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## MIDDLE SCHOOL FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION WINS AGAIN AT 2012 NJDFS F.I.R.E. BOWL



The annual event aimed at middle schools statewide serves the specific Division cause of educating middle school students about fire prevention, using the fun and informative game show format as seen on TV.

Flanked by News 12 newsman Tony Caputo, New Jersey Fire Safety Commissioner Daniel De Trolio and Bayonne firefighter Chris Czuba are State NJDFS F.I.R.E. Bowl champs from Nicholas Oresko School: Alexis Konn, Kenny Tarantino, Gerry Konn, Althea Ato and Team Coach Barbara DeBeneditis.

Students from the Nicholas Oresko School of Bayonne are state NJDFS F.I.R.E. (Fire Information Rescue Education) Bowl champions. The 7th annual competition was held at Kean University's Little Theater Auditorium recently, capping a rigorous classroom preliminary round, which pitted middle school students from across the state in an all out test of fire safety knowledge.



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## TEAM NJDFS F.I.R.E. BOWL 2012



Henry E. Harris  
Coach—Aric Hall  
Arya Castro  
Sean Dolan  
Nicolette Troglio  
Michael Nolan

Philip G. Vroom  
Coach—Kim Simko  
Bryant Davis  
Amir Masoud  
Brianna Rodriguez  
Bishoy Rofail

Dr. Walter F. Robinson  
Coach—Patricia Niland  
Omid Najmi  
Madona Nasim  
Kayla Feathers  
Rames Asham

Mary J. Donohoe  
Coach—Marisa Pacilio  
Jeremiah DeGuzman  
Omar Salem  
Monika Fanous  
Shehab Marzouk

Lincoln Community  
Coach—Joseph Bellia  
Alyson Kosakowski  
Jovanka Miranda  
Krystal Renta  
Jasmine Lasiano

Horace Mann  
Coach—Kelly Anne Lake  
Madison Sanderlin  
Christine Jimenez  
Shady Khalil  
Alla Abouelkeir

Midtown Community  
Coach—Joyce DiPasquale  
Alexis Bailey  
Adam Sourer  
Cassidy Svercauski  
Kirtika Sharad

Washington Community  
Coach—Rose Abeal  
Danica Lichauco  
Dielza Mashkulli  
Joseph Fracasso  
Anthony Crincoli

Woodrow Wilson  
Coach—Larissa Drennan  
Izhar Jafar  
Zehn Fernandez  
Lavendra Nayakrit  
Michelle Chuck

John M. Bailey  
Coach—Kristy Martin  
Fabricio Lombeyda  
Matthew Hart  
Mia Crimaldi  
Kyle Necklen

Nicholas Oresko School  
Coach—Barbara DeBenedictis  
Althea Ato  
Kenny Tarantino  
Alexis Konn  
Gerry Konn

Primary Prep  
Coach—Meaghan Hoffman  
Coach—Taryn Rudolph  
Lauren Russell  
Othman Gbadamassi  
Yasmine Raouf  
Felicia Jimenez-Roman

Academy I  
Coach—Joe Osenko  
Salman Rizvi  
Suchita Mistry  
David Guirgis  
Shyam Patel

Belleville Middle School  
Coach—Cory Koransky  
Farah Abdel-Hafez  
Arian Richardson  
Elena Amadeo  
Jessica Jacho  
Kimberly Grande  
Kenya Pringle  
Marissa Cabrera  
Metin Yuksel  
Krishna Amin

Carteret Middle School  
Coach—Jessica Albert  
Zeeshan Zahid  
Frankie DiNozzi  
Shyanne Boisse  
Rebecca Juskey  
Raven Smith  
Abdur Sajid  
Talha Salman  
Sarpreet Kaur

Eisenhower School  
Coach—Meghan Campion  
Chris Hanley  
Lauren Carter  
Johnathan O'Brien  
Michelle Jasko  
Emily Whelan  
Russell Herbert  
Gina Mitaritonna  
Justin Gravatt

Veteran's Memorial MS  
Coach—Keith Edwards  
Jessenia Hernandez  
Tysheeka Walker  
Jasmariah Sanchez  
Princess Tidwell  
Arianna Santana  
Joel Santana

# **MIDDLE SCHOOL FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION WINS AGAIN AT 2012 NJDFS F.I.R.E. BOWL**



This year students from the Nicholas Oresko School of Bayonne competed with the students from Primary Prep, also of Bayonne, for the state title. Ultimately, it was the team from Nicholas Oresko, comprised of: Alexis Konn, Gerry Konn, Kenny Tarantino, and Althea Ato, that took the title of state *NJDFS F.I.R.E. Bowl* champions.

“It is pretty awesome to see how hard these young folks work on the competition. They become quite conversant in the very principles of fire science, that we ask the men and women of the New Jersey Fire Service to know in order to obtain their state firefighter certifications. Most importantly, they discuss with their peers and take home to their families a notion of what being fire safe is all about because of their participation,” says William E. Kramer, Jr. Acting Director of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety.

The annual *NJDFS F.I.R.E. Bowl* remains a firm part of the Division’s public education outreach. The annual event is aimed at middle schools statewide and serves the specific cause of educating young people about fire prevention. The competition challenge occurs first on site at participating schools and culminates in the annual event held at the University.

Preparations for the *NJDFS F.I.R.E. Bowl* for 2013 are now underway. If you think your school is up to the competition standards established by this year and previous year winners, please contact *NJDFS F.I.R.E. Bowl* Coordinator Charles Lavin:

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# **MIDDLE SCHOOL FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION WINS AGAIN AT 2012 NJDFS F.I.R.E. BOWL**

## State F.I.R.E. Bowl Committee Members

William Kramer, Acting Director,  
NJ Division of Fire Safety  
Charles Lavin, Fire Safety Commission  
Public Education  
Karen Grant—Kean University  
Clarence Turner —Kean University

