

# NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.



107<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNUAL CONVENTION  
ORADELL, NEW JERSEY  
JUNE 3, 2022

# Upcoming Meetings and Events

Membership Meetings-Last Friday of the Month

*\*Unless otherwise noted*

## 2022

**June 7**

**8PM**

September 30

October 29

November 19

**December**

**Convention-Oradell Fire Dept.**

**St. Joseph's School, 305 Elm St., Oradell, NJ**

Wallington Co. 203 Wallington FD

2022 Park Row, Wallington, NJ 07057

Lyndhurst FD

299 Delafield Ave., Lyndhurst, NJ

New Milford Fire Co. 2 FD

680 Trenton St., New Milford, NJ

**NO MEETING - MERRY CHRISTMAS  
HAPPY HANUKKAH**

*\*1 week early due to Thanksgiving*

**ALL MEETINGS START AT 8:00 PM**

**Please bring a face mask to meetings until further notice.**

## FRIENDLY REMINDER:

**The Association is always looking for new members.  
You can join at any regular meeting. Interested  
members just have to ask the  
Financial Secretary for an application.**

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VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**



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Dear Convention Attendees & Guests,

On behalf of the Officers of the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association I extend a heart felt greeting to all here tonight at the 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention.

It is with great progress that we are able to accomplish this night, and all that holds for the award and scholarship winners. After coming through the pandemic and some of the toughest challenging times. We are here and continue the fight everyday. Please keep the men, women, and families of the fire service whom were not so blessed and the members at the Firemen's Home in Boonton who were taken from us, in our prayers.

We thank the Oradell Volunteer Fire Department for hosting the 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention. We congratulate them on their 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and for providing the highest level of professional service.

The Officers and this Association will continue to work diligently to get the latest information, educational material and legislative fire service updates delivered to our membership in a timely matter.  
Enjoy the night! Thank you for attending.

Sincerely,

*Roy De Young Jr.*

President Roy De Young Jr.  
New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association

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## Oradell Volunteer Fire Department

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**June 3, 2022**

On behalf of the Oradell Volunteer Fire Department, I would like to welcome you to the 107<sup>th</sup> annual convention of the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association. The departments that make up our association have been through quite a lot over the past two years and it is wonderful to have everyone back in person for this year's convention.

Throughout 2022, the Oradell Fire Department is celebrating 125 Years of dedicated service to the Borough of Oradell and our surrounding communities. I want to thank the association for your support over the years and for helping us celebrate this tremendous milestone.

In addition to sharing our knowledge, experiences and everything else that is part of our brother/sisterhood, I hope everyone takes the time to enjoy each other's company as the past two years have taught us that we should not take anything for granted. I thank you for attending and hope you enjoy the convention.

Yours in fire safety,

*Joseph Lomoriello*

Joseph Lomoriello  
Chief of Department  
[www.oradellfire.org](http://www.oradellfire.org)



# **JUNE 3, 2022**

## **NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

### **107th CONVENTION MEETING AGENDA**

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY:**  
**President Roy DeYoung Jr**
2. **INVOCATION BY:**  
**Chaplain William Drew**  
**PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY:**  
**Oradell Fire Department**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY:**  
**1st Vice President Bryan R. Hennig**
4. **SINGING OF THE NATIONAL ANTHEM BY:**
5. **RETIREMENT OF THE COLORS BY:**  
**Oradell Fire Department**
6. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS BY:**  
**President Roy DeYoung Jr.**  
**Fire Chief Joe Lomoriello**

#### **Introduction of Guests:**

**New York**  
**New Jersey**

7. **ASSOCIATION REPORTS:**  
**PRESIDENT – Roy DeYoung Jr.**  
**1<sup>st</sup> VICE PRESIDENT – Bryan R. Hennig**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT – Tony Chiodo**  
**SECRETARY – Rosemary Weyer**  
**FINANCIAL SECRETARY - John Schwedhelm**  
**TREASURER - George Saigh**
8. **PAST PRESIDENTS REPORTS**
9. **TRUSTEES REPORTS**
10. **FIREMEN'S HOME REPORT:**  
**NEW JERSEY – John Veras**  
**NEW YORK – Thomas Bierds**



11. **FASNY REPORT: Thomas Bierds**
12. **ROCKLAND COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION REPORT:**  
**President: Nicholas Gatti**  
**NEW JERSEY STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION REPORT:**  
**NJSFA Bergen County Executive Committeeman – Jerry Naylis Robert Ordway**
13. **PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS**  
**2022 SCHOLARSHIPS**  
**PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**HELENE FIELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
14. **CITATION AWARDS**  
**YEARS OF SERVICE**  
**LIFE MEMBERS**  
**LADIES AUXILIARY LEADERSHIP AWARD**  
**PRESIDENTIAL LIFESAVING AWARD**  
**UNIT CITATION AWARD**  
**INDIVIDUAL CITATION AWARD**  
**RUDY APPELD AWARD**  
**JOSEPH COSTELLO "FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR" AWARD**
15. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
16. **NEW BUSINESS: Winners of a training session at the Bergenfield Fire Training Center**
17. **PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO HOST TOWNS: President Roy DeYoung Jr.**
18. **REPORT OF ELECTION COMMITTEE**
19. **WAYS & MEANS: 50/50**
20. **BENEDICTION: Chaplain Thomas McCoy**
21. **ADJOURNMENT**



# A HISTORICAL LOOK AT THE ORDELL FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Borough of Delford was incorporated on February 24, 1894. In late 1895 four men meeting out of the local general store put the idea of forming a volunteer fire company for the town on paper and began the process of forming our organization. On January 18, 1897 the Delford Volunteer Fire Department was founded. They elected A. Landmann, president; George F. Moore, vice-president; James Hall, secretary; and James Searles, treasurer. To organize and command the members at a fire they selected D.Z. Westervelt, foreman and James Earl, assistant foreman. By June 7th 1897 there were 45 active members registered in the department.

