1. **CSFA 9th Annual Hall of Fame Dinner – April 6, 2017**

The Ninth Annual Connecticut State Firefighters Association Hall of Fame Dinner will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2017 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Aqua Turf Club, Mulberry Street in Southington. Cost is $40 per person. See the attached flyer for Ticket Purchase and Ad Book information and list of Class of 2017 Inductees.

-------

2. **Passing of Retired Fire Chief John J. McAuliffe – Wethersfield F.D.**

The Wethersfield Fire Department regrets to announce the passing of retired Fire Chief John J. McAuliffe. Chief McAuliffe retired in 1996 after 37 year of service with the department, the last six of which as Chief. He also served on the National Volunteer Fire Council and was a past President of both the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association and the Connecticut State Firefighters Association. His wisdom and unwavering dedication to the residents of Wethersfield, the members of the Wethersfield Volunteer Fire Department and Firefighters across this state and nation will be sorely missed. Visitation and funeral arrangements are as follows:

Wake: 4 – 7 p.m. Friday at the Farley Sullivan Funeral Home 34 Beaver Road in Wethersfield, CT

Funeral Mass: 10 a.m. Saturday at the Church of the Incarnation 544 Prospect Street in Wethersfield, CT

-------

3. **American Fire Service Command and Leadership Free Seminar**
The Ellington, Vernon, South Windsor, Broad Brook and Somers Fire Departments will be hosting Editor in
Chief of Fire Engineering Bobby Halton for his "American Fire Service Command and Leadership" Seminar.
Sunday, 9am, 2/12 at the Ellington Senior Center. Please see attached Flyer for further information.

-----------

4. Safety by Design: NIOSH Partnership Helps Protect Workers in Ambulances

Fast and efficient responses to crash events and disasters depend upon emergency medical services (EMS)
workers, who include first responders, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics, as well as
firefighters and nurses. Often, EMS workers treat patients in ambulances en route to the hospital, which
presents the inherent risk of high-speed travel. In fact, nationwide, EMS workers are more likely to die on the
job compared to all other workers, with nearly half of these deaths stemming from motor vehicle crashes on
our highways. Between 1992 and 2011, 21% of deaths from ambulance crashes were among EMS workers
and patients, and 4% were among ambulance drivers, according to data from the National Highway and
Traffic Safety Administration. In the majority of these crashes, the EMS worker was unrestrained.

To decrease the risk, investigators at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
(NIOSH) work with several federal partners and private ambulance
manufacturers to design safer patient compartments for ambulances. The goal of this work is to design
interiors that would allow the EMS worker to do his or her job while remaining seated and properly
restrained. This research also aligns with the NIOSH Prevention through
Design initiative, which strives to protect workers by
minimizing work-related safety and health risks by building safety into the design and manufacturing
process.

Over the past several years, NIOSH, with its partners, conducted 15 full-vehicle ambulance crash tests. The
findings from these tests have contributed to the development of several new crash-test methods focused on
improving seating and restraint structural integrity. It has also highlighted the need for anthropometric—or
body measurement—data of EMS workers to improve seating, restraints, and interior workstation design. To
support seating, restraint, and workstation design to address this need, NIOSH investigators identified and
collected a set of 39 body dimensions and weights. Between December 2013 and May 2015, the investigators
collected these data from 472 male and 161 female EMS workers from four regions including the Northeast
and Mid-Atlantic, the South, the Midwest and Great Lakes, and the Pacific West. The measurements
included everything from the depth of the abdomen while the subject is sitting, to the length from the elbow
to the middle fingertip. With these carefully selected measurements, the investigators developed a new
anthropometric database that may help ambulance manufacturers improve the design of the ambulance
patient compartment for safe and effective use. The database is currently available on the NIOSH
website.