## Local FIRE Bowl Committees

- Bayonne:** Patricia L. McGeehan, Ed.D., *Superintendent of Schools*  
Patricia Dziubek, *Vice Principal, Midtown Community School*  
Deborah J. Whitney, *Educational Media Specialist*  
Joyce Lynch, *Fire Prevention Bureau*
- Belleville:** Peter Giunta, *Principal, Belleville Middle School*  
Ralph Castellano, *Belleville Fire Prevention Bureau*
- Camden:** Dr. B. LeFra Young, *Superintendent of Schools*  
Dr. Davida Coe-Brockington, *Assistant Superintendent*  
Paul Mulle, *Director of Science*
- Carteret:** Mary Spiga, *Principal, Carteret Middle School*  
Chief Brian O'Connor, *Carteret Fire Department*  
Captain Robert Magella, *Carteret Fire Department*
- Freehold:** Dianne Brethauer, *Principal, Dwight D. Eisenhower School*  
Meghan Campion, *FIRE Bowl Coordinator/Coach*
- Jersey City:** Armando Roman, *Director, Jersey City Fire Department*  
Grace Moriarty, *Principal, Academy I*  
Maureen Hoffman, *Founder/Director, Primary*

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Field Trip - Middlesex County Fire Academy Staff and NJDFS Arson Investigation Unit  
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Hosted by Kean University

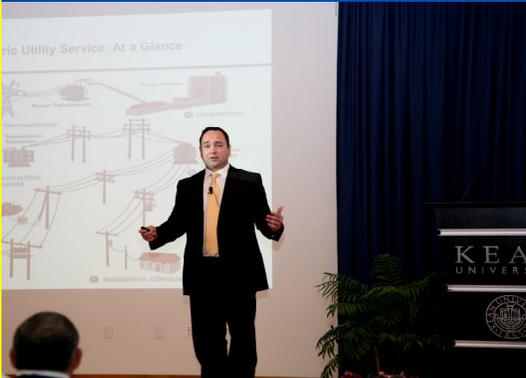
\*\*F.I.R.E. Bowl logo design created by Daniel Ruiz



# **NJDFS-HOMELAND SECURITY CONFERENCE FOCUS: COUNTER MEASURES AGAINST CYBER THREATS**



**THE NINTH ANNUAL NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY-KEAN HOMELAND SECURITY AND FIRE CONFERENCE FOCUSED ON THE VERY REAL THREAT OF A SO-CALLED "CYBER PEARL HARBOR" REFERRED TO BY DEFENSE SECRETARY LEON PANETTA IN TESTIMONY BEFORE A SENATE PANEL IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR. BRENDAN MONAHAN INTELLIGENCE ANALYST FOR PSE&G REFERRED TO THE STATE-WIDE POWER GRID AND THREAT MITIGATION MEANT TO FORESTALL THOSE THREATS.**



**NJDFS ACTING DIRECTOR WILLIAM KRAMER, JR. IS JOINED (LEFT TO RIGHT) BY CONFERENCE SPEAKERS EDWARD DICKSON, DIRECTOR NJ HOMELAND SECURITY, BRENDAN MONAHAN, PSE&G AND THEOPHILUS JOSEPH, DEPUTY DIRECTOR DISASTER ASSISTANCE (FEMA)**

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*Content Producer Note: The most recent NJDFS-IAAI Juvenile Firesetter Conference allowed **NJDFS FIRE FOCUS QUARTERLY** the opportunity to sit down with Judy Okulitch of the Oregon State Fire Marshal's office and keynote speaker at this year's NJDFS-IAAI Conference to explore in depth some of the issues she raised in her address, especially with emphasis on social networking as a tool for both prevention and intervention.*

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** Judy, first upon the behalf of our DCA Commissioner Richard Constable III, Acting Director of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety Bill Kramer, Conference Coordinator Charles Luxton, and the IAAI, we would like to thank you again for providing the keynote at this past year's 9th Annual NJDFS-IAAI Juvenile Firesetter's Conference. You raised some very timely issues in your presentation and we would like to examine some of what you raised in detail. One thing we can agree on, that whether it's the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office or our own, there is a great deal of commonality to the issues we deal with, including your area of expertise Juvenile Firesetting.

First, for those who could not attend this year's Conference, could we hear a little about your background, and why you decided to pursue this particular career path? You didn't just arrive, right?



No, I did not. I have been in fire prevention education and intervention for over twenty years. The relationships and friendships I made with people who have a

passion for working with kids who misuse fire has been my greatest joy. Youth firesetting is such a fascinating field because it involves so many disciplines: fire service, law enforcement, mental health, juvenile justice, schools and child welfare. Networking with these groups on the state and national level has been an exciting life journey.

I am most proud of my research with the Institute on Violence and Destructive Behavior at the University of Oregon that resulted in a new screening tool for fire professionals to use to identify the needs of youth misusing fire. I coordinated two decades of *Hot Issues*, the first and longest running publication on juvenile firesetting .

Two bound volumes of *Hot Issues* reside in the library at the National Fire Academy that document the evolution of the field of juvenile firesetting intervention in the U.S. I served on two national committees that resulted in major changes on how we train fire professionals.

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I served on the team that wrote the first version of the NFPA 1035 Juvenile Firesetter Intervention Specialist I and II and the IAAI Youth Fire Investigation class. Lastly, with the support of the Oregon State Fire Marshal, I spearheaded the movement in state legislatures to ban toy-like lighters.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** **Judy that is quite an impressive record of accomplishment. From that perspective you now stress the importance of social media as an effective way of reaching young adults. Could you expand upon that?**

Social media and networking sites, such as, *Facebook, YouTube, My Space and Twitter*, have become increasingly popular in the last few years. In fact, these sites have become the major sources of social interaction for young adults. These sites have become the platform for sharing content, experiences, stories and even videos with each other.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** **How have those methods impacted both the way prevention and intervention are conducted by the fire service and how might that change going forward?**



Communication is moving in the digital direction. If the fire service is going to effectively communicate fire safety, prevention and fire survival messages, then we must move in that direction too.

The days of providing hard copy brochures on fire safety may be going away. Today, we have to engage the public through innovative social media techniques, like blogs and instant messaging, to reach more audiences. Our communication with the public must be interactive and instantaneous.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** **Our public institutions especially those at the state and local level have been slow to adopt those sort of technological and social media strategies. Why is that?**

Government agencies always are behind the private sector in adopting new practices. It takes time to develop definitions, procedures and policies around the use of any technology. This is especially true for social media. Governments must comply with a variety of federal and state statutes and so it is important to establish terms of use so all employees are knowledgeable and comply with the rules of the agency and the law.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** **Agreed!**

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**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** I know that from your perspective you find it ironic that the lead emergency response agency in the country FEMA has utilized every aspect of social media and electronic outreach, yet state agencies, such as own here in New Jersey, lag behind in the commitment to 21st century public education methods.

