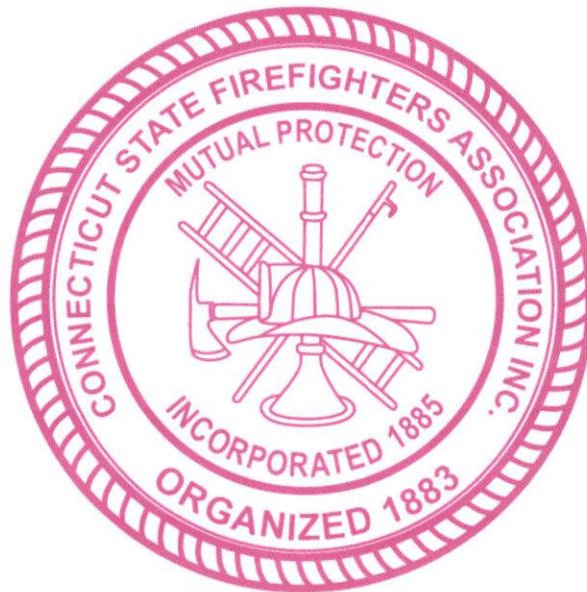


ANNUAL REPORT
Of the
OFFICERS
Of the
CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION



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ANNUAL CONVENTION
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT
16 & 17 September 2022

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MISSION STATEMENT

CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association, Inc. is established in order to form a more perfect organization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, provide pecuniary support, secure protection and promote the best interests of the firefighters of Connecticut and to compile statistics of information concerning the practical workings of various systems and the merits of various apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires; also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the several departments of the State of Connecticut.

2022

CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

ASSOCIATION PHONE NUMBER
(860) 423-5799

MAILING ADDRESS
P.O. BOX 9 - MANSFIELD CENTER, CONNECTICUT 06250

OFFICERS

Edward Waido, President	East Lyme
Glenn Clark, 1st Vice President	Thomaston
Kenneth Mitchell, 2 nd Vice President	Ansonia
Gerald V. Schaffer, Secretary	Mansfield Center
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Karin Halstead, Assistant Treasurer	Sandy Hook

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Reverend Kevin Donovan	Wolcott
Reverend Mark Byers	Thomaston
Reverend Thomas Berberich - Chaplain-Emeritus	Kent

COUNTY VICE PRESIDENTS

Clarence Rees	Fairfield County
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James Koser	Litchfield County
Burt Hale	Middlesex County
Timothy Wall	New Haven County
Timothy Jencks	New London County
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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

P.P. Lewis Clark, Chairman	Morris
P.p. John Carew., Legislative Consultant	West Haven
P.P. Frank Hilbert	Mystic
P.P. James O'Neil	Thomaston
Ronald Stolz	Yantic
David Hardt	Watertown
All County Vice Presidents	

AUDIT COMMITTEE

P.P. James O'Neil, Chairman	Thomaston
P.P. Fritz Hilbert	Mystic
V.P. Glenn Clark	Thomaston
George Thompson Jr.	Storrs

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Francis Jones III	Shelton
Joseph Navin	Mashentucket
Michael Kelleher	Derby
Jeff Rudzavice	Watertown

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE E.M.S. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

P.P. Robert Guthrie	West Haven
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COMMISSION ON FIRE PREVENTION & CONTROL

P.P. Frank Hilbert	Mystic
P.P. Charles M. Stankye III	Derby

MERIT AWARDS COMMITTEE

P.P. Charles M. Stankye III, Chairman	Derby
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P.P. James Wilkinson	Milford
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Treasurer William Coffey	Danbury
C.V.P. James Koser	Litchfield
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Charles Doback	Naugatuck
James Butler Sr.	Derby

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Dawn Schroll	Wethersfield
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John Kupernik	Windsor Locks
Ronald Stolz	Yantic
Steven McMahon	Avon
David Bunnell	Middlebury
Jennifer Atkins	North Haven
Matt Belval	Thomaston

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

P.P. Ernest Herrick, Past Chairman Emeritus	Storrs
Elsie Herrick, Emeritus	Storrs
Chester Haber, Emeritus	Berlin
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Marc Connelly - Co- Chairman	Shelton
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Edward J. Urbansky	Sikorsky Aircraft
Tim Jencks	Taftville
Timothy Wall	Wallingford
Robert Reis	Ashford
John Walsh	Willimantic
Kevin Cooney	South Windsor
Hal Grout	East Hartford
Tim Pelton	Cheshire
Rick Hart	Bristol
Kevin McKeon	West Haven
Jackie Donovan	West Haven

REPRESENTAIVES TO FLANAGAN MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

P.P. Stephan Brown	Windsor Locks
P.P. Thomas Murphy	Southington

REPRESENTATIVES NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL

P.P. Robert Guthrie - Delegate	West Haven
P.P. Lewis Clark - Alternate	Morris

RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

C.V.P. Timothy Wall, Chairman	Wallingford
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HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

Asst. Treasurer Karin Halstead, Co Chairman	Sandy Hook
P.P. Lewis Clark, Co. Chairman	Morris
William Davin	Monroe
John Plofkin	Nichols
James Tzraski	South District, Middletown

HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE

P.P. Lewis Clark, Chairman	Morris
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P.P. James Wilkinson	Milford
P.P. Scott Potter	Thomaston
William Davin	Monroe

