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President message...

I want to start by wishing Past Trustee Frank Gluckler and very happy and healthy 101 Birthday. Best of luck to you Frank. Happy Mother's Day to the mom's out there,

We had our General Meeting in Spring Valley Friday, April 24, 2026. Sorry to say, it was one of the worse attended meetings I have ever run or attended. We have over 600 members between Bergen and Rockland Counties, and this meeting was attended by 11 Eboard members and 5 members. The Hillcrest Department made food for at least 50 people. It was embarrassing for this Association and waste of money for them.

March and April are nomination months for the Officers of this Association. Unfortunately, we couldn't get any Town to host a March meeting, April was the only nominations made.

This Association is hurting for new members. We need the members we have to start attending meetings, it is usually the same people at meetings. We also need Towns to step-up and host meetings, We would like to have more meetings in Rockland County, so we get some Rockland County members to attend. But even Friday, April 24 in Spring Valley, the 5 members and 9 Eboard members that were there were from New Jersey. 2 Eboard members from Rockland County.

The Annual Memorial Service to honor our diseased Sister's and Brother's in May 17 at the Bergen County Fire Academy. Please attend to show respect to them.

The annual Convention is June 5th. Again, we couldn't get a Town to host it so this Association is hosting it at St. Joseph in Oradell N.J... Please attend this also as we will give Scholarships out. We asked for members with 40, 50, 60, 70 80, years of service and didn't get any responses from any Chief's.

We need Towns to host meetings. October 30, 2026 is open yet. For 2027 the only Months booked are January in Piermont and November in New Milford N.J.. We need Feb., March, April, May is the memorial. We need someone to host the Convention on June 4, 2027. Then September and October are open. This Association really needs your help if we are going to keep it going. Years ago, there were Convention parades. We can't get Towns to host meetings so another parade is unimaginable.

This Eboard, 18 Officers are trying everything to get cooperation from 600 members; we can't do it ourselves. To save money, we stopped mailing the Signal and are emailing it now. If anyone has ideas for fundraising, let us know. If anyone has anything they want to put into the Signal, let us know.

This Memorial Day, let's keep our loved ones in our thoughts and prayers. Let's thank the Veterans that gave their lives for our freedom and thank the Veterans that were lucky enough to return home to their families. Let's also remember our Sister's and Brother's that are no longer fighting fires.

We are working on getting the Webpage updated and the same with the Facebook page.

God Bless America and stay safe.

Tony Chiodo, President

Upcoming Meetings and Events

2026

- May 17 Annual Memorial Service – Details to follow
- June 5 WE ARE IN NEED OF A LOCATION FOR THE 2026 CONVENTION. PLEASE CONTACT AN OFFICER IF YOU CAN HOST A CONVENTION. SOME FINANCIAL HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE
- September 25 Norwood Fire dept. 602 Broadway, Norwood, NJ - Refreshments served at 7:00 pm. Meeting starts at 7:30 pm.
- October 30 OPEN
- November 20 New Milford Fire Co. 2, 680 Trenton St., New Milford, NJ 07646 - Refreshments served at 7:00 pm. Meeting starts at 7:30 pm.

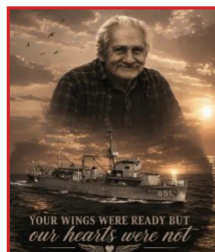


The officers and members of the NJ & NY Volunteer Firemen's Association extend their deepest sympathy to the families of our departed comrades:



FRANK FRASCO

Frank Frasco of Elmwood Park, formerly of Lodi, passed away on April 2, 2026 at the age of 91. Born and raised in Lodi to the late Mildred (nee Ferraro) and Frank, he was a resident of Elmwood Park for over 60 years. Frank was a seventy-year member of the United Association of Plumbers, Locals 326, 14 and 24. He helped organize and run the Plumbers' Retiree Club for many years. Frank was a long-time member of the Elmwood Park Fire Department. He was an Exempt Fireman's Association Relief Representative, Company Executive Officer, and Captain of Defender Company #4. Frank served his country in the Army's 8th Infantry Division of Combat Engineers and was stationed in Germany.



WILLIAM "ADRIAN" PHILHOWER

William "Adrian" Philhower, age 84, passed away on April 5th surrounded by family. William was born November 20, 1941 in Paterson, New Jersey and was raised in Clifton and settled in Butler, New Jersey.

