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Junior Public Safety Camp

Pictured Above: Fire Training Instructors assist cadets in water line training while several other cadets await their turn with the hose line.

SOUTH COATESVILLE_ Twenty-two Chester County teens participated in this year's Junior Public Safety Camp held at the Chester County Public Safety Training Campus. In recent years, the camp, formally known as "Junior Fire Camp," was mostly geared towards the Fire Fighting Community. This year, organizers of the camp shifted their focus and broadened it to include additional public safety disciplines such as: 9-1-1 Communications, Law Enforcement and EMS/Field Services.

During their week long experience, cadets were exposed to EMS Flight Crew Operations and Hands Only CPR, K-9 Training and Courtroom Operations, Fire Extinguisher Training along with Basic Fire Ground Operations. Cadets took a trip to West Chester to tour the 9-1-1 Communication Center at the Government Services Center and paid a visit to the District Attorney's Office at the Justice Center. Their active participation in the program led to a Graduation Ceremony, which was attended by families of the cadets as well as local public safety officials.

Keeping with tradition, organizers of the camp came together and unanimously decided that the 2016 Class Cadet Award be presented to Jeffrey Robertson. Throughout the week, Robertson demonstrated strong leadership skills along with a true commitment towards learning about Emergency Services. His fun spirit and his personal depth for comradeship resonated among class of 2016.



DES AWARDED

"2016 CHESTER COUNTY
HEROES Award"

DETAILS ON PAGE 4

additional **Junior Camp** photos on pages 6 & 7

Chester County Board of Commissioners: Terence Farrell | Kathi Cozzone | Michelle Kichline
Robert J. Kagel, Director



Bobby Kagel

Computer-Aided-Dispatch System (CADS):

- Training for the new mobile client, Mobile for Public Safety (MPS), is listed on the Training website. All police officers must go through training for their login to work. Fire and EMS agencies must ensure at least one representative attends training.
- Installations for the Mobile Data project are ongoing. So far 513 of 655 (78%) have been installed. MPS is being installed by County staff. Mobile Data routers are being activated in advance of the MPS install, including agency-owned units.
- CAD and Mobile Data Cutover is targeted for 23 August 2016.

June 2016 Stats

24,917	9-1-1, VoIP, 10 Digit Calls
856	Fire Incidents
3,215	EMS Incidents
1 minute and 34 seconds	Fire/EMS Average Dispatch
33,387	Police Incidents
1 minute and 39 seconds	Average Police Dispatch
97%	Average of Quality Reviews

Voice Radio Project:

- Harris crews have completed 98% of mobile radio installs and 96% of control station installs. Harris has completed all in-county mobile radio installations. They will have the remaining installations complete by the end of July.
- EF Johnson decommissioning continues. Issues with multi-band radio programming are being resolved prior to large-scale deployment.
- We are 40 months (98%) into the 41 month Implementation Phase. About 99% of the project implementation schedule has been completed. So far we have spent \$36,638,940 (81%) of the \$45,000,000 total project budget.

Training Facility:

- Last month we hosted 2,487 people at 84 events in the Academic Building. Last month we hosted 19 training sessions in the Tactical Village for a YTD total of 116.
- A recommendation to award bids for construction of the Law Enforcement Firing Range has been sent to the Commissioners for their consideration at the July 12 Sunshine and July 14 Commissioners meetings. The original anticipated cost for construction was \$9.7M. The new budget is \$16.5M includes construction cost escalation, additional site work, and adding 107 parking spaces at the Academic Building.

People and pets participate in Mass Care Shelter Exercise



WAYNE, PA_ The American Red Cross, in partnership with Chester County Department of Emergency Services, hosted a Mass Care Shelter exercise at Valley Forge Middle School on June 18, 2016. This exercise brought together multiple agencies to exercise all facets of opening, operating, and closing a shelter. Partner agencies that participated in this event included, Chester County Animal Response Team, Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES)/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES), Chester County Food Bank, Tredyffrin-Easttown School District, Tredyffrin Township, and the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. In addition, community members volunteered their time to act as shelter clients for the exercise.





PROTECT YOUR ORGANIZATION

COMMUNITY EMBEZZLEMENT CLASS

AUGUST 23RD FROM 7:00 PM TO 8:30PM

PUBLIC SAFETY TRAINING CAMPUS

137 MODENA ROAD, COATESVILLE, PA 19320

A one hour presentation followed by a question and answer session for anyone interested in learning **why** and **how** these thefts are occurring.

Brought to you by the Chester County Controller's Office

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DES Staff recipients of American Red Cross' 2016 Chester County Heroes Award

MALVERN, PA_ On Thursday, June 30th, Bobby Kagel, Director of Chester County Department of Emergency Services along with staff members were on hand to accept the 2016 Chester County Heroes Award presented by the American Red Cross.