Several years ago, we were not allowed to use the Internet during work hours. Now it is common practice. *Facebook*, *Twitter* and *LinkedIn* receive more than 2.5 billion visitors in one month.

Social media isn't going away and if we are going to communicate with our customers, both internal and external, public agencies will need to change and adapt. The fire service has witnessed the value of *Twitter* during an emergency response, now we need some successes to see the value of social media in our fire prevention messages.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** We can agree that utilizing social networks would greatly enhance our ability to convey fire safety information, what is the game changer with respect to convincing state policy makers to include it?



I think one of the reasons is that many agencies do not have the personnel to dedicate to updating social media sites or responding to blogs or instant messaging.

This becomes both a budgeting issue and a recruitment issue. The fire service agencies that I know of that have been successful with social media have dedicated units with personnel highly trained in technological communication and public relations. The folks best suited for this work are Generation Z (Generation I or Text Generation) who have grown up with social media.

**NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:** Of course we recognize that social media can be a double edged sword. On one hand *Facebook* and *You Tube* host images of inappropriate behaviors and on the other, a side by side live burn show unequivocally the effectiveness of residential sprinklers. That in mind, can prevention and Intervention afford not to be there?

Very simply, no. We live in a digitized world. The social web has changed the way citizens communicate with each other, make purchasing decisions, seek information and engage in business and in recreational activities.

We need to determine how best to use it to reach our audiences with fire prevention and

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safety messages and for intervention. Our audience is no longer just the local community or state that we serve. Our audience is everybody with access.

***NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:*** Tell us a little bit about the way the Oregon State Fire Marshal approaches the needs of the local fire service needs in Oregon.

The Office of State Fire Marshal serves over 300 fire departments in Oregon. About 80% of the departments are volunteer departments. Many of the departments are in the rural areas of our state. We have thirteen deputies regionally based to assist departments with education, inspection and fire investigation. My unit, youth fire prevention and intervention, provides training, research and development, communication, technical assistance and resource development for fire departments and community partners in public education and youth involved with fire interventions.

We have an emergency response unit that



coordinates training in hazardous materials, provides the equipment for thirteen hazardous materials response teams and coordinates mobilizations for wildfires and national disasters.

We also have a licensing unit that regulates card lock facilities, fireworks, novelty lighters and propane permits and installation. We have many stakeholders and work in partnership with local fire departments to respond to their needs.

***NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:*** The area of your specific expertise is youth fire setting. Are there any promising developments you see on the horizon which might better predict or even provide a solution for these aberrant behaviors someday?

I think we already have good research on the risk factors for youth involved in misusing fire or using fire in dangerous or risky ways. One of the best developments in the field is the way mental health and juvenile justice are stepping up and developing best practice assessment and treatment models to work with these youth.

***NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:*** As with our Fire Prevention Tetrahedron we have the three pillars of the fire service, Suppression, Inspection and Public Education, in which order of priority do we need to place them going forward?

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You know that you are asking a fire educator this question and that I am very biased. I would prioritize them this way: education, inspection and suppression.

Fire education in the 21<sup>st</sup> century must use new approaches to meet the generation of youth that are media savvy. These kids are texting, using social media like *Facebook*, and conveying concepts much differently than previous generations.

I think we should be teaching about how media and technology influences their attitudes about fire, how culture impacts their behavior, how family and peers value fire and how they can make good decisions about their own fire safety. Every time we work with school groups, we should be asking: What are we teaching? What is our message? How does it change their attitudes and behavior about fire safety?



I also believe that we have spent too much time trying to teach fire safety to children in the hopes that they would teach their parents and caregivers. The responsibility for home fire safety lies with the parents

and caregivers.

Most fire education stops in the elementary school. I think the apathy that adults have regarding fire prevention is based on the fact that they think it is a kid issue rather than a fire and life safety issue for them. I think we need to do more to teach adults about their responsibility for keeping their homes and families safe from fire and burn injury.

***NJDFS FIRE FOCUS:*** Judy, thank you for taking the time with us today. We sure enjoyed having you as our keynote this year. Should anyone want to contact you they can do so at [Judy.Okulitch@state.or.us](mailto:Judy.Okulitch@state.or.us).

We would also like to remind our readers that the 2012 Juvenile Firesetters Conference, our 10th annual, has been scheduled for this year November 29 and 30th, 2012 at the Middlesex Fire Academy in Sayreville.

A "Save the Date" will be forthcoming from Kean Fire Safety Training about the event.

Information will also be available on the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety DCA webpage:

[www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dfs/](http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dfs/)

## **NJDFS ON HAND TO WELCOME NATIONAL FIRE DOG MONUMENT TO MEREDITH HAVEN FIRE MUSEUM**

DCA Division of Fire Safety Acting Director William Kramer recently joined Trenton Fire and Emergency Services Director Quareeb Bashir at the Meredith Haven Fire Museum, adjacent Fire Headquarters on Perry Street, to formally welcome the National Fire Dog Monument and tour to the City of Trenton.

Trenton played host to the final stop on the National Fire Dog Monument's eleven city, 2000-mile national tour that began over a month ago in Denver, Colorado. The tour ends in Washington, DC this month, where it will be dedicated as a permanent memorial to the enduring relationship between firefighter investigators and their arson canine assistants.

The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and its Arson Unit, headed by Major Christopher Eckert, itself deploys three arson canines regionally

throughout the state. As the monument depicts, the arson canines are not the fire apparatus Dalmatian often seen in historical fire service depictions, but their modern Golden Labrador Retriever counterparts, whose keen smell sense is used to detect minute traces of chemical accelerant typically present in cases of suspected arson. The fact that the breed is familiarly associated with water-based activities makes it perfectly suited to its post fire scene role.

Arson canines are generally Golden Labrador Retrievers as rendered in the National Fire Dog Monument, and as are those the New Jersey

Division of Fire Safety employs. All arson canines are specifically trained to indicate to their handlers when they detect traces of petroleum products such as gasoline or lighter fluid that may have been used as an accelerant to speed a fire.

Ironically, Austin Wiesel the 24-year-old Colorado volunteer firefighter who sculpted the 470 pound, seven foot tall Monument, named his creation "From Ashes to Answers."