A piece of property on Linden Avenue (now Kinderkamack Road) belonging to R.W. Cooper was purchased for the price of \$300 dollars. The Fire Committee was given \$765 for the construction of a fire house. This firehouse served the department until 1949 when new quarters needed to be sought to house the new heavier and larger equipment. Currently the old fire house building is occupied by the Bergen County Players.

Now the newly organized fire department needed equipment the first piece of fire apparatus, a hand drawn hose jumper, was purchased from the Maltese Hose Co. for \$96 dollars in 1897. This piece of equipment was ordered with 700 feet of carbonized-rubber hose at the cost of \$1 per foot. A hand drawn hook and ladder made by Hayward & Co. was also purchased for the price of \$425. The ladder cart was equipped with seven wooden ladders of various lengths, two hand torches, four Dietz Fire King Lanterns, one lamp, twelve leather fire buckets, one length of rope, two axes (one flat head one pike head) and two pike poles. At the time of delivery, the proud owners hired a local sign maker Mr. William Barnes to emblazon the departments name on their apparatus.

Unfortunately, the new fire house was not ready and the apparatus needed a home. Peter Demarest leased his barn to the borough for \$2.00 dollars a month for housing the apparatus. In 1902 the hand drawn hose jumper which had served the borough was replaced and in turn was sold to the new Riverside Volunteer Fire Brigade (now the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department). In 1997 as a gift to the Oradell Fire Department for their 100th Anniversary it was given back to the borough of Oradell. Currently the department is looking to restore this hose jumper by replacing the wheels, the pull bar, the missing nozzles, and the spring bells.

In 1903 a horse drawn hose cart was purchased by the borough of Delford from the Seagrave Company. This apparatus was able to be pulled by a team of horses allowing firefighters to respond even quicker to emergencies. The new hose cart was equipped with 800 feet of fire hose, two Dietz Fire King Lanterns, two leather and brass nozzles, an axe, and two chemical fire extinguishers. As far as getting it to a fire that was a whole different story. Two different stories exist in the archives of the fire department. The first is that any person able to respond and hitch their team of horses to the hose cart would be paid \$5 dollars for their use. John Haring; if a fire alarm was sounded, Biss Westervelt would bring a team, but the eager and dedicated volunteers were so quick they were able to pull the hose cart to the fire before he could even respond.

The hand drawn hook & ladder at some point in time was converted to a horse drawn ladder for quicker response. Unfortunately, nothing remains of this apparatus but a carriage torch and a lantern.

In 1916 and 1917 the borough purchased the fire department two Reo motorized fire engines. One engine carried hose and a chemical tank the other carried ladders and hose. In 1928 realizing that the town was growing and with the advances in the fire service with the development of the "Fire Pumper" an American LaFrance Metropolitan Class B Type 145 fire pumper was purchased. This pumper was able of pumping 1000 gallons of water per minute. This pumper became affectionately known as "Old Moe" which it is still called today. This apparatus has been showcased not only in Oradell's Fourth of July Parade, Chiefs Parades, New York & New Jersey Firefighters Association Parades, but also for fire prevention week in New York City by the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey. This pumper is still kept in original condition by the membership.

In 1932 the members tried to build their own. After purchasing a GMC chassis and equipping it with a water tank, a booster pump, hose and various equipment it was placed in service, and served the borough for many years. In 1939 a Buffalo Ladder Truck was purchased. This apparatus carried ladders large enough to “reach any roof in Oradell”. The truck also was equipped with a flood light system and various tools for salvage and overhaul. This ladder serviced the borough until 1962 when it was sold to a local chimney sweep.

Fire fighters now needed a way to be notified of a fire. The Reformed Church of Delford used its bell to signal an emergency. A rope hung outside of the bell tower for people to report a fire. Realizing they need a better way of dispatching the members “fire gongs” (used railroad steam engine wheels) were strategically placed throughout the borough. These gongs when struck with a hammer resonated a loud tone that could be heard by the members. In 1912 the gong system was disbanded and the Water Company steam whistle was used to signal the members (the steam whistle is now located at Bergen Tech in Hackensack). The only remaining gong is located in front of the firehouse as a memorial to members who have passed away. In 2004 the wooden posts supporting the gong were removed due to rot, the department is currently looking into redesigning the memorial area.

In 1927 a siren was mounted to the hose tower of the old firehouse and eventually relocated to its current spot behind the new firehouse, it is this system that is still in use today. In 1949 the telephone company installed bells in members’ homes, these bells were set off by the police department to dispatch the firefighters to their alarms. With technology advancing at such a rapid pace, members are now notified by pagers that they wear similar to cell phones. These pagers are activated by the police department whenever the department is needed to respond. In July 2, 1949 the new firehouse was dedicated, located on an old corn field just a block from the old structure it was built to handle the weight of the new style of fire apparatus. An addition was added to the fire house to allow for the equipment due to their growing size. In 2004 the fire house went under its latest renovation, lowering the apparatus floor and widening the door openings. This project was done to accommodate the growing size of fire apparatus today, a far cry from the humble hand drawn apparatus of the past.

In 1976, the department recognized a need for a water rescue team and received its first boat. Now a unique specialty of the Oradell Fire Department is the Swift & Underwater Rescue and Recovery. The department currently maintains SCUBA technical support to assist with underwater rescue and recovery efforts. Nearly every member of the department has been trained in swift water rescue techniques. The department currently operate 3 motorized boats and a SCUBA support vehicle.

Whether you are a resident, a fellow firefighter, or have attended a firefighters parade you’ve most likely seen us, dressed in our traditional red parade shirts, black bow ties, white pants, polished shoes, and leather parade belts. These wool parade uniforms were worn by almost every fire department founded prior to 1900. Although many departments have forgone tradition for the suit type uniform, Oradell Firefighters have remained steadfast in continuing the tradition.

