



NJ FIRE MUSEUM & FALLEN FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL NEWS



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Trucks on Display at the Monmouth County Fair



In August, the Fire Museum was set up at the Monmouth County Fair for four days. After attending numerous musters, flea markets, and **parades, we weren't sure how we'd be received by the public** at a county fair. Not to worry! Kids love fire trucks, especially when they can climb on a Mack truck and ring the bell. Parents and

grandparents were equally drawn to the Ford Model T, and many were relating tales of days gone by while sitting behind the wheel. We were a very popular photo spot. Many people supported us by purchasing tee-shirts or making donations. The money raised helps pay for the fuel required to attend shows and parades, allowing

us to continue attending events and maintaining the apparatus.

We can't wait to go back next year, and will likely attend a few other county fairs as well. We will post the dates and locations on the events page of the website as they become available. **Maybe we'll be at your county fair!**

Your Contributions – Where are They Going?

Recently I've been asked several times: "What do you do with the money you collect?" Since I have been involved with the New Jersey Fire Museum and Firefighters' Memorial, the bank account balance has gone from essentially zero to over \$100,000. This money will be used to operate the museum and the memorial. We also use these numbers to prove our credi-

bility when talking to politicians and government officials. The money we receive also funds our current operations. While we try to keep expenses to a minimum, operating an organization always has costs, including:

- 1) Fuel and maintenance for apparatus that we exhibit at events throughout the state.
- 2) Producing pavers that are placed at our memorial in

Galloway Township.

- 3) Postage and printing for newsletters and mailings.
- 4) Office supplies to maintain our files and archives.

We make every effort to handle the money we receive responsibly so you receive the most benefit from your contributions.

Robert C. Burns, President
New Jersey Fire Museum
and Firefighters' Memorial

Still to come in 2013 - and beyond

What's Next?

There are still things to do during the rest of 2013:

Sept 22, Boonton, NJ, Muster at **the New Jersey Firemen's Home** - Lathrop Ave and Wooton St (I 287-Exit 45)

Oct 13, Newton, NJ, Fall Foliage Muster, Truck Show & Flea Market on the grounds of the Sussex County Public Safety Training Academy

Oct 20, Philadelphia, PA, Fireman's Hall Fire Safety Expo & Muster, held at the Philadelphia Fire Academy

Nov 2, from 11:30 to 3:00, Readington Township, NJ, Deer Path Park, Annual Touch-A-Truck Day.



At the Hunterdon County Touch-A-Truck, Readington Twp.

Next Year:

May 12, 2014, Titusville, **Annual "Spirit of the Jerseys"** State History Fair. Next year is the 350th anniversary of New Jersey, and the 10th anniversary of the Fair.

For more details and a complete list of shows to attend in 2014,

visit the Events page of the website:
www.njfiremuseum.org/events.

What Else?

Over the coming winter the websites will be expanded. Pages will be added to the museum site for each of the various pieces of apparatus.



WTC Steel is now on display **at the Firefighter's Museum** of Southern New Jersey 333 East Ridgewood Ave Galloway Township, NJ along with many of the engraved pavers.

Visit us at Wildwood!

We are just outside the convention center, near the boardwalk in Campbell **Supply's truck display**. We will be selling shirts, hats, books, toys and more.

How to contact us!

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Honoring New Jersey's Fallen Firefighters

The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation has been honoring fallen firefighters since 1981. All those that have been honored by NFFF will also be remembered on the New Jersey Memorial.

We need your help completing the list of fallen firefighters prior to 1981 for New Jersey. Over the coming months, information will be posted on the memorial website for those heroes that we know about. After expanding

and updating our website, we will ask all of the fire departments in the state to review our list. There will be a page for submitting additional information so we can properly honor all of our fallen heroes.