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Annual Meeting, 9/16/2010

The annual membership meeting of the Association will be held on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. Registration will open in the adjoining corridor at 12:00 noon.

Our Chaplain, Rev. Warren D. Light, will offer the invocation and conduct the annual memorial service. The roll of the deceased members will be read and the memorial Maltese Cross will be lit.

The keynote address will be presented by Janet Wilmoth, Editor of FIRE CHIEF magazine. See the information below.

Winners of the annual scholarships for college level education will be presented. See the article below with the names and fire departments of the winners. Mel Bemis, honorary member of the Association and Past President of VFIS of New Jersey will be the scholarship speaker. Joe Giorgi, President of VFIS of New Jersey, the major supporter of the scholarship program, and President Carr will make the presentations.

The Valor Awards will also be presented.

To expedite the business of the meeting, the reports of the officers and committees will be printed in a packet that will be distributed at registration.

One of the items on the agenda will be the nomination and election of officers. The 2-year terms of Presidential Officers, Secretary, and Treasurer expire this year. Two 3-year terms of Trustees also end. Information about nominations is printed below.

The officers will be installed by President Emeritus Ken Anderson. President Carr will outline plans for his term of office.

Dave Wyrwas, President of VFIS and Executive Board Member of the Pennsylvania Fire & Emergency Services Institute will make a special presentation concerning workers compensation insurance and claims.

Light refreshments will be provided.

We are in the process of producing our Annual Membership Directory. Should any member not want their membership information published please inform us in writing.

Please notify Secretary Jere Cole at www.njchiefs@aol.com or at 973-228-9390.

Grassroots Advocacy Seminar

The New Jersey Fire and Emergency Medical Services Institute is sponsoring a seminar on "FIREFIGHTERS AND GRASSROOTS ADVOCACY" in the Starlight Ballroom, Wildwood Convention Center, on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. The State Fire Chiefs is a cosponsor of the seminar.

David A. Matos, Jr. founder and president of the Matos Group; (and Executive Director of the Institute), will lead the seminar. There is no charge and everyone is welcome to attend. There will be ample time to attend this seminar and also the Annual Meeting of the Association.

Janet Wilmoth, Editor, Keynote Speaker

Janet Wilmoth, Editorial Director of Fire Chief Magazine will be the keynote speaker at the Annual Meeting on September 16th. For many years, Fire Chief has conducted the Fire Chief of the Year Program in cooperation with the IAFC.

Janet Wilmoth grew up in a family of firefighters in a Chicago suburb. She studied journalism while living in England. Wilmoth first worked for Fire Chief Magazine in 1986 as an associate editor and also served as Fire Chief's international correspondent while living in Europe and Asia.

After 15 years of experience living in five countries, Wilmoth has firsthand knowledge of the potential of the international fire and emergency services and the power of the global market for Fire Chief readers and advertisers.

Eleven years ago, Wilmoth created In Service for Fire Chief to address increasing issues with apparatus safety and maintenance. She is currently on the Fire Department Safety Officers Association's committee for its annual Apparatus Specification and Maintenance Symposium, serves on the Board of Directors of the International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation and the Home Safety Council's Development Committee.

Elections at Annual Meeting

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