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PETER J. OSTROSKEY
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heads of Fire Departments

FROM: Peter J. Ostroskey
State Fire Marshal

DATE: March 1, 2016

SUBJECT: **Training Opportunity: New England Arson Seminar**

The attached training flyer for the New England Arson Seminar is being shared with you at the request of New Hampshire State Fire Marshal William Degnan. Please share with fire investigators within your department.

Monday, May 23, 2016

7:00-8:00 a.m. REGISTRATION – Dana Building Room D1

8:00- 8:15 a.m. INTRODUCTORY REMARKS
Professor Thomas Hammond (Professor Emeritus)
Department of Criminal Justice
Saint Anselm College

8:15-8:30 a.m. Dr. Steven R. DiSalvo
President, Saint Anselm College

8:30 –8:45 a.m. Attorney General Joseph Foster
New Hampshire

8:45-9:00 a.m. Senator Kelly Ayotte
United States Senate

9:00 a.m.-Noon ORIGIN AND CAUSE
Investigator Michael Knowlton
New York State Office of Fire Prevention & Control
Investigation Unit

Noon-1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 –5:00 p.m. ORIGIN AND CAUSE (continues)

5:30 p.m. BARBEQUE

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

8:00- 8:15 a.m. Daniel J. Kumor, Special Agent in Charge
Boston Field Division
Bureau of Alcohol Tobacco Fire Arms and Explosives

8:15 a.m.-Noon ORIGIN AND CAUSE (continues)

1:00 – 3:00 p.m. IDENTIFICATION AND PRESERVATION OF
FIRE SCENE EVIDENCE
Herbert Dopfer
New Hampshire State Police Crime Lab
Arson Specialist/Analyst

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. BRENTWOOD CASE REVIEW
District Chief Danielle Cole
New Hampshire Fire Marshal's Office

5:30 p.m. DINNER

6:30-8:00 p.m. COPING WITH STRESS
Professor Paul Finn
Saint Anselm College

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

8:00 - 12 noon ARSON FOR PROFIT
Tom Chapasko
Supervisory Forensic Auditor

1:00-2:30 p.m. FIRE FIGHTER FATALITIES
Sergeant Donald Bossi
Massachusetts State Police
Fire and Explosion Investigation Unit

2:45-5:00 p.m. 921 AND 1033 UPDATE
Jon Jones
Chair, CFI Training Program

5:30 p.m. DINNER

6:30 -8:00 p.m. CRIME SCENE PHOTOGRAPHY
Trooper Michael Perry
Massachusetts State Police
Crime Scene Services Section

Thursday, May 26, 2016

8:00 a.m- Noon FIELD EXERCISES: Field exercises will include observation
of several full-scale fire tests and hands on participation in experiments related
to ignition phenomena and fire behavior. The field exercises have been designed
specifically to expose attendees to critical fire science principles relevant to fire
investigators. Instructors will include experts from the Connecticut State Police,
Manchester (NH) Fire Department, Massachusetts State Police, NH State Fire
Marshal's Office, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Noon-1:00 p.m. LUNCH

1:00 p.m. -5:00 FIELD EXERCISES continued

5:30 p.m. DINNER

Friday, May 27, 2016

8:00-10:00 a.m. PREPARING CASE FOR PROSECUTION
Alysia Cassotis
Assistant Strafford County Attorney
Judge James Barry (retired)
New Hampshire Superior Court

10:15 a.m. WEEK EVENTS ALL TYING TOGETHER
Deputy Fire Marshal Mitch Cady
Manchester Fire Department

11:00 a.m. COMMENCEMENT

CERTIFIED FIRE INVESTIGATOR (C.F.I.): Ten (10) tested points will be awarded toward C.F.I. application or recertification category for training.

FACILITIES: The seminar will be held on the campus of Saint Anselm College, an hour's drive north of Boston. Those attending the seminar may choose to reside on the campus or commute to campus. All meals will be provided on campus.

FEES: \$780 (includes lodging, all meals, coffee breaks, tuition and materials).

QUESTIONS: Questions about the seminar may be directed to Linda Bradley, Tel: (603) 497-3212 or Cell: (603) 860-6730

FIELD EXERCISE: Bring work clothes, and CAMERAS

NAME _____ AGENCY _____

RANK/POSITION _____ ADDRESS _____

PHONE () _____ CITY _____

E-MAIL _____ STATE AND ZIP _____

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO:

NEW ENGLAND ARSON SEMINAR
SAINT ANSELM COLLEGE
100 SAINT ANSELM DRIVE, #1787
MANCHESTER, NH 03102-1310

Dorm Resident _____ Commuter _____

PARTICIPATION FEE \$ 780

Shirts Size _____ \$25

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NEW ENGLAND ARSON SEMINAR

FULL PAYMENT DUE BY MAY 13, 2016
NO REFUNDS AFTER MAY 13, 2016

ENROLLMENT LIMITED TO 120