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Edward Waido, President	Connecticut State Firefighters Assn.
Jeffrey Morrisette, State Fire Administrator	Connecticut Fire Academy
P.J. Norwood, Director of Training	Connecticut Fire Academy
Charles Stankye III	Commission on Fire Prevention & Control
James Baldis - Chairman	Hartford County Regional Fire School
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Scott Bisson	Fairfield Regional Fire School
Denis McCarthy	Fairfield Regional Fire School
Nick Wallick	Eastern Connecticut Fire School
Leslie Shull Jr.	Eastern Connecticut Fire School
Craig Stegmaier	Hartford County Fire School
Richard Winn	Litchfield County Regional Fire School
John Fields	Litchfield County Regional Fire School
Tom Hale	Middlesex County Fire School
Fred Dudek	Middlesex County Fire School
John Alston Jr.	New Haven Regional Fire Academy
Antonio Almodovar	New Haven Regional Fire Academy
Nick DeAngelo	Stamford Fire Department Regional School
Joe Dombrowski	Stamford Fire Department Regional School
James Vincent	Valley Fire Chiefs Regional Fire School
Kenneth Mitchell	Valley Fire Chiefs Regional Fire School
Scott Poulton	Wolcott State Fire School
Craig Henderson	Wolcott State Fire School



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Statistics from the Office of the Secretary for 2021 – 2022

MEMBERSHIP

Year	Volunteer	Career	Total
FY 2017/2018	22,325	4,450	26,775
FY 2018/2019	22,300	4,450	26,750
FY 2019/2020	22,275	4,425	26,700
FY 2020/2021	22,300	4,050	26,350
FY 2021/2022	22,225	4,150	26,375

STATE OF CONNECTICUT APPROPRIATIONS FOR BENEFITS TO MEMBERS

	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19	FY 19/20	FY 20/21	FY 21/22
Appropriation	\$184,976.00	\$184,976.00	\$176,625.00	\$176,625.00	\$176,625.00	\$176,625.00	\$176,625.00
Permanent Disability	\$50,830.00	\$48,384.50	\$51,064.00	\$ 49,592.00	\$ 51,248.00	\$51,427.00	\$ 69,813.00
Dependent Children	\$34,366.50	\$26,422.00	\$22,995.00	\$ 22,995.00	\$ 23,058.00	\$22,995.00	\$ 51,350.00
Death Claims	\$36,750.00	\$18,375.00	\$ 0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$ 7,123.00
Injury Claims	\$12,621.00	\$14,610.75	\$ 12,441.00	\$ 31,880.00	\$ 30,222.00	\$ 16,265.00	\$ 48,339.00
Total Payments	\$134,567.50	\$107,792.25	\$ 86,500.00	\$104,467.00	\$104,528.00	\$ 90,687.00	\$176,625.00
Balance of	\$ 50,408.50	\$ 77,183.75	\$ 90,125.00	\$ 72,158.00	\$72,097.00	\$ 85,938.00	\$0.00

DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF THE ASSOCIATION

DeMaio, Helen, 6 June 2030 - Gadomski, Kody, 28 September 2034 - Millix, Emma, 20 May 2022 - Millix, Tyler, 21 February 2026 - Millix, William, 13 August 2034 - Smat, Cole, 31 May 2026 - Martinez, Oliver, 28 May 2038 - Martinez, Crew, 23 August 2039 - Valasquez, Salina, 4 November 2026

HAZARDOUS EXPOSURE FORMS ON FILE:

2011 - 16 - 2012 - 50 - 2013 - 18 - 2014 - 273 - 2015 - 52
2016 - 21 - 2017 - 18 - 2018 - 138 - 18 - 2019 - 83 - 2020 - 92 - 2021 - 176



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Office of the Treasurer

Annual State Convention – 2022 Treasurer's Report of Association Funds 2021-2022

	Year Ending April 30, 2020	Year Ending April 30, 2021	Year Ending April 30, 2022
INCOME:			
Dues, Assessments & Fees	\$59,750.00	\$67,642.50	\$66,665.00
Interest on Savings Accounts	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 42.86
Hall of Fame Dinner	<u>\$17,260.00</u>	<u>\$1915.00</u>	<u>\$71,456.00</u>
Total Receipts:	\$77,010.00	\$69,557.50	\$138,163.86
EXPENSES:			
General Operating	\$57,623.77	\$52,180.44	\$59,850.00
Filing Fee for IRS 501-C3	\$995.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 895.00
President's Reception	\$1000.00	\$1000.00	\$ 1000.00
National Vol Fire Council Meeting Exps	\$3910.37	\$ 0.00	\$ 5677.78
Hall of Fame Dinner	\$ n/a	\$ 0.00	\$63,481.17
Transfer to Savings	\$1000.00	\$5000.00	\$ 0.00
Re-purchased CD's	\$ n/a	\$ n/a	\$ n/a
Purchased CD (Hall of Fame Profit)	<u>\$ n/a</u>	<u>\$ n/a</u>	<u>\$ n/a</u>
Total Expenditures:	\$63,529.24	\$58,180.44	\$130,003.00
NET GAIN	\$13,480.76	\$11,377.06	\$8,160.86
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES:			
Checking-Bank of America-Assoc Funds	\$7994.35	\$11,377.06	\$16,603.88
Savings-Bank of America-Assoc Funds	\$18,560.28	\$26,563.44	\$11,219.79
Conv Bonds-Bank of America	\$7964.44	<u>\$7562.02</u>	<u>\$ 7562.62</u>
Sub Total Assets in all Accounts:	\$34,515.07	\$45,502.52	\$35,385.29
CD Invest-M&T Bank-various maturities:			
1. Fireman's Memorial (1)	\$12,478.52	\$12,494.15	\$12509.52
2. CSFA Operational Acct (3)	\$18,974.83	\$18,997.51	\$19,017.32
3. Hall of Fame (4)	\$6533.65	\$6541.94	\$ 6549.12
Sub Total Certificates with M&T Bank	\$37,987.00	\$38,033.60	\$38,075.96
Total Both Accounts	\$72,502.07	\$83,536.12	\$73,461.25



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

TO: Officers and Members of the Connecticut State Firefighters Association
FROM: Audit Committee
SUBJECT: Annual Audit of Records
DATE: August 31, 2022

As of this date, the financial records, accounts, and files of the Secretary and Treasurer have been analyzed by the Audit Committee. Comparisons of the transactions relating to income and operating expenses have reconciled the accounts of the savings and commercial deposits and also reviewed the fidelity bond of the Secretary and Treasurer that is in the custody of the President's files and find them satisfactory, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

James J. O'Neil Sr.

