

# IN THE NEWS...

OFFICE OF THE NH STATE FIRE MARSHAL

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# STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S AWARD of EXCELLENCE in FIRE & LIFE SAFETY



In 2016 the NH State Fire Marshal will introduce a new award program: State Fire Marshal's Award of Excellence in Fire & Life Safety. This award program recognizes New Hampshire students in grades prekindergarten through high school that use their education and knowledge in fire and life safety to do an outstanding act that benefits the lives and wellbeing of those around them. We want to

recognize these home town heroes!

Each student will be recognized during their very own **State Fire Marshal's Award of Excellence** ceremony at a local location with a variety of recognition gifts. Please help us recognize these students within your community that deserve to be recognized! Watch for the email that will be sent out to all fire departments with further details! Should you know of a student that deserves recognition today please contact <a href="mailto:Sheryl.Nielsen@dos.nh.gov">Sheryl.Nielsen@dos.nh.gov</a>.

# 2016~2017 Annual Fire & Life Safety Calendar Contest



This year marks the 4th year for the Annual 3rd Grade Fire & Life Safety Calendar Contest. This successful calendar contest continues to be sponsored by the NH State Fire Marshal's Office and the NH Fire Prevention Society and we need your help in encouraging 3rd Grade Students to participate in this year's calendar contest. Winning posters are chosen as the monthly graphics for

the 2016-2017 Fire & Life Safety School Year Calendar. Let's make this year's entries a record breaking year for number of posters received! If you would like to request copies of this year's 2015-2016 school year calendars to distribute throughout your department and/or 3rd graders in your community to promote the contest, please contact the Fire Marshal's Office 603-223-4289 or email Mary MacCaffrie at Mary.Maccaffrie@dos.nh.gov

Together we can work to keep the families of New Hampshire educated and safer!

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## 13th Annual Campus Fire Safety, Security, and Risk Management Conference and Expo Conference 2016 ~ "Engage for Success"

Being "Engaged for Success" is a movement committed to the idea there is a better way to enable personal and organizational growth. We want to provoke individuals to think and to learn more about the potential and ideas they needed to take action. Being engaged is fully understanding ones responsibilities by taking the appropriate steps to ensure they are properly trained and educated.

We provide (under one roof) the tools, education, ideas, experts, and networking opportunities to grow and expand your personal and professional development so you can make a difference in your community.

March 7 & 8, 2016, Columbus Ohio

**LEARN MORE!** 

# 12th Annual NH Emergency Preparedness Conference \*June 9, 2016 \* Manchester, NH\*

The NH Emergency Preparedness Conference is an annual event that brings together a wide spectrum of emergency planners and responders from across our state to explore all aspects of emergency hazards approach. The conference an all provides opportunities for training and networking with local experts and practitioners from fields such as Emergency Management, Public Health, Fire, EMS, Law Enforcement, Business, Healthcare, Local Government, Public Works, Education, Social Services, and Volunteer groups. Examples of session topics from past conferences include crisis communications, including health care system response, social media, volunteer management, continuity of operations planning, sheltering, environmental health, personal preparedness, critical infrastructure protection, public health surveillance, disaster recovery, insurance, functional needs, transportation, mass fatalities, radiological emergencies, and the impact of climate LEARN MORE change on preparedness.



## YOUTH FIRESETTERS INTERVENTION & PREVENTION I



This course provides students with the knowledge and skills necessary to identify children and adolescents involved in firesetting. The course addresses how to establish programs to meet the needs of these youths and their families.

WHEN: Saturday & Sunday, March 12 & 13, 2016

TIME: 8:00AM to 4:00PM WHERE: NH Fire Academy



### YOUTH FIRESETTERS INTERVENTION & PREVENTION II



This two-day course is based on the requirements of NFPA Standard 1035 pertaining to the Youth Firesetting Intervention Specialist Level II. The course is designed for the person who is responsible or will be responsible for leading a youth firesetting prevention and intervention program.

**WHEN:** Saturday & Sunday, May 14 & 15, 2016

**TIME:** 8:00AM to 4:00PM **WHERE:** NH Fire Academy





# New Hampshire Fire Prevention Society





The NH Fire Prevention Society is organized to be the voice of Life Safety in the State of NH. The purpose of the organization is to unite, for mutual benefit, the members of the Society engaged in fire prevention and code enforcement and to promote cooperation and assistance among interested groups through education and communication. Please check out their website and consider becoming a member.

### **ROLF H. JENSEN MEMORIAL PUBLIC EDUCATION GRANT**

Presented by the National Protection Association Funded by The RJA Group, Inc.



The Rolf H. Jensen Memorial Public Education Grant is presented annually to a local fire department to support a fire and life safety education community-wide program or campaign. Consider applying for this NFPA supported \$5,000 grant! With budgets being lean, this money can help you make a difference in your community!

**Application deadline**: Friday, February 6, 2015.

For more information and the application:



### NFPA EDUCATOR OF YEAR

Are you a fire and life safety educator who takes a lead role in making your community safer? Do you work for a local fire department or fire marshal's office, use NFPA materials in a creative and consistent way, demonstrate excellence and innovation? If so, you'll want to consider putting your name in nomination for the 2016 Fire and Life Safety Educator of the Year Award. The winning educator will receive a \$1,000 honorarium, travel to Las Vegas in June for an award presentation at the general session of the NFPA Conference and \$1,000 donated to the educator's local fire department to support public education activities.

Or, if you know of an educator who you feel should be considered for the award, you can put that person's name in nomination. The deadline to submit the nomination form is February 12, 2016.





Click to follow link to the NASFM website for excellent resources & information





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This newsletter is compiled by the Public Education Division of the NH State Fire Marshal's Office with the intent to provide Fire & Life Safety Educators throughout the state with information that may assist them in educating their community and to provide educational opportunities to further ones' knowledge and provide networking opportunities. Please take a moment to read through the information, forward and post throughout your department. If you wish to be added to the distribution of this newsletter please email Sheryl Nielsen at <a href="mailto:Sheryl.Nielsen@dos.nh.gov.">Sheryl.Nielsen@dos.nh.gov.</a>.

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We thank you for your continued support and efforts in creating a safer and more educated New Hampshire.