



ORANGE COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

111th ANNUAL CONVENTION & PARADE

September 26, 2026

Hosted by the Monell Engine Company
OCVFA President Thomas Lynn

OFFICIAL PARADE PACKET

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Line-up begins 12:00 PM • Parade starts 2:00 PM



OCVFA 111TH PARADE

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Line up 12pm, Step off 2pm



ESCORT DIVISION

Parade Marshall

President Thomas Lynn

Washingtonville Fire Department
Salisbury Mills Fire Department
Village of Woodbury Fire Department
Monroe Fire Department
Tuxedo Fire District
Independence Fire Company,
South Blooming Grove Fire Department

GUEST DIVISION

Division Marshall

Past President Helena Grunwald

Bethpage Fire Department - Engine Co #5
Nanuet Fire Engine Co. #1
Ulster Hose Company #5
Monticello Fire Department
Bloomingburg Fire Company
Valley Stream Fire Department
Excelsior Hook & Ladder Company No 1, Freeport FD
Matamoras Fire Department
Massapequa Fire Department

1ST DIVISION

Division Marshall

1st Vice President Ryan Arciero

Mechanicstown Engine & Chemical Company #1
Howells Fire Company
Storm King Fire Engine Company No 2
New Hampton Fire Company
Cronomer Valley Fire Department
Winona Lake Engine Company No 2
Coldenham Fire Company

2ND DIVISION

Division Marshall

Past President Charles Woznick

Maybrook Engine Company No 1
Goodwill Fire Department
Waywayanda Volunteer Fire Company-Slate Hill Fire Dept
New Windsor Fire Department
Port Jervis Fire Department
Vails Gate Fire Department

3RD DIVISION

Division Marshall

3rd Vice President Mike Hufcut

Circleville Fire Company
Sparrowbush Engine Company
Chester Fire Department
Middle Hope Fire Department
Dan Leghorn Engine Company #1
Greenwood Lake Fire Department

4TH DIVISION

Division Marshall

4th Vice President Kim Lee

Highland Engine No. 1, Cornwall Fire Department
Huguenot Fire Company
Washington Heights Fire Department
Goshen Fire Department-Dikeman Engine Hose Co #3
Warwick Fire Department
Montgomery Fire Department