More information is available:

- NIOSH Anthropometric Database for the EMTs in the United
  States
- NIOSH Anthropometry
- NIOSH Emergency Medical Services Workers
- NIOSH Continues Research to Improve Safety for Ambulance Service Workers and EMS
  Responders


5. EOC Ops and Planning for All Hazards Events Course

The FEMA EOC Operations and Planning for all-Hazards Events course delivered by TEEX at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, CT April 4-6, 2017. See the attached flyer for additional information or contact Asst. Chief James Nealy at James.Nealy@quinnipiac.edu or (203) 582-4502.

6. Child Passenger Safety Technician Training

"The Safety Group of CT, Inc. will be hosting the NHTSA National Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification Class on March, 1st, 3rd, 22nd & 24th. Our sponsor and hosting site will be the Waterford (CT) Police Department, 41 Avery Lane, 06385. For more information, please visit cert.safekids.org (course ID# CT201701037), or email us @ info@thesafetygrp.org."

7. CT Fire Academy Seminar Series 2017 – Modern Fire Attack – February 9, 2017

Modern Fire Attack - Thursday, February 9, 2017
Chief Peter Van Dorpe

Course Description: Lightweight energy efficient construction, modern fuels, firefighter encapsulation and manpower reductions have combined to make today’s residential firefight a dramatically new challenge for even the most experienced firefighter. This workshop brings together cutting edge research and best practices to help firefighters develop strategies and tactics for mounting interior fire attacks in modern residential construction. It will assist participants in developing best practices for mounting an intelligent fire attack within these structures, particularly in attics and basements, and whenever they encounter ventilation limited or post flashover conditions. This workshop will cover the following objectives:

- Introduce the scope and magnitude of the problem
- Review the most recent UL/NIST research available
- Present curriculum on strategies and tactics for the modern fire ground.

Instructor Bio:
Chief Van Dorpe recently retired as Director of the Chicago Fire Department’s Training Division after a 33 year career with the CFD. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Fire Science Management from Southern Illinois University. He has recently participated as a Subject Matter Expert for UL’s research on "Structural Stability of Engineered Lumber In Fire Conditions", the National Institute of Standards and Technology’s, “Evaluating Firefighting Tactics Under Wind Driven Conditions”, the IAFF/NIST “Firefighter Safety and
Deployment Study” in high rise buildings. Chief Van Dorpe is the 2016 recipient of the Fire Engineering/ISFSI George D. Post Instructor of the Year award.

----------


The Connecticut Fire Academy in collaboration with the Wolcott State Fire School is offering a two-day mentally and physically challenging hands on RIT program providing the necessary skill sets for this critical fire ground function.

The program will be held February 25-26 at the Wolcott State Fire School.


PLEASE DO NOT REPLY TO THIS EMAIL
Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Operations and Planning for All-Hazards Events

ODP Training Level:
Planning/Management

Delivery Location:
Quinnipiac University, Hamden CT

Course Length:
Three days (24 hours) Apr 4-6 2017

Course Overview:
The EOC course offers participants insight into, and practical experience with, emergency management and decision-making skills necessary to effectively manage an EOC and the overall response to a large-scale Type 3 or 2 and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)/terrorism incident or all-hazard event utilizing the MACS. The EOC course is 24 hours in length, with decision-based exercises comprising 8 of the 24 hours. This course will develop and reinforce emergency management, situational awareness, information management, resource management, and decision-making skills for course participants. The course adapts existing emergency management [National Incident Management System (NIMS)/Incident Command System (ICS)] procedures to the unique requirements of EOC operations.

Scope:
The course offers the opportunity for participants to practice emergency management and to gain practical experience in individual and group processes necessary to manage an EOC. Each participant will gain a better understanding of the management requirements and skills necessary to effectively coordinate and support the response.