Frank C. Hill

[Signature]

Witness:

Edward V. Acaputo

Lewis Clark, Legislative Chairman
Connecticut State Firefighters Association
P.O. Box 9
Mansfield Center, Ct 06250

Subj: 2022 Legislative Report

Dear Chairman,

WOW !!!

This past session was the first year of a hybrid approach from the CSFA on legislative topics that affect the Firefighter and public safety in Connecticut. This hybrid approach happened after a selection committee interviewed interested lobbying firms to work with because since the pandemic it has not been business as usual at the capitol or legislative office building. The firm of Powers, Griffin and Hill was the chosen firm to work with on this new hybrid approach. This past session went from February 9, 2022 until May 4, 2022. Working with Powers, Griffin and Hill there were over 30 bills that were being tracked and a lot of this was happening virtually because business was not back to normal. With the help of Past Legislative Representative Ted Schroll and the lobbying firm there was some success. The successes were: **SB 313** Adoption of the recommendation of the task force for cancer relief benefits for Firefighters, **HB 5423** A pilot program to collect data related to Fire and Rescue service in the state, **HB 5175** Allowing police access to information relative to fire or explosion losses and requirements regarding smoke detectors in the fire safety code and affidavits on transfer of residential property, **SB 132** An act concerning the sale and use of consumer grade fireworks, **HB 5213** An act concerning the payment to volunteer fire company for responding to calls on limited access highways and at certain other locations. All funding administered directly through the CSFA (CSFA Disability Account, State & County Radio Maintenance, Regional Fire School Operational Funds, and the Firefighters Fund for Cancer Wage Replacement) were funded in accordance with the approved budget.

There is still work that needs to be done to complete the approved CSFA capital rebuild and replacement of the Regional Fire Schools through the release of Bonding money.

I wish to thank All the members of the Legislative committees of all the Connecticut Fire Service organizations. It is with their participation that we prevail. I must remind all Firefighters that if you are interested in any specific legislation, please contact the

legislative committee within your organization or the Connecticut State Firefighters Association through your County Vice President.

Once again I would like to thank past Legislative Representative Ted Schroll Jr. for his help and guidance during this session.

Respectfully submitted

John Carew
Connecticut State Firefighters Association
Legislative Representative



Mark Healey Powers
Nicole R. Griffin
Kevin A. Hill

Charles J. Kowaleski

To: Connecticut State Firefighters Association
From: Powers, Griffin & Hill LLC
Re: 2022 Final Legislative Report

The Connecticut General Assembly convened on February 9 and adjourned on May 4, 2022. We tracked over two dozen legislative proposals for the CSFA this year. Although the Capitol complex was partially closed and portions of the session were virtual, the CSFA had a successful year. Below are the major issues we followed.

SB 313 AN ACT CONCERNING ADOPTION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE TO STUDY CANCER RELIEF BENEFITS FOR FIREFIGHTERS.

After being amended in the Senate and then again in the House, the final version of this bill states that no approval of wage replacement benefits for a firefighter by the subcommittee shall create a presumption that the firefighter's cancer was work related for the purposes of chapter 568 of the CGS. (Chapter 568 is the Worker's Comp Act.). The bill goes on to require, effective July 1, 2023, each municipality within the state annually contribute, ten dollars per career firefighter and five dollars per volunteer firefighter to the firefighters cancer relief account. Municipality contributions shall be based on the current number of career and volunteer firefighters within the municipality at the time of contribution. This bill passed both Chambers and is on its way to the Governor's desk for his signature. A more detailed summary of this bill will be available from the Office of Legislative Research in the coming weeks.

HB 5423 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO COLLECT DATA RELATED TO FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE DELIVERY IN THE STATE.

This bill establishes a pilot program to collect data related to fire and rescue service delivery in the state. The language was included into the state budget bill (HB 5506). It requires the Commissioner of DESPP to establish and administer a pilot program regarding implementation of a fire and rescue service data collection system.

<https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/FN/PDF/2022HB-05423-R000284-FN.PDF>



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HB 5213 AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS TO VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES FOR RESPONDING TO CALLS ON LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS AND AT CERTAIN OTHER LOCATIONS.

This proposal, which requires payments from the State Fire Administrator to volunteer fire companies that respond to calls on limited access highways and certain other locations, was supported by the CSFA, was changed from \$700 to \$500 and included into the state budget (HB 5506).

<https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/BA/PDF/2022HB-05213-R000630-BA.PDF>

HB 5175 An Act Concerning Police Access To Information Relative To Fire Or Explosion Losses And Requirements Regarding Smoke Detectors In The Fire Safety Code And Affidavits On Transfer Of Residential Property

This legislation allows federal, state and local law enforcement officers to obtain insurance records from insurance companies to aid in the investigation of fires or explosions of an undetermined or incendiary origin. Additionally, it changes the requirements for affidavits that a transferor of a one- or two-family residence must give a transferee addressing the residence's smoke detection and warning equipment and specifies that the Fire Safety Code must require smoke detectors in single and multi-family residences. This legislation passed both Chambers and heads to the Governor's desk for his signature.

<https://www.cga.ct.gov/2022/BA/PDF/2022HB-05175-R010585-BA.PDF>

SB 132 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE AND USE OF CONSUMER GRADE FIREWORKS.

This bill, which would have authorized the sale and use of consumer fireworks in the state, was opposed by the Fire Service industry and did not advance out of Committee.

Please see attached spreadsheet which shows all of the proposals we tracked during the 2022 Legislative Session.

It has been a pleasure to represent the CSFA at the state legislature and we look forward to our continued relationship in Hartford.

