

Roster of the Fire Tower Forest Fire Observers of New York State



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The following roster of the New York State Forest Fire Observers was compiled from the index card payroll file of the Bureau of Forest Fire Control from 1911 through 1972. Although at least half of the fire towers operated beyond 1972 payroll records for that period do not seem to exist and the likelihood that any of these records might be found are remote. For that reason this is an incomplete accounting of all the Observers, but it is the most comprehensive source available.

Dates are provided for the Observers who staffed the fire towers in the Adirondack and Catskill regions beyond 1972 which were obtained from the books by Martin Podskoch; The Catskill Fire Towers; Their History and Lore and The Adirondack Fire Towers; Their History and Lore - Northern and Southern Districts. Yet these records too are incomplete as they are from the recollections of the people interviewed by Mr. Podskoch.

The Bureau of Forest Fire Control operated their fire towers from 1909 up through the end of the 1990 fire season. Even though the fire towers no longer search for forests fires they continue to serve the people of New York by providing a source for outdoor recreation and wilderness education. A function continuously provided by the fire towers as early as 1910.

After the end of the 1970 fire season the state began closing certain fire towers due to redundancy and in an effort to raise money to fund the fledgling wilderness search and rescue program. This was made possible by the creation of the aerial fire detection program in 1969. It was never intended to completely replace the fire towers with these privately owned airplanes, operating under contract, but rather to supplement the closing of certain fire towers by providing aerial surveillance in those areas.

The following is a historical accounting of New York's fire towers based solely on official state records as such some fire towers are listed differently versus their present day name. For example; Bald Mtn near Old Forge is not the official name of this fire tower it will be found listed as Rondaxe Mtn, but there was a Bald Mtn fire tower in Lewis County. Mt Adams, Mt Arab, Mt Beacon and Mt Tremper are named followed by the "Mtn" prefix.

A master list of this roster has been made available in the Microsoft Excel 2003 format to the NYS-DEC Historic Preservation Officer in Albany, each Regional Forester, District Supervising Forester and Regional Forest Ranger's office of the NYS-DEC, or by e-mailing Bill Starr at beebe.hill@yahoo.com and please state "Observer Roster" in the subject line.

Adams Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Cornelius O'Neil	Tahawus, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 15 - 1919 Oct 31
Howard Busch	Newcomb, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1920 Sept
Cornelius O'Neil	Tahawus, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Oct 16 - 1920 Oct 31
Arthur Bailey	Newcomb, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1921 Oct
John H. Wilcox	Minerva, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May 4 - 1928 Oct 31
Floyd Parker	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May 1 - 1930 June 30
Morris Bissell	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 July 1 - 1937 Oct 31
Edward J. Morarity	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr 12 - 1949 June 5
Albert Tripp	Newcomb, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 June 20 - 1949 Aug 16
W.V. Jenks	Newcomb, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Aug 16 - 1951 Oct 16
Loyal Parker	Newcomb, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Oct 22 - 1952 Nov 13
Henry Ward Knickerbocker	Tahawus, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr 10 - 1954 Oct 31
James O'Connor	Newcomb, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1958 Nov
Joseph R. Caza, Jr	North Hudson, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 23 - 1959 Sept 9
Andrew J. Blanchette	Newcomb, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Sept 16 - 1961 Nov 1
John Cunningham	Newcomb, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr - 1962 July 25
Emile J. LaCourse	Newcomb, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 July 30 - 1966 Nov 9
Keith Blanchard	Newcomb, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 May 29-1967 May 30
Richard B. LaCourse	Newcomb, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 June 13-1967 Aug 30
Eugene C. Bush	Newcomb, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Aug 31-1967 Sept 13
Kerry Killon	Olmsteadville, NY	\$204.39 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1970 Nov

Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Alander Mountain

Taconic State Park under contract with Forest Fire Control

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Mervin P. Whitbeck	Copake Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 May 16 - 1928 June 30
Mervin P. Whitbeck	Copake Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Mar 16 - 1929 June 30

Mr. Whitbeck lived in Mt. Washington, Mass., but his salary checks were mailed to Park Hq. in Copake Falls, NY.

The Alander Mountain is chronicled in the 1928 Annual Report to the NYS Legislature as being erected on the summit of Alander Mountain just barely inside Massachusetts by the Taconic State Park under an easement with the private land owner. The purpose of the fire tower was to watch over park land. In the payroll files the salary of the observer, Mr. Whitbeck, was paid for by the Bureau of Forest Fire Control for the periods noted above. It would be the responsibility of the Taconic State Park, who owned the fire tower, to operate the tower and pay the salary of the observer at other times. This would explain why a standard observer's cabin was also constructed near the fire tower to ensure that the observer would be on duty at the fire tower when he was expected to be on. In 1930 a fire burned over the forest on Alander Mountain, the Bureau of Forest Fire Control had not paid for the observer at all in 1930 explaining why he was not on duty. As a result of his loss the land owner instructed the park to remove the fire tower from his land immediately. The tower was removed by the park in 1930 and put into storage until it was re-erected on Washburn Mountain late in 1932.

Alma Hill

Allegany County - District 4 - Region 9

NAME**RESIDENCE****START SALARY****PERIOD OF SERVICE**

Fire tower and cabin were constructed in 1950 on private land through an easement with the land owner by the Bureau of Forest Fire Control. FFC never paid a salary for an observer at this station it was staffed occasionally on a need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation or by fire wardens.

Ampersand Mountain

Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME**RESIDENCE****START SALARY****PERIOD OF SERVICE**

Alex Bishop	Saranac Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Sept 18
Michael H. Barry	Saranac Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Sept 20 - 1912 Nov
James Butler	Saranac Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1913 May 1 - 1914 Nov 3
Walter C. Rice	Saranac Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 1 - 1922 May 31
William Harrington	Saranac Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 June - 1923 Oct
James M. Straney	Saranac Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 1 - 1924 Nov 14
Denis Ducette	Lake Clear Jct, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 May 25-1925 June 30
Edward Dukette	Lake Clear Jct, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 July 1 - 1925 Sept 30
F.A. Johnson	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 18 - 1926 Oct 31
Phillip Vermette	Faust, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr 19 - 1927 May 31
Herbert Haselton	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 June - 1928 Oct
Harold Fredericks	Moira, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1930 Oct 31
John C. Murray	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 May 11 - 1931 Aug 5
William Buckley	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Aug - 1933 Oct
Chester Tolbert	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr 23 - 1937 July 6
Eugene Brittel	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 July - 1939 May
Patrick Collins	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 June - 1939 Oct
Martin W. Tierney	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May 11 -1941 June 30
Cecil Stone	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 July 1 - 1943 Oct 31
William Dewey	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May - 1942 Oct
Gordon Vosburgh, Jr.	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 26 - 1944 July 15
John H. Green	Coreys, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Aug 18-1944 Sept 12
William Hover	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 May 2 - 1945 June 15
Walter Smith	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Aug 13 - 1945 Oct 31
No observer listed in the payroll file for 1946.			
Bernard Boula	Saranac Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May 1 - 1947 May 6
Henry E. Miner	Saranac Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May 14 - 1947 June 9
John J. Dukette	Saranac Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 June 11-1947 June 23
No observer listed in payroll file for 1948 - 1950.			
Leslie Dinsmore	Bloomington, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 May - 1953 Nov
Charles O. Hutson	Saranac Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 May 1 - 1955 Oct 31
Louis J. Robideau	Tupper Lake, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 May 1 - 1956 May 9
Clarence K. Reano	Tupper Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May 23 - 1956 Nov 14
Carter M. Rendeau	Tupper Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 8 - 1957 Oct 9
Richard G. Bomyea	Saranac Lake, NY	\$114.44 month	1958 Apr - 1959 Nov
Timothy E. Warren	Duane, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 June 16 -1965 May 12
John D. Pelky	Malone, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 July 22 - 1965 Oct 27
Allan L. Jordan	Saranac Lake, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 July 30 - 1968 May 22
John J. Holden, Jr.	Saranac Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 May - 1969 Oct

Arab Mountain		St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Angus LaRocque	Piercefield, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1920 Oct
Edgar J. LaRocque	Piercefield, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1921 Nov
Carroll J. Snell	Piercefield, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr 12 - 1923 Oct 31
Arthur O'Connor	Piercefield, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr 29 - 1936 Oct 31
George J. "Doc" LaVasseur	Piercefield, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1963 Nov
Ansel R. Dorothy	Childwold, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1969 Sept 29
Howard E. Wood	Childwold, NY	\$218.66 bi-weekly	1970 Apr 23 - 1989
Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1989 fire season.			

Azure Mountain		Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Harlow Wheeler	Gile, NY	\$72.00 month	1914 Sept 1 - 1914 Nov 3
Fred N. Smith	Gile, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 3 - 1916 July 15
Thomas Smith	Gile, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 Aug 1 - 1916 Oct 31
Bert T. Parks	Gile, NY	\$72.00 month	1917 Apr 16 - 1920 June 30
William E. Gorrow	Gile, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 July 1 - 1920 Oct 31
Bert T. Parks	Gile, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr 1 - 1923 Oct 31
George Prespare	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 1 - 1925 Oct 31
Bert T. Parks	Gile, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1927 Nov
Roy Whitcomb	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Apr 23 - 1939 Aug 1
Doris LaGray	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Aug 4 - 1941 Oct 31
H.J. Fournier	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1946 Aug 19
Earl Johnston	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Aug 26 - 1955 Nov 5
James P. Lemieux	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Oct 4 - 1955 Oct 31
Lawrence Bailey, Sr	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1970 June
Earl Forkey	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$244.90 bi-weekly	1970 June 2 - 1976
Michael Richards	N/A	\$3.24 hourly	1977 - 1978
Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1978 fire season.			

Bald Mountain		(NOT in Old Forge)	Lewis County - District 6 - Region 6
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Robert J. Kelly	Croghan, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Nov
Lewis Gebo	Croghan, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1912 Sept 31
Robert J. Kelly	Croghan, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 Oct 1 - 1914 Nov
Henry Kuhl	Croghan, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 11 - 1928 Oct 31
Bruce Ferris	Croghan, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1943 Oct
Edmund A. Peters	Croghan, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1965 Oct
Francis W. Pierce	Harrisville, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1966 Nov
Alex J. St. Louis	Carthage, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 May 15 - 1970 Nov 4
Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Balsam Lake Mountain Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Edward Avery	Seager, NY	\$50.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Nov
Walter Kittle	Seager, NY	\$50.00 month	1912 May - 1912 Nov
Atwood Crook	Seager, NY	\$50.00 month	1913 July - 1914 July 31
Fletcher Kittle	Seager, NY	\$50.00 month	1914 Aug 1 - 1914 Nov 17
Douglas C. Owen	Hardenburg, NY	\$\$50.00 month	1915 May 6 - 1917 Nov 15
Richard Bordem	Hardenburg, NY	\$82.00 month	1918 Apr - 1919 Aug
Merwin S. Todd	Seager, NY	\$82.00 month	1919 Sept 23-1947 Sept 30
Augustus Stewart	Arkville, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Sept 30 - 1954 Oct 31
William C. Hinkley	Arena, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 18 - 1955 Apr 21
Augustus Stewart	Arkville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 27 - 1957 Nov 6
Larry E. Baker	Arkville, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr 21 - 1971 Nov 17
Joseph Kelly	Fleischmanns, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 3 - 1972 Dec 6
Ken Kittle	Margaretville, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1973 Apr 19 - 1987 Nov
Tim Hinkley	N/A	N/A	1988

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.

Bayshore Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Mildred H. Spence	Brentwood, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr 16 - 1954 Nov 6
Ronald A. Sommer	Central Islip, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 16 - 1955 Apr 19
Victor Lavis	Brentwood, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 17 - 1956 June 27
Charles F. Nichols	Brentwood, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 May 3 - 1959 Nov 18

The Bayshore facility closed at the end of the 1959 fire season in conjunction with the 1959 pull out of Forest Fire Control from Long Island. The fire tower was removed by contract in the early 1960s.

