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# News

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## **Chicagoland Golf Tournament to Benefit the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation**

**Emmitsburg, MD** – The National Fallen Firefighters Foundation is excited to announce another year of U.S. regional golf tournaments in honor of all firefighters who have died in the line of duty and in support of their families. In 2009, nearly 40 U.S. regional tournaments will be held throughout the year to benefit the programs of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, which assists families of fallen firefighters.

The Glenside Fire Protection District and the Hanover Park Fire Department are co-hosting the First Annual Chicagoland Golf Tournament at the Glendale Lakes Golf Club in Glendale Heights, Illinois on Friday, July 17, 2009.

Former Deputy United States Fire Administrator Charlie Dickinson will be the keynote speaker at the dinner following the tournament.

Major sponsors of the tournament include: Paramedic Services of Illinois, Inc., Adventist Glen Oaks Hospital, Glenside Professional Firefighters Association (IAFF Local 3277), Fireman's Fund Insurance, Glenside Fire Protection District, Hanover Park Professional Firefighters Association (IAFF Local 3452), and Central DuPage Business Health.

The proceeds from this tournament and all of our regional tournaments, will help the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation continue to develop and sustain programs such as the Taking Care of Our Own® Program, the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend and the Everyone Goes Home® Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives Program. These are just some of the programs the Foundation offers to help support families and the fire service.

In 2008, 23 tournaments were hosted across the United States and raised over \$200,000 in support of National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Programs. This is the first time a National Fallen Firefighters Foundation regional tournament event will be held in Glendale Heights, Illinois.

For additional information please visit the tournament website at <http://golf.firehero.org/il/glendaleheights/> or contact Assistant Chief Ken Zaccard at (630) 736-6802 or by E-mail at [KZaccard@hpil.org](mailto:KZaccard@hpil.org).