

## MERRICK'S MIKE REID ELECTED DIRECTOR OF STATE'S VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS

MICHAEL F. (MIKE) REID, OF MERRICK (NASSAU COUNTY), HAS BEEN ELECTED TO A FIVE-YEAR TERM ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF N.Y. (FASNY), "THE VOICE OF N.Y. STATE'S 100,000 VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND EMTS."

REID, A 27-YEAR VETERAN FIREFIGHTER AND EMT, AND HOLDER OF FASNY'S 1986 "FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR" MEDAL FOR BRAVERY, HAD BEEN FILLING AN UNEXPIRED TERM. HE WAS UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED TO A FULL FIVE-YEAR TERM AT FASNY'S 136TH ANNUAL CONVENTION TODAY AT THE CLARION HOTEL IN ROCHESTER.

HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER AND AMBULANCE CORPSMAN WHILE ATTENDING STATE UNIVERSITY AT BROCKPORT. CURRENTLY, HE IS A 25-YEAR MEMBER OF HIS HOMETOWN'S MERRICK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND A PAST PRESIDENT OF THE NASSAU COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSN. HE ALSO SERVED MANY YEARS ON FASNY'S EMS COMMITTEE.

MIKE RETIRED IN 2007 AS A HOSPITAL EMS SUPERVISOR, WITH YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AT PRESTIGIOUS NEW YORK AREA HOSPITALS. HE IS CURRENTLY A 25-YEAR MEMBER OF THE MERRICK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND A VOLUNTEER EMS INSTRUCTOR AND PARAMEDIC AT NORTH SHORE/LONG ISLAND JEWISH HOSPITAL.

HIS WIFE, MARIE, IS AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT NURSE. THEY HAVE A SON, TIMOTHY, A JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER, AND ANOTHER SON, PATRICK, A MARRIED DAUGHTER, CHRISTINA, AND TWO GRANDSONS.