Our members have marched with pride in many parades over the years; some of the trophies won by the department are pictured within this text. Trophies in our collection date back as far as 1910, our greatest recent achievement was in 2000 winning; Best Over All Department at the New York & New Jersey Firefighters Parade and Convention.



## Ridgefield Park Convention Committee



Top row, left to right—S. Olsen, G. Hansen, L. Wagner, A. Freeman, E. Patt.  
Second row, left to right—A. Rienman, F. Aellerman, S. Bauer, C. De Bouter.  
Third row, left to right—S. Madill, K. Alberque, K. Seivers, A. Gortlan, H. Dick, S. Olsen, Chairman;  
S. Bauer, Co-Chairman; A. Gartlan, Secretary.

*Chairman, Sarah Olsen.*

*Co-Chairman, Sally Bauer.*

*Secretary, Agnes Gartlan.*

*Members, Mrs. Clara De Bouter, Florence Latzko, Eva Patt, Helen Fass, H. Dick, Amelia Rienman, Alice Freeman, Winifred Jannsen, Frances Oellermann, Kathrine Seivers, Gertrude Hansen, and Sally Madil.*

*A reprint from the 1946 Convention Journal  
while the men were fighting overseas.*





*2022 Line and Administrative Officers of  
The Oradell Volunteer Fire Department*

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**2022 NJ/NY SCHOLARSHIPS:**

1. **Abigail Schwedhelm – Little Ferry, NJ**  
**Montclair State University – Educational Foundations for Elementary Teachers**
2. **James Brazofsky – Park Ridge, NJ**  
**Wilkes University – Criminology**
3. **Megan Johnson – New Milford, NJ**  
**University of Rhode Island – Nursing**
4. **Donald F. Ciecuch – Secaucus, NJ**  
**Montclair State University – Business Management**
5. **Joseph Squillace – Wyckoff, NJ**  
**University of Miami – Industrial Engineering**
6. **Lukas Rozansky – Little Ferry, NJ**  
**Bergen Community College – Criminal Justice**
7. **Ryan Freeman – Clifton, NJ**  
**Rutgers University – Mechanical Engineering**
8. **Katelyn Ven Tine – Bergenfield, NJ**  
**Jacksonville University – Nursing**
9. **Nicholas Squillace – Wyckoff, NJ**  
**University of Tampa – Criminal Justice**
10. **Olivia Barbieri – Demarest, NJ**  
**Barnard College– Biochemistry/Economics**





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**10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP  
HONORING NJ/NY PAST PRESIDENT  
ROBERT AITKEN SR.  
LITTLE FERRY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Robert Aitken was a life member and an ex-chief from the Little Ferry Fire Department. For nearly 20 years, he served the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association and was a past president of the association.

Bob was involved in many ongoing things with this association, serving under committees that helped select scholarship winners and award recipients. His involvement with clothing bin donations funded many of those awards through the years, as well as supporting victims of house fires across Bergen and Rockland Counties.

In 2014, Bob helped to launch the start of the Presidential Scholarship award for which he is honored with tonight. We lost Bob in October 2019 and his presence is among us tonight as we return to holding conventions for the first time since his passing.

It is with great honor that the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association recognizes Robert Aitken Sr. and names the 2022 Presidential Scholarship Award posthumously in his honor.

**2022 Presidential Scholarship awarded to**

**EMILY GILL  
BERGENFIELD, NJ  
attending  
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY  
BIOCHEMETRY**



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**2022 HELEN FIELD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association presents an annual scholarship award in memory of Helene D. Field. Helene was a co-owner with her brother, Marc, of H&M Leasing Corp. In 1997, Helene was named President of H&M Leasing Corp. d/b/a "The Gift of Giving."

Helene passed away, suddenly, on December 3, 2009. May she forever be remembered for who she strived to be and may she forever rest in peace.

This award is selected by a member of the Field Family each year based upon the essays submitted. There are no names on the essays, only an identifying number.

It is with great honor that the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association and the Field Family proudly present the

**2022 Helen Field Memorial Scholarship awarded to**

**KEVIN SCULLY  
MONTVALE, NJ  
attending  
JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY  
KINESIOLOGY**



# Years of Service Certificates

## 50 years

Thomas H. McNamara, Closter, NJ  
Peter Sorensen, Closter, NJ  
Thomas R. Pierro Sr., Closter, NJ  
Michael J. Thornhill, Closter, NJ  
William Ramagli, Emerson, NJ  
Dennis Falotico, Emerson, NJ  
William Weber, Little Ferry, NJ  
Ronald Pressler, Elmwood Park, NJ  
Roy Anderson, Moonachie, NJ  
Thomas M Twist Jr., Rutherford, NJ  
John R. Sigano, Nutley, NJ  
Thomas Peters, Nutley, NJ  
Robert L Atkinson, Nutley, NJ  
Henry L Baker 3rd, Nutley, NJ  
Theodore O Mohrbutter, Nutley, NJ  
Joseph Lazur, Nutley, NJ  
Frank Ruggiero, Nutley, NJ  
Charles Germain, Leonia, NJ  
Kevin Karros, Leonia, NJ  
Robert Ludwig, Park Ridge, NJ  
James Babcock, Park Ridge, NJ

Richard Kapusta, Wallington, NJ  
Kenneth Doviak, Wallington, NJ  
Joseph Ivanicki Sr., Wallington, NJ  
John Lyons, Fair Lawn, NJ  
Kenneth Pfeifer, Fair Lawn, NJ  
Thomas Gannon, Northvale, NJ  
Bennetto Persichetti, Sloatsburg, NY  
Carl Wright, Sloatsburg, NY  
Andrew Gulick, Sloatsburg  
Robert Stritmater, Sloatsburg, NY  
John Long, Sloatsburg, NY  
Chris Wohl, Congers, NY  
Robert Stout, Congers, NY  
Walter Syvarth, New City, NY  
Lawrence Weiber, New City, NY  
Harrold Heuffel, New City, NY  
Arhtur Kunz Jr., New City, NY  
Edward Hewitt, New City, NY  
Lawrence Willows Jr., New City, NY  
Donald Baggott, New City, NY  
Christopher Clegg, Valley Cottage, NY

