



pennsylvania
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Emergency Management Conference

“New Challenges, New Solutions”

**Seven Springs Mountain Resort
777 Waterwheel Drive
Seven Springs, PA 15622**

**Specialty Seminars
May 14-15, 2016**

**Emergency Management Conference
May 16-18, 2016**

Sponsored by:

**Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Tom Wolf, Governor**

**PA Emergency Management Agency
Richard D. Flinn, Jr., Director**



FINAL

SPECIALTY SEMINARS

Certification Course, Exercise, and Testing

Saturday, May 14

Registration will be held at the Stag Pass.
Coffee break will be held outside of the Stag Pass.

- 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Registration**
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Coffee Break**
- 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. PaVOAD Dinner**

Certification Course and Exercise

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Chestnut Room

G-290: PIO Basic

Instructors: *Kristopher “Kris” Mattson, MAS, CEM, MEP, Emergency Management Program Director, Tetra Tech Inc., Northeast Operations and Christopher “Chris” Post, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College*

Prerequisites: IS-100 and IS-200

(This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Saturday and Sunday to receive a certificate of completion)

Description: This course is designed to prepare participants to function as full- or part-time PIOs. Additionally, this training is a prerequisite and foundation for more advanced training that takes participants from the awareness level to the mastery level in their public information careers. This training will equip participants with the basic skills needed to function as Public Information Officers (PIOs), such as oral and written communications, understanding and working with the media, and basic tools and techniques needed to perform effectively.

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Fox Den & Laurel Room

Bakken Crude Oil Tabletop Exercise

Radiological Instructor Specialty Seminar

Evening Only

The Radiological Instructor Track will be held in the Seasons 1 & 2 Rooms.

- 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Rad Instructors Working Dinner
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Training Update
Speaker: **Mark Linsley**, *Regional Contract Coordinator, Technical Resources Group, Inc., U.S. DOE*
- 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) Training Update
Speaker: **Bernice W. Zaidel**, *Assistant Director of Curriculum Development Evaluation, CDP*
- 7:30 – 8:15 p.m. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Training Update
Speaker: **Marcos Aquino**, *Regional Radiation Program Manager, Air Protection Division, U.S. EPA Region III*
- 8:15 – 8:30 p.m. Radiological Training Issues/Concerns/Wrap-Up/ Adjourn

ACS Specialty Seminar

- 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Festival Hall
Hamfest
Operators: **Travis Best**, *State ACS Officer, PEMA ACS*; **Douglas Evans**, *Central Area Section Chief, PEMA ACS*; and **David Wellman**, *ACS Officer, Erie County, RACES/ARES/SkyWarn*
Description: Amateur Radio Operators from around the Commonwealth can gather to share equipment. Come see what equipment operators from around the state have that you can pick up to enhance your capabilities. Tables are available to display equipment. No table fee for displaying equipment. No fee for entry to this event.
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Coffee Break
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Evergreen Room
Amateur Radio Testing
Proctors: **Travis Best**, *State ACS Officer, PEMA ACS* and **Douglas Evans**, *Central Area Section Chief, PEMA ACS*
Description: This session will be a testing session where anyone wishing to earn their Amateur Radio “Technician”, “General” or “Extra” Class License can attempt to test for it. The test will be held in accordance with ARRL testing regulations and will be administered by Volunteer Examination Coordinators (VECS). Please come prepared to test.

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Festival Room

Statewide ACS/RACES Meeting

Speakers: *Susan Singer, Coordinator, PEMA ACS and Kathleen Hart, Public Health Coordinator, PaDOH, Bureau of Public Health Preparedness (BPHP)*

Description: Open forum discussion of issues that county ACS/RACES are experiencing. This is a chance for the county ACS/RACES coordinators to tell PEMA whatever they would like to convey. We can work on how to better support your needs.

VOAD Specialty Seminar

VOAD Track will be held in the Dogwood Room. The VOAD Dinner will be held in the Grand Ballroom.

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

PEMA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) Welcome

Speaker: *Steve Bekanich, Director, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA*

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Coffee Break

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

FEMA Region III VAL

Speaker: *L. Michelle Breeland, Voluntary Agency Liaison, FEMA Region III*

Description: This session will define the function of the VAL, discuss future priorities, and address maintaining effective relationships.

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Emergency Support Function (ESF) #6 and the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (PaDHS)

Speakers: *Robert Kabata, Mass Care Coordinator/EPLO and Briton Lewis, EPLO, both from the PaDHS*

Description: In the event of a disaster, when local resources have been exhausted, the Governor has tasked the PaDHS with the responsibility of providing mass care and emergency assistance to Commonwealth residents. Most often, this support will be through established local agencies, specifically the American Red Cross. This session will explore how the PaDHS can assist individuals and families recover from disaster and build better, stronger, more resilient communities.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

After the Buyout: Harvesting Home Repair Materials

Speakers: *Michael Zimmerman, Chief Executive Officer, Family Service Association of Northeastern PA and Tom Foley, Disaster Recovery Coalition of Luzerne County*

Description: The session will provide a roadmap for ‘harvesting’ new, unused items from homes that began rehab, and then decided to take a FEMA or local government buyout. We will discuss getting appropriate approvals, volunteer coordination, storage of items, and dissemination of materials/products. Why send new material to the landfill?

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Long Term Community Recovery

Speakers: *Steve Bekanich, Director, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA; Jeffrey Allen, Commonwealth Disaster Recovery Coordinator, DCED,*

*Center for Local Government Services; **Charles Barber**, President & CEO of The Luzerne Foundation; **Janet Zeis**, Volunteer Management Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services; **Tina Lingle**, COOP Program Manager/Lead EPLO, PA Department of Labor and Industry; and **Patricia Schwartz**, Executive Director for PennSERVE: The Governor's Office of Citizen Services, PA Department of Labor and Industry*

Description: This session will discuss best practices for comprehensive Long Term Community Recovery and the interrelation between Government Programs (CDBG, AmeriCorps) and donated resources/volunteers in recovery planning.

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

PaVOAD Dinner

Keynote Speaker: ***Marcus Coleman**, Special Assistant to the Director, DHS Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships*

Description: This plenary talk and subsequent session will provide insights and practical learnings from around the country on the new approaches, like those being led in Pennsylvania, that are changing how emergency management partners with faith- and community-based organizations.

Sunday, May 15

Interfaith Worship Church Service Snowflake Room

Led by: Reverend Tom Kadel and Karl Jones
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Registration will be held in the Stag Pass.
Coffee Break will be held outside of the Stag Pass.
Continental Breakfast-Style Break and PM Break will be held in the Seasons Lobby.
Lunch will be held in the Grand Ballroom.

7:00 – 11:00 a.m. Morning Registration Hours

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Coffee Break

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast-Style Break

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

2:00 – 2:30 p.m. PM Break

1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Afternoon Registration Hours

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 pm. Internet Café
(Walk-In Basis)

Seasons 3 Room

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. KEMA Dinner: Members-Only
***If you are interested in joining KEMA, please contact Amy Amer for further information at conference@kema-pa.org.*

Alpine Room

Certification Courses

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Chestnut Room

G-290: PIO Basic

Instructors: **Kristopher “Kris” Mattson, MAS, CEM, MEP**, Emergency Management Program Director, Tetra Tech Inc., Northeast Operations and **Christopher “Chris” Post**, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College

Prerequisites: IS-100 and IS-200

(This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Saturday and Sunday to receive a certificate of completion)

Description: This course is designed to prepare participants to function as full- or part-time PIOs. Additionally, this training is a prerequisite and foundation for more advanced training that takes participants from the awareness level to the mastery level in their public information careers. This training will equip participants with the basic skills needed to function as Public Information Officers (PIOs), such as oral and written communications, understanding and working with the media, and basic tools and techniques needed to perform effectively.

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Hemlock Room

P-236 CEM Planner Workshop

Speakers: *Shane Woodmancy; Erin Megonnell; and Kirsten Cohick, all Emergency Management Specialists, Operations Planning Division, PEMA; as well as Bill Dunlap, Emergency Management Specialist, Bureau of Strategic Planning, PEMA*

Description: This program is designed to provide planners and other staff with the ability to write comprehensive emergency management plans. A web based system (CEM Planner) will be used to facilitate the implementation of a digital planning process, for ease of use by all stakeholders.

County/Local Emergency Management Track

The County/Emergency Management Track will be held in the Laurel Room.

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Emergency Management and Social Media

Speakers: *Amy Amer, Community Outreach Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services and Karin Williams, Director, Phoenixville Office of Emergency Management*

Description: This training will cover the coordination of social media efforts between local EMCs and the county, discussion on the various social media outlets, best practices to obtain creditable information, and a question and answer session.

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

PM Break

2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Round Table for Local Emergency Management Coordinators

Moderator: *Amy Amer, Community Outreach Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services*

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

KEMA Meeting (Members Only)

Sunburst Room

ACS Specialty Seminar

The ACS Track will be held in the Festival Hall.

