

## SOUTH HAVEN AREA EMERGENCY SERVICES



### CITIZEN FIRE ACADEMY

**What is it?** The Citizen Fire Academy is a course designed to give the public a working knowledge of the S.H.A.E.S. personnel and policies. It is a series of classes held once per week for ten weeks and also includes a graduation. The academy will be conducted every two years.

**Who may attend?** Anyone 18 years or older who lives or works in the greater South Haven community.

**What is the purpose?** The S.H.A.E.S. Citizen Fire Academy is intended to provide information that will enable citizens to improve safety in their homes,

the work place, and homes of families around them. Attendees will also gain a fundamental understanding of how their fire department functions and the tools necessary to accomplish the variety of tasks that can be assigned to it.

The department in turn, hopes to become more aware of the community from the student's interaction and input. It is a two-way learning process.

**What is discussed?** The S.H.A.E.S. Citizen Fire Academy covers such diverse topics as laws, regulations, hazardous materials, self-contained breathing apparatus, thermal imaging cameras, CPR, portable fire extinguishers, fire inspections, fire investigations, forcible entry, ventilation, vehicle extrication, confined space/rope rescue and structural fire-fighting. Instruction consists of hands-on involvement supplemented by lecture, tours, videos, and demonstrations.

#### When is it?

March 15 - May 17, 2017

Questions?????  
Contact: Owen Ridley  
(269) 637-1813 or oridley@shaes.org

A complete schedule may be found at  
[www.shaes.org](http://www.shaes.org)



### South Haven Area Emergency Services 2017 Citizen Fire Academy

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, MI Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived at your address? \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you wish to attend the academy? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your current occupation?

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Please list an emergency contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please review your answers carefully and read the statement below before signing this application.

"I acknowledge that all of my responses are accurate to the best of my knowledge."

I further understand that the South Haven Area Emergency Services may conduct a background investigation that may include, but not limited to, any criminal history, employment history and personal references.

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Applicant Signature

Date

\*\*\*Preference will be given to applicants residing or working in the City of South Haven or the Townships of Casco, Geneva and South Haven. Submittal of application does not guarantee acceptance into the Academy. You will be notified prior to the start date if your application is accepted.\*\*\*

## **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

March 10, 2017

Return completed application to:

Owen Ridley  
S.H.A.E.S.  
90 Bluestar Hwy  
South Haven, MI 49090

\*Please cut off application at dotted line\*