## 60 years

Anthony f. Lipardi, Closter, NJ  
Frank F. Benz Jr., Closter, NJ  
William J Risch, Nutley, NJ  
Leonard McCrum Jr., Nutley, NJ  
Theodore C Potter, Nutley, NJ  
Alvin Baxter Green, Nutley, NJ  
John P Roth, Nutley, NJ  
John Coyle Jr., New City, NY  
Warren Lawrence, New City, NY  
Walter Miller Jr., New City, NY  
Howard Schweitzer, Garnerville, NY

# Years of Service Certificates

## 70 years

*George W Steger, Maywood, NJ*

*John Thomas, Park Ridge, NJ*

*Alfred Hopper, New City, NY*

*Stuart L. Gates, Stony Point, NY*

*Everett Wanamaker, Nyack, NY*

## NJ/NY VFA Life Member Certificates

*Nancy Naylis, Bergenfield, NJ*

*Eugene Leone, Elmwood Park, NJ*

*Christopher Howe, Little Ferry, NJ*

*Marty Loesner, Little Ferry, NJ*

*Christopher Wojcicki, Little Ferry, NJ*

*Thomas J. Dillon, Mahwah, NJ*

*Richard Hess, Norwood, NJ*

*Thomas J. Ryan, Orangeburg, NY*

*Robert Cordasco, Little Ferry, NJ*

*James Lodato, Bergenfield, NJ*

## Honorary Life Member

*Donna Buscio, New Jersey*

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**2022 LADIES' AUXILIARY LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

**BARBARA MENDOLA, MOONACHIE LADIES' AUXILIARY**

For the past 50 years, Barbara Mendola has been a fixture of the Moonachie Ladies' Auxiliary. Barbara initially joined the auxiliary with her husband joining the Moonachie Fire Department in the 1970s. Barbara's husband later served the Moonachie Fire Department as its chief, while Barbara supported both him and the department as a whole through the auxiliary.

As the years have gone on, the auxiliary has dwindled in numbers. There were three separate organizations for the ladies in Moonachie alone when Barbara first joined, but they have since been combined into one entity. Despite the changes, Barbara has been a mainstay in the town and able to support the department even after multiple decades of service.

Barbara's tireless dedication to the town and her local fire department has been on display for half a century and tonight, she is honored for her continued efforts.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award Barbara Mendola the 2022 Ladies' Auxiliary Leadership Award.



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**2022 PRESIDENTIAL LIFESAVING AWARD**

**JASON GANGI, DEMAREST DPW**

As areas dealt with the destruction of Hurricane Ida, towns leaned upon all of their resources, including those beyond the fire service.

Jason Gangi was out on September 1, 2021 during the height of the hurricane. Traveling in a backhoe for the Demarest DPW, Gangi was going south on County Road when he approached a vehicle partially submerged on a bridge.

With water flowing over the bridge and vehicle, the roadway was close to collapsing. Gangi notified the Demarest Fire Department of the emergency and then extended his backhoe to the driver's door, hoping to create a path for the driver to escape from the vehicle.

The driver was unable to escape at that point, but was then aided by Demarest Ladder 1, who came to the scene and began a rescue operation. Firefighters used the backhoe as support while tying themselves off with rescue rope and were able to reach the driver through a rear door of the vehicle.

All firefighters, as well as the driver, were pulled away from the vehicle on the bridge, which gave way less than a minute later. When every second counts and every resource matters, Gangi was there to provide strong support for first responders when they were needed the most.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award Jason Gangi the 2022 Presidential Lifesaving Award.



# NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## **2022 PRESIDENTIAL LIFESAVING AWARD**

### **SEAN VALLE**

Sean Valle normally takes the same route to work every single day. On the morning of September 3, 2021, a detour Valle took saved the lives of four people.

Valle works in the transportation department for SUEZ and was heading to work when he encountered gray smoke in the air on the corner of Central and Prospect avenues in Bergenfield. As he came closer to the source of the smoke, Valle saw two people standing on the roof of their house, waving for help. Part of the mother-daughter home was on fire.

Valle called 911 and tried to find a ladder to reach the pair on the roof. Valle was told by the people on the roof that two additional people were on the first floor of the house in the other residence. A neighbor, along with a responding police officer, helped Valle with a ladder to try and save the two people on the roof.

Meanwhile, Valle pounded on one of the house's front doors, waking up two people inside that were unaware of the fire occurring. Minutes later, Bergenfield Fire Department had responded to the house, which now had fire coming out of every window. Firefighters rescued the two people on the roof of the house.

In Valle's own words, he was in the right place at the right time. Valle had recently moved from North Bergen and had moved eight blocks away from the scene just one week before the incident. Valle also does not see himself as a hero, but this association disagrees.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award Sean Valle the 2022 Presidential Lifesaving Award.





# NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## **2022 UNIT CITATION AWARD**

### **DEMAREST FIRE DEPARTMENT**

### **ROCHELLE PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Northern New Jersey was among the areas hardest hit by Hurricane Ida on September 1 and 2, 2021. During this time, multiple towns dealt with major flash flooding and record setting rainfall for the area.

In a period of 24 hours, the Demarest Fire Department responded to 34 different calls of various types of emergencies that required rescues, including fires, flooding, water rescues and natural gas leaks.

Rochelle Park alone experienced more than 200 calls for assistance during the storm, which included 71 rescues from the extreme flooding conditions. Among them were rescuing civilians at restaurants and the local American Legion, many of whom had resorted to standing on the roof of their cars to avoid flood waters. Not only were both departments capable of serving their communities nonstop during the extreme event, but both departments were able to keep their members safe and unharmed during rapidly changing conditions.

