

ATLANTIC COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

Atlantic County Fire Training Center

April 16, 2003

The regular meeting of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association was called to order at 8:00 PM with President R. Thomas Hunter Jr. presiding. The meeting was opened with the Flag Salute, followed by Invocation and Homily by Howard Berchtold Jr.

President Hunter welcomed the membership, firefighters, and invited guests to the meeting and the annual Valor Awards Presentation.

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.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to dispense with the regular business for the evening with the exception of the payment of bills.

Bills as presented were approved for payment out of their respective budgeted accounts.

Members of the Valor Awards Committee were introduced. Harold "Whitey" Swartz, assisted by Howard Berchtold Jr. proceeded with the Awards Program with President R. Thomas Hunter presenting each of the Recipients with their Awards from the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association.

Meritorious Awards

Charles Reale	Atlantic City Fire Department
Adrain Wilson	Atlantic City Fire Department
Kenneth Badger	Mays Landing Fire Company
Josh Horn	Mays Landing Fire Department
Vincent Montalvo	Mays Landing Fire Department

Class Two Awards

Michael Auble	Atlantic City Fire Department
Jeffrey Schlundt	Atlantic City Fire Department
William Scully	Atlantic City Fire Department

Class One Awards

Jamie DeMaio	Elwood Fire Company
John Fifer	Nesco Fire Company
Bruce Funk	Longport Fire Department
Eric Funk	Longport Fire Department
Steven Swift	Longport Fire Department

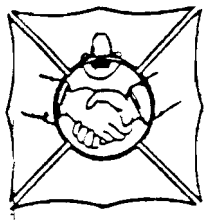
A narration of the actions performed by the recipients of the awards was given. Each of the recipients was presented with Certificates of Appreciation from Atlantic County Executive Dennis Levinson, Kurt Conover of the Atlantic County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and a Congressional Certificate from the office of Congressman Frank LoBiondo.

Following the Valor Awards Presentation, a Memorial Case was unveiled and dedicated to the memory of Chief Anthony "Tony" Canale with a Resolution being read and spread in the minutes in his honor.

Next meeting of the Association to be held on Wednesday, May 21st at 8:00 PM at the South Egg Harbor Firehouse on Route 50 in Galloway Township

Date Clearing

Saturday	April 26	Cologne	Yard Sale	
Saturday	April 26	Lower Bank	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Saturday	May 3	Germania	Turkey or Pork Dinner	4 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	May 11, June 15, July 13	Somers Point #2	Breakfast (AYCE)	8 AM to 12 noon
Saturday	May 17	Port Republic	Roast Beef Dinner	3:30 to 7:30 PM
Sunday	June 1	Dorothy	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	12 noon to 6 PM
Sunday	June 7	Cologne	Chicken Bar-Be-Cue, etc.	1 to 7 PM
Sunday	July 27	Fire Training Center	Waterous Pump Demonstration	



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Resolution

Whereas, on August 23, 2002 our Heavenly Father in His everlasting wisdom removed from our midst our beloved friend and comrade

Chief Anthony "Tony" Canale

Who faithfully and diligently served the citizens of Egg Harbor Township and Atlantic County as an active firefighter for a period of 70 years, this duration quite possibly unprecedented, but undoubtedly extraordinary; and

Whereas, from 1956 until the time of his death, "Tony" Canale served as chief of the Egg Harbor Township Fire Department, meeting the demands and responsibilities of the position with the highest degree of professionalism; and

Whereas, Chief Canale fully understood and strongly supported the goals and objectives of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association as an active member for much of his fire service career; elected as a member of the Association's Executive Committee for more than 25 consecutive years, serving as chairman for many of those years; and

Whereas, Chief Canale was among the small group of individuals who had the unwavering vision of a fire training center for the firefighters of Atlantic County; was instrumental in procuring the site; and worked tirelessly to see the center – so appropriately named the Anthony "Tony" Canale Training Center – come to fruition;

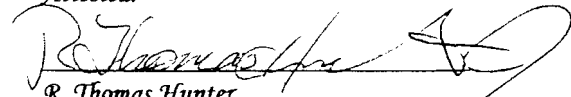
Therefore, be it Resolved, that in the death of Chief Canale, the fire service community of Atlantic County has sustained a great loss, and the officers, delegates and members of the Atlantic County Firefighters' Association will forever be indebted to Chief Canale for his many years of exemplary service, unending contributions and extraordinary commitment; and

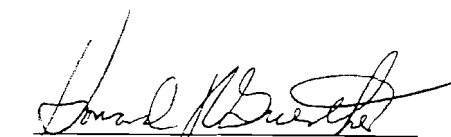
Be it further Resolved, that the Association extends its sincere sympathy to the Canale family; and

Lastly, Be it Resolved, that the Association extends its sincere appreciation to the Canale family, the Egg Harbor Township Fire Department and Atlantic County Government for supporting our desire to appropriately display Chief Canale's wonderful portrait, turnouts and associated items as an everlasting tribute to our comrade, our friend,

Chief Anthony "Tony" Canale

Attested:


R. Thomas Hunter
President


Howard R. Guenther
Secretary


Howard H. Berchtold, Jr.
Chair, Executive Committee

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"In Union For The Safety Of All"