



Maine Fire Protection Services Commission

Invites you to the:

6th Annual Blaine House Conference For First Responders

Thursday & Friday, April 16 & 17, 2009
Hollywood Slots Hotel & Raceway
Bangor, Maine



ATTENDEE PACKET

Conference Schedule

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

5:00-6:30 p.m. Maine Fire Chiefs' Association Membership Meeting

Thursday, April 16, 2009

6:30 a.m. Exhibitor Set Up

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration
Coffee & Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Area

9:00-9:30 a.m. **Welcome Remarks – Chief Jeffrey Cammack**
Chair, Maine Fire Protection Services Commission
Invited Guests: Governor Baldacci and Major General John William Libby

Best Practice Awards Presentation

9:30-10:15 a.m. **Keynote Speaker: Retired Deputy Chief James P. Smith**
Philadelphia Fire Department

Don't Bet Your Life On It: Incident Scene Safety

This program includes an overview of firefighting injuries, deaths and their major causes. It will show the need for an incident scene safety officer. The incident scene safety officer's functions and scope of authority will be reviewed. The strength of this course is that it is highly interactive. Exercises involving case studies give the participants an opportunity to address the many types of incident scene problems faced every day. The participants must come up with safe operating procedures for these real life problems.

10:15-10:45 a.m. Break/Visit the Exhibitors

10:45-noon **Don't Bet Your Life On It: Incident Scene Safety** (Cont'd)

Noon-1:00 p.m. Luncheon/Visit the Exhibitors

1:00-2:15 p.m. **Don't Bet Your Life On It: Incident Scene Safety** (Cont'd)

2:15-2:45 p.m. Break/Visit the Exhibitors

2:45-4:00 p.m. **Don't Bet Your Life On It: Incident Scene Safety** (Cont'd)

4:00-6:30 p.m. Dinner on your own

7:00-11:30 p.m. Networking Opportunity – Hollywood Slots Hotel & Raceway

Friday, April 17, 2009

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration & Visit with Exhibitors

9:00-10:15 a.m. **Priority Dispatch Systems For Fire & EMS**

Presented by: Lt. Steve L'Heureux, EMT-P, Manchester, N.H. Fire Department & Emergency Medical Dispatch Supervisor, N.H. Bureau of Emergency Communications (9-1-1), Member of the College of Fellows with the National Academies of Emergency Dispatch

This strategic orientation will give police, fire & EMS leaders, along with their respective dispatch center

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managers, an introduction to the trends in national standards in the established use of propriety dispatch systems for public safety agencies. Attendees will examine the role of the National Academy of Emergency Dispatch in establishing standards, certifying dispatchers, and promoting the use of scientifically proved protocols for police, fire, and medical emergency dispatching. The presenter will deliver information on the relationship between first responders and their dispatch center who uses written protocols, the benefits to victim and responder safety, improvements to conserving resources and patient care, and the value of quality improvement call reviews. Participants will get a sampling of how the protocol systems work equally well for not only medical, but also for fire and police emergency dispatching.

10:15-10:30 a.m. Break/Visit with Exhibitors

10:30-12:00 p.m. **Priority Dispatch Systems For Fire & EMS (Cont'd)**

12:00-1:00 p.m. Luncheon/Visit the Exhibitors

1:00-1:15 p.m. **Best Practices Award Presentation.**

1:15-2:00 p.m. **Response to Firefighter Fatalities, Maine's L.A.S.T. Program**

Presenter: Rev. Daniel C. Coffin, Pastor, Small Point Baptist Church - Phippsburg, ME
Coordinator, Local Assistance State Team (L.A.S.T.) Chief Chaplain, Fire Chaplains of Maine Association

What happens when a fire department suffers a Line of Duty Death? How does the department prepare and conduct a proper memorial service for the fallen firefighter while struggling with the tragedy? Who helps the department and family wade through the myriad of details involved in filing proper applications for applicable benefits from local to federal levels? All of this and more will be discussed, as well as experiences involved with Maine's most recent two LODDs, lessons learned, and goals for further developments of the team for statewide LODD support.