5TH DIVISION

Division Marshall

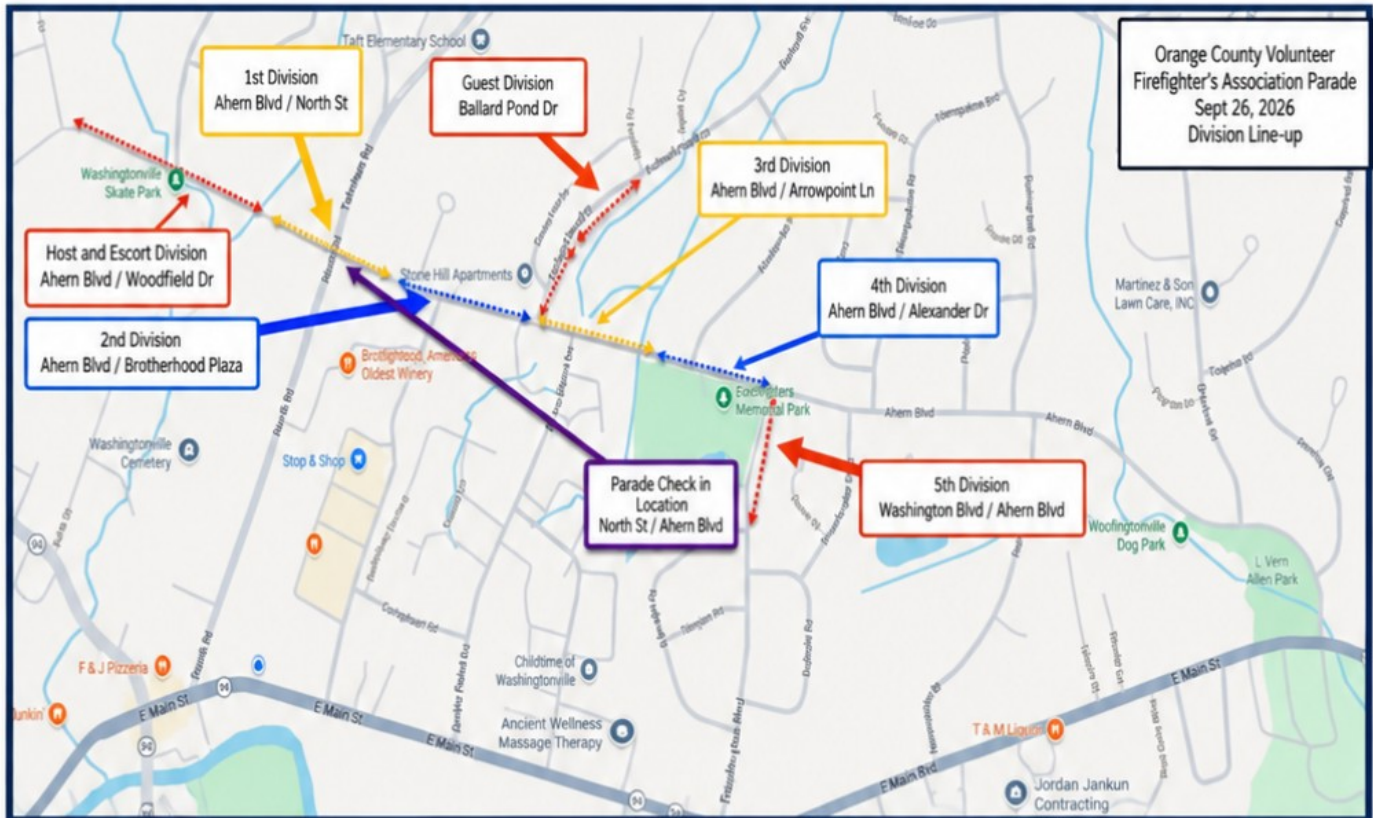
Past President Jeff Holmes

Otterkill Engine Company
Highland Falls Fire Department
Pocatello-Mount Hope Fire Company
Fort Montgomery Fire Department
Johnson Fire Department
Eagle Engine Company No. 2-Middletown Fire Department



DIVISION LINE-UP SHEET

111th Annual Orange County Volunteer Firefighter's Association Parade



Orange County Volunteer
Firefighter's Association Parade
Sept 26, 2026
Division Line-up

DIVISION LINE-UP DIRECTIONS

PARADE CHECK-IN — Chief or designee **MUST** proceed to the **Parade Check-in** Location at North St / Ahern Blvd. All other equipment can proceed directly to their Division Line-up.

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|-----------------------------------|--|
| HOST & ESCORT DIVISION | → Enter from Bull Road → Woodfield Drive → Ahern Blvd |
| GUEST DIVISION | → Enter Toleman Rd → Decker Drive → Ballard Pond Dr |
| 1st DIVISION | → Enter North St / Toleman Rd → Ahern Blvd
(will be directed to turn left or right onto Ahern Blvd) |
| 2nd DIVISION | → Enter North St / Toleman Rd → Ahern Blvd |
| 3rd DIVISION | → Enter North St / Toleman Rd → Ahern Blvd |
| 4th DIVISION | → Enter North St / Toleman Rd → Ahern Blvd |
| 5th DIVISION | → Enter off North St / Toleman Rd → Ahern Blvd → Washington Blvd |

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111th Annual Orange County Volunteer Fireman's Association Parade

