

# ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION



**MARCH 2014**

**Special points of interest:**

- \* **Lake Shore VFC—All You Can Eat Breakfast**— Mar 9—8 a.m. til 12 p.m. \$8.00
- \* **Orchard Beach VFD—Luncheon Bingo**—Mar 9—Chicken Pot Pie—Doors open at 9:30 A.M.—Earlybirds at 11:30—Lunch 12:30—Reg game 1:15 P.M. \$20 admission—may purchase extras
- \* **Lake Shore VFC—Vendor Fair / Pit Beef (weather permitting)** — March 15—Sandwiches \$9 or \$10 / fries. Contact Tina at 443-306-1633
- \* **Lake Shore VFC—Quarter Auction** Mar 20—Doors open at 6 P.M. - \$5 gets you 2 paddles—Bring canned good and receive a free paddle!
- \* **Ferndale VFD—Teen Dance** Mar 28—7 P.M. til 10 - Ages 8 to 18—\$5.00—Chaperoned by Ferndale & A.A.County Police—Parents must sign children in and out. Call 410-766-2131 for information
- \* **Deale VFD—Spring Oyster Roast** Mar 29 - 1 P.M. til 5 P.M.— \$35 Menu: Oysters, Raw, Steamed, Fried, Stew, Puffs—Iced tea, lemonade, beer Plus—Several games of chance!
- \* **Maryland City VFD— Basket Bingo** Apr 5—20 regular games—9 cards (\$18), 12 cards(\$21—Reserve early and receive \$3 off admission. Pulltabs, doorprizes, FUN—Doors open at 5 P.M. for dinner. Contact Kim @ 410-533-6542 for info.
- \* **Arundel VFD—Classic Car Show** Apr 5—8 A.M. til 2 P.M.— Registration for car entrants is \$20—Trophies at 1:30 P.M.— 50/50 Raffle

## *Working, Serving, Learning & Growing Together*

**"Welcome" to our new AA County Fire Department Assistant Chief & Chief of Staff—Chief George Morgan and Mr. Carl Lee**



*Anne Arundel County Fire Department Chief of Staff  
Carl Lee*

*L to R: Anne Arundel County Fire Department Assistant Chief George Morgan, Chief Michael Cox, Chief of Staff for AA County Richard "Rook" Rogers, and AACVFA President John C. Spiker Sr.*

**Firefighter & EMT of the Year Awarded !**



Congratulations to Odenton Volunteer Fire Company members Amber Colwell and Bryce Beuerlein for being recognized as the VFW Ft. Meade Memorial Post 5172's EMT and Firefighter of the Year! Amber and Bryce were also selected for the VFW Maryland District 6 level awards and are now being considered at the State level. A job well done! Odenton VFC and Anne Arundel County are lucky to have you on their team!

**Remember to set your clocks ahead ("spring forward") by one hour this Saturday night. The change occurs at 0200, so update them before going to bed!**



**MFRI PUBLIC FIRE & LIFE SAFETY**

**EDUCATOR SEMINAR**

**"Elements of Fire and Life Safety in Your Community"**

**SATURDAY—MARCH 22, 2014**

**0900 HRS.**

**SEATING IS LIMITED!**

**1-800-ASK-MFRI OR REGISTER ONLINE**



**Quote of the Month**

**"You can't know where you're going until you know where you've been."**

*Compiled by Jane Huffman*

**St. Patrick's Day  
BULL & OYSTER ROAST**



EARLEIGH HEIGHTS VOL. FIRE CO.  
161 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD



Sponsored by the  
**Anne Arundel County  
Volunteer Firefighter's Association**

**Saturday, March 15, 2014**

6 P.M. til 11 P.M.  
(Food 6 P.M. til 10 P.M.)

**\$30.00 in advance ~ \$40 at the door**

**Music by: Remembrances DJ**

**MENU by Buddy's Catering**

- Choice Top Round of Beef ~ Virginia Baked Ham
- Baked Turkey Breast ~ Italian Sausage
- Fresh Shucked Oysters on the Half Shell
- Sliced White Parsley Potatoes ~ Whole Kernel Corn
- Cut Green Beans ~ Corned Beef & Cabbage
- Italian Meatballs ~ Gravy ~ Hot dogs
- Oyster Stew / Crackers ~ Assorted Cheese & Veggies
- Assorted Breads and Rolls ~ Dessert
- Coffee ~ Sodas & Beer ~ BYOB



For tickets, contact  
Michelle Bell @ 410-353-7725 or  
John Spiker at 410-218-1814 (SILVERSPIKE2548@AOL.COM)

**Maryland Homeland Security Technology Update**  
(Designed for the following: Law Enforcement and Fire/EMS Chiefs and decision makers, 9-1-1 and communications center directors, public safety communications and IT Professionals, CIOs and CTOs, and GIS Managers.)

The Maryland State Police and the Department of Information Technology have partnered to provide training in Maryland's latest technology advancements in Homeland Security. Discover more about the State's progress with Public Safety technology programs and how they can benefit you. Find out about the latest updates and learn how your agency can get involved.

**Tuesday, April 15, 2014  
8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

**Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), 7201  
Corporate Center Drive  
Hanover, MD 21076**

LINK: <http://homelandmd-central.eventbrite.com>

To register and see the training descriptions, go to the link provided. If you have any questions contact, Karen Fortune at 410-821-2832 or [KFortune@goccp.state.md.us](mailto:KFortune@goccp.state.md.us).



**Great FUN Fundraising Idea held by  
Arnold VFD!**

**The Arnold VFD is a FUN place to hold your child's birthday party! Enjoy the friendly firefighter program, get a chance to spray a real brush truck booster line and have a great visit with Sparky!**

**Contact Chief Randy Hopkins for information at 410-757-2686 or [chief@arnoldvfd.com](mailto:chief@arnoldvfd.com)**





Better yet, why not purchase your new long-life battery smoke alarms today? You would not have to change the batteries for 10 years! After 10 years, you just throw the smoke alarm away and purchase a new one!

Saves on the price of changing the batteries for the next 10 years!



**SAFETY EXPO FOR 50+**  
**Sat. April 12, 2014**  
**10- 3**

**WORKSHOPS OFFERED**

- Safe Mobility for Life
- Working through Hoarding
- How to Protect Yourself Against Fraud
- Safety Awareness for Older Adults
- When to Call for Help (Spanish)
- Physical Activity Class
- Also -
- Car Fit Sign Up—Helping Mature Drivers Find Their Safest Fit
- Johns Hopkins CARES Mobile Safety Center

**• 20 EXHIBITOR TABLES**

- FREE TO 50- INDIVIDUALS
- FREE BOX LUNCH FOR 50+ PARTICIPANTS



Transportation is available if needed. Please RSVP on or before Wed. April 9, 2014 by calling 410.222.4464 x 3018. This service is provided by the Department of Aging and Disabilities. Donations are welcome and appreciated.

ANNE ARUNDEL COMMUNITY COLLEGE—ARNOLD CAMPUS  
 101 COLLEGE PARKWAY—CALT BUILDING—FREE PARKING  
 TO REGISTER PLEASE CALL 410.222.8303

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“ A best friend is like a four leaf clover: hard to find and lucky to have. “



**FIRE BRIGADE PIPES & DRUMS of GREATER BALTIMORE**

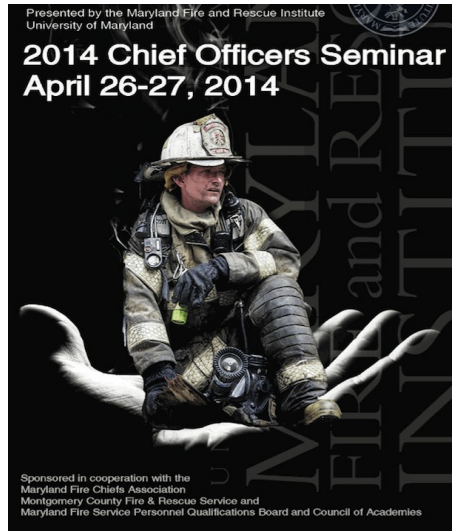
The group will be sponsoring a Coach & Vera Bradley Bingo on Saturday, April 5, 2014 from 5 P.M. til 9 P.M. at the Savage Volunteer Fire Company located at 8521 Corridor Rd, Savage, MD 20763.

