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**State of Connecticut**
**Department of Emergency Services & Public Protection**
**Commission on Fire Prevention and Control**
**May 7, 2018**

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## 1. Farmington Fire Service Instructor I class (Openings available)

The Farmington FD is running a Fire Service Instructor I class starting in September. The class will run on weeknights and some weekend days. Class is scheduled for:

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| Sunday | Sept. 30 | 0830-1630 |
| Tuesday | Oct 2 | 1830-2230 |
| Thursday | Oct 4 | 1830-2230 |
| Tuesday | Oct 9 | 1830-2230 |
| Thursday | Oct 11 | 1830-2230 |
| Tuesday | Oct 16 | 1830-2230 |
| Thursday | Oct 18 | 1830-2230 |
| Sunday | Oct 28 | 0830-1630 |
| Sunday | Nov. 4 | 0830-1630 |

Certification Exam on Nov 25 at 0900.

Class will be held at 2 Westwoods Dr (Off of Rt 4) Farmington, CT 06032

Anyone interested should contact Director of Fire and Rescue Service Steve Hoffmann at hoffmanns@farmington-ct.org or 860-675-2322.

The class cost is $ 430.00 per student plus the cost of the text book.

Students must be certified FF 2 or members of a FD since Oct 1977 to qualify for certification.
Hope to see you there!!

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**2. CSFA 11th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner – Save the Date – April 4, 2019**

Please save the date for the 11th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner that will be held on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington, CT.

A nomination form is attached and is due no later than November 1, 2018. For information visit www.csfa.org or call 860-423-5799.

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**3. USFA Announces the 2018 Arson Awareness Week Theme**

The theme for the 2018 Arson Awareness Week is Reducing Arson at Vacant and Abandoned Buildings. The United States Fire Administration (USFA) is pleased to announce first-time partner: the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

USFA will also partner with an important group of organizations comprised of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco Firearms and Explosives, International Association of Arson Investigators, National Volunteer Fire Council, National Fire Protection Association, Coalition Against Insurance Fraud and the Insurance Committee for Arson Control.

The week of May 6 to 12 will be used to focus on the importance of a cooperative effort with fire and emergency service departments, law enforcement and public works to help prevent the horrendous crime of arson at vacant and abandoned buildings.

According to the U.S. Fire Administration's National Fire Incident Reporting System, at 34 percent, intentional actions were the leading cause of vacant residential building fires.

The ATF's Bomb Arson Tracking System, reported there have been an average of 550 incendiary/arson fires per year at abandoned and vacant properties for the 10-year period from 2007 to 2016.

"Unsecured vacant or abandoned structures create an inherent risk to the courageous firefighters that respond to these fires," said USFA Administrator Keith Bryant.

HUD Community Development Block Grants have provided grants to communities that suffered from foreclosures and abandonment. HUD purchased and redevelop foreclosed and abandoned homes and residential properties assisting in the rejuvenation and revitalization of communities nationwide.

For more information regarding the 2018 Arson Awareness Week, visit the USFA website.

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**4. Call for Presenters for the 2018 Public Fire and Life Safety Educator's Conference**

The Connecticut Fire Academy is seeking presenters for this year's Public Fire & Life Safety Conference. This one day event is scheduled to be held Thursday, August 23rd. Each speaker will have at least one hour to present. This year we will have Nancy Trench, Assistant Director for Fire Protection Publications as our keynote speaker and workshop presenter. Nancy manages the organizations research and advertising functions and is an is an internationally recognized leader in public fire and life safety education. She has developed numerous groundbreaking programs that have resulted in the reduction of fire deaths and injuries in Oklahoma, the United States, and beyond.

We are looking for individuals who have had success in creating an effective Fire Safety program in their community and are willing to share their program and best practices with their peers. Please forward your ideas in an Email to Alan Zygmunt, Public Education Coordinator at alan.zygmunt@ct.gov. We look forward to hearing from you.

