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Welcome to the latest issue of the Chabot College Fire & EMS News! Some of the highlights of this issue include:

- Chabot College Fire Technology Coordinator/Instructor Position Update!
- Summer and Fall 2006 Fire Technology related courses offered at Chabot College!
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- Paramedic program entrance requirements. Also, website links to most of the paramedic programs in the state of California!

CHABOT COLLEGE FIRE TECHNOLOGY **COORDINATOR POSITION UPDATE:**

As many of you are aware, this month is my last month as the Fire Technology Coordinator/Instructor at Chabot College. I took over the position in January 2002 and I have had a blast doing what I have been doing. Time flies quickly, and I have no regrets about taking the position. I have regrets about stepping down, but there comes a point in our career where we have to do what we have to do.

As for my replacement, here is where we are at. In late March, the selection committee met to review applications for the position. Of the seven applications that were received, five were determined to meet the minimum qualifications, enough to participate in the selection process. I was ecstatic to hear those numbers. I say that because when I participated in the selection process, there were only two of us. Two people to pick from does not give a selection committee much to pick from. My hope was that we would have at least five people to select from, and I am glad we met that goal. Besides the application screening process we used to determine if they met our minimum qualifications, we also put them through an oral interview and a teaching demonstration. From there, a lucky select few will proceed to another interview with the President and Vice President of the College, as well as a few other individuals. The College President will then select the person, who will take my position starting

next semester. I plan to assist my replacement with getting them up to speed with my position and I hope to leave everything in a turn-key position for them.

What does this mean for you, in regards to my activities?

- I do not plan to fade away.
- I plan to continue teaching my Fire Technology 50 (Introduction to Fire Protection Organization) class on Monday mornings.
- I plan to continue maintaining your website – www.chabotfire.com (if my replacement does not want me to provide this service for them, I still plan to have my own website as a resource for you – the future or current firefighter).
- I plan to continue publishing this newsletter, the Chabot College Fire & EMS News. The name may or may not change, depending on various circumstances. The content should stay the same.
- I plan to continue assisting people with reaching the career of their dreams. Even though I will not have the same office phone number, I will still have the same cellular phone number and the same email addresses.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CHABOT COLLEGE:

The Chabot College Fire Technology & EMS Program is in need of some assistance!

On Saturday May 6, 2006, from 0800 to about 1700 hours, we will be needing volunteer patients and volunteer EMTs to assist with skills testing.

What I can offer you is Continuing Education (up to 8 hours) for your participation, and a great chance to get involved, stay up to date with your EMS skills, and learn more about the EMS and fire service.

If you are interested, please email me at sprziborowski@chabotcollege.edu to let me know of your desire, letting me know what level of EMS certification you have (EMT, paramedic, CPR instructor, future EMT, etc) so we can plug you into the most appropriate position.

Class will be held in room 3102 (building 3100) at Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, CA 94545.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance, and your support of our programs!

NEW FIREFIGHTER 1 ACADEMY PREREQUISITE EFFECTIVE SPRING 2007:

Effective Spring 2007, there is going to be one additional prerequisite class to get into the Firefighter 1 Academy – Fire Technology 89. Once we get this class up and running, this class is scheduled to be

offered once in the spring and once in the fall (maybe more), and will be 16 hours in length. The purpose of this class is to evaluate your potential for success in the firefighter 1 academy. For the fall 2005 semester, we started with about 36 students and graduated 15. The spring 2006 semester had better success rates, with 24 students completing the academy (out of about 38 that had started). The average graduation rate is about 20 students. While I don't expect those numbers to get into the 30's, I do think we can get those numbers into the mid 20's on a consistent basis.

Some of the biggest reasons students are failing include:

- Not maintaining an 80% average on all quizzes
- Not being able to perform the physical fitness requirements
- Not being able to successfully perform many of the hand-eye coordination skills (tying knots, raising and maneuvering ladders, not being able to perform under pressure or stress, etc.).