The price is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Food and raffles will be sold and the band members will be playing in their kilts! Sounds like a fun time!

Tickets may be acquired by contacting Debbie Richards at 301-471-3355 or Sarah at 202-406-0933.



**"Forward Thinking through Leadership"**



Sponsored in cooperation with the Maryland Fire Chiefs Association, Montgomery County Fire & Rescue Service and Maryland Fire Service Personnel Qualifications Board and Council of Academies

University System of Maryland | Shady Grove Conference Center  
 9640 Gudelsky Drive | Rockville, Maryland

Location:  
 University of Maryland Shady Grove Conference Center  
 9640 Gudelsky Drive  
 Rockville, MD 20850

**RAFFLE**

CHOOSE BETWEEN  
 N5A NEW YORKER or  
 N6A SAM HOUSTON  
 LEATHER HELMET!



Tickets are \$10 each  
 Drawing will be held May 18th at the Carnival.

You may acquire tickets through Webmaster@rbvfc13 or jship@cablespeed.com (Master card and Visa accepted)

**Proceeds benefit the Riviera Beach VFC**

**EMS Care 2014 State Conference**  
**“Building Bridges”**

April 30th — May 4th, 2014  
 held at

Clarion Hotel  
 in Ocean City, MD  
 10100 Coastal Highway  
 Maryland, 21842.



**For More Information**

Contact your MIEMSS Regional Office, or visit the MIEMSS website at [www.miemss.org](http://www.miemss.org), or follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/EMSCare2014!](http://www.facebook.com/EMSCare2014!)

**BULL & OYSTER ROAST**

**Saturday April 5, 2014**  
**6 P.M. til 11 P.M.**

*(Food: 6 to 10 & Music until 11 P.M.)*

**Held at Earleigh Heights Fire Hall**

*(161 Ritchie Highway)*

**\$40 in advance / \$45 door**

**Food by Atlantic Caterers**  
**Music by DJ**



For tickets:

Charlie Carter  
 410-255-3412  
 Moe Reilly  
 410-971-4833

Proceeds benefit:

**Anne Arundel Alarmers**



**AACVFA CONVENTION BOOK UPDATE**

Drop-dead date for **ANYTHING** to go in the AACVFA Convention Book is

**JULY 25, 2014!**

(If your report is not in by July 25th, it will not be included in the annual book.)



Advertisements  
 Officer's Reports  
 Reports of Committees  
 Booster ads, etc.

**NOTE: All Patron ads are to be sent via NOTEPAD format, not EXCEL.**

More information coming..

**“New York City Day Trip”**

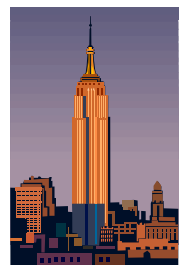
**Saturday April 26, 2014**  
**\$50**

**Bus leaves Glen Burnie @ 6:30 A.M.**  
**Arrives NYC @ 10:30 A.M.**  
**Drops off in Times Square (You are on your own!)**  
**Leaves NYC at 6 P.M.**  
**Return home @ 10 P.M.**

**Call Moe Reilly to reserve a seat!**

410-971-4833  
 Proceeds benefit:

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## Lunch with the Easter Bunny!