- 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. Welcome
Speaker: *Susan Singer, Emergency Management Specialist, Logistics and Resource Division, PEMA*
- 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. Professional Volunteers in the Emergency Management Setting
Keynote Speaker: *Bruce Manning, Director, McKean County EMA*
Description: This session will discuss using volunteers in emergency service incidents. How to train, what they lack, and what they can bring to the event. It will also cover workers compensation coverage and controlling egos.
- 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Learning by Doing: ICS Forms
Speakers: *Drew McGhee, ACS Officer, Blair County ACS and Carmine Prestia, Jr., K3CWP, Emergency Coordinator, Centre County ARES*
Description: This session will discuss the use of Amateur Radio to support public service events to practice developing and implementing ICS forms. We will discuss the use of ICS-205T "Telephone Contact List," ICS-217A "Communications Resource Availability Worksheet," and the ICS-205 "Incident Radio Communications Plan" forms.
- 11:45a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Supporting the State Shelter-2014 Ice Storms Case Study
Speaker: *Joseph "Joe" A. Vilardo, K3JV, ARES Emergency Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services*
Description: This is a presentation of CCAR emergency response for the winter ice storm of February 4-14, 2014 in Chester County.
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:15 – 1:45 p.m. RACES Team Building
Speaker: *David Wellman, ACS Officer, Erie County RACES/ARES/ SkyWarn*
Description: The session explains how Erie County, Pennsylvania has organized their Amateur Radio EmComm Team. It shows the 20+ (and still growing) pre-assigned teams in the county and the advantages over a random operator being deployed to an unfamiliar location.
- 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. PM Break**
- 2:30 – 3:15 p.m. NIMS/ICS Case Study – 2015 Bike MS Keystone Country Ride
Speakers: *Carmine Prestia, Jr. Emergency Coordinator, Centre County ARES, and Drew McGhee, ACS/RACES Coordinator, Blair County Department of Emergency Services*
Description: The 2015 Bike MS Keystone Country Ride started out as an Amateur Radio supported public service but turned into a real world severe weather and multiple medical emergency incident. Learn how Amateur Radio operators, through disciplined NIMS and ICS use, helped minimize the effects of these unexpected events.

- 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Hot Topics in ACS and RACES Panel Discussion
Panelists: **Travis Best**, State ACES Officer, PEMA ACS; **Sandra Goodman N3ECF**, ACS Officer/Emergency Coordinator, York County Office of Emergency Management; and **Joseph Ames Jr.**, AARL
Description: This is your opportunity to pose questions regarding key issues to leaders in amateur radio communications. They will each give their take on the answer to your questions. Panelists include members from AARL, County and state government.
- 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Q&A Session and Closing Remarks
Speaker: **Susan Singer**, Emergency Management Specialist, PEMA

Chemical Safety Program Specialty Seminar

The Chemical Safety Program will held in the Wintergreen Room.

- 9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Chemical Safety Program
Speaker: **Alan Brinser**, Chief, Technological Hazards Division
Description: This session will provide program overview and new initiatives.
- 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Hazardous Materials Response Teams Certification
Speaker: **Michael Manley**, Emergency Management Specialist, Technological Hazards Division, PEMA
Description: The certification of HMRTs in the Commonwealth and the procedures necessary to dispatch these teams will be reviewed in this session.
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PA Tier Two System (PATTS)
Speaker: **Carol Freeman**, Administrative Officer II, Department of Labor and Industry
Description: This session will cover best practices.
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch**
- 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Legislation and Directives
Speaker: **John Rozman**, Emergency Management Specialist, PEMA
Description: This is a discussion of statewide and county Chemical Safety Programs' duties and responsibilities.
- 2:00 – 2:30 p.m. PM Break**
- 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Executive Order 13650, Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security
Speakers: **Richard Pietron**, MS, CSP – Compliance & Safety Officer, OSHA; **Bill Steuteville**, Regional Homeland Security Coordinator, USEPA; and **Commander Garret Hansen**, Commander Region III, Security Compliance Division
Description: We will review the reasoning for EO 13650, mandated coordination, roles of each agency, and visions for the future.

4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Open Discussion

Panelists: All speakers of this Specialty Seminar.

Description: Discussion/questions regarding any of the presented materials.

Radiological Officer and PaRAP Specialty Seminars

Radiological Officer and PaRAP Track will be held in the Seasons 1 & 2 Rooms.

8:00 – 8:15 a.m.

Opening Comments

Speaker: **Victor A. Wilson, Sr.**, *Emergency Management Specialist, Technological Hazards Division, PEMA*

8:15 - 9:15 a.m.

U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Update

Speaker: **Mark Linsley**, *Regional Contract Coordinator, Technical Resources Group, Inc., U.S. DOE*

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

Northeast High Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Program

Speaker: **Uldis Vanags**, *Project Director, Council of State Government/Eastern Region Group*

10:50 - 11:50 a.m.

Bureau of Radiation Protection (BRP) Update

Speaker: **Dwight Shearer**, *Radiation Protection Program Manager, Department of Radiation Protection, Bureau of Radiation Protection*

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

LUNCH

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

State Radiological Training and MS-1 Program Update

Speaker: **Victor A. Wilson, Sr.**, *Emergency Management Specialist, Technological Hazards Division, PEMA*

1:30 – 2:10 p.m.

Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP) Update

Speaker: **Bernice W. Zaidel**, *Assistant Director of Curriculum Development Evaluation, CDP*

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

PM Break

2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Update

Speaker: **Marcos Aquino**, *Regional Radiation Program Manager, Air Protection Division, U.S. EPA Region III*

3:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Summary of the RODEO Full Scale Exercise (FSE) After Action Report (AAR)

Speaker: **Mark Linsley**, *Regional Contract Coordinator, Technical Resources Group, Inc., U.S. DOE*

Description: A summary of the 2015 RODEO FSE AAR will be discussed. Topics will include strengths and weaknesses identified, and proposed plans to enhance radiological response capabilities within the Commonwealth.

VOAD Specialty Seminar

VOAD Track will be held in Dogwood Room.

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Background Check Legislation

Speaker: *Karl Jones, Disaster Response Coordinator, Disaster Ministries, United Church of Christ, Pennsylvania Southeast Conference*

Description: Protecting Pennsylvania's children from abuse and neglect is a shared responsibility. Recently, 24 pieces of legislation were enacted, changing how Pennsylvania responds to child abuse. These changes significantly impact the reporting, investigation, assessment, prosecution and judicial handling of child abuse and neglect cases. They also dictate which of our agency volunteers need background checks. This session will provide guidance on determining who is responsible for a child's welfare or who has direct volunteer contact with children.

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Brethren Children's Disaster Services

Speaker: *John Vernon Surr, Volunteer, Brethren Children's Disaster Services*

Description: Brethren Children's Disaster Services provides free child care by trained and screened volunteers at FEMA and American Red Cross Service centers and shelters following disasters. The presentation describes the services and how one might connect and request them.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

American Red Cross – Multi-Agency Response Center (MARC)

Speaker: *Emily Fortman, Disaster State Relations Director, American Red Cross, Mid-Atlantic – PA, MD, DE, DC Division*

Description: This session will provide an overview of MARCs, including typical services offered, concept of operations and partner coordination, tips for promoting MARCs and best practices in engaging the whole community to ensure services are accessible and available to all disaster-affected clients. The presentation will also include an update on Red Cross Recovery services, as well as brief overviews of Family Assistance Centers and FEMA Disaster Recover Centers, and how they differ and complement services offered at MARCs.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Disaster Spiritual Care Network

Speakers: *Rev. Thomas Kadel, D.Min., Lutheran Disaster Response* and *Lucille Underwood, Allegheny County Department of Human Services*

Description: This session will introduce the Pennsylvania Disaster Spiritual Care Network. It will also offer an introduction to Disaster Spiritual Care, its credentialing standards, and how this service can assist persons who have experienced natural or human-caused disaster. Deployment procedures will be reviewed.

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

PM Break

2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Community Response to Local Traumatic Events – Lessons from the Pastoral Response to Community Crisis

Speakers: **Father William Lechnar**, *Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent*; **Dr. Ralph May**, *Chief Clinical Officer, Community Guidance Center for Indiana County Area*; and **Lorri Vandermark**, *OMHSAS Contractor/Trainer, PaDHS, Office of Mental Health and Substance*

Description: The purpose of this workshop is to teach the Emergency Response System in the context of mental and spiritual impacts of community trauma as related through the personal experience of Father William Lechnar, the Pastor of Our Mother of Sorrows Church in Murrysville, Pennsylvania during a mass stabbing incident that reached the level of national recognition. How the response occurred and what was learned from the event will be reviewed. Dr. Ralph May, Chief Clinical Officer of the Community Guidance Center and the Clinical Director of the Indiana County Critical Incident Stress Management Team will discuss the common mental health issues in community reaction to crisis, and how to help facilitate effective response. Ms. Lorri Vandermark will discuss information on resources that are available to counties following various categories of crisis and disaster.

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

PaVOAD Business Meeting

2016 Emergency Management Conference (3 days) Monday, May 16 (Day 1)

Registration will be held in the Stag Pass
Coffee Break will be held outside the Stag Pass.
Morning Ceremony, Continental Breakfast-Style Break, and lunch will be held in the Grand Ballroom.
PM Break will be held in the Seasons Lobby.

