

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHAPLAINS, INC.

Annual Fire Chaplains Training Conference July 17 – July 20, 2022

Dear Fire and EMS Chaplain,

The NYSAFC is excited to invite you to the Annual Training Conference to be held at the Comfort Inn & Suites East Greenbush, 99 Miller Road, East Greenbush, NY. This will be an informative Conference with Training from the “Four Chaplains Foundation”, NYS Office of Mental Health”, DHSES OFPC, Annual Welcome, Memorial Service, and our Annual Dinner.

The theme of this Annual Conference is “**The Four Chaplains!**”

On **Monday**, our day will begin with a short Welcome to everyone. Rev. Gary Holden, Senior Chaplain of the Four Chaplains Foundation, subject on “Introduction to being a Fire Chaplain” will train for the day.

We will have a brief Meeting of the Association on **Tuesday morning**. This will take place at Comfort Inn & Suites. **Tuesday morning** training starts with Steven Moskowitz, NYS Office of Mental Health, subject on “Psychological First Aid – Responding to extreme stress”, and, a review of “NYS Project Hope”.

Tuesday evening, we will have our Memorial Service at the Fuller Road Fire Dept. Firehouse, followed by our Annual Dinner.

We conclude our Conference on **Wednesday morning** with training on “Cancer in the NYS Fire Service”, by Timothy Graves, DHSES, Office of Fire Prevention & Control.

Conference Reservations must be made and submitted with the doubled sided enclosed form, **PREPAID** in advance by check, money order, or credit card. (No purchase orders) Credit cards will be accepted via PayPal on the Web-Site, please be sure to put “2022 Conference” in the Memo area.

All checks payable to: *New York State Association of Fire Chaplains, Inc.*

Reservations must be post marked by Friday July 1, 2022.

(Cancellations will be accepted until July 1st without penalty. Reservations cancelled after this date will forfeit all prepaid fees.)

Late registrations after July 1st, please add an extra \$50.00.

Check in time is 3:00 PM Sunday July 17th.

Check out time is 11:00 AM on Wednesday July 20th.

The tentative Conference Agenda is attached and is **subject to change without notice.** We look forward to your attendance at this year’s conference.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

**NYS AFC, Inc. Annual Training Conference
Comfort Inn & Suites (CI&S), East Greenbush, N.Y.
July 17th to July 20th, 2022**

July 17, 2022 - Sunday

3:00 – 6:00pm Registration & Room Check-In at the Comfort Inn & Suites
Anytime Dinner (on your own) Maps and restaurant/dinner locations to follow
6:45 pm DIRECTORS Meeting – Conference review and events update, by Thomas With
7:00 pm NEW Chaplains Training and REFRESHER Comfort Inn & Suites
Members “catching up with everyone” at Comfort Inn & Suites

July 18, 2022 - Monday

6:00 –10:00 am Complimentary Breakfast at Comfort Inn & Suites, 2nd Floor
8:30 – 9:00 am Morning Prayers at Comfort Inn & Suites – Berkshire Ballroom
9:00 – 9:15 am Conference Opens –“Welcome” by Chief Chaplain Thomas With
9:15 – 12:00 Rev. Gary Holden presentation “Fire Chaplain Training”, Senior Chaplain,
Founder & Director, The Police Chaplain Program, and, Senior Chaplain of
The Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation
10:00 – 2:30 pm SPOUSES – “Bus Trip” to “Bowman Orchards” for some great activities!
12:00 - 1:00 pm Lunch
1:00 - 5:00 pm Continuation of Rev. Gary Holden’s presentation
6:00 - 7:00 pm Dinner at Comfort Inn & Suites.
7:00 pm Games and Social Gathering

