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Louisiana Firefighters to Gather and Honor Fallen Brothers

Public Invited to Attend; Lunch Provided

Baton Rouge, LA – Louisiana State Fire Marshal H. “Butch” Browning and Louisiana Walk of Honor Foundation president, V.J. Bella, announce that the 2015 Louisiana Fallen Firefighter’s Memorial ceremony will be held this Saturday, April 11, at the Office of State Fire Marshal building located at 8181 Independence Blvd., Baton Rouge.

The ceremony, which starts at 11:00 a.m., is an annual event to honor Louisiana firefighters who died in the line of duty. A luncheon will be held immediately following the service that will include representatives from numerous fire departments, fire service organizations, and families of fallen firefighters.

The following firefighters will be recognized during the ceremony as having paid the highest price:

Clyde Ray Farmer Caddo Parish Fire Dist. #8 April 23, 2013	John Flanagan New Orleans Fire Dept. February 20, 1932	Steven Anthony Hester New Orleans Fire Dept. August 1, 2010	Patrick Hogan New Orleans Fire Dept. April 26, 1931
Vincent Jennaro New Iberia Fire Dept. October 4, 1912	Chief Billy Glen Norris, Jr. Lecompte VFD July 21, 2014	Robert Bruce Thomas Bienville Parish Fire Dist. #7 July 1, 2014	

In addition, this year’s event will mark the unveiling of a new monument honoring industrial firefighters who respond to and battle fires in the state’s chemical plants. Presently, of the 106 names that adorn the walls of the memorial, two (2) are those of firefighters who died in chemical plant fires in 1982 and 2011, respectively.

“Whether it’s municipal, wildland, or industrial firefighters, these men and women selflessly give of themselves every day to protect the citizens of this great state. We owe a great deal to them. Let us never forget,” Browning stated.

For more information regarding the Louisiana Fallen Firefighter’s Memorial, go to the State Fire Marshal’s website at lasfm.org and click on “Fallen Firefighter Memorial.”

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