

## **Long-time professor to reflect on emergency service**

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On Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m., Nancy Furlong, professor of psychology at Alfred University (AU) will reflect on nearly 25 years as an EMT (emergency medical technician) in the A. E. Crandall Hook & Ladder Co. Her talk will touch on the humor of EMS service and focus on the important work that she and other volunteers do in the community.

This event is free and open to the public. Parking near the 4 S. Main St. fire hall will be available on West University Street, the Main Street business block, and in the parking lot beside the Mike Kenyon Children's Park. The program will be followed by a social hour and tours of the fire company and ambulance apparatus.

Furlong has a long record of serving her community through volunteer emergency services. She joined the volunteer fire company in 1988, completing training for both firefighting and EMT work. First certified as an EMT in 1990, she now serves the community at the level of Critical Care, Advanced Life Support. In the fire company, she served as chief - one of the first female chiefs in the nation - from 1993-2000 and since 2005 has served as first assistant chief.

Furlong has made Alfred her home since 1983. She earned a Ph.D. in developmental psychology from the University of Pittsburgh, a master of arts degree in developmental psychology from the University of Dayton, Ohio, and a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from the State University of New York at Fredonia.

Furlong teaches in the Psychology and Communications Studies departments at AU. She is a member of four different national honor societies as well as several professional organizations including the American Psychological Society, the Jean Piaget Society, and the Society for Research in Child Development.