July 19, 2022 - Tuesday

6:00 –10:00 am Complimentary Breakfast at Comfort Inn & Suites, 2nd Floor
8:30 – 9:00 am Morning Prayers at Comfort Inn & Suites – Berkshire Ballroom
9:00 Conference Update and Training continuation at Comfort Inn & Suites
10:00 –12:00 pm Steven Moskowitz, MSW “Psychological First Aid – Responding to extreme stress”,
NYS Office of Mental Health, Bureau of Emergency Preparedness & Response
12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch
1:00 2:00 pm Steven Moskowitz, MSW Review of “NY Project Hope”, nysprojecthope.org
1:00 - 3:30 pm SPOUSES – “Get Together”
4:15 Attendees will drive to Fuller Road FD Firehouse, 1342 Central Ave., Colonie
5:00 - 6:00 pm “Annual Memorial Service”, at Fuller Road Firehouse
6:00 “Annual Dinner” at Fuller Road FD Firehouse with Keynote speaker
Upon Return Social Time, at Comfort Inn & Suites

July 20, 2022 - Wednesday

6:00 –10:00 am Complimentary Breakfast at Comfort Inn & Suites, 2nd Floor
8:30 – 9:00 am Morning Prayers and Special Presentation at Comfort Inn & Suites – Berkshire Ballroom
9:15 –10:00 am Conference Update and Training continuation at Comfort Inn & Suites
10:00 –11:30 am “Cancer Awareness”, Tim Graves, Fire Protection Specialist, DHSES / OFPC
11:30 –12:15 pm Lunch - Conference Closes

(NEXT Conference, 2023, will be in a location TBD)

NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHAPLAINS, INC.
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM
THIS IS A TWO (2) SIDED FORM - PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY

NAME: _____ GENDER: Male ____ Female ____

PHONE: (____) _____ FIRE DEPT.: _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

SPOUSE'S NAME (If attending with you) _____

COMPLETE CONFERENCE PACKAGE INCLUDES: *LODGING, MEALS & CONFERENCE*

Member by yourself = \$440.00 _____

Two Members / Sharing 1 room, two double beds (each) = \$615.00 _____
(Please specify who you will be sharing with on reverse side)

Member and Spouse Package = \$565.00 _____

EXTRA Hotel Night's Stay: ____ Saturday, ____ Wednesday, at \$99 each ----- = _____

Annual Dinner CHOICE: ____ Oven Roasted Beef / ____ Stuffed Salmon / ____ Country Stuffed Boneless
Chicken Breast

MEALS & CONFERENCE PACKAGE: NO LODGING

For those who live locally or staying at alternative lodging

Full Conference (Monday – Wednesday) = \$175.00 _____

Partial Conference (Tuesday and Wednesday only) = \$100.00 _____

NOT a MEMBER of NYSAFC, Inc. please ADD \$20.00 = \$ 20.00 _____

LATE REGISTRATION FEE (add if after JULY 1st) = \$ 50.00 _____

CHECK # _____ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED = \$ _____

CHARGED on PAYPAL ----- = \$ _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM
CONFERENCE REGISTRATION CONTINUED

REGISTRATION continued,

LODGING INFORMATION:

_____ I need a handicap accessible/equipped room (if available). Hotel is on 3 floors with ELEVATOR.

_____ I will need a room with a King size bed.

_____ I will need a room with two Queen size beds.

_____ I will share a room with _____.

DIETARY NEEDS: _____.

Any known ALLERGIES: _____.

Please submit this REGISTRATION FORM with payment to:

Thomas With
NYS AFC, Inc.
34 Woodside Avenue
Colonie, N.Y. 12205-5440

(Postmarked by July 1, 2022, or include late payment fee)

LODGING

We will be staying at the Comfort Inn & Suites East Greenbush, N.Y. phone: 518-479-3217. If you wish to arrive early or stay longer, please check the Registration form and check the appropriate designated line.

There are many restaurants and diners within 5 minutes of the Comfort Inn & Suites. Maps will be sent after registrations are received.

AIR TRAVEL

It is advised to fly into Albany International Airport, take a taxi to the Comfort Inn & Suites.

TRAIN

There is taxi service at the Rensselaer Train Station for pickup. You can be setup for your return trip, from the Comfort Inn & Suites.