William was a Navy Veteran that served on the USS Rockville from 1959 to 1962. He also joined the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department in 1968 as a member of Company 3. He was also a member of the Garfield Special Police.

William had a passion for woodworking and lighthouses.

William is preceded in death by his beloved parents, Milford and Mary Jane Philhower. He is survived by his loving wife of 29 years Rosemarie. By his sister Doris Philhower, brother Thomas Philhower, wife Jean, and sister-in-law Marianne Santorelli and her husband Al.

His daughters Cheryl Gillick, husband John, daughter Jill Giordano, husband Robert, daughter Jennifer Cuevas, husband Carlos, son James Philhower, wife Jeana, son William Shea Jr, wife Kristen, daughter Tara Wramage, husband Thomas and son Joseph Philhower, wife Monique. He is also survived by grandchildren Lindsey, Anthony and Vincent Giordano, Matthew and Jessica Cuevas, James and Josephine Philhower, Jack and Emma Shea, Chase Wramage and Kai and Kruz Philhower. He is also survived by his loving Aunt Shirley, 2 nephews, 3 great-nephews, 2 great-nieces and countless beloved cousins and extended family and friends.

BERGEN COUNTY UNDER FIRE: TWO MAJOR BLAZES RAVAGE NEIGHBORHOODS IN UNDER 24 HOURS



Little Ferry Blaze (4-21-26): Neighbors believe a propane tank may have been the catalyst for the blaze

Little Ferry NJ, It has been a harrowing 24 hours for first responders in Bergen County as two separate, destructive fires broke out in Little Ferry and Ridgefield Park, leaving homes in ruins and several communities on high alert.

From a suspected propane explosion to a multi-house inferno in the middle of the night, local fire departments have been pushed to their limits. Here is the latest on these developing stories.

Residents of Summit Circle in Little Ferry watched in horror at approximately 4:15 p.m. today as a fast-moving fire consumed one home and severely damaged a neighboring property.

Witnesses at the scene described an "inferno" that appeared to ignite on a back porch. While an official investigation is underway, neighbors believe a propane tank may have been the catalyst for the blaze.

The Hasbrouck Heights Fire Department (HHFD), including Chief 61, 62, and Engine 2, arrived to find a “working fire” that required immediate containment to prevent a neighborhood-wide catastrophe. Miraculously, no injuries were reported in this incident, though the primary home was declared a total loss.

2 FIREFIGHTERS INJURED IN MASSIVE MULTI-HOME FIRE IN RIDGEFIELD PARK, NJ



RIDGEFIELD PARK, New Jersey (4-21-26)-- A huge fire burned through three homes in Ridgefield Park on Tuesday, injuring two firefighters and leaving residents homeless.

The four-alarm fire broke out at a house on Brinkerhoff Street around 2:45 a.m. and spread to two nearby homes.

One of the homes belonged to a Gulf War veteran who survived 9/11. Now his home life is up in the air.

“We’re gonna see how badly damaged it is and we’ll take it from there,” said Greg Osborn.

More than 100 firefighters worked to stop the flames from spreading and it was a haul to get water on the burning structures.

“We have a hydrant about four or five houses west of the fire building,” said Ridgefield Park Fire Department assistant chief Michael Alberque. “We had to bring water in from probably 1,000 feet.”

Residents were able to get out on their own, but it looks like two of the homes will be taken down due to the extensive damage.

One Englewood firefighter and one Hackensack firefighter were taken to nearby hospitals, both with minor injuries, and a few others were checked out for smoke inhalation.

Families are rallying around the victims by gathering clothes to meet their immediate needs. A group of Ridgefield Park moms connected on social media to help displaced families.

The road to recovery will be long, but everyone says they are grateful to be alive.

The exact cause of the fire is still under investigation.

ROCKLAND COUNTY EXECUTIVE DELIVERS 2026 STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS

New City, NY – County Executive Ed Day delivered the 2026 State of the County Address, highlighting Rockland County’s continued fiscal responsibility, infrastructure investments, and initiatives to improve the quality of life for all residents.

“Even in a challenging fiscal environment, the County has refused to scale back essential services but mind you, there is the very real possibility of unexpected costs being passed down by state and federal programs — some of which border on draconian measures — that could push local governments toward a fiscal cliff. Rockland County continues to find smarter ways to move forward thanks to the dedicated public servants who work every day to strengthen our community,” said County Executive Day. “This year’s State of the County highlights not just our progress, but the people behind that progress — the departments and teams working across government to keep Rockland County strong.”