Beacon Mountain Dutchess County - District 14 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Ray W. Hustis	Cold Spring, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr 24 - 1924 June 20
Steel tower erected late in 1931, only occasional fire detection activity between 1925 and 1931.			
George Lamoree	Beacon, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Mar 15 - 1933 Oct30
Irving Moshier	Beacon, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr 9 - 1935 Oct 20
Andrew Bell	Beacon, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Oct 20 - 1935 Oct 31
Kenneth Burns	Beacon, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr 4 - 1939 Oct 31
George Ketchum	Beacon, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr 1 - 1971 June 2
Raymond Winchcombe	Pleasant Valley, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 June 24 - 1971 Nov 24
Gerald Traver	Poughkeepsie, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 6 - 1972 Nov 1

The fire tower was kept in stand-by condition until the mid 1970s after which it was decommissioned.

Beaver Lake Mountain

Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
J.H. Bintz	Number Four, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1912 Nov
William G. Bush	Croghan, NY	\$72.00 month	1913 May - 1913 Oct
Peter Thenes	Croghan, NY	\$72.00 month	1914 June 11 - 1914 Nov 10
Walker Saunders	Number Four, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 17 - 1915 Oct 31
Meryl Shaw	Number Four, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May 3 - 1917 Oct 31
Frank Bailey	Petries Corners, NY	\$82.00 month	1918 Apr - 1921 Oct
Fayette Fey	Petries Corners, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr - 1922 Oct
Virgil M. Edgar	Watson, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 May - 1928 July 15
Frank Bailey	Petries Corners, NY	\$100.00 Month	1928 July - 1939 Oct.
Ladette Muncy	Lowville, NY	\$100.00 Month	1940 May 1 - 1941 July 31
James Bailey	Port Leyden, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 20 - 1942 Apr 22
Roy Fitzgerald	Lowville, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 June 24

Due in large part to World War II it had become nearly impossible to keep the Beaver Lake Mtn. facility staffed. With the nearby fire towers at Number Four and Stillwater Mtn the bureau ceased to operate Beaver Lake Mtn in 1942. The fire tower was removed in 1977 by forest rangers.

Beebe Hill

Columbia County - District 12 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Fred G. Bashara	Austerlitz, NY	\$213.14 bi-weekly	1964 Nov - 1970 Nov
Closed in 1971 and 1972.			
Irma E. Maxon	Berlin, NY	N/A	1973
Fire tower closed 1974 and 1975.			
Joanne Kennedy	Spencertown, NY	N/A	1976 - 1987
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1987 fire season.			

Belfry Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Joseph O'Connor	Port Henry, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1912 Nov 15
Patrick Dwyer	Mineville, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 July - 1914 Nov
Thomas McClellan	Witherbee, NY	\$60.00 month	1915 May - 1916 Oct
Patrick Dwyer	Mineville, NY	\$60.00 month	1917 Apr - 1917 Oct
George Witherbee	Witherbee, NY	\$65.00 month	1918 Apr 24 - 1918 May 15
Earl McDowell	Mineville, NY	\$70.00 month	1918 May 16 - 1918 Oct 7
Ralph C. Greenough	Moriah Center, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 May - 1921 Oct
Frederick H. Petty	Witherbee, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr 17 - 1931 Oct 31
Joseph Farrell	Witherbee, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr 1 - 1936 Oct 31
Arthur T. Burhart	Witherbee, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1954 Nov
Frank Tracy	Witherbee, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Oct 12 - 1942 Oct 31
Richard F. Walsh	Witherbee, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 14 - 1967 June 27
Robert F. Sweatt	Lewis, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 May 26 - 1966 June 25
William M. LaHendro	Witherbee, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 June 30 - 1970 Nov
Closed between 1971 and 1982.			
Doug Richards	N/A	N/A	1983 - 1988
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Belleayre Mountain		Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles Y. Persons	Pine Hill, NY	\$50.00 month	1911 May 1 - 1929 Nov 10
Walton Persons	Pine Hill, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1942 Nov
Harry Krom	Phoenicia, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 27 - 1942 Aug 31
A.L. Benjamin	Pine Hill, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 24-1943 June 2
Burlin G. Chase	Oliveria, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 June - 1944 Aug
Gail Horton	Big Indian, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Sept 5 - 1945 Apr 25
Franklyn R. Borden	Margaretville, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 June 13 - 1953 Apr 15
William Knigge	Pine Hill, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 May 16 - 1954 Oct 31
Robert F. Plane	Pine Hill, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct 31
Ward C. Hummell	Shandaken, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May - 1959 Nov
Howard A. Wendler	Shandaken, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr 7 - 1963 Aug 21
Robert J. Eignor	Pine Hill, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Sept - 1964 July 9
John K. Hayes	Highmount, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Aug - 1970 Nov
The fire tower was decommissioned after 1970.			

Berry Hill		Chenango County - District 2 - Region 7	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Max Fern	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1935 Oct
John Losoavio	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1942 Oct 31
Ralph Bauder	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1952 June
Graydon G. Dolan	Norwich, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr 1 - 1953 Apr 30
Reuben G. Coon	E. Pharsalia, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 May - 1954 Nov
Edgar J. Slate	Norwich, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 5 - 1959 May 28
Clarence C. Huntly	Cincinnatus, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 June - 1965 Oct
LeRoy F. Phillips	Norwich, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1970 July 16
Viola Marie Chapin	Georgetown, NY	\$246.58 bi-weekly	1970 Sept - 1970 Nov
Lyle C. Perkins	Sherburne, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 Apr - 1971 Nov
Michael Hickox	South New Berlin, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 30 - 1972 Nov 15
At present no records available beyond 1972.			



Berry Hill fire tower March 2009.

Bill Starr photo.

Black Mountain		Washington County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles A. Chaplin	Clemons, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1914 Nov
William C. Noble	Clemons, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 June 1 - 1923 Oct 31
John Adams	Clemons, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1935 Nov
Harley P. Damp	Dresden, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1942 Oct
Harold Beebe	Dresden Station, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 12 - 1943 Apr 12
Ira Chaplin	Whitehall, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 13 - 1944 Oct
Joseph Sherman	Clemons, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Mar 31 - 1956 Nov 14
Ray Mallory	Clemons, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1958 Nov
Frederick W. Davis	Huletts Landing, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1960 Nov
Harold I. Osgood	Clemons, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1961 Apr - 1976
Eric Huntington	N/A	\$3.24 hourly	1977
Mark Knapp	N/A	\$3.24 hourly	1978
Jim Cranker	Warrensburg, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1979 - 1982
Michael Huntington	N/A	N/A	1983 - 1988
The fire tower was turned over to the New York State Police in 1989 to support two-way radio equipment.			

Blue Mountain		Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Kelley	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Aug 19 - 1911 Nov 11
Marvin Locke	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1912 Aug 17
William Kelley	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 Aug 18 - 1917 Oct 31
Beecher LaPrairie	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1918 Apr - 1928 Oct
Bert Wells	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1940 Oct
Frank Kelly	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 Sept 30
Gordon Gauvin	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1945 Aug 8
William LaPrairie	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Aug 15 - 1949 Oct 31
Henry M. LaPrairie	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 May - 1950 Aug 16
Gerald Vineall	Verona, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Aug - 1950 Oct
Gordon Vanderwarker	Indian Lake, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 May - 1954 Oct
Ernest C. Blanchard, Sr	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1956 Nov
Lovel E. Cummins	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 May - 1960 Nov
Laurence L. Trenchard	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr 20 - 1964 Nov 21
Paul W. Thompson	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$146.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr 22 - 1966 Nov 23
Richard R. Gates	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 13 - 1967 May 24
Bernard Holl	Clinton, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Aug - 1968 Nov
Bruce A. Butters	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1970 May
Norman D. Harrington	Wells, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 May 21 - 1973 Nov 19
Daniel LaBarge	N/A	N/A	1974
Gary Lemon	N/A	N/A	1975 - 1977
Kim Brown	N/A	N/A	1978
Gil Goodenough	N/A	N/A	1979 - 1983
Gordy Gauvin	N/A	N/A	1984 - 1985
Sean Curry	N/A	N/A	1986
Ken Cannan	N/A	N/A	1987 - 1990
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1990 fire season.			

Boreas Mountain		Essex County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Edward Lynn	Blue Ridge, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Nov
Joseph Hamner	Blue Ridge, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1924 Nov
Ernest Hamner	Blue Ridge, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 May - 1942 June 21
Joseph R. Caza, Jr	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Aug - 1942 Oct
Kenneth Harrington	Blue Ridge, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Oct 4 - 1944 Oct 31
L.D. Weeks	Schroon Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 May 3 - 1946 Oct 31
Basil G. Stowell	Severance, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Sept 29 - 1948 Nov 5
David C. Schwarz	North Hudson, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 May 4 - 1951 June 15
Roy N. Hyatt	North Hudson, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 June - 1951 Sept 2
Phillip T. Messnick	North Hudson, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Sept 11 - 1951 Nov 7
H.L. Proctor	North Hudson, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1954 Oct 31
Richard Millais	North Hudson, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct 31
Oscar H. Messenger	Moriah Center, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 May 3 - 1958 Nov
David C. Schwarz	Blue Ridge, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 23 - 1959 Aug 26
Edwin S. Garfield	Schroon Lake, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Sept - 1964 July 27
James D. Garfield	Schroon Lake, NY	\$134.78 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 16 - 1964 May 6
Oscar H. Messenger	Moriah Center, NY	\$134.78 bi-weekly	1964 July 30 - 1965 Oct 27
Robert L. Pulling	Ticonderoga, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1968 June 22
Fay G. Cheney	Moriah Center, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 July - 1970 Nov
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Bramley Mountain		Delaware County - District 1 - Region 4	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles H. Aitken	Andes, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr - 1970 Oct
The Bramley Mtn. fire tower was operated on a part-time basis by the Bureau of Reforestation from 1950 - 1957. After which time the fire tower was operated on a full-time basis by the Bureau of Forest Fire Control. The facility was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Brookfield		Madison County - District 2 - Region 7	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Bert Bacon	Brookfield, NY	\$150.00 month	1948 Apr - Oct 1949
Walter Adams	Sherburne, NY	\$114.44 month	1958 Apr 24 - 1958 Apr 24
Roger R. Dorrance	Peterboro, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 June - 1962 Sept
Walter S. Cameron	Hamilton, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 Sept - 1962 Oct
Leon E. Edgerton	Bouckville, NY	\$134.79 month	1963 Apr - 1966 Nov
Terry L. Bennett	Poolville, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1967 Sept
Lyle C. Perkins	New Berlin, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1970 Nov
Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Camp Upton

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John Larsen	Riverhead, NY	\$100.00 Month	1932 Mar - 1940 Oct 31
Edward H. Connell	Yaphank, NY	\$100.00 Month	1941 Apr - 1953 May
Edward Searles	Ridge, NY	\$172.50 month	1953 May 16 - 1953 Sept 9

Operation of the Camp Upton fire tower ceased at the end of the 1953 fire season. It was removed by the Brookhaven National Lab, where it stood, in 1955 or 1956.

Castor Hill

Oswego County - District 6 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Nelson Clifford	Redfield, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Sept - 1929 Oct
Melvin Clemons	Redfield, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1937 Oct.
Alfred Bush	Lacona, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr - 1945 Oct
Ross Stevens	Lacona, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 28 - 1945 May 5
George Brennan	Lacona, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May - 1955 Oct
John J. Brennan	Lacona, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1958 Nov
Fred Kastler	Lacona, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1961 Nov
James A. Yerden	Redfield, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 May 3 - 1970 Nov 4

Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.

