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2014 Washington State Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Service

Honoring those who gave their lives

Kent, Wash. - May 27, 2014 - The public and media are cordially invited to join fire services from around Washington State at the 2014 Washington State Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Service.

This annual service honors those firefighters who gave their lives in 2013 for the communities they served. It is sponsored by the Washington State Fire Fighters' Association, the Washington Fire Chiefs, the Washington Fire Commissioners Association, and the Washington State Council of Fire Fighters.

This year's ceremony recognizes the following firefighters:

- Crew Chief Zachary Jake VanderGriend, Forest Service Contractor
- Firefighter Jess Hernandez, Seattle Fire Department
- Engineer Robert Schmidt, Kent Fire Department RFA
- Firefighter Albert A. Nejme, Tacoma Fire Department
- Fire Equipment Operator John Knighten, Spokane Fire Department
- Firefighter Robert Hamel, Clark County Fire District 6
- Captain Carl Murray, Vancouver Fire Department

Date: Sunday, June 1, 2014

Location: Washington State Capitol Rotunda

Time: 1:00 pm

The Washington State Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service is honored to have Governor Jay Inslee attend and speak at the service.

The service begins on the front steps of the Capitol Rotunda with a Pipes and Drums led procession and the retrieval of the Ribbons embroidered with the names of the fallen Washington firefighters. The procession of family members and Ribbons will then pass through a corridor of honor and move into the rotunda for the remainder of the ceremony.

For fire departments who wish to send an apparatus to the service, please contact Battalion Chief Kevin Garling at 253-677-3647 or kgarling@kentfirerfa.org. A limited amount of reserved parking for fire apparatus will be provided.

For media inquiries, please contact Captain Kyle Ohashi at 206-450-8400 or kohashi@kentfirerfa.org.

For all other inquires and information, please contact Service Coordinator Pat Ellis at 253-740-8555 or pellis@kentfirerfa.org.

The Washington State Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service Committee would like to recognize:

IAFF 7th District, WA Firefighters Motorcycle Club
West Coast Awards
The Printery

The Soup Ladies
Anna's Sewing
O'Blarney's Irish Pub

Olympia Ramada Inn
Floral Ingenuity in Olympia
Liz Jackson, Hero to Hero

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