Councilwoman Kepert and Councilman Mazzei Honor Members of the Hagerman Fire Department at their Annual Installation Dinner
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Farmingville, NY - On Saturday, January 26, 2013, Councilwoman Connie Kepert, along with Councilman Tim Mazzei, attended the Hagerman Fire Department's Annual Installation Dinner at Villa Lombardi’s in Holbrook. Councilmembers Kepert and Mazzei presented certificates of congratulations to Richard Weissbach for receiving the honor of 2012 Rookie of the Year, Carl Fargione for receiving the honor of 2012 Fireman of the Year, and Frank Guarino for receiving the honor of 2012 Fire Police Member of the Year. In addition, a certificate of congratulations was presented to Joseph Gonnley who was honored with the 2012 Andy Desperito Award. Andrew Desperito was a volunteer for the Hagerman Fire Department and a FDNY Lieutenant for Engine #1. Lieutenant Desperito tragically lost his life in the line of duty on September 11, 2001, while honorably protecting innocent civilians and his company.

"Fire Installation and Fire Inspection Dinners provide the opportunity to say 'thank you' to our brave fire fighters, fire police, and first responders who come to the aid of community members whenever they are called upon. Whether they are responding to house fires, fires in the Pine Barrens, or coming to the aid of accident victims, we are all in their debt. On behalf of myself and Councilman Mazzei, 'thank you' Hagerman Fire Department and all our volunteers." stated Councilwoman Kepert.