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**State of Connecticut**
**Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection**
**Commission on Fire Prevention and Control**
**September 20, 2017**

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## 1. CSFA 10th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner – Save the Date – Nominations Due November 1st

Please save the date for the 10th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner that will be held on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington, CT.

***A nomination form is attached and are due no later than November 1, 2017. For information visit www.csfa.org or call 860-423-5799.***

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## 2. CFDIA Annual Dinner Meeting - October 4th

The Annual Dinner Meeting of the CT Fire Department Instructors Association will be held on Wednesday, October 4, 2017 at the Manor Inn Restaurant in Milldale, CT beginning at 6 pm Social Hour, Dinner and program to follow at 7 pm. Guest Speaker is B/C Joseph McHugh, FDNY LODD Investigation Unit and Honoring Jeff Morrissette & John Tsokalas

Guests are welcome!! RSVP by October 1 to CFDIA Secretary Rich McDonough, chiefmcdonough1@cox.net. A program flyer is attached.

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**3. Mandatory Nationwide Test of the Emergency Alert System - September 27**

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), in coordination with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), will conduct a mandatory nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) on **Sept. 27, 2017 at 2:20 pm EDT.** The test will assess the readiness for distribution of the national level test message, as well as verify its delivery.

The EAS test is made available to radio, television, cable and direct broadcast satellite systems, and is scheduled to last approximately one minute. The test's message will be similar to the regular monthly test message of the EAS with which the public is familiar, only inserting the word "national." "This is a **national** test of the Emergency Alert System. This is only a test."

Significant coordination and regional testing has been conducted with the broadcast community and emergency managers in preparation for this EAS national test. The test is intended to ensure public safety officials have the methods and systems that will deliver urgent alerts and warnings to the public in times of an emergency or disaster. Periodic testing of public alert and warning systems is also a way to assess the operational readiness of the infrastructure required for the distribution of a national message and determine whether technological improvements are needed.

Conducting the test following Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Jose and Maria will provide insight into the resiliency of our national-level alerting capabilities in impacted areas. The test will also provide valuable data into how the Integrated Public Alerts and Warning System performs during and following a variety of conditions. With three major hurricanes already making landfall, and a potential for one more impacting our nation, we need to have the ability to maintain the continuity of critical infrastructure under various conditions.

Receiving preparedness tips and timely information about weather conditions or other emergency events can make all the difference in knowing when to take action to be safe. FEMA and our partners are working to ensure alerts and warnings are received quickly through several different technologies, no matter whether an individual is at home, at school, at work, or out in the community. The FEMA App, which can be downloaded on both Android and Apple devices, is one way to ensure receipt of both preparedness tips and weather alerts. The FEMA App can be downloaded at https://www.fema.gov/mobile-app.

The back-up date for the test is Oct. 4, 2017, at 2:20 pm EDT, in case the Sept. 27 test is cancelled. More information on the IPAWS and Wireless Emergency Alerts is available at https://www.ready.gov/alerts.

This is the third mandatory nationwide test of the EAS. The first test was conducted in November 2011, in collaboration with the FCC, broadcasters, and emergency management officials. The second mandatory test was conducted in September 2016. You can also access a video, FEMA Accessible Emergency Alert System IPAWS Test Message, in American Sign Language.

In 2007, FEMA began modernizing the nation's public alert and warning system by

integrating new technologies into the existing alert systems. The new system, known as IPAWS became operational in 2011. Today, IPAWS supports more than 900 local, state, tribal, and federal users through a standardized message format. IPAWS enables public safety alerting authorities such as emergency managers, police and fire departments to send the same alert and warning message over multiple communication pathways at the same time to citizens in harm's way, helping to save lives. For more information on FEMA's IPAWS, go to: www.fema.gov/ipaws. For more preparedness information, go to www.ready.gov.

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**4. CT FF Health, Wellness and Fitness Week 9/17-23/2017**

The CT FF Health and Safety Consortium has declared the week of September 17-23 CT FF Health, Wellness and Fitness Week. They have developed a guide for the entire CT fire service to use in order to get started or, to enhance their heath, wellness, fitness and related safety programs. All are urged to review this guide and to start the discussion today! Please see attached.

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**5. Inside NIOSH: Study Characterizes Injuries and Exposures among EMS Workers**

Emergency medical services (EMS) workers, such as emergency medical technicians and paramedics, are essential to the prehospital medical care system. They respond to medical emergencies and disaster incidents and provide non-emergency medical transport. They perform much of their work in uncontrolled environments, and the work can be physically strenuous. https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/research-rounds/resroundsv3n3.html#a

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**6. Emergency Medical Services - Instructor Course**

CT OEMS APPROVAL # 17-19198
**Dates/Times:** Saturdays and Sundays - 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

- October 1, 14, 15
- November 4, 5, 18, 19
- December 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, *17*
- *December 17 is the AHA BLS Instructor course, not required for EMS-I program completion.*

**Location:** Code One East Hartford - 121 Roberts Street (our new building) - East Hartford, CT 06108
**Description:** Code One's 100 hour OEMS approved Emergency Medical Services Instructor course introduces participants to the multiple intelligences of the adult learner. Participants will participate in interactive activities to identify the characteristics of effective instructors, integrate adult learning theories into program design, develop examination methods that are valid and reliable, and embrace teaching techniques that maximize student success.
Our EMS-I course curriculum involves lectures, hands-on practical training, and student teaching time. Candidates that successfully complete this course will be eligible to apply for State of Connecticut certification as an Emergency Medical Services – Instructor.

**Cost:** $1250 - Includes Foundations of Education, Second Edition textbook, voucher for EMT Refresher examination, and voucher for American Heart Association BLS Instructor course.
**Invoicing:** Fire/EMS/Police agencies can be invoiced for participants. Please have participants register with the discount code "INVOICE" and then provide invoicing instructions in their registration notes. Invoicing instructions should include the agency name, point of contact, email to send the invoice to, and PO number if it is needed on the invoice. If you have 4+ participants interested in attending, please contact Rich for a group discount (rich@code1web.com).

**More details: https://code1web.com/emergency-medical-services-instructor/**
*Our Mission is to prepare rescuers with the skills and knowledge they need to save lives.*

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**7. Eversource Electrical Safety Presentation – October 12 – Windsor**

The Town of Windsor will be hosting Eversource on October 12, 2017 at 8:30 at 599 Matianuck Avenue Windsor CT 06095. Andrew Ouellette, Program Manager – Safety will present a Safety Presentation in the Auditorium followed by the Live Line Trailer just after the completion of Andrew's presentation. This is a unique opportunity to have both the safety presentation for first responders and the Live Line Trailer on hand for their one of a kind demonstration. This is open to all Public Works and emergency responders. We ask that you email the number of attendees at riskmanager@townofwindsorct.com

The starting time is 8:30 ending at approx. 12:00pm.

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