If you have any questions or concerns on any of these matters, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

Powers, Griffin & Hill LLC



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

State of Connecticut

Line of Duty Death Support

Public Safety Officers Benefit (PSOB) Information Available through the
Connecticut Statewide Honor Guard

While it is hoped that your organization will never need it, the PSOB system is managed by the Department of Justice, it will provide death, disability and education benefits to the survivors of fallen police officers, firefighters and first responders. The Connecticut Statewide Honor Guard in conjunction with Local Assistance State Team (LAST) is the best two prong approach for any department dealing with a Line of Duty Death. (LODD). They have several members that have taken the PSOB benefit training program as well as two members associated with the honor guard who tech the PSOB program across the country. To obtain additional support or information regarding the PSOB you should contact Jeff Morrisette, State Fire Administrator at (860-623-6363, Ext. 230 or jeffmorrisette@ct.gov who will direct you to the Commander of the Statewide Honor Guard.

<https://www.psob.gov/files/PSOB-FS.pdf>

<https://www.firehero.org/resources/department/last>

AGENDA
139TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION
KELLY MAGNET SCHOOL
25 MAHAN DRIVE
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 1030 hours by President Edward Waido

MOTION: The Chair will entertain a motion to adjourn for 25 minutes for County Caucuses in order to elect County Vice Presidents. If a decision has not been reached in 25 minutes, then in accordance with the Bylaws, the Convention delegates will decide.

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS: by East Great Plains Fire Department Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM: by Carroll Mailhot

SALUTE TO THE FLAG: by President Edward Waido

INVOCATION: by Father Kevin Donovan

GREETINGS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR: Honorable Governor Ned Lamont

GREETINGS FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT: Mr. Jeffrey Morrissette, State Fire Admin.

GREETINGS FROM THE CONVENTION COMMITTEE: Chief William Eyberse

INTRODUCTION OF OTHER OFFICIALS:

- Members of State Legislator
- Past Presidents of Connecticut State Firefighters Association
- Presidents of various Connecticut Fire Service Organizations
- Mr. Peter Carozza - President - Uniformed Professional Firefighters Assn. of Conn.
- Mr. Jeffrey Tomchik - Legislative Rep. - Uniformed Professional Firefighters Assn. of Conn.

MOTION: The Chair will entertain a motion to accept and place on file all committee reports as printed in the Annual Report.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Father Kevin Donovan

PRESENTATION OF LEGISLATIVE AWARDS: President Edward Waido & Leg Rep. John Carew

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE: P.P. Theodore Schroll Jr., Chairman-Credentials Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:

A). There is no Old Business to come before the Delegates. .

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1). **MOTION:** To continue payment to the 9 members already on the list of totally and permanently disabled firefighters.
- 2). **MOTION:** To accept the changes in the By-Laws as printed in the Annual Report.
- 3). **MOTION:** To accept the location of any other Conventions not yet committed.
- 4). **ANY OTHER NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A).
 - B).
 - C).

ELECTION OF OFFICER'S OF THE CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOC.

CHAPLAIN: 1). Reverend Kevin Donovan - Glastonbury
2). Reverend Mark Byers - Thomaston

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TREASURER;

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF ASST. TREASURER:

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY:

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF ASST. SECRETARY:

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT:

PRESENTATION OF THE MERIT AWARDS: P.P. Charles M. Stankye III, Chairman - Merit Awards Committee

READING OF THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION: Secretary Gerald V. Schaffer (This includes all State Officers and County Vice Presidents.)

