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From the Editor

On behalf of the Officers, the Executive Board, Trustees and all the members of the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, we extend a heartfelt Thank You to Chief Robert Johnson Jr., Spring Valley Fire Department, Chief Dave O'Brien, Pearl River Fire Department and Chief Clint Miller, Montvale Fire Department, the dedicated members, Ladies Auxiliaries and all the volunteers that worked so hard to make our 100th Anniversary convention a success.

A collection of photos from the Anniversary Dinner, the Convention meeting and the Parade can be seen on our Web site. Visit www.njnyvfa.org. Additionally there will be a special full-color commemorative photo issue of The Signal coming out soon. This will contain photos and stories of the dinner, convention and parade and we hope you will keep this as a memento of our special year.

And a special thanks to all of our members. Through your hard work and dedication, you have helped to grow this organization to what it is today and create an even stronger foundation to take us into the next 100 years!

Be Safe and remember our troops! Frank

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NJ & NY Volunteer
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Upcoming Meetings And Events

2013

September 27—Oradell, NJ

October 25, 2013 (Friday)- Little Ferry H & L - Main St., Little Ferry NJ 07643

November 22, 2013 (Friday)- New Milford Fire Co. 1, 249 Center St., New Milford, NJ 07646

December 2013 - No Meeting

2014

January 31, 2014 (Friday)- Piermont FD

February 28, 2014 (Friday)- Old Tappan FD, NJ

March 28—Tappan, NY

April 25—Montvale, NJ

June 6 Convention—Open

September 28—Open

October 31—Open

November 21—New Milford Co No 1

Host a meeting in your town. Contact any Association officer for details.



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:

Robert Adams—Susquehanna, PA

Brice Scott—Wyckoff NJ

Frank S Scott—Paramus, NJ

Ronald E Binaghi—Old Tappan NJ

Vince Girgenti—Lodi, 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.

Included in this issue are applications for our Scholarship Awards and the Ladies Auxiliary Leadership Award.

NJNY E-Board meeting minutes Sept. 4, 2013

President Kirsch called meeting to order at 8:00p.m. Invocation led by Chaplain Drew followed by salute to flag. Kirsch, Saigh, Gatti, Drew DeVries, Glueckler, Cole, Cioffi, Kammer, Kufel, Quackenbush, Mayo Malool, Silverman, Heimbarg answered roll call. Correspondence:

Thank Yous from scholarship winners read. Resignation letter from Richard S. Pugh Sr. due to health issues. New Milford, Westwood, and Rinaldi golf outing literature read

Officers Reports:

President: welcome back hope all had a great summer

Positive feedback from 100th Anniversary events notably 100th dinner and 100th parade

Job well done by all, special thanks to 1st V.P. Gatti 2nd V.P. Drew and Treasurer George Saigh for all their help

President Kirsch is relocating to Barnegat, N.J. will still attend meetings.

1st V.P. Gatti: when filling out applications for membership make sure Death Benefits are signed.

2nd V.P. Drew: Defib unit kept in N.M.F.D. Co# 2 clearly labeled

Shirt order discussed, meeting schedule discussed Tappan taking March 2014 meeting.

Secretary: 100th Anniversary convention minutes completed, including trophy award winners And scholarship and other award winners sent to George Saigh for distribution, ie: Signal Treasurer Saigh presented his report.

Financial Secretary: approximately \$505.00 in dues collected over the summer?

1 Death Benefit Richard M. Nubeski from ????

Comments from 100th anniversary by George Fosdick were A-1

Chiefs from Little Ferry, South Hackensack, and Moonachie may take parade in the "future".

Signal: editor to preview and will be out after convention

Website: Tom Bierds only one sending stuff, who is N.J. contact for website?

Audit Committee: J. Mallol new chairman met on 7/8/13 presented the report

Copies to presidents and secretary.

Citations: Westwood F.D. member Bill Quinn's wife Ingrid made a CPR save very impressive

Memorial: bell donated by Past President Milt Cole to be engraved

"In memory of all NJ/NY Vol. Firemen who served" in Milt's honor

Clothing Bins: 2 bins in Dumont out being refurbished Walgreens wants to get rid of them for More parking spaces. 2nd V.P. Gatti says 2 incidents in Rockland

Guy got stuck in bin and was arrested by P.D.

Girl lost her cell phone in bin

There is a master key for all bin locks if you need to cut them "cut em".

Westwood D.P.W. will they relocate bins there? Jim Cole will look into matter.

