

Members of the County of Brant Fire Department recently received long service medals from the Ontario Fire Marshal at a special presentation in Brantford on May 26, 2010.

First awarded in 1971, "The Fire Services Long Service Medal" is an expression of public appreciation for the dedication and hard work of members of the Ontario Fire Services. It is officially recognized by the Province and is included in the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997. Members of full-time and volunteer fire departments can qualify for the medal.

The medals, which recognize 25 years of service, were presented by Fire Marshal Pat Burke while the firefighters' spouse or family member received a companion brooch in recognition of their support. A special medal was awarded to retired Fire Chief David Collings for his 45 years of involvement in the Fire Service.

The list provides the numbers of years of recognition and indicates what Fire Departments and station(s) they have served with.



Left to Right are:

Fire Chief David Collings	45 Years – Town of Paris - Cbfd Paris Station, County of Brant Fire Chief
Firefighter Ken Guest	25 Years – Brantford Twsp – Cbfd Mt Pleasant Station
Captain Barry McBlain	25 Years – Onondaga Twsp – Cbfd Onondaga Station
Deputy District Chief Rick Prescott	25 Years - Brantford Twsp – Cbfd Mt Pleasant Station
Firefighter Tom Croome	25 Years – Town of Paris – Cbfd Paris Station
Fire Chief Paul Boissonneault	County of Brant Fire Chief
District Chief Lloyd Rutherford	25 Years – Burford Twsp – Cbfd Burford Station
Don Glassford	Chief Administrative Officer – County of Brant

Deputy Fire Chief Geoff Hayman  
Councillor John Wheat

25 Years – Brantford Twsp – Tranquility Station, Cbfd  
Mt. Pleasant Station, County of Brant Deputy Fire Chief  
Chairperson Emergency Services Committee, Retired  
Firefighter

A wonderful evening was enjoyed by the recipients, family members and special guests. The attendance of County of Brant membership represented over 230 years of Fire Service commitment and dedication in the protection of persons and property.

