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This is the monthly newsletter for the Albany County Sheriff's Office Critical Incident Emergency Management Unit. **If you have events that you would like posted in this newsletter please email them to the Fire Coordinator's office.**



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ELSMERE FIRE COMPANY IS "BUNKING-IN"

Since 2018 the Elsmere Fire Company has had its Bunk-In program in place to provide college students, who have fire service backgrounds, with a safe and comfortable living environment. The program has been very successful, and with the pandemic near its end, is now up and running again.

The Elsmere Fire Company offers Bunk-In candidates an opportunity to continue their involvement with the volunteer fire service, emergency response, and training, all the while continuing their education at a local college.

The page 1 photo shows our current Bunk-In member Daniel Hess (pictured on right) who comes to us from his home department of Queensbury-Central. He is attending Hudson Valley Community College. Pictured on the left is our recent Bunk-In graduate Jacob Meester who comes to us from his home department in Union Vale. He attended Hudson Valley Community College as well, and is now an active member at Elsmere fire department.

The Bunk-In candidates must;

- Be a full-time student, 18 years or older
- Attending an accredited college in the Capital Region
- Have a permanent residence outside of Albany County
- Is an active member, in good standing, in a NY State fire department
- Must have completed FF1
- Able to provide 20 hours of service a week

The Bunk-In candidates will be provided with;

- Free housing accommodation
- Individual bedrooms
- Complimentary safe parking
- WiFi and TV
- Fully equipped kitchen
- In-house laundry
- An active social calendar with the department
- 75+ new friends

The Elsmere FD responds out of two stations with their three Engines and 100-foot aerial platform truck. They respond to an average of 400+ emergency calls annually within the district, with the population of nearly 9,000, and mutual-aid response district of about 35,000 residents, and businesses.

For more information, please visit the Elsmere Fire Company website at:

<https://elsmerefire.org/fire-company/bunk-in-program/>



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RCS High School Recruitment Event

Deputy Chief Travis Whitbeck from Ravena Fire Dept. and I would like to thank Albany County Sheriff's Office for letting us use the training trailer at the Ravena Coeymans Selkirk High School. We have been working with the RCS Administration on getting the students interested in becoming Firefighters. We are trying to get a program in the school on firefighting. There are programs in N.Y.S. that give students school credit for taking the class. While we were in a meeting we talked about motivating students into being a Volunteer in Firefighting or EMS. So, we thought the Training Trailer would work. Also we could add fire safety to the program.

The Training Trailer arrived on Sunday 10/23. Ken Dott delivered and helped me set it up. Bob Stevens delivered the R&R Car at the same time. We set the R&R Car up in front of the High School for the traffic on RT 9 W to see.

On Monday and Tuesday the school sent the 8th graders over to me. I walked them through the trailer with no smoke or fire showing. Then, I turned on the smoke machine and 2 fire panels. While the rooms were getting prepared I talked about how to find your way out of a building that has a smoke condition. Also, how you should have 2 or more ways to escape. The students asked questions and then I led them into the trailer. When they came out they were excited and surprised at how hard it was to get through the trailer, even when they had seen the inside with no smoke.

On Thursday and Friday, I ran all the students from the High School through the Training Trailer the same way as above.

On Thursday the High School also had us set up a table in the gym where Travis worked. They were having a Civic Career Day. Several different agencies were there with us. Before the students came out to the Training Trailer, they talked to the different agencies. The students really enjoyed the experience and seem to have gained some understanding about fire safety. Travis got 9 students to take applications for Junior Firefighters on Thursday and I got 4 applications on Friday. I'm not saying we will get all of them to join, but it is a start.

Special Thanks to Chief Gerald Paris, Paul Miller, Ken Dott and Bob Stevens for letting us have the Training Trailer and the R&R Car for the week.