This year’s address was presented in a new video format, featuring department leaders discussing key achievements and priorities that support the pillars of county government — including public safety, consumer protection, support for veterans, and the infrastructure that keeps county operations running. Some of the major highlights include:

Public Safety and Consumer Protection:

Probation Department collected and disbursed over \$ 143,000 in fines, fees and restitution for the County and distributed \$39, 025 in restitution to victims of crime.

Office of Consumer Protection recovered over \$114,000 in refunds for victimized homeowners in 2025, a 75% increase compared to years past, in addition to collecting \$720,000 in fines & penalties against contractors who were either unlicensed, uninsured, or otherwise not in compliance.

Veterans Service Agency secured \$1.1 million in additional benefits for veterans. VSA also doubled the size of its Veteran Food Pantry, serving 242 veterans & surviving spouses.

Office of Fire & Emergency Services purchased advanced firefighter training simulators including Backdraft, Flashover, and SCBA Maze systems to enhance realistic emergency training. Also added a Hazardous Materials response vehicle and Technical Rescue response trailer to strengthen specialized emergency response capabilities.

Information & Technology Services upgraded countywide cybersecurity systems including firewalls, web filtering software, and advanced monitoring tools.

Health and Human Services:

Department of Health audited 50 schools and daycares, leading to increased compliance with vaccination requirements. DOH's Center for Environmental Health inspected 415 units for lead hazards.

Department of Mental Health expanded our response to the opioid crisis, opening our second Oxford House to create 10 new recovery beds for women and women with children. Drug-related deaths declined by 6.5%.

Department of Social Services helped 49 individuals experiencing homelessness move into stable housing.

Office for the Aging expanded the county's Portable Meal Program from just three sites to 11. OFA also added six volunteer drivers to the Independence Project, providing nearly 1,000 rides to medical appointments.

Youth Bureau through its Youth Employment Program, trained and employed a record 595 young people across Rockland County who contributed more than 140,000 hours of paid work experience. Youth Bureau also secured nearly \$700,000 in state funding, supporting 29 youth-serving programs across the County benefitting nearly 6,000 young people through sports, mentorship, and enrichment opportunities.

Environmental and Infrastructure Initiatives:

Division of Environmental Resources facilitated the largest Open Space Acquisition in County history with the 236-acre Eagle Valley Assemblage in Sloatsburg. DER also upgraded trails, improved parking access, expanded pollinator meadows, enhanced dog park facilities, and strengthened connectivity within South Mountain and other major parklands.

Department of Personnel modernized the County Job Opportunities webpage, which saw nearly 491,000 views — a 131% increase. Also generated the highest number of applicants for the September Correction Officer exam in three testing cycles.

County Purchasing Division implemented a Contract Lifecycle Management system to streamline procurement processes.

The Department of Public Transportation provided 1.9 million rides this year on Transport of Rockland, or TOR, fare-free. The County has also continued upgrading our bus fleet, programming the replacement of 14 buses, and installing equipment that will soon provide real-time bus information for riders. In 2026, the County will transition to a new operating contract.

Department of Planning reviewed more than 600 development applications across all five towns & 18 villages — representing over 3,200 proposed housing units and more than 1.3 million square feet of development. In 2026, the County will finalize and adopt the Envision Rockland Comprehensive Plan, advance climate initiatives, and continue guiding development decisions to reflect the needs and priorities of residents.

The County Executive concluded by reaffirming his commitment to Rockland's future, "Together, we've built a foundation that positions Rockland for its strongest year yet. We continue to stay laser focused on what matters to you."

NEW YORK NEWS

Governor Kathy Hochul today announced New York's Volunteer Firefighter Training Stipend program is expanding to offset costs for five additional training courses available to volunteer firefighters. New York State created the program to strengthen the volunteer fire service and address recruitment and retention challenges by offsetting the costs of required training that individuals need to become a firefighter. This expansion will help reduce obstacles preventing volunteer firefighters from advancing their careers. Since 2023, more than 4,000 volunteer firefighters have successfully completed training through the program.

