

Maine Fire Protection Services Commission

April 2010

2010 Fire Service Happenings!

Western Maine Fire Attack School

May 15th & 16th, Bethel ME

Essential Structural

Tactics & Leadership Skills

May 21, 1800-2200hrs, Farmington ME

Street Smart Firefighting

May 22nd & 23rd, Farmington ME

Maine Forest Service Wildland Academy

June 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th Waterville ME

Maine State Federation of Firefighters

Annual convention

September 10th, 11th, 12th, Presque Isle



U.S. Fire Administration
Retention and Recruitment for the
Volunteer Emergency Services
Challenges and Solutions
1A-110/May 2007



Senator Collins To Sponsor HR1792

The Fire Commission is very pleased to announce Senator Collins sponsorship of **HR1792 Volunteer Emergency Services Recruitment and Retention Act of 2009**. This important sponsorship is vital at the federal level for moving this bill forward. HR1792 is seen as a valuable component for Fire & EMS Recruitment & Retention.

For more information on Recruitment & Retention down load FEMA's guide for Volunteer Emergency Services: http://nvfc.org/files/documents/2007_retention_and_recruitment_guide.pdf

2010 Best Practices Awards

Northern Oxford Mutual Aid Association (NOMA)

Bruce Pierce-Newry FD & Geoff Inman-Woodstock FD

Development of a warning label on service entrances, to warn first responders of possible alternative power sources.

Nominated by Kenneth Dixon Andover FD

Coastal Mutual Aid Chiefs Association

Gary Sacco, Assoc. president, New Gloucester FD

Development of a Mutual Aid Agreement for Incident Command

Nominated By Darrell Fournier Freeport FD

University of Maine Orono – University Marshal program

For the dedication of these campus Marshals in working to ensure the fire safety of the student and staff on the campus.

Nominated by Buddy Webb-Orono Fire Department

Legislative Activities impacting First Responders:

LD 555 An Act to Promote Public Safety Answering Point Efficiency *Passed*

LD 1497 An Act To Amend the Law Pertaining to Smoke Detectors & Carbon Monoxide Detectors:

Passed with language changes

LD 1558 An Act Regarding Accidental Death Benefits for Beneficiaries of Deceased Firefighters *Passed*

LD 1503 An Act to Establish Emergency Zones on Public Ways to Minimize Accidents *Passed with corrections*

LD 1695 An Act to Direct the PUC to Adopt Rules to Improve the Safety Of Multiunit Rental Dwellings

Passed with amendments

LD 1700 An Act Concerning Statewide Communications Interoperability *DEAD*

LD 1813 An Act Regarding Emergency Communications Services *Passed*

for the latest in updates visit: <http://www.maine.gov/legis/>



Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code Keeping up with Maine's Technical Building Codes and Standards Board? As of March 2010 a new **Frequently Asked Questions** for Maine's Uniform Building & Energy Code. (PL 2007, Chapter 699 and amendments PL 2009, Chapter 261) is available from the State Planning Office website at: http://www.state.me.us/spo/ceo/documents/buildingcode_FAQ_20100315.pdf

Maine Chapter IAAI

International Association of Arson Investigators Inc.

May 7, 2010: Training Seminar

Beyond Origin and Cause

Florian Hall Maine Public Safety Building
Commerce Drive, Augusta, Maine

June 1 & 2, 2010: Annual Meeting & Training Seminar

Live Flashover Cells Location TBA

June 15, 2010:

3rd Annual Pete Simard Golf Tournament
Poland Springs Gold Club

For more information on training & events by the

Maine Chapter IAAI visit them online at:

<http://www.maineiaai.com/index.html>



8th Annual

MAINE STATE WILDFIRE TRAINING ACADEMY

Maine Forest Service
Forest Protection Division

FMI 287-4990

[http://www.maine.gov/doc/mfs/fpd/
downloads/MSWTA_Application.pdf](http://www.maine.gov/doc/mfs/fpd/downloads/MSWTA_Application.pdf)

June 5 & 6, 12 & 13, 2010 Thomas College, Waterville

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Upcoming Fire Commission Meetings
Monday, May 3rd, 1:00pm Annual Meeting DPS Fire Marshal's Office
Monday, June 7th, 1:00pm Regular Monthly Meeting DPS Fire Marshal's Office
Monday, July 12th, 1:00pm Regular Monthly Meeting DPS Fire Marshal's Office



Central
Maine
Fire
Chiefs
Association



Maine
Fire
Chiefs
Association



Maine Emergency
Management Agency



Maine
Federation
of Firefighters

Maine
EMS
Providers



It's all about - Recruitment & Retention
Maine's Length of Service Award Program LOSAP

Visit the Fire Commission's interactive LOSAP page at:
<http://www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/commission/LOSAP091.HTM>

LOSAP's are annuity based saving programs for volunteer and on-call emergency services personnel.