



CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer Recertification Class

November 14, 2004



A CPR/AED Recertification class was held Sunday November 14th at the Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Company hall. Marc McGrain, American Red Cross Instructor, led the two-fold training evolution combining Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for professional rescuers to satisfy annual recertification requirements for eligible firefighters and EMS personnel.

There are nearly a quarter of a million Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) victims in America annually. Studies show that early intervention in the form of CPR/AED can increase SCA victim survival rates by as much as 70% making CPR/AED recertification an essential part of firefighter and EMS personnel training as they will be first responders to SCA calls.

Pictured above: left to right are Benjamin Link (Alfred Station Fire Co.), Marc McGrain (American Red Cross Instructor) and Brian Goodridge (Alfred Station Fire Co.).

Certificates were awarded to the following firefighters from the Alfred Station Volunteer Fire Company for successfully completing the recertification: Bruce Fuller, Brian Goodridge, Benjamin Link, Jeff Ormsby, Keith Stanley, Jeremy Stearns, Evan Wachs and Mathew Williams.