understand that the above named individual will be covered by my department's worker's compensation insurance while participating in such training and that the Burrville State Fire School, its' officers', Instructors', Agents' or Employees' shall not be liable for any injuries sustained during such training. The applicant is considered by my department's standards to be physically and emotionally fit to perform firefighting evolutions without special considerations, and where applicable, to meet the 29 CFR 1910.134 standard for the use of respirators (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Purchase Order #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Billing Signature

\*\*\*Please include a copy of the medical clearance for Firefighter I and II courses.

(Please complete both sides)

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DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle One: Career Volunteer

Date Entered Fire Service: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Chief's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Training Officer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Department Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_ authorize the Burrville State Fire School  
to release my training records for the \_\_\_\_\_ course in which I am enrolled to  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please complete both sides)



# 39<sup>th</sup> Annual New England Fire Investigation Seminar

Presented by the New England Fire Investigations, Research, and Education

## May 22-26, 2017

on the campus of  
Saint Anselm College,  
Manchester, NH

- Hands-on Demonstrations
- Daily Field Exercises
- Expert Instructors
- New Technology

Instructors include experts from the Connecticut State Police, Manchester (NH) Fire Department, Massachusetts State Police, New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives

### Topics this year will include:

- Fire Fighter Arsonists
- Spontaneous Combustion
- Arc Mapping
- Clandestine Labs
- Current Case Studies
- Home Made Explosives
- Technology Demonstrations
- Wildland Fires

Ten tested points to C.F.I. application or recertification

### For more information and to register:

[www.newenglandarson.org](http://www.newenglandarson.org)

**\$780 registration fee, inclusive of lodging and meals**

**Due to:**

**100 Saint Anselm College, Box 1787  
Manchester, NH 03102**

**Paypal option available online**



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# New England



## Fire Investigation Seminar - 2017

[WWW.NEWENGLANDARSON.ORG](http://WWW.NEWENGLANDARSON.ORG)

**MAY 22 - 26, 2017**

**Certified Fire Investigator  
Receive 10 Tested Points**

NEW ENGLAND FIRE INVESTIGATION SEMINAR  
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Monday, May 22, 2017

REGISTRATION – Goulet Science Center, Perini Lecture Hall

**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Professor Peter J. Cordella  
Department of Criminal Justice  
Saint Anselm College

**FIREFIGHTER ARSONIST**

David Klitsch  
Pennsylvania State Police

**WILDLAND FIRE INVESTIGATION**  
New Hampshire Division of Forest and Land

**BARBEQUE**

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

**ARC MAPPING**

Dave Wheeler  
Northeast Regional Investigations, LLC

**SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION**

Dave Wheeler  
Northeast Regional Investigations, LLC

**DINNER**

**K-9 ACCELERANT DEMONSTRATION**

Mitchell Cady  
Manchester Fire Department  
Trooper Paul Makuc  
Connecticut State Police

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

**HOME MADE EXPLOSIVES**

Trooper First Class Lawrence Lundt and Sgt. Jeffery Dade  
New Hampshire State Police Bomb Squad

**CLANDESTINE LABS**

**DINNER**

**WITNESS RELIABILITY IN FIRE INVESTIGATIONS**

William Ryerson and Nicole Eyet  
Saint Anselm College

Thursday, May 25, 2017

**NOYES ST. FIRE, PORTLAND ME, CASE STUDY**  
Kevin Connolly and Dr. David Sheppard  
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

**CASE STUDY continues**

**DINNER**

Friday, May 26, 2017

**INVESTIGATION TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATION**  
Lt. Andrew Klane  
Massachusetts State Police  
Investigator Matthew Wilmot  
New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's Office

**COMMENCEMENT**

**CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATOR (C.F.I.):** Ten (10) tested points will be awarded toward C.F.I. application or recertification category for training.

**FACILITIES:** The seminar will be held on the campus of Saint Anselm College, an hour's drive north of Boston. Those attending the seminar may choose to reside on the campus or commute to campus. All meals will be provided on campus.

**FEES:** \$780 (includes lodging, all meals, coffee breaks, tuition and materials).

**QUESTIONS:** Questions about the seminar may be directed to Linda Bradley, Tel: (603) 497-3212 or Cell: (603) 860-6730

**FIELD EXERCISE:** Bring work clothes, and CAMERAS

**FIELD EXERCISES:**

Field exercises will include observation of several full-scale fire tests and hands on participation in experiments related to ignition phenomena and fire behavior. The field exercises have been designed specifically to expose attendees to critical fire science principles relevant to fire investigators. Instructors will include experts from the Connecticut State Police, Manchester (NH) Fire Department, Massachusetts State Police, New Hampshire State Fire Marshal's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Or pay online at [www.newenglandarson.org](http://www.newenglandarson.org)  
FULL PAYMENT DUE BY MAY 12, 2017  
NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 12, 2017  
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**MAY 7TH  
2017**

**12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL**

**MOTORCYCLE CHARITY RIDE**

**RIDE-4-JUSTIN**

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**NON-RIDERS WELCOME!  
ROAST BEEF DINNER  
AVAILABLE**

**Free Pin  
For All  
Participants**

**I REFUSE TO TIP-TOE THROUGH LIFE ONLY TO ARRIVE SAFELY AT DEATH – JUSTIN WISNIEWSKI**

<b>DATE:</b>	<b>SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	ELKS LODGE 1669, MAIN ST. SOUTHINGTON, CT
<b>TIME:</b>	REG. 8 – 10 AM & RIDE LEAVES AT 10:30 AM
<b>REGISTRATION:</b>	RIDER(S): \$25 (INCLUDES A FREE PIN)
(INCLUDES DINNER)	PASSENGER(S) & NON-RIDER(S): \$15
	HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT(S) (WITH ID): \$10

JUSTIN WISNIEWSKI, ENGINE COMPANY 1, SOUTHINGTON, CT, DIED AT A YOUNG AGE, **JUST 18, IN THE LINE OF DUTY**. IN MEMORY OF JUSTIN, THE WISNIEWSKI AND DiPIETRO FAMILY, ALONG WITH SOUTHINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT COMPANY 1, HAVE ESTABLISHED A SCHOLARSHIP FUND, BENEFITING FAMILIES OF FIREFIGHTERS.

MATT WISNIEWSKI (860) 983-5445  
JOE DiPIETRO (860) 983-5021

RIDE4JUSTIN@AOL.COM

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**ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION MAY SEND IT PAYABLE TO:  
JUSTIN WISNIEWSKI FIREFIGHTERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.  
P.O. Box 473, SOUTHINGTON, CT 06489**

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