

## PRE-CONFERENCE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

**Pre-Conference Class: Essentials of Chaplaincy** 

Tuesday, August 9 and Wednesday, August 10, 2016

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Location**: Church of the Holy Comforter

473 Furys Ferry Rd, Martinez, GA 30907

**Instructors:** Ronnie Cowart (GSFA Chaplain) and Ricky Thrasher (GA Baptist Convention)

**Class Description:** Have you ever thought about being a fire chaplain? This two day course will provide an introduction to the Fire Chaplaincy including an overview of the duties of this position. This class is the first step in becoming a member of the Fire Chaplain sector of the Georgia State Firefighters Association.

## **Pre-Conference Class: Chief Fire Officer Orientation Day 1**

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Columbia County Fire Rescue HQ – Station #1

3910 Desoto Drive, Martinez, GA

**Instructor:** Jeff Dean (Deputy Chief and Special Programs Section Manager,

Georgia Fire Academy)

Class Description: This program is designed to assist newly appointed Fire Chiefs in development of skills and abilities needed to lead their organizations. The areas discussed will include familiarization with GPSTC and Georgia Fire Academy, responsibilities of the Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council, and the State Fire Marshal's Office. Discussions of agencies and resources at both the State and Federal level that may impact the operation of the fire department will also be included.

While the target audience is Fire Chiefs who have just recently attained that position, any current Fire Chiefs should find this course beneficial and are encouraged to attend.

\* CFO Orientation Day 1 class is a pre-requisite for the GAFC CFO Certification Program.

## **Pre-Conference Class: Rescue Task Force Active Shooter**

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Training Room Old No. 7 Fire Station 2163 Central Avenue, Augusta, GA

**Instructor:** John Ryan (Chief of Training & Special Operations,

Fort Gordon Fire & Emergency Services)

Class Description: This course is designed to define roles, responsibilities, and operational procedures to support a Rescue Task Force response during an active shooter or active threat type event. The course will allow police and fire commanders the opportunity to work in partnership and practice the operational skills sets required to manage this type of an event in a classroom setting. Real world examples, simulations and a tabletop exercise will be utilized to practice the communication, operational skill sets and coordination required to manage the deployment of Rescue Task Forces. We highly recommend that representatives from the police and fire departments covering the same jurisdiction attend together. This is truly a Unified Command operational concept where both departments have to work cohesively.

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**Pre-Conference Class: Fire Attack** 

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Augusta Technical College

Jack B. Patrick IT Center Auditorium, Bldg 1300

3200 Augusta Tech Dr., Augusta, GA

**Instructor:** Curt Isakson (Battalion Chief, Escambia County Fire Rescue)

**Class Description:** This class takes 25 years of going to fires combined with UL testing to come up with a middle ground for fire attack in the future.