Thank You

Thomas Neri

1st Assistant Chief

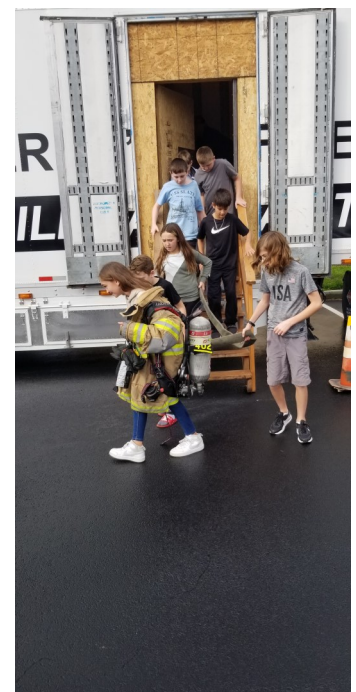
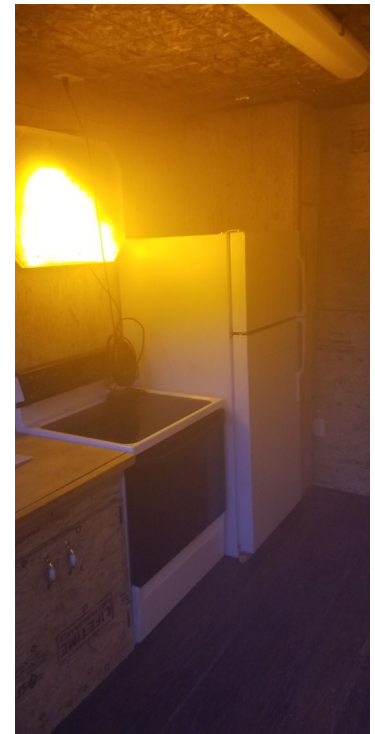




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Selkirk Fire Department did a week long recruitment event at the RCS High School



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Fired Up!

Vacant building fires: Nothing is 'always' on this job

There's no place for sweeping generalizations during go/no-go decisions on the fireground

Today at 9:42 AM

I spend a lot of time observing, aka people-watching. Anywhere, any time – stores, malls, beach, neighborhood pool, streets, whatever. I think most of us do, although my wife, Teri, says I should be far less obvious about it. I don't agree. If I wanna stare, I will stare; that's why I have sunglasses.

I also like to watch (with intentional self-control) what people are “putting out there” online, and lately, there has been a lot of chatter related to firefighting and searching in vacant buildings.

One example: Someone reacted negatively on social media to a post by retired FDNY Deputy Chief Vinny Dunn, author, instructor and world-recognized subject-matter expert, who stated that, “as an incident commander for over 25 years in New York City who fought many vacant building fires, I never found a dead squatter in a vacant building after a fire.”

Of course, that doesn't mean there haven't been other fires where searches were done and rescues were made, whether in NYC or anywhere else. It means that it is what Chief Dunn has experienced as a seasoned boss and something we should keep in mind when making fireground decisions. Why? Because as we should know by now, nothing is “always” on this job, and it's *definitely* not black or white when responding to fires. Really the only things all fire departments have in common are size-up, determining your conditions, and applying the immediately available resources.



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Everything else depends.



"The most important thing – and something we should keep in mind when making fireground decisions – is nothing is 'always' on this job," writes Goldfeder. (AP Photo/Richard Vogel)

DECISION-MAKING DIVERGENCE

Let me break it down so you can understand why there really is no "always" in fireground decision-making. Consider these factors:

