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

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1. Written Exam – Fairfield Regional Fire School – March 8th – CANCELED

Due to forecasted weather conditions, the written certification exam scheduled for Thursday March 8th has been CANCELED. The exam has been rescheduled for Thursday March 15th at 9:00am at the Fairfield Regional Fire School beginning at 9:00am.

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2. CSFA Legislative Update

I got a request this afternoon from the UPFFA to have our members submit testimony on SB-278 (https://www.cga.ct.gov/2018/TOB/s/pdf/2018SB-00278-R00-SB.pdf) , the PTSD bill that we are following listed on the CSFA bill tracking for this session. **Please note that the short description of the bill only makes reference to police officers, but there is language in the bill that refers to firefighters. The public hearing for this bill is tomorrow in front of the Joint Committee on Public Safety and Security (Tuesday March 6th at 1100AM at the LOB in Room 2B).**

If anyone is available to submit oral testimony, please let me know ASAP.

Written testimony can be submitted, I believe, until such a time as when Public Safety & Security votes on the bill.

Written testimony can be submitted as follows:
Please email written testimony in Word or PDF format to PStestimony@cga.ct.gov. *The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. The Committee encourages witnesses to submit a written statement and to condense oral testimony to a summary of that statement. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee. All public hearing testimony, written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and indexed by internet search engines.*
Thanks in advance for your help.

Sincerely,
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3. Q Train the Trainer – Bloomfield – is Now Full

The Q Train the Trainer class in Bloomfield is full. Additional classes are planned for this spring and summer. We will announce dates and locations once they are set.

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4. New London County Fire Chiefs Association March Meeting – March 7th - CANCELLED

The monthly meeting of the New London County Fire Chiefs Association scheduled to be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 and hosted by the Ashaway Volunteer Fire Association has been **cancelled** due to the snowstorm.

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5. DESPP/DEMHS Winter Storm Update

STATUS OF THE STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER - MONITORING HEAVY SNOWSTORM FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY…
WINTER STORM WARNINGS ISSUED FOR MOST OF THE STATE…

The GFS, EURO and NAM models are in fairly good agreement that a large winter storm will impact our area on Wednesday. The following forecast is based on a blend of the GFS and NAM models:

Wednesday Morning: Light snow and flurries are forecast to move into the state between 4:00 – 6:00 AM. The snow is forecast to remain light during the morning rush hour with just a minor impact expected on travel between 7:00 – 9:00 AM. The snow is forecast to become steady and moderate at times between 9:00 AM and Noon with 1" – 2" of accumulation mainly on grassy areas by noon.

Wednesday Afternoon: Snow intensity increasing and becoming heavy at times by 3:00 PM. The snow could become very heavy with snowfall rates of 1" – 3" per hour between 3:00 - 7:00 PM. A rain / snow line is expected to move into southeastern Connecticut and stretch from East Lyme to North Stonington by 4:00 PM. The impact on the afternoon rush hour is forecast to be major with heavy snow falling across most of the state, several inches of snow on most roads and low visibilities. Highs are forecast to be in the low 30's with Northeast winds gusting to 25 MPH at times.

Wednesday Evening and Overnight: Snow heavy at times is forecast to change to a mix or rain southeast of a line from East Haven to Willimantic by 7:00 PM. The impact on evening travel is expected to range from minor in Southeastern CT to Major in the Hartford / Stamford areas and the NW hills with a deep snowpack on most roads. Any mix is expected to change back to snow by late evening and the snow is forecast to taper off to lighter snow between 8:00 – 10:00 PM. Light snow is expected to continue overnight and end completely by early Thursday morning. There is still expected to be a minor to moderate impact on the Thursday morning rush hour.

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6. Please Come and "Celebrate Life with Bill DeFord" – Tickets NOT Available at Door

Enjoy being with family and friends to honor Bill DeFord with a dinner gathering at Maneeley's Banquet facility.
Maneeley's is located at 65 Rye St. South Windsor, CT., gathering starts at 6:00pm on March 9th.

This event is open to all friends of Bill DeFord who did so much for all of us. All interested parties are required to book online. The cost for the event will be $40 which will include dinner.

Here's a link to the event brite page where you can purchase your tickets.
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/bill-defords-life-celebration-with-bill-family-and-friends-tickets-42797651929

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7. Free VAD CME with Dinner Buffet

Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center
Center for Emergency Medicine Education

In cooperation with
Glastonbury EMS
EMS CME

Candice Roundtree, MSHS, BSN, PA-C, RN
Congestive Heart Failure Unit
Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center

Requests the honor of your presence for a buffet dinner discussion on
Acute Management of the Patient with a VAD
Date: March 28, 2018
Time: 1800-2000
Venue: Glastonbury EMS
2112 Main St., Glastonbury, CT 06033

Parking in the lot behind building off Canione Rd.

