

2017 “Secret City” Fire Department Conference

September 13th and 14th

New Hope Center – Zach Wamp Auditorium

602 Scarboro Road, Oak Ridge, TN 37830



Exploring Leadership Qualities and Teamwork Necessary to Meet Today's Fire Service Needs

The 2017 “Secret City” Fire Department Conference is sponsored by the Oak Ridge National Laboratory Fire Department, the Y-12 Fire Department, and the City of Oak Ridge Fire Department. The class is open to all fire department personnel in the state who would like to attend. Seating is limited to 350 students and will be on a first come basis. Tickets are free as the conference is paid for by the sponsors listed as a part of Safety Fest TN.

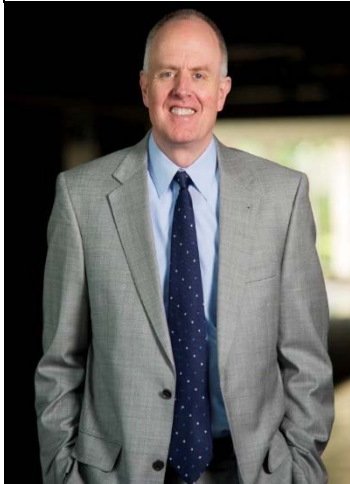
Please go to <https://safetyfesttn.org/register/> and register online.

If you have trouble registering online, call Donna Satterfield at (865) 425-3520 to reserve your seats!

Wednesday, September 13th 8:30 a.m. till noon

Dr. Chuck Carringer will speak on:

“Next Level Leadership: Developing Leaders and Teams”



Dr. Chuck Carringer is an executive coach, trainer, and speaker based in the Knoxville area. An expert in leadership development, Chuck partners with his executive coaching, training, and speaking clients to take their leadership and performance to the next level. Chuck holds a doctorate in Executive Leadership emphasizing executive coaching and leadership styles and is a founding partner of the prestigious John Maxwell Coaching, Speaking, and Training Certification Program.

Chuck is a former distinguished public school educator. He served 24 years in a variety of roles at the high school level including teacher, Hall of Fame coach (most career victories for any boys' basketball coach in school history), Athletic Director, and Principal (during his tenure, the graduation rate increased from 79% to 92%, and he successfully completed a 58 million dollar construction renovation project).

Dr. Carringer is known for his successful executive coaching engagements with leaders at every organizational level, helping them advance in both leadership and performance outcomes.

Chuck has attended the Fire Department Conference in the past and is working with several fire departments in the area.

Wednesday morning September 13th at 8:30

The Tennessee Commission on Fire Fighter Standards and Education will be holding a public meeting on the upcoming rule changes for Firefighter Certification. They will meet in Oak Ridge from 8:30 till noon at the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce, located at 1400 Oak Ridge Turnpike.

Wednesday, September 13th from 1:00 p.m. till 4:00 p.m.

**Oak Ridge Emergency Management Forum
presented in the Auditorium at New Hope Center.**

Thursday, September 14th 8:30 am till 4:00 pm

Curt Varone will speak on two topics. The morning session will address *Digital Imagery and Social Media Challenges* “How firefighters and officers are getting in trouble with cell phones and facebook” and what we need to do to address the problem. After lunch Chief Varone will speak on the *Disciplinary Challenges in the Fire Service*. The session will focus on real life case studies taken from today’s headlines. You can’t make this stuff up. Join our staff for this important, sometimes funny, and very informative message for all emergency services personnel.



J. Curt Varone is the author of *Legal Considerations for Fire & Emergency Services*. He is a practicing attorney licensed in Rhode Island and Maine. He retired from the Providence, Rhode Island Fire Department in 2008 as a Deputy Assistant Chief and served as the Director of Public Fire Protection at the [National Fire Protection Association](#).

Curt has over forty-three years in the fire service, having become a volunteer firefighter in North Providence in 1972. In 1979, he was hired as a full-time firefighter by the Providence Fire Department. He has served with the Massachusetts Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, MATF01, and the Rhode Island Urban Search and Rescue Task Force, RITF01. He remains active as a Deputy Chief in Exeter, RI.

Curt teaches courses in Fire Tactics, Fire Protection, Fire Service Law, Collective Bargaining, and Firefighter Occupational Safety & Health in the fire science program at [Providence College](#), is an instructor for the Rhode Island Fire Academy, and teaches NIMS ICS for Rhode Island Emergency Management Agency.