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EMERGENCY MANAGERS RECEIVE CEM[®] CREDENTIAL

(Mar. 1, 2007, Falls Church, VA) Forty-eight candidates have been approved by the IAEM Certification Commission to receive the Certified Emergency Manager[®] (CEM[®]) credential (*editors: see the attached list to use as a sidebar*). The CEM[®] designation is the highest honor of professional achievement available from the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), which has in its membership more than 3,200 emergency managers representing local, state, and federal government; private industry; and military emergency managers. The new class of CEM[®]s join the 1,021 other emergency managers who were approved for the designation since January, 1993 bringing the total number of Certified Emergency Managers[®] to 1,069.

Commission, Requirements

IAEM administers the program for the profession, and policy decisions and judgments are made by a Commission of 19 respected professionals in the field. The Commission met February 7-9, 2007 and approved applicants who successfully completed an extensive credentials package, a management essay and a written examination. The credentials requirements include experience, references, education, training, and contributions to the profession. The management essay requires respondents to submit a response to a scenario they might face while fulfilling emergency management responsibilities.

To maintain certification, CEM[®] recipients must submit additional training and contributions to the profession every five years.

CEM[®] Program

The emergency management certification program was developed over the last several years by IAEM with funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and guidance from an advisory board which included professionals from a variety of disciplines and representatives of key groups with a stake in emergency management.

New Certified Emergency Managers® (as of Feb. 9, 2007)

Lisa Berman
Charlotte Co. EMA
Punta Gorda, FL

Don I. Brazie
Scottsdale Healthcare
Phoenix, AZ

Alan J. Briding
Ciber, Inc.
Monument, CO

Lt Col Jeff Burkett
US Northern Command
Colorado Springs, CO

David Burns
UCLA
Los Angeles, CA

Major John J. Casey, III
US Pacific Command
Kapolei, HI

Robert C. Clark
Verizon Business
Richardson, TX

Bernard Cook
L-3 Com Titan Corporation
Falls Church, VA

Paul Daley
Dover Township OEM
Toms River, NJ

Shahin Daneshkhah
Nextel Communications
Irvine, CA

Rebecca A. Dobbs
Battelle Memorial Institute
Burke, VA

Donald L. Druitt, Sr.
Miami Beach
Miami Beach, FL

William S. Firestone
EM Training, Inc.
Jupiter, FL

Gideon F. For-mukwai
Xtra Mile Continuity
Singapore

Kenton R. Friesen
University of Manitoba
Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Greg Thomas Galfano
State of TN Dept. of Health
Nashville, TN

Dr. Mark F. Gentilman
Northrop Grumman
Burke, VA

Krystin Goethals
County of Los Angeles
Valencia, CA

Tyra L. Gore
The Salvation Army
Atlanta, GA

Alan Harris
Seminole Co. EMA
Sanford, FL

Richard James Hinrichs
FEMA
Fallbrook, CA

Roger Hovis
Blythewood, SC

Tonya L. Hunter
American Red Cross
Grand Prairie, TX

Jeffrey S. Jellets
The Salvation Army
Atlanta, GA

Alice J. Jones
Fort Worth/Tarrant County OEM
Fort Worth, TX

Marla R. Kendig
Mayo Clinic
Dennison, MN

Todd LeDuc
Broward Sheriff's Office
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Bruce Lockwood
Town of Canton
Collinsville, CT

Jason Loftus
Accomack Co. Dept. of Public Safety
Tasley, VA

Lanita Lloyd
Cobb EMA
Marietta, GA

Paul Magenheimer
North Lake Tahoe Fire District
Incline Village, NV

Michael Roy Mason
Coastal Water Authority
Baytown, TX

Thomas D. McGroarty
PA DOH - Bureau of Ems
Wilkes-Barre, PA

Steven M. Mensing
Illinois Dept. of Corrections
Vandalia, IL

Lt Christopher Miller
US Navy
Arlington, TN

Deborah S. Palladini
U.S. Army Special Ops. Command
Fort Bragg, NC

James L. Paturas
Yale New Haven Health System
New Haven, CT

Jane E. Rovins
Lakeland, FL

Jaime D. Sarbaugh
Collier Co. Emerg. Mgmt.
Naples, FL

JoAnn Scordino
Organize for Action
San Francisco, CA

Mark Seemann
Fremont, CA

J.O. "Trey" Shannon, III
Tarrant Co Medical Examiners District
Fort Worth, TX

Brian K. Short
Vance Co. Emergency Operations
Henderson, NC

Major Richard K. Smith
16 AF/Theater Patient Movement Ctr.
APO, AP

April A. Tilford
U.S. Enrichment Corporation
Paducah, KY

Ed Ward
FL Dept. of Transportation District 2
Lake City, FL

Stephen Watts
Seminole Co. Div. of E.M.
Sanford, FL

Peter Weaver
Pinal County, AZ
Florence, AZ