Some miscellaneous items about this new class:

- This will be a credit/no-credit class that can be repeated until success is obtained.
- You must successfully pass this class **PRIOR** to entering the academy.
- The class will be offered on Tuesday evening from 1700 to 2100 hours, Thursday evening from 1700 to 2100 hours, and on Saturday from 0800 to 1700 hours for a total of 16 hours in one week.
- The tentative plan beginning spring 2007 is to have Fire Technology 89 be the first week of the semester (January 16, 18 and 20). Weeks two through five of the academy/semester will be Fire Technology 90A, weeks six through nine will be Fire Technology 90B, weeks ten through thirteen will be Fire Technology 90C and weeks fourteen through eighteen of the semester will be Fire Technology 91A, 91B and 91C.
- If everything goes according to plan the first week of the semester (spring and fall) will always be Fire Technology 89. There may be one or two additional offerings at other points of the school year if there is the need.
- For additional updates about Fire Technology 89 and the firefighter 1 academy itself, go to www.chabotfire.com and click on FIREFIGHTER 1 CERTIFICATION AND ACADEMY INFORMATION. When I have new information, I will post it there.
- Do not, I repeat do not, ask us if you can challenge this class or have this class waived. Not to burst your bubble, but nobody is that good or that prepared to jump right in and smoke this class. If you are as prepared as you think you are, then this class should be a breeze (I know, famous last words).
- While final details are still being worked out regarding this class, the basic premise is that you will have to pass a written test with a score of at least 80%. This written test will contain questions from all of the prerequisite classes to get into the Firefighter 1 Academy:
 - Health 81 (EMT)
 - Fire Technology 50
 - Fire Technology 51
 - Fire Technology 52

Additionally, students will be evaluated on how well they follow instructions, and how well they can do basic skills necessary to succeed in the academy. This will also be the time when we provide an orientation on the academy.

Dates Fire Technology 89 will be offered:

- The immediate, tentative plan is to offer it once in October and once in December, so we can get a sufficient student base for the spring 2007 academy. It will also be offered in the spring, during the first week of school. From then on, the plan is to have it the first week of the spring and the fall semester, and maybe one time during either of those semesters or the summer semester, depending on need and demand.
- If you want to enroll in the spring 2007 Firefighter 1 Academy at Chabot College, you will need to have completed Fire Technology 89 during one of the following sessions:
 - **October 17, 2006** (Tuesday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **October 19, 2006** (Thursday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **and October 21, 2006** (Saturday: 0800 to 1700 hours). Must attend all three sessions.
 - **December 5, 2006** (Tuesday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **December 7, 2006** (Thursday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **and December 9, 2006** (Saturday: 0800 to 1700 hours). Must attend all three sessions.
 - **January 16, 2007** (Tuesday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **January 18, 2007** (Thursday: 1700 to 2100 hours), **and January 20, 2007** (Saturday: 0800 to 1700 hours). Must attend all three sessions.

Although not required as a prerequisite, you are highly encouraged to complete the following classes prior to the start of the Firefighter 1 Academy:

- Successful completion of the **Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT)** - go to www.cpatonline.org for more information. The CPAT doesn't guarantee you will pass the academy, but it will demonstrate that you have basic skills necessary to enter the academy. Also, more and more fire departments are requiring you to have your CPAT just to apply for their department. Most departments accept a CPAT card that is no older than one year old.
- Successful completion of the **Physical Education Fire Science Conditioning class at Chabot College (PE2FSC)**. This class is focused on the academy and has the students use many of the tools that are utilized in the academy and tend to give students the most problems.

WHAT IS NEW AT WWW.CHABOTFIRE.COM?