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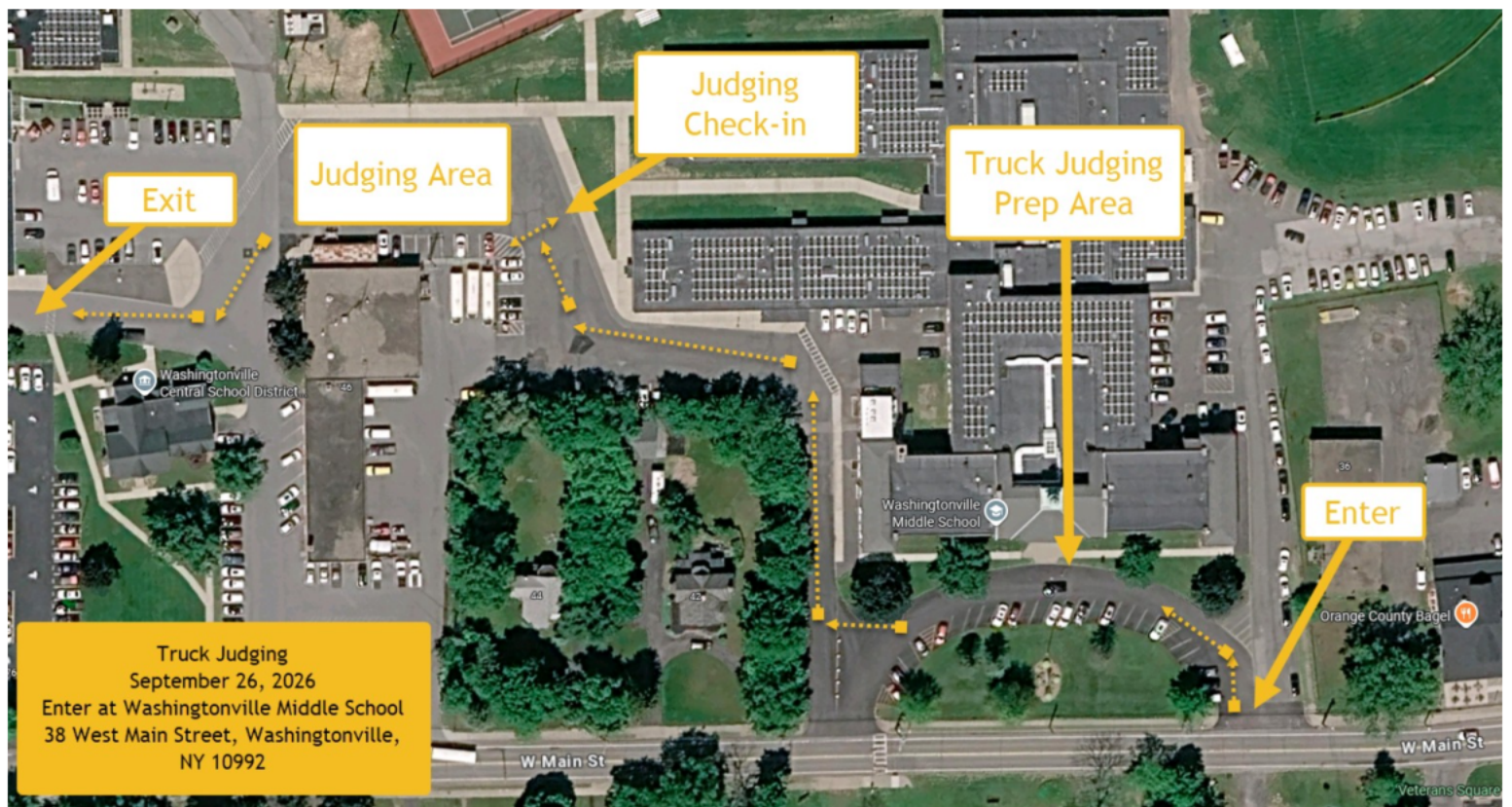


Parade Route

Start of the parade will be at the intersection of Ahern Blvd and Newcastle Drive. The parade will travel in a southerly direction on Newcastle Drive and make a right turn onto East Main Street (SR 94), then travel westbound. The parade will make a left turn onto South Street (SR 208) and travel southbound and make a left turn onto Depot Street and the parade will conclude in Mays Field.



Truck Judging — Map & Check-In



Orange County Volunteer Firemen's Association, Inc.
111th Anniversary
Hosted by the Monell Engine Company

Truck Judging September 26th, 2026
Washingtonville Middle School
38 West Main St.
Washingtonville, NY