During some of the most extreme weather that either town had ever experienced, both Demarest and Rochelle Park Fire Departments responded quickly, effectively and frequently to keep residents safe from weather instances that were beyond high expectations.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award crews from both the Demarest Fire Department and the Rochelle Park Fire Department the 2022 Unit Citation Award.



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## INDIVIDUAL CITATION AWARD

### CARMINE MACERI

### SOUTH HACKENSACK POLICE OFFICER/FIRE CHIEF

On Sunday, May 15, 2022, the New Jersey/New York Volunteer Firemen's Association conducted their annual memorial service at the Bergen County Police and Fire Academy in Mahwah. This ceremony honors and remembers firefighters from Bergen County, New Jersey and Rockland County, New York who passed away last year. The Hall of Heroes was filled to capacity with a large and impressive crowd with standing room only. Among the attendees was Police Sergeant Carmine Maceri. Twice during the ceremony, two different attendees experienced medical emergencies requiring immediate aid and assistance. Without hesitation, Sergeant Maceri raced out and retrieved his medical aid bag from his vehicle and rendered assistance. In the first case, a young firefighter passed out and was unresponsive. Sergeant Maceri attended to this individual's needs while awaiting the arrival of Mahwah's Police Department and Ambulance Corps. At the conclusion of the day's events, a second gentleman who was overcome with emotion and was in severe distress, needed attention. Again, Sergeant Maceri stepped up and rendered aid and assistance until the Mahwah Police Department arrived followed by Mahwah's Ambulance Corps. Only after the young man had been attended to and aided by Sergeant Maceri's calming and reassuring manner was the individual's situation resolved. Initially, Sergeant Maceri was prepared to immediately allow the Mahwah Police Officers on scene to take control of this situation; however, the Mahwah Police Officers recognized the calming relationship between the patient and Sergeant Maceri and insisted Sergeant Maceri stay with the patient to assure the best possible outcome, which is exactly what happened.

On behalf of the New Jersey/New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, I want to thank Sergeant Maceri for his quick actions in rendering aid and assistance to two individuals who experienced medical emergencies while attending our program. Sergeant Maceri's actions are a credit to both the South Hackensack Police and Fire Department and speak highly of his performance and dedication to duty. He should be commended for his performance.



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**2022 RUDY APPELD SERVICE AWARD**

**THEODORE "TEDDY" ARZONICO  
TENAFLY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

It's hard to envision the town of Tenaflly without Teddy Arzonico. A lifelong citizen of Tenaflly, Arzonico joined the Tenaflly Fire Department in 1956 as the third generation of his family to serve in the town. During his 66 years of service, Arzonico climbed the ranks of officer, reaching the position of chief in 1973.

Arzonico's life of service began with enlisting in the United States Navy in 1952, prior to his time in the fire service. Arzonico served in submarines and on Air Development Squadron One.

Back in his native Tenaflly, Arzonico served his community as a youth soccer coach for 20 years. Arzonico did that during his spare time when not working as an inspector for the state highway road department or on the DPW for Tenaflly and Cresskill.

Arzonico's dedication to the fire service extends beyond Tenaflly as a past president of the Northern Valley Fire Chiefs Association. Arzonico still serves as a senior trustee, working with the organization for its annual parade and firematic inspection that coincides with Fire Prevention Week.

Arzonico is a consistent fixture at the Tenaflly fire house, regularly attending meetings, participating in drills and passing along knowledge to multiple generations of firefighters. Arzonico serves as the Chief Engineer for the Tenaflly Fire Department, lending a hand to maintain department apparatus that includes vintage trucks that have served Tenaflly almost as long as Arzonico has.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award Theodore "Teddy" Arzonico the 2022 Rudy Appeld Service Award.



# NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## **JOSEPH COSTELLO “FIREMAN OF THE YEAR” AWARD**

For many years the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association has given this award proudly to a deserving recipient. Starting in 2005 the award was renamed as the “Joseph Costello Fireman of the Year” award.

For those who do not remember or did not know “Joe”, here is a little background on him. Joe joined New Milford Fire Co. #1 in 1961. He served as President of Co. #1 from 1978 to 1982. He was a Life Member of New Milford Fire Co. #1 and a Life Member of the New Jersey & New York Volunteer Firemen's Association. He also served as a Trustee of New Milford Fire Co. #1. Joe could always be counted on to speak his mind at meetings and keeping this association moving forward.

On November 27, 1972, a fire was reported at Rhein Court in New Milford, NJ. All units responded. Joe was severely injured while performing the rescue of a woman from the house with 2 police officers. Joe received injuries that would have defeated most men. Joe decided to continue in the fire service promoting Fire Safety around the state and as a spokesperson for the Burn Foundation. Some of the awards that Joe received over the years include the New Jersey & New York “Firemen of the Year” award in 1973, the “Rudy Appeld” award and the “Fire Industry” award at the 100th annual Fire Chief's convention in Baltimore. Joe also received a “Valor” award from the borough of New Milford.

Joe answered his final alarm in February 2004 and it is with great honor that we present this award in Joe's honor.



NEW JERSEY & NEW YORK  
VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

**2022 JOSEPH COSTELLO FIREMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

**BRIAN NEVINS, RIDGEFIELD PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT**

On March 14, 2021, the Ridgefield Park Fire Department was dispatched to a reported dumpster fire within the village on Mount Vernon Street. First due Engines 1 and 3 arrived at the scene along with Assistant Fire Chief and confirmed a pile of trash was on fire behind the building, approximately 10 feet away from the rear of the business.

Crews from both engine companies began stretching separate hose lines to the rear of the business to fight the fire and protect surrounding exposures. As the two lines approached the fire, a faint hissing sound could be heard. Seconds later, an explosion within the garbage receptacle occurred, resulting in two injured firefighters. One firefighter suffered an ear injury due to the loud explosion, but was evaluated with non-life threatening injuries.

The second firefighter was a Junior Firefighter, under the age of 18 and with Engine 3 after finishing training right before the call. The junior firefighter was helping to advance one of the hose lines when he was struck with shrapnel and debris from the explosion and was suffering from major bleeding.

