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From the President's Pen...

First I would like to wish everyone and their families a very Happy New Year. Due to the recent coronavirus outbreak spike, we are canceling all membership meetings for the health and safety of our members and their families until further notice. Please make sure your departments are using the proper PPE during the battle with this pandemic. Let's not forget about the Captain Buscio Program At 1 Sears Dr. Suite 401 Paramus, NJ 201-556-1225. Please call to schedule an appointment. It is open to all First Responders from New Jersey and Rockland County. There is no cost to this program. We encourage more towns to have our clothing bins which raises money to hand out burnout cards in your community if you have a bin. Congratulations to Joseph Solimando Jr. from the Emerson Fire Department for 50 years of service to your community. Last, but not least, we are hoping to move forward with all of our events that we do yearly as soon as it's safe enough. Mask up and stay safe.

President Roy De Young Jr

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT HOILDAY GIFT?
NJ/NY VOLUNTEER FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION
 IS HOSTING A
FUN NIGHT OUT WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS
SNOW TUBING AT
CAMPGAW MOUNTAIN
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FEBRUARY 3, 2022
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UPCOMING ISSUES FOR THE SIGNAL

If the NJNY Signal is to continue in the future we must have article to put in. Unless you, the members and departments, supply me with information, the Signal may very well cease to exist. This Newsletter is only as good as the information put into it. Send me article of interest, events (allow at least 2 months lead time for events) new officers or anything that you might think important.

NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION OFFICERS 2021-2022

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Membership Meetings-Last Friday of the Month

*Unless otherwise noted. All meetings start at 8:00 PM

- 2022**
- January 28 Due to the increased outbreak of the Coronavirus, the leadership of this great organization has decided, for everyone's health and safety, to cancel all meetings until further notice. Look at our website www.njnyvfa.org for more news.
- February 25
- March 25
- April 29
- May 15 **MEMORIAL SERVICE**
Bergen County Fire Academy
281-291 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah, NJ 07430
- June 3 **CONVENTION - ORADELL, NJ**
- July-August **NO MEETINGS**
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER
- September 30 Wallington Co. 203 Wallington FD
2022 Park Row, Wallington, NJ 07057
- October 29 Lyndhurst FD
299 Delafield Ave., Lyndhurst, NJ
- November 19 New Milford Fire Co. 2 FD
680 Trenton St., New Milford, NJ
- December **NO MEETING - MERRY CHRISTMAS**
HAPPY HANUKKAH - HAPPY HOLIDAYS

*One week early due to Thanksgiving

Anyone wishing to host a meeting, please contact one of our Officers at njnyvfa@gmail.com or their personal email address as listed in this newsletter.

Please bring a face mask to meetings until further notice.



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

- Ex Chief Anthony "Tony" Culmone , Hose Co #2. , Bogota, NJ FD**
Ex-Chief Howard Williams, Jackson Fire Engine # 3, Nyack NY FD
Ex-Chief Roger Draves, New Milford Fire Co. 1, New Milford, NJ FD
FF Richard J. "Dispatcher 2-9" Pavone, River Vale, NJ FD
Ex-Chief Allen "Al" Blumenthal, River Vale, NJ FD
Ex-Chief Henry W. Miller II, Engine 18, Maywood, NJ FD
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Ex-Chief Mark Loesner, LF Hose Co. 1, Little Ferry, NJ FD
FF Albert Mann, Rockland H & L, Spring Valley, NY FD
FF Howard M. Tiedmann, Tenafly Fire Dept., Tenafly, NJ GF
FF Giulio Pigoncelli, Paramus Co. 4, Paramus, NJ FD
Ex-Chief Joseph R. Mara, Emerson Fire Dept., Emerson, NJ FD
FF Joseph G. Cannon, Ridgefield Park Fire Dept. Ridgefield Park, NJ FD
FF Henry Miller Maywood Fire Dept., Maywood, NJ FD
FF Charles R. Montgomery Jr., Teaneck Fire Dept., Teaneck, NJ FD
Ex-Chief Norman A. Hoyt Sr., Fire Co. 2, Bergenfield, NJ D
Ex-Chief Ralph Hsrty, Tallman, Fire Dept., Tallman, NY FD

Listings 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.



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FILING DEADLINES FOR NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION APPLICATIONS

Joseph Costello "VALOR AWARD" May 1st
 NJNY Unit Citation May 1st
 Ladies Auxiliary May 1st
 Rudy Appeld Award May 1st

All the above applications to be mailed to:
Pat Conner, 19 Medford Rd., Dumont, NJ 07628

Scholarships April 20th
 All scholarship applications to be mailed to:
George Saigh • 306 Luhmann Dr. • New Milford, NJ 07646-2327

**MAKE SURE THAT ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE COMPLETE, CORRECT AND SIGNED BY A
 CURRENT MEMBER OR LIFE MEMBER AS THE SPONSOR, OR THEY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

Waldwick Fire Department congratulates our past Chief on being sworn in as Chief of Department of the Maplewood FD. Congratulations Joe and best of luck!



WILLIAM G. HUNT: FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE

William G. Hunt is a long-time resident of Moonachie. He and his wife have been married for fifty years. Chief Hunt is a fifty-year member of the Moonachie Volunteer Fire Department. He joined the Department in 1971. Bill has served as the Chief of the Department twice and is now the Assistant Chief. In his fifty years, he has seen many fires, ranging from industry and residential locations, to Meadowlands brush fires and the American Dream Ski Ramp fire.

He recalls how the Department and the Borough of Moonachie were severely tested by Hurricane Sandy. There was over three feet of water in the firehouse. Even though much of the Department's equipment was lost, he is proud of how everyone came together to serve the people of Moonachie in their hour of need.

His son is a twenty-year member of the Department and has served as Chief, also.

His son-in-law, a police officer, is currently a member and has held the position of Fire Chief. Bill is also a Veteran of the US Navy. He enlisted in 1965. He served aboard the USS La Salle, LPD 3. Bill remembers the time his ship was tasked with the mission to recover the GEMINI 2-MOL test space capsule's second flight near Ascension Island. The capsule was returned to Cape Kennedy.

Thank you, sir, for your service to both the nation and the Borough of Moonachie.



South Bergen Fire Chiefs' Beefsteak was held Friday night, November 5, 2021, at The Fiesta. Several presentations were made. Ex-Chief Tony Chiodo presented Keith Rado with a thank you letter for the hospitality he gave to the South Bergen Fire Chiefs' Association for the Beefsteak in 2019. Tony then presented Keith Rado, Proprietor of the Fiesta, with an honorary membership to the South Bergen Fire Chiefs' Association. He also presented Heather Kutler, Maitre d' and Matt Landy, Co-Proprietor of the Fiesta, with their honorary membership to South Bergen Fire Chiefs' Association. Matt isn't present in the picture. Photo by Ron Jeffers. ###



*Jim Halloran, Jr.
presents Chief Hunt
with a certificate from The
Sons of Union
Veterans of the Civil War
for his fifty years
of service.*

*Photo and story by James
J. Halloran, Jr. ###*

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