



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

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1. CT Fire Academy Closed Monday - CFA Bookstore News

The CFA and CFA Bookstore will be closed on Monday, September 5th to observe the Labor Day holiday. The CFA Bookstore will be open on Saturday, September 3rd, normal bookstore hours. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!

The CFA Bookstore just received some new titles from Jones & Bartlett Publishing:

Fire and EMS Officer Field Guide, 2nd edition

Whether you are a Fire or EMS officer, *the Fire and EMS Officer Field Guide, 2nd edition* will prove to be an essential tool throughout your career. This guide meets the 2015 CPR/ECC Guidelines and is an easy to use checklist format. At only 3” X 5”, this guide fits in your pocket, is waterproof, alcohol-fast, and street tough.

Gasoline Tank Truck Emergencies, 4th edition, Responding to MC/306/DOT 406 Cargo Tank Trucks Transporting Gasoline/Ethanol Blends and Fuel Oils by Michael Hildebrand, Gregory Noll and Bill Hand

Gasoline Tank Truck Emergencies is designed to provide public safety and industry emergency response personnel with the background information, general procedures, and response guidelines to be followed when operating at an incident involving MC/306/DOT 406 cargo tank trucks. This information will assist the user in meeting the knowledge requirements

outlined in NFPA 472, chapter 13 – *Competencies for Hazardous Materials technicians with a Cargo Tank Truck Specialty*.

Thank-you, Pam and Karen
CFA Bookstore

2. Pump Operator Certification Program – Blue Hills

Blue Hills Fire Department is hosting a 48-hour Pump Operator certification program this fall. Class dates are: October 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, and 29. Written exam date to be determined later.

Monday classes at 5:30PM to 9:30PM, Saturday classes at 8:30AM to 4:30PM. Class location is Blue Hills Fire Department, 1021 Blue Hills Avenue, Bloomfield. Tuition is \$290.

Please contact LT James Davis at james.davis21@hotmail.com or 860-922-0780 to register for this program.

3. DPH Mass Fatality Exercise – Volunteers Sought

This year Connecticut is hosting a Regional Mass Fatality Training exercise. This is part of the Regional Catastrophic Mass Fatality group which included Connecticut, New York and New Jersey. Over the last six years our state has participated as active members in this endeavor. This is the first time we are hosting the event in Connecticut. It requires setting up an entire mass fatality operation. We are in need of volunteers either as individuals or as organized groups to participate in assisting with the build for this event. The dates are October 18th through October 31st. During the days of the build we will be serving lunch. The registration to the program is free it will be held on October 25, 26,27. We do request that individuals or groups preregister with Katie Young in our office. Her contact information is Katie.Young@ct.gov or 860-509-8282.

4. Presenters Wanted: FRI 2017

[The FRI 2017 Call for Papers is now open.](#) The IAFC is looking for presenters and sessions to add to the educational experience of FRI 2017 July 26-29 in Charlotte, NC. *Is your department doing great things that others could learn from? If so, we want to hear from you!*

This is your chance to share your knowledge and experience with your colleagues as a presenter. The call for papers includes sessions for FRI's Core Education Program as well as the various levels of the Officer Development Program.

The deadline for submissions is Sunday, October 2.

[Go to the FRI Call for Papers](#) for submission information and guidelines.

Submit presentations to: <http://iafc-fri.scsubmissions.com/>

5. St. Francis 12th Annual Trauma Symposium

Trauma Service at Saint Francis is holding the 12th Annual Trauma Symposium Rural Trauma Care *Pushing the Golden Hour* on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 from 7:30a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at the Chawla Auditorium 114 Woodland Street in Hartford. See the attached flyer for additional information and registration.

6. Dedication of 9-11 PATH Subway Car 745 Display @Shore Line Trolley Museum on September 11th the 15th Anniversary of 9-11 Terrorist Attack on America

On Sunday September 11th, which is the 15th Anniversary of 9-11, the Shore Line Trolley Museum at 12 noon will dedicate and open to the public for the first time, PATH Car 745. There is expected to be a brief ceremony with area public officials and first responders participating.

On September 11, 2001, Car 745 was the lead car (on the north end) of a 7-car train which had left Hoboken at 8:42 AM, arrived on Track 3 at about 8:52, and was due to depart the loop station at 9:00 AM for the return trip to New Jersey. Behind it were cars 143-160-845-750-139-612. When the unthinkable happened, the entire PATH station was ordered evacuated, employees included. As a result, there was no loss of life on the train or in the station.