Along with the title award, Director Kagel accepted a citation from the Chester County Commissioners' Office.



Picture Top Right: (L to R) Commissioner Kichline, Director Kagel, Commissioner Farrell, Commissioner Cozzone.

Picture Bottom Right: Chester County Emergency Services Staff Members.

Picture Bottom Left: American Red Cross, 2016 Chester County Heroes Award.



Fire Marshal's Report JUNE 2016



Investigations	JUNE	YTD:
Intentional	1	7
Unintentional	6	54
Natural	2	3
Undetermined	3	14
Notifications	8	45
TOTAL:	20	123
Miscellaneous		
Active Arson Cases	0	5
Fire Inspections Completed	9	83
Youthful Fire Setter Programs	3	11
Reports Sent to Assessment Office	6	36
Follow-Up with Insurance Companies and	21	115
Casualties		
Emergency Services Casualties		
Fatal	0	0
Injuries	1	3
Civilian Casualties		
Fatal	0	0
Injuries	1	20

Property Type	JUNE Totals	JUNE Property Loss	YTD	YTD Property Loss
Assembly	4	\$65,000.00	5	\$65,000.00
Educational	0	\$0	1	\$150.00
Health Care, Detention,	4	\$0	9	\$45,000.00
Residential	8	\$757,100.00	66	\$5,733,200.00
Mercantile, Business	1	\$10.00	11	\$333,510.00
Industrial, Utility Defense, Agricultural, Mining	2	\$46,000.00	5	\$117,000.00
Manufacturing and Processing	0	\$0	1	\$0
Storage	1	\$0	10	\$1,310,500.00
Outside or Special Property	0	\$0	10	\$4,700.00
Other	0	\$0	3	\$13,025.00
TOTAL:	20	\$868,110.00	121	\$7,622,085.00



Pictured Front Row (Left to Right): Ivey, Gabriel; Yalenchko, Courtney; Schwartz, Corban; Ziegler, C.J.; Wang, Erin; Barr, Rian; Lavender, Michael;

Pictured Second Row (Left to Right): Robertson, Jeffrey; Robb, Cody; Jorgensen, Justin; Cooper, Avery; Deger, Ira; Dymond, Justine; Brooks, Michaela; Rosenberry, John;

Pictured Third Row (Left to Right): Simpson, Tyler; Carter, Jack; Fester, Will; Richardson, Lucas; Gentry, Dale; Issac, William; Quinn, Maxwell

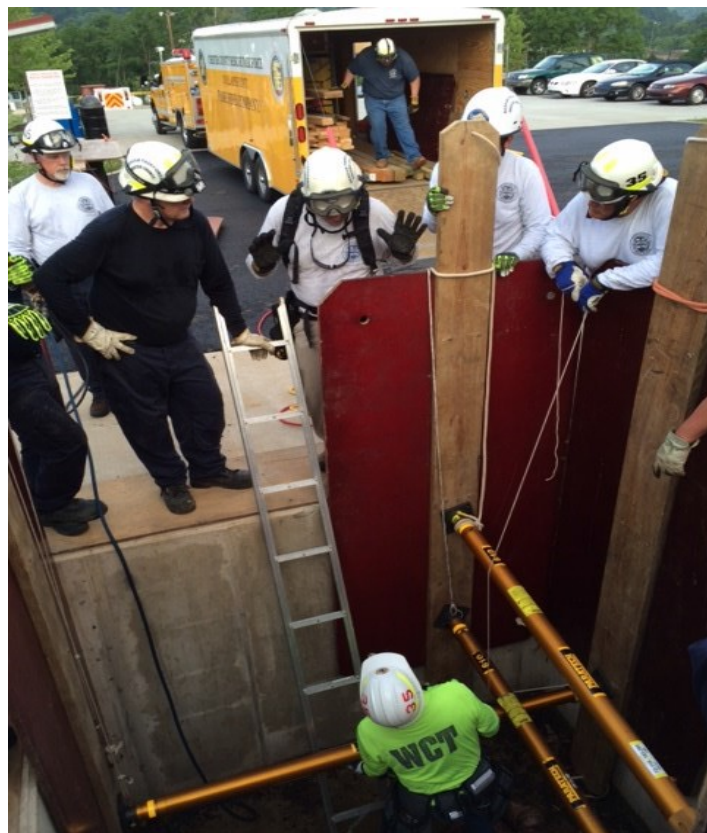




Prop of the Month

Trench and Confined Space Prop

Pictures provided by the Chester County Rescue Taskforce. Recently, the Taskforce used the Trench and Confined Space prop located in the Tactical Village at the Public Safety Training Campus.



For more information, or to request space for your next training, please visit the "Public Safety Training Campus" page on the DES website at www.chesco.org/des.

Check back next month for our featured "Prop of the Month."



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Questions, Comments, Concerns?
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