BENEDICTION: by the Father Mark Byers

PAST PRESIDENTS

*Charles A. Gardenier	Bridgeport 1884 – 1886	*Joseph F. Farr	New Britain 1954
*Albert C. Hendrick	New Haven 1886 - 1888	*Robert F. Probst	South Kensington 1955
*Isaac B. Hyatt	Meriden 1888 - 1889	*Patrick M. Sherwin	Bridgeport 1956
*Nicholas Staub	New Milford 1890 - 1892	*William J. Canty	Burrville 1957
*Andrew J. Kennedy	New Haven 1892	*Frank R. Burnes	Hartford 1958
*Henry J. Eaton	Hartford 1893	*Howard G. Reynolds	Eagleville 1959
*William C. Smith	New Haven 1894	*Leno Vescovi	Groton 1960
*Morris Meyers	Danbury 1895	*Jack Smith	Milford 1961
*Clarence E. Palmer	Bridgeport 1896	*J. Franklyn Dunn	Middletown 1962
*Howard L. Stanton	Norwich 1897	*James A. McDermott	Danbury 1963
*Charles H. O'Neil	New Haven 1898	*George H. Thompson	Willimantic 1964
*George S. Pitt	Middletown 1899	*Anthony M. Rosso	Kensington 1965
*George Bowman	Stamford 1900	*John H. Tweed	Branford 1966
*John R. David	Hartford 1901	*Allan Bowkett	Thomaston 1967
*Thomas A. Gostel	Thomaston 1901	*Mortimer Swanson	New Britain 1968
*Edwin O. Goodwin	East Hartford 1903	*Benjamin Muzio	Staffordville 1969
*John F. Downey	Wallingford 1904	*Michael W. Carey	Bridgeport 1970
*George F. Beardslee	Bridgeport 1905	*Clinton L. Hughes	Wethersfield 1971
*Archibald McDonald	Putnam 1906	*Carl P. Sawyer	Groton 1972
*William B. Perkins	New Haven 1907	*John R. Northrup	Milford 1973
*John H. Hayes	Bristol 1908	*Maurice F. McCarthy, Sr.	Waterbury 1974
*Elbert W. Clark	South Norwalk 1909	*James R. Guthrie	West Haven 1975
*Anthony W. Bolan	Hartford 1910	*John J. Keenan	Stamford 1976
*P.F. Redmond	New Haven 1911	*Robert McKeon	Occum Norwich 1977
*John D. Milne	Norwalk 1912	*Donald E. Griffin	Hebron 1978
*James J. Toomey	New Britain 1913	*Charles Freimuth, Jr.	Terryville 1979
*M.J. Dailey	Bridgeport 1914	*Peter F. Phelan, Jr.	Milford 1980
*Wade U. Webster	Willimantic 1915	*Ernest N. Herrick	Eagleville 1981
*Thomas W. Bennison	South Manchester 1916	*John E. Riordan	Middletown 1982
*D.W. Harford	Norwalk 1917	*John J. McAuliffe	Wethersfield 1983
*Charles E. Shackley	Stonington 1918	*Raymond A. Schaefer	Groton 1984
*Wm. Fenner Woodward	Danielson 1919	*Joseph Iacuone	Derby 1985
*Joseph E. Kelley	New Haven 1920	Paul G. Guilbert	Wilton 1986
*M.T. Souncy	New Britain 1921	*Jon Andresen	Windsor 1987
*George B. Milne	Rockville 1922	*John Griffin	Hartford 1988
*W.F. Nolan	Hartford 1923	Richard N. Symonds, Jr.	Tolland 1989
*Charles J. Heineman	Meriden 1924	Maurice F. McCarthy, Jr.	Waterbury 1990
*Charles H. Rose	New London 1925	Theodore H. Schroll, Jr.	Wethersfield 1991
*Edward J. Foley	Bridgeport 1926	*William S. Johnson	West Haven 1992
*James C. McCoy	Waterbury 1927	*Charles M. Stankye, Jr.	Derby 1993
*William P. Carleton	New Haven 1928	James Morotto	Waterbury 1994
*William J. Crockett	South Manchester 1929	Clifford P. Brammer	Thomaston 1995
*Michael J. Whalen	Hamden 1930	Paul McAllister	Danbury 1996
*William H. Daley	Hartford 1931	David Dagon	East Hartford 1997
*Thomas C. Bracken	Branford 1932	Charles M. Stankye, III	Derby 1998
*William E. Sheehy, Jr.	Shelton 1933	Donald Charette	Waterbury 1999
*John H. Griffin	Norfolk 1934	*Ernest Bunnell	Northfield 2000
*Calvin N. Edmonds	New London 1935	*O'Neil Burrows	Watertown 2001
*Eugene J. Mulligan	New Haven 1936	Scott Potter	Thomaston 2002
*John J. Sullivan	East Hartford 1937	Scott Potter ,	Thomaston 2003
*John E. Graham	Waterbury 1938	William McAllister	Waterbury 2004
*Cornelius J. Carrigan	Terryville 1939	Robert Guthrie	West Haven 2005
*Charles H. Brundage	New Haven 1940	Robert Guthrie	West Haven 2006
*George Brencher	Darien 1941	James Wilkinson	Milford 2007
*Harold J. Leiberman	Norwich 1942	Lewis Clark	Litchfield 2008
*William H. Degnan	Derby 1943	Lewis Clark	Litchfield 2009
*John Bolan	Torrington 1944	Thomas Murphy	Southington 2010
*William T. Hamilton	New London 1945	Frank Hilbert	Mystic 2011
*Thomas J. Egan	New Britain 1946	Frank Hilbert	Mystic 2012
*Omer H. Bruneau	North Grosvenordale 1	James O'Neil	Thomaston 2013
*Andrew J. Flanagan	New Haven 1948	James O'Neil	Thomaston 2014
*Jesse C.A. Meeker	Danbury 1949	Vaughan Dumas	Orange 2015
*Bernard Fitzsimmons	Bristol 1950	Vaughan Dumas	Orange 2016
*James Grote	Chester 1951	Stephan Brown	Windsor Locks 2017
*Edward T. Turbert	New Haven 1952	John Carew	West Haven 2018
*Thomas L. Martin	New London 1953	John Carew	West Haven 2019

*DECEASED

PAST PRESIDENTS

*William Halstead
*Deceased

Sandy Hook 2020

*DECEASED

Convention List

1884 Danbury	1931 West Haven	1978 Wethersfield
1885 New Haven	1932 Pawcatuck	1979 Uconn
1886 Bridgeport	1933 Old Saybrook	1980 Windsor
1887 Meriden	1934 Waterbury	1981 Wilton
1888 Norwich	1935 Plainfield	1982 Naugatuck
1889 Hartford	1936 Greenwich	1983 New London
1890 Waterbury	1937 Derby	1984 New Haven
1891 New Britain	1938 Milford	1985 Warehouse Point
1892 New Haven	1939 Bridgeport	1986 New London
1893 Danbury	1940 Danbury	1987 Derby
1894 Derby	1941 West Haven	1988 Manchester
1895 South Norwalk	1942 New Haven	1989 West Haven
1896 Willimantic	1943 Hartford	1990 Windsor Locks
1897 Middletown	1944 Groton	1991 Waterbury
1898 Stamford	1945 West Haven	1992 West Haven
1899 New London	1946 Torrington	1993 New London
1900 Wallingford	1947 Naugatuck	1994 Wethersfield
1901 Hartford	1948 Norwalk	1995 Jewett City
1902 West Haven	1949 West Haven	1996 Broadbrook
1903 Branford	1950 New London	1997 Ansonia
1904 East Hartford	1951 Stamford	1998 Cromwell-Portland-Westfield
1905 Meriden	1952 Naugatuck	1999 Derby
1906 West Haven	1953 Plainville	2000 East Haven
1907 New Haven	1954 New Haven / West Haven	2001 West Haven
1908 Norwich	1955 Bethel	2002 Thomaston
1909 New London	1956 Naugatuck	2003 Wethersfield
1910 Waterbury	1957 Bridgeport	2004 Cromwell
1911 Hartford	1958 Waterbury	2005 Canaan
1912 New London	1959 New London	2006 Derby-Shelton-Ansonia
1913 West Haven	1960 New London	2007 Allingtown (West Haven)
1914 Greenwich	1961 Bethel	2008 Cromwell
1915 New Haven	1962 Torrington	2009 Morris-Litchfield-Bantam-Northfield
1916 Thompsonville	1963 Naugatuck	2010 New London County Fire Chiefs
1917 Hartford	1964 Plainville	2011 Clinton
1918 Bridgeport	1965 Stamford	2012 North Haven
1919 New Haven	1966 New London	2013 South Windsor
1920 Hartford	1967 Stamford	2014 Litchfield
1921 New Haven	1968 West Shore (West Haven)	2015 Beacon Hose Co. & Citizen Eng. Co.
1922 New Britain	1969 Plainville	2016 New London County Fire Chiefs
1923 Rockville	1970 Southington	2017 Taftville Fire Department
1924 West Haven	1971 Naugatuck	2018 Avon Fire Department
1925 New Haven	1972 Wethersfield	2019 Huntington Fire Department - Shelton
1926 New London	1973 Danbury	2020 CT. State Firefighters' Association
1927 West Haven	1974 Waterbury	2021 CT. State Firefighters' Association
1928 New Haven	1975 West Haven	2022 Yantic Fire Department
1929 East Hartford	1976 New London	2023 OPEN
1930 Bridgeport	1977 Naugatuck	2024 OPEN
		2025 Orange Fire Department