- **911 call-handling time:** Do your dispatchers spend 3-4 minutes wasting time by asking unnecessary questions before your alarm is activated? IMO, this is all we need: Where is it? What is it? What's your phone number? Then activate the damn fire department, *then* continue asking all the questions. Runs can be upgraded or downgraded by the responding boss as needed.
- **Dispatch time:** How long does it take from the time the basic questions are asked to the time your department is alerted? You'd be surprised. Forget CAD printouts; they are only as good as whoever hits the keyboard whenever. Go listen to the raw audio tapes at your local center to determine *exactly* how long it takes from a dispatcher answering the 911 call until your department is activated.
- **Turn out time:** Are you a staffed department? Do your members take way too long to get on the rigs? Are your members responding to quarters? There is a huge *life-costing* difference when your firehouse is unstaffed.
- **Turn out staffing:** How many interior firefighting members are on the rigs on your first alarm – 3, 4, 12, 25, 30? When you look at the tasks needed on a small (1,200-square-foot) dwelling fire, you need between 20-25 members quickly to do what we do simultaneously. Consider water supply, pumping, stretching three lines minimally, ladder throws, forcible entry, and search and rescue – you know, all the stuff we do. The fire could care less if you take a minute or 30 minutes to arrive. But the people in the house care *a lot*.



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- **Response time and your first-alarm time and distance:** How far are you from the fire? In cities, it's a few blocks. In suburbia, a few miles. In rural areas, a while – a long while. Wherever your people live, they should be well informed on when they can expect your fire department to arrive with a crew and bosses that have a clue.

First-alarm resources: What are you sending? Do you genuinely use automatic mutual-aid or do you wait until you get to the fire. Do you use "personality-based mutual aid" – you know, IOW you call FDs you like instead of the ones you don't like. I'm not talking about calling the closest, most appropriate FD when you need special equipment. I am talking about calling "those bastards" in the next community because they can deliver firefighters quickly, even if their chief is married to your ex-wife, husband or both. Get over it.

Training for members on the first alarm: What are the qualifications, training and attitude of responding members? Are the rigs arriving with people with barely their pulses or firefighters who do as directed, take training seriously and are glad to be there?

My point: In North America, if you've seen ONE fire department, you have only seen ONE fire department. Like it or not, that's just the way it is. Nothing is the same from community to community and nothing is "always."

GO/NO-GO DECISIONS

Getting back to where we started – the recent discussions about abandoned, vacant and derelict (AVD) building fires, and whether members should search. To me, it is simple: Based upon your department policies and training, along with the chief of department's clear expectations, you do as you are trained and directed. It depends on your size-up, conditions on scene, and immediately available resources. More specifically, every fire needs a size-up, but that action can only be applied based upon conditions and especially immediately available resources. Everything else, including our ability to do what the occupants need, depends on these factors.

So, who makes the go/no-go decision? The first-arriving company officer or the on-scene chief. It starts there, and they are held accountable to own their decisions. The good ones understand that and do. I have found that the more experienced, trained and "into the job" fire officers – the ones who have had command of critical incidents – will consider all aspects of the go/no-go decision *throughout the incident*, always based upon – say it with me – size up, conditions and resources.

Keep in mind that we spend a lot of time getting fire officers to understand that there are no clear-cut answers. That can be a hard to grasp when the IC could be anyone from a solid, experienced veteran member to a first-arriving brand-new company officer or even a firefighter "riding up" with zero command-related experience. Regardless, all these fireground decisions are belong to them, and they have a lot to consider.

If your first alarm has 20-30 good people, they can do more, often simultaneously – much more than if they have 4-6 people. It's simple math. Remember the tasks, prioritized based upon size-up. Often, water on the fire quickly is the best solution. That is not something new, been around forever. But not *always*, as there are occasions where we may need to do something else first, maybe search and rescue of a visible victim. But again, that depends on



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the boss's size-up, and what the boss decides – even if *you* are the boss. And we then do as ordered.

A friend of mine (a gray-haired veteran metro chief) recently commented to me that somewhere along the way, we developed a sense that we had to be *in bed with fire* before putting it out. I remember when I was taught that. It was in the early 70s at the Nassau County (N.Y.) Fire Academy where a chief instructor made this very clear: *"DO NOT open that nozzle until you see the fire"* – and that was state-of-the-art training back then. We didn't want to disturb the "thermal balance." Fast forward to 2022, and UL's Fire Safety Research Institute team has taught us that water quickly with the right technique won't disturb the thermal layer as much as we thought and *will* improve conditions.

