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From the Editor

This issue of The Signal contains the applications for our Fireman of the Year, Rudy Appeld Service and Scholarship awards. If your department has a member that has performed outstanding heroic service at an incident, consider nominating that member for the Joe Costello Fireman of the Year award. How about a member that is also active in their community in addition to being a firefighter? Consider that member for the Rudy Appeld Service Award. Lets not forget about members of our family that are planning to attend higher education. Submit their name for consideration in our Scholarship Awards.

On behalf of President James Cole and all the Association Officers and Trustees, we wish you all the very best for a Happy, Healthy and Safe Holiday Season.

Merry Christmas and Happy Chanukah to all!

Be Safe and remember our troops! Frank

E-mail submissions and photos to ffuchs9595@aol.com. Or send to:

Frank Fuchs—The Signal 25 Union Ave. Little Ferry, NJ 07643

Bergen County Firemen's Home Assn.

by Milt Cole

2011 Bergen County Firemen's Home Assn Officers Edward Frey-President, Edward McGorman-VP, Thomas Sinpson-Secy, Charles Moots-Treas., Trustees: Frank Gluckler-2011, Nicolo Ciampo-2012, Dan Loftus-2013, Lester Ghent-2014, Andrew Steimle-2015.

At a recent meeting, final plans for the 2010 Christmas party were discussed. With the aid of the Rutherford FD Ladies Aux. Each guest will be presented a sweater and cap as a gift, each customized with the Bergen County Firemen's Home Assn logo.

Dates for next years entertainment and shows were planned and will be announced with the annual fund drive letter to be mailed in February. Six shows are planned. These shows and gifts for the guests are funded by the generous donations received during the fund drive. Please support these programs for our fellow firefighters. Any fireperson wishing to join the Association is invited to contact any officer listed above.

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Support your Association...Come to a meeting! Meeting locations and directions via Mapquest are listed on our Web site at www.njnyvfa.org

December 2009— No Meeting January 28, 2011 - Piermont FD

> 554 Piermont Ave. Piermont, NY 10968

February 25, 2011 - Old Tappan, NJ

247 Old Tappan Rd Old Tappan, NJ 07675

March 25, 2011 - Congers Fire Dept. 40 North Harrison Ave

Congers, NY 10920

April 29, 2011- Blauvelt Volunteer Fire Co. # 1

548 Western Hwy.

Blauvelt, NY 10913-1344 Annual Memorial Service

May 15- Annual Memorial Service Host a meeting at your firehouse.

Contact any Association officer to arrange a date.



In Memory of our departed members

The officers and members of the NJ & NY Volunteer Firemen's Association extend their deepest sympathy to the families of our departed members:

Joseph J. Ercole—Highland Mills, NY Harry Graves—Ridgefield Pk, NJ Charles Bocchino—Norwood, NJ Ray Van Saders—River Vale, NJ Patrick J. Davidson—Rochelle Pk, NJ Daniel Giannotti—Northvale, NJ

Listing of deceased members is published based on their last address on record and may not be the same as the town in which they served.

During this Holiday Season, remember our brave troops at home and abroad.





NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Joseph Costello "Firemen of the Year" APPLICATION

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New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association

Rudy Appeld Service Award formally The Hillsdale Award

Nominees Name						
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Te	lephone	Date Submitted				
sh	ould be at least one page but no more th	ns covering the criteria listed below. Summaries an two, double-spaced. Include any additional ations and excerpts from meeting minutes.				
Сс	nsideration for the award will be based o	on the following:				
2)	 Service to his/her Fire Company/Dept. in firefighting, length of service, special services, committee activities, etc. Service to the Fire Service in general such as mutual aid or other organizations promoting the fire service. Service to the community such as Scouting, YM-YWCA, Little League, Veterans services, Municipal Boards and other community activities that benefit children and 					
De	adults. eadline: All applications must be postmar	ked by May 1 .				
Ma	ail application to:					

Bob Aitken 127 Lakeview Ave. Little Ferry, NJ 07643

New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association

Scholarship Award Application

Applicants Full Name:			
Address:	please print		
City:			
Home telephone#:			
Cell phone #:			
E-mail address:			
Social Security #:			
High School attended:			
Year graduated: 0	GPA:	_	
Name of school / college / university planning to attend or are attending:			
Major course of study:			
Required: Attach a written essay abou	ıt your background and	l future goals.	
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Applicants Signature		Date	
Name of NJNY-VFA Member sponsor	ing your application		
	/		
Print Name		Signature	
All must be postmarked no later than I	May 1st.		
Return to: Robert E. Kirsch 107 Roosevelt Ave. Bergenfield, NJ 07621 201-385-0644			

Each and every application is taken on it's own merit

robtekirsch@yahoo.com

NJ&NYVFA Scholarship Guidelines

In keeping with the ideals of the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, the following requirements shall be considered when choosing applicants.

All Applicants will have a SPONSOR. No one will nominate himself or herself. The SPONSOR shall be a member in good standing (dues fully paid). This SPONSOR must be a Personal or Life member of the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association ...not just a delegate.

First Preference:

- -To an Active dues paying member or Life member of the NJ&NYVFA.
- -A Child or Grandchild of any Active dues paying member or Life member.
- -Applications may be Graduating High School Seniors or in College.
- -Applications should be active in their respective municipalities Emergence Service Organizations. This can include Junior FD Responders, Probationary Firefighters, Rescue Squad/EMT (EMS) or Active Firefighters in their municipalities.

Second Preference:

-High School Seniors that are graduating and going to college, or may already be College students. (These students are children/grandchildren of NJ&NYVFA members and are NOT in any FD related organizations).

Third Preference:

-Applicants who are graduating High School or are already in college and suffer extreme financial hardships outside their control. The applicant who plans to pursue a degree that will make the fire service better shall be considered.

Each applicant shall be considered on its own merit and hardship. There shall be no precedent set. It is highly suggested that Applicants shall be pursuing degrees in Fire Science, Nursing/Medicine, Crime Scene Forensics (CSI) Criminal Justice or Law. (the thought is to make the fire service & fire service family better)

The Scholarship Committee will meet and discuss all applications and take each application on its own merit. The Scholarship Committee will report to the Executive Board prior to the June convention. If the Committee cannot reach a decision, the President will have final say on any application.

An applicant must be enrolled in or planning to enroll in the next scheduled semester of a two (2) or four (4) year accredited college or university. Applications must be postmarked by May 1st.

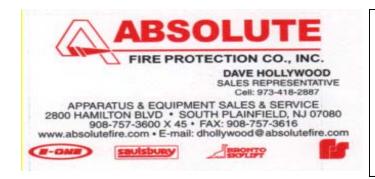
Annual Memorial Service

By R. Kirsch, Memorial Chairman

The annual NJ & NY Volunteer Firemen's Assn Memorial Service will be held Sunday May 15 at 2PM in the Hall of Heroes at the Bergen County Fire Academy in Mahwah. A memorial wreath will be placed in Firemen's Plaza. Light refreshments will be served.

So that officers and departments throughout Bergen and Rockland County have a better way to communicate, a special e-mail address has been established to the Memorial Chairman. You can reach him at NJNYFDMEMORIAL@AOL.COM

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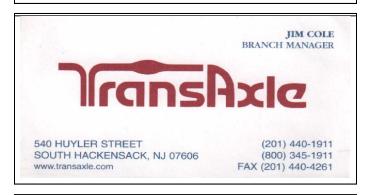
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