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## Countywide Records Management System

The Department of Public Safety invites interested Montgomery County law enforcement agencies to send representatives to attend the launch of the Countywide Records Management System, ALEIS – the Advanced Law Enforcement Intelligence System.

The launch will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at the Montgomery County Public Safety Training Campus from 10 a.m. to noon and again from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Both sessions will be identical so agencies need only attend one. Users across functional disciplines (investigations, traffic, administration) are encouraged to attend.

The agenda will include:

- Short overview and background of the project (15 minutes)
- Vendor demonstration of the LIVE system (1 hour)
- Financial Discussion (15 minutes)
- Early Adopter Incentives (15 minutes)
- Question and Answer (remaining time)

United Public Safety, the eCitation vendor, will also attend to demonstrate new hardware and a recently-approved 3-inch citation.

Both vendors will have break-out rooms set up to provide additional demonstrations for those agencies that wish to see detailed functionality of the system. Attendance is expected to be substantial and seating is limited.

Pre-registration is required in order to accommodate all interested agencies. Registration can be completed on-line by pasting <https://veoci.com/veoci/p/form/t2ndcqcrkb52#tab=entryForm> into your browser.

A detailed agenda with additional supporting materials will be e-mailed prior to the meeting to all registered attendees.

Please contact Tom Piatek at 610-631-6515 or [tpiatek@montcopa.org](mailto:tpiatek@montcopa.org) should you have any questions prior to the launch meeting.

## Have Older Radio Programming Wiped

Any agency that plans to sell or give away its older XTS or XTL model Motorola radios to another agency outside of Montgomery County needs to have the programming wiped from those units before they are transferred.

Notify the Department of Public Safety's technical shop if your agency needs to have the memory wiped from older radios: [eoctech@montcopa.org](mailto:eoctech@montcopa.org) or call (610) 631-6511.

## Foam Task Force/HAZMAT Training

Earlier this month, ten members of the Montgomery County Foam Task Force travelled to College Station, TX to take Texas A&M University's Advanced Flammable Liquids Industrial Response Training.



The three-day training was intense and hands-on. Participants worked numerous live fire scenarios varying from tank fires to fuel loading rack fires. The course covered scene size-up, danger recognition, advanced strategy planning, and tactical operations.

Texas A&M flammable liquids training facility is world renowned and the participants all gained valuable knowledge on flammable liquids fire behavior and how firefighting foam interacts and extinguishes flammable liquids fires.

## Regional Fuel Capability Assessment Underway

One thing that remains true in all disasters is the need for a steady fuel supply throughout both the initial response and the long term recovery phases.

With that in mind, the Infrastructure Work Group of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Regional Task Force recently embarked on a region-wide capability assessment of fuel in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Philadelphia, and Montgomery counties.

The Montgomery County Department of Public Safety is participating in this project, which will examine the supply chain for both municipal and commercial fuel dispensing sites across the region, and highlight problems that should be addressed, such as a lack of back-up power at gas stations along a major transportation route.

CNA, a not-for-profit firm contracted to conduct the study, is currently surveying municipalities to determine their fuel supply and distribution information. If a representative from your municipality was unable to attend one of the introductory webinars or needs assistance in any way to complete the survey, please contact Todd Stieritz at [tstierit@montcopa.org](mailto:tstierit@montcopa.org). Only one survey response per municipality is needed.

CNA will survey retail fuel establishments next and will use the results of both, as well as publicly available data, to conduct a region-wide fuel supply chain analysis. It will then research case studies of past disasters for lessons learned, present the findings and facilitate a roundtable discussion with the Infrastructure Work Group. The goal is to increase disaster preparedness and improve overall resilience in each county and across the region. The project is expected to conclude in 2018.



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## Medical Services Hospitals (MS-1) Drills



Abington Jefferson and Holy Redeemer hospitals each conducted drills in recent weeks as part of the training required to maintain their Medical Services Hospital (MS-1) certifications.

MS-1 hospitals are accredited by FEMA as capable to receive and treat patients injured and/or contaminated by radiological material in the event of a nuclear power plant incident.

Abington Jefferson and Holy Redeemer are the only MS-1 hospitals in Montgomery County.

EMS agencies also participate in the drills on a rotating basis to familiarize as many of their personnel with the process as well. Lafayette Ambulance participated in Abington Jefferson's drill this year.



## Limerick Dedicates Its New Firehouse

The Limerick Fire Company held a Hose Uncoupling ceremony on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> to dedicate its new 20,300-square-foot fire station that was built on Ridge Pike at the same location as the previous station.



Limerick Fire President Tom Walters and Fire Chief Ken Shuler "uncoupled the Hose" and company members then passed and packed the hose to "open" their new station, followed by the housing of the company's apparatus.

The new facility cost \$3.5 million to build and features five drive-through bays with

radiant heat, administrative offices, four one-person dorm rooms and two larger open bunk rooms capable of sleeping 16.

EMS has an office and two separate sleeping quarters for EMS staff on duty.

The facility also has a day room with kitchen and dining area, game room, fitness center and large multi-purpose room for classes and meetings.



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## Emergency Management Certificate Achieved



Congratulations to Department of Public Safety SARA Title III Planner Brandon Pursell (right) on receiving his PEMA County Basic emergency management certification from Tom Sullivan (left), Director of Public Safety.



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