Nothing is always.

SEARCH MENTALITY

I, like all of you, have observed firefighters "getting in there" with seemingly no command structure. A free for all. You know it, I know it. Playground vs. fireground. It's the "we do what we want at Engine Co. 12345" attitude because you suck and we don't.

Look, I *love* high-spirited companies – those that do as trained, ordered and expected. It's the ones that do whatever they want that gets members hurt and killed. Read the reports. Read the accounts. Listen to the "been there/done that" podcasts like the [NFFF "IC to IC" programs](#). Speak to ICs who have lost firefighters under their command – a position no one wants to be in. And the outcomes? More often than not, they would do it differently. That's not my words, that is their words. Time and time again.

But all those lessons seem to disappear when we operate in an environment or a culture that promotes mentalities like "beat the other company," "get in there no matter what," "we do what we want at this truck company" and "there could always be people in there" – the "playground" vs. the strongly lead and disciplined fireground environment and culture. If the size-up indicates that someone could be in there, and the conditions allow for a rapidly calculated risky decision by a seasoned and experienced and disciplined IC, then sending members in is the decision.

THIS ISN'T "SOCIAL MEDIA FIREFIGHTING"

When browsing social media, beware of those commenting about something they know little about, that is, being genuinely, legally and proven responsible for a fire's outcome. The civilians. The members. All of them. Have they done or been through what they are teaching or preaching?

What Vinny Dunn and many others have experienced as seasoned ICs is real experience, not kitchen table bravado, social media firefighting or repeated episodes of luck. The most important thing – and something we should keep in mind when making fireground decisions – is nothing is "always" on this job. There are ever-changing situations, and it all comes down to your size-up, the scene conditions and your immediate available resources, all lead by the IC, who ultimately owns the decision.



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Fired Up!



Who is REALLY training your firefighters?

Critical questions to ask about who is training your members and how it aligns with your department's needs

Jun 10, 2021

As we continue to see the number of traumatic injuries and line-of-duty deaths (LODDs) remain low, it is no secret that TRAINING is the primary ingredient to minimizing those tragedies. While we will never be able to eliminate firefighter death and injury because of the simple fact that there *will* be times where we *must* place ourselves or our personnel in harm's way to try to save a life, those incidents are, fortunately, infrequent.

Even though such incidents are rare, we *must* be fully prepared to respond to every reported structural fire with the well-trained resources, needed staffing, and command and control leadership to match the reported situation. As we have seen in just the last few months, things can and do turn horrific for a variety of reasons at fires – and during training activities.

GETTING WHAT IS EXPECTED

"... [W]e must be fully prepared to respond to every reported structural fire with the well-trained resources, needed staffing, and command and control leadership to match the reported situation," Chief Goldfeder writes. (Photo/Miami-Dade Fire Rescue)

These days, citizens want to know what they get for the dollars directed to public safety. And while there is *a lot* of focus on law enforcement, the fire department is not immune from scrutiny. Fire chiefs have a responsibility to honestly (and without “fluff”) ensure that the public (and city council, commissioners – whoever oversees your funding) fully understand what that fire department can do – *and what they cannot do* – based upon available funding.



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For example, if you once had 20 firefighters on your first-alarm assignments, all arriving within 7 minutes, but now, due to funding cuts, you only have 10 firefighters in 10 minutes, it is *impossible* for you and your members to provide the *same level* of emergency service as previously expected. Simple math. No emotion. Just the way it is.

Progressive and "public thinking" fire chiefs understand that fire departments sharing resources, automatic mutual aid, mergers when applicable, tougher building and sprinkler codes, and other creative thinking can sometimes help minimize the challenges.