*"Here Comes  
Peter Cottontail"*

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**EARLEIGH HEIGHTS VFC**

**Sunday April 6, 2014**

**Noon til 2 P.M.**

**\$5.00 in advance**

**\$8.00 at the door**

**Lunch includes: Hotdog,  
Chips, Drink, and Snack**

**Advance tickets on sale:**

**March 12**

**March 19**

**March 26**

**April 2**

**(6 to 8 P.M. in the Hall)**



**Bring your  
own camera  
or have your  
photo taken  
with the  
Easter Bunny  
for \$3**



**Call 410-437-6013 for info  
or tickets.**

**Proceeds benefit  
Earleigh Heights VFC**

## "The Color Run"



If you want to have a blast while getting healthy, join the team of Dave Lewis—"Odenton Volunteers". Odenton Volunteers will be participating in the Color Run.

The Color Run is an event to promote healthiness and happiness by bringing the community together to participate in the "Happiest 5k on the Planet".

The Color Run is a five-kilometer, un-timed race in which thousands of participants, or "Color Runners", are doused from head to toe in different colors at each kilometer. With only two rules, the idea is easy to follow:

1. Wear white at the starting line
2. Finish plastered in color!

(The color is made from a cornstarch base and is dyed with food-grade dyes. It is even gluten-free!)

The fun continues after Color Runners complete the race with an unforgettable Finish Festival. This larger than life party is equipped with music, dancing and massive color throws, which create millions of vivid color combinations.

See <http://thecolorrun.com/baltimore/2014-04-19/> for information or to register.

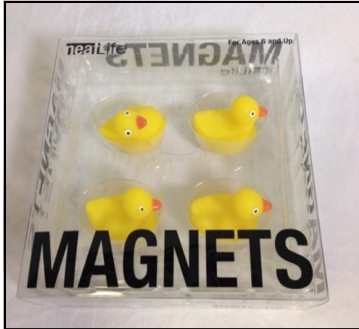
BTW: The photo of the t-shirt wasn't Daves!





UNITED STATES  
CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

# Recalls



**Name of product:** Design Ideas and Neat Life Rubber Ducky Magnets, and Design Ideas Blowfish and Splat Magnets - Sold at Nordstroms Rack Stores, bookstores, & gift shops nationwide—This recall involves

miniature office and refrigerator magnets sold in the shape of a duck, blowfish. A small magnet is affixed to the underside of the brightly colored plastic objects which were sold in sets of four or six.

**Hazard:** The small magnets can easily detach from the product. If swallowed, the magnets can link together inside a child's intestines and clamp onto the body tissues, causing intestinal obstruction, perforation, sepsis, and death. Internal injuries from magnets can pose a lifelong health effect.

## Canon Recalls to Repair PowerShot SX50 HS Digital Cameras

The affected cameras have serial numbers beginning with "69", "70" or "71" and have a "1" as the sixth digit of the serial number.

**Hazard:** A chemical used in the viewfinder on the camera can cause skin or eye irritation or an allergic reaction to the user.

Sold at camera shops, mass merchandise retailers nationwide to include Office Max, Sam's Club, Staples, Target, and Walmart, Amazon.com, Best-Buy.com—October 2013 through January 2014—@\$430.



**CHECK RECALL NOTICES AT [WWW.CPSC.ORG](http://WWW.CPSC.ORG)**



## GET RID OF ALL CORDS! (this includes cords on clothes as well!)

A young child is likely to die this month, strangled by a window covering cord. In recent years, CPSC has recalled millions of window coverings that have cords. Learn more about this hidden hazard and how to keep young children safe. Still, it's imperative that each and every one of us make the window coverings in our homes safe for our families. **Here's how:**

- Examine all shades and blinds in your home. Make sure there are no accessible cords on the front, side, or back of the product. CPSC recommends the use of cordless window coverings in all homes where children live or visit.
- Do not place cribs, beds, and furniture close to the windows because children can climb on them and gain access to the cords.
- Make loose cords inaccessible. If the window covering has looped bead chains or nylon cords, install tension devices to keep the cord taut.