7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Registration

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Coffee Break

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast-Style Break

9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Master of Ceremonies and Welcome Remarks

Opening Ceremony – Presentation of the Colors

Presented by: *Civil Air Patrol Pennsylvania Wing Cadet Honor Guard*

Moment of Silence

Somerset County Commissioners' Welcome

Commissioners: *John Vatajuk* and *Gerald Walker*

Director's Welcome

Speaker: *Richard D. Flinn, Jr., PEMA Director*

Keynote Speaker

Speaker: *Dr. Jeffrey Stern, Director, Virginia Department of Emergency Management*



Dr. Jeffrey Stern was appointed in May 2014 to lead the Virginia Department of Emergency Management. He comes to VDEM from leadership positions in emergency management, public safety, and homeland

security, having served in local and federal government, the private sector, and academia. A former firefighter/paramedic and battalion chief, his career spans operational, policy-making, and advisory roles from the local firehouse to the White House. In his first responder career, he developed and led hazardous materials, technical and urban search and rescue, tactical/SWAT medic, and swiftwater rescue teams with fire departments in Virginia, Maryland, and Colorado. He also served in the Arlington County Office of Emergency Management and as the first director of the Northern Virginia Emergency Response System. Dr. Stern helped lead incident management teams to Hurricanes Charley in Florida (2004) and Katrina in New Orleans (2005) and supported medical relief efforts in Haiti and the Dominican Republic after the 2010 earthquake that claimed nearly 300,000 lives.

After Hurricane Katrina, he was selected as a White House Fellow, a non-partisan leadership development program, serving for a year as Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior in the Office of Law Enforcement, Security, and Emergency Management, and was part of a handpicked team assigned to write the president's National Strategy for Homeland Security at the White House Homeland Security Council. He was then appointed by the president as Executive Director of the Homeland Security Advisory Council at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, where he also coordinated all interaction with the Congressional Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation and Terrorism (the Graham-Talent Commission). He received an outstanding service award from the Secretary of Homeland Security for his work. Later, he led the policy analysis division for DHS's federally-funded research development center, the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute, and taught graduate courses at Georgetown University on disaster management, terrorism, and weapons of mass destruction.

Dr. Stern has a Ph.D. in Public Administration/Public Affairs from Virginia Tech's Center for Public Administration and Policy, an MPA from the American University School of Public Affairs, and a B.A. in government from the College of William & Mary. He is a Certified Emergency Manager through the International Association of Emergency Managers and an Executive Fire Officer through the National Fire Academy. Jeff has written and lectured extensively on disaster management, first response, and homeland security; contributed to several after action reports in the aftermath of critical incidents; and authored chapters for the International City/County Management Association's Managing Fire and Emergency Services and the Academy for Critical Incident Analysis' Handbook of Critical Incident Analysis. He serves in advisory roles as a non-resident Senior Fellow with the Stephenson Disaster Management Institute at Louisiana State University, as a member of The InterAgency Board Strategic Planning Group, and as adviser to the Board of Directors of the Committee for Tactical Emergency Casualty Care. He is the chair of the Virginia E-911 Services Board and the State Administrative Agent for all federal homeland security and emergency management grant programs in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

3:00 – 3:30 p.m. PM Break

**1:00 – 5:00 pm. Internet Café
(Walk-In Basis)**

Seasons 3 Room

**5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open – KEMA RECEPTION
Followed by a game of Quizzo at 8:00 p.m.**

Certification Courses

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Chestnut Room

L-197: Integrating Access & Functional Needs into Emergency Planning.
Instructors: **Philip Mattiacci**, *Regional Disability Integration Specialist, FEMA Region III* and **Craig Crosby**, *FEMA Region III*

Prerequisites: IS-230.d and recommends IS-100.b and IS-700.a

(This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Monday and Tuesday to receive a certificate of completion)

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Evergreen Room

G-270.4: Recovery for Disaster: The Local Government Role

Instructors: **Kristopher “Kris” Mattson, MAS, CEM, MEP**, *Emergency Management Program Director, Tetra Tech Inc., Northeast Operations* and **Christopher “Chris” Post**, *Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College*

Prerequisites: None

(This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Monday and Tuesday to receive a certificate of completion)

Description: This course is designed for local disaster recovery teams consisting of emergency managers, city/county administrators, public works directors, building inspectors, and community planners. The course focuses on the roles and responsibilities of each team member, and provides guidance on developing a local disaster recovery plan. Best practices in disaster recovery are summarized in a CD-ROM toolkit included in the course materials. Participants are given the opportunity to develop an outline of their own recovery plan during the course.

1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sunburst Room

G-271: Severe Weather and Flooding Preparedness

Instructors: **Fred McMullen**, *Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Pittsburgh*; **Rodney Smith**, *Senior Forecaster, NWS Pittsburgh*; **Mike D’Angelo**, *Senior Forecaster, NWS State College*; and **Jeff Jumper**, *State Meteorologist, PEMA*

Prerequisites: None

(This is a 16-hour course spread out into three days. Attendee must attend Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday to receive a certificate of completion)

1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Wintergreen Room

Conducting a School Facility Vulnerability Assessment

Speaker: **George J. Giangli**, *Chairperson, Business, Industry & Infrastructure Subcommittee, South Central PA Task Force*

Description: This session describes how schools can develop the skill sets in-house to be able to perform their own facility vulnerability assessments. This is not only cost effective but also retains the institutional knowledge within the organization while providing for consistency among all schools within the district or Intermediate Unit.

Breakout Sessions

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1

Topic 1:
(1:15 – 2:15 p.m.)

Seasons 5 Room

The BSA and Amateur Radio – It's Not What You Think

Speaker: **Don Kunst**, *EMT-P, Tactical, BSIT, ASM T151, W3LNE, SCTF IMT, COMT, ShelterBox Ambassador*

Description: This session will explore the relationship between the BSA and Amateur Radio. This relationship will generate the responders, tele-communicators, planners and leaders for tomorrow's incidents. Learn how you can participate and benefit from this unique partnership and influence the next generation of responders.

Topic 2:
(2:15 – 3:00 p.m.)

Seasons 5 Room

How Amateur Radio was used in Training Exercises at EMI

Speaker: **Sandra Goodman**, *N3ECF, ACS Officer/Emergency Coordinator, York County Office of Emergency Management*

Description: EMI sees value in including amateur radio as a viable method of backup communications and regularly invites states to bring their amateur radio operators with them when taking EOC courses. Part of the course includes a section in which the ACS/RACES participants relay critical information when other methods of communications are failing. This is demonstrated during the exercise portion of the course.

Topic 3:

Hemlock Room

CEM Planner and Resource Inventory Introduction

Panelists: **Shane Woodmancy**, **Erin Megonnell**, and **Kirsten Cohick**, *all Emergency Management Specialists for the Operations Planning Division, PEMA*

Description: This session is being provided for those conference attendees who want to know more about CEM Planner and Resource Inventory or anyone who may have questions. The session will be very informative for those who work with Emergency Operations, Dam, and School Plans.

Topic 4:

Seasons 1 Room

Safety Evaluation and Emergency Response (SEER) Task Force

Speakers: **David R. Daniels**, *PE, LEED AP, SEER Chairperson, Structural Engineers of PA*; **Gregory R. Rogalski**, *PE, Municipal Division Manager, Pennoni*; and **Edward M. Deegan, Jr.**, *PE, Consulting Engineer, Engineering Design & Testing Corporation*

Description: In this session we will detail a program under development in Pennsylvania to make professional engineers and architects available to assist local governments with rapid safety evaluations to determine the usability/habitability of the built environment after a disaster. The proposed program will also develop engineers and architects with advanced knowledge of rapid evaluation and stabilization techniques of damaged structures to assist local fire companies and rescue/technical task forces.

Topic 5:

Seasons 2 Room

Regionalization: What a Local Level PIO Needs to Know When Your Local Event Goes International.

Speaker: **Dr. Duane E. Hagelgans**, *Assistant Professor, Millersville University*

Description: The Nickel Mines Amish School shooting took place on October 2, 2006. The shooting took place in rural Bart Township, which has approximately 1700 residents, most of whom are Amish. Duane Hagelgans had been a local level PIO for the City of Lancaster, Pennsylvania Fire Bureau since 1992, but nothing prepared him for October 2006, and this international media event.

Topic 6:

Dogwood Room

Best Practices-PA Silver Jackets

Speakers: *Stacey Underwood, PA Silver Jackets Co-Chair, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Thomas “Tom” Hughes, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA*

Description: This session will discuss the coordination and collaboration of the federal, state, local and associations working together to resolve flood issues within the Commonwealth via planning, response, recover, protection and mitigation efforts since its inception in 2011.

Topic 7:

Seasons 4 Room

Pennsylvania’s 9-1-1 Overview

Speakers: *Robert “Bob” Mateff, Sr., Deputy Director for 9-1-1; Jeff Boyle, IT Policy Specialist II; and Steve Rodgers, Outreach Specialist, all from 9-1-1, PEMA*

Description: Act 12 of 2015 constitutes a full rewrite of the 9-1-1 Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act. It includes a comprehensive revision of governance and accountability mechanisms, technology references, distribution of fees, and rate of fees. It is intended to recognize that the Commonwealth and counties need not just maintain current systems, but to invest in the future response capabilities based on technologies, as well as citizen and corporate expectations.