That, for Rodman Meyer, the Division of Fire

Safety canine handler of the Division dog "Ashes," is a notable and interesting coincidence. The Monument depicts a firefighter in full turnout gear with his companion arson canine looking up at him for further instruction. Weishel took care to present both the firefighter figure and the working canine in a starkly realistic bronzed



pose reminiscent of what might be seen in the course of a fire investigation. The inspiration for the National Fire Dog Monument came from and was commissioned by Jerry Means, an arson investigation agent with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation whose own arson dog "Sadie" received national attention for winning the 2011 American Humane Association Hero Dog Awards™ in the category of Law Enforcement/Arson Dog. Sadie served as the model depicting the arson canine in the sculpture.

[www.nationalfiredogmonument.com](http://www.nationalfiredogmonument.com)

**USFA RELEASES 'TOPICAL REPORT SERIES ON ONE AND TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL FIRES FOR 2008-2010**

**240,000 ONE/TWO FAMILY HOMES BURN ANNUALLY**

**2,050 DEATHS AND 8,350 INJURIES**

**5.8 BILLION DOLLARS IN PROPERTY LOSS**

**COOKING NUMBER ONE CAUSE\***

\* Source United States Fire Administration 'Topical Report Series'

The United States Fire Administration has released another in its series of topical fire reports culled from data submitted from all 50 states, including that collected by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety's NFIRS Unit, which describes the nature and character of fire in the nation.

The most recent report shows that residential one and two family homes remain the most susceptible to fire and that the use of open source flame for household meals contributes to the yearly scourge of fire across the land.

Not only does fire continue to ravage property to the tune of billions of dollars yearly but tragically over 2,000 citizens a year die as a result.

A hurricane of less magnitude sets in motion national disaster preparedness mandates.

There is no similar national fire prevention mandate, nor even in the face of these awful statistics, does there seem to be one on the horizon.

The full report:

[One and Two Family Residential Building Fires \(2008-2010\)](#)

## **2012 NJDFS-NJFPPA POSTER CONTEST AWARDS LUNCHEON CELEBRATES CREATIVE FIRE SAFETY**

New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Commissioner Richard E. Constable, III congratulated Alissa May Garilao of Bayonne as the grand prize winner of the New Jersey Fire Safety Poster Contest for the 2011-2012 school year. The poster contest is cooperatively organized by the DCA's Division of Fire Safety and the New Jersey Fire Prevention and Protection Association.

"The goal of the poster contest was to encourage fire safety awareness in the home and Alissa's poster accomplishes that," said Commissioner Constable. "Her wonderful artwork and the important message behind it will now be seen in public buildings around New Jersey. I congratulate her on a job well done."

Garilao, who is in the seventh grade at Henry E. Harris School in Bayonne, beat out approximately 10,000 other contestants and six other division winners from across New Jersey. Her poster will now be distributed throughout New Jersey carrying the message of "Protect Your Family From Fire," which was the theme of the 2011-2012 contest.

About 5,000 copies of the winning poster will be printed, compliments of Atlantic City Electric and its Emergency Services Partnership Program. Other major sponsors include the New Jersey Chapter of the American Fire Sprinkler Association, Fire Safety Systems Co., National Restoration, and the Joshua Marcus Group. The contest's seven division winners received laptop computers and printers.

"Our student artists have once again combined their creativity with a solid fire prevention message to remind everyone that preventing fire is the best way to protect loved ones," said William Kramer, State Fire Marshal and Acting Director Division of Fire Safety.



***NJFPPA President and NJ Fire Safety Commission member Stanley Sickels and NJDFS Acting Director William Kramer, Jr. present the NJDFS-NJFPPA Scholastic Fire Safety Poster Contest "Overall Winner" plaque to Alissa May Garilao of Bayonne***



***Parents and art teachers alike gather at the Forge in Woodbridge to celebrate student achievement***



***Major sponsors of the NJDFS-NJFPPA 2012 Scholastic Fire Safety Poster Contest join the Garilao family in a post luncheon celebration***

**AN 'ART-FULL' LOOK AT 2012  
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK THEME FROM  
NJDFS-NJFPPA POSTER CONTEST WINNERS**



**DIVISION ONE**

**Xavier Marquez  
John M. Bailey School  
Bayonne**



**DIVISION TWO**

**Jasmine Barraza  
Robert L Craig School  
Moonachie**

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**DIVISION THREE**

**OVERALL WINNER!**

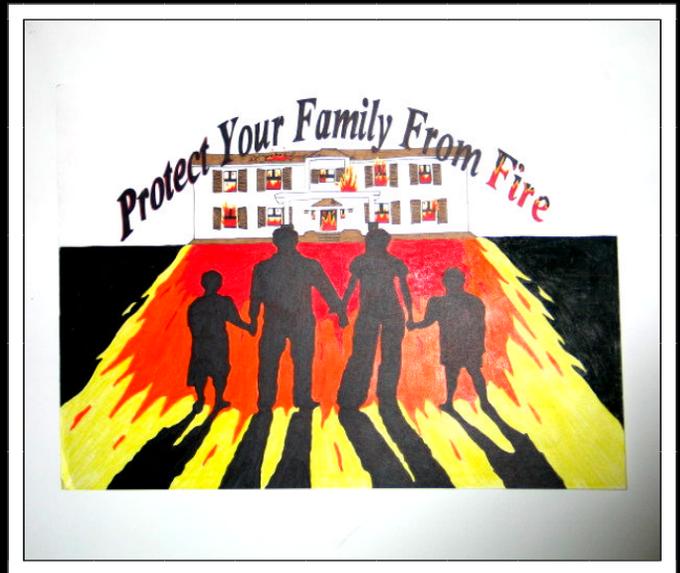


**Alissa May Garilao  
Henry E. Harris School  
Bayonne**

**AN 'ART-FULL' LOOK AT 2012  
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**DIVISION FOUR**

*Morgan Zygmund-Murphy*  
Holy Family Academy  
Bayonne



**DIVISION FIVE**

*Halie Burns*  
Union County  
Vo-Tech  
Scotch Plains

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**DIVISION SIX**

*Christian Zapata*  
Public School # 11  
Jersey City

**DIVISION SEVEN**

*Taylor Foster*  
Union County  
Vo-Tech  
Scotch Plains



# **F.I.R.E. BOWL 'PREVIEW DAY' 2012 AT THE MIDDLESEX FIRE ACADEMY**



*Before the final competition, F.I.R.E. Bowl contestants are treated to both a demonstration by the NJDFS Arson Unit, featuring a "live" source trace demonstration by NJDFS Arson Unit canine "Scout" and Investigators Steve Letts and Jeff Silver, followed by a tour of Middlesex Fire Academy's outdoor firefighter training facilities, led by Frank Della Famina of the Academy staff. Team members are encouraged to watch and listen carefully as many of the items discussed invariably appear as point scoring possibilities during the actual F.I.R.E. Bowl competition*



