We packed the house on the evening of May 24th for our Annual EMS Banquet. Over 100 guests came for the dinner and awards ceremony. We honored 24 local heroes for their outstanding efforts to EMS.

**AMR**
- EMT of the Year – John Albini
- Paramedic of the Year – Robert Slivinski
- Leadership – Jose Matias
- Humanitarian – Isaiah Garcia

**Beacon Hose Company No. 1**
- EMT of the Year—Joe Chew

**Campion**
- EMT of the Year – Connie Schmiedecke
- Paramedic of the Year – Daniel Skelly
- Supervisor of the Year – Robert Murray

**Middlebury Police Department**
- Life Saving Award - Sgt. Edward Demers
- Life Saving Award - Sgt. Patrick Deely
- Life Saving Award - K-9 Jay
- Outstanding Leadership Award - David Jannetty

**Northfield Fire Company**
- EMT of the Year— Kirsten Legendre

**Northwest Public Safety**
- Humanitarian Award - Sarah Negretti
- Humanitarian Award - Steven Hebb

**Waterbury Police Department**
- Life Saving Award - Officer Tiffany Healey
- Life Saving Award - Officer Andrea Saunders
- Life Saving Award - Officer Andrea Carr
- Life Saving Award - Officer Matthew Lemos

**Wolcott Police Department**
- First Responder Recognition Award – Officer Brandon Anzalone

**Woodbury Ambulance**
- EMT of the Year - Barbara Etcheto
- Life Saving Award - Judy Saari
- Life Saving Award - Robert Slivinski

**Woodbury Police Department**
- Life Saving Award - Officer Mark Defeo
**Waterbury Hospital – Trauma Time**

Have you heard of “Stop the Bleed”? How about “Bleeding Control”?

Recent mass casualty incidents in the U.S. have shown that the key to survival for many victims with traumatic injuries is immediate bleeding control provided by first responders or private citizens.

The American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma is leading the efforts to save lives by teaching everyone how to provide vital initial response to stop uncontrolled bleeding in emergency situations. Uncontrolled bleeding is the number one cause of preventable death from trauma, so the greater the number of people who know how to control bleeding in an injured patient, the greater the chances of surviving that injury.

The Waterbury Hospital Trauma Program offers the “Stop the Bleed” course for anyone interested. Please contact Monika Nelson (contact information below) to set up a course within our community or find out when one is being offered at Waterbury Hospital.

Learn more about Stop the Bleed at BleedingControl.org.

Any questions, thoughts, ideas, concerns, or feedback in regards to the care of the trauma patient at Waterbury Hospital? Please contact Monika Nelson, Trauma Program Coordinator – mnelson2@wtbyhosp.org

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**Ebola Exercise**

On May 24th, the Emergency Department completed an Ebola exercise. A special substance called “glow germ” was put onto the manikin’s hands and arms to see if there was an accidental transfer of the disease. Luckily for us, our nurses didn't get any on their skin. The process really showed the effectiveness of taking the time to get prepared and not rush through the process. Nice job by our nurses and the hospital staff.

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**Upcoming Events**

**June 20, 2018**—CME - Trauma Case Reviews, 6pm - 9pm, Bizzozero Conference Room.

If you have any suggestions or questions pertaining to EMS including patient follow-ups, please contact us at [ems@wtbyhosp.org](mailto:ems@wtbyhosp.org).