Topic 8:

Fox Den

Position Specific Training and Credentialing

Speaker: *Greg Pijar, PA IMT Program Administrator, PEMA*

Description: PEMA’s Training and Exercise Division has sponsored a plan for statewide position specific training. This session will provide an overview of what has occurred in the Commonwealth over the past year, and what lies ahead. Also included in this initiative is the Position Task Book (PTB) credentialing process. A new qualification system has been adopted and is currently in use.

Topic 9:

Snowflake Room

AMTRAK Derailment - **CANCELLED**

Speaker: *Samantha Phillips, Director, Philadelphia County Office of Emergency Management*

Description: AMTRAK train 188 derailed in the city of Philadelphia on Tuesday, May 12, 2015. Philadelphia’s first responders quickly acted to rescue survivors from the accident. Philadelphia OEM will review the event, present best practices and lessons learned for the emergency management discipline.

Topic 10:

Laurel Room

PEMA Training and Certification Re-engineering Initiative

Speakers: *Angel Gillette, CEM, Director, Bureau of Planning and Preparedness and Timothy “Tim” Roth, Acting State Training Officer, both from PEMA*

Description: In an effort to have a better understanding of the emergency management training needs of county and regional partners, we will be holding an open forum to engage stakeholders on the current status of PEMA’s training and certification program. Information gleaned from this discussion will be

used by PEMA to aid in the re-engineering of the Commonwealth's Emergency Management training program. This re-engineering initiative involves the examination and redesign of Commonwealth Emergency Management Training processes and workflows to make all engaged more flexible, responsive, efficient, and effective for all stakeholders. Topics covered include: PEMA's strategy for certification and delivery of G-series courses, leveraged partnerships to improve training and customer service, emerging trends in emergency management learning, creation of the PEMA Training Engagement Ad Hoc Work Group, and an overview of the PEMA Qualification System.

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

PM BREAK

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 2

Topic 1:
(3:30 – 4:30 p.m.)

Amateur Radio Licensing Test Session
Proctors: **Travis Best**, *State ACS Officer, PEMA ACS* and **Douglas Evans**, *Central Area Section Chief, PEMA ACS*

Seasons 5 Room

Description: This session will be a testing session where anyone wishing to earn their Amateur Radio "Technician", "General" or "Extra" Class License can attempt to test for it. The test will be held in accordance with ARRL testing regulations and will be administered by Volunteer Examination Coordinators (VECS). Please come prepared to test.

Topic 2:

Hemlock Room

Preparing For Your Community: Considering Durable Medical Equipment (DME) and Assistive Technology (AT)
Speakers: **Jamie Prioli**, *Program Coordinator, Institute on Disabilities at Temple University* and **Amy Goldman**, *Temple University*
Communication Access Realtime Transcription: **Lorraine Herman**, *Archive Reporting & Captioning Service Inc.*

Description: Disasters can be unpredictable in scope, scale and size. Each disaster presents a unique set of circumstances which require specific planning in order to meet the needs of people with disabilities and persons with access and functional needs. This presentation will identify specific planning considerations and strategies to address the response and recovery needs related to durable medical equipment (DME) and assistive technology (AT).

Topic 3:

Seasons 1 Room

Missing Hunters – Challenges of a 3-Day Search
Speaker: **Kevin Johnson**, *Director, Cameron County Office of Emergency Services*

Description: This session will cover the Search and Rescue effort to find three separately reported lost hunters in Cameron County on Monday, November 30, 2015 with one search lasting over 72 hours and several operational periods involving 28 agencies and over 220 searchers.

Topic 4:

Seasons 2 Room

Volunteer Management for County EMAs

Speaker: **Janet Zeis**, *Volunteer Management Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services*

Description: Building on lessons learned during Hurricane Irene and reinforced by Super Storm Sandy and the 2014 ice storm, the Chester County Department of Emergency Services has been working with the whole community on several innovative programs to help the 500,000 residents better prepare for and in turn recover from a large-scale incident. These include developing a long-term recovery committee without a disaster, hosting a business continuity workshop series for human service organizations, and launching a faith-based initiative. This presentation will also detail the role of the Volunteer Management Coordinator, a position unique to Southeastern Pennsylvania that has been funded by the Regional Task Force since 2011.

Topic 5:

Dogwood Room

Back-up Mobile & Hard-Wired Generation Planning and Selection

Panelists: **Steve Bekanich**, *Director, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA*; **David “Randy” Padfield**, *Director, Special Deployment and Response Office, PEMA*; **Charles J. Infantino**, *Chief, Readiness Office, US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)-Pittsburgh District*; **SMSGt. Tim Sevison**, *PA National Guard*; **Jim Mathis**, *Emergency Management Specialist, FEMA Region III, U.S. Department of Homeland Security*; and **Eric Ridings, P.E.**, *Baker International*

Description: This session will identify alternatives for emergency/back-up power generation for critical facilities and infrastructure. Panelists will discuss the following issues: Pre-Planning/Power Generation Requirements, Technical Support, Maintenance, Safety/Training and possible funding streams (eligibilities/limitations/cost share).

Topic 6:

Seasons 4 Room

Huntingdon County 9-1-1 EMS Availability System

Speakers: **Joseph “Joe” Thompson**, *ENP, EMT-I, CFC, 9-1-1 Dispatcher/APCO Institute Agency Instructor, Huntingdon County 9-1-1* and **William Corbin**, *Owner, Future Edge Consulting*

Description: Learn about and see live an innovative, locally developed interactive program that allows EMS agencies to report their unit’s status electronically and update the availability of ambulances with the push of a button from a PC, tablet, or smart phone. The 9-1-1 Center and all users can also view the availability of ambulances in real time. Presentations will be a Case Study of the project.

Topic 7:

Fox Den

Organizing and Marketing Your IMT

Speakers: **Greg Pijar**, *PA IMT Program Administrator* and **David Zarnick**, *Emergency Management Specialist, both from Special Deployment and Response Office, PEMA*

Description: This session will describe what it means to organize an Incident Management Team, and how to market your team to potential members and end users.

Topic 8:

Timberstone Room

Title 35 Discussion

Speakers: **Richard D. Flinn, Jr.**, *Director*; **Nicole Bordonaro**, *Chief Counsel*; and **Westburn “Wes” Majors**, *Legislative Liaison 3, all from PEMA*

Topic 9:

Laurel Room

Continuity of Operations-Lessons Learned, Extended Building Closure

Moderator: ***Molly Dougherty**, Director, Continuity of Government, Office of Administration*

Speakers: ***Lloyd Ebright**, Continuity of Operations Program Manager, PA Treasury; **Frank Walkowiak**, Continuity of Operations Program Manager, and **Elizabeth Woods**, Director, Real Estate, both from Department of General Services; and **Brandi Gamble**, Continuity Manager and **Glenn Williams**, Bureau Director, both from Office of Administration*

Description: Emergencies rarely occur as scheduled. So when they do, are you ready? This discussion will focus on lessons learned from four state agencies based on their experience during a recent extended building closure. From notifying employees to figuring out where they will relocate, the presenters will share what they learned and what they are doing to improve their plans and employee readiness.

5:00 – 7:30 p.m.

KEMA Exhibit Hall Open

Followed by a game of Quizzo at 8:00 p.m.

7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

PEMA Director's Meet & Greet with EMCs & 9-1-1 Coordinators
(Invitation Only)

2016 Emergency Management Conference

Tuesday, May 17 (Day 2)

Registration will be held in the Stag Pass
Coffee Break will be held outside of the Stag Pass.
Continental Breakfast-Style Break and PM Break will be held in the Exhibit Hall.
Lunch will be held in the Grand Ballroom.
KEMA-Sponsored Dinner will be held in the Grand Ballroom.

7:00 – 4:30 p.m.	Registration
7:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Coffee Break
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 pm. Seasons 3 Room	Internet Café (Walk-In Basis)
10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	KEMA Exhibit Hall Open
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast-Style Break
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch Awards Ceremony and Meet and Greet with the PEMA Director
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	PM Break
4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Seasons 3 Room	BVPS Dress Rehearsal (Observation Capabilities Only)
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.	KEMA-Sponsored Dinner

Certification Courses & Outdoor Display Demonstration

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Chestnut Room	L-197: Integrating Access & Functional Needs into Emergency Planning. <u>Instructors:</u> Philip Mattiacci , <i>Regional Disability Integration Specialist, FEMA Region III</i> and Craig Crosby , <i>FEMA Region III</i> <u>Prerequisites:</u> IS-230.d and recommends IS-100.b and IS-700.a (This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Monday and Tuesday to receive a certificate of completion)
--	---

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Evergreen Room

G-270.4: Recovery for Disaster: The Local Government Role

Instructors: **Kristopher “Kris” Mattson, MAS, CEM, MEP**, Emergency Management Program Director, Tetra Tech Inc., Northeast Operations and **Christopher “Chris” Post**, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College

Prerequisites: None

(This is a 16-hour course. Attendee must attend Monday and Tuesday to receive a certificate of completion)

Description: This course is designed for local disaster recovery teams consisting of emergency managers, city/county administrators, public works directors, building inspectors, and community planners. The course focuses on the roles and responsibilities of each team member, and provides guidance on developing a local disaster recovery plan. Participants are given the opportunity to develop an outline of their own recovery plan during the course.