*A Special Thanks to Our Luncheon Sponsors The Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association of NJ and Hartz Mountain Industries*



# AT ISSUE:



**HOUSE APPROVES HOMELAND  
SECURITY FUNDING FOR FY '13  
REPRESENTATIVE RUNYAN (RNJ-3)  
RESTORES PREVIOUS CUT**

*The House has approved [H.R. 5855](#), the Fiscal Year 2013 Homeland Security Appropriations Act, by a vote of [234-182](#). The bill funds the programs and activities of the Department of Homeland Security through September 30, 2013.*

*The bill, as originally introduced, made a slight cut to the Assistance to Firefighters (FIRE) Grant Program and the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program. Initially the measure allocated \$5 million less than the Fiscal Year 2012 level of \$675 million (split equally between the two programs).*

*An amendment to restore the programs to the FY12 level was offered by Congressman Jon Runyan (NJ-3) and Congressman Larry Kissell (NC-8) and approved by the House by voice vote on Wednesday, June 6th. The Senate version of the FY13 spending bill, [S. 3216](#), also funds FIRE and SAFER at the FY12 level.*

*The House approved another amendment by voice vote offered by Congressman Michael Grimm (NY-13) and Congressman Gerald Connolly (VA-11) to restore a portion of the funding cut from the Urban Search and Rescue Response System (US&R). The bill originally allocated \$27,513,000 for this critical program (in FY12, the program was funded at \$41,250,000). The Grimm/Connolly amendment increased funding to \$35,180,000, the same amount contained in the Senate bill.*

*Unfortunately, H.R. 5855 funds the United States Fire Administration (USFA) at \$42,460,000, a reduction of \$1.578 million below the FY12 level of \$44,038,000. The Senate bill funds USFA at \$44,020,000, nearly the same level as the current fiscal year.*

*The Senate is expected to address the spending bill later this summer. CFSI will continue to provide updates throughout the Fiscal Year 2013 appropriations process.*

**(FROM CFSI)**



# AT ISSUE:

**A3278 REINTRODUCED AS A1570 HOME  
SPRINKLER REQUIREMENT FOR ALL NEW HOMES**

**A266, A1382, A1452, S291 MOVE OUT OF  
COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION  
BY FULL ASSEMBLY**



## ACTIVE LEGISLATION:

**[A266-SOLAR PANELS](#)  
[A1382 UTILITY BILL CREDITS](#)  
[A1452 FF HOME BUYER](#)  
[S921-SURPLUS VEHICLES](#)**

**<Click link for details>**

*Each Assembly Bill usually has an identical partner  
Senate Bill for the current session*

A141-FC CHARITABLE REGISTRATION FEES EXEMPTION  
A145-DISTRICT VOTING ON GENERAL ELECTION DAY  
A184-LAYOFF REINSTATEMENT  
A528 -FIREFIGHTER EMT TRAINING CREDIT  
A664 -FIRST RESPONDER TAX DEDUCTION  
A1149- FIRE DISTRICT FINANCIAL PLANS  
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## **TWO NATIONAL STUDIES ON FIREFIGHTER SAFETY: APPARATUS VISIBILITY AND FIREGROUND WINDS**



Emmitsburg, MD. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), supported by the U.S. Department of Justice National Institute of Justice (NIJ).

It is in partnership with the Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association's (CVVFA) Emergency Responder Safety Institute, has initiated a study of emergency vehicle markings, lighting, and design to recommend best practices for increased visibility to approaching motorists.

"USFA is committed to reducing emergency vehicle crashes and responders being struck on the roadway," said U.S. Fire Administrator Ernest Mitchell.

"We are grateful for DOJ's support of this important study which will benefit both the fire service and law enforcement."

The goal of this study is to develop best practices in the application of various chevron patterns, creative use of reflective decal markings, new arrangements of warning lights and other innovative designs, all with the intent of increasing the visibility of the emergency vehicles to motorists approaching them. The study will focus on emergency vehicles not covered by existing standards in this area.

"Through effective emergency vehicle safety projects such as this, we are committed to reducing deaths and injuries from crashes and being struck by vehicles. CVVFA is pleased to work with both USFA and NIJ on this project to enhance the safety of emergency responders," said CVVFA President Michael Sullivan.

See the study goals:

### **EMERGENCY VEHICLE AND ROADWAY RESEARCH INITIATIVES**

### **NIST STUDY EXAMINES CHARACTERISTICS OF WIND DRIVEN FIRE WITH FIRE DYNAMICS SIMULATOR**



Figure 22: Simulated flames exiting overhead through the front doorway at 8.7 minutes

#### **Abstract**

This report describes the results of calculations that were performed using the Fire Dynamics Simulator (FDS) to examine the effect of wind on the thermal and fire conditions in a single-story residential structure and to provide a visualization of fire behavior representative of what members of the Houston Fire Department **NIST WIND DRIVEN FIRE STUDY** insight on the thermal con a one-story ranch house on April 12, 2009, in Houston, Texas. FDS simulations were developed that represented the building geometry, material thermal properties, and fire behavior based on information and photographs from the investigation report from the Texas State Fire Marshal's Office, information from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) fire fighter fatality investigation report, a detailed floor plan provided by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (ATF), and additional photos, video and dimensional measurements collected during a site visit by National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) staff. The results from the simulations are provided in this report.

