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**To: Mayor and Members of Council:**

Re: Municipal Politicians Seminar: Firefighting 101:  
Sunday, May 2 and Monday, May 3, 2010 in Toronto

The Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (O AFC) is actively working to help municipal Councillors understand the challenges of the fire service and its importance to your community. This is the fifth year that we are offering this popular seminar for politicians, as part of our Annual Meeting and Educational Seminars.

**The Politicians Seminar: Firefighting 101** is a two day session that will provide you with not only background information and knowledge about the fire service BUT a hands on experience that you will never forget!

Sunday, May 2:

- "Not Everyone Goes Home", highly entertaining presentation by Ohio **Deputy Chief Billy Goldfeder**, who is back by popular demand!
- **Participation in a Special live firefighter training session** tailored specifically for politicians. The excitement begins when you slip into bunker gear and experience, first hand, the life of a firefighter by participating in a number of live fire training exercises.
- A moving **Memorial Service** which recognizes Fire Officers who have died during the past year. This will be followed by a **wine and cheese reception**.

Monday, May 3,

- "Lessons in Leadership" by **Major-General (retired) Lewis MacKenzie**, who is considered to be the most experienced peacekeeper on the planet.
- The **official launch of the O AFC Emergency Response Support Plan**, which is designed to help your community during a major emergency
- Presentations by Provincial Ministers.
- The largest **Fire Services Trade Show** in Canada.

Politicians who have attended this seminar in previous years have repeatedly said that it was one of the best conferences and training sessions that they had ever attended!

*"To the organizers of this program, I say thank you and I encourage you to continue this program for politicians at all levels of government." Larry Corrigan, Councillor Township of Scugog*

Full Seminar details are available on line at [www.oafcevents.com](http://www.oafcevents.com).

To register please complete the attached registration form and fax it to the O AFC office. If your Fire Chief is an O AFC member you will receive the special Member registration rate.

Yours truly,

**Richard Boyes**  
**O AFC President**

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