8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Sunburst Room

G-271: Severe Weather and Flooding Preparedness

Instructors: **Fred McMullen**, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Pittsburgh; **Rodney Smith**, Senior Forecaster, NWS Pittsburgh; **Mike D’Angelo**, Senior Forecaster, NWS State College; and **Jeff Jumper**, State Meteorologist, PEMA

Prerequisites: None

(This is a 16-hour course spread out into three days. Attendee must attend Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday to receive a certificate of completion)

8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Seasons 5 Room

NENA-Next Generation Employees for the Next Generation PSAP

Instructor: **Nancy Banks, ENP, RPL**, National Emergency Number Association (NENA) Instructor

Description: As PSAPs prepare for next generation technology, they must also prepare for next generation telecommunicators. Although the ability to utilize cell phones, text messaging, and the Internet have created a new breed of worker who is comfortable with technology, challenges may arise when trying to communicate with these Generation Y-ers (born 1981-2000). By preparing for them and the Millennials (born after 2000), we can determine how they will affect the inter-employee dynamic within the PSAP.

8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Snowflake Room

Developing Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) for Schools (K-12) 101 Train the Trainer (TtT)

Instructors: **Steven McElroy**, Director, Safety and Security for Columbus City Schools; **Akshay Jakatdar, M.A.**, Director of Technical Assistance, REMS TA Center; and **Jacquelyn León, MPH, CHES**, New Jersey Department of Education

Description: This on-site, 8-hour training presents important Federal guidance on school emergency management planning. With this training, an expert team will train potential master trainers on the recommended six step planning process to create a high-quality school EOP.

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Seasons 1 Room

Addressing Assistive (AT) and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) Needs Tabletop Exercise

Instructors: **Jamie Prioli**, Program Coordinator, Institute on Disabilities at Temple University and **Amy Goldman**, Temple University

Communication Access Realtime Transcription: **Lorraine Herman**, Archive Reporting & Captioning Service Inc.

Description: The purpose of this Tabletop Exercise (TTX) is to provide participants with an opportunity to evaluate current response concepts, plans, and capabilities with regard to outreach and service provision to people with access and functional needs. The TTX will evaluate plans and procedures to address these needs, including access to assistive technology (AT) and durable medical equipment (DME).

9:00a.m.-11:30 a.m. US&R Equipment Show and Tell Demonstration
(Conference-Side Parking Lot)

1:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. US&R Equipment Show and Tell Demonstration
(Conference-Side Parking Lot)

Breakout Sessions

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1

Topic 1:

Hemlock Room

Community Response to Traumatic Events – Lessons from the Pastoral Response to Community Crisis

Speakers: **Father William Lechnar**, *Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent;* **Dr. Ralph May**, *Chief Clinical Officer, Community Guidance Center for Indiana County Area;* and **Lorri Vandermark**, *OMHSAS Contractor/Trainer, PaDHS Office of Mental Health & Substance*

Description: The purpose of this workshop is to teach the Emergency Response System in the mental and spiritual impacts of community trauma and the personal experience of Father William Lechnar, the Pastor of Our Mother of Sorrows Church in Murrysville, Pennsylvania during a mass stabbing incident that reached the level of National recognition. How the response occurred and what was learned from the event will be reviewed. Dr. Ralph May, Chief Clinical Officer of the Community Guidance Center and the Clinical Director of the Indiana County Critical Incident Stress Management Team will discuss the common mental health issues in community reaction to crisis, and how to help facilitate effective response. Ms. Vandermark will discuss information on resources that are available to Counties following various categories of crisis and disaster.

Topic 2:

Seasons 4 Room

The Trials, Tribulations and Success of a Growing CERT Program

Speaker: **Dale Robinson**, *EMA Coordinator, Erie County Department of Public Safety*

Description: Rome wasn't built in a day and neither is a great Community Emergency Response Team program. Find out how Erie County tried, failed, tried again to succeed in forming a very robust CERT team that has strengthened Erie County's response and recovery capabilities.

Topic 3:

Dogwood Room

Ramping Up Floodplain Management

Speakers: **John Squerciati, PE, CFM**, Senior Associate, Dewberry; **Cathleen Atchison**, Dewberry; **Thomas Young, CPCU**, Manager, FEMA Region I; and **Frances “Fran” McJunkin, CFM**, Deputy Director for Planning & Community Development, GIS Assessment, Lycoming County Department of Public Safety

Description: Many communities have decades of Floodplain (FP) Management programs – what’s next? How do you re-invigorate your program to match the changes/needs of the community? Come learn about a recently completed study that quantified the benefits of adopting higher FP management (FPM) standards, as well as community toolkits developed to improve flood response and FPM. These tools can help you take the next step in FPM. By the conclusion of the session, attendees will understand floodplain management losses avoided study, will receive information on flood response and the FEMA Community Rating System tool kits, and be more aware of flood planning and exercise opportunities.

Topic 4:

Timberstone Room

Zen and the Art of Incident Management

Speaker: **Captain Scott Bowman**, Pennsylvania Department of Corrections

Description: Incident Management Teams are prepared to handle almost anything, but how do we successfully integrate with agencies in the midst of crisis? “Zen and the Art of Incident Management” focuses on establishing and maintaining relationships with host agencies and support staff when an IMT is called to assist in major incidents.

Topic 5:

Seasons 2 Room

Building a Collaborative Community Approach to Critical Incidents

Speakers: **Ryan Hay, PHRN**, Director of Emergency Preparedness, Lehigh Valley Health Network; **John Kalynych**, Special Operations Chief, Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management; and **Sgt. Don Sabo, EMT-P**, Police Sergeant & Paramedic, Salisbury Township Police Department

Description: Regional responses to critical incidents nearly always result in a community-wide impact. This session will delve into the community partnerships Lehigh County Special Operations, Lehigh Valley Health Network, and Salisbury Township Police Department have developed in ensuring a "whole-community" approach to critical incident management. The presenters will cite specific case studies where collaboration with organizations such as CART, CERT, local police, regional healthcare systems, federal partners, VOADs, and other agencies has resulted in successful incident management.

Topic 6:

(9:00 – 10:00 a.m.)

Wintergreen Room

If It's Free, It's For Me

Speaker: **Christopher “Chris” Post**, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College

Description: Explore the free or low cost applications that can be very useful for emergency managers. This course looks at all things free and how the emergency manager can use technology in their day-to-day operations without breaking the bank. Bring a blank thumb drive to the class if you want to get the mentioned programs from the instructor.

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast-Style Break

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

Topic 1:

Seasons 4 Room

Lessons Learned – Building Fire

Speaker: **Eugene “Gene” Essex**, Director, Continuity of Government, Wisconsin Department of Administration

Description: If you were told that a state building was on fire, would you know what to do? In 2014, the State of Wisconsin experienced one of the largest continuity events in their recent history. This session will cover the Who, What, Where, and Whys of a multi-agency complex continuity recovery event.

Topic 2:

Dogwood Room

Town and Gown Preparing Together: Disaster Resistant Communities and Universities

Panelists: **Ernest Szabo**, State Hazard Mitigation Planner, BORM, PEMA; **Thomas “Tom” Hughes**, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, BORM, PEMA; **Stephen Helms**, Director, Office of Environmental Health and Safety, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania; **Sarah Bowman**, AICP/PP, CFM, Director, Planning & Environmental Services, Michael Baker International; **Dr. Sepi Yalda**, Professor of Meteorology, Director, Center for Disaster Research and Education Coordinator, Millersville University, Master of Science in Emergency Management Program; and **Matthew “Matt” McCullough**, Community Planner, FEMA Region III

Description: Panelists will present and discuss the issues related to integrating universities into local mitigation plans. We will discuss the impact of hazards upon campus, students and staff, the ability of institutions to mitigate impact in surrounding community, use of campus facilities as mega-shelters, staff and student talent for HM planning. We will also discuss challenges of coordinating funding and authorities.

Topic 3:

Fox Den

IPAWS Overview

Speaker: **Mark A. Lucero**, CISSP, Chief IPAWS Engineering, FEMA National Continuity Programs

Description: The FEMA Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) provide emergency managers with the ability to send public alerts via Emergency Alert System, Wireless Emergency Alerts, and other methods. This session will cover the system, how it works, and how you can apply to use the system.

Topic 4:

Timberstone Room

Central Virginia All Hazards IMT Helps Coordinate Massive Search for Hannah Graham

Speaker: **Lee Williams**, Acting Chief, Incident Management Programs, Virginia Department of Emergency Management

Description: On September 14, 2014, a University of Virginia student was reported missing to the Charlottesville, Virginia Police Department. This started out as a routine missing student case but quickly developed into a massive search when foul play was suspected. The Central Virginia All Hazards Incident Management Team was requested by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management to help manage what eventually became the largest coordinated search ever conducted in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Topic 5:

Seasons 2 Room

Emergency Management and Social Media

Speakers: **Amy Amer**, *Community Outreach Coordinator, Chester County Department of Emergency Services* and **Karin Williams**, *Director, Phoenixville Office of Emergency Management*

Description: This training will cover the coordination of social media efforts between local EMCs and the county, discussion on the various social media outlets, best practices to obtain creditable information, and a question and answer session.