Cat Mountain

St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Arthur Muir	N/A	\$60.00 month	1910 May - 1910 Oct
C.P. Deitrich	Wanakena, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Nov
John Janack, Jr.	Benson Mines, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 June 4 - 1932 Oct 31
Frederick Griffin	Oswegatchie, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr - 1935 Nov
William Doran	Benson Mines, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1940 Aug
Francis Doran	Benson Mines, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Sept - 1941 Oct
Edward Akey	Wanakena, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1951 Nov
John Johnson, Jr	Hermon, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 May 1 - 1955 Oct 31
Harry E. Watson	Harrisville, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May 3 - 1966 Nov 9
Archie Blanchard	Newton Falls, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1967 Oct
William W. Cronk	Star Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 25-1968 Apr 28
Wayne F. Cronk	Star Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 May - 1968 Sept
Howard Graham	Harrisville, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1969 June 4
Raymond C. Zoanetti	Syracuse, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr 23 - 1970 Apr 30

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Catamont Mountain

St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Fred B. Watson	Stark, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1915 Oct 31
Amarath Ames	Stark, NY	\$60.00 month	1916 May - 1917 Oct.
Harry L. Day	Hollywood, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Apr - 1921 Nov
Carl Murray	South Colton, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr 25 - 1923 July 20
Fred B. Watson	Stark, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 July 21 - 1924 Nov 14
Fred E. Pitts	Stark, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Apr - 1934 July 8
Martin Clohessey	Stark, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 July - 1939 Oct
Maurice Sullivan	Colton, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May 1 - 1940 Nov 4
Ivan J. Ford	Parishville, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1941 Aug
Edward Close	Colton, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Sept - 1941 Oct
Frank Gilmore	Colton, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 May 8
William McDonald	South Colton, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 9 - 1951 Oct 31
Kenneth McDonald	South Colton, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 June 27 - 1949 July 31
Frank Matthie	South Colton, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1957 Nov
Miles T. McCarthy	South Colton, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr - 1970 Nov
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Cathead Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
G.H. Grinell	Northville, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 July 15
Edward Smith	Benson, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Aug 15 - 1914 Nov 11
Forrest R. Snell	Benson, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Apr 29 - 1915 Aug 10
William Darling	Benson, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May - 1916 Nov
Emmett Sweet	Benson, NY	\$72.00 month	1917 Apr 25 - 1917 Aug 11
Charles Smith	Benson, NY	\$72.00 month	1917 Sept 17 - 1917 Oct 31
Seth Wadsworth	Benson, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Apr 28 - 1920 Nov 6
Erastus Smith	Benson, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr 4 - 1921 June 19
Emmett Sweet	Benson, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 June 20 - 1922 July 31
Seth Wadsworth	Benson, NY	\$100.00 month	1922 Aug 1 - 1934 Oct 31
Jasper Clouthier	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1941 Oct
Robert E. Morrison	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 Oct
Richard E. Berry	Northville, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1947 May
Oscar Howland	Northville, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May - 1952 Nov
Jack A. Hammer	Northville, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 May 16 - 1953 May 31
Alvah E. Berry	Gloversville, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 June - 1957 Nov
Emmett L. Luck	Johnstown, NY	\$114.44 month	1958 Apr - 1964 Nov
David N. Slack	Wells, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr 15 - 1988 Sept.
Operation of the fire tower ceased in 1988 and the facility was turned over to the New York State Police.			



Observer Dave Slack in the Cathead Mtn. fire tower - 1970

Slack family collection.

Central Islip

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Robert W. Wohlfarth	Central Islip, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Mar 31 -1923 June 10
Jack Wohlfarth	Central Islip, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Sept 20 - 1923 Oct 31

The Central Islip facility was a steel tower of sorts, but it was never equipped with a standard steel fire tower. The facility operated for the 1923 fire season only and was abandoned by the Bureau of Forest Fire Control at the end of the 1923 fire season.

Chapin Hill

Sullivan County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Shiells, Jr.	Monticello, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr 27 - 1924 Aug 15
Charles E. Aldrich	Monticello, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Aug - 1924 Nov
Vincent H. Masten	Monticello, NY	\$100.00 month	1925 Apr - 1927 Sept 30
Harold Van Tyle	Monticello, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Apr 1 - 1932 Aug 15
William F. Driscoll	Kauneonga Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Aug - 1933 Oct
Harry Shiells	Monticello, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr 5 - 1938 Oct 31
Bernard O'Neill	Glen Spey, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Apr 24 - 1947 May 31
Vincent H. Masten	Monticello, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 18 - 1951 May 23
Donald Mousseau	Monticello, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 June 16-1951 June 17
Gaylord Low	Rock Hill	\$172.50 month	1951 July 16 - 1955 Aug 16
Charles R. Houghtailing	Glen Spey, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Sept 19 - 1958 Nov 5
Gaylord Low	Rock Hill	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 7 - 1961 Apr 5
Arthur S. Hallock	Pond Eddy, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr 18 - 1961 May 25
Marjorie D. O'Neill	Glen Spey, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 June 15 - 1966 Oct 26
Albert O. Woolsey	Glen Spey, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 13 - 1967 Oct 16
Francis J. Weber	Glen Spey, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 1 - 1970 Nov 4

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Chenango Lake

Chenango County - District 2 - Region 7

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Anthony Mirabito	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1936 Oct
Anthony Quido	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1938 Oct 31
James A. Rotundo	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Apr 24 - 1939 Oct 25
Arthur Carson	S. New Berlin, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr - 1941 May
Walter Bailey	Holmesville, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 June
Samuel Smith	S. New Berlin, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 1 - 1943 May 31
William Spencer	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 11 - 1944 Apr 30
Frederick Ames	Norwich, NY	\$120.00 month	1945 Apr - 1945 May 31
Levera Birdleough	Plymouth, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 1 - 1945 Apr 2
H.L. Saftenberg	Norwich, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 23 - 1946 July 22

The Chenango Lake facility ceased operations in 1946. The fire tower was dismantled and moved to the Brookfield site in 1948.

Clock		Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Howard Moseley	Hauppauge, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr 24 - 1920 June 30
<p>The Clock facility was never equipped with a standard steel fire tower. The facility operated for part of the 1920 fire season only and was abandoned by the Bureau of Forest Fire Control at the end of the 1920 fire season.</p>			

Clove Mountain		Dutchess County - District 14 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles W. Swezy	Union Vale, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr 4 - 1940 Nov 4
George Doughty	Poughquag, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 11 - 1941 Apr 16
H.R. Denton	Holmes, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 17 - 1942 Oct
Oscar Ferris	Verbank, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Mar - 1960 May
George L. Cahill	Salt Point, NY	\$122.38 bi-weekly	1961 Mar - 1965 Nov
William Sammis	LaGrangeville, NY	\$168.87 bi-weekly	1966 Mar 31 - 1972 Nov 15
<p>At present no records available beyond 1972.</p>			

Colfax Mountain		Washington County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Ernest L. Bennett	Cambridge, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Apr - 1966 Nov
Stanley Rogers	Cambridge, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 15 - 1955 Apr 15
Jennie B. Bennett	Cambridge, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1970 Nov
<p>The Colfax Mtn fire tower ceased operations in 1970. It later became a support structure for two-way radio equipment and antennas for several agencies including the forest ranger's radio network.</p>			

Cornell Hill		Saratoga County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Noah LaCasse	Mechanicville, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1935 Nov
Francis J. Shea	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr 4 - 1941 Nov 30
Henry F. Crobok	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr 29-1938 May 8
Fred Lyng	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1944 June 14
Ruby H. Mitchell	Ballston Spa, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 July 7 - 1945 July 26
Elton T. Myers	Stillwater, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Sept 6 - 1954 Nov 5
David S. Weatherwax	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 11 - 1956 Nov 14
James D. Crammond	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1970 Nov
<p>The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.</p>			

Crane Mountain		Warren County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James Burch	Athol, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Sept - 1913 Sept
George Armstrong	Johnsburg, NY	\$72.00 month	1913 Oct 1 - 1913 Oct 31
Nathan Ingraham	Thurman, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 Apr - 1914 Nov
Charles H. Smith	Thurman, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Apr 30 - 1921 Apr 17
William Wood	Athol, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 May 1 - 1942 Nov 30
Luther Pratt	Thurman, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1947 Apr 30
William H. Bills	Thurman, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May - 1949 Aug
Clarence J. Russell	Thurman, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Aug 25 - 1951 Oct 31
Kenneth B. Weaver	Thurman, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr 11 - 1954 Nov 2
Clarence J. Russell	Thurman, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 11 - 1956 Aug 16
Clifford F. Morehouse	Thurman, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 Aug 17 - 1956 Nov 7
Kenneth B. Weaver	Thurman, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 1 - 1968 Nov 6
Charles Brooks	Stony Creek, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1969 Oct
Jason H. Holley	Johnsburg, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Nov
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Cross River Mountain		Westchester County - District 14 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Thomas Perdee	North Salem, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1939 Oct 16
William B. Brown	Waccabuc, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Oct 14-1939 Dec 5
Edgar Davis	Ridgefield, CT	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr 1 - 1941 Nov 11
Benjamin Wyatt	Goldens Bridge, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 13 - 1942 Oct 31
LeRoy Austin	New Canaan, Ct	\$100.00 month	1943 Mar 28 - 1943 Apr 2
A.J. Sparkes	Goldens Bridge, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 13 -1943 June 30
Leroy Knapp	Katonah, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 July 17 - 1945 July 15
Oliver Slocum	North Salem, NY	\$130.00 month	1947 Mar 24 - 1947 Aug 31
Theodore Hughes	Beacon, NY	\$172.50 month	1947 Oct - 1948 Sept 15
Tony Manstrelli	Goldens Bridge, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Oct 7 - 1955 Sept 15
Charles Hoetzel	Putnam Valley, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Sept 16-1948 Sept 30
John C. Moore	Cross River, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Oct 18 - 1956 Nov 13
James Flood	Goldens Bridge, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1957 July 7
John William Guaragno	Goldens Bridge, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 July 11 - 1958 Apr 25
Samuel A. White	Holmes, NY	\$114.44 bi - weekly	1958 Apr 21 - 1966 June 6
Nicholas A. Shomatoff	Bedford Village, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 Aug 27 - 1968 Nov 27
David B. Fitzpatrick	Pound Ridge, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1968 Sept 7
Lauren J. White	Chappaqua, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 Aug 14 - 1969 Oct 29
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			



Dairy Hill		Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Thomas Calhoun	Fairfield, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 June - Oct 1942
William Agne	Newport, NY	\$110.00 month	1943 May - 1956 Nov
Levenus E. Pickert	Middleville, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1966 Nov
Fred R. Miller	Cold Brook, NY	\$185.36 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 13 - 1970 Nov 21
Closed 1971 - 1974. Operated part-time April - mid May 1975 - 1977.			
Dean Flansburg	Cold Brook, NY	N/A	1975 - 1977 Apr - mid May
Tom Kisner	Little Falls, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1978 - 1980
Dick Morgan	Herkimer, NY	N/A	1981 - 1986
The fire tower was decommissioned after the 1986 fire season.			

De Bar Mountain		Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John Yorkey	Saranac Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1913 Sept 30
Millard F. Hayes	Meacham Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 June - 1918 Oct 31
I.S. Potter	Meacham Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Sept 8 - 1918 Oct 31
Newton Parks	Faust, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Apr - 1919 Oct 31
John Ryan	Meacham Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr 26 - 1920 Sept 30
Ralph Tebeau	Owls Head, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 May 9 - 1923 Oct 31
Newton Parks	Faust, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 1 - 1924 Aug 2
Bert T. Parks	Gile, NY	\$100.00 month	1924 Aug 3 - 1925 Oct 31
Forest Winters	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 10 - 1928 Oct 31
Israel Barcomb	Duane, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1929 Nov
Frank Haskins	Duane Center, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1931 July 13
Harry Cook	Owls Head, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 July - 1936 June
Alfred DeCost	Owls Head, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 July - 1942 Oct 31
Patrick Collins	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr 28 - 1938 July 23
Edgar Mose	Riverview, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 24 - 1943 July 27
Bert Garrow, Sr	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$110.00 month	1943 Aug - 1943 Sept 16
Leon Lester	Owls Head, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 8 - 1944 May 11
John Garfield	Malone, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1948 Sept
Elda T. DeBar	Duane, NY	\$150.00 month	1948 Sept - 1962 Oct
James A. Hathaway	Mountain View, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			



Observer Elda DeBar on the front porch of the DeBar Mtn. cabin.

