

# Honor Guard Members Honored with Presidential Volunteer Service Award

America has a long and proud tradition of volunteer service. In 2002, President George W. Bush challenged all Americans to make time to help their neighbors, communities, and Nation through service. He created the USA Freedom Corps to help all Americans answer his call to service. The President's Council on Service and Civic Participation created the President's Volunteer Service Award program as a way to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

Mr. Ray Hogans, an agent for this program, planned and presented this recognition ceremony for members of the Alabama Association of Volunteer Fire Departments' Honor Guard, who were recognized and honored at the annual Awards Banquet on August 2nd. Ray was assisted by Alabama Fire College

Executive Director Allan Rice. These Honor Guard members have set a standard for service to our fallen volunteer fire fighters and their families for the last 3-1/2 to 12 years.

Presented with an official President's Volunteer Service Award lapel pin, a personalized certificate of achievement, a letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation and a congratulatory letter from the President of the United States were Honor Guard members: Alan Reeser, Alan Rutledge, Bobby C. Cline, Bryant Robinson, D. H. Oden, Daniel Day, Darren Sloas, Dustin Lovelady, Eric Sullivan, Hugh Harris, James Chancey, Jerome Lovelady, Jerry Jackson, Mary Sells, Reggie Sprinkle, Johnny Dennis, Steve Henderson, Tommy MacPherson, Sue Starr, and Wayne Cost.