# **NEPTUNE UNIT SHOWS UTILITY AS TACTICAL MARINE BASED FIREFIGHTING ASSET**

**DBRA PORT VESSEL DELIVER  
ON HAND FOR PERIMETER  
SUPPORT IN ONE OF THE WORLD'S  
BUSIEST HARBORS**



**ONE OF TWO POSTIVE  
PRESSURE HIGH LIFT  
DRAUGHT PUMPS  
DEPLOYED**



**WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU COMBINE THE CAPE MAY FERRY WITH ONE OF THREE NJDFS "BIG FLOW" NEPTUNE UNITS? AN AWESOME DEMONSTRATION OF MARINE BASED 'SOAKING POWER.'**

**AS PART OF A GLOUCESTER COUNTY COORDINATED DRILL FIREFIGHTERS FROM SEVERAL SOUTH JERSEY DEPTMENTS TRANSFORMED THE MV CAPE HENLOPEN FOR A DAY INTO THE WORLD'S LARGEST FIREBOAT.**

*"The potential benefit of our shared resource Big Flow is obvious on land. Putting the Neptune on the Cape May Ferry showed us that we can bring a potentially huge asset to bear in the event of an incident, in cooperation with the DRBA and our fire department partners, as part of a larger strategic disaster plan for South Jersey."*

*Rick Farletta, NJDFS Preparedness Unit Chief*

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**THE CAPTAIN OF THE MV CAPE HENLOPEN REPORTED THE NEPTUNE STREAM WAS AT POINTS POWERING HIS VESSEL, WHICH IS 320 FEET LONG AND DISPLACES 2100 TONS**

# **DIVISION PURSUES HIGH VISIBILITY FIRE SAFETY PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

January 17, 2012 - DCA Partners with ABC Channel 7 and Kidde in 14th Annual Operation 7 Save A Life Campaign

## **DCA Partners with ABC Channel 7 and Kidde in 14th Annual Operation 7 Save A Life Campaign**

Division of Fire Safety Receives 12 Households

Click here to watch the Operation 7. Save a Life Campaign

TRENTON, N.J. – New Jersey Department of Fire Safety Acting Commissioner Constable III today accepted approval from ABC Channel 7 and Kidde as part of the television campaign, which kicked off at The Pierre Hotel. The Division of Fire Safety will help distribute the free smoke alarm which includes North Jersey and much of Central Jersey.

"The DCA wants all New Jersey residents to have smoke detectors, regardless of their ability to pay for them," said Acting Commissioner Constable III. "The Division of Fire Safety will help our population – children and senior citizens – who are most at risk to protect."

Operation 7 Save a Life seeks to increase public awareness and focuses on how to prepare for and handle emergencies. The Division distributes hundreds of thousands of smoke detectors annually. The smoke detectors are donated by Kidde, a company based in Philadelphia – conducts a similar campaign in other parts of the state.

The Division of Fire Safety will send a notice to all residents where available, and departments that choose to participate.

May 24, 2012 - Grill Safety This Summer Season  
**GRILL SAFELY THIS SUMMER SEASON**

DCA and DHSS Experts Advise Following Precautions to Ensure Safe Cookouts

Weekend, New Jersey Department of Fire Safety Acting Commissioner Constable III and Department of Health and Senior Services recommend that residents review tips to grill safely this summer.

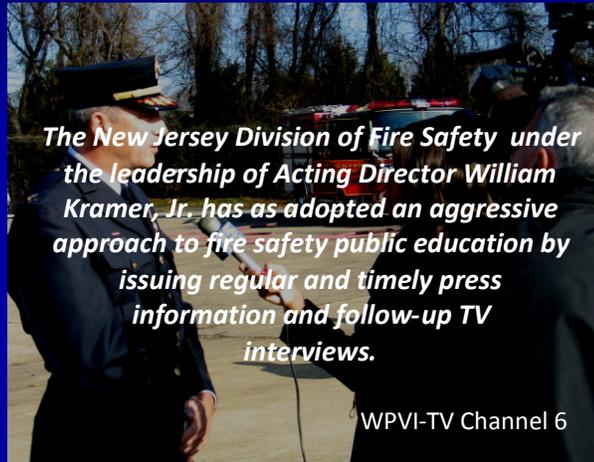
Acting Commissioner Constable said, "It's important to check for gas leaks before using it for the first time this summer, even when a grill hasn't been used lately or when it's been stored outdoors."

A recent survey estimates there were 5,168 grill-related injuries in emergency rooms. Of these injuries, 3,701 were injuries from gas or liquid leaks.

To keep your family and guests safe by cooking outdoors, follow these simple steps:

1. Check for gas leaks before cooking. If you smell gas, turn off the gas and call the fire department. Do not use the grill until the gas leak is fixed.

When preparing to use the grill for the first time, check for leaks. Instead, apply a thick coat of grease between the propane cylinder and the grill. If the grill has a gas leak, call the local fire department.



*The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety under the leadership of Acting Director William Kramer, Jr. has adopted an aggressive approach to fire safety public education by issuing regular and timely press information and follow-up TV interviews.*

WPVI-TV Channel 6

March 9, 2012 - DCA Division of Fire Safety Reminds Residents to Check Smoke / Carbon Monoxide Batteries during Change to Daylight Savings Time

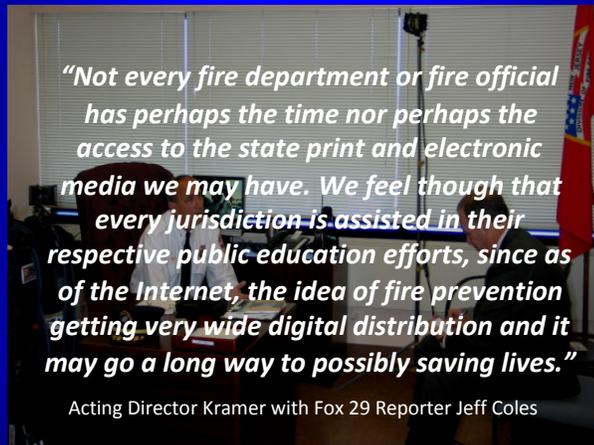
TRENTON, N.J. – New Jersey Department of Fire Safety Acting Commissioner Constable III today joined the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety in reminding residents to check their smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and change their clocks to Daylight Savings Time on March 11, 2012. This is especially important in the wake of recent fires in which smoke detectors present or weren't working.

"Preparation is key to protecting our families from fire. It takes only a few minutes to make sure smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working. A critical difference that saves lives," said Acting Commissioner Constable III. "It's essential that alarms be checked so that everyone gets the earliest possible warning to evacuate the home."

Having properly installed, working and maintained smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are the first line of defense against fire and carbon monoxide poisoning. The alarms can be either hardwired into a home's electrical current or battery powered. People should install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, at minimum, on each level of a home, including the basement. Fire safety experts also recommend the alarms be placed outside and inside sleeping areas.

After replacing the batteries, alarms can be checked by pressing the test button. People should replace any smoke alarms older than 10 years and any carbon monoxide alarms older than five years. Basic smoke alarms generally cost between \$6 and \$20.

"Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms are one of the most cost-effective investments people can make to protect loved ones from harm," said Acting Division of Fire Safety Director William Kramer, Jr. "If cost is an issue, programs are available that can furnish new alarms to eligible residents."



*"Not every fire department or fire official has perhaps the time nor perhaps the access to the state print and electronic media we may have. We feel though that every jurisdiction is assisted in their respective public education efforts, since as of the Internet, the idea of fire prevention getting very wide digital distribution and it may go a long way to possibly saving lives."*

Acting Director Kramer with Fox 29 Reporter Jeff Coles

Winner of 2012 Fire Safety Poster Contest  
Approximately 10,000 Entries



Fire safety poster

TRENTON, NJ – New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Acting Commissioner Richard E. Constable, III today announced that Alessa May Galileo of Bavonne is the grand prize winner of the New Jersey Fire Safety Poster Contest for the 2011-2012 school year. The poster contest is cooperatively organized by the DCA's Division of Fire Safety and the New Jersey Fire Prevention and Protection Association.

"The goal of the poster contest was to encourage fire safety awareness in the home and Alaska's public awareness that "said Acting Commissioner Constable. "Her wonderful artwork and the important message behind it will now be seen in public buildings around New Jersey. I congratulate her on a job well done."

Galileo, who is in the seventh grade at Henry E. Harris School in Bavonne, beat out approximately 10,000 other contestants and six other division winners from across New Jersey. Her poster will now be distributed throughout New Jersey carrying the message of "Protect Your Family From Fire," which was the theme of the 2011-2012 contest.

## **RESPONDER SAFETY LEARNING NETWORK OFFERS VITAL ROADWAY RESPONSE TRAINING...FREE!**



*Hagerstown, MD :*  
The Emergency Responder Safety Institute (ERSI) is now releasing free training modules on *The Responder Safety Learning*

*Network*. The network is accessible directly from [www.respondersafety.com](http://www.respondersafety.com) and it will soon be mobile ready for tablets and smartphones.

The addition of *The Responder Safety Learning Network* to the established Responder Safety website has created the single largest online hub for roadway emergency responder training and resources. Responder Safety Learning Network, created with a Fire Prevention & Safety Grant from the United States Fire Administration (USFA), is a model of interagency cooperation and public-private partnership to provide vital, expert-vetted safety education that will save responder and civilian lives.

Stephen P. Austin, project manager, notes, "This network is the culmination of over 13 years of hard work by ERSI to educate highway incident responders about the dangers of working in moving traffic and the negative impact traffic congestion has on secondary accident frequency, commerce, and the American way of life."

The Network has garnered enthusiastic support from valued partners, including the USFA, Department of Justice, and the Federal Highway Administration. The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation and the International Association of Fire Chiefs' Near Miss Program have also provided extensive assistance.

Once registered, users can access free modules with video, interactive knowledge checks, user progress tracking, and completion certificates for those in pursuit of professional development goals.

"This outstanding, no cost program, will provide firefighters, officers and chiefs the training tools necessary for our own survival while operating on roadways and highways," says Deputy Fire Chief Billy Goldfeder, EFO.

The Network's learning modules are developed and vetted by interdisciplinary groups of experts from all roadway responder groups — fire, police, EMS, DOT, and towing and recovery — at the federal, state, local, private sector, non-profit, and association levels. The development of the Network is the National Unified Goal in action: creating and delivering, often for the first time, training that takes into account the perspectives, needs, and procedures of all responder groups.

Even prior to the launch, the response to the Network has been overwhelmingly. Federal agencies, NGOs, professional associations, state agencies, local fire departments, and private companies have all reached out to offer content expertise, financial assistance, networking, and publicity contacts. The Network has already been embraced by multiple states as a way to support their own training needs. The Fire Department Safety Officer's Association will grant CEUs earned by completing the modules toward Pro Board accredited safety officer's programs. For additional information:

[www.respondersafety.com](http://www.respondersafety.com)

# **NJDFS PROVIDES LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR ANNUAL METRO STRIKE DRILL AT NEWARK FIRE ACADEMY**

The annual Metro Strike Team exercise took place at the Newark Fire Department Training Academy.

The drill brought 11 different departments and nearly 100 firefighters from Essex, Morris, Middlesex, Union, Hudson Passaic and Bergen counties.

The participants engaged in a collapsed parking garage scenario not unlike the one they actually responded to at the Prospect Towers high rise in Hackensack nearly two years ago.

NJDFS Preparedness Unit personnel serve a broad role in the annual exercise but typically unify both fire personnel and resources for a coordinated response .



NJDFS Preparedness Unit Northwest Region Coordinator and former Chief of Department for East Orange, Tim Weiss discusses the morning's drill with Newark Chief of Department John Centanni and Metro Strike disaster scenario author and NFD Battalion Chief Arthur Mauriello

Dave Hughes NJDFS Northern Region Planner looks on with a critical eye as the "garage pancake" drill unfolds



The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety Logistics Vehicle lines up with North Hudson, Paterson and Bayonne Urban Search and Rescue Units for the annual Metro Strike Team exercise at the Newark Fire Department Training Academy

***NJDFS PROVIDES LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR ANNUAL METRO STRIKE DRILL AT NEWARK FIRE ACADEMY***



NFD applies some “leverage” to the rescue effort.



Various units are deployed for the drill with the sort of heavy duty rescue capability required for a large scale disaster. The next time the tools and equipment are deployed it may be for just such a disaster somewhere in the state.



Its not just civilian victims who fall under the accountability ledger but rescue personnel as well.



‘Working the pile.’