DeBar family photo.

Dickinson Hill

Rensselaer County - District 12 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Klaus	Petersburg, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 June 2 - 1940 Nov 4
Glenford Simmons	Cropseyville, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 5 - 1941 Nov 14
Charles E. Simmons	Cropseyville, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 13 - 1942 Sept 10
Mrs. Elsie M. Simmons	Cropseyville, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Sept 11 - 1942 Oct 31
Helen L. Ellett	Grafton, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 10 - 1953 Oct
Frank A. Babcock	Grafton, NY	\$172.50 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Sept.
Geraldine G. Lewis	Petersburg, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 16 - 1955 May 31
Mrs. Thyra O'Brien	Grafton, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 June 16 - 1956 Nov 7
Robert C. Forbes	Petersburg, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 May - 1958 Oct.
Helen L. Ellett	Grafton, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1965 June 4
Irma E. Maxon	Berlin, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 June 5 - 1972 Nov 11

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1972 fire season.



Observer Helen Ellett in the Dickinson Hill fire tower 1953.

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Dix Hill

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
George S. Carll	Huntington, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr - 1922 May 31
Harold E. Valentine	Huntington, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr 26 - 1928 Nov 15
Thomas E. Nugent	East Northport, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Mar - 1947 Nov

The Dix Hill facility ceased operations in 1947. The fire tower was dismantled in 1948 or 1949 and the pieces were shipped to the Bureau of Forest Fire Control shop at the Saranac Inn where the pieces were kept in storage for spare parts.

Dunn Brook Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Paul Akey	Newcomb, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1912 Sept 12
John VanderVoort	Newcomb, NY	\$90.20 month	1915 May 1 - 1919 Oct 31

The Dunn Brook Mtn facility had very little activity and was closed in 1919. The bureau abandoned the site and removed the old wooden fire tower and log cabin for the observer. The station was replaced by the Goodnow Mtn fire tower.

Erwin		Steuben County - District 4 - Region 8	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
George Bailey	Cameron, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 Nov
Ruby L. Bailey	Cameron, NY	\$92.53 month	1944 Apr - 1948 Nov
George Grayhorse	Corning, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1954 Oct
Arthur J. Buldra	Corning, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1956 June
John R. Kleckner	Savona, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 June 29 -1956 Aug 18
Gilbert E. Simpson	Campbell, NY	\$110.22 month	1956 Sept 19 - 1958 Nov 8
Robert J. Sprague	Bath, NY	\$122.09	1959 Apr 11 - 1959 Nov 4
John H. Reynolds, Jr.	Addison, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr 7 - 1960 Nov 2
Frederick S. Shaut	Bath, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr 20 - 1961 June 28
Donald G. Gray	Bath, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 July 27 - 1962 Sept 5
Henry Ward Knickerbocker	Copeas Plains, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1964 Dec 10
Frederick A. Snyder	Kanona, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr - 1966 Nov
Harry L. Carney	Andover, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1969 May
Stephen J. Horeis	Horseheads, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 June - 1971 June
James Wingate	N/A	\$2.79 hourly	1971 June 2 - 1971 Nov 3
Lawrence G. Davis, Sr	Addison, NY	N/A	1972 May 2 - 1972 May 2

At present no records available beyond 1972.

Flanders Hill		Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John M. Brewster	N/A	\$90.20 month	1919 Mar - 1919 Dec
B.F. Rogers	East Quogue, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr 6 - 1927 Nov 15
Robert Lane	East Quogue, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Mar - 1929 Sept 30
John Larsen	Riverhead, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Oct 5 - 1931 Nov
Joseph Weaver	West Hampton, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Mar 15 -1932 Sept 30
Arthur E. Fink	N/A	\$100.00 month	1932 Sept 30 - 1932 Oct 31
Addison Jackson	East Quogue, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr 1 - 1933 June 15
Homer Jackson	East Quogue, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 June 20 - 1939 Apr 12
Edward W. Downs	East Quogue, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Apr - 1945 Nov 30
William L. Snell	Aquebogue, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr 10 - 1959 Nov 18

The Flanders Hill fire tower ceased operations in 1959 in conjunction with the 1959 pull out of the Bureau of Forest Fire Control from Long Island. Under contract the fire tower was removed in the early 1960s.



Observer Bill Snell on the two-way radio in the Flanders Hill fire tower – 1956.

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Fort Noble Mountain		Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Perry Cole	Wilmurt, NY	\$60.00 month	1910 May -1911 May 26
William C. Fisher	Wilmurt, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 27 - 1912 Oct 31
Elmer Haskell	Wilmurt, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 May - 1914 Nov
George S. Watkins	Wilmurt, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Apr 30 - 1915 Oct 31
Louis J. Fagan	Wilmurt, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May - 1918 May 31
Louis J. Fagan	Wilmurt, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Aug 8 - 1918 Oct 31
Charles Reising	Ohio, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 May 8 - 1922 Nov 3
Frank R. Cone	Ohio, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 May - 1923 Sept
L.J. Hollenbeck	Ohio, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1932 June 30
Alfred C. Brondstatter	Cold Brook, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 July - 1934 Oct 31
Clarence C. Nellis	Cold Brook, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1941 Oct 31
E.R Irwin	Cold Brook, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 Oct 31
Frank Fagant	Ohio, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 20-1943 June 19
Arch A. Blue	Cold Brook, NY	\$110.00 month	1943 July 27 - 1954 Oct 31
Louis E. Gibson	Cold Brook, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 25 - 1963 Aug 27
Edward F. Kipp	Cold Brook, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1963 Sept 5 - 1972 Dec 6
David Schmidt	N/A	N/A	1973 - 1974
Dean Flansburg	N/A	N/A	1975 - 1977
Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1977 fire season.			

Gallis Hill		Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John E. Haynes	Kingston, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Oct 20 - 1929 Nov
George Edson	Allaben, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1944 Apr 25
Thomas Douglas	Kingston, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 28 - 1944 May 1
Robert Fenton	Kingston, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 4 - 1944 May 12
Asa Krom	Kingston, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 15 - 1944 Nov 11
Jacob Schilling	West Hurley, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 10 - 1945 Oct 31
Phillip Scully	West Hurley, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 21 - 1946 Oct 31
Raymond Winnie, Jr.	Kingston, NY	\$172.50 month	1947 Apr 17 - 1947 May 7
Raymond Winnie, Jr.	Kingston, NY	\$172.50 month	1947 May 27 - 1948 Nov 18
Joseph L. Gilbert	Hurley, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 May - 1950 Sept.
Fire tower moved to Overlook Mtn in the fall of 1950.			

Georgetown		Madison County - District 2 - Region 7	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Donald Campbell	Georgetown, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1943 Oct
Fred Kellogg	Georgetown, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 10 - 1944 May 31
E.F. VanDerWater	Erieville, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 1 - 1949 May 31
Mrs. Sophia Anderson	Erieville, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr - 1966 July
Viola Marie Chapin	Georgetown, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 Aug - 1970 Sept 10
Franklin R. Phelps	Johnson City, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 Oct 22 - 1970 Nov 4
Fire tower decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Gomer Hill		Lewis County - District 6 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John C. Feisthamel	Turin, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 May - 1963 Nov
Aden Allen, Jr	Turin, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1972 Dec
At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Goodnow Mountain		Essex County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Bailey	Newcomb, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May - 1922 Oct
John Kays	Newcomb, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 May 1 - 1929 Oct
George Shaughnessy	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr 16 - 1936 Oct 31
Lilburn Yandon	Newcomb, NY	100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1942 July
Harold E. Hall	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Aug 1 - 1942 Oct 18
Lee Griffin	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1944 Apr 11
Walter West	Newcomb, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 1 - 1954 Oct 31
Joseph M. Gibbs	Newcomb, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1958 Nov
Walter S. West	Newcomb, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 May 1 - 1966 Oct 26
Emile J. LaCourse	Newcomb, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 1 - 1967 Oct 25
David Gregory	Newcomb, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 May - 1968 Sept 18
James F. Porter	Newcomb, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Sept 19 - 1968 Nov 6
Vernon A. Arnold	North Creek, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1971 Sept
Terry Chase	N/A	\$2.78 hourly	1972 May 4 - 1972 Dec 6
Kerry Killon	N/A	N/A	1973 - 1974
Jeff Canton	N/A	N/A	1975
David Olbert	N/A	N/A	1976
Bill Gregory	N/A	N/A	1977
Mike Yandon	N/A	N/A	1978 - 1979
Fire tower was decommissioned after the 1979 fire season			



Goodnow Mtn. Observer Kenny Killon with two visitors in the fire tower – 1974.

Photo by Bob Eckler

Gore Mountain		Warren County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John L. Donohue	North Creek, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1912 Nov
Warren Westcott	North Creek, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 July 10 - 1914 Oct 31
Joseph Little	North River, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 1 - 1918 Aug 31
A.H. Lincoln	North River, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Aug 20 - 1923 Oct 31
Fred Austin	North Creek, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr 28 - 1929 Oct 31
Fred Austin	North Creek, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr 15 - 1939 Oct 31
Frank Porter, Jr.	North Creek, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 May 1 - 1942 June 21
Elmer E. Millington	North Creek, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 June 18 - 1949 Oct 22
Clayton Millington	North Creek, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr - 1952 Oct 31
Charles J. Davis	North River, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1956 Aug 28
Arthur H. Turner	Baker Mills, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 Aug 30 - 1965 Oct 27
William W. Conlon	Baker Mills, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 Aug - 1966 Sept
Laurence J. Reynolds	Johnsburg, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1980
Joe Bazaar	N/A	N/A	1981
No observer in 1982.			
Jay Holley	N/A	N/A	1983 - 1985
Bud Bateman	N/A	N/A	1986 - 1988
Fire tower was decommissioned after the 1988 fire season.			

Graham Mountain		Orange County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Wilbur G. Smith	Middletown, NY	\$100.00 month	1948 Apr 1 - 1952 Nov 15
Charles R. O'Neill	Glen Spey, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr 1 - 1954 June 30
William A. Bensinger	Otisville, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 July - 1954 Oct
Otis D. Mead	Port Jervis, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1965 Nov
Charles R. Houghtailing	Port Jervis, NY	\$214.47 month	1966 Mr 31 - 1969 July 2
Stephen J. Canfield	Bloomington, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 July - 1970 Nov
Francis J. Weber	Glen Spey, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1970 Apr 1 - 1971 May 5
Greenville Quick	Willow, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 May 11 - 1971 June 19
Robert A. Herberger	Cuddebackville, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 June 23 - 1971 Sept 8
Gerald E. Meszaros	New Paltz, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 15 - 1972 Sept 1
Charlie Smith	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Kim Chiperino	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Steve Bazan	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Dane Wagner	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Robert Herberger	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Donna Tunno Fallon	N/A	N/A	Unknown
Sharon Tunno Galligan	N/A	N/A	1988
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season			



Hadley Mountain

Saratoga County - District 11 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Madison	Hadley, NY	\$72.00 month	1917 Apr - 1919 Oct 31
Wesley Wells	Hadley, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Aug 8 - 1918 Sept 9
John Briner	Hadley, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1936 Aug
Emory Briner	Hadley, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Aug - 1936 Oct
Henry Perrotte	Corinth, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr 13 - 1949 July 9
Peter G. Burnham	Hadley, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 July - 1954 Nov
George B. Arndt	Hadley, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct
Peter G. Burnham	Hadley, NY	\$253.48 month	1956 Apr - 1964 Dec
George W. Vickery	Hadley, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr - 1989
David Dietze	N/A	N/A	1990

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1990 fire season.