Old Business: refund of dinner tickets to Closter F.D. George and Alan will look into this.

State Exempts: Frank Glueckler discussed their service award 2013 recipient Past

President Bobby Aitken from Little Ferry.

New Business: 2nd V.P. Gatti will undergo shoulder operation in mid-October will need 6 months rehab

Insurance company, Otterstedt Agency relocating from Ridgefield Park to Teaneck.

Sponsorships for New Milford and Westwood golf outings approved.

Rockland Convention Friday Sept. 6th, 2013

@ Pomona Fire Academy

Parade, Sat. Sept. 7th, 2013 in New City N.Y.

Exempts meeting, Friday 9/6/13 @ New Milford Fire Co. # 2 8:00p.m.

Leonia F.D. situation discussed

Meeting adjourned @9:00p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Peter J. DeVries, Secretary



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New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association

LADIES' AUXILIARY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Nominees Name _____

Address _____

Nominees Fire Company or Dept. _____

Submitted by _____ Rank _____

Organization Name and Address

Telephone _____ Date Submitted _____

Attach a summary of nominees qualifications covering the criteria listed below. Summaries should be at least one page but no more than two, double-spaced. Include any additional information such as newspaper articles, citations and excerpts from meeting minutes.

Consideration for the award will be based on the following:

- 1) Service from a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary who has over the years been outstanding in her support of not only the Ladies' Auxiliary, but of their Fire Department and municipality.
- 2) Some of these outstanding ladies may have been a member only a few years, but she has been outstanding in her organizational skills and her support of the Fire Department. Whether it has been to raise funds for the Auxiliary, or in braving a sleet filled January night to bring refreshments to the men, or responding to a heat and humidity filled event in July with water when the Fire Department has been called out to a lengthy house fire, we firefighters would like to show our deep appreciation for the love which has been shown to us.
- 3) The candidate of this award may be nominated by a Chief Officer of any member Department, by a vote of the Department itself or by vote of any organized Ladies' Auxiliary.
- 4) It is recognized that the Ladies' Auxiliaries, by virtue of their main reason for being – to support their Fire Department – do not receive the publicity they deserve. The filled in application may not have any particular newspaper clippings to refer to their service, but clippings of a fire and other written anecdotal references to other events may be submitted.

Deadline: All applications must be postmarked by **May 1**.

Mail application to:
Bob Aitken
127 Lakeview Ave. Little Ferry, NJ 07643



New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association

Scholarship Application Requirements

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 applicants, their respective applications and take each application on its own merit. The Scholarship Committee will have a report ready for 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.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN APRIL 15TH.
APPLICATIONS POSTMARKED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.
COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MAY BE MAILED TO:

George Saigh
306 Luhmann Dr.
New Milford, NJ 07646-2327

New Jersey and New York
Volunteer Firemen's Association
Scholarship Award Application

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME TEL. NUMBER _____ E MAIL _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____

NAME OF SPONSORING NJ/NY VFA MEMBER _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

YEAR GRADUATED _____ GPA _____

NAME OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY APPLIED TO OR ATTENDING

MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY _____

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR OR ARE YOU RECEIVING ANY EDUCATIONAL FUNDING FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE? YES ___ NO ___ IF YES, ATTACH BRIEF STATEMENT OF EXPLANATION.

REQUIRED ATTACHEMNTS:

- CERTIFIED TRANSCRIPTS, SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADES AND COURSES STUDIED.
- IF NOW ATTENDING COLLEGE, CERTIFIED TRANSCRIPTS OF ALL COLLEGE WORK.
- AN ORIGINAL ESSAY OF 500 WORDS OR LESS PROVIDING BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND FUTURE PLANS INCLUDING HOW YOU WILL USE THE EDUCATION YOU ARE PURSUING.
- COPY OF LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE FROM THE COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY FOR THOSE CURRENTLY IN HIGH SCHOOL, OR A COPY OF YOUR CURRENT COURSE SCHEDULE FOR THOSE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY
- BREAKDOWN OF TUITION AND FEES.

IN APPLYING FOR CONSIDERATION, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS FOR THE NEXT SEMESTER AT AN ACCREDITED TWO (2) OR FOUR (4) YEAR COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY, OR INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION. THE SCHOLARSHIP MAY BE APPLIED TOWARDS THE PAYMENT OF TUITION, BOOKS, OR OTHER EXPENSES DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE PURSUIT OF MY STUDIES. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL REQUIRE IMMEDIATE RETURN OF THE SCHOLARSHIP.

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