



# ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Atlantic County Fire Training Center

April 17, 2002

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM on Wednesday April 17, 2002 with President R. Thomas Hunter presiding.

The President then pointed out the exits to those in attendance.

The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation by Thomas Sweeny, the Chaplain of the Association.

The Secretary read the tolls to record attendance and ensure a quorum being present.

The meeting was hosted by the Atlantic City Fire Department and the attendees were welcomed by Chief Benjamin Brenner of the Atlantic City Fire Department.

President Hunter welcomed the membership, firefighters, and invited guests to the meeting and the Annual Valor Awards presentation.

Fire Marshal Harold Swartz proceeded with the Valor Awards and introduced the members of the Valor Awards Committee. Whitey also remarked that this is the 11th year of presenting awards and that to date there have been 85 recipients.

President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presented each of the Recipients with their Awards from the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association:

#### Recognition and Appreciation Awards to Atlantic County members of the New Jersey Urban Search and Rescue Team

Edward Conrow	James Herbert
Michael Corbo	William Higbee
Scott Evans	John Parker
James Foley	Robert Sirolli
Vincent Granese	Joseph Ward

#### Merituous Awards

Scott Denelsbeck	Dorothy Fire Department
Thomas Goldsmith	Belcoville Civilian
Joseph Petroni	Belcoville Civilian
Mark Wynavagr	Belcoville Civilian

#### Class One Valor Awards

Steven Frei	Brigantine Fire Department
R. Thomas Hunter III	Brigantine Fire Department
Robert Sooy	Brigantine Fire Department
Robert Goldsmith	Belcoville Civilian

A Narration of the actions performed by each of the recipients of the awards was given. Each of the recipients were presented with Certificates of Appreciation from the offices of Senator Gormley, Assemblymen Blee and D'Amato, Atlantic County Executive Dennis Levinson, the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders and a Congressional Certificate from the office of Congressman Frank LoBiondo.

A short slide presentation was shown by Michael Corbo, Director of Training of the Fire Academy.

Minutes of the previous meeting of March 20, 2002 were approved and accepted as read.

The Secretary reminded the membership of the annual Police and Firefighters Memorial Services to be held at the Memorial Plaza in Atlantic City on Thursday, May 23 at 10 AM.

The Auditing Committee reported that they have examined the books of the Treasurer and have found them to be correct, well kept and all in order and have no recommendations to be made at this time.

*"In Union For The Safety Of All"*

Howard Berchtold, Chairman of the Executive Committee, called Ted Reinhard to the podium and expressed the thanks of the Officers and membership to Ted for his acquiring fire equipment to be used at the Fire Training Academy from the different fire equipment manufacturers. It is estimated that the value of equipment procured to be between \$150,000.00 to \$250,000.00 to date. A Plaque was displayed that will be placed over the equipment storage room officially naming it the "Ted Reinhard Equipment Room". Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts. Motion made, seconded and carried to dispense with any further business.

## DATE CLEARING

Saturday	April 27	SEaview Marriott	Retirement Dinner for Chief Culleney	info 652-7617
Sunday	April 28	Bargaintown	Spaghetti Dinner	1 to 6 PM
Saturday	May 4	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4:00 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 12	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 to 12 noon
Saturday	May 18	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Thursday	May 23	Atlantic City	Firefighters and Police Memorial Services	10 AM
Saturday	June 1	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	June 2	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June 9	Somers point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Sunday	July 14	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Thursday	July 25	Egg Harbor City	Atl.Co.Firemen's Death Benefit Trustees Meeting	8 PM
Sunday	Aug. 11	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Tuesday	Aug. 20	Egg Harbor City	Atlantic Co.Caucus for 2002 Firemen's Convention	8PM
Fri & Sat	Sept 13 & 14	Wildwood	2002 New Jersey State Firemen's Convention	
Saturday	Sept. 14	Wildwood	Parade	1 PM
Saturday	Oct. 5	Mizpah	Housing	
Saturday	Oct. 5	Cologne	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	Oct. 19	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	Nov. 9	Oceanville	Oyster or Ham Dinner	4 to 8 PM

Next meeting of the Firefighters' Association is to be held at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, May 15 at the Bayview Firehouse on Route 9 in Galloway Township.

Attested  
Howard R. Guenther  
Secretary