The most basic – but most important – ingredient of fire service delivery is the one that get the job done: our firefighters and our company officers. You can have a great chief, but without great company officers who carry out the mission with discipline, plus firefighters getting the job done with equal respect and discipline, you are like a great football coach without a winning team.

WHAT ARE MEMBERS ACTUALLY BEING TRAINED ON?

This *should* be obvious, but fire chiefs *must* find out who is training their firefighters and WHAT they are being taught. For example, in developing its [Fire Ground Survival Training](#), the IAFF applied years of research using veteran subject-matter experts to provide a diverse range of ideas and input, plus seasoned fire officers, resulting in a qualified program a chief can be confident in. Attend the IAFF Fire Ground Survival Training? Without question.

But what about other training opportunities that are out there?

In the last several years, there have been numerous firefighters and fire officers who offer “hands-on” training at or near your location. Now, make no mistake about it, many of the programs are excellent and among the best you can get. Programs that are taught by veteran senior fire officers with decades of fireground and command experience. Officers who fully understand the “big picture” when training firefighters. Unfortunately, there are also programs that involve “instructors” who have yet to ride the front seat of their rig, not to mention command a working incident at their department. Is that important?

That is up to you, chief.

KEY QUESTIONS

Here are a few questions to consider related to WHO you want training your firefighters – and on WHAT:

What is the written and committed focus, goals and objectives of the training program?

- Are they teaching your firefighters operations based upon recognized national standards?
- Do they test and/or certify the attendees at the conclusion of the training?



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- Are they teaching what you perform on your fireground, or are they teaching what they do on their own fireground? Make sure what they teach matches what your fire department does, or what you want done.
- Are they asking you (well before they arrive to do the training) for copies of YOUR standard operating procedures (SOPs)? Are they following that up with discussions with you to ensure they are going to deliver what you expect?
- Are all the instructors qualified or certified to teach the material?
- Are they instructors at their own departments? Do they teach what they are teaching your member at their own department? Do their own chiefs recommend and endorse the program?
- Do they have references from other chiefs regarding their satisfaction with the program?
- Who legally “owns” any problems that may occur during the training? This refers to firefighter injury or even death, behavioral issues, personnel matters or related issues.
- Are the instructors clear on your department's behavioral policies and expectations?
- Are all the instructors drug and alcohol “clean” and adhering to your department’s standard of substance-free training and operations?

Have all the instructors successfully (and recently) passed police background checks?

Is this a big deal? Not until something goes wrong. And many things can and have gone wrong with "visiting" instructors – situations that impact the attendees and the chiefs/departments of those attendees.

Some of the questions may seem like a stretch – and may even be easy to ignore – until something goes wrong. As previously stated, without question, there are some phenomenal programs out there, led and taught by some of the best hands-on instructors in the business. Instructors who provide hands-on training that matches the needs of your department. Instructors who lead professionally and understand expected behaviors. However, there are also programs that teach firefighters tactics that may (or may not) work well where they operate but would definitely NOT work well in your community.

IT’S YOUR CALL, CHIEF

Ask yourself: Can you sit back, with confidence, knowing your personnel are receiving the best and most applicable training from the most qualified instructors? And keep in mind, this should not only include training you host but also training your members attend on their own or off site. It all comes back to your department and what training and behaviors you want your personnel to learn.

So, how do you know which programs to pick? That is up to you, chief, but asking the questions couldn’t (or shouldn’t) hurt and will go a long way to minimize any additional “stuff” you have to deal with, you know, as the chief.



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Long Island Metro FIRE/EMS EXPO

FEBRUARY 3-5, 2023
NASSAU COLISEUM • UNIONDALE, NY

The **New York State Association of Fire Chiefs** and the **Islip Town Fire/EMS Museum Educational Center** have partnered once again to deliver this exciting emergency services exposition and educational event on Long Island. More than 3,000 first responders turned out for our inaugural event in 2022, which featured 120 vendors and fire/EMS lectures presented by some of the most prominent leaders in the emergency services field.