The above list was compiled with assistance of the following: Past Presidents Richard Symonds, Theodore Schroll Jr., Robert Guthrie, The Connecticut Firemen's Historical Society, Fred Pommer, David Macy and the Connecticut Firemen Publication.

IN MEMORIAM

**94th President of the Connecticut State Firefighters' Association
Assistant Chief Ernest N. Herrick
Eagleville Fire Department/Town of Mansfield Fire Department**

DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY

**133rd President of the Connecticut State Firefighters' Association
Chief William Halstead
Sandy Hook Volunteer Fire & Rescue**



**ANNUAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2021 – JUNE 30, 2022**

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
COMMISSION ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL**

**James C. Rovella, Commissioner
Peter S. Carozza, Jr., Chairman
Kevin J. Kowalski, Vice Chairman
Richard H. Nicol, Secretary
Jeffrey J. Morrissette, State Fire Administrator**

***Established - 1975 Statutory Authority - Conn. Gen. Statutes. Sec. 7-323
Central Office - Connecticut Fire Academy, 34 Perimeter Road, Windsor Locks, CT 06096
Average number of full-time employees – 11 (General Fund)***

***Organization structure - Office of State Fire Administration, Training Unit and
Certification Unit***

Division Mission

***To prevent or mitigate the effects of fire and disasters through leadership and collaboration
with municipalities, fire departments, and regional fire schools by delivery of quality
consulting services, technical assistance, training, education, and professional competency
certification of career and volunteer fire service personnel.***

Statutory Authority

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 7-323(j) - 7-323(s) the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control is charged with and has primary responsibility for training, public fire and life safety education and professional competency certification for members of Connecticut's fire service.

COMMISSION ON FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

Appointed members of the Commission represent the statewide fire service organizations and serve to advise the Commissioner.

Office of State Fire Administration

The Office of State Fire Administration provides overall coordination, management, and support of division activities and facilities, including the administration of grants. The Office offers consulting services to communities regarding fire department administration and operations. Oversight of the Statewide Fire Rescue Disaster Response Plan continued as a priority with staff serving as Fire Service Liaisons to the State Emergency Operations Center during statewide emergencies and exercises. The Office actively supports the Connecticut Statewide Honor Guard, ensuring Connecticut honors its fallen firefighters and their family members consistent with the profession's highest standards. Communication, collaboration, and coordination continue with the nine independent Regional Fire Schools. Further, we coordinate the state's Regional Foam Trailer program with eight local fire departments, hosting these resources and responding to emergencies requiring firefighting foam. We are actively engaged with DEEP in research, outreach, and guidance regarding the environmental impact of AFFF firefighting foam containing PFAS. The AFFF Foam Take-Back Program for municipalities was completed, removing over 35,000 gallons of foam containing PFAS. Also, a pilot project was completed during the year to drain and decontaminate 3 of the state's 8 Regional Foam Trailers and fire apparatus of AFFF foam. Information learned from this pilot will be used to guide the state in the next phase on how best to remove foam product from over 400 municipal fire apparatus on-board foam systems. A new Statute was enacted banning the use of AFFF foam, effective October 1, 2021. Communications and information dissemination to fire service constituents continued primarily through expanded use of social media and the CFPC email Listserv.

During FY22, participated in the CT Fire 2025 Statewide Strategic Planning Initiative that culminated in a Summit in December 2021. Funded with a grant from the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), published and distributed 5,700 Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Pocket Guides to fire departments and other emergency response organizations statewide. We also administered the SERC's annual Hazardous Materials response exercise. This year's event was held in Putnam with 100 fire and emergency response personnel along with state and federal partners. We distributed approximately \$70,000 in funding to volunteer fire departments located in distressed communities for entry-level Firefighter I training. Received a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) totaling \$304,333 to procure a new Learning Management System expected to go live in December 2022 and a replacement tractor tow vehicle. Further, we serve as the point of contact with fire departments receiving state funding for projects ranging from \$100,000 to \$8.6 Million.

In the fall of 2021, four-full time staff members retired from state service. To date, one of the four vacancies has been refilled. Efforts continue to refill the remaining positions. While still impactful, COVID-19 had a reduced influence on division operations as compared to the previous two fiscal years and is evidenced in our service delivery metrics.

Training Unit (Connecticut Fire Academy)

The Training Unit delivers a wide range of training and education programs, extending from the comprehensive 17-week resident Recruit Firefighter Training program to Fire Officer and technical specialty level courses, many with collegiate transfer credits. Courses are available for delivery throughout the state at local fire stations, Regional Fire Schools and at the Connecticut Fire Academy (CFA) campus in Windsor Locks.

