



BARNSTABLE COUNTY FIRE RESCUE TRAINING ACADEMY

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In Honor of The Charleston 9 A Study of Change Following Tragedy

Dates: May 3, 2019

Time: 1300-1600 hours

Location: Harbor View Conference Room - Barnstable County Complex
3195 Main Street, Barnstable, MA 02630



Presented by Dr. David Griffin



David Griffin was the driver of the first engine to respond to the disastrous 2007 Sofa Super Store fire in Charleston, SC that claimed the lives of nine of his fellow firefighters. Plagued with survivor's guilt, he numbed himself with alcohol, painkillers, and blood sports so much so that it nearly cost him his life.

David gives a riveting account of what he witnessed that day, and the crisis that ensued in the fire service and his personal life as well. David, relates how this experience has changed education and training on a national level.

Also included in this powerful program is David's doctoral research on organizational crisis and how an organization can utilize organizational learning to improve upon crisis. Attendees will share in not only the pain of this occurrence, but also the triumph reflected in changes in numerous aspects of organizational culture.

Let David share his knowledge of organizational learning and how it can improve your organizations performance with this high-intensity program.

Now, Griffin serves as a Battalion Chief in the Charleston SC Fire Department and has completed a Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership and Development. He conducts training programs across the globe on the importance of moving away from "the way we've always done it" mentality. He speaks about the Sofa Super Store fire and has helped with massive reforms in how firefighters are trained as well as how executives lead their teams.

Griffin is a graduate of the Executive Fire Officer Program (EFO) from the National Fire Academy and is a certified Chief Fire Officer (CFO) and Chief Training Officer (CTO) through the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE).

Register at www.bcftrta.org

Registration is open to all interested personnel, but space is limited.



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Surviving the Aftermath

Dates: March 7, 2019

Time: 1300-1600

Location: Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills (COMM) Fire Department
1875 Falmouth Road (Rt 28), Centerville, MA 02632

Presented by: Lionel Crowther

Lionel Crowther from the Winnipeg, Manitoba Fire Department will give a first hand account of a flashover that trapped 6 crew members on the 2nd floor of a residential home. Lionel was working an overtime shift on February 4, 2007 and responded to a house fire at 1930 as part of a six-man crew. He was part of a search and rescue team operating on the second floor of the home when fire conditions rapidly deteriorated trapping him and other members of the crew. Two Captains were killed in the line of duty, two firefighters suffered minor injuries and Lionel Crowther sustained 3rd degree burns to 30% of his body while another crew member sustained 3rd degree burns to 60%.

The presentation will cover an operational breakdown of the incident, its aftermath and Lionel's recovery and return to work process. Throughout the presentation Lionel will focus on firefighting training (getting "back to basics"), firefighter survivor training methods, effects of a firefighter's burn injury on his family and the need for a balanced mind to return to the firehouse.

Lionel speaks about the many triumphs and obstacles he and his family encountered along the way. This includes both the physical and mental aspects of the return to work process. After extensive treatment and skin grafts, FF Crowther returned to work 10 months after his injuries, suffering from survivor's guilt for which he received intensive counseling.

Today he serves as a Fire Officer in Winnipeg FD and is the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) 13th District Burn Foundation Coordinator, an IAFF Master Instructor for the Fire Ground Survival Program and a Peer Supporter for the Fire Fighter Peer Support Program.



Date of burn injury:	February 4, 2007 – Winnipeg, MB
Cause of burn injury:	House Fire
Severity of burns:	70% of his body (30% of the burns are 3rd degree)

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YOU'RE INVITED



NFPA 1851 PPE SEMINAR

The 2014 edition of NFPA 1851 - Standard on Selection, Care, and Maintenance of Protective Ensembles for Structural Fire Fighting and Proximity Fire Fighting requires departments to have written proof of training from the original equipment manufacturer or a verified ISP in order to perform basic and advanced inspection, cleaning, and repair.

To assist you in obtaining a training certificate, we are offering a NFPA 1851 Personal Protective Equipment Care and Cleaning seminar.

The seminar is open to all Fire Service members and will be held March 6th at the Harbor View Conference Room. A light breakfast (0930) and lunch will be provided.

When: **March 6, 2019**

Where: **Harbor View Conference Room, Barnstable County Complex
3195 Main Street, Barnstable, MA 02630**

Time: **10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

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