TIME	1	2	3	4	5
8:30 AM	NEW WINSOR FIRE DEPT	VAILS GATE FIRE DEPT.	MONROE FIRE DEPT	SALISBURY MILLS FIRE DEPT	
8:45 AM	HIGHLAND ENGINE CO 1-CORNWALL	VILLAGE OF WOODBURY FIRE DEPT	STORM KING ENGINE CO. 2		
9:00 AM	COLENHAM FIRE COMPANY	WINONA LAKE ENGINE CO 2	CHESTER FIRE DEPT		
9:15 AM	MIDDLEHOPE ENGINE FIRE DEPT	GOODWILL FIRE DEPT	CRONOMER VALLEY FIRE DEPT		
9:30 AM	DAN LEGHORN ENGINE -ORANGE LAKE FIRE DEPT	MAYBROOK ENGINE CO 1	OTTERKILL ENGINE CO	EAGLE ENGINE CO 2	
9:45 AM	DIKEMAN ENGINE HOSE #3	MONTGOMERY FIRE DEPT	WASHINGTON HEIGHTS FIRE DEPT		
10:00 AM	GREENWOOD LAKE FIRE DEPT	TUXEDO FIRE DISTRICT	WARWICK FIRE DEPT	WAYWAYANDA VOL. FIRE CO-SLATE HILL	
10:15 AM	JOHNSON FIRE DEPT	HIGHLAND FALLS FIRE DEPT	NEW HAMPTON FIRE CO	HOWELLS FIRE CO	
10:30 AM	HUGUENOT FIRE CO	CIRCLEVILLE FIRE CO	FORT MONTGOMERY FIRE DEPT	INDEPENDENCE FIRE CO	
10:45 AM	BETHPAGE FIRE DEP	NANUET FIRE CO. 1	ULSTER HOSE CO. 5	POCATELLO MOUNT HOPE FIRE	
11:00 AM	MONTICELLO FIRE DEPT	VALLEY STREAM FIRE DEPT	SPARROWBUSH ENGINE CO	MECHANISTOWN ENGINE CHEMICAL CO	MASSAPEQUA FIRE DEPT.
11:15 AM	EXCELSION HOOK & LADDER-FREEPORT	PORT JERVIS FIRE DEPT	MATAMORAS FIRE DEPT	BLOOMINGBURG FIRE CO	

Rules to Remember (FYI's)

1. The Chief & Ladies Aux President must salute the reviewing stand.
2. Do not come before or after your scheduled time for truck judging, the schedule is full.
3. All windows need to be open in all vehicles to get a proper count.
4. Only 1 In-Service Apparatus will be eligible for a trophy. Does not include Chief Car or Antiques
5. Only 2 FF are allowed in and an Apparatus while in line of march
6. If you have more that one truck in line of march, The judged truck must be first, others may follow.
7. Please read all the rules
8. Requesting Judges comments will be available by contacting
head judge Ken Gordon (flashofd@aol.com) within 30 days after parade.

Orange County Volunteer
Firefighter's Association Parade
September 26, 2026

Parking and Shuttle to
Parade Line-up
11:15am - 1:45pm

Fire Apparatus Parking
Only after Parade

Fire Apparatus
Parking Enter
Here

Bus Shuttle Pick-Up
For Parade Line-up

Public parking available
at the Middle & High School
highlighted areas



2026 - OFFICIAL PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

PARADE FORMATION

1. Divisions shall march at a distance of one hundred (100) feet from the Grand Marshall, or from the preceding Division.
2. Units shall follow each other at a distance of thirty (30) feet.
3. Formation of respective units shall be as follows:

Music
(Band, Drum Corps, Etc.)

Twenty (20) Feet
Color Guard

Ten (10) feet
Unit Identification
(Banner or flag)

Ten (10) feet
Chief
(or Officer in Charge)
Assistant Chiefs
Unit Officers
Firefighters

Twenty (20) feet
Officers of separate Unit (if any)
Firefighters of Separate Unit

Twenty (20) feet
Auxiliary (if any)

Twenty (20) feet
Autos for Ladies Auxiliary (if any)

Twenty (20) feet
Autos for Firefighters (if any)

Twenty (20) feet
Chief's car (if any)

Twenty (20) feet
Fire Apparatus (if any)
A space of twenty (20) feet between Apparatus
If there is more than one (1)