Topic 6:

(10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)

Hemlock Room

CEM Planner Module I

Instructors: **Shane Woodmancy**, **Erin Megonnell**, and **Kirsten Cohick**, *all Emergency Management Specialists for the Operations Planning Division, PEMA*

Description: This session is the first of three that comprise the P-236 Comprehensive Emergency Management Planner. This session will cover the following topics: Account Creation, Computer Setup, Universal User Tools and Express Plan & Copy/Paste Plan Creation.

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

LUNCH

Awards Ceremony and Meet and Greet with the PEMA Director

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSION 3

Topic 1:

Seasons 4 Room

DMAT: How Pennsylvanians are Making a Difference

Speaker: **Knox T. Walk, BS, CEM, EMT-P**, *Director, Business Continuity and Preparedness Operations, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC)*

Description: Disasters occur at any time and will hit any place. For the past 15+ years, the public health/healthcare infrastructure in Pennsylvania has been dramatically improved. EMCs have plans for the high probability events based on a 5 and/or a 25 year cycle. What happens when the 100 year event occurs early? What would happen if your community hospital is leveled by a tornado? What is your local or county plan to provide healthcare? This presentation will provide an overview of the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS), the system's capabilities, and how Pennsylvanians have responded.

Topic 2:

Seasons 1 Room

Weather Hazards and Forecasting Challenges Across the Commonwealth Panel Discussion

Panelists: **Barbara Watson**, *Meteorologist-in-Charge, NWS State College;* **Pete Jung**, *Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS State College;* **Dr. John Scala**, *Consulting Meteorologist & WGAL-TV 8 Meteorologist;* **Joe Murgo**, *WTAJ-TV 10 Chief Meteorologist;* **Fred McMullen**, *Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Pittsburgh;* and **Jeff Jumper**, *State Meteorologist, PEMA*

Description: Annual weather extremes present a variety of hazards to life and property across Pennsylvania. The seasonality of weather can be punctuated by excessive rain, oppressive heat, winter storms and even tornadoes. This session will highlight a few of these unique weather events and expand upon the challenges faced by operational meteorologists when forecasting for the Commonwealth. The session will conclude with a panel discussion attended by meteorologists from across Pennsylvania and moderated by the Meteorologist-in-Charge at the National Weather Service Forecast Office in

State College. The session is designed to be both thought-provoking and interactive. We encourage attendees of the conference to participate.

Topic 3:

Dogwood Room

Non-Structural Hazard Mitigation Techniques & Proper Planning

Speakers: **Caroline Cunningham, AICP,CFM, ABCP**, Senior HM Planner, Stantec Inc.; **Randall Behm, P.E., CFM**, Chair, National Nonstructural Flood Proofing Committee, USACE-Omaha; **John Squerciati, PE, CFM**, Senior Associate, Dewberry; and **Frances “Fran” McJunkin, CFM**, Deputy Director for Planning & Community Development, GIS Assessment, Lycoming County Department of Public Safety

Description: Climate change is a change in the statistical distribution of weather patterns and refers to a change in average weather conditions, or in the time variation of weather around longer-term average conditions. Proper planning for future weather conditions within the floodplain is of the utmost importance to local communities. Planning and Non-Structural Methodologies will be discussed. Lycoming County will discuss a current Mitigation project and partnership with USACE & PA Silver Jackets Team. We will also discuss current building code guidance/recommendations per ASCE 7 & 24 as it pertains to flood resistant design and construction and FEMA application of BCEGS in grants.

Topic 4:

Wintergreen Room

Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, & Threats (SWOT) Analysis

Speaker: **Dale Robinson, EMA Coordinator**, Erie County Department of Public Safety

Description: Learn how to use this simple but very effective process for your organization or project. The SWOT analysis has been used by many businesses and effective leaders for decades and can be of immense value when applied within public safety.

Topic 5:

Timberstone Room

The Good, The Bad, The Great: IMT & EOC Coordination on the September 2013 Floods

Speaker: **Amy Danzl, MPA, CEM**, Deputy Director, Boulder Office of Emergency Management

Description: The 2013 Floods in Colorado claimed lives, but many more were saved by the rapid and effective response. Amy will share those stories and also the experiences that reshaped the way the EOC and IMTs will interface in Boulder. Expect to hear real-world take-aways to apply in your own jurisdiction regarding the unique funding and authorities associated with a large-scale, all-hazards incident.

Topic 6:

Seasons 2 Room

Risks – Avoid Making a Bad Day Worse

Speaker: **Troy Neville, MS, CEM, CBCP, FO-III, ISO 22301, DRII Certified Instructor**, Center for Disaster Research and Education/Millersville University

Description: Emergency Management, Business Continuity, COOP and Risk Management are all in the bad day business. Causes and contributing factors of bad days can usually be grouped into four broad categories: hidden or ignored risks, incorrect assumptions, risk controls and plans not covering the worst-case, and ineffective incident or crisis management. In this session we will explore real world events to highlight changes that should be incorporated into continuity and response plans to try to avoid making a bad day worse.

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

PM Break

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITY IN THE EXHIBIT HALL

3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSION 4

Topic 1:

Hemlock Room

Resource Inventory Module (CEM Planner)

Instructors: *Shane Woodmancy, Erin Megonnell, and Kirsten Cohick, all Emergency Management Specialists for the Operations Planning Division, PEMA*

Description: This session will show attendees how to utilize the Resource Inventory Module that is part of the CEM Planner. Attendees will be shown how to enter inventory items and how to make themselves a resource by adding skills to their information.

Topic 2:

Seasons 4 Room

Regionalization: The Future of Emergency Management

Speaker: *Dr. Duane E. Hagelgans, Assistant Professor, Millersville University*

Description: Disasters are rising in numbers, while the number of responders is greatly declining; we need to be innovative and creative in our approach to Emergency Management if we are to succeed in the future. This session will speak to how regionalization is currently being used effectively in South Central Pennsylvania, and how local emergency managers are working to solve personnel issues.

Topic 3:

Seasons 1 Room

Pennsylvania National Guard Capabilities Brief

Speakers: *Col. Samuel E. Hayes, J3, Director of Military Support to Civil Authorities, PA National Guard and Maj. Jim O'Shea, PA National Guard*

Description: This presentation will provide an introduction to the Pennsylvania National Guard and its Defense Support to Civil Authorities mission. This will include an overview of National Guard capabilities which include the Homeland Response Force, Civil Support Team, Aviation capabilities, and Transportation capabilities.

Topic 4:

Dogwood Room

Unleashing the Power of Your Project: Hazard Mitigation Application and Implementation Tips

Speakers: *Steve McMaster, Senior Strategy Manager, Ideation Inc.; Nancy Carpenter, FEMA Region III; Kathy Prowant, Grants Manager, Grants Management Division, PEMA; and Thomas "Tom" Hughes, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA*

Description: The session will provide the "how to's" of developing a dynamic application to be reviewed by the State HM Selection Team and to deliver the mitigation action intended. This session will provide lessons learned regarding the successful execution of an awarded grant by ensuring proper elements are identified in the application's development process.

Topic 5:

Wintergreen Room

Education and Training: What's Out There and What Do I Really Need?

Speaker: *Christopher "Chris" Post, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College.*

Description: This course looks at what is available within the Commonwealth for training, what is available free of charge outside of the Commonwealth, and what we really need and how we can promote professionalism and readiness through education.

Topic 6:

Timberstone Room

Pennsylvania IMT Meeting – Current Members and Invited Guests Only

Speaker: **Greg Pijar**, *PA IMT Program Administrator, PEMA*

Description: This session will consist of a formal meeting with current members of PA IMT and invited guests. Topics will include current issues, lessons learned, and organizational continuity. Members attending the conference on behalf of PA IMT will be required to attend this session.

Topic 7:

Seasons 2 Room

FEMA's Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP) – A Progressive Curriculum

Speaker: **Melissa Weida Ventresca, Ed.D.** *Chief, Mission Support Branch, FEMA Emergency Management Institute (EMI)*

Description: FEMA's Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP) continues to strengthen this field in response to the challenging and complex environment through the application of three dynamic Academies throughout FY 2016. EMPP is providing this progressive curriculum to a total of 1,121 active emergency managers to enhance their capabilities and competencies required to progress through this profession.

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

KEMA-Sponsored Dinner

2016 Emergency Management Conference

Wednesday, May 18 (Day 3)

Coffee Break will be held outside the Stag Pass.
Continental Breakfast-Style Break will be held in the Seasons Lobby.

- 7:00 – 9:00 a.m.** **Coffee Break**
- 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.** **Continental Breakfast-Style Break**
- 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm.** **Internet Café**
(Walk-In Basis)
- Seasons 3 Room

Certification Course and Tabletop Exercise

- 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Sunburst Room
- G-271: Severe Weather and Flooding Preparedness
Instructors: *Fred McMullen*, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Pittsburgh; *Rodney Smith*, Senior Forecaster, NWS Pittsburgh; *Mike D'Angelo*, Senior Forecaster, NWS State College; and *Jeff Jumper*, State Meteorologist, PEMA
Prerequisites: None
(This is a 16-hour course spread out into three days. Attendee must attend Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday to receive a certificate of completion)
- 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Wintergreen Room
- G-398.2: Flood Mitigation and Recovery Tabletop Exercise (TTX)
Instructors: *Ernest Szabo*, State Hazard Mitigation Planner and *Thomas "Tom" Hughes*, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, both from Bureau of Recovery and Mitigation, PEMA, as well as *Cathleen Atchison*, Dewberry and *John Squerciati, PE, CFM*, Senior Associate, Dewberry
Prerequisites: None
Description: This four-hour recovery TTX is for local, county government agencies, and school administrators. The flood recovery exercise will present a series of challenges to local governments and school districts relative to what they could possibly face from a catastrophic flooding event. The attendees will have to solve how the group intends to deal with temporary housing issues, building permits, and temporary business locations, as well as short-, intermediate- and long-term recovery issues. The exercise material explains what must be done to plan and prepare the activity.

