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JOIN THE CELEBRATION ON MARCH 8!

FRIENDS OF THE FLEETWOOD PARKS will be presenting FLEETWOOD'S FINEST SPRING GALA on March 8, 2025 at the Fleetwood Vol. Fire Co. Social Quarters Banquet Hall beginning at 6:30pm. The new annual gala includes red carpet arrivals, cocktail hour, dinner, the presentation of two awards for extraordinary community service and desserts and dancing. Tickets are \$50.00 and VIP Tickets are \$75.00 - which includes a special cocktail hour with the honorees. **Tickets for the gala will go on sale on November 18th at fleetwoodparks.com.** "After the success of the 150th Celebration, we wanted to continue the tradition of celebrating Fleetwood with the creation of these two new community service awards," stated Patty Keeney, President of Friends of Fleetwood Parks. "This promises to be another great celebration to recognize some very special individuals." Make sure to mark your calendar so you don't miss the biggest party of the year!





THE FLEETWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY TO RECEIVE THE FLEETWOOD CADILLAC AWARD

THE FLEETWOOD CADILLAC AWARD will be awarded to the Fleetwood Volunteer Fire Company for their extraordinary service to the community since 1914. The fire company proudly protects over 4,000 residents in Fleetwood Borough and assist departments in our mutual aid response area. The company operates out of one station that provides fire, rescue, and QRS services to over 1,300 homes, three schools, five churches and an industrial area. The company is a public department whose members are volunteer. The fire department also has in place a junior FF program which starts at the age of 14. John Manmiller currently serves as the Fire Chief of this all-volunteer organization. "We're thrilled to be receiving this inaugural FLEETWOOD CADILLAC AWARD for extraordinary community service. All our members are volunteers who give and support this special place," stated Manmiller. "It's an honor to be recognized by our community that we serve and we're all proud to call Fleetwood our home." We look forward to saluting this amazing organization on March 8!





BARNEY DIETRICH, ERNIE FINK & R. JOEL SCHAEFFER TO RECIEVE THE FLEETWOOD HOMETOWN HERO AWARD

Barney Dietrich, Ernie Fink and R. Joel Schaeffer will receive the FLEETWOOD HOMETOWN HERO AWARD for building Fleetwood's Little League Field with the Fleetwood Jaycee's in 1965. Since 1965, Smith Field has been home to Little League in Fleetwood with thousands of young people taking advantage of playing baseball over the years. And even today, it still is bringing joy to Fleetwood kids who play baseball. These men made a huge contribution to Fleetwood through their volunteerism with the Jaycees as well as Fleetwood Borough Council, FCCO and Breakfast Brothers among other community organizations. "It's all a little overwhelming. We just wanted to build something special for the kids in our town and it's wonderful that after almost 60 years, it is still going strong. My great grandson now plays on the field every summer," said R. Joel Schaeffer. The baseballs will be flying on March 8th as we pay tribute to these three special men.



R. Joel Schaeffer, Ernie Fink, Barney Dietrich

FLEETWOOD'S FINEST SPRING GALA RECOGNIZING OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE MARCH 8, 2025

JOIN US IN HONORING FLEETWOOD'S FINEST SATURDAY MARCH 8, 2025 FLEETWOOD VOL. FIRE CO. SOCIAL QUARTERS BANQUET HALL 101 N. FRANKLIN STREET, FLEETWOOD, PA

> 6:00PM VIP RED CARPET ARRIVALS & COCKTAILS

6:30PM RED CARPET ARRIVALS & COCKTAIL HOUR

> 7:15PM DINNER

8:15PM FLEETWOOD HOMETOWN HERO AWARD FLEETWOOD CADILLAC AWARD

9:00PM - 11:00PM DESSERTS & DANCING with THE JOSH SQUARED DUO

TICKETS - \$50.00 VIP - \$75.00 - INCLUDES COCKTAILS WITH HONOREES

Ticket Includes Cocktail Hour, Dinner, Desserts, Beer & Wine

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HOW TO ORDER TICKETS:

TICKETS GO ON SALE NOVEMBER 18TH. DOWNLOAD THE TICKET RESERVATION FORM FROM THE FLEETWOOD PARKS WEBSITE. MAIL YOUR CHECK AND FORM TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS. VISIT fleetwoodparks.com FOR MORE INFORMATION. Ticket Forms will be made available on November 18 on the website as well as The Fleetwood Flash.

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