

New York State Assembly Albany, NY 12248

YOU'RE INVITED TO RECRUIT NY WEEKEND

APRIL 29 AND 30



Assemblyman Palmesano with Sheriff Jim Allard, Members of the Wayne Fire Department and local volunteer firefighters at the Wayne Fire Department Annual Awards Banquet.

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Please Consider Joining – Your Help Is Needed!

DID YOU KNOW?

- Outside of NYC, an estimated 95% of all firefighters in New York are volunteers.
- The state has lost roughly 20,000 volunteer firefighters since 2003, leaving an estimated 89,000 today.
- Of more than 1,100 ambulance services, the vast majority are volunteers, and the state has about 33,000 volunteer EMS responders.
- Emergency volunteers save property taxpayers an estimated \$3 billion a year in paid services.
- Benefits for emergency volunteers include a state income tax credit, a real property tax exemption, and a length of service award program.

Even if you can't make it to Recruit NY Weekend, please make sure to thank your local emergency service workers the next time you see them!

Assemblyman Palmesano was pleased to be on hand as Glenn Davis of the Avoca Fire Department Hose Company #1 was recognized for more than 50 years of volunteer service. Glenn was awarded the Fire Rescue Award by the Finger Lakes Chapter of the American Red Cross at its annual Real Heroes Breakfast.



“I’ve often said that our emergency volunteers are the backbone of our rural communities. Thank you so much for all that you do to keep our neighbors safe and for protecting the property taxpayers of our region.”

What: **RECRUIT NY WEEKEND**
When: **April 29 and 30**
Where: **At your local fire department. To find yours, contact your county’s Emergency Management Office:**

COUNTY OFFICES OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Chemung: (607) 737-2095
Schuyler: (607) 535-8200
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