"Since taking office, I've been laser-focused on making New York safer and more affordable. By expanding the Volunteer Firefighter Training Stipend program, we're doing both — cutting costs for those who serve while enhancing their lifesaving skills," Governor Hochul said. "This program makes critical training more accessible, allowing our volunteers to grow in their careers without sacrificing their ability to provide for their families. I'm proud to invest in our volunteer firefighters who put their lives on the line to keep New Yorkers safe."

The new stipend-eligible courses and course equivalencies are:

Firefighter Survival: Self Rescue: This course teaches firefighters how to rescue themselves if they become trapped or compromised during a fire incident. Stipend Amount: \$250

Firefighter Assist and Search Team, and Rapid Intervention Crew: These courses are designed to train firefighters in the critical skills needed to rescue fellow firefighters who are trapped or in distress during an incident. Stipend Amount: \$350

Fire and Emergency Services Instructor 1, Fire Officer II, and Firefighter 2: These courses are advanced leadership and instructor development programs. They aim to enhance the leadership capabilities of fire department members and improve their effectiveness in incident command roles, ultimately contributing to the safety of firefighters. Stipend Amount: \$500

These five courses are built on the catalog of training that are already stipend-eligible: Basic Wildland Fire Suppression (\$250) Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations (\$750), Fire Officer I (\$1,000) and Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus/Interior Firefighting Operations (\$1,250). Since the inception of the stipend program, completion of the Basic Exterior Firefighting Operations, and Interior Firefighting Operations courses have increased by 20 percent and completion of the Fire Officer I course has risen 35 percent.

New York State Homeland Security and Emergency Services Acting Commissioner Terry O'Leary said, "New York's volunteer firefighters are critical parts of the fabric of communities statewide, and they put their lives on the line every time they answer a call to protect those communities. As New York continues to face challenges with volunteer recruitment, the stipend program has resulted in marked increases in class completions, which

has brought additional firefighters to departments across the state. Thanks to the leadership and support of Governor Hochul, this stipend program expansion will continue to help volunteer departments recruit and retain members, keeping themselves and their communities safe.”

New York State Fire Administrator James Cable said, “The Volunteer Firefighter Training Stipend has contributed to an increase in the number of firefighters completing eligible training courses. The fire training courses included in this expansion of the program focus on firefighter safety and survival skills along with leadership and instructor development, all key areas promoting effectiveness and safety both during training and on the fireground.

New York State County Fire Coordinators Association President Bill Streicher said, “Now more than ever, it is vital that we support our volunteer fire organizations to boost recruitment and retention within the fire service across New York State. These stipends serve to promote and strengthen the fire service across our state while providing a small stipend to firefighters who participate in these classes, to better prepare themselves to serve their communities.”

New York State Association of Fire Chiefs CEO Bruce Heberer said, “Proper training keeps our firefighters and our communities safer and at a time when our volunteer agencies are strained, and every dollar counts. The Volunteer training stipends are a vital resource of income to the members of our fire services so that they can focus on their training, instead worrying about how they are going to make ends meet if the training causes them to miss work, allowing them to continue serve their department and take care of their home life!”

Association of Fire Districts of the State of New York President Joseph Badala said, “Investments in our fire districts are investments in our communities as better services make our state safer for everyone. We thank Governor Hochul for her efforts to provide departments with the resources they need to do their work safely and strategically.”

Firefighters Association of the State of New York President Eugene Perry said, “On behalf of New York’s volunteer firefighters, we thank Governor Hochul for the expansion of this already successful training stipend program to support new recruits and fire service leaders. FASNY has been working with the State and the entire New York fire service to increase recruitment of new volunteers for a long time and we welcome the growth of the training stipend program, which provides support to these new firefighters and officers while they undertake these vitally important training programs.”

Additionally, a local fire training stipend may be authorized for the completion of any state Office of Fire Prevention and Control (OFPC) training course or equivalent, as determined by OFPC, up to \$500. Courses must have been completed on or after August 31, 2023, and applicants must be a member in good standing as determined by their department. Stipend applications must be submitted to OFPC-Stipend@dhses.ny.gov.

Additional information on the stipend program can be found on the DHSes website.

CT LAWMAKERS REJECT NEW FIRE, BUILDING CODE, SAYING IT WOULD HINDER NEW HOUSING

It comes down to money over safety; very sad people’s lives mean nothing to some Politicians.

The state building and fire code failed to gain legislative approval Tuesday, as the proposal from the Department of Administrative Services came under fire for changes advocates said would make it harder to build new housing.

