

Division of EMS and Fire Marshal Partnership Yields Successful Fire Awards Ceremony

The Ohio Division of EMS and the State Fire Marshal Division hosted a successful Hall of Fame and Fire Service Awards Ceremony on September 18, at the Ohio Fire Academy.

More than 100 guests were in attendance to watch firefighters around the state be honored for their exemplary service.

Congratulations to the following awards recipients:

Citizen Awards: Jared Cox (Cincinnati, Ohio) Gary Magers (Tiffin, Ohio)

Ohio Fire Officer of the Year Award: Captain Charles Joseph (Champion Township Fire Department)

Fire Service Instructor of the Year Award: Chief Brent Gates (New Concord Fire Department)

Fire Prevention Educator of the Year Award: Karla Nevel (Canton Township Fire Department)

Volunteer Fire Department of the Year Award: Reily Township Volunteer Fire Department

Ohio Fire Educator Lifetime Achievement Award: Tom Beatty (Springfield Fire Rescue Division)

Fire Service Distinguished Service Award: Paul Riedel (Colerain Township Fire Department)

Fire Service Valor Award : FF A.J. Green (Lindsey Volunteer Fire Department), Lt. Joseph Camerato (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Robert Thomas (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Rachel Doran (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Jared Davis (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Christopher Mrkva (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Jason Hart (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Claudia Rodriguez (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), Lt. Kathy Zeller (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Ronald Murd (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Holly Bennett (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Daniel Desmond (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Kristen Limmer (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department), FF Jason Ziemke (Toledo Fire & Rescue Department).

A special thank you also goes out to the following agencies that assisted in the successful awards ceremony:

Ohio Fire Chiefs Association, Ohio State Firefighters Association, Ohio Professional Fire Fighters Association, Ohio Society of Fire Service Instructors and the Ohio Fire Officials Association.

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