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Oneida County Emergency Management Deputy Director Receives Service Award at 2005 Annual WEMA Conference

Clarence Puza, Deputy Director of Oneida County Emergency Management/HazMat Chief/Assistant Fire Chief for the City of Rhineland and Task Force 6 Leader, was the recipient of the 2005 Wisconsin Emergency Management Associations (WEMA) Service Award at the October 27, 2005, Annual WEMA Conference in Green Bay, WI. The award is for 'The outstanding service in assisting the Emergency Management Program in a county to prepare for, respond to, and recover from all hazards. Partnerships such as yours, are the backbone for strong Emergency Management Programs'. Ken Kortenhof, Oneida County Emergency Management Director nominated Clarence for the award along with Forest County Emergency Management, Vilas County Emergency Management, Florence County Emergency Management, City of Rhineland Fire, Oneida County Ambulance and WI Emergency Management. Kortenhof presented Puza with the award and read the award announcement.

WEMA is an association of people and businesses that are interested in promoting effective emergency management planning, training, and exercise programs throughout the State of Wisconsin. The purpose of WEMA is to advocate, promote and represent statewide emergency management interests in order to enhance the safety and security of all citizens.

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