The Regulation Review Committee voted down the proposals, which have been years in the making, along party lines Tuesday. Housing advocates and lawmakers were concerned about provisions that would have required wider access roads for fire trucks, allowed local fire officials to decide which side of the building should be adjacent to an access road and limited developments to sites located closer to access roads.

“Housing is supposed to be one of our most important things, but we don’t want to make the rules so heavy-handed that we can’t do that housing,” said Sen. Cathy Osten, D-Sprague.

Connecticut updates its state building and fire codes every four years, and those rules govern many of the details on how new development goes up in the state. Adjusting building and fire codes to make it easier to build housing has been the latest focus of several pro-housing groups across the country as many states, including Connecticut, face a severe shortage of affordable places to live.

Earlier in the session, lawmakers repealed a provision that would have allowed a single stairway as a means of egress in certain multi-family developments. DAS had then pulled the proposal and removed the single-stair provision.

But housing advocates and lawmakers took issue with the new version because of three major policy changes.

One would have required wider access roads for fire trucks — 26 instead of 20 feet at certain locations such as near a fire hydrant — for new multifamily developments. DAS officials said this would help improve safety and bring the state into compliance with international code.

Osten said she was worried about roads where that wasn’t possible, such as Route 138 which is bordered by a river and a ledge. Advocates wrote letters saying there was a lack of evidence that the 20-foot roads had caused safety problems.

“In the midst of an ongoing state housing crisis, where affordable housing units are in ever-higher demand, we must scrutinize potential regulations that appear well-intentioned but would in fact have a harmful effect on the state and its residents,” said a letter from the Open Communities Alliance.

Another would leave it up to local fire officials to decide which side of the building should have road access. State Fire Marshal Lauri Volkert offered the example of a building that might have inoperable windows on one side and balconies on the other. The fire officials would likely want the access road to be on the balcony side, Volkert said.

Advocates feared that policy would allow local fire officials to effectively block new construction. Nick Kantor, program director of Pro-Homes Connecticut, said in a letter to lawmakers that it would create “unwieldy local discretion that makes development in smaller unconventional in-fill lots too unpredictable for no clear safety advancement.”

Kantor also said in his letter that the limitation of new developments to sites closer to access roads would make it hard to build in some suburban or rural communities.

“While we fully support necessary safety regulations, we are concerned that several of the proposed changes do not appear to be clearly supported by demonstrated safety needs, but would make certain types of much-needed multifamily developments significantly more difficult, costly, or even impossible to build,” Kantor said.

DAS Commissioner Michelle Halloran Gilman said the process had gone on for years, with plenty of time for public comment. She also said there were opportunities for developers to apply for a waiver of the code in instances where it’s not possible to comply with the regulations.

“I do want to acknowledge that our agency recognizes the governor’s commitment, the legislature’s commitment to affordable housing, and so we do everything we can within our code process... to work with developers, to get to a place of yes, and to work with our local officials,” Halloran Gilman said. “So I would not categorize ourselves as anti-homes.

“What we’re talking about today here is lowering the safety standard that’s in that approved code from where it started to where the proponents would like it to be,” she added.

It’s uncommon for the agency to bring forward a proposed fire and safety plan that doesn’t pass. Typically, when there are points of contention, DAS will withdraw the proposal and adjust it. That’s already happened once this session with the single-stairway provision.

The single stair legislation was another push from housing advocates. They said that, paired with modern fire prevention technology, the single stairs would have been safe and made it easier to build housing.

“I am thoroughly disgusted in this committee. I just want to say that the public opinion period is over. The public hearing is over, and last night, at four o’clock, we get a letter from a group — Pro Homes — that want to throw crap in the game. I’m very disappointed that we’re even talking about this,” said Rep. Ben McGorty, R-Shelton, of Tuesday’s vote.

Committee co-Chair Rep. Christie Carpino, R-Cromwell, thanked the agency for its work. “I actually wanted to publicly thank you for making sure the public safety is paramount,” Carpino said.

Co-Chair Sen. Sujata Gadkar-Wilcox, D-Trumbull, said she shared concerns about blocking the construction of more housing.

“Some of those may, in fact, hinder our other goal, which is a crisis area of housing. How do we balance the two?” Gadkar-Wilcox said.