During FY22, the Training Unit delivered 249 training programs reaching 4,331 students, providing 185,896 contact hours. In addition to training activity, the Unit continued administration of N-95 respirator fit testing services supporting the COVID response by health care professionals. A total of 3,687 respirator fit tests were administered at 176 separate scheduled sessions statewide. The Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) continued to be offered to municipalities to assist in identifying future firefighters with the capability of career and lifelong success. This past year, 1,671 candidates registered with 1,051 passing, for an overall passing rate of 62.8%. The Academy's Introduction to The Fire Service (ITFS) and the Advanced Skills and Concepts (ASAC) programs were designed to provide high school students with an opportunity to learn more about the profession by attending a residential camp and performing training evolutions at the Connecticut Fire Academy. Over the last 25 years, the program has evolved from the two original five-day sessions each summer to three six-day residential sessions each summer. Many alumni have moved on to become full members of their fire departments, have attended college in Fire and EMS programs, and have earned employment as career Firefighters. During FY22, 78 cadets benefited from attendance at these residential camps.

The CFA was proud to host the Underwriters Laboratories Fire Safety Research Institute Fire Dynamics Boot Camp, providing training and education in modern fire dynamics to state fire academy instructors from all six New England states.

Charter Oak State College continues to approve 22 CFA training programs for collegiate transfer credit, adding value to our students. Collaboration with the Military Department and Department of Public Health at the New England Disaster Training Center (Camp Hartell) located in Windsor Locks provides unique training opportunities for all emergency responders.

Certification Unit

The Certification Unit assesses fire service personnel in areas ranging from basic firefighting skills to technical rescue specialties and from instructional methodology to executive officer leadership, curriculum development, public education, and fire prevention. This knowledge and skills evaluation of specific competencies legitimizes the pre-requisite training requirements and instruction associated with fire service-related training courses and education. The certification process is an independent third-party evaluation of requisite firefighter skills developed from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) in support of the statewide fire service educational framework developed from the same standards. The certification process ensures emergency services personnel are better qualified to conduct significant incidents while routinely operating in highly hazardous exposure areas when serving the citizens of Connecticut.

The Certification Units retains accreditation by two international entities, The National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (ProBoard) and International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC). Accreditation of the certification process validates the professionalism and commitment of full and part-time staff and provides portability to our customers as they pursue careers in the fire service. The Certification Registrar represented the agency at the annual IFSAC Accreditation Conference in Oklahoma City, OK in April 2022.

As with training, we saw certification activities begin to expand after being negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In FY2022, the Certification Unit conducted 33 NFPA 1403 compliant Live Fire Training audits, 2 Pump Operator Audits, 25 Vehicle Extrication Audit, 105 psychomotor skills examinations; 171 cognitive examinations, and 24 ADA compliant examinations; including foreign language examinations, assessing 3357 candidates, resulting in 2773 Pro Board and IFSAC accredited certifications. The overall written examination success rate was 82.25 percent. The Unit also developed and administered five (5) promotional examinations for municipalities. Lastly, reciprocity was awarded to Connecticut fire service personnel certified by other accredited entities for 86 levels of certification.



CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON AT THE CSFA ANNUAL CONVENTION SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

PURPOSE: To add the Regional Fire Schools and the Connecticut Fire Academy to eligibility list for Connecticut State Firefighters' Association Membership and to provide their staff instructors coverage for injuries, disabilities or deaths while performing as instructors, while instructing at training programs being conducted under the auspices of the member facility.

ARTICLE II –Section 7 - The recognized Connecticut Regional Fire Schools (Eastern Connecticut, Fairfield, Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, Stamford, Valley, Wolcott), and the Connecticut Fire Academy are eligible for membership. The Instructional Staff, of these facilities, shall be covered for applicable injuries, disabilities, or Line of Duty Deaths that may occur, only while performing instructional activities during training programs, being conducted under the auspices of the member facility. Annual dues for these member facilities shall be the current amount, specified for Company Memberships, and the Benefits shall be the current amount applicable to "Full Time Career Members".

PURPOSE: To provide change for Fire Marshal Office Personnel that work part-time for more than one jurisdiction, to only be required to maintain one Connecticut State Firefighters Assn. Department Membership.

Article II - Section 3 - Department Members that work part-time in more than one jurisdiction, Fire Marshal's Office are only required to actively maintain one (1) Department Membership. Additionally, to be eligible for benefits, the jurisdiction that the applicable Department Member was working for, at the time of the claim, must also hold Company Membership, as defined in Section 1.

The Hall of Fame Award was created April 9, 2009 to recognize, and honor, members of the Fire Service both living and deceased who have contributed to the betterment of the Fire Service locally, statewide and nationally.

All of the honorees were recognized after being nominated by their peers in the Fire Service. We also recognize the history of the Connecticut State Firefighters Association and the foresight of the nine "Founding Fathers" who created the organization on March 24, 1885 as listed in Connecticut Senate Resolution No. 26.

