Dale A. Currier, MS, CEM, MEP, CPT Director Oswego County Emergency Management



Since 2013, Dale A. Currier has served as the Director, Emergency Management, for Oswego County, New York. Oswego County is currently home to 2 colleges, three nuclear power plants, and a bit of severe winter weather. In addition to the three motor racing tracks and annual county fair, Oswego County is home to a rather new maritime event called "Rock-the-Locks Paddlefest" in which approximately 700 paddlesports enthusiasts traverse 9 miles of the NYS Canal, including 4 locks. The largest and longest running outdoor event and summer festival is Harborfest. The 30 year old 4 day festival draws roughly 250,000 people from across the US, with about 115,000 on Saturday night to watch the Grucci Family fireworks over the harbor.

Upon leaving Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation in 2002 Dale returned to his public safety "roots" where he had previously proudly served as a volunteer firefighter, EMT / Paramedic, and police officer. He has held a number of full-time emergency management positions prior to his current position including 5 years with NYS DHSES in the Training and Exercises Section in Albany, and the Office of Counterterrorism at the State Preparedness Training Center [SPTC] in Oriskany, and as the first Emergency Manager for Syracuse University. Part-time positions have included designing and developing Large Sporting and Special Event Incident Management for TEEX and the National Center for Sport Safety and Security [NCS4], NASCAR Security at Watkins Glen International, and Guest services [Security] with SMG Corporation. Off —hours activities include serving with the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Special event planning experience includes, but is not limited to, an NCAA March Madness Regional Tournament, Oswego Harborfest, NASCAR, marine events ranging from paddlers to Unlimited Hydroplane and Formula 1 boat racing, sailing regattas, large college concerts and alumni events, and winter running /snowshoe races.

Dale has presented at numerous international conferences on a number of topics including emergency management [planning and COOP], integrating Human Performance Technology [HPT] into emergency management, training needs assessment, and numerous leadership topics. Conferences include the International Association of Emergency Managers [IAEM], International Society for Performance Improvement [ISPI], and the International Association for Continuing Education and Training [IACET].

Dale holds undergraduate degrees in Business Administration and Public Justice, and graduate degrees in Education with concentrations in human performance technology; organizational development; instructional design, development and evaluation; management and industrial training.

Since 1993 Dale has frequently taught as an adjunct faculty member in SUNY Oswego's MBA program, as well as LeMoyne College, Utica College and Syracuse University.

He lives outside Oswego, NY with his wife Diane and wonder-dog of Springer Spaniels, Bayley.