The junior firefighter was pulled away from the scene firefighter Brian Nevins was there, along with police and ambulance members, to assist the junior. Nevins applied a tourniquet to the junior firefighter while a mayday call and a request for ALS and BLS units were made. Nevins' quick actions provided lifesaving medical attention to one of the newest of his brother firefighters that saved his life that day.

The New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association is proud to award Brian Nevins the 2022 Joseph Costello Firefighter of the Year Award.





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# NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## "Fireman of the Year" Award

1961	Lt. Robert Schultz	Garfield FD	1990	Capt. Robert DeTemple	Tappan FD
1962	F/F John Roskevits	New Milford FD Co.1	1991	F/F Lee Glick	Spring Valley FD
1963	Capt. Herbert H Allmers,Jr.	Dumont FD Co.3		F/F Steve Yaciuk	Spring Valley FD
1964	F/F Robert Bajar	Cliffside Park FD Hose Co.1	1992	Capt. John Saccardi	Fort Lee FD Co.1
1965	F/F Eric Lundgren	Nyack FD Empire H&L	1993	OPEN	
	Co.		1994	OPEN	
1966	Ex-Chief George Geissler	East Paterson FD Co.3	1995	F/F David Meyers	Bergenfield FD Prospect FC
1967	Lt. Louis Parrise	Tenafly FD	1996	2nd Lt. Andrew Kolesar	West Haverstraw FD Vol.
1968	F/F Matthew Talmo, Sr.	Ridgefield FD			Hose Co.2
1969	F/F John Matich	New City FD Eng.Co.	1997	OPEN	
1970	F/F George Wurtts	Lynhurst FD	1998	OPEN	
1971	Chief Vincent Veba	Ridgefield Park FD	1999	OPEN	
	Capt. Douglas Hansen	Ridgefield Park FD	2000	F/F Charles Bocchino	Norwood FD
1972	F/F Leonard Scott	River Vale FD	2001	F/F T.J. Ondorff	Carlstadt FD
1973	F/F Joseph Costello	New Milford FD Co.1		F/F Dennis Monks	Carlstadt FD
1974	F/F Edward Kneisler	Bergenfield FD	2002	(not awarded)	
1975	Chief Vincent Sebastian	New City FD Hose Co.1	2003	F/F Thomas Slane	River Edge FD Co.1
1976	F/F John Behnke	Paramus FD Co.2	2004	Chief Kevin Murphy	Harrington Park FD
1977	F/F Robert F. Sands	Rochelle Park Eng. Co.1	2005	Ass't Chief Kevin Cunningham	North Arlington FD
	F/F Henry Matuszeuski	Rochelle Park Eng.Co.1	2006	Dep. Chief Chris Weismann	River Edge FD Co.1
1978	Capt. Gordon Touchette	Ridgefield Park FD Co. 2	2007	OPEN	
1979	F/F John Antolla		2008	Ex-Chief Zalewski	Wallington FD
	F/F John Malool		2009	OPEN	
1980	F/F Anthony Alessio	Paramus FD Co.3	2010	Ass't Chief Kevin Felton	East Rutherford FD
1981	Fairview Fire Dept.		2011	Dep. Fire Comm. Andrew Kolesar	Rockland Cty.
1982	F/F Kenneth Stephan	Ridgefield Park FD Co.3	2012	F/f Damian Lennon	Congres FD
1983	Capt. Edward J. O'Brien,Jr.	Ridgefield Park FD Truck 2		Ex-Chief Peter Eckhart	Congres FD
1984	F/F Neil G. Ginderson	Maywood FD Protection H&L	2013	Capt. Wayne Werner	Tappan FD
1985	F/F Thomas Phillips	West Haverstraw FD	2014	Lt. Joseph Kopacz	Garfield FD
		S W Johnson Engine 1		Lt. Keith Kopacz	Garfield FD
1986	F/F Mario Fernandez	Bogota FD H & L Co. 1		F/F Nicholas Kopacz	Garfield FD
1986*	F/F Marinus "Pat" Witte	Midland Park FD	2015	(not awarded)	
		(Posthumously)	2016	Chief Dan Goswick	Piermont FD
1987	F/F Kenneth Rose	Sloatsburg FD		F/F Candice Goswick	Piermont FD
1988	OPEN		2017	F/F Roy DeYoung	Maywood FD
1989	(not awarded)		2018	F/F William V. "Billy" Harris	Central Nyack FD



# **HISTORY OF THE NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION 1913-1963**

In presenting a brief resume of the history of the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, it is well to bear in mind the character and background of the Association, namely, the men who have given their full efforts in fighting fire, we refer particularly to the volunteer fire departments that comprise this association.

It is interesting to revert to the beginning of the New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association when in 1913 a temporary organization was formed and later on Friday, March 27, 1914, a permanent association was completed at a meeting held in the headquarters of the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, Park Ridge, New Jersey.

At that meeting the plans and ideas of the new association were discussed, thus starting it on a strong and firm basis. From that meeting came plans to form an organization or association of all the fire companies along the New Jersey and New York Railroad from Spring Valley, New York to North Hackensack, New Jersey.

From that association started March 24, 1914 has grown the great New Jersey and New York Volunteer Firemen's Association with the membership not only comprising the fire companies along the railroad but now comprising most all the volunteer fire companies in Bergen County, New Jersey and Rockland County, New York.

At the meeting of Friday, March 27, 1914, Foreman Robin A. Bullock, of the Park Ridge Volunteer Fire Company presided as Chairman and Chief Henry J. Werner of the Hillsdale Fire Department acted as secretary. Hillsdale was represented at this meeting by Chief Henry J. Werner, Assistant Chief A. L. Fritz, and Foreman Harvey Hering.

Westwood was represented by represented by Assistant Chief Irving T. Brickell, and Foreman Wilbur A. Terhune of the Continental Hose Company No. 1.