Breakout Sessions

8:30 – 10:00 a.m.

BREAKOUT SESSION 1

Topic 1:

Chestnut Room

What an Agriculture Subcommittee Can Do For You

Speakers: **Gene Carlson**, *Planning Specialist, SCTF Agriculture Subcommittee* and **Shelly Dehoff**, *Lancaster County Conservation District*

Description: The South Central Task Force Agriculture Subcommittee is a valuable resource to first responders, emergency management coordinators and law enforcement in SC PA. We will explain who we are; accomplishments over the past nine years; how we help coordinate and prepare for agriculturally-related emergencies (livestock, poultry, people, machinery); and our role in EOCs during trainings and real situations.

Topic 2:

Evergreen Room

Anatomy of a Disaster: Communications

Speaker: **Melvin D. Musulin, MS, EMT-P**, *Assistant Director, Valley Ambulance Authority*

Description: All disasters, whether natural or manmade, follow a flow. Looking at how the events unfold, over time, will aid in the response effort. Communications are a critical component to the response, but classic methods are routinely overwhelmed or nonexistent in the affected area. Looking at lessons learned on previous incidents can assist in developing processes for future events.

Topic 3:

Fox Den

FEMA's Qualification System (FQS)

Speaker: **Melissa Weida Ventresca, Ed.D.** *Chief, Mission Support Branch, FEMA Emergency Management Institute (EMI)*

Description: The Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 tasked the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to set standards for credentialing all emergency managers, including the FEMA incident management workforce. The FEMA Qualification System (FQS) was established and implemented to fulfill this requirement.

Topic 4:

Seasons 4 Room

Grants Management

Speaker: **Kathy Prowant**, *Administrative Officer 4, Grants Management Division, PEMA*

Topic 5:

Seasons 1 Room

Weather Hazards and Forecasting Challenges Across the Commonwealth Panel Discussion

Panelists: **Barbara Watson**, *Meteorologist-in-Charge, NWS State College*; **Pete Jung**, *Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS State College*; **Dr. John Scala**, *Consulting Meteorologist & WGAL-TV 8 Meteorologist*; **Joe Murgio**, *WTAJ-TV 10 Chief Meteorologist*; **Fred McMullen**, *Warning Coordination Meteorologist, NWS Pittsburgh*; and **Jeff Jumper**, *State Meteorologist, PEMA*

Description: Annual weather extremes present a variety of hazards to life and property across the state of Pennsylvania. The seasonality of weather can be punctuated by excessive rain, oppressive heat, winter storms and even tornadoes. This session will highlight a few of these unique weather events and

expand upon the challenges faced by operational meteorologists when forecasting for the commonwealth. The session will conclude with a panel discussion attended by meteorologists from across the state and moderated by the Meteorologist-in-Charge at the National Weather Service Forecast Office in State College. The session is designed to be both thought provoking and interactive. We encourage attendees of the conference to participate.

Topic 6:

Snowflake Room

Safety Evaluation and Emergency Response (SEER) Task Force

Speakers: **David R. Daniels, PE, LEED AP, SEER Chairperson, Structural Engineers of PA; Gregory R. Rogalski, PE, Municipal Division Manager, Pennoni; and Edward M. Deegan, Jr., PE, Consulting Engineer, Engineering Design & Testing Corporation**

Description: In this session, we will detail a program under development in Pennsylvania to make professional engineers and architects available to assist local governments with rapid safety evaluations to determine the usability/habitability of the built environment after a disaster. The proposed program will also develop engineers and architects with advanced knowledge of rapid evaluation and stabilization techniques of damaged structures to assist local fire companies and rescue/technical task forces.

Topic 7:

Seasons 2 Room

Public Safety and the Media Interface

Speaker: **Christopher “Chris” Post, Emergency Management Program Manager, Northampton Community College**

Description: This seminar looks at the dynamic relationship between government/public safety and the media during breaking news and disaster situations. We will examine what to expect, how to manage it, and what we can do now to be ready to function as a PIO. We will discuss the dynamics of how emergency services dealing with police, fire, and ambulance personnel might be hesitant of press interaction. We will also cover the legal responsibility of government/PIO when interacting with the press.

Topic 8:

Dogwood Room

9-1-1 Communications and Emergency Management Interface

Speakers: **Matthew Markland, Platoon Commander, Montgomery County Department of Public Safety; Brad Reinert, ENP, Assistant Deputy Director for 9-1-1 Operations, Chester County Department of Emergency Services; William “Billy” Messerschmidt, Technological Hazards Planning Specialist, Montgomery County Department of Public Safety; and John Geib, Technology Specialist, Mission Critical Partners**

Description: In this session, we will discuss leveraging technology and communications tools to improve the Common Operating Picture. Our emphasis is bridging the gap between 9-1-1/Emergency Communications and Emergency Management at the county level. We will discuss best practices and review technology that is currently in operation in Montgomery County.

Topic 9:

Hemlock Room

Using Internet Tools for Instant Mapping

Speakers: **David “Randy” Padfield, Director, Special Deployment and Response Office, PEMA and Gary Brouse, IMT**

Topic 10:

Laurel Room

Building a Collaborative Community Approach to Critical Incidents

Speakers: **Ryan Hay, PHRN**, Director of Emergency Preparedness, Lehigh Valley Health Network; **John Kalynych**, Special Operations Chief, Lehigh County Office of Emergency Management; and **Sgt. Don Sabo, EMT-P**, Police Sergeant & Paramedic, Salisbury Township Police Department

Description: Regional responses to critical incidents nearly always result in a community-wide impact. This session will delve into the community partnerships Lehigh County Special Operations, Lehigh Valley Health Network, and Salisbury Township Police Department have developed in ensuring a "whole-community" approach to critical incident management. The presenters will cite specific case studies where collaboration with organizations such as CART, CERT, local police, regional healthcare systems, federal partners, VOADs, and other agencies has resulted in a successful incident.

Topic 11:

Seasons 5 Room

Update on School Preparedness/Review of Recent School Incidents

Speakers: **William "Bill" Dunlap**, Emergency Management Specialist, Bureau of Strategic Planning, PEMA; **Ben Castillo**, Director, New Jersey Department of Education; **Rick Zwayer II**, Executive Director, Ohio Homeland Security; and **Gennaro Pirinano**

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast-Style Break

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

Topic 1:

Chestnut Room

Pennsylvania National Guard Capabilities Brief

Speakers: **Col. Samuel E. Hayes, J3**, Director of Military Support to Civil Authorities, PA National Guard and **Maj. Jim O'Shea**, PA National Guard

Description: This presentation will provide an introduction to the Pennsylvania National Guard and its Defense Support to Civil Authorities mission. This will include an overview of National Guard capabilities which include the Homeland Response Force, Civil Support Team, Aviation capabilities, and Transportation capabilities.

Topic 2:

Seasons 1 Room

PA Department of Health (PaDOH) Bureau of Public Health Preparedness Update

Speakers: **Jeffrey Backer**, Director, Planning and Operations Division; **Andrew Pickett**, Director, Bureau of Public Health Preparedness; **Joanne Roth**, Public Health Program Manager; and **J. Dianne Brannon-Nordtomme**, Planning and Emergency Response Coordination Manager, all from PaDOH

Description: We will provide several updates from initiatives that involve cross system partners. We are proud of the work the regional Health Care Coalitions has accomplished and will provide an update on the plan to support them with enhanced program options in the future. An overview of the recent planning to respond to Ebola and other novel diseases, as well as a new CDC Medical Countermeasure Program assessment called the Operational Readiness Review, will be provided.

Topic 3:

Seasons 2 Room

The Good, The Bad, The Great: IMT & EOC Coordination on the September 2013 Floods

Speaker: **Amy Danzl, MPA, CEM**, Deputy Director, Boulder Office of Emergency Management

Description: The 2013 Floods in Colorado claimed lives, but many more were saved by the rapid and effective response. Amy will share those stories and also the experiences that reshaped the way the EOC and IMTs will interface in Boulder. Expect to hear real-world take-aways to apply in your own jurisdiction regarding the unique funding and authorities associated with a large-scale, all-hazards incident.

Topic 4:

Seasons 4 Room

Emergency Management and Continuity: Parallel but Intersecting

Speaker: **Anthony Buller**, Regional Continuity Manager, IMAT Blue Team, Team Leader, FEMA Region III

Description: The types of hazards we face in emergency management and the impacts of those hazards are evolving. Now more than ever, we need the Whole Community to stand ready to perform essential functions during disasters of all sorts. As a result, continuity and emergency management intersections are strengthening. This workshop examines the growing intersections and helps attendees identify opportunities to strengthen their own and their organization's readiness to perform essential functions in the face of all hazards.