Participant Audience:
Emergency responders, supervisors, and managers from the following disciplines/services:
• Fire service
• Emergency medical services
• Hazardous materials
• Law enforcement
• Public health
• Public works
• Emergency management
• Government administrative
• Non-governmental Organizations
• Private Sector and military (if invited by the host jurisdiction)

Prerequisites:
Participants must be actively employed, or tasked to work in an EOC. It is also expected participants will have at least an intermediate level of understanding of ICS and some experience in incident management.

Recommended:
IS-701 National Incident Management System
Multi-Agency Coordination System
IS-775 Role of the Emergency Operations Center in Community Preparedness, Response & Recovery

Course Size:
Maximum of 40 participants; a balanced representation of above disciplines/services; minimum of 32 participants

Point of Contact:
Asst Chief James Nealy
James.nealy@quinnipiac.edu

Office: 203-582-4502
Cell: 860-818-8456
The Connecticut State Firefighters Association

Ninth Annual
Hall of Fame Dinner

Thursday April 6, 2017
6-7 Open Bar 7pm Dinner

Aqua Turf—Mulberry Street
Southington

Cost $40.00 per person

For tickets: CSFA Office (860) 423-5799, William Coffey
(203) 746-1424 or Bob Guthrie (203) 934-7565
**ALL TICKETS MUST BE PAID FOR BY April 1, 2017**

The Class of 2017 Inductees

William Abbott  Hartford/State Fire Marsh
Edward B. Amatrudo  Poquonnock Bridge *(Deceased)
Wayne Fletcher  Ashford
Charles Flynn  Suffield/Wethersfield
Burt Hale  Westfield (Middletown)
Kevin Kowalski  Simsbury
James O’Neil  Thomaston
George H. Quinn  Bethany
Clarence Rees  Bethel
David A. Sanford  West Redding *(Deceased)
Robert G. Sawyer III  North Stonington (Deceased)

*Edward Amatrudo – Poquonnock Bridge, Noank, Westbrook,
Nichols, Branford and North Branford
*David Sanford – West Redding, Danbury, Wilton and Westport
The Connecticut State Firefighters Association is holding the Ninth Annual Hall of Fame Dinner. The dinner will be held on Thursday April 6, 2017 (6pm), at the Aqua Turf, (Mulberry Street) in Southington.

We are currently accepting ads for our ad book to help defray the costs of the event. The ad book will measure 5½ x 8½ and is the perfect opportunity to congratulate the recipients, or promote your products, or organization.

Program Book Price List
Center Page $175.00
Rear Cover $145.00
Inside Front Cover $130.00
Inside Rear Cover $130.00
Full Page $125.00
Half Page $ 75.00
Business Card $ 35.00

Please make your checks payable to CSFA and include with your ad/artwork. Forward ads to:

William Coffey
45 Beaver Brook Road
Danbury, CT 06810
(203) 746-1424

***Ads MUST be received by March 25, 2017***
The Ellington, Vernon, Somers, South Windsor and Broad Brook Fire Departments are proud to present:

**American Fire Service Command and Leadership**

A Seminar presented by

Chief Bobby Halton

Editor in Chief of Fire Engineering

Chief Halton will tackle the topics of command, leadership and service in his discussion that is aimed at officers and firefighters together. Topics include:

- What does it mean to “take command,” not just at the fire scene but also at the firehouse?
- How do you develop a vision of leadership and then translate that to motivation of your firefighters?
  - How do we develop tactics and keep them fresh as the call evolves around us?
- What does it mean to be a firefighter these days? How do you preserve tradition and yet move forward with progress at the same time?
- With all of the challenges on the modern fire ground, how does a firefighter commit to success?
- Further topics to be discussed: The Moral Arbiter / Concept of Duty / The Strategist / The Mentor

*FREE*

Sunday, February 12th, 2017, 9am to 1pm

Ellington Senior Center

40 Maple Street

(Overflow parking across the street at the high school)

Light lunch will be served

*Donations to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation will be accepted*

Please RSVP to D/C Karl Neubecker, ksneubec@gmail.com / 860-268-4093 prior to 2/4/2017