Spring Valley was represented by A.J. Schmidt, from the Spring Valley, Hook & Ladder Company.

Park Ridge was represented by Foreman Robin A. Bullock, Assistant Foreman E.J. Brus, Foreman Charles Greish and fireman James Heale, Benjamin Mills, John Hall, N.B. Ackerman and C.E. Bounoure.

Pearl River was represented by Captain A.M. Rowland of the Excelsior Engine Company.

At this meeting on Friday, March 27, 1914 the following officers were elected, to represent the new organization. President Henry J. Werner, Vice-President Robin A. Bullock, Secretary Irving T. Brickell and Treasurer A.J. Schmidt.

Regular meetings were held every month at various municipalities the local fire department extending the invitation to meet at the stated meeting hall and the local fire department acted as host for the evening. In former years the host department always provided entertainment and refreshments for the delegates, alternatives and all fireman of this association who attended the meetings.

During the advancing years firemanic talks by guest speakers was common at the meetings as well as the showing of firemanic films on fire fighting, fire training and fire prevention.

In later years the association started fire training schools and these schools are still an important part in the activities of the association.

In the past years the association has proposed acts of legislature which were to benefit the firemen of the State of New Jersey or the State of New York, and the officers are always on the alert to secure or assist in the passing of new legislature laws to further benefit the firemen of our association.

The legal assistance of the association has on occasions been extended to members of the association whom had become involved in difficulties in the performance of their duties as firemen. This service is still available and recommended for members who seek advice or counsel.

The formation of the many Mutual Aid Associations in both counties is the result of the meeting of the many department Chiefs at the monthly association meetings. In the process of formation and agreement there is now a Mutual Aid Association being formed between the City of New York and the County of Bergen.

The honor of having held the office of President was given to the following members of th Association, Henry J. Werner, Irving T. Bricknell, George F. Granger, Chris H. Hasselhuhn, Clarence V. Shuttleworth, Otto Zimmerly, Bernard T. Aschenbrand, G. Hiram Peary, Karl P. Robins, Robert Jack, Robert V. LaRaia, Roy B. Wright, Eugene Spender, Norman Vanderbeek, Amos Smith and Ted Vagell, who is presently President.

It is also fitting at this time that words of praise be said for some of the former members of the Association who since answered their last alarm for the many years of faithful service their associates remember, namely, Irving T. Bricknell, President for 10 years, Robin Bullock, former Vice-President, George F. Granger, former President, Karl P. Robbins, former President, Roy B. Wright, former President, Albert Lembeck, former Vice-President, Henry Joseph Spender, former Vice-President, Louis H. Furman, former 2nd Vice-President, Charles T. Mortimer, former secretary, John L. DeMott, former assistant secretary, Charles E. Thiel, former assistant secretary, Herman H. Schult, former financial secretary, Edward Christie, former financial secretary, James Mac Ivoy, former financial secretary, A.J. Schmidt, former treasurer, W.G.Z. Critchley, former treasurer, Matthew Fitting, former treasurer, F.A. Schultz, former trustee, Frank Wiley, former trustee William McAlpine, former trustee and John Kennell, former Honorary Vice-President. Henry J. Werner the first President of the Association servicing from 1913 to 1917.





*Henry Werner  
First President*

# NEW JERSEY AND NEW YORK VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

## Past President 1913-2021

1913-1916	Henry Werner	Hillsdale, NJ
1917-1926	Irving Brickell	Westwood, NJ
1927-1928	George Granger	Park Ridge, NJ
1929-1938	Chris Hesselhuhn	Carlstadt, NJ
1939-1940	Clarence Shuttleworth	Hillsdale, NJ
1941-1943	Otto Zimmerly	Garfield, NJ
1944-1946	Bernard Aschenbrand	Bergenfield, NJ
1947-1948	G. Hiram Peary	Bogota, NJ
1949-1950	Karl Robbins	Westwood, NJ
1951-1952	Robert Jack	East Rutherford, NJ
1953	Robert LaRaia	Englewood Cliffs, NJ
1954-1955	Roy Wright	Ridgefield Park, NJ
1956	Eugene Spender	Wyckoff, NJ
1957-1958	Norman Vanderbeek	Spring Valley, NY
1959-1960	Amos Smith	Mahwah, NJ
1961-1962	Theodore Vagell	Garfield, NJ
1963-1964	Charles Eisenhardt	Westwood, NJ
1965-1966	Robert Sauer	Lyndhurst, NJ
1967-1968	Edmund Hoag	Tenafly, NJ
1969-1970	John Boyan	Piermont, NY
1971-1972	Paul Lehman	Paramus, NJ
1973	Edmund Neumann	Elmwood Park, NJ
1974-1975	James Hayn	Washington Twp, NJ
1976-1977	William McDonnell	Stony Point, NY
1978-1979	Bruce Scott	Wyckoff, NJ
1980-1981	Fred Wuhrl	Maywood, NJ
1982-1983	Edward Ballanco	Montvale, NJ
1984-1985	Rudy Manz	Franklin Lakes, NJ
1986-1987	Paul Lehmann, Jr.	Washington Twp, NJ
1988-1990	John Goldsmith	Stony Point, NY
1990-1992	Arthur Safranek	Little Ferry, NJ
1992-1994	Milton Cole	Westwood, NJ
1994-1996	Phillip "Fuzzy" Delorenzo	Piermont, NY
1996-1998	Donald Fournieu	Westwood, NJ
1998-2000	Neal Carroll	River Edge, NJ
2000-2002	Robert Aitken	Little Ferry, NJ
2002-2004	Robert "Rusty" Doscher	Pearl River, NY
2004-2006	Larry Rauch	Upper Saddle River, NJ
2006-2008	Robert E. Kirsch	Bergenfield, NJ
2008-2010	Stuart Gates	Stony Point, NY
2010-2012	James Cole	Westwood, NJ
2012-2014	Robert E. Kirsch	Bergenfield, NJ
2014-2015	Nicholas M. Gatti	Piermont, NY
2015-2017	William Drew	New Milford, NJ
2017-2019	Stan Kufel	Oradell, NJ
2019-2021	Peter DeVries	????