Topic 5:

Snowflake Room

Task Force Leadership Meeting with Director Flinn

Speaker: **Richard D. Flinn, Jr.**, PEMA Director

Description: An open forum discussion will be held with Task Force leadership and the PEMA Director.

Topic 6:

Fox Den

IPAWS Training

Speaker: **Mark A. Lucero, CISSP**, Chief, IPAWS Engineering, FEMA National Continuity Programs

Description: The FEMA Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) provides emergency managers with the ability to send public alerts via Emergency Alert System, Wireless Emergency Alerts, and other methods. This session will cover the system, how it works, and how you can apply to use the system.

Topic 7:

Dogwood Room

2-1-1 to 9-1-1 and Everything in Between

Speakers: **Kevin Boozel**, Disaster Preparedness and Special Projects Director, PA 2-1-1 SW/UWAC and **Kristen Rotz**, President, United Way of Pennsylvania

Description: 9-1-1 call centers receive many non-emergency calls, including some from people who don't know where else to turn for a health or human service related need. Attend this session to gain an understanding of 2-1-1's role in health and human services information and referral, and how it is currently positioned to serve communities across the state. Hear about coordination between 2-1-1 and 9-1-1 in the southwestern region of PA through memorandums of agreement to facilitate emergency response. Learn more about how other states utilize a partnership between 9-1-1 and 2-1-1 to effectively prepare for and respond to emergencies or disasters, as well as gather data which assists with recovery and clean up.

Topic 8:

Hemlock Room

Incident Management Challenges and Technical Rescue Incidents

Speakers: **David “Randy” Padfield**, Director, Special Deployment and Response Office and **George Stapleton**, Academy Training Services Administrator, PA State Fire Academy

Description: This session will explore the management challenges associated with response to various types of technical rescue incidents using a series of case studies and facilitated discussion. Topics covered will include incident management, hazard recognition and mitigation, rescue versus recovery determination, risk-based decision making, contingency planning, logistical support, and lessons learned.

Topic 9:

Seasons 5 Room

Swiftwater Rescue Assets in the Commonwealth

Speakers: **Scott A. Grahn**, Swiftwater Rescue Instructor Trainer; **Col. Corey L. Britcher**; and **LTC. Larry Furlong**, all from PA Fish and Boat Commission; as well as **MAJ. Michael Girvin**, PA Army National Guard Aviation

Topic 10:

Laurel Room

Family Reunification: Do You Know Your Involvement?

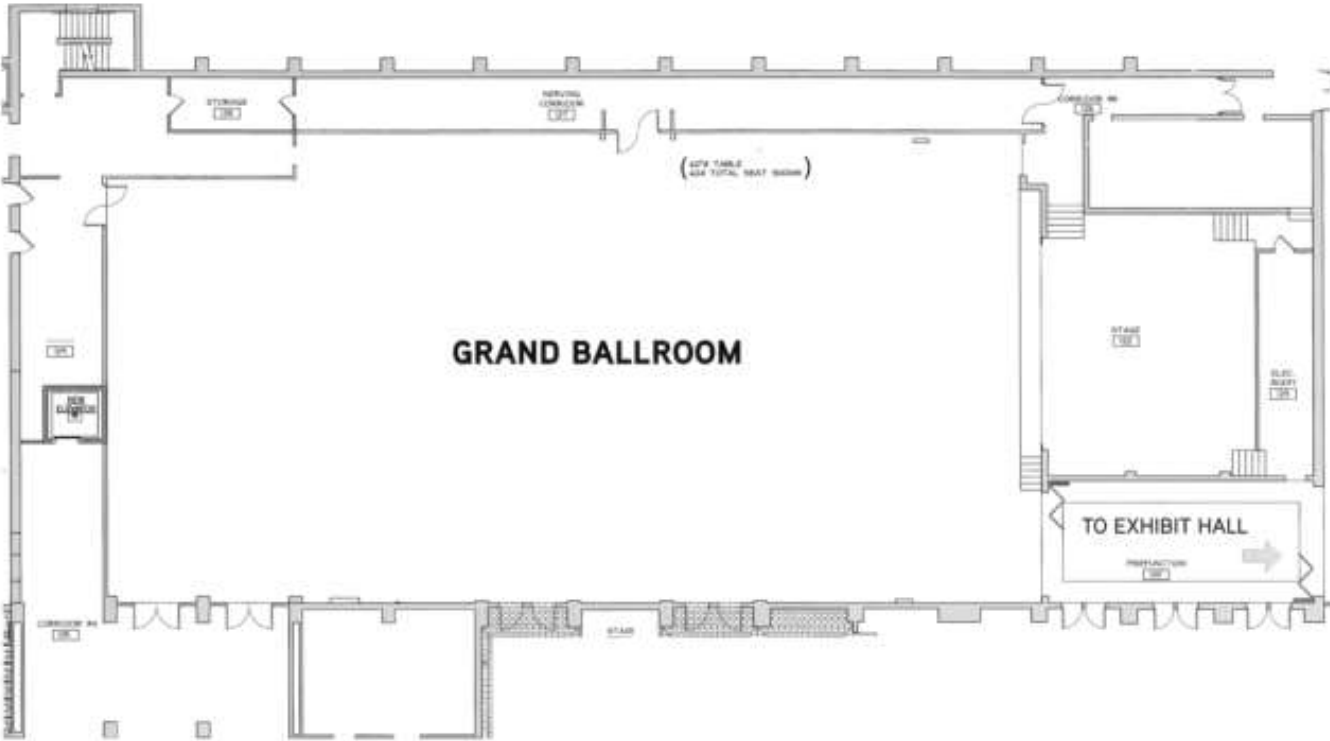
Speakers: **Chrissy DePaolantonio**, Safe Schools Planning Coordinator and **Stacey Songer**, Exercise Design, both from Chester County Department of Emergency Services

Description: As a consequence of emergencies and disasters, family reunification becomes one of the most challenging events to plan for, implement, and accomplish. The Chester County Department of Emergency Services collaborated with several response agencies within the County to develop a guideline.

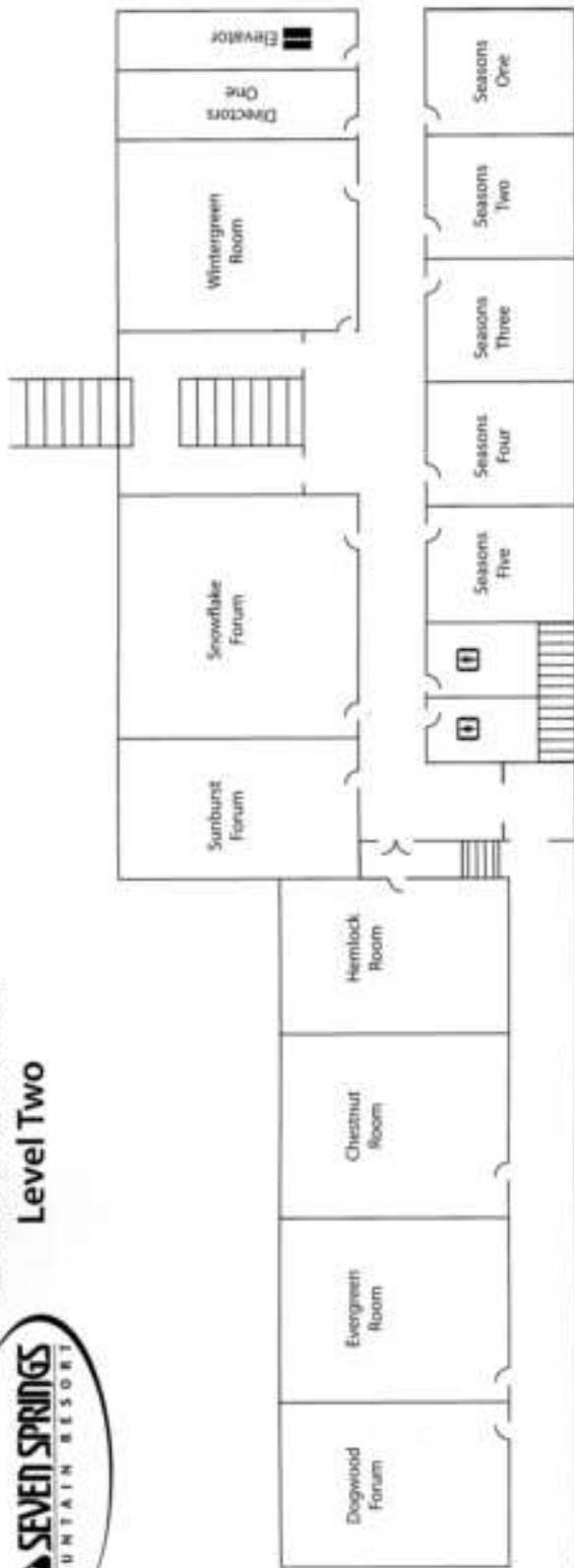
~END OF CONFERENCE~

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION AND HARD WORK THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

CONVENTION CENTER | LEVEL THREE



Conference Center Level Two



Conference Center Level One

