



## National Volunteer Fire Council Award Recipients

### Lifetime Achievement Award

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The Lifetime Achievement Award honors those individuals whose remarkable achievements in the fire service and community exemplifies outstanding performance. To be considered for the award, nominees must have been a volunteer firefighter for at least 20 years. Previous recipients are as follows.

|                                      |                                    |                                   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2018 – Ronald Farr (MI)              | 2004 - John S. DaVanzo (NY)        | 1990 - A.E. "Gus" Welter (MN)     |
| 2017 - Freddy Johnson, Sr. (NC)      | 2003 - Phil Sayer (MO)             | 1989 - William A. Hagevig (AK)    |
| 2016 - Donald Snyder (NY)            | 2002 - James Mahoney (NY)          | 1988 - George F. Comp, Jr. (MD)   |
| 2015 - Edward J. Mello (AB)          | 2001 - Dan Stevens (MD)            | 1987 - Elsworth Greer (TX)        |
| 2014 - Charles Singleton (VA)        | 2000 - Dale Perry (GA)             | 1986 - Louis DeFillipo (NJ)       |
| 2013 - John M. Buckman III (IN)      | 1999 - Robert "Red" McKeon (CT)    | 1985 - James L. Grote (CT)        |
| 2012 - Lawrence Plumer (WI)          | 1998 - William Wutz (NY)           | 1984 - William Irvine Talley (AZ) |
| 2011 - Glenn Jernigan (NC)           | 1997 - Walter Smittle, III (WV)    | 1983 - Russel D. Salak (NE)       |
| 2010 - John McAuliffe (CT)           | 1996 - John A. "Jack" Scheben (KY) | 1982 - D.W. Mathesin (IA)         |
| 2009 - Fred Allinson (WA)            | 1995 - David S. Dwyer (MD)         | 1981 - Eugene M. Braun (NY)       |
| 2008 - John Doster (PA)              | 1994 - Aubrey N. Boudreaux (LA)    | 1979 - John Moehring (CT)         |
| 2007 - Robert T. Bettenhausen (IL)   | 1993 - Joseph A. Jackson (MO)      | 1978 - O.E. Hirst (WI)            |
| 2006 - Lawrence F. "Sonny" Ruff (KS) | 1992 - Ray Crouch (TN)             |                                   |
| 2005 - Patrick Hlavaty (TX)          | 1991 - Joseph R. Robison (MD)      |                                   |

### Fire Prevention and Education Award

The Fire Prevention and Education Award honors a volunteer firefighter or non-operational Fire Corps volunteer who exemplifies the philosophy of fire prevention. The award was established in the memory of volunteer firefighter Marc Mueller. Previous recipients are as follows.

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2017 - William Wren (NY)         | 2008 - Donald Dalrymple (NY)    | 1999 - Joe Stambush (KY)       |
| 2016 - Michael McLeieer (MI)     | 2007 - Kimberly Herskowitz (PA) | 1998 - Doug Rodenbeck (IN)     |
| 2015 - James Jarboe (MD)         | 2006 - Dayna Hilton (AR)        | 1997 - Tom Dillon (NJ)         |
| 2014 - Jim Pickett (AK)          | 2005 - Diane M. May (MD)        | 1995 - Joseph Abbruzzese (NJ)  |
| 2013 - Rhonda Cerny (NE)         | 2004 - Jeff Williams (MD)       | 1994 - Thomas Van Vranken (NY) |
| 2012 - James Conomea (FL)        | 2003 - Don North (UT)           | 1993 - Brian McQueen (NY)      |
| 2011 - Kenneth Pagels (NY)       | 2002 - Art Mercurio (NJ)        | 1992 - Cindy Tarquini (MD)     |
| 2010 - Earl Cunningham, Jr. (PA) | 2001 - Neil Critchlow (UT)      |                                |
| 2009 - Edward Sawicki (DE)       | 2000 - Linda Stuckey (MS)       |                                |

## **Junior Firefighter of the Year**

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The Junior Firefighter of the Year Award honors a junior firefighter who has gone above and beyond in their service to their fire department. Previous recipients are as follows.

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| 2018 – Jared Hagen (OH)                  | 2013 - Andrew Krahm (NY)                |
| 2017 - Parker Ketler (OH)                | 2012 - Katherine (Kassie) Brierley (CT) |
| 2016 - Brittany French (WV)              | 2011 - Brendan Finley-Davis (KS)        |
| 2015 - James Thomas "Jimmy" Johnson (NC) | 2010 - Michelle Alyssa Carilli (CT)     |
| 2014 - Jennifer Schaefer (ND)            |   |

## **Junior Firefighter Program of the Year**

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The Junior Firefighter Program of the Year Award honors a junior firefighter program or Explorer Post that has demonstrated significant community impact, innovation, and creativity. Previous recipients are as follows.

2018 – Gaston Volunteer Fire Department Junior Firefighter Program (NC)  
2016 - Northwest Fire Explorer Post 1854 (OH)  
2015 - Hedgesville 4-H Junior Volunteer Fire Company (WV)  
2014 - Washington County High School Fire and Rescue Academy (MD)  
2013 - Arcadia Junior Fire Company (MD)  
2012 - Cherryville Fire Department (NC)  
2011 - Lake Carmel Fire Department Explorer Post #2041 (NY)  
2010 - Westhampton Beach Fire Department's Junior Fire Company (NY)

## **E. James Monihan Director Award**

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The E. James Monihan Director Award honors a current or former board member whose remarkable achievements on the NVFC board exemplify outstanding performance and have gone above normal expectations. Previous recipients are as follows.

|                                 |                           |
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| 2018 – Kenn Fontenot (LA)       | 2013 - Bryant Stiles (KY) |
| 2017 - Norm Hoeft (NE)          | 2012 - Ken Knipper (KY)   |
| 2015 - Pat Hlavaty (TX)         | 2010 - Jeff Cash (NC)     |
| 2014 - Robert "Red" McKeon (CT) |                           |

## **Legislator of the Year Award**

The Legislator of the Year award honors a member of the U.S. House of Representatives or the U.S. Senate for their outstanding leadership and support of the volunteer fire service. The recipient is determined by the NVFC Legislative Committee. Previous recipients are as follows.

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| 2014 - Senator Mark Warner (D-VA) and<br>Representative Lou Barletta (R-PA) | 2009 - Susan Collins (R-ME) |
| 2012 - Senator Jay Rockefeller (D-WV)                                       | 2008 - John Larson (D-CT)   |
| 2011 - Congressman Bill Pascrell (D-NJ)                                     | 2007 - Steny Hoyer (D-MD)   |
| 2010 - Christopher Dodd (D-CT)  | 2006 - Mike Castle (R-DE)   |
|   | 2004 - Curt Weldon (R-PA)   |