I have recently added some new sections to the www.chabotfire.com website, specific to assisting current firefighters with preparing for promotional examinations. Some of the valuable information includes:

- **Promotional Seminars and Assistance:** listing of website links to numerous resources to help prepare for your promotional examination.
- **Promotional Process Components:** An overview of the different phases of the promotional process, including tips for success in each phase.
- **Training Opportunities:** websites and resources for finding training opportunities.
- **So, You Want To Promote In The Fire Service? General Guidelines To Assist You In Getting Promoted In The Fire Service:** A great starting point to provide yourself with an overview of the promotional process, including what it takes to get promoted and what you need to do to prepare yourself.

- More information will be added as I think of it and I have the time to do so.

FIREFIGHTING WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

A great website resource to share, for anyone having trouble tying knots (most people have trouble using rope and tying knots), courtesy of my good friend Captain Aaron Lowe of the Chico Fire Department. When you are in a recruit academy or firefighter academy, you are expected to use ropes and knots on a regular basis. Inability to use ropes and tie knots in an efficient and expeditious manner is a problem we see every semester at the college firefighter 1 academy and at the fire department. Go to www.animatedknots.com to see this excellent resource that will show you step-by-step how to tie numerous knots, more than the fire department will ever expect you to know.

While on the subject of great websites, also check out www.howstuffworks.com to increase your mechanical ability knowledge. Most candidates today DO NOT have the level of mechanical ability knowledge, skills and abilities to hit the ground running as a firefighter. That is not meant negatively, it is just a fact. Do what you can to increase your level of understanding of mechanical ability, and this is one way to do so.

SUMMER 2006 FIRE TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULE

Presently, the following fire-technology related courses are scheduled to be offered this summer:

COURSE	DAY	TIMES
FT 95 (Work Experience) **Must also be registered in FT 96	TBA	TBA
FT 96 (Work Experience Seminar) **Must also be registered in FT 95 Note: Class only meets on the following dates: June 15, 22, 29, July 27, and August 3	Thursday (pm)	1800 – 2150 hours
Health 61 (EMS First Responder)	Mondays (am) & Wednesdays (am)	0900 – 1400 hours

Registration for the summer 2006 semester will begin as follows:

- **Continuing Students** - May 1, 2006
- **Chabot Early Decision Students** - May 13, 2006
- **New and Former Students** - May 17, 2006

NOTE: The above information is to the best of my knowledge as of the time this went to print. For the most up-to-date information (including room numbers & registration numbers) regarding Summer 2006 scheduling, check the Chabot College web site at www.chabotcollege.org

FALL 2006 FIRE TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULE

Registration for the Fall 2006 semester will begin as follows:

- Continuing Students - May 1, 2006
- Chabot Early Decision Students - May 13, 2006
- New and Former Students - May 17, 2006

Presently, the following fire-technology related courses are going to be offered this Fall:

COURSE	DAY	TIMES
FT 50 (Fire Protection Organization)	Monday (am)	0800 – 1150 hours
FT 50 (Fire Protection Organization)	Monday (pm)	1800 – 2150 hours
FT 51 (Fire Operations)	Tuesday (pm)	1800 – 2050 hours
FT 52 (Firefighter Safety/Public Education 1)	Tuesday (am)	0900 – 1150 hours
FT 52 (Firefighter Safety/Public Education 1)	Wednesday (pm)	1800 – 2050 hours
FT 53 (Fire Behavior & Combustion)	Wednesday (pm)	1600 – 1850 hours
FT 54 (Fire Prevention Technology)	Thursday (pm)	1900 – 2150 hours
FT 56 (Building Construction for Fire Protection)	Wednesday (pm)	1900 – 2150 hours
FT 89 (Firefighter 1 Academy evaluation) Note: Class only meets on the following dates: - October 17, 19 and 21 - December 5, 7 and 9	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day)	1700 – 2050 hours 0800 – 1650 hours
FT 90A (Firefighter 1 Academy) **Must also be registered in FT 90B and 90C**	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day)	1700 – 2050 hours 0830 – 1650 hours
FT 90B (Firefighter 1 Academy) **Must also be registered in FT 90A and 90C**	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day)	1700 – 2050 hours 0830 – 1650 hours
FT 90C (Firefighter 1 Academy) **Must also be registered in FT 90A and 90B**	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day)	1800 – 2150 hours 0830 – 1650 hours
FT 91A (Wildland Interface Firefighting) Note: Class only meets on the following dates: November 19, 21, 28, 30, December 2 and 3	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day) Sunday (all day)	1700 – 2150 hours 0800 – 1650 hours
FT 91B (Haz Mat 1 st Responder-Operations) Note: Class only meets on the following dates: December 5, 7, 9 and 10	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day) Sunday (all day)	1700 – 2150 hours 0800 – 1750 hours
FT 91C (I-200; Basic ICS) Note: Class only meets on the following dates: December 12, 14, 16 and 17	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day) Sunday (all day)	1700 – 2150 hours 0800 – 1750 hours 0800 – 1750 hours
FT 95 (Work Experience) **Must also be registered in FT 96**	TBA	TBA
FT 96 (Work Experience Seminar) **Must also be registered in FT 95** Note: Class only meets on the following dates: August 23, 30, September 27, November 15 and December 20	Wednesday (pm)	1800 – 2150 hours
Health 61 (First Responder)	Monday (mid)	1400 – 1750 hours
Health 61 (First Responder)	Tuesday (pm)	1800 – 2150 hours
Health 61 (First Responder)	Friday (am)	0830 – 1220 hours

COURSE	DAY	TIMES
Health 81 (EMT) **Must also be registered in Health 83**	Wednesday (all day)	0800 – 1650 hours
Health 83 (Extrication and Triage) **Must also be registered in Health 81**	Saturday (one day only – TBA)	0830 – 1620 hours
Health 85 (EMT Refresher) Note: Class only meets on the following dates: December 5, 7, 9, 12, 14 and 16	Tue & Thurs (pm) Saturday (all day)	1800 – 2200 hours 0800 – 1700 hours
PE2FSC (Fire Science Conditioning)	Mon & Wed (mid)	1300 – 1415 hours
PE2FSI (Fire Science Conditioning- Intermediate)	Tuesday (mid)	1300 – 1550 hours

NOTE: The above information is to the best of my knowledge as of the time this went to print. For the most up-to-date information (including room numbers & registration numbers) regarding Fall 2006 scheduling, check the Chabot College web site at www.chabotcollege.org

My suggestion to everyone is to register as soon as you are eligible to. Classes fill up very quickly, and I with more people wanting to become firefighters, I don't see our numbers of students decreasing, only increasing. I would have liked to offer more classes in the summer time and in the fall; however the state budget crisis does not appear to be going away anytime soon. I think we are very fortunate if we get to keep the above courses that I have scheduled. Also, if you are registered in the Chabot College system, you are eligible to take classes at Las Positas College in Livermore as well. Just because one class is full (or does not fit your schedule) at Chabot doesn't mean it isn't being offered at Las Positas. When you register for classes on the Chabot College website, you can see both schedules – Chabot and Las Positas.

MORE FREE FIREFIGHTER PREPARATION SEMINARS!

Become a better firefighter candidate!

You are invited to attend FREE seminars to help learn how to better prepare yourself to become a firefighter!

DATES: Wednesday May 24, 2006

TOPICS: **Oral Board Preparation** – overview of the oral board process, tips on how to increase your oral board score, and also the chance to perform a mock oral interview!

FACILITATOR: Steve Prziborowski, Fire Technology Coordinator at Chabot College and a Captain with the Santa Clara County Fire Department.

ADDED BONUS!!

Bring a copy of your resume and I will critique it for you free of charge, before the seminar or during one of the breaks (time permitting).

TIME: 6 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Chabot College
25555 Hesperian Boulevard, Hayward, CA 94545
Room 1904 (in Building 1900)

REGISTRATION / MORE INFO: **Just show up, no reservation needed.** If you have any questions, feel free to email me at sprziborowski@chabotcollege.edu or call me at 408-205-9006.