1. All Units must display the American Flag. Any Unit without the Flag and will be DISQUALIFIED.
2. All Units with less than 40 (forty) Firefighters in the Line of March behind the Unit Officer shall march at least two (2) abreast. When the number is over forty (40) they must march at least three (3) abreast.
3. The SOUNDING OF SIRENS, RINGING OF BELLS, or any other noise making device, while in the line of march, or while the Parade is in progress, shall subject the offending Unit to be DISQUALIFIED from receiving any Parade Trophy that day and may be disqualified from participation in future parades. To be determined by the OCVFA Executive Board.
4. All Fire Department apparatus, including Chief's Car along with all other vehicles entered in the Line of March MUST meet and conform to New York State Department of Motor Vehicles Laws governing the proper display of Emergency Lights. **All warning lights must be on during the course of the parade. The use of lights will be judged.**
5. Any Unit or Member thereof, conducting themselves during the Parade, in such a manner as to bring discredit to themselves, or to the Volunteer Fire Service as a whole, shall subject themselves to being DISQUALIFIED from receiving any Parade Trophies that day.
6. Fire Police Units shall march as a separate unit if their uniform differs in any way from the rest of the Unit.
7. Each Unit participating in the Annual Parade MUST have their current years dues paid in full in order to be eligible to receive any trophies on Parade Day.
8. ANY FIRE COMPANY THAT ACTS IN A DISORDERLY MANNER OR BRINGS DISGRACE UPON ITSELF OR THE OCVFA, BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE PARADE MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM FUTURE PARADES. THIS WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE OCVFA EXECUTIVE BOARD.

JUDGING OF PARADE

1. No more than two (2) firefighters shall ride on the fire apparatus. (one driver and one firefighter). No one shall ride on the back step of the apparatus; the offending unit will be disqualified.
2. Units arriving AFTER the parade has started shall fall in at the END of the parade, REGARDLESS of the Division to which they have been assigned. In the event a Unit falls into a Division while the parade is in progress they shall be considered as being in the wrong division in line and shall receive demerits accordingly. (See Section 3. A.)
3. Demerits shall be charged as follows:
4. Five (5) Demerits each for – Lack of Color Guard, Colors out of place, Colors not guarded, Wrong formation, Wrong division, Non-Sobriety, Maneuvers to hinder following units. Dipping of American Flag in salute, Chief or Officer in charge not saluting Reviewing Stand. Each firefighter over two on apparatus.
5. Three (3) Demerits each for – Wrong spacing of: Band, Colors, Unit Identification, Officers, Firefighters, Separate Unit (if any), Auxiliary (if any), Cars for firefighters (if any), Cars for Auxiliary (if any), Apparatus (if any).

6. One (1) Demerit each for – Open buttons, Non-uniform use of gloves, Non-identical uniforms, Talking, Waving, Laughing, Smoking, Gum chewing, Out of step, Carriage of body, Improper arrangement of hat, Improper arrangement of insignia, Precision of movement. Lines off right to left, Lines off front to rear, Breaking of ranks, Sloppy uniforms, Jewelry (other than watches and rings).
7. Shoes – lace type shoes of the same color.
8. One (1) Demerit each for – Buckles, tassels, pointed shoes, perforated shoes, boots,
9. high heel on shoe, or dirty shoes.

JUDGING OF AUXILIARIES

Auxiliaries shall be judged as follows:

Color Guard (if any)

Ten (10) feet

Banner (if any)

If no Color Guard or Banner, twenty (20) feet from the firefighters

Ten (10) feet

Officers

Ten (10) feet

Auxiliary Members

Auxiliary Cars (if any) will follow twenty (20) feet behind the Auxiliary Members

Vehicle windows must be open for occupants to be counted toward total members in line of march.

Demerits shall be charged as follow:

Five (5) Demerits each for – Wrong formation, Wrong division, Non-sobriety, Maneuvers to hinder the following units, Colors out of place. President in charge not saluting Reviewing Stand.

Three (3) Demerits each for – Wrong spacing of: colors, unit identification, Officers, Auxiliary members, Auxiliary cars (if any).

One (1) Demerit each for – Open buttons, Non-uniform use of gloves, Non-identical uniforms (stocking will not be criteria unless in extremity of color), Talking, Waving, Laughing, Smoking, Gum chewing, Out of step, Carriage of body, Improper arrangement of hat, Improper arrangement of insignia, Precision of movement, Lines off right to left, Lines off front to rear, Breaking of ranks, Sloppy uniforms, Jewelry and accessories (other than watches and rings).

One (1) Demerit each for - Mixture of ties, loafers, pumps or dirty shoes Shoes– Entire Auxiliary must wear shoes uniform in COLOR and STYLE. (Slight variation in trim on shoe permissible).