Hamilton Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Alfred "Sampy" Pelcher	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$60.00 month	1910 May - 1910 Oct
Allen Dunham	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1914 Oct
Alfred "Sampy" Pelcher	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Apr - 1919 Oct
John E. Pelcher	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1933 Oct 31
Raymond Kibler	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 May 2 - 1937 May 31
Ernest Edward Brooks	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 July - 1942 Oct
Wallace M. Black	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 June 10 - 1943 Oct 31
Susie Page	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 3 - 1944 May 31
William J. Brown	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1951 Nov
Amos A. Page	Speculator, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1953 Nov
Robert L. Turnbull	Speculator, NY	\$172.50 month	1954 Apr 16 - 1954 Oct 16
Damon C. Cook	Speculator, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 July
Emmett L. Luck	Johnstown, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Oct 10 - 1956 Oct 10
Theobald F. Clark, Jr	Speculator, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1956 Oct 11 - 1956 Nov
Emmett L. Luck	Johnstown, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1957 Nov
Theobald F. Clark, Jr	Speculator, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr - 1958 Oct
William H. Haak	Speculator, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 23 - 1959 Apr 27
Charles F. Smith	Speculator, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 May 7 - 1962 Oct 31
Carl Wasenack	Hoffmeister, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 18 - 1969 Nov 19
Alfred K. Hoover	Speculator, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Aug 1
Paul J. Hart	Cold Brook, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 Aug 6 - 1970 Oct 14

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Hartzfelt Hill

Cattaraugus County - District 5 - Region 9

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Leo Demsky	Allegany, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr - 1924 Nov
Clemance Gerringer	Allegany, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Apr - 1942 Nov
Helen Gerringer	Allegany, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1948 Nov
Clemance Gerringer	Olean, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1968 Nov
Merle W. Taylor	Hinsdale, NY 14743	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 June 12 - 1970 Sept 18

Inactive 1971 - 1972

At present no records available beyond 1972.

High Point Mountain

Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William H. Bradford	Ellenville, NY	\$50.00 month	1912 May - 1915 Aug
William Litchrod	Ellenville, NY	\$62.00 month	1915 Aug 11 - 1915 Nov 10
Samuel J. Brought	Ellenville, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 Apr - 1916 May
William L. Fuller	Ellenville, NY	\$60.00 month	1916 May - 1918 Sept 6
George Eck	Ellenville, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Sept 6 - 1918 Nov 16
John B. Grossman	Napanock, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Mar - 1919 Oct
William E. Cox	Ellenville, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1923 May 19
George Teller	Ellenville, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 May 19 - 1923 Nov 12
Eli V. Krom	Ellenville, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr - 1925 Sept 30
Corbin Mansfield	Ellenville, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Oct 1 - 1926 Nov
Dubois Vanderlyn	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr 1 - 1927 Nov 5
William Bramhall	Syracuse, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Apr - 1930 July 31
Frank S. McConnell	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Aug 1 - 1930 Oct 31
George W. Mance	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1931 Oct
C.N. Benedict	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr - 1932 Sept
William Fahy	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Sept - 1932 Oct 20
Martin Merritt	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr - 1945 Nov
Earl Shufelt	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 29 - 1946 May 23
Obadiah Mulford	Ellenville, NY	\$133.90 month	1946 Aug 6 - 1949 Nov 15
Victor Keogan	Wawarsing, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr 29 - 1953 Oct 31
Harold Hoornbeck	High Falls, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Oct
Frank Bradford, Sr	Ellenville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct
John Bennett	Ellenville, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 June - 1956 July
Obadiah Mulford	Ellenville, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1956 Oct 20 - 1962 Oct 31
Joseph Stedner	Cragsmoor, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1972 Apr 6
Don Wood	N/A	N/A	1972

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1972 fire season.

Hooker Hill

Otsego County - District 1 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Gill	Schenevus, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1942 Oct
Edison Travis	Schenevus, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Oct 5 - 1937 Oct 31
V.E. Dayton	Maryland, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 5 - 1943 Apr 19
Elmer Cady	Maryland, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1954 Oct.
William A. Sutton	Maryland, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 11 - 1959 June 3
Edward F. Dubben	Schenevus, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1962 Aug
Clifford C. Ferris	Schenevus, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 Sept 27-1962 Oct 3
Robert A. Nelson	Schenevus, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 Oct 9 - 1965 Oct 27
Charles P. Kenyon	Maryland, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Mar 31 - 1966 Apr 4
Ralph C. Tubbs	Schenevus, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 14 - 1970 July 17
Julian A. Cole	Maryland, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 Sep 21 - 1970 Nov 4

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Hunter Mountain

Greene County - District 12 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Harry Sebring	Edgewood, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 June 15 - 1911 Nov 10
Walter Dederick	Leeds, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1914 Nov 14
George Becker, Jr	Hunter, NY	\$62.00 month	1915 June - 1915 Oct
Samuel S. Styles	Hunter, NY	\$62.00 month	1916 Apr 15 - 1916 Nov 15
William Spencer	Hunter, NY	\$62.00 month	1917 Apr 28 - 1917 Oct 31
William Lorton	Hensonville, NY	\$82.00 month	1918 may 20 - 1921 Oct 21
George Becker, Jr	Hunter, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Apr - 1925 Oct
Leon B. Furch	Lexington, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr 12 - 1929 Nov 3
Ernest Vredenburg	Westkill, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 May 1 - 1930 Oct 31
Leon B. Furch	Lexington, NY	\$100.00 month	1931Apr 13 - 1931 Sept 14
Ernest Vredenburg	Westkill, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Oct 1 - 1932 Oct 20
Daniel O. Showers	Tannersville, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr 10 - 1935 May 5
Warren Newhall	Lexington, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 May 5 - 1942 Oct 31
Hiram Hoyt	Hunter, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1945 May 31
Ward Benjamin	Hunter, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Aug 25 - 1948 Nov 12
Walter H. Soule	Lexington, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr 1 - 1951 June 30
Delvern O. Place	Spruceton, NY	\$197.50 month`	1951 June 30 - 1953 Oct 31
Walter Cline, Sr	West Kill, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Oct
Morton R. Francis	Hunter, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1958 June 13
Wardell J. Martin	Prattville, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Sept 11 - 1958 Nov
Salvatore Cacciola	Lexington, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1959 Nov
Kenneth P. Bloodgood	Lexington, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 May - 1960 Nov
Walter Cline, Sr	West Kill, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 May - 1967 Sept
Joseph J. Durney	West Kill, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 12 - 1972 Nov 1
Diann Byrne Thorpe	N/A	N/A	1973
Bill Byrne	N/A	N/A	1974 - 1988

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.



1978 fly-over of Hunter Mtn.

NYS-DEC photo.

Hurricane Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Matthew L. Ryan	Elizabethtown, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 June 1 - 1915 May 19
Archie Hayes	Elizabethtown, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May - 1919 June 30
Milo Brenson	Elizabethtown, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 July - 1920 July
John Denton	New Russia, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 July - 1922 Sept
Adam McDougall	Elizabethtown, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Oct 1 - 1923 Oct 31
Kelley McDougal	Elizabethtown, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 June 10 - 1928 Oct 31
William H. Potter	Elizabethtown, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 19 - 1924 June 6
Michael Connors	Westport, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr 29-1929 Apr 30
Edward Farrell	New Russia, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May - 1930 Oct
Harry Denton	New Russia, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr 16 - 1932 Oct 25
Adam McDougall	Elizabethtown, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr 25 - 1935 June 6
Harry Denton	New Russia, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 June 11 - 1942 Apr 30
George Rhone	Elizabethtown, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May 2 - 1942 May 2
David Passino	Elizabethtown, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May 5 - 1944 June 10
Emmett Fuller	Westport, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 July - 1948 Nov
Henry B. McCoy	Elizabethtown, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1951 July 20
Raymond S. Cross	Elizabethtown, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Aug - 1951 Oct
R.E. Pooler, Sr.	Westport, NY	\$172.50 month	1952 Apr 1 - 1952 Apr 22
Charles A. Van Fleet	New Russia, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 May 5 - 1953 Nov 7
Henry B. McCoy	Elizabethtown, NY	\$172.50 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Oct 31
Myron Jay Banta	AuSable Forks, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 15 - 1955 June 30
Pank E. Defendorf	Keene, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 July 1-1955 Sept 5
George Davis	Willsboro, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Sept - 1958 Sept
Earl Sprague, Sr.	Moriah Center, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1966 June 22
Robert F. Sweatt	Lewis, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 June 23-1966 June 23
Edwin C. Estes	Keene, NY	\$144.88 bi-weekly	1966 June 28-1966 June 28
Douglas J. Richards	Elizabethtown, NY	\$174.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1971 Dec 8
Wayne Cross	N/A	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 27 - 1972 Nov 22
Douglas J. Richards	Elizabethtown, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1973 - 1982
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1982 fire season.			

Ingraham Hill

Broome County - District 2 - Region 7

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
H.C. Halpin	Afton, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Apr - 1954 Nov
Metro Duke	Binghamton, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1956 Oct
Raymond S. Shoemaker	Port Crane, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 May 13 - 1961 Nov 1
Paul F. Riecke	Binghamton, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr - 1966 Nov
Sylvan P. Battista	Endicott, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Aug - 1967 Oct
Franklyn Doolittle	Vestal, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Jackie Jones Mountain

Rockland County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Leroy J. Sherwood	Suffern, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr 14 - 1933 Oct 31
Fred Jillson	Pearl River, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr - 1935 Apr 11
William Clark	Tompkins Cove, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1939 Oct
Joseph Ossman	Stony Point, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr - 1942 Aug 31
Alvin Rose, Jr.	Stony Point, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Oct 5 - 1940 Oct 31
Oscar Ruud	Haverstraw, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Oct 12 - 1942 Nov 8
Frank Conklin	Pomona, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Sept - 1943 Apr 3
A.T. Rose, Jr.	Stony Point, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Mar 15 - 1944 Sept 26
Addison J. Kennedy	Pomona, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1957 Oct 20
Frank Conklin	Pomona, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr - 1959 Nov
Timothy Sullivan	Highland Mills, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 May 19 - 1962 June 14
Ernest J. Rose	Garnerville, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 Aug 23 - 1962 Oct 31
Timothy Sullivan	Highland Mills, NY	\$141.97 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 4 - 1963 Nov 13
Gary W. Osterhoudt	Palisades, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 16 - 1964 May 13
Samuel Osinga	Tallman, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 July 23 - 1964 Aug 7
John Schatz	Congers, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Sept 3 - 1964 Dec 4
Richard J. O'Connell	Haverstraw, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr 10 - 1965 Aug 4
James Anthony Babcock	Haverstraw, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Aug 8 - 1965 Sept 1
Richard J. O'Connell	Haverstraw, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Sept 2 - 1965 Oct 27
Eleanor H. McMenamin	Stony Point, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Mar - 1971 Apr 27

At present no records available beyond 1972.

Jersey Hill

Allegany County - District 4 - Region 9

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Eugene Fletcher	Almond, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Oct - 1942 June 30
Vernon Prouty	N/A	N/A	1963 Apr - 1972 Oct

With the exception of the periods noted the Jersey Hill fire tower was operated on a part-time need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation and NYS Fire Wardens. The fire tower was decommissioned after the 1972 fire season.



Jersey Hill fire tower under construction by the CCC Crew – March 1935.

Kane Mountain**Fulton County - District 10 - Region 5**

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James C. Luff	Johnstown, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1934 July 8
Edwin C. Johnston	Caroga Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 July 8 - 1935 Oct 31
Stephen Spencer	Gloversville, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr 29 - 1936 Apr 30
Lewis C. Burgess	Gloversville, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 May - 1936 Oct
James Haynor	Johnstown, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1939 May 31
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 June - 1942 Oct
Fred Austin	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May - 1943 Oct.
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1945 Oct
Frank A. Rogers	Gloversville, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 30 - 1946 Apr 12
Robert E. Mastropolo	Johnstown, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May 3 - 1946 July 31
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Aug - 1946 Oct
David Clark	Johnstown, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr - 1947 July
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Aug - 1949 Oct
Rex Hall	Caroga Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr - 1952 Nov
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1955 June
Floyd H. Waters	Wells, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 May 1 - 1965 Oct 27
Gilbert C. Topliff	Northville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 22 - 1955 Apr 22
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 June - 1972 Nov
Everett "Buckshot" Smith	Canada Lake, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1977 May - 1977 Nov
Eric C. "Rick" Miller	Nelliston, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1978 May - Oct 1983
Jan Duga	N/A	N/A	1984
Bill Rockwell, Jr.	N/A	N/A	1985 - 1986
Jim Wylie	N/A	N/A	1987 - 1988

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.



