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Duluth firefighters to host 9/11 remembrance stair climb

Thursday, September 11, 2025 | 8:46 AM | Amsoil Arena | 250 Harbor Drive, Duluth, MN

[DULUTH, MN] Duluth firefighters will host their annual September 11 memorial stair climbing event in AMSOIL Arena on Thursday, September 11, at 8:46 am. Firefighters from the Duluth Fire Department, Air National Guard Fire, Lake Superior College fire students, and other local fire departments will participate in the climb after a moment of silence at 8:46 am, the time that Flight 11 crashed into the North Tower on September 11, 2001.

Firefighters will pay tribute to FDNY firefighters by climbing the equivalent of the 110 stories of the World Trade Center. The firefighters will climb the stairs at AMSOIL Arena at the DECC to remember the 343 firefighters and other service providers that lost their lives while saving others during the historic event. Participants are expected to take 25-35 minutes to complete the 2,200-step climb. Firefighters will be fully dressed in turnout gear with air packs, just as those who responded to the Towers on September 11, 2001.

“We vowed to never forget the lives lost on September 11,” said Duluth firefighter and event organizer Andrew Olson. “24 years later, we honor that promise. Today, we don our gear and push ourselves physically and mentally in solidarity with the 343 brave brothers and sisters who made the ultimate sacrifice so others could live.”

The Duluth Fire Department would like to thank the DECC for hosting the event.

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