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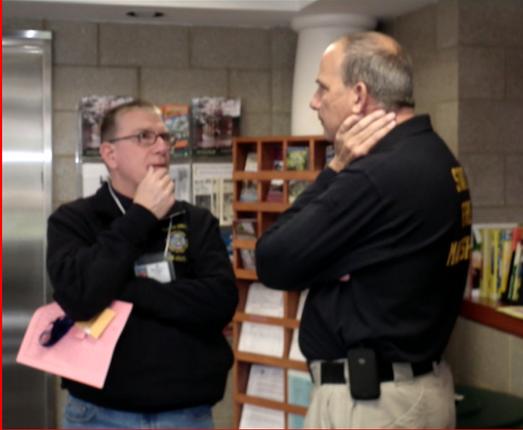
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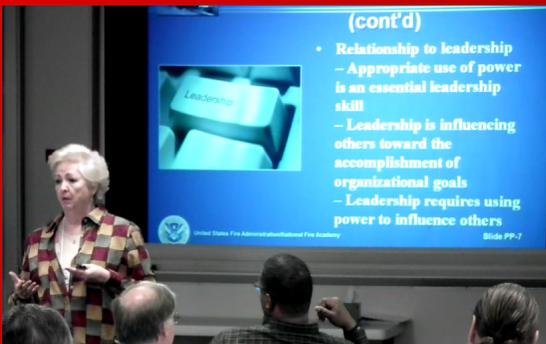
# **NEW JERSEY WEEKEND AT NETC IN MARYLAND MORE POPULAR THAN EVER WITH FIREFIGHTERS**



**NJDFS Acting Director Bill Kramer**



**New Jersey Weekend traditional  
Friday night orientation**



**The leadership course at NETC shows off  
the diverse academic staff.**

*New Jersey Weekend at the National Fire Academy (NETC) was a tremendous success again this year.*

*A record setting 212 registrants for the 2012 edition assures that the annual event hosted by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will remain a fixture on the New Jersey Fire Service event calendar for some time to come.*

*"We are happy to continue to offer career and volunteer fire service members alike an opportunity to secure training credit away from the busy firehouse. The beautiful Maryland countryside in June gives us a peek at what we see a few weeks later in New Jersey and its easy to learn in such a relaxing and professionally convivial atmosphere."*

**William E. Kramer, Jr.  
Acting Director NJDFS**



**For many years now the check-in by the Cape May county fire contingent— including longtime fire service member and WWII B-24 crew member Al Beers—signaled the start of New Jersey Weekend.**

**2013 NJW DATES JUNE 8-9 MARK YOUR CALENDAR**



# **NVFC FIREFIGHTER STUDY**



**BETWEEN 73 AND 88% ARE DEFINED AS OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE**

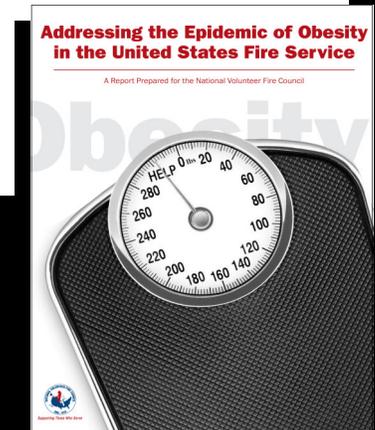


**MANY DO NOT MEET MINIMAL PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARDS**

*The National Volunteer Fire Council has issued a report describing the overall physical fitness of the fire service in the nation, based upon data collected from New Jersey and other states. The study describes firefighter obesity as occurring at a rate higher than the general population. The study does note however that it is the very nature of the occupation that may contribute to the startling figures.*

For more information: [www.nvfc.com](http://www.nvfc.com)

For specific questions about the study: [keithhaddock@hopehri.com](mailto:keithhaddock@hopehri.com)



**SLEEP DISRUPTION**



**SHIFTWORK**



**UNHEALTHY FIREHOUSE EATING PATTERNS**



**ABSENCE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS STANDARDS**





*(From NFPA)*

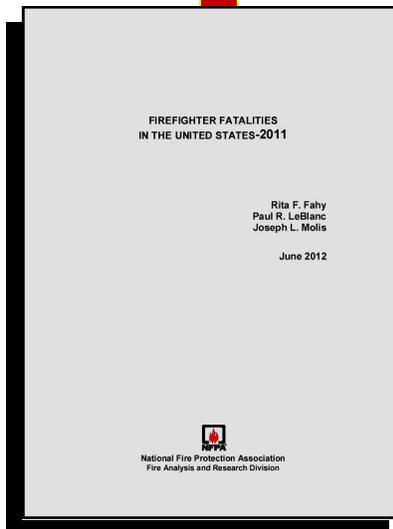
In 2011, a total of 61 on-duty firefighter deaths occurred in the U.S. This is the third consecutive year that the number of deaths has dropped sharply and is, for the second year in a row, *the lowest annual total since NFPA began conducting this annual study in 1977.*

In the previous three years, the totals were 73, 82 and 105 deaths, respectively. The average number of deaths annually over the past 10 years is 91.

*\*[The report excludes the 343 firefighter deaths at the World Trade Center in 2001.]*

Of the 61 firefighters who died while on duty in 2011, 35 were volunteer firefighters, 21 were career firefighters.

Three were employees of state land management agencies, and two were employees of federal land management agencies.



In 2011, there were three double-fatality incidents. Two firefighters were killed during interior operations at a structure fire; two firefighters were killed when overrun by fire at a wildland fire; and two were killed when a silo exploded during a fire. .

Analyses in this report examine the types of duty associated with firefighter deaths, the cause and nature of fatal injuries to firefighters, and the ages of the firefighters who died. They highlight deaths in intentionally-set fires and in motor vehicle-related incidents Finally, the study presents summaries of individual incidents that illustrate important concerns in firefighter safety.

**[FULL REPORT](#)**

## **DIVISION INSPECTOR MARGARET KNIGHT CITED FOR CONSPICIOUS BRAVERY**

*“Officer Simon tried to stop a vehicle on Princeton Avenue. The vehicle took off on him. It was actually a stolen vehicle. Ms. Knight saw what was happening and followed. It turned into a foot chase through some backyards with the officer running after the suspect. Ms. Knight stayed with him the entire time and had parked her vehicle on Ohio Avenue. The suspect came out and saw the [fire inspector’s] vehicle and tried to take the ride. He couldn’t get it started. Ms. Knight came up to help Officer Simon and the two of them were able to apprehend the gentleman. He was eventually charged with several crimes. She did a wonderful job, in something that was high-stress and moving along very quickly.”*

From the Township Commendation for New Jersey Division of Fire Safety Inspector Margaret Knight actions in assisting Lawrenceville Township Police Officer Steve Simon in apprehending a stolen vehicle suspect.



**(L to R) William E. Kramer, Jr. Acting Director, Charles Luxton, Juvenile Firesetter Coordinator, Marina Periera NJDFS, Lou Kilmer Bureau Chief, Margaret Knight, Inspector, Barbara Fortuna NJDFS ret., Richard Farletta, Supervisor, NJDFS Preparedness Unit, Cindy Johnson NJDFS, Glen Smythe, Supervisor, Bureau of Inspections.**

**CONGRATULATIONS “MAGGIE” FROM ALL OF US AT THE DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY!**



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