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**5. HCFEP & CRCA Joint Meeting – May 16th**

SAVE THE DATE OF MAY 16th! - Hartford County Fire Emergency Plan and the Capital Region Chief's Association plan a joint meeting which will include apparatus displays of recent deliveries along with a presentation from the Enfield Special Operations Team. Chief Duffy and the Bradley Fire Department will be the host and will conclude the meeting with a BBQ dinner for all attendees. Event begins at 6:30 at Bradley Airport Fire Department Station 1 off Rte 75, Windsor Locks. See the attached flyer.

(NOTE: ANY AREA FIRE DEPARTMENTS WITH NEW EQUIPMENT THAT WOULD LIKE TO SHOW TO THE ATTENDEES PLEASE CONTACT CHIEF JIM BALDIS @ 860-818-0477 or JBALDIS@SIMSBURYFD.ORG)

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**6. Strategy & Tactics: Bread & Butter Calls – May 14 & 15**

This two-day course takes the experienced fire fighter through the basics of fire ground decision-making. These are the "room and content", everyday calls that any fire department should be able to control with even limited resources. It teaches the student to formulate an overall strategy, and to then employ the appropriate tactics to support that strategy using time-tested models. In-class scenarios will take place throughout the course to give students opportunities to work a simulated fire incident.

Course # 17556
Class Hours: 16
Course Fee: $85.00

Information and application on our website http://www.ct.gov/cfpc/cwp/view.asp?Q=599068&A=833

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**7. Tanker Operations\Mobile Water Supply-Redding May 19 & 20**

Two–day class covering the importance of pre-planning water sources and rural water operations. Class includes safe tanker operations, driving, filling, and dumping, evaluation of fill and dump sites, and mutual aid and tanker task force concepts.

Students taking this class who are certified Pump Operator (or member of the fire service prior to July 1977) and hold either a CDL or Q endorsement driver's license will qualify to take the Mobile Water Supply written certification exam. Full PPE (no SCBA), training pre-requisite is Certified Fire Fighter I.

Tuition is $110, course number 17561

Link to registration form
http://www.ct.gov/cfpc/lib/cfpc/CFA_2018_New_Student_Application_Fillable.pdf

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**8. New Haven County Fire Emergency Plan May Meeting**

The May meeting of the New Haven County Fire Emergency Plan will be their Gala 81st Anniversary Dinner and Annual Election of Officers and Directors. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 7 p.m. at Citizen's Engine Co. #2 in Seymour. Cost is $25. Please RSVP no later than May 8th to Martin Carlo (203) 985-8245.

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**9. NFFF Launches Survey on Suicide Prevention Efforts**

The **National Fallen Firefighters Foundation's (NFFF)** **Everyone Goes Home®** program is **conducting a needs assessment** to build effective suicide prevention and awareness programs. The NFFF has partnered with Dr. Sally Spencer-Thomas, a leading suicidologist with experience in developing innovative programs for first responders. As part of this assessment, Dr. Spencer-Thomas **created a survey** to gather feedback from fire service members (active, retired and non-uniformed), support groups (clinicians, EAP providers, chaplaincy groups, etc.) and family members.

"I am inspired to see how the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation is tackling the issue of suicide head on," said Dr. Spencer-Thomas. "This approach of deep listening followed by thoughtful strategy development is key in making successful inroads into suicide prevention."

**The NFFF encourages fire departments to distribute the survey to its members** and use it as an opportunity to share other resources like the **Pocket Peer mobile app**, the **"ACT Now! Ask.Care.Take." downloadable poster** and the **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline phone number 1-800-273-TALK(8255)**.

In addition to **this survey**, Dr. Spencer-Thomas will be conducting focus groups, in-depth

interviews and a literature review regarding first responders and suicide.

"We are fortunate to have partnered with Dr. Spencer-Thomas to address the issue of suicide in the fire service," said Chief Ron Siarnicki, Executive Director of the NFFF. "Gathering and analyzing information directly from firefighters and their families will help build future awareness and prevention resources to support behavioral health needs." To participate in the survey visit: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NFFFSurveyPt1

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