Since the car's arrival at its permanent home, the Trolley Museum has designed and built a special display that will allow visitors to the museum to go into the car and actually experience what thousands of passengers had experienced daily traveling from NJ to the World Trade Center everyday going to work. The car is exactly as it was found.

It was a Sunday in 2001, but Peter Rinaldi, a senior engineering manager with the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey was working another long, grueling day at ``ground zero," coordinating the logistics of the recovery operation. He opened an intact emergency exit hatchway on West Street near Vesey Street and entered, along with several other engineers, police and fire personnel, into the north tube of the PATH system's loop through the World Trade Center site. They had no idea what to expect. The tunnel was flooded and so small rafts were employed. Paddling through a remarkably intact section of the tunnel and following the submerged track way, they found themselves at the north end of the 5-track PATH WTC station. There Peter climbed onto the platform and walked through the doors of Car 745, still open and waiting for the passengers that never came back on 9/11. He stepped aboard the car and into the

operating cab and at that moment became determined that, somehow, this car must be saved. Over 14 years later, his vision became a reality as Car 745 touched down on trolley museum rails and became part of its collection.

The museum has also worked with a child's book author Marie Betts Bartlett to craft a child's book about Car 745 who has become Poppy and the book describes Poppy's purpose. The books will be available at the opening on 9-11.

The museum invites you to attend the dedication and then board the car and experience riding a PATH car on 9-11 2001. Due to the change in traffic patterns because of the Fall Festival, visitors are asked to use Foote Road to attend this event. For more information on this exhibit and all Shore Line Trolley information go to: www.shorelinetrolley.org

7. A Benefit Seminar for Torrington Deputy Fire Chief Chris Pepler - Digital Imagery & Social Media

Digital Imagery & Social Media have been both a blessing and a curse for the fire service, but one thing is undeniable: despite the problems digital imagery and social media are here to stay. The law that applies to social media has been evolving and continues to evolve, with new cases and considerations arising daily. This program focuses on the latest digital imagery and social media cases affecting the fire service, and the lessons learned for fire departments and firefighters.

Thursday, 11/10/16 8:30AM-4:30PM

Farmington Gardens, 999 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, CT

Tickets are \$75 each. Lunch is included.

Prepayment Required.

Make Checks Payable To: Torrington Fire Fighters' Local 1567

Memo: DC Pepler Benefit

Mail To: 849 Middletown Road, Colchester, CT 06415 Provide an Email Address for reservation confirmation.

All proceeds from this event will benefit Torrington Deputy Fire Chief Christopher Pepler, who has been courageously battling cancer for the past year. Chief Pepler has become an outspoken advocate for fire fighters to take steps to protect themselves from being exposed to known carcinogens. East Hartford Fire Chief John Oates will open the morning seminar with a presentation on Fire Fighter Cancer Prevention.

8. CFCA Database Update 2016

Good afternoon all!

I have been asked to assist the Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association with their 2016 Database Update project. This information is intended to update the CFCA database with accurate department contact information. Please complete the attached form and return to me via email at this address, or fax at 860-536-7811.

If your fire district/department has more than one station, please be sure to include all stations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

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9. “Heroes Weekend” on September 10-11 at the Mystic Aquarium

Mystic Aquarium is offering free admission to any Police/Fire/EMT and we’re adding a discount for their family. We’ll also have special recognition from our trainers & animals along with a craft that our staff and guests will be able to participate in that we would later like to give to Old Mystic FD. Attached is all the information about the event

10. Archdiocese of Hartford’s Blue Mass – September 11, 2016

The Archdiocese of Hartford's Blue Mass is scheduled for Sunday September 11th at 11 AM. The committee has asked all organizations involved to spread the word. The following link provides details about the mass <http://archdioceseofhartford.org/blue-mass/>

The Archdiocese is also looking for donations to help subsidize the cost of the reception that will follow the mass. If any organization is interested in making a monetary contribution please contact Maria Zone at maria.zone@aohct.org

11. Tropical Storm Update from DESPP / DEMHS

The attached Tropical Storm update was provided by the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security as of 3 p.m. Friday, September 2.