The 2023 Long Island Metro Fire/EMS Expo will feature even more vendors displaying apparatus, tools, equipment, and services for fire and EMS agencies, as well as nine 90-minute educational seminars for fire/EMS responders of all ranks. This event benefits the [museum](#) and the association, supporting their shared mission to serve the fire and emergency services personnel of Long Island and New York state. [Email](#) questions to NYSAFC.

Attendee Registration:

\$20 per person, per day (*includes entry to the expo and seminars*)

FREE parking!

Tickets are available online through [Ticketmaster](#) (service fees will be applied).

Tickets can be purchased at the door (cash, credit card, and voucher accepted).

If paying by voucher – departments can provide NYSAFC with the voucher and a roster in advance OR submit the voucher and use a sign-in sheet on-site. NYSAFC will bill agencies at

Exhibit Hours for 2023:

Friday, February 3: 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 4: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 5: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Education Hours for 2023:

Friday, February 3: 3:00 – 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, February 4: 9:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Sunday, February 5: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Education Program Schedule:

Coming Soon!

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ANNUAL EMS CONFERENCE

Each year, the FASNY Emergency Medical Services Committee presents the EMS Conference in Selden, New York. The one-day event is packed with presentations that address the most contemporary and critical topics in the EMS community.

These invaluable sessions are complemented by a Pre-Conference Workshop eligible for Core CME credit hours in toxicology, cardiology, respiratory, psychiatric and EMS operations, among others.



UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023 | SELDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The State of Emergency Medical Services in New York State

Presentation by Bureau of EMS, NYS Department of Health and NYSEMS Council

Rescue Medics for Technical Vehicle Rescues

Presented by: Bill Hallinan, Paramedic

Rescue Medics represent the intersection of technical rescue skills with tailored patient care. This session will focus on how pre-hospital providers



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can identify injury profiles and adjust their treatments plans to best improve patient outcomes. Case studies will highlight how a rescue medic can be integrated with the rescue team to reduce time to rescue without a compromise in patient or crew safety. How the rescue medic operates in the hot zone will provide a template both training and communication. Core Competencies to implement the rescue medic into team operations will be presented.

Rise of the Machines : Man in Machine / Machine in Man

Presented by: Bill Hallinan, Paramedic

This course will discuss a systematic approach to both rural and urban rescues involving agricultural, recreational and commercial machinery. This talk will categorize the type of rescue, common injuries and techniques to execute a successful rescue. Case studies and research will present best practices teams can use to approach these incidents. Methods for providing integrated command and resource management with technical specialists with medical branch staff will allow participants to develop a patient centered rescue plan. Case examples and guidelines for care of amputated limbs and field amputations will be presented. Communication strategies for the scene medical communications coordinator with the receiving trauma center to optimize readiness will be presented. Pre-hospital medical care and consideration of common injury types will be discussed.

What's Hot and What's Not?

Presented by: Connie J. Mattera, MS, RN, TNS, Paramedic

What are the shortcomings and challenges of the current healthcare system and how is EMS strategically positioned to help solve some of those issues? How can we develop EMS personnel with vision, an obsession for improvement, and fearless in pursuit of better healthcare based on the Agenda 2050? How will we pay for EMS care under an innovative system of value-based care that compensates quality rather than quantity? How can we build capacity to innovate, spread & sustain innovations and gain ideas for improvement throughout our organizations? How can we improve quality of care and decrease cost? What are the evolving standards of quality care? How should we standardize excellent care? How do your protocols match up with the National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines?

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Where should we even be looking for evidence-based guidelines? What guideline changes should we all be adopting? EMS is so much more than BandAids and backboards. Why is our role so critical and how can we all excel as practitioners? Transformational thinkers want to know.

“Weak, Winded and Woozy...What’s Wrong?”

