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Albany, Buffalo, and Rochester InfraGard Alliances to Hold Cyber Security Conference in Syracuse, New York

SYRACUSE, NY: On September 24 at Syracuse University, a cyber security briefing jointly produced by the Albany, Buffalo, and Rochester InfraGard Membership Alliances and the Federal Bureau of Investigation will be held on campus. Admission is free and open to U.S. citizens (requires pre-registration; valid photo ID for admittance). To register, visit: <http://NYStateInfraGardConference.com>.

The conference is hosted by the Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism (INSCT) at Syracuse University, and co-sponsors also include SRC, formerly Syracuse Research Corporation, and the Center for Advanced Systems and Engineering (CASE). Additional support for the conference comes from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the InfraGard National Members Alliance (INMA), and it will be held in cooperation with regional authorities including the Syracuse Police Department.

Presentations by sought-after authorities and experts will be followed by an opportunity for dialogue and questions. Featured speakers include:

- Patrick T. Beggs, Director, Cyber Security Evaluation Program, National Cyber Security Division, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, will deliver the keynote address on “Critical Functions: A Functions Based Approach to IT Sector Risk Management”
- Yalkin Demirkaya, Cyber Forensics Investigator and President of Cyber Diligence, Inc., will present “Investigating Insider Abuse of IT Resources”
- Jim Gagliano, Supervisory Special Agent with the FBI, will present “Cyber Investigations of Gang Activity”
- Greg Metzler, Principle Security Engineer & Cyber Intelligence Analyst with SRC, “Crime: The Next Driver of Internet Innovation”
- Daniel Alfin, Special Agent with the FBI, will present “Cyber Crime: Computer Intrusions, Pedophiles, Drugs, and Gangs”
- Tony Martino, Sergeant, Utica Police Department – “Emerging Trends and Cyber Exploits”
- William Snyder, Syracuse University College of Law Visiting Professor, will discuss “When a Hacker’s Rights to Your Computer Exceed Your Own: The Wiretap Act and Computer Trespassers”
- Albert Stenson, Protective Security Advisor, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, will discuss “NIPP – National Infrastructure Protection Plan”

This joint conference represents an unparalleled gathering of public safety, law enforcement & intelligence authorities alongside private sector subject matter experts to provide a briefing on cyber security. The conference will educate attendees on the capabilities of the Syracuse University Forensic Cyber Center as well as on current tools, technologies, and trends in computer forensic investigations.

The complete program can be viewed at <http://NYStateInfraGardConference.com>. Future programs with similar presentation content are being planned through the InfraGard organization.

About InfraGard

InfraGard is a public-private volunteer organization that serves as the critical link that forms a tightly-knit working relationship across all levels. Each InfraGard chapter is geographically linked with an FBI Field Office, providing all stakeholders immediate access to experts from law enforcement, industry, academic institutions and other federal, state and local government agencies. By utilizing the talents and expertise of the InfraGard network, information is shared to mitigate threats to our nation's critical infrastructures and key resources. Collaboration and communication are the keys to protection.

Chapter Leadership

- Albany: Brett Lewis, InfraGard Albany Chapter President
- Buffalo: Timothy Lukasiewicz, InfraGard Buffalo Chapter President
- Rochester: Michael Miller, InfraGard Rochester Chapter President
- Syracuse (Satellite Chapter to Albany): Laurie Venditti , National Board Committee Chair - Community Outreach & Regional Communications

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