The committee rejected the proposal without prejudice, meaning that it can go back to DAS for more work and be presented to lawmakers by as early as next month. DAS officials said they’ll have to go back through the Codes and Standards Committee, which is a group of experts that provides technical review to DAS on code changes.

They said it’s unlikely they’ll be able to bring it back to the Regulation Review Committee before September, meaning the new code wouldn’t go into effect until January. If Tuesday’s proposal had passed, the agency planned to implement the new code by July 1.

NEW YORK ISSUES WARNING ON LYME DISEASE AS WARM WEATHER APPROACHES



Tick Season Seems to Be Off to A Fast Start, and Some Experts Worry About Future Illnesses

Tick season seems to be off to a fast start, with an unusually high number of bites already reported across the country.

ALBANY, N.Y. (WKTV) -- Health and environmental officials are urging New Yorkers and visitors to protect themselves from ticks and tick-borne diseases as the weather gets warmer.

The New York State Department of Health, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation shared that Lyme disease is a major concern, with symptoms like a bull’s-eye rash, fever, chills, muscle aches, headache or fatigue possibly showing up within 30 days of infection.

Officials noted that tick bites can also spread other illnesses, including babesiosis, anaplasmosis, ehrlichiosis, Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Powassan virus disease.

We never know what attaches to us at brush fires or even in a house or Office building, or even in our own yard. Check your children when they come is from playing outside and your pets also.

NJ WOMAN DIES AFTER PHONE CHARGER EXPLODES, SPARKING MASSIVE RECALL



Nearly 430,000 wireless phone chargers are being recalled again after reports of fires, explosions, and a death linked to the devices.

The recall affects about 429,200 Casely Power Pods 5000mAh portable MagSafe wireless power banks, the Consumer Product Safety Commission just announced. The portable chargers were previously recalled in April 2025.

Casely has received 28 new reports of the lithium-ion batteries overheating, expanding, or catching fire. The Brooklyn, New York importer reported 51 similar incidents during the first recall, including six minor burn injuries.

In August 2024, a 75-year-old New Jersey woman was charging her phone with a power bank on her lap when the power bank caught fire and exploded. She suffered second- and third-degree burns and later died from her injuries.

In February 2026, a 47-year-old woman was charging her phone with the power bank on an airplane when it caught fire and exploded. She suffered first-degree burns, according to the CPSC.

The recalled chargers have "Casely" engraved on the front and model number E33A printed on the back. They were sold on several websites, including Amazon and getcasely.com, from March 2022 through September 2024 for between \$30 and \$70.

Owners should stop using the recalled chargers immediately and contact Casely for a free replacement. Customers must submit photos of the device marked "recalled" along with the model number through the company's recall website.

The power banks must be disposed of through municipal hazardous waste programs. They should not be put in regular trash or curbside recycling bins.

BROKEN TOES, BRUISES PROMPT HUGE RECALL OF POPULAR DUMBBELLS

Tens of thousands of adjustable dumbbells are being recalled after several people were injured when weight plates came loose during use.

Tzumi Electronics, a New York City importer, issued the recall for about 50,000 FitRx SmartBell Quick-Select adjustable dumbbells, the Consumer Product Safety Commission said on Thursday, April 23. The issue stems from weight plates that can dislodge from the handle, posing an injury risk.



There have been more than 115 reports of weight plates dislodging during use, according to the CPSC. At least six people suffered injuries like broken toes, bruises, contusions, and lacerations.

The dumbbells are sold in black with red accents and include a handle, weight plates, and a molded plastic storage tray. The weights adjust from 5 to 52.5 pounds in 2.5- or 5-pound increments by turning the handle while the unit is in the tray.

The affected dumbbells were sold nationwide at Walmart stores and on its website. They were available from January 2024 through November 2024 for about \$100.

Customers should immediately stop using the recalled dumbbells and contact Tzumi Electronics for a free replacement. Consumers should write "Recalled" on the tray using permanent marker or spray paint, register the product online, and dispose of it after confirmation.

You can learn more about the recall on FitRx's website or by calling 866-363-2237.

MORE E-VEHICLES, MORE BATTERY FIRES

With more types of vehicles using lithium batteries, the chances of having more fires have increased. It is the parent's responsibility to make sure they are used correctly and stored and charged correctly.

MADISON COUNTY, N.Y. -- Warmer weather has brought more people outdoors on e-bikes, e-scooters and electric dirt bikes.

