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Ohio Fire Chief's Association Conference Report

Subject: Maxwell Program and Weekend Fire Officer I, II, III Programs

The Maxwell programs are being delivered and have had great success, according to the class evaluations.

Classes completed since last conference were classes at Wooster Township Fire Department in September 2018, Shaker Heights Fire Department in January 2019 and Lakemore Fire Department in February 2019.

We have future classes scheduled in Sharonville Fire Department in September 2019, Trumbull County-Bristol Fire Department in October 2019, and Shaker Heights Fire Department in January 2020.

We had to cancel one class in Ashtabula County, due to registrations being less than the minimum twelve.

We are currently scheduling classes for 2020. We can provide classes in any format to assist the host departments in accomplishing their desires.

The instructors are working on creating an additional program on "Team Building".

I would request that each Director of the OFCA make it a goal to host a Maxwell Class in their district once a year. It has been our experience that once we hold a class in an area, we are requested for a second class within six months.

The Weekend Fire Officer Programs provided a Fire Officer I&II Class hosted by Boardman Fire Department in Mahoning County. Twenty-three students took the class and twenty-two finished the five-month program. The Program started in September 2018 and ended in January 2019.

These weekend programs work for individuals who cannot afford to take two or more weeks off to take the traditional Fire Officer Courses. The classes are one weekend per month which gives flexibility to students in their schedules.

Respectfully,

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