2:00-2:15 p.m. Break/Visit the Exhibitors

2:15-3:15 p.m. **Workplace Safety - Tips on Injury Prevention and the Perfect Inspection!**

Presenter: Michael LaPlante, Supervisor, Workplace Safety & Health Division
Maine Department of Labor

Learn directly from the professionals! Hear the latest strategies on obtaining the perfect workplace inspection, DOL's voluntary consultation program, reporting procedures for accidents/injuries, SCBA standards, available resources for training, pitfalls of converted tank trucks, maintaining & organizing training records, the latest breaking news on safety vests for public safety employees, and much more!

3:15-4:00 p.m. **Providing Training to Maine's Bravest – The Mission of Maine Fire Training & Education**

Presenter: Walter Morris, Acting Director, MFT&E, Asst. Chief, Jefferson (ME) Fire
Department Member-Board of Directors, National Fire Academy Alumni Association

Over the past few years, many changes have occurred in our state fire training agency. A need to balance the budget has resulted in a 50% reduction in staffing, elimination of some services, and a need to focus on the core training programs that are most needed by the Maine fire service. The proposed plan to create a state fire and emergency service academy will likely impact the future of MFT&E. Acting Director Walter Morris will provide a report on the changes that have been implemented and their impact on training program delivery. The present and future role of MFT&E in the delivery of firefighter training will be discussed, along with highlights of the many training resources and equipment that are available to support local training.



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REGISTRATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS - Please Complete All Sections

Mail completed form with payment to:

Blaine House Conference
60 Community Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Pre-registration deadline is April 6, 2009

Fax form to: 207-626-5947
Phone: 1-800-452-8786
(Inquiries only-no phone reservations accepted)

ATTENDEE INFORMATION

Please use one registration form per attendee. Please copy form as needed

Name: _____ Title: _____

Representing: _____

Please Bill My: [] Home [] Employer [] Affiliation (List billing information)

Employer/Affiliation Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

EVENT REGISTRATION - Please check all that apply

[] Two Day FULL Conference Registration Pre-registration before April 6 - \$100.00/person \$ _____
Registration after April 6 - \$125.00/person \$ _____

Two Day FULL Conference registration includes Continental Breakfast, Exhibit Area Admission, Thursday and Friday Sessions, Written Materials, Thursday and Friday Luncheons.

[] One Day THURSDAY Session Only Pre-registration before April 6 - \$50.00/person \$ _____
Registration after April 6 - \$75.00/person \$ _____

One Day THURSDAY Conference registration includes Thursday Continental Breakfast, Exhibit Area Admission, Thursday Sessions, Written Materials, and Thursday Luncheon.

[] One Day FRIDAY Session Only Pre-registration before April 6 - \$50.00/person \$ _____
Registration after April 6 - \$75.00/person \$ _____

One Day FRIDAY Conference registration includes Friday Continental Breakfast, Exhibit Area Admission, Friday Session, Written Materials and Friday Luncheon.

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE BILLED: \$ _____

PAYMENT OPTIONS

[] Check Enclosed:

Amount \$ _____

[] Please Bill:

Amount \$ _____

(please see reverse side)

Directions to Hollywood Slots Hotel & Raceway

From Interstate 95- Take exit 182A. Then take exit 3B onto Main Street. Continue on Main Street until you arrive at Hollywood Slots Hotel on the right.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS: Reservations are to be made individually at the Hollywood Slots Hotel & Raceway, 500 Main Street, Bangor, Maine. Hotel phone number is: 207-974-3500 or toll free 1-877-779-7771. The rate for single/double occupancy is \$70.00 per night. (This does not include taxes/services charges.) Please be sure to mention the Blaine House Conference-First Responders room block. It is important to make your room reservations early as the block of rooms will be released on Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

CONFIRMATIONS: Confirmations will be sent one week prior to the Conference to the Billing Address listed on this registration form.

CANCELLATIONS: To obtain a refund you must notify MMA by April 6, 2009. All cancellations are subject to an administrative processing fee of \$10.00. Cancellations after April 6, 2009 are non-refundable.

QUESTIONS: Call the Affiliate Services Office at 1-800-452-8786 or 623-8428 (Augusta area).

In order to ensure your complete participation in this workshop, we would appreciate your informing us of any special requirements you might have due to a disability.