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Commission on Fire Prevention and Control
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1. Hartford County Fire Emergency Plan Meeting – Wednesday February 21, 2018

The Hartford County Fire Emergency Plan Meeting postponed last month due to weather has been rescheduled to Wednesday, February 21, 2018 7PM at the Simsbury Main Fire Station 871 Hopmeadow St, Simsbury. A guest speak from FIRST NET, a federal funded first responder communications system, will present information and answer questions on this new cellular based system. Simsbury Fire's Ladies Auxiliary will be serving Chili or Chowder Bread Bowls for those who come early. Food service begins at 6:15pm. Those planning to come for dinner are asked to email Chief Jim Baldis at jbaldis@simburyfd.org so we can get a head count for food. Please see the attached flyer.

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2. CT Chapter IAAI March Meeting Notice

The **next quarterly meeting of the Connecticut Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators** will be held on **Wednesday, March 14 2018 at 1000 hours**. This meeting will be held at the **Westfield Fire District, 653 East Street Middletown**. Training will be held for Fire Marshal CEU's through CT-OEDM, with the topic to be announced by your next emailed reminder. Also as usual, coffee and fresh donuts will be provided.

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3. CSFA Legislative Update

CSFA has several developments to report at the end of the first week of the 2018 CGA Legislative short session. Legislative Representative Leon Collins has details in his weekly update.

Thanks and have a great weekend,
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4. New London Country Fire Marshal's Association Annual Seminar – June 6

This year's New London County Fire Marshal's Association Seminar will be ***Modern Fire Dynamics and Systematic Methodology for Cause Determination*** presented by Special Agent Andrew Cox, ATF-CFI. The program will be held Wednesday, June 6, 2018 from 0800-1600 hours at Clarke Memorial Banquet Facility, 210 Elm Street in Old Saybrook. Cost is $50 and includes morning refreshments and lunch. 8 hours of OEDM Continuing Education Units will be awarded. All proceeds benefit NLCFMA Don Barry Scholarship Fund. See the attached for more details and registration information.

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5. Congress Approves Six-Week CR, Includes Disaster Reforms and Other First Responder Provisions

The House and Senate have approved a six-week continuing resolution to avoid a potential government shutdown. The measure, which includes a two-year agreement on spending-caps, is the fifth continuing resolution Congress has approved as both chambers continue to struggle with finalizing a funding package for Fiscal Year 2018.

In addition to maintaining funding for the operations of the federal government through March 23rd, the continuing resolution includes several legislative provisions of importance to the nation's fire and emergency services. H.R. 1892, the Honoring Hometown Heroes Act, is the underlying legislation the continuing resolution was attached to. The bill amends the U.S. Flag Code, affirming the ability of state governors, as well as the mayor of the District of Columbia, to order the lowering of the United States flag to half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line- of- duty. The Honoring Hometown Heroes Act was originally introduced in the House by Congressman John Larson (CT-1) and in the Senate by Senator Jon Tester (MT).

In addition to containing provisions to honor fallen public safety officers, the continuing resolution also makes significant reforms to federal disaster response by allowing the federal cost share for certain disaster assistance to be increased from 75 to 85 percent if states take steps to make themselves more resilient against disasters - including the adoption and enforcement of current building codes. These reforms are a key component of H.R. 4460, the Disaster Recovery Reform Act, first introduced by Congressman Lou Barletta (PA-11) on November 28, 2017.

Additionally, the continuing resolution extends the Medicare Ambulance Add-On payments for five years. These payments provide an additional 2%, 3% or 22.6% payment for transportation of Medicare patients from urban, rural and super-rural jurisdictions.

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6. New Haven County Fire Emergency Plan February Meeting

The New Haven County Fire Emergency Plan will hold their February meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at West Ridge Volunteer Fire Company #3 1331 Ridge Rd in North Haven. Program TBD. Overflow parking is along the driveway to Ridge School, North of the station.

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7. Save the Date – Gordon Graham Event March 15th

Gordon Graham comes to Connecticut on March 15

The Connecticut Volunteer Workforce Solutions (CTVWS) program brings you a full-day seminar with Gordon Graham, an expert in risk management and an award-winning speaker on the subject. The seminar will feature some of his most popular topics, including:

- The Seven Rules of Admiral Hyman Rickover
- Five Concurrent Themes for Success
- The Top Ten Things that Get Firefighters into Trouble

This seminar comes at no cost to your department; breakfast and lunch will be provided.
Who should attend: The seminar will benefit all ranks! All departments in Connecticut are invited to attend.
When: Thursday, March 15, 8:30 AM–3 PM. Doors open at 8 AM.

Where: Central Connecticut State University, 1615 Stanley Street, New Britain, CT 06053. The event will be in the Constitution Room, located in Memorial Hall.

Have Questions? Contact Adam D'Agostino by email or at 703-896-4822 or Fred Dudek by email or at 860-304-3206.

Please register by **February 28**.
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ctvws-presents-gordon-graham-tickets-39489567359?aff=eac2

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