Please visit the Chabot College Fire Technology website at www.chabotfire.com for more information on becoming a firefighter.

For directions to Chabot College, [CLICK HERE](#).

EMS RELATED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

Bonfante Gardens in Gilroy (Amusement Park, managed by Paramount Parks) currently has three openings for EMT's. They are located at:

Bonfante Gardens
3050 Hecker Pass Highway
Gilroy CA 95020
(408) 840-7110
www.bonfantegardens.com

If you are interested in applying, contact Ray Birmodiz, Fire/Safety/EMS Area Manager at 408-840-7126 or email him at ray.birmodiz@bonfantegardens.org

PARAMEDIC SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMINATION
INFO – Northern California Training Institute

Northern California Training Institute (NCTI) is holding pre-entrance examinations for their upcoming Paramedic classes in:

- **Livermore** - courses to be held on *Tuesdays and Fridays*
- **Roseville** - courses to be held on *Tuesdays and Fridays* OR *Mondays and Thursdays*

Here is more information I downloaded from their website:

NCTI holds the HOBET entrance exam for all paramedic program placements. NO late arrivals are allowed at the exam. Please make arrangements to arrive early. All application information is accessible from the NCTI homepage at www.ncti-online.com – *Please return all materials prior to the test date!*

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course fulfills all of the training requirements set forth by the State of California for Mobile Intensive Care Paramedics. Upon successful completion of this course, students will be eligible to take the National Registry Exam which NCTI hosts throughout the year at our Roseville Campus. This certification can lead to employment in a wide range of fields, to include ambulance or fire paramedic, E.R. technician, special functions paramedic, sporting events, concerts, etc. NCTI is owned by American Medical Response, Inc. (AMR) and direct employment referrals are a benefit reserved for NCTI students.

TO QUALIFY FOR ADMISSION APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have a high school diploma or GED certificate
- Complete an approved Anatomy and Physiology course within the last 5 years
- Possess a current CPR card and a current EMT-1 or EMT II certification
- Applicants whose certification expires less than twelve (12) months prior to the enrollment date are also eligible

SCHEDULE OF TRAINING

PHASE I - (Didactic & Lab)

400 Hours (approx. 6 months)

Course days and times will be announced at a later date.

PHASE II - (Clinical Rotations)

160 Hours (approx. 2 months)

individually, as arranged for each student, at one of several acute care hospitals in the area.

Guaranteed placement by NCTI.

PHASE III - (Field Internships)

480-720 Hours (approx. 4 months)

Depending on experience and performance individually, as arranged for each student. ***Guaranteed placement by NCTI. (This is a key selling point when shopping around for paramedic schools!)***

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

General knowledge of first aid and the ability to handles stressful situations and/or prior experience as an EMT with an ambulance or fire service provider agency.

ADMISSION TESTING

\$50.00 entrance exam fee (non-refundable / non-transferable)

COURSE FINANCING

Tuition may be paid by check, money order, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover.

TESTING DATES & TIMES

For their **Paramedic Course** that will be held in Livermore, CA, the examination dates are as follows:

- Thursday May 18, 2006 – 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at their Livermore Satellite Location
- Thursday May 25, 2006 – 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at their Livermore Satellite Location

For their **Paramedic Course** that will be held in Roseville, CA, the examination dates are as follows:

- Wednesday May 3, 2006 – 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at their Roseville Classroom
- Wednesday May 10, 2006 – 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at their Roseville Classroom

FOR MORE INFORMATION - Visit their website at www.ncti-online.com – also, for links to those above tests and classes, [CLICK HERE](#).

This is not meant to be an endorsement or recommendation of their program. It is listed as a service and a resource for you to evaluate and determine on your own.

