

News from Surrey Fire Fighters!

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Sept 11th will be a "Day of Remembrance" for fallen Fire Fighters

On this Eleventh anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Surrey Fire Fighters will be conducting a ceremony to remember fallen Fire Fighters.

"We will always remember the response of Fire Fighters on September 11, 2001, and never forget the sacrifices they made. The 290,000 members of the International Association of Fire Fighters, with the direction of FDNY members, have decided that September 11th will always be a Day of Remembrance for fallen Fire Fighters everywhere," says Surrey Fire Fighters' Association President Mike McNamara.

Many fire fighters perished in the past year from traumatic incidents and even more have succumbed to occupational related illness such as heart and lung disease and occupational cancers. McNamara added, "Our ceremony is dedicated to those who have fallen and to those who carry on".

This year's ceremony will muster at the west end of Holland Park (near Old Yale Road and Whalley Ring Road) near the new statue. The ceremony will start at 9:00 am. There will be a few brief comments from Surrey Fire Fighters' Association President Mark McRae and wreath presented by the honour guard. All other Surrey fire stations will conduct a minute of silence at 9:11 am to allow for those on duty, who cannot make it to the ceremony at Holland Park, to participate in the day of remembrance.

The ceremony is open to all uniformed personnel from emergency services and invited guests to participate, and open to members of the public to attend.

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