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State of New York **Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services**
Office of Fire Prevention & Control

36th Annual Arson In-Service Training Seminar to be Held in November

State Fire Administrator Floyd Madison is pleased to announce the upcoming delivery of the 36th annual Arson In-Service Training Seminar to be held November 3-5, 2010, at the Frederick L. Warder Academy of Fire Science in Montour Falls, New York.

Key presentations for this year's program include an opening message entitled "Arson from the Judge's Perspective" by the Honorable Richard Giardino, Fulton County Court and a closing presentation entitled "Debunking Spontaneous Human Combustion" by Dr. Joe Nickell from the Center of Inquiry of Amherst New York to conclude the seminar.

Six Training Workshops are offered during the 3 day program to include:

- "Battery Caused Fires" by Chief A.K. Rosenhan, Oktibbeha County Mississippi Bureau of Fire
- "Overview of Resources available from the NYS Insurance Department Frauds Bureau" by Deputy Bureau Chief Chris Lehenbauer and Investigator Phil D'Angelo
- "Graphic Impact in the Courtroom" by NYS Police Investigators Steven Ryan & Rodney Westbrook
- "Understanding Oil Burner Caused Fires" by Ted Pantle, member of the NFPA 921 Committee
- "Greenhouse Construction and Concerns for Fire Safety & Investigation" by Chief Peter Lattanzio of the Colonie Fire Prevention Office and Daniel Nichols of the NYS Department of State Codes Division
- "Investigation of Lighting Fixtures in Warehouse Storage Fires" by David Powell of Sytek Consultants

Last year's Annual Arson In-Service Training program saw a record setting attendance of 395 Fire and Arson Investigators from across New York State and registration is filling fast for this year's event.

To register for the November 3-5, 2010, program, students may visit the Office of Fire Prevention & Control's website at <http://www.dos.state.ny.us/fire/training.htm> to obtain an application or contact the Academy of Fire Science at (607) 535-7136 ext. 601 to obtain additional information.

Special Instructions to Student Applicants

Due to the popularity of this training program applicants shall take note of the following;

- **To facilitate accommodating the large number of applicants a deadline for receiving applications has been established as October 25, 2010.**
- **The maximum number of students to be registered is 450.**
- **Applicants will receive confirmation of their acceptance to the program via correspondence from the Fire Academy. Any questions relative to confirming student registration shall be made to the Fire Academy Administration Office at (607) 535-7136 ext. 601.**
- **On opening day of the program all applicants must first report to the Fire Academy to complete their registration process prior to arriving at the Glen Theater for the opening keynote session.**