JUDGING OF APPARATUS

All apparatus to be judged will report to the designated apparatus inspection area as its scheduled time. Only the driver/operator and one officer may be present during the inspection. Only one in-service apparatus per department/company will be permitted to be entered for judging. Antique apparatus must be out-of-service.

Driver/operator and officer are to be in full uniform during the apparatus inspection.

APPARATUS BEING JUDGED MUST BE IN THE LINE OF MARCH

****TO QUALIFY FOR A TROPHY – APPARATUS MUST BE IN SERVICE ONE YEAR****

Apparatus must have a 8 ½" by 11" white card in windshield (right side) indicating year and type of apparatus, i.e.: 2008 pumper, tanker, etc.

Demerits shall be charged as follows:

Five (5) demerits each for – Dirty glass or windshield, dirty or scuffed tires/unchecked, Dirty/chipped painted tools, lights not working, missing extinguishers/out of date, cabinets/compartments unorganized, dirty wheel wells and under carriage.

Ten (10) demerits each for – dirty cab/interior, seat belts not working, dirty/improperly displayed gear, dirty/unpainted/splintered ladders, defective/missing SCBA/outdated, dirty/messy hose bed/lays/suction, cleanliness of apparatus (running boards/bumpers)

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Any Badge that has been earned, such as Past President, Life Membership or Honorary Member may be worn along with the Company Badge. Convention Badges may also be worn. There will be no demerits assessed for the wearing of ANY EARNED BADGES or Convention Badges.
2. No demerits for Auxiliary not having a Color Guard. Must be carried in a military style.
3. The attached RULES AND REGULATIONS of the marchers also applies to all of the occupants in the cars. Members in cars must be in full uniform, sit in a straight, upright position with their hands folded. No arms or hands extending out of the windows.
4. All Flags shall be carried unfurled at all times, except during rainy weather.
5. The American flag shall NOT be dipped in salute at any time.
6. In the event of an Alarm of fire or an Ambulance call, while the Parade is in progress, All Units shall move over to the **RIGHT SIDE** of the road upon the approach of the Emergency Vehicle and remain halted until the Emergency Vehicle has proceeded past the Unit.
7. No demerits for men in Military Uniform.
8. No demerits for the placement of the Fire Company Chaplain in the Parade Formation.
9. Any Fire Company wearing non-firematic clothing will be disqualified from participation in the OCVFA parade. Non-Firematic clothing shall include Tee shirts, sweatshirts, sweat pants, shorts, sneakers, any casual or sport type clothing.

ORANGE COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION, INC

TROPHIES

IN COUNTY TROPHIES

MEMORIAL TROPHIES - OCVFA

BEST APPEARING OVERALL FIREFIGHTERS UNIT

Sponsored by: New Windsor Fire Department

Best Overall Trophy for the parade will be awarded based on total points for Color Guard, Firefighter Marching Unit and Apparatus score.

The Barry Marshall Memorial Trophy BEST APPEARING OVERALL MEN'S UNIT w/Apparatus w/the most points, donated by New Windsor Fire Department; New Windsor, New York is for the Men's Unit to win three (3) "legs" on this Trophy shall retain the Trophy.

RULES:

1. All Men's Rules will apply
2. Men's unit MUST have Apparatus, judged.
3. Men's unit MUST have Firematic Color Guard
4. Only 1 (one) color guard per unit permitted
5. Ladies Auxiliary or lack of Ladies Auxiliary will not affect the judging.
6. The Host Company will not be eligible for this trophy
7. The Winner of the Best Overall trophy will not be eligible for any other County Trophy.

BEST APPEARING ORANGE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT COLOR GUARD

Sponsored by: Ryan Arciero In Memory of Past Chief Scott Arciero

- RULES:**
1. All Men's Rules will apply.
 2. Each person must be an Active or Exempt Member of the Company or its Benevolent.
 3. Cannot be the Overall Winner

BEST APPEARING ORANGE COUNTY IN-SERVICE APPARATUS

Sponsored by: Washingtonville Fire Commissioner Ronald Jurain Jr. and the Jurain Family In Memory of Past President Jack Ballard

- RULES:**
- 1: Apparatus must be one year or older
 - 2: Does not include Chief Cars, Antiques or Fire Police Vehicles
 - 3: Cannot be the Overall Winner

LADIES AUXILIARY

Sponsored by: Ladies Auxiliary of the Orange County Volunteer Firefighter's Association

The Thelma B. Bondur Memorial Trophy will be presented to the Best Appearing Overall Ladies Auxiliary with the most points. The Ladies Auxiliary to win three (3) "legs" on this Trophy shall retain the Trophy.