Observer Everett "Buckshot" Smith in the Kane Mtn. fire tower – 1972

Photo by Observer Rick Miller

Kempshall Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles LaPelle	Long Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 11 -1911 May 21
Edwin Stanton	Long Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 June 9 - 1914 Nov 10
Charles Sabattis	Long Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 1 - 1915 Oct 31
Albert Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May - 1918 Oct
Joseph A. Rowe	Long Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Apr - 1920 Nov
Elliot Hamner	Long Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1921 Sept 20
Albert Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Sept - 1931 Oct
Jesse Russell	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr 15 - 1941 Oct 31
Robert Glassbrook	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 June 8 - 1940 June 30
R.E. West	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 15 - 1942 July 6
William Plumley	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 July 15 - 1943 Oct 31
Wallace M. Black	Long Lake, NY	\$110.00 month	1944 Apr 10 - 1944 July 21
O.C. Kellogg	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1945 June 30
O.E. Morrissey	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Aug 1 - 1945 Oct 31
William Houghton	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1946 July 2
Ernest LaPrairie	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 July - 1948 Nov
Laurence J. Parker	Long Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1949 Oct 31
William Houghton	Long Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 May - 1950 Nov
William Houghton	Long Lake, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Apr - 1952 July 16
George L. Tindall	Long Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Aug 25 - 1955 Oct 31
Owen I. McPherson	Long Lake, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr 23 - 1956 Sept 12
George B. LaPelle	Long Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 Oct 23 -1956 Nov 10
Henry Ward Knickerbocker	Long Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1962 Oct 31
Florian W. Robitaille	Long Lake, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 29 - 1963 June 20
James Montana	Long Lake, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 June 21 - 1964 Nov 21
Edward E. Jackson	Ilion, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr 22 - 1965 June 13
James Montana	Long Lake, NY	\$146.18 bi-weekly	1965 Aug 5 - 1966 July 6
John H. Lindheimer	Speculator, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 July 7 - 1966 Nov 9
Larry C. Combs	Mohawk, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1970 Oct
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Kings Park

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Thomas E. Nugent	East Northport, NY	\$133.90 monthly	1948 Apr - 1959 Nov
The Kings Park fire tower replaced the closing of the Dix Hill fire tower. Operations at Kings Park ceased in 1959 in conjunction with the 1959 pull out of the Bureau of Forest Fire Control from Long Island. The fire tower was removed under contract in the early 1960s.			

Leonard Hill

Schoharie County - District 1 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Luis Flores	Gilboa, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr 24 - 1964 July 10
Willard T. Foland	Middleburgh, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Aug - 1965 Oct
Kenneth C. Greek	Cobleskill, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Mar 31 - 1973 Nov
Donald Dyson	N/A	N/A	1974 - 1975
Milton E. Hewett	N/A	N/A	1975
Donald Dyson	N/A	N/A	1976 - 1980
Judy Kalney Merwin	N/A	N/A	1981 - 1986
Cliff and Don Oakley worked at the fire tower on Merwin's days off.			1981 - 1986

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1986 fire season.

From 1948 - 1957 the fire tower was operated on a need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation. From 1966 - 1986 the fire tower operated for the entire fire season each year.

Loon Lake Mountain

Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Paye	Inman, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 June 1 - 1912 Nov 5
James Quirk	Inman, NY	\$72.00 month	1913 May 23 - 1915 Oct 31
John J. Ryan	Inman, NY	\$90.20 month	1916 Apr - 1917 Oct
Clarence Tyler	Vermontville, NY	\$77.00 month	1918 Apr 25 - 1918 June 30
John J. Ryan	Inman, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Apr - 1919 Oct
Bernard Paye	Gabriels, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 May 18 - 1924 Nov 13
Joseph Danglois	Loon Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 May - 1925 Oct.
Charles Williams	Inman, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 10 - 1926 Oct 31
Bernard Paye	Gabriels, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr 15 - 1927 July 31
Charles Williams	Inman, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Aug 15 - 1934 June 3
Leon Gonyea	Inman, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 June 4 - 1934 June 7
Frank Hall	Sugar Bush, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 June 8 - 1934 June 9
Leon Gonyea	Inman, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 June 10 - 1941 Oct 31
George Fountain	Rainbow Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May 13 - 1942 May 25
Michael Helley	Gabriels, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 June 1 - 1942 Oct
Leon Gonya	Inman, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 30 - 1943 May 17
Joseph Makay	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May 20 - 1946 Apr 17
Joseph Keith	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May 14 - 1946 Sept 3
Ralph Williams	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Sept 4 - 1946 Oct 31
William J. Patnode	Saranac Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr 21 - 1947 May 15
Paul Bomyea	Saranac Lake, NY	\$150.00 month	1948 Apr - 1949 July
Edward Cochran	Saranac Lake, NY	\$150.00 month	1949 Aug - 1949 Oct
William D. Plumley	Bloomington, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr - 1952 Aug 16
Paul S. Ferguson	Loon Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Aug - 1953 Nov
Charles M. Allen	Cape Vincent	\$172.50 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Oct
Bert Ducatt	Saranac Lake, NY	\$228.48 month	1955 Apr - 1958 Nov
Mark Sperry	Malone, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 23 - 1964 Oct 2
Earl Forkey	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr - 1970 June 2
Gerald Noreault	Mountain View, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 June 8 - 1970 Nov 4

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Lyon Mountain		Clinton County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Wilfred King	Chazy Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 10 - 1911 Nov 5
J.E. Gardner	Chazy Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1913 July 21
Charles H. Gardner	Chazy Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 Aug - 1913 Oct
Edward Kelley	Cadyville, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 May 6 - 1914 Nov
Newell Brooks	Chazy Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May - 1920 Oct
Morris Hart	Lyon Mountain, NY	\$60.00 month	1917 May - 1917 Oct
William H. Carbo	Chazy Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1921 May 30
J.W. Cashman	Chazy Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Aug - 1921 Oct
Howard J. Tracy	Lyon Mountain, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 June 8 - 1921 July 31
Nelson Patnode	Chazy Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May - 1924 Oct 30
James C. Coffey	Redford, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Oct 30 - 1924 Nov 3
Edward Plumadore	Saranac, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Nov 6 - 1924 Nov 14
George H. Bull	Saranac, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1926 Oct
William Everleth	Saranac, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1944 Oct
Stephen Stokes	Saranac, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 9 - 1945 July 31
A. Lincoln Lobdell	Ellenburg Depot, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Sept 1 - 1945 Sept 15
Everett Craig	Saranac, NY	\$120.00 month	1945 Oct 1 - 1945 Nov 10
Stephen Stokes	Saranac, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr 1 - 1946 Apr 28
Edgar Rasco	Moffittsville, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May 1 - 1946 May 13
Francis Campbell	Saranac, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May 14-1946 June 15
Robert Seney	Ellenburg Depot, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 June 16 - 1969 Sept 8
Randolph Keith Wilson	Lyon Mountain, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Aug 16 -1960 Sept 10
Edward West	Plattsburgh, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 30 - 1964 May 13
John Kowalowski	Lyon Mountain, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 Sept 25 - 1973 Nov
Lincoln King	N/A	N/A	1974
John Kowalowski	Lyon Mountain, NY	N/A	1975 - 1980
Jim Supley	N/A	N/A	1981
Pat Cayea	N/A	N/A	1982 - 1988
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Makomis Mountain		Essex County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
A.M. Jenks	Underwood, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Aug 3 - 1911 Nov 10
Kenneth E. Carey	Underwood, NY	\$72.00 month	1912 June - 1914 Nov
B.A. Armstrong	North Hudson, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May - 1930 Oct
Fred Greenough	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 16-1926 June 4
Fred Greenough	Underwood, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1942 July 4
Clifford Liberty	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 July 20 - 1947 Aug 21
J.C. Liberty	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1943 Aug 31
Joseph R. Caza, Jr	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1946 Sept
Albert Jordan	North Hudson, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 17 - 1944 May 16
Arthur Greenough	North Hudson, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr - 1963 May 1
John Weber	North Hudson, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 May 6 - 1963 Nov 13
Alfred S. Gregory	North Hudson, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1965 Oct
Oscar H. Messenger	Moriah Center, NY	\$213.14 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

McCarty Hill**Cattaraugus County - District 5 - Region 9**

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
J.F. McMurray	Salamanca, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1941 June 10
James Sartori	Salamanca, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Oct 22 - 1942 May 31
Elmer Vaughn	Great Valley, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 12 - 1943 June 5
Frank Chase	Great Valley, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 6 - 1944 May 31
Jay Curtiss	Great Valley, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 March - 1946 Oct
J.F. Wiley	Salamanca, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr 9 - 1950 June 15
Hugh J. Dunn	Salamanca, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Oct 5 - 1950 Oct 31
Guy Moscate	Salamanca, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Apr - 1954 May 31
William Edward Goulding	Little Valley, NY	\$214.47 month	1954 Oct 5 - 1954 Oct 31
Bernard Lee	Salamanca, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1957 Nov
Robert J. Smith	Salamanca, NY	\$114.44 month	1958 May 6 - 1958 Nov 5
Stanley D. Fisher	Salamanca, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1962 Nov
Donald H. Lounsbury	Great Valley, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 13 - 1964 Apr 15
Leslie A. Smith	Randolph, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 17 - 1965 Oct 27
Fritz W. Opferbeck	Salamanca, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 14 - 1970 Nov 4
Merle W. Taylor	Hinsdale, NY 14743	\$ 2.79 hourly	1971 May 6 - 1972 Nov 1
At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Mohonk Mountain**Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3**

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Frank J. Duffy	Mohonk Lake, NY	\$62.00 month	1912 May 13 - 1912 Aug 10
Samuel J. Schoonmaker	Mohonk Lake, NY	\$62.00 month	1912 Aug - 1921 Oct
Matthew Mullen	Gardiner, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May 1 - 1923 Nov
N.R. Osborne	Kingston, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 13 - 1930 May 24
Leon B. Furch	Lexington, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 May 24 - 1930 Nov 15
H.B. Reed	Kingston, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1942 Oct 31
Walton Persons	Pine Hill, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Mar - 1943 May 12
Charles Lapp	Mohonk Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 May - 1945 Apr 8
William DeWitt	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1945 Oct
Martin Merritt	Ellenville, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1948 Oct 31
Norman A. Gerdner	New Paltz, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1949 Nov
Harold Hoornbeck	High Falls, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr - 1951 Nov
Rudolf Siegel	New Paltz, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 June - 1954 Oct
Frank Snyder	Accord, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Aug 1 - 1955 Oct 31
Arthur Crose	Kerhonkson, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1956 Nov
Ralph Hornbeck	Accord, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 17 - 1957 Apr 27
Grant A. Schoonmaker	Accord, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 June - 1965 July
Friend E. Wilkow	Accord, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 11 - 1967 May 20
Theodore J. Nelson	Kerhonkson, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 May 26 - 1968 Apr 17
John Vandermark	Kerhonkson, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 May 9 - 1969 Aug 6
Carolyn Jean Yantz	Wawarsing, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 Aug 26 - 1970 Sept 16
Frank A. Lyons	Kerhonkson, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 Apr 1 - 1971 Apr 27
The operation of the Mohonk Mtn. facility ceased in 1971.			