Presented by: Connie J. Mattera, MS, RN, TNS, Paramedic

Patient presentations can be a challenge to reaching an impression.

Dozens claim weakness, lightheadedness, syncope, shortness of breath and exercise intolerance as chief complaints. This could be anything from soup to nuts, but just might be the prelude to disaster. Let’s explore the world of differentials as participants learn the art of a combining a thorough history, careful physical exam, and good old fashion gut instinct to discern the cause of complaints and provide the right evidence-based care. EMS responders must be able to transition from following a cook book to thinking critically to best serve the needs of complex patients. Let’s see how you do in a fun journey chasing the zebras.

Albany County Training

ALBANY COUNTY FIRE TRAINING SCHEDULE #11 2022 is now available on our website .

<https://www.albanycounty.com/home/showpublisheddocument/22613/638028195788828194>

There is now a link on our website with instructions on how to get an LMS sign on ID . We recommend that all new members should register as soon as they join so they have access to training opportunities.

<https://www.albanycounty.com/government/county-sheriff/fire-training>

Article Submissions Requested

Do you have an idea for an article for our newsletter?

Do you have a talent for writing?

Is there an area that you have a strong knowledge or interest in?

If so, please contact us. We are always looking for valuable information to pass on to the Emergency Services Community. If you seen an interesting article, let us know.

Please contact:

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Pre-Registration Required: Students may register by clicking on the Learning Management System link on the NYS OPFC Home Page ([NYS Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services - OPFC](#))

Registration opens 45 days before the first class

COURSE	LOCATION	DATE	INSTRUCTOR	PREREQUISITES
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Please Note that a training authorization letter is now required for all courses offered by the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control

Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations with Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations IN PROGRESS	Westmere	August 15, September 8, 15, 20, 22, 27, October 4, 8, 22, 26, November 2, 7, 9, 15, 19, 21, 28, December 7, 13, 14, 19, 20 Weeknights: 1830-2130, Saturdays: 0800-1400 Units 21-25 1800-2200	Molesky	None
Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations with Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations IN PROGRESS	East Berne	October 3, 11, 13, 17, 19, 25, 27, 29, November 2, 5, 8, 10, 14, 16, 22, 28, 30, December 6, 8, 12, 14, 20, 27 Weeknights 1830-2130 (Hazmat 1730-2130) Saturdays 0800-1400	Santabarbara	None
Principals of Instruction	Elsmere	November 7, 14, 21, 28, December 5	Clawson	None
Vehicle Rescue: Operations Level	Onesquethaw	November 7, 9, 14, 16, 21	DeGroff	None

Class is Full				
Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations Annual Refresher	Westmere	November 14 1800-2200	Molesky	Firefighter I or Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations
Rescue Technician Basic NEW TO SCHEDULE	Selkirk FD Station #1	November (23 & 30: 1830-2130) December 8: 1800-2200, December 17: 0800-1700	Kerr	None
Fire Instructor II	Watervliet Arsenal	November 28, 29, 30, December 1, 2	Bachner	Fire Instructor I There is a lengthy pre-course reading assignment, and students complete a pre-test, final exam, independent assignments, and one presentation during the course. Course includes homework and independent study. There is a dress code for candidates attending this course.
Hazardous Materials Technician Modules 1,2 & 3	West Albany	November 29, 30 December 3, 6, 7, 10, 12, 14 Weeknights 1830-2230 Saturday 0800-1600	OFPC	Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations & SCBA Qualified
FFS: CONDUCTING EMERGENCY ESCAPE SYSTEM TRAINING FOR COMPANY OFFICERS NEW TO SCHEDULE	Boght	January 7, 2023 0800-1700	Kerr	Firefighter I or Equivalent
Unless changed by instructor or noted above: All evening classes will be held from 19:00-22:00 hours. All Saturday and Sunday classes will be held from 09:00-12:00 hours and 13:00-16:00 hours			 Fire Coordinator Gerald Paris 