OTHER PARAMEDIC PROGRAMS AROUND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA:

There are also other paramedic programs in the State of California, and I encourage you to evaluate ALL of them to determine which one will best meet your needs. You need to do your research to determine whether your hard earned money will be well spent on your future.

[Abrams College \(Modesto\)](#)
[American River College \(Sacramento\)](#)
[Butte College \(Oroville\)](#)
[California EMS Academy \(Redwood City\)](#)
[California Paramedic Institute \(Mission Viejo\)](#)
[Crafton Hills College \(Yucaipa\)](#)
[EMSTI \(Stockton\)](#)
[Emergency Training Services \(Santa Cruz\)](#)
[Foothill College \(Los Altos Hills\)](#)
[Los Medanos College \(Pittsburg\)](#)
[Mendocino College \(Ukiah\)](#)
[Northern California Training Institute \(NCTI\)](#)
[Palomar College \(San Marcos\)](#)
[Saddleback College \(Mission Viejo\)](#)
[Santa Rosa Junior College](#)
[UCLA / Daniel Freeman \(Los Angeles\)](#)
[Westmed Training \(San Jose\)](#)

FREE FIRE PREPARATION INFORMATION, **COURTESY OF THE DON McNEA FIRE SCHOOL!**

Some more firefighter preparation tips courtesy of the [Don McNea Fire School!](#)

CHARACTERISTICS OF A SUCCESSFUL FIREFIGHTER

- **maintain effective working relationships with superiors and subordinates**
- **get along with others**
- **stay calm; handle stress**
- **use common sense**
- **listen to others**
- **be flexible**
- **be self-motivated**
- **be decisive**
- **counsel, support and be empathic toward others**
- **work under stressful conditions**
- **maintain emotional control**
- **do repetitive tasks**
- **work with little or no supervision**
- **take charge when needed**
- **determine priorities**
- **have a good sense of humor**
- **accept constructive criticism from others**
- **be resourceful**
- **handle critical decision-making under life-threatening conditions**
- **perform complex tasks under life-threatening conditions**
- **work under tight time frames**
- **deal with critically injured/ill people**
- **perform tasks requiring long periods of intense concentration**
- **perform under unpleasant circumstances or in traumatic situations**
- **work as a team member**
- **maintain a positive attitude**
- **enthusiasm**
- **honesty**
- **initiative**
- **innovativeness**
- **judgment and common sense**
- **stability**
- **willingness to be patient, non-judgmental and accepting of other people**
- **desire to serve and help people regardless of who they are, where they are and what their beliefs are**
- **demonstrate a genuine caring attitude toward all people**
- **must have an awareness and understanding of differences between different cultures**

- have an optimistic attitude and believe that the best outcome will occur in emergency situations
- driven by strong values and ethics along with an awareness to act upon those values and ethics
- willing to put the best interests of the organization above personal interests or differences
- be able to function as a member of a team

Since 1950, Don McNea Fire School has prepared over 40,000 fire applicants with their entry level seminars and products. Fireprep.com has over 250 pages of FREE information and careers articles to help you reach your goal of becoming a firefighter.

Go to www.fireprep.com and register for their free fireprep e-mail newsletter that features career articles by the countries top entry level authors. You will also be informed at no cost of firefighter examinations be given across the country.

While at their website don't forget to review our award winning 'Ultimate Firefighter Exam Package'. This product has help hundreds of fire applicants finish in the top 2% of the exam process. Go to the link below to review the ultimate firefighter exam package. www.fireprep.com/ultimate_firefighter_exam.html

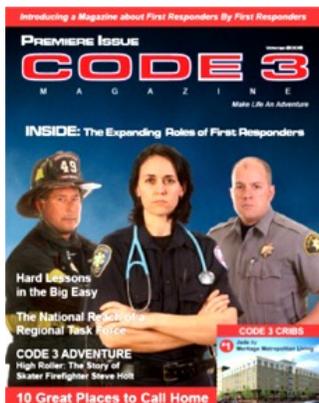
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EMS VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AROUND THE BAY AREA:

The [San Francisco Paramedic Association](#) is looking for volunteers for the following upcoming EMS related classes:

Advanced Medical Life Support Classes - Volunteers Needed

Dates / Locations / Times:	- Wednesday May 3 from 1230 to 1700 hours
	- Thursday May 4 from 1030 to 1630 hours
	- Monday August 7 from 1230 to 1700 hours
	- Tuesday August 8 from 1030 to 1630 hours
	NOTE: All of the above classes will be held at the San Francisco Paramedic Association – 657 Mission Street, Suite 302, San Francisco, CA 94116
	- Monday June 26 from 1300 to 1700 hours
	- Tuesday June 27 from 1200 to 1630 hours
	NOTE: The two above classes will be held at the San Jose Fire Department Training Center, 255 S. Montgomery St., San Jose, CA 95110
You will receive:	Valuable experience watching paramedic level (or higher) students perform patient assessments. Learn from their plusses and minuses. You will also receive a free San Francisco Paramedic Association t-shirt and your choice of an SFPA rescue key chain or ALS field guide.
Your role:	As a volunteer, you will be designated to role-play a victim of a medical emergency scenario. Please wear loose, old, comfortable clothing, as you may be on the floor for some scenarios.
Contact person(s):	Call the San Francisco Paramedic Association for more information or to sign-up at (415) 543-1161 (tell them Steve at Chabot sent you) , register via email at director@sfparamedics.org or register and see more information on their website at www.sfparamedics.org/volunteer.htm

Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support Classes - Volunteers Needed

Dates / Locations / Times:	- Tuesday June 20 from 0700 to 0930 hours
	- Wednesday June 21 from 1230 to 1730 hours
	- Wednesday August 23 from 0700 to 0930 hours
	- Thursday August 24 from 1230 to 1730 hours
	NOTE: All of the above classes will be held at the Bay Model Visitor Center in Sausalito (2100 Bridgeway, Sausalito)
	- Wednesday May 17 from 0700 to 0930 hours
	- Thursday May 18 from 1230 to 1730 hours
	NOTE: The two above classes will be held at the Fremont Fire Department, 3300 Capitol Avenue in Fremont, 94537

You will receive:	Valuable experience watching paramedic level (or higher) students perform patient assessments. Learn from their plusses and minuses. You will also receive a free San Francisco Paramedic Association t-shirt and your choice of an SFPA rescue key chain or ALS field guide.
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Contact person(s):	Call the San Francisco Paramedic Association for more information or to sign-up at (415) 543-1161 (tell them Steve at Chabot sent you) or email them at director@sfparamedics.org or visit their website section on volunteer opportunities at www.sfparamedics.org/volunteer.htm

FIRE DEPARTMENT / RECRUITMENT WEBSITES

Here are some fire department websites that provide general hiring process assistance that can be utilized for any fire department, not just the department providing the information:

- [Albuquerque Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Austin Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information and Career Assistance
- [Bakersfield Fire Department](#): How to become a Firefighter
- [Berkeley Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Boston Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Burlingame Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [California Department of Forestry \(CDF\)](#): Careers with CDF Information
- [Dallas Fire-Rescue](#): Recruitment Information
- [District of Columbia \(D.C.F.D.\)](#): Employment Opportunities and Recruitment Information
- [Denver Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Fire Department New York \(FDNY\)](#): Employment Information
- [Foster City Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Honolulu Fire Department](#): Employment Information
- [Houston Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Long Beach Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Los Angeles City Fire Department](#): Preparation Tips and Exercise Program for a Firefighter Career
- [Los Angeles City Fire Department](#): How to Become a Los Angeles Firefighter
- [Manteca Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Menlo Park Fire Protection District](#): Recruitment Information
- [Miami-Dade Fire Rescue](#): Recruitment Information
- [Modesto Fire Department](#): Becoming a Firefighter and Recruitment Information
- [Novato Fire Protection District](#): Recruitment Information
- [Omaha Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Palo Alto Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Phoenix Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Portland Fire Bureau](#): Recruitment Information
- [Sacramento Fire Department](#): Job Opportunities
- [Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District](#): Employment Information
- [Saint Paul Fire Department](#): Excellent entry-level firefighter test study guide