Approved for 2.0 cme hours for St Francis Hospital, ECHN, and Hartford Hosp sponsored medics. Others should check with their sponsor hospital

Please RSVP to Scott Thompson at: scott.thompson@gvaa.org

Support for this program is provided by Abbott Vascular and Shelly Walsh, Heart Failure Therapy Specialist

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8. Apply to Be an Everyone Goes Home® Advocate

What is an Everyone Goes Home® Advocate?
Advocates will be expected to represent their state in the promotion, presentation, and awareness of Firefighters Life Safety Initiatives. They will serve as the eyes and ears of the Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives Program for their state.

What it means to be an advocate
"For me, being an Advocate, it is the highest calling a firefighter can have. Our mission is to protect those who protect America. A successful Advocate must lead by example and have an intense desire to make a difference in the life of other firefighters and their families."
"As an advocate for the Everyone Goes Home® program I feel it is my responsibility to supply the leaders of all ranks the information they need to discover within themselves what it takes to make the cultural change and to ensure the reduction of LODDs. We must strive to live these ideals ourselves every day."

Responsibilities
- Monitor and review programs presented within your region that are relative to Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives.
- Attend, represent, or arrange to have a designate attend or participate in activities, events, programs, and training where there is an opportunity to promote Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives or assist in their implementation.
- Develop a reporting and sharing plan between you and the State/Local Advocates as well

as with the Firefighter Life Safety Initiative Program team.

- Share with the Firefighter Life Safety Initiative Program team awareness and knowledge of activity within your region.
- Keep abreast of new developments and trends; make recommendation to Firefighter Life Safety Initiative Program team on desirable additions or suggested changes to enhance program and/or process.
- Participate in periodic teleconferences with regional representatives.
- Identify and report on best practices within your state.
- Submit stories or provide input for the newsletter. Make recommendations for Seal of Excellence recipients.

How do I become an advocate?

Apply to Be An Everyone Goes Home® Advocate

https://www.everyonegoeshome.com/2018/02/07/apply-to-be-an-everyone-goes-home-advocate/

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9. Fire Hero Learning Network Launches New Emergency Services Certificate Program

Credential Covers the Firefighter Health & Safety Basics and Can Be Earned Online

The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) has debuted a new tool in its mission to prevent firefighter deaths and injuries. The Foundation's Fire Hero Learning Network (FHLN) now offers an Emergency Services Risk Reduction Program Certificate. FHLN and the ESRRP Certificate are free. The ESRRP Certificate is earned by completing four required online programs. Together, these programs deliver the core information that is the basis for prioritizing firefighter health and safety not only in every department, but in every firefighter's daily duties. The programs focus on practical, actionable information and best practices that every firefighter, firefighter/EMT, fire officer, fire chief, and safety officer can use immediately.

"We know that the leading causes of firefighter deaths and injuries in the line of duty are related to health and safety. The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation felt it was imperative that this free training be readily available for everyone to use," said Chief Ronald J. Siarnicki, Executive Director of the NFFF. The Foundation hopes that all members of the fire service, no matter their career or volunteer status or their rank, will embrace the ESRRP Certificate as essential training. "We've seen tremendous interest in this throughout the fire service, so we are confident this will help meet the demand for improving health and safety education and certification," remarked Siarnicki.

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NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS FOUNDATION

Certificate of Completion

John Smith

Emergency Services Risk Reduction Program

Courage To Be Safe®

Leadership, Accountability, Culture and Knowledge (LACK)

After Action Review

Creating Change in the Fire Service

Many users will discover that they actually have already earned the certificate by previously completing the required online programs, or are very close to earning it. To check their certificate status, users should log into their FHLN account and look at the User Console on the left.

Making firefighter health and safety a priority starts with you. All members of the fire service are encouraged to complete the ESRRP Certificate to demonstrate their knowledge of fundamental firefighter health and safety concepts. Print your certificate and present it to your commanding officer so you can discuss how you might receive credit in your department for completing this training. Mention the certificate to your brothers and sisters in the fire service, and encourage them to check out FHLN and complete the programs to earn their own certificate. And, share the following link with your social network to make them aware of the certificate opportunity:
www.fireherolearningnetwork.com/Clusters/ESRRP.aspx

To learn more about the certificate and to complete a two-minute registration that allows you to access all Fire Hero Learning Network programs for free, please visit FireHeroLearningNetwork.com.
https://www.everyonegoeshome.com/2018/01/09/esrrp-certificate/