



70 Years of History

CP of NYS to celebrate 70th anniversary at Annual Conference

The 2016 CP of NYS Annual Conference will be held at the Albany Hilton Hotel in downtown Albany, October 17-19. Educational sessions and informational meetings are being finalized, and plans are also underway for a celebration of 70 Years of CP of NYS. The celebration will include some special touches at the conference and recognition of our shared history throughout the event.

This year's Annual Awards Dinner on Monday, October 17 will feature a celebration of our 70th Anniversary. Affiliates have submitted short video interviews with various people from their organization talking about CP of NYS. These short clips will be edited into several brief video presentations to be shown throughout the evening. Affiliates have also sent photos depicting people and services from the different eras in their history.

The format for the evening will also be a bit different this year. We will present just one award, the Al Felmet Achievement Award at this year's dinner. To help focus on the people we support, we will honor three outstanding individuals with this award at different points during the evening.

The Monday kick-off luncheon will have a brief presentation by OPWDD Acting Commissioner Kerry Delaney and the presentation of the annual Elks Award to Kathleen Fletcher of the Freeport-Baldwin Lodge, as well as recognition of Mark Kearney, from AccessCNY, the winner of the 2016 Visions of New York art contest.

As in past years, the Tuesday evening Staff Recognition Dinner will honor more than 60 outstanding Affiliate staff members from across the state. The conference wraps up on Wednesday morning with a special breakfast presentation from three of our Affiliates.

Watch for updates and more news on this very special event on our website at www.cpofnys.org.