

Atlantic County Firefighters' Association

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Atlantic County Firefighters' Association Celebrates 100 Years of Service

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On January 17, 2023, the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association reached a milestone date, its 100th Anniversary.

Representatives from the Egg Harbor, Hammonton, Absecon, Pleasantville, Somers Point, and Mays Landing Fire Departments met in Egg Harbor City on January 17, 1923, for the second meeting to consider the proposition of forming a County Firemen's Association. Chief Mahnke of Mays Landing made a motion to make this a permanent organization which was carried unanimously. Chief Henry W. Breder, Egg Harbor City, was elected to be the first President of the Association.

The Atlantic County Firefighters' Association of the State of New Jersey, Inc. has unified the entire fire service community of Atlantic County, New Jersey since its inception in 1923. While firefighting has certainly changed dramatically over the years, the Association's three original goals/objectives have consistently served as the backbone of the organization and continue to hold true today.

- To provide a forum for open exchange of techniques/ideas
- To coordinate county-wide communications/mutual aid
- To provide professional training at all levels to the fire service

Most of the fire service organizations in Atlantic County are members of the Association. This includes career and volunteer departments.

The official motto of the Association is "In Union for the Safety of All".

A celebration of the 100th Anniversary is planned for Saturday, October 7, 2023 from Noon to 5 PM at the Egg Harbor City Lake. A parade through Egg Harbor City, down Philadelphia Avenue, to the Egg Harbor City Lake will lead off the celebration at Noon (muster and judging prior to parade). A Program/Ad Book will be distributed (ad space is currently available for purchase). There will be free hot dogs and food trucks will be on site for purchase of other food options. Mugs, glassware, and beverages will be available for purchase. T-shirts and challenge coins will be available for purchase. There will be multiple raffles available for purchase (including a Big Screen TV, a Custom New Yorker Helmet, an Overnight Stay at a Local Resort, and 50/50s). There will be a local radio station on site and a live band.

Further updates and details for the celebration will be posted @ <http://www.atlanticcountyfireassoc.org/>

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