Moosehead Mountain

St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
George Heffron	Childwold, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 July 2
William D. Pond	Childwold, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 July 10 - 1915 May 31
Ezra G. Smith	Manchester, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 June 1 - 1915 July 31
George H. Shumway	Childwold, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Aug 1 - 1919 Oct 31
A.F. Cardinal	Childwold, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1923 Oct
Fred C. Hayes	Colton, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr - 1924 July 27
Horace Salls	Childwold, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 July 28 - 1924 Oct 10
Milton Martyny	Childwold, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Apr - 1925 Oct 31
Herbert Giffin	Childwold, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1927 June 30
H.E. Truesdell	Parishville, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 July 1 - 1934 July 8
Raymond Shurtleff	Conifer, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 July 8 - 1941 Apr 7
Elzare Benware	Piercefield, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1943 Oct
Adeland Fromaget	Faust, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1947 Oct 19
Vernon E. Rice	Cranberry Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 19 - 1947 Oct 27
Mrs. Pearl Eakins	Piercefield, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 28 - 1953 Nov
C. Ova Bancroft	Potsdam, NY	\$172.50 month	1954 May - 1954 Oct
Perry W. Fowler	Harrisville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1962 Apr 24
Allen W. Clark	Colton, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr 30-1962 June 13
John Johnson, Jr	Colton, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 June 14 -1969 July 24
Fire tower was decommissioned in 1970.			

Moose River Mountain

Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James D. McHale	Moose River, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Sept 15 - 1917 Oct 31
Thomas F. McHale	Moose River, NY	\$65.00 month	1918 Apt - 1919 Oct 31
Peter Walters	Thendara, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr 26 - 1939 Oct 31
Charles H. Chase	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 Month	1940 June - 1941 May
Harry L. Russell	Thendara, NY	\$100.00 Month	1941 June 16 - 1942 Oct 31
Charles Stevens	Thendara, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1960 Nov
Frederick W. Bolmer, Sr	Thendara, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Morgan Hill

Cortland County - District 3 - Region 7

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
R.W. Dowd	Truxton, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Oct 1 - 1941 Oct 31
Jack Andersen	Cortland, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 20 - 1942 May 31
George Phillips	Cortland, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 17 - 1943 Sept 22
John Judge	Cortland, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1946 Sept 30
Earl D. Hill	Homer, NY	\$130.00 month	1946 Oct - 1963 May 3
Floyd W. Van Dee	DeRuyter, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Sept 19 - 1966 June 8
Francis John Moore	Cortland, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 7 - 1967 May 29
Gary R. Buck	DeRuyter, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 June - 1967 Sept
Jay W. Burnette	Tully, NY	\$169.52 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1969 Oct
Richard T. Hingher	Moravia, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Nov
Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Mt Electra (AKA Rock Lake Mtn) Owned & operated by Nehasane Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Rowley C. Dennis	Nehasane, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 May - 1920 June
George H. Stahlberger	Nehasane, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr 5 - 1922 June 30
Fred Hayes	Nehasane, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Apr 19 - 1923 May 8
Howard Basford	Nehasane, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 May - 1923 June 30
Miss Harriet Rega	Old Forge, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Apr 28 - 1930 Apr 30
Emily Ellerby	Pulpwood, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 July - 1931 Sept
William Touey	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1932 July 1-1933 Sept 30
Claude Thompson	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1934 July 1 - 1934 Sept 30
H. Ellis Denio	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1935 Aug - 1936 Sept
Robert Urtz	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1938 Aug 1 - 1938 Sept 30
S.L. Boughton	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1939 July - 1941 Sept
Miss Frances Seaman	Long Lake, NY	\$90.00 month	1942 July - 1942 Sept
S.L. Boughton	Nehasane, NY	\$90.00 month	1943 July - 1944 Sept

Forest Fire Control discontinued the contract with Nehasane Park at the end of the 1944 fire season.

Mt. Morris Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Daniel McDonald	Tupper Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Sept 18
Henry Bridges	Tupper Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Sept - 1911 Nov
M.E. Sheils	Tupper Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 June 5 - 1913 Oct 31
M.E. Sheils	Tupper Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 May 2 - 1914 Nov 3
Louis Yell	Tupper Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 2 - 1918 Oct 31
Eugene Lamieux	Tupper Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 June 16 - 1919 Nov
M.E. Sheils	Tupper Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr 26 - 1920 Oct 31
Phillip Vermette	Moody, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr 11 - 1925 Oct 31
Andrew Jebo	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1939 Oct
Charles P. Baker	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May 1 - 1940 June 15
Harold Fuller	Faust, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 July - 1940 Nov
Cecil Stone	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 24 - 1942 May 11
George Frederick	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May - 1943 Oct
Earl Eddy	Tupper Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr 16 - 1946 May 16
Frederick Bartholomew	Childwold, NY	\$130.00 month	1946 June - 1947Oct
John A. Wilson	Faust, NY	\$127.50 month	1948 Apr 12 - 1954 July 13
Ernest A. Christy	Faust, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 July - 1954 Oct
Wallace R. Scanlon	Tupper Lake, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 20 - 1958 Nov 5
Oscar L. Pilon	Tupper Lake, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1970 Nov

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.



Nelson Mountain		Westchester County - District 14 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Charles Hoetzel	Putnam Valley, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 Apr - 1952 Nov
Robert Ekatis	Peekskill, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1956 May 19
Robert Dakin	Carmel, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 Oct 25-1956 Nov 13
Chester C. Lee	Brewster, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 May 22 - 1957 Nov
James McGuire	Croton-on-Hudson, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 June 29 - 1959 Nov 4
George S. Wislocki	Croton-on-Hudson, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr 1 - 1961 Nov 9
Ronald W. Ballard	Suffern, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 11 - 1963 June 12
Edward Brink	Mt. Kisco, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 June - 1963 July
Charles O. Peters	Carmel, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1969 Nov
Lauren R. White	Chappaqua, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Mar 26 - 1971 Apr 28
Inactive 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

New Boston		Lewis County - District 6 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Robert J. Gardner	Croghan, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 May - 1955 Oct
Howard E. Ormiston	Lowville, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May 7 - 1960 Nov 2
Martin H. Richter	Copenhagen, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 May 8 - 1968 Oct 23
Alton Brooks	Copenhagen, NY	\$239.37 bi-weekly	1969 Apr 10 - 1970 Nov 4
Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Ninham Mountain		Putnam County - District 14 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Richard F. Ketchum	Carmel, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 4 - 1947 Aug 9
W.A. Ferguson	Carmel, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 11 - 1945 Sept 30
Raymond Nagell	Golden Bridge, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 13 - 1947 Nov 17
Richard F. Ketchum	Carmel, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr 6 - 1968 Nov 13
Raymond P. Bocchino	Carmel, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1972 Oct 31
At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Number Four		Lewis County - District 6 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Alton Brooks	Lowville, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 June 7 - 1968 Nov 6
Alan P. Kraeger	Constableville, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr 10 - 1969 July 31
Kenneth J. Bush	Lowville, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 Aug 1 - 1974
Larry Bush	Lowville, NY	N/A	1975
The fire tower was decommissioned after the 1975 fire season.			

Number Seven Hill

Rensselaer County - District 12 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Horace F. Adams	W. Stephentown, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 Oct - 1928 Oct
Hiram B. Holt	W. Stephentown, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Mar - 1929 Oct
Ernest Wemple	Stephentown, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Mar 20 - 1945 Oct 31
Charles Williams	W. Stephentown, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 24 - 1954 Oct 31
Michael Hoffman	Cherry Plain, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1955 Apr 16 - 1955 Apr 30
Maynard Goodemonte	Cherry Plain, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1958 Nov
Michael Hoffman	Cherry Plain, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May 23-1956 June 20
Robert C. Forbes	Petersburg, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1959 May - 1962 Oct.
Harold R. Stevens	Berlin, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 1 - 1963 Nov 13
Alice E. Wemple	Stephentown, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 18 - 1970 Nov 4

The fire tower was decommissioned after the 1970 fire season.

Oakdale

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
George Collins	Central Islip, NY	90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1921 June 15

The Oakdale station was never equipped with a standard steel fire tower. It was operated for part of the 1921 fire season and was abandoned by Forest Fire Control at the end of the 1921 fire season.

Ohmer Mountain

Saratoga County - District 11 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
N.B. Tennant	Day, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1914 Nov
Harvey J. Atherton	Day, NY	\$60.00 month	1915 May 24 - 1915 July 4

The Ohmer Mtn station was situated on private land. A steel fire was purchased to replace the old wooden fire tower, but a renewed easement with the land owner could not be secured. Therefore the station was abandoned by Forest Fire Control at the end of the 1915 fire season and the wooden tower was removed. The steel fire tower was erected on Hadley Mtn. which began operations in the spring of 1917.

Overlook Mountain

Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Barnet Howland	Shady, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Apr - 1955 Oct
Eugene F. LaCasse	Woodstock, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May - 1958 Nov
Norman E. Desch	Mt. Marion, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1959 Nov
John W. Sylvester	Saugerties, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr 12 - 1961 Nov 11
John Baldwin	Willow, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr - 1988 Oct

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.

Owls Head Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James Flynn	Long Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Aug - 1923 May 6
Rowley W. Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 July 2 - 1923 Oct 31
Alfred Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1926 Oct
Joseph Welch	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr 21 - 1930 Oct 31
Harry Bowker	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1941 Oct
Fred C. Hall	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 Sept 8 - 1939 Oct 31
Howard Rowe	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr 16 - 1942 July 15
Lucius Russell	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 July 20 - 1943 Oct 31
William Plumley	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1946 Sept 15
Henry L. Hunt	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Sept - 1947 July 22
Joseph Morrissey	Raquette Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 June 1 - 1949 Oct 31
Laurence J. Parker	Long Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 May 1 - 1951 June 15
Henry S. Faxon	Long Lake, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 June - 1951 Nov 6
Hamor Houghton	Long Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1953 Nov
Orville S. Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 May 1-1954 June 30
Herbert O. Cole	Long Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Aug - 1956 Nov
John J. Grenier	Long Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 1 - 1957 Apr 30
Hans P. Jensen	Long Lake, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 May 23-1964 Sept 30
James Montana	Long Lake, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1965 Apr 22 - 1965 Aug 5
Harold O'Malley	Glens Falls, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Aug 5 - 1965 Oct 27
Alfred K. Hoover	Speculator, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1967 Oct
Bruce A. Butters	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	Apr 1968 - 1968 Oct
Fire tower was not staffed in 1969 and was decommissioned in 1970.			

Padlock Hill

Tompkins County - District 3 - Region 7

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
R.J. Boyer	Slaterville Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1941 Nov
Jas. G. Blackburn	Slaterville Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 Nov
Max C. Deyo	Slaterville Springs, NY	\$100.00 Month	1944 Apr - 1961 May 24
Richard D. Blackman	Richford, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1962 Oct - 1963 Nov
William L. Martin	Willseyville, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Sept 17 - 1966 June 8
Gary R. Buck	DeRuyter, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 17-1967 June 7
Clifford V. Osborne, Jr.	Cortland, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 July 27 - 1967 Oct 25
Kenneth J. Dykeman	Candor, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 1 - 1973 Nov 1
The fire tower operated only 3 months each year; Apr, May and Oct. Longer if needed.			
Fire tower was decommissioned in 1974.			
Fire tower was moved to the NYS Fairgrounds in Syracuse, NY.			



Page Pond Hill

Broome County - District 2 - Region 7

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Emmett MacDonald	Deposit, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1937 June 3
Lawrence J. Ryan	Deposit, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Oct 5 - 1941 Nov 15
John M. Slater	Deposit, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Oct 1 - 1942 Oct 31
S.C. Slater	Deposit, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 8 - 1944 May 31
Douglas Cable	Deposit, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 1 - 1945 Apr 30
Richard Pratt	Nineveh, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr 1 - 1946 May 31
Rexford Meisel	Harpurville, NY	\$133.60 month	1947 Apr - 1947 May 15
Harold Sargeant	Norwich, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 1 - 1947 Nov 15
H.C. Halpin	Afton, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr - 1950 Nov 6
Erford Jackson	Binghamton, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 Aug 1 - 1958 Nov
Franklin R. Phelps	Johnson City, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1969 Nov
Thomas J. Vroman	Binghamton, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr 23 - 1971 Aug 25
Joe Cammer	N/A	\$2.79 hourly	1971 Aug 26 - 1971 Nov
Gilbert Gevins	Vestal, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr - 1972 Sept
Tom Murphy	N/A	N/A	
Jim Bagley	N/A	N/A	
Jerra Fuller	N/A	N/A	? - 1982 - ?
Gary Moore	N/A	N/A	1988
The fire tower was sold to the private land owner after 1988.			