- [Salt Lake City Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Salt Lake County Fire Department](#): Steps to Become a Firefighter and Recruitment Information
- [San Bernardino County Fire Department](#): Employment Information
- [San Diego Fire & Life Safety Services](#): Recruitment Info (click on the careers link on the left side)
- [San Francisco Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [San Jose Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Santa Barbara County Fire Department](#): Employment Information
- [Santa Clara County Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information & Career Assistance
- [Santa Rosa Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Seattle Fire Department](#): Career Overview and Employment Information
- [Stockton Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety](#): Recruitment Information
- [Tampa Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Tracy Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Tucson Fire Department](#): Recruitment Information
- [Ventura County Fire Department](#): Employment Opportunities

WEBSITE LINK RESOURCES FOR YOU AT **WWW.CHABOTFIRE.COM**

You may or may not be aware of the numerous website resources I have placed on the www.chabotfire.com website LINKS page. If you are planning a career in the fire service, I encourage you to take the time to review ALL of the websites included in this section. I have tried to make it a one-stop shop for you to do research, learn more about the fire service, learn more about various fire departments, and just better educate yourself on the fire service. There is something for the future firefighter and the current firefighter. Below are the sections I have included on the website and I encourage you to take the time to look around. If you find any broken website links, please take the time to send me an email with the correct link so everyone else can benefit. Thank you!

FIRE DEPARTMENT WEB SITES

[California Fire Departments - \(County by County listing\)](#)

[Fire Departments - Outside of California](#)

[Fire Departments - I.A.F.F. Union Locals](#)

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) WEB SITES

[Paramedic Schools](#)

[EMT Programs](#)

[EMS Agencies - County](#)

[EMS Agencies - State](#)

[EMS Training and Education for Paramedics and EMT's \(Continuing Education\)](#)

TRAINING & EDUCATION WEB SITES

[Fire Training and Education \(Initial and continuing education\)](#)

[Firefighter 1 Academies](#) (other schools in California offering FF 1 academies)

[Education - Two Year Degree Programs in Fire Technology](#)
[Education - Four Year Degree Programs in Fire Technology](#)
[Education - Four Year Degree Colleges; California State University System](#)
[Education - Master's Degree in Fire/EMS related fields](#)
[Fire and EMS Related Annual Training Seminars](#)

ORGANIZATIONS & ASSOCIATION WEB SITES

[Fire Related Organizations and Associations](#)
[Fire Training Related](#)
[Firefighter Health & Safety Related](#)
[Chief Officer Related Associations](#)
[EMS Related Organizations and Associations](#)
[Federal Fire Information Sites](#)

FIRE & EMS EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE WEB SITES

[Fire Related Employment Assistance](#)
[EMS Related Employment Assistance](#)
[Federal Fire Department Job Assistance](#)

FIRE & EMS PUBLICATIONS

[Fire and EMS Related Publications](#)
[Fire and EMS Book and Video Sources](#)

MISCELLANEOUS

[Fire and EMS Related Equipment Vendors](#)
[Fire Apparatus Manufacturers](#)
[Live or Real-time Fire Dispatch](#)
[Law Enforcement Agencies](#)
[Other related websites](#)

CLOSING COMMENTS

I hope you have found this newsletter somewhat valuable. If you have learned one new thing, then I think I've done my job. I truly want to see everyone succeed, and I also really enjoy doing what I do. This program is your program. It can only get better with your assistance. There is an old saying, don't just give me problems – give me solutions! I can't read your minds, so please provide me with feedback. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or want me to clarify any rumors you might have heard. Thank you very much!

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- Thank you very much for your assistance and cooperation!