New York State Police are reminding the public to follow State laws, especially after an increase in complaints and safety concerns in Madison County involving illegal electric dirt bike use on public roads and in neighborhoods.

Riders must be at least 16 years old to operate e-bikes and e-scooters.

Helmets are required for riders ages 16 and 17.

E-bikes and e-scooters cannot be used on sidewalks unless local rules allow it.

Riders must obey all traffic laws and yield to pedestrians.

E-scooters are only allowed on roads with speed limits of 30 mph or less.

Electric dirt bikes and off-highway electric motorcycles are considered off-highway motorcycles under State law. They are not legal on public roads, sidewalks, bike paths or parks unless they are fully registered, insured and street legal. Most recreational models do not meet these requirements, so use is limited to private property with permission. Illegal use of these vehicles can create serious safety risks for both riders and the public. Parents and guardians are urged to make sure minors are not using vehicles that are not legal for roadway use. **Unsafe or repeated behavior may lead to enforcement action, including charges like endangering the welfare of a child.**



The poster features a green background with a white golf ball on a tee to the right. On the left is the New Jersey Firemen's Home logo, which is a circular emblem with a fireman's helmet and crossed tools. The text is centered and reads: "New Jersey Firemen's Home Golf Outing Tuesday, June 16th, 2026 Knoll Country Club West, Boonton, NJ". Below this is a "Schedule" section with a list of events and times. At the bottom of the poster are two landscape photos of a golf course: one showing a green and sand trap, and another showing a clubhouse and trees.

New Jersey Firemen's Home Golf Outing

Tuesday, June 16th, 2026
Knoll Country Club West, Boonton, NJ

Schedule

Registration & Range.....	6:30-7:45
Continental Breakfast ...	6:45 -7:45
Shotgun Start.....	8:00 AM
Lunch & Awards	1:00 PM at NJ Firemen's Home
Completion	4:00 PM

Directions:

Knoll LANE, Boonton, NJ 07005
973-263-7110

From Route 287 South, Exit 45, left onto Myrtle, Left at Light onto Vreeland, 0.7 Miles, Right on Greenbank, quick left on Knoll, follow to Knoll West.

From 287 North, Exit 45, Follow thru stop sign on Park Ave, 2000 feet to Vreeland, Turn Right, follow as above.

*****PROPER GOLF ATTIRE IS REQUIRED*****



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NEW JERSEY FIREMEN'S HOME GOLF OUTING

TUESDAY, June 16th, 2026

KNOLL COUNTRY CLUB WEST, BOONTON, NJ

BREAKFAST/LUNCH/PRIZES/AWARDS

Can't participate as a player? Show your SUPPORT by being a SPONSOR!

Presenting Co-Sponsor: [Foursome + 1 st Hole Tee Sign + Lunch].....	\$4,000
Diamond: [Foursome + Tee Sign at Hole + Breakfast]	\$3,500
Crystal: [Foursome + Continental Breakfast]	\$2,500
Titanium: [Foursome + Tee Sign at Hole]	\$1,000
Platinum: [Sponsor of Win-A-Car Hole-in- One]	\$500
Gold: [Sign on Beverage Cart or Beverage Station]	\$400
Silver: [Sponsor of Putting Green or Driving Range]	\$300
Bronze: [Tee Sign at Hole]	\$200

Unable to play or sponsor? Here are other ways to participate!

- Buy a booster (\$50.00)
- Contribute a door prize
- Make a donation

Sponsor/Player Registration Form (REQUIRED INFORMATION)

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Sponsor Level (if applicable): _____

Fire Co/Dept. or Corporate Affiliate: _____

Player Names:

Players @ \$200.00 Each. Payment is required with registration. Please print legibly. Proper attire required. No jeans/collarless shirts, etc. **PLEASE INCLUDE SHIRT SIZE FOR EACH PLAYER**

1) _____ 3) _____

2) _____ 4) _____

Please make checks payable to:

New Jersey Firemen's Home

ATTN: Golf Committee

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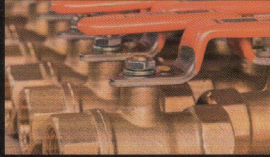
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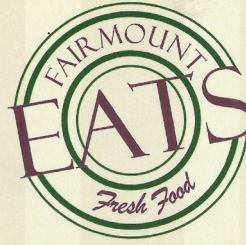
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