# *A Gift from Captain Buscio*

Heart attacks are the largest single killer of firefighters. For that very reason, I created the program A Gift from Captain Buscio, which began in Jersey City and now spans across the State of New Jersey to offer strictly confidential, comprehensive cardiovascular and pulmonary evaluations with no out-of-pocket cost to ALL firefighters, police officers, and emergency responders.

## ***A Message from Donna Buscio***

Dear Friends,

My late husband Captain Dominick Buscio was a dedicated fire captain of the Jersey City Fire Department. Dom was a wonderful husband, father, brother and son to his family, and a true friend to all who knew him. At the age of 39, his life was unexpectedly taken when he suffered a heart attack during our ski vacation. Dom was the picture of health. In fact, the results of a complete physical he had only 19 months before his death were normal, except for the presence of a moderately high cholesterol level. Since he was found to be healthy at that time, he decided not to return for his annual physical the following year. While many people his age make the decision not to seek regular checkups, in his case, it resulted in an inconceivable loss to all of us.

I am sharing our experience with others because I have found that my husband's death was not a rarity. Heart attacks are the largest single killer

of firefighters. For that very reason, I created the program A Gift from Captain Buscio, which began in Jersey City and now spans across the State of New Jersey to offer strictly confidential, comprehensive cardiovascular and pulmonary evaluations with no out-of-pocket cost to all firefighters and officers. These annual examinations are provided by board certified cardiologists and pulmonologists from Cardio Pulmonary Diagnostic, LLC or Deborah Heart and Lung Center.

My intention is not to instill anxiety. On the contrary, it's to provide an opportunity for peace of mind. I'm quite certain that this program would have had Dom's full support, given the current limited opportunities for firefighters to obtain physicals. For me, this program, which was founded in Dom's memory, is an attempt to keep your occupational risk limited to fighting fires and crime. This pamphlet provides you with details on the program and how you may benefit from it. If you have any questions or concerns regarding information other than the web site, please contact me here.

Sincerely,  
Donna Buscio

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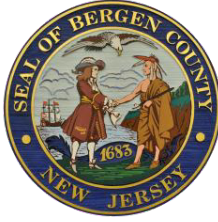
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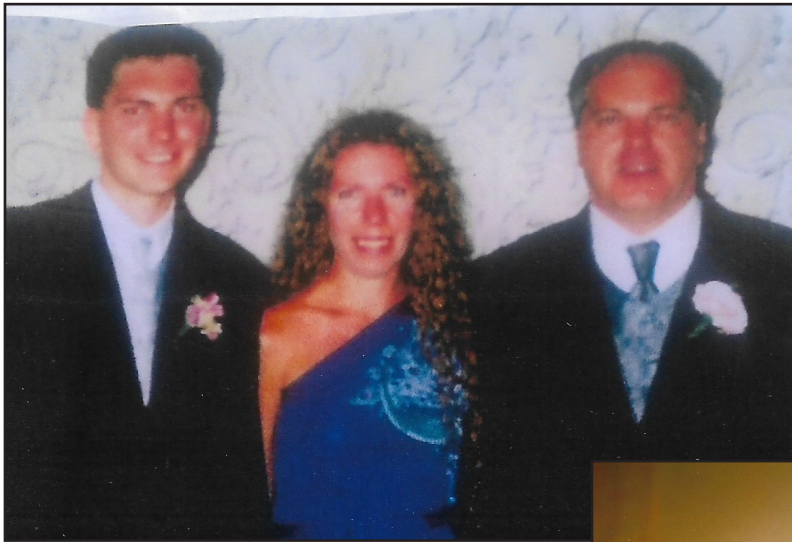
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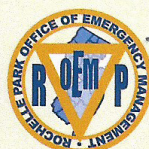


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# NOTES



# BEST PRACTICES

## for Preventing FIREFIGHTER CANCER

- 1 Full protective equipment (PPE) must be worn throughout the entire incident, including SCBA during salvage and overhaul.
- 2 A second hood should be provided to all entry-certified personnel in the department.

Following exit from the IDLH, and while still on air, you should begin immediate gross decon of PPE using soap water and a brush, if weather conditions allow. PPE should then be placed into a sealed plastic bag and placed in an exterior compartment of the rig, or if responding in POVs, placed in a large storage tote, thus keeping the off-gassing PPE away from passengers and self.
- 3
- 4 After completion of gross decon procedures as discussed above, and while still on scene, the exposed areas of the body (neck, face, arms and hands) should be wiped off immediately using wipes, which must be carried on all apparatus. Use the wipes to remove as much soot as possible from head, neck, jaw, throat, underarms and hands immediately.
- 5 Change your clothes and wash them after exposure to products of combustion or other contaminants. Do this as soon as possible and/or isolate in a trash bag until washing is available.
- 6 Shower as soon as possible after being exposed to products of combustion or other contaminants. "Shower within the Hour"
- 7 PPE, especially turnout pants, must be prohibited in areas outside the apparatus floor (i.e. kitchen, sleeping areas, etc.) and never in the household.
- 8 Wipes, or soap and water, should also be used to decontaminate and clean apparatus seats, SCBA and interior crew area regularly, especially after incidents where personnel were exposed to products of combustion.
- 9 Get an annual physical, as early detection is the key to survival. The NVFC outlines several options at [www.nvfc.org](http://www.nvfc.org). "A Healthcare Provider's Guide to Firefighter Physicals" can be downloaded from [www.iafc.org/healthRoadmap](http://www.iafc.org/healthRoadmap).
- 10 Tobacco products of any variety, including dip and e-cigarettes should never be used at anytime on or off duty.
- 11 Fully document ALL fire or chemical exposures on incident reports and personal exposure reports.

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