Class of 2009

C.A. Gerdenier, Bridgeport
A.C. Hendrick, New Haven
W.B. Thomas, New London
H.P. Stevens, Danbury
Issac B. Hyatt, Meriden
Samuel C. Snagg, Waterbury
John S. Jones, Westport
Henry J. Eaton, Hartford
Joseph B. Carrier, Norwich

Raymond Gergler, Eagleville
Ernest N. Herrick, Eagleville
Clinton Hughes, Wethersfield
William S. Johnson, West Haven
Avery W. Lamphier, Watertown
John J. McAuliffe Jr., Wethersfield
Robert (Red) McKeon, Occum
Richard P. Sylvia, Darien

Class of 2010

Father Thomas Berberich, Kent
Allan Bowkett, Thomaston
Edward J. Cotter Jr., Derby
Andrew J. Flanagan, New Haven
James R. Guthrie, West Haven
Chester J. Haber, Berlin
Edward F. Haber, Berlin
Lawrence P. Hurlbut, Winchester
Walter (Corky) O'Connor, New Britain
Howard G. Reynolds, Eagleville
Theodore H. Schroll Jr., Wethersfield
John Shanaghan, East Haddam
Leno (Hank) Vescovi, Groton-Submarine Base

Class of 2011

Peter Beckwith, Manchester
Ernest Bunnell, Northfield
Robert Cady, Lebanon
Peter Carozza, Waterbury
James Doherty, Cheshire
Charles Freimuth, Terryville
James Grote, Chester
William Halstead, Sandy Hook
Adrian (Andy) Ouellette, Broadbrook
Peter Phelan, Milford
Raymond Shea, West Hartford
Charles M. Stankye Jr., Derby

Class of 2012

Clifford Brammer, Thomaston
Walter Brocar, New Haven
O'Neil S. Burrows, Watertown
Robert J. Chatfield, Prospect
William Coffey, Danbury
Donald Lewis, West Haven
Joe Moehring, Stamford
Thomas Murphy, Southington
Gerald V. Schaffer, Eagleville/ Mansfield
William Schietinger, Bridgeport
George Thompson Jr., Eagleville/Mansfield

Class of 2013

Lewis R. Clark, Morris
Charles H. Davin, Monroe
Clyde Finger, Bethel
Michael Grant, New Haven
Robert J. Guthrie, West Haven
Alan R. Hawkins, Mansfield
Charles McInerney, Westfield
Paul M. Metsack, Ashford
Scott Potter, Thomaston
John Reardon, New Haven
Ronald J. Samul, New London

Class of 2014

David Dagon, Mansfield
John Gaspar, Naugatuck
Christopher Guari, Brooklyn
Charles N. Harrington, Simsbury
George N. Koser, Litchfield
Richard H. Nicol, Middlebury
Salvatore Pitruzello, Portland
Paul Rapanault, West Haven
Charles M. Stankye III, Derby
Ronald Stolz, Yantic
Donald H. Swanson, Cromwell
James Wilkinson, Milford

Class of 2016

Alfred Dudek Jr., Killingworth
Laurence Ford, Redding
James K. Kiley, Newington
Ronald L. Littell Sr., Tolland
Kevin R. McKeon, West Shore
Jon Menti, Bethel
Jeffrey J. Morrissette, Wethersfield
John E. Obier Jr., North Haven
Gary M. Parker, Derby
Charles Perrotti, North Canaan
Kenneth W. Richards Jr., Old Mystic

Class of 2018

Thomas Bartram, Sharon
Wayne J. Bindas, Hartford/Granby/Lost Acres
Edward Flynn, New Haven
Michael Gergler, Eagleville/Mansfield
Thurston "Doc" Howard, Waterford
Richard Palmer, Eagleville/Mansfield
Theodore (Teddy) Smith, Beacon Falls
Timothy S. Wall, Wallingford
Richard E. Whitehouse, Ashford

Class of 2020

Sanford Anderson, Norwalk
William Davin, Monroe
John B. Field Jr., Torrington
Joseph Iacuone, Derby
Charles C. Judd Jr., Watertown
William F. Kelly Jr., West Haven
Mark D. Lewandowski, Berlin
Peter Mullen, Branford
Edward N. Richards, Enfield
James Trzaski, Beacon Falls

Class of 2015

Larry Black, Watertown
Ralph Black Jr., New Haven
Cathy Goetz, Haddam
Rev. Edward Goetz, Haddam
Frank (Fritz) Hilbert, Mystic
John Keenan, Long Ridge, Stamford
Maurice McCarthy Jr., Waterbury
John Platt Jr., Montville
Wayne Sanford, East Haven
Richard Symonds Jr., Tolland
George H. Thompson, Willimantic/Hartford
John Walsh, Willimantic/Hartford

Class of 2017

William Abbott, Hartford
Edward B. Amatrudo, North Branford
Wayne Fletcher, Ashford
Charles Flynn, Suffield/Wethersfield
Burt Hale, Westfield
Kevin Kowalski, Simsbury
James O'Neil, Thomaston
George H. Quinn, Bethany
Clarence Rees, Bethel
David Sanford, West Redding
Robert G. Sawyer III, North Stonington

Class of 2019

James C. Armstrong, Andover/ Columbia
William J. Deford, CT. Fire Academy
Louis DeMici, Danbury/UPFFA
James M. Eastwood, Fairfield
Marquam R. Johnson, Barkhamsted
Daniel Keogh, Poq. Bridge/Mashantucket
James C. Koser, Litchfield
John B. McAllister/Waterbury/Colebrook
Denis McCarthy, Fairfield

Class of 2021

Raymond Barber, Bozrah
Jamie DiPace, Avon
Vincent Landisio, North Haven- West Haven
Robert Marquis, Hampton
Edward Urbansky, Glastonbury
Richard Winn, Litchfield

Class of 2022

John Carew, West Haven

Charles M. Coakley, Danbury

Robert Duval, Wauregan

William Eyberse, Yantic

Donald E. Griffin, Hebron

William Hackett, Branford

Ralph A. Humphrey, Morris

Robert E. Massicotte, Waterbury

Alan Olenick, Lebanon

Mark Sekorski, Terryville



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SAVE THE DATE.....

Thursday, April 6, 2023
Aqua Turf, Southington, CT

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association

PRESENTS

The Fifteenth Annual
Hall of Fame Dinner

To recognize and honor members of The Connecticut Fire Service both living and deceased who have contributed to the betterment of the fire service, locally, statewide and nationally.

For additional information go to www.csfa.org or call 860-423-5799

Applications are due by November 1st of each year.