Rules:

1. All Ladies rules will apply.
2. The Host Auxiliary will not be eligible for this trophy.
3. UNIT MUST BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF THE OCVFA Ladies Auxiliary to compete for this trophy
4. The winner of the Best Overall Trophy will not be eligible for any other County Trophy.

Orange County Ladies Auxiliary

"Class A"	Ten (10) or more	1st Place
"Class B"	Five (5) to Nine (9)	1st Place

Ladies Auxiliary marching units must have a minimum of four (4) marchers on the ground to qualify for a trophy. All members in attendance will count toward the overall number

NOTE: Ladies Auxiliary Members in cars also count. No more than two (2) cars with a TOTAL of four (4) Auxiliary Members per car in Full Uniform. All windows must be rolled down so that all the occupants can be seen.

OCVFA

MARCHING TROPHIES

Please note that Trophies will be awarded in three (3) different classes. The number of men in the Line of March shall determine the class.

(Fire Police working the parade will be included in the overall count of their company, not in line of march.)

"Class A" Twenty-one (21) or more Firefighters

1st Place Unit
2nd Place Unit
3rd Place Unit

"Class B" Thirteen (13) to Twenty (20) Firefighters

1st Place Unit
2nd Place Unit
3rd Place Unit

"Class C" Five (5) to Twelve (12) Firefighters

1st Place Unit
2nd Place Unit

3rd Place Unit

NOTE: Class is determined by the number of marchers on the ground, firefighters in cars count toward the departments overall number. No more than two (2) cars, with a TOTAL of four (4) firefighters per car in Full Uniform. All windows must be rolled down so that all the occupants can be seen.

APPARATUS TROPHIES

Chiefs Car
1st Place
2nd Place

Antique (Non-Motorized)
1st Place

Antique (Motorized)
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

Aerial
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

Tanker
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

Brush/Rescue
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

Engine
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

MUSICAL TROPHIES

Musical Organization:

the Inter-County Judges Association rules for Musical Units will be used to judge all musical units

1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

COLOR GUARD

Orange County Firematic Color Guard
1st Place
2nd Place
3rd Place

Orange County Non-Firematic Color Guard
1st Place

BEST OVERALL IN COUNTY TROPHIES

Orange County Best Appearing Firefighters Unit

Orange County Best Appearing Ladies Auxiliary

Orange County Best Overall Apparatus

Orange County Best Appearing Fire Department Color Guard

OUT OF COUNTY TROPHIES

Best Overall Men's Out of County

Rules:

1. All Men's Rules will apply
2. Men's unit MUST have Apparatus Judged.
3. Men's unit MUST have Firematic Color Guard
4. Only (1) color guard per unit permitted
5. Ladies Auxiliary or lack of Ladies Auxiliary will not affect judging.
6. The winner of the Best Overall trophy will not be eligible for any other Out of County trophy.

Marching Trophies

1st Place
2nd Place

Rules:

1. All Men's Rules will apply
2. Men's unit MUST have Apparatus, judged
3. Men's unit MUST have Firematic Color Guard
4. Only 1 (one) color guard per unit permitted
5. Ladies Auxiliary or lack of Ladies Auxiliary will not affect the judging.

Apparatus

Chiefs Car
1st Place

Apparatus
1st Place

Color Guard

Best Appearing Color Guard

In-County rules apply and are the same for out-of- county units

JUDGING (IN and OUT OF COUNTY)

Judging will be held at:

Washingtonville Middle School – 38 West Main Street, Washingtonville NY 10992

Parade Judges- All parade judges are approved by the Officers of the OCVFA.

Parade Results- **JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.** Results of the parade will be made available upon request to Ken Gordon at flashofd@aol.com within 30 days of the parade or a website submission can be made at www.intercountyjudges.org