Palmer Hill

Clinton County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Carl Lawrence	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr - 1944 July 6
C.W. Barber	Keeseville, NY	\$134.84 month	1944 July 7 - 1945 Nov
William H. Nolan	AuSable Forks, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar - 1969 Oct 10
James A. Nolan	AuSable Forks, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower closed 1971 - 1977			
Russ Anderson	N/A	N/A	1978 - 1988
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Penn Mountain

Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Arthur A. Smith	Forestport, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 Apr 9 - 1951 June 15
Louis W. Frey	Remsen, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 June - 1951 Nov
Melvin R. Burr	Boonville, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1958 Nov
Kenneth H. Paddock	Boonville, NY	\$122.09 month	1959 Apr 20 - 1959 Nov 13
Robert A. Morrison	Forestport, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1966 Nov
Thomas W. Conners	Forestport, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Petersburg Mountain

Schoharie County - District 1 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Philip C. Lane	Stamford, NY	\$100.00 Month	1941 Apr - 1941 Oct
Stanley Earles	Middleburg, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 May
A.J. Tripp	West Fulton, NY	\$100.00 Month	1944 Apr 3 - 1944 May 31
Milford Myers	Schoharie, NY	\$100.00 Month	1945 Apr 2 - 1945 Apr 30
Phillip Davis	Schoharie, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1948 Sept
Robert Conrow	Warnerville, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Sept - 1950 Oct
Douglas L. Mapes	Cobleskill, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 Apr 2 - 1951 July 16
Leona M. Borst	Schoharie, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Aug - 1954 Oct
Clarence Loucks	Middleburg, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct 31
Leona M. Borst	Schoharie, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May - 1971 May 12

The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1971 fire season.

Pharaoh Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
O.P. Stedman	Schroon Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 9 - 1911 July 11
June J. Burnell	Schroon Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 July 12 - 1916 June 4
Robert Shufelt	Schroon Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 June 5 - 1919 Oct 31
Hugh Flemming	Schroon Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1925 Oct
William Browne	Severance, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1926 Oct
Sherman Garfield	Schroon Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1931 Oct
Wayne Munger	Schroon Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr - 1936 Oct 31
John H. Stowell	Severance, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1948 Oct
Harold P. Pasco	Schroon Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Oct 1 - 1948 Oct 31
Victor Jenks	Schroon Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 Apr - 1951 May 24
F.R. Anslow	Schroon Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 May 25 - 1954 July
William P. Lloyd	Ticonderoga, NY	\$172.50 month	1954 July 14 - 1954 Nov 5
John Leonard	Moriah, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1957 Apr 11
William J. Bamford	Schroon Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1960 June
Winston G. Bates	Schroon Lake, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 June - 1960 Nov
Robert Shufelt	Schroon Lake, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr 6 - 1962 May 30
Edmund R. Aiken	Schroon Lake, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 May 31 - 1965 Sept
Douglas J. Richards	Elizabethtown, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 18 - 1966 Nov 9
Frederick S. Rice	Crown Point, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 27 - 1967 Oct 25
Edmund R. Aiken	Schroon Lake, NY	\$186.90 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1968 Oct
William J. Bruno	Schroon Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr 14-1969 Apr 30
Donald A. Fillioe	Ticonderoga, NY	\$191.98 bi-weekly	1970 May - 1970 Oct
Fay G. Cheney	Moriah Center, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 May - 1971 Nov
Richard Tompkins	Moriah Center, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 July 8 - 1976

Closed in 1977.

Jim Huestis	N/A	N/A	1978
Tom Martin	N/A	N/A	Relief 2 days a week
Joe Bazaar	N/A	N/A	1980
Rusty Leigh	N/A	N/A	1981-1982
Tom Martin	N/A	N/A	1983

Closed in 1984.

Mark Gadgo	N/A	N/A	1985
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The fire tower was de-commissioned after the 1985 fire season.

Pillsbury Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William McGovern	Hope, NY	\$100.00 month	1920 May - 1920 Oct
Estey Hoffman	Speculator, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 Aug 5 - 1924 Nov 15
William B. Peck	Speculator, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 May - 1926 Oct
Samuel Fuller	Northville, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 May - 1929 Oct
William McGovern	Hope, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1931 Oct
James DeMarsh, Jr	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr - 1934 Sept 10
James A. Morrison	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1944 May 31
Walter Straight	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 2 - 1945 July 22
James E. Page	Speculator, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Aug 10 - 1947 Apr 15
Elmer Page	Speculator, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May 26 - 1947 July 17
Edward Browland	N/A	\$133.90 month	1948 - 1951
Alfred D. Brown	Speculator, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1953 Oct
Ervin G. Yennard	Speculator, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Sept 4 - 1953 Nov 6
Clarence S. Courtney	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1954 July 25
Theobald F. Clark, Jr	Speculator, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Aug - 1955 May 31
William H. Beebe	Speculator, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 June - 1956 Sept
Harland S. Jaquish	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$110.22 b-weekly	1957 Apr 22 - 1959 May 20
Stanley M. Piehuta	Gloversville, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1959 May 25 - 1963 Apr 25
Emery H. Savage	Blue Mtn Lake, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 May 16 - 1966 Nov 4
George L. Conrey	Hoffmeister, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1968 Sept
Albert Smith "Smitty" Howland	Speculator, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1977 Nov
William R. Starr	Niskayuna, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1978 - 1979
Larry Wyle	N/A	N/A	1979
Marion Remias Parslow	Lake Pleasant, NY	N/A	1980
Mark Demity	Middleville, NY	N/A	1981

The fire tower was officially decommissioned in 1983, but a solar powered two-way radio repeater was installed on the fire tower by forest rangers in 1983 for the forest ranger two-way radio network.

Pocatello Mountain

Orange County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Leon R. Custer	Middletown, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Aug - 1943 Nov
Wilbur G. Smith	Middletown, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 27 - 1947 Nov 15
R.S. Taylor	Middletown, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Mar 29 - 1945 Apr 3
Wilbur G. Smith	Middletown, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1947 Nov

Fire tower was moved to Graham Mtn. in 1948.



Observer Leon Custer in the Pocatello Mtn. fire tower - 1941

Photo from the Bob Eckler collection.

Poke-O-Moonshine Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Emmett Fuller	Westport, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1912 Nov
Harvey P. Mussen	Keeseville, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 July 20 - 1918 Aug 17
Frank Mussen	Keeseville, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Aug 24 - 1915 Sept 23
Earl Conger	Keeseville, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Sept - 1925 Oct
John B. Mussen	Keeseville, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 15 - 1926 Sept 30
Andrew Hoag	Keeseville, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1927 Nov
Henry Thompson	Keeseville, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Apr 19 - 1928 Oct 31
Wallace H. Finney	Keeseville, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1935 May 31
Russell Smith	Clintonville, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 June 1 - 1952 June 30
George A. Stranhan	Keeseville, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 July 23 - 1952 Nov 13
George DeLorme	Keeseville, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1954 Oct
James L. Hammond	Keeseville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1956 May 26
Robert E. Baldwin	Clintonville, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 15 - 1957 June 19
John E. Singleton	Willsboro, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 June 24 - 1957 July 31
Wilfred P. Duclos	Willsboro, NY	\$121.27 bi-weekly	1957 Aug - 1957 Nov
Joseph H. Test	Clintonville, NY	\$114.44 month	1958 Apr 21 - 1958 Nov 5
Harold Benedict	Keeseville, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1959 June 6
John Daniel Mussen	Keeseville, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 June 10 - 1964 Apr 29
George A. Stranhan, Jr.	Keeseville, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 30 - 1966 Nov 9
Harvey R. LaMere	Keeseville, NY	\$167.44 bi-monthly	1967 Apr - 1987 Nov
Kathy Blaise	Keeseville, NY	N/A	1988 Apr - 1988 Nov

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.

Prattsburg

Steuben County - District 4 - Region 8

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James L. Pitt	Bath, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 May 2 - 1960 Nov 2
L. Denton Gelder	Prattsburg, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Sept 10 - 1965 Oct 10
John Lorow	Hornell, NY	\$168.87 bi-weekly	1966 July 28 - 1966 Nov 9
Willard E. Morse	Hornell, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Mar - 1970 Nov

Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.



Prattsburg fire tower - 1973

Photo by Dick Eckler

Prospect Mountain		Warren County - District 11 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
T.S. McGrath	Lake George, NY	\$60.00 Month	1911 May 1 - 1911 May 2
Fred Worden	Lake George, NY	\$60.00 Month	1911 May 11 -1911 May 30
J.T. Evans	Lake George, NY	\$60.00 Month	1911 May 30 -1911 Aug 14
Fred Worden	Lake George, NY	\$60.00 Month	1911 Aug 15 - 1914 Nov 10
Delbert Brown	Lake George, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May - 1915 Oct
John H. Jones	Lake George, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May 2 - 1918 Oct 31
Delbert Brown	Lake George, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Apr - 1920 Oct
Arthur E. Irish	Lake George, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1931 Oct
Albert Ransom	Lake George, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr 1 - 1932 Oct 20
Frank P. Noonan	Glens Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr - 1934 Aug 5
Orson Schermerhorn	Lake George, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Aug 6 - 1942 Oct 31
G.R. Venum	Lake George, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr 1 - 1952 Apr 27
L.M. Norton	Lake George, NY	\$133.90 month	1948 Oct 31 - 1948 Nov 15
Harold M. Norton	Lake George, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1959 Nov
Marlon A. Norton	Lake George, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1962 Nov
Ray Mallory	Lake George, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Red Hill		Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Adelbert Murray	Claryville, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 July 1 - 1923 Nov
George Carr, Sr	Claryville, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 June - 1924 Nov
Elmer Schultz	Claryville, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Mar - 1929 Oct
Edward Lewis	Claryville, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1954 Oct 31
Elmer Schultz	Claryville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct
Clause DePew	Sundown, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1966 Nov
Reavis Sennett	Liberty, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr 13 - 1971 Nov
Don Wood	N/A	N/A	1972 - 1990
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1990 fire season.			

Rock Rift		Delaware County - District 1 - Region 4	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
James E. Vandermark	Cannonsville, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr 15 - 1941 Oct 31
J.W. Northrop, Sr.	Rock Rift, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Mar 25 - 1947 Oct 31
B.C. Webster	Hancock, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr 1 - 1948 July 19
Marzell Hubbell	Cannonsville, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 July - 1954 Oct.
Ross D. Schlafer	Rock Rift, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 11 - 1955 Oct 31
Rexford Scofield	Walton, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1956 June
Hobart Brown	Walton, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 June - 1965 Sept
Linda L. Trask	Walton, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Mar 31 - 1970 Nov 10
Fire tower was inactive from 1971 - 1978.			
Linda L. Trask	Walton, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1979 - 1988
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Rondaxe Mountain (Bald Mtn in Old Forge) Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Arthur A. Bull	Old Forge, NY	\$72.00 month	1912 May - 1914 June
Walter Briggs	Old Forge, NY	\$72.00 month	1914 June - 1921 Oct
George Pear	Old Forge, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May 20 -1922 May 31
Moses Leonard	Thendara, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Apr - 1923 June 17
William D. Pond	Thendara, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 June 25 - 1924 Nov 14
Emerson Dean	Boonville, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 June 17 - 1925 Oct 31
Florence Mykel	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May 10 - 1929 Oct 31
Miss Harriet Rega	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 May 1 - 1930 Nov 5
Florence Mykel	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr 21 - 1932 Oct 20
Miss Harriet Rega	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 May 1 - 1936 Oct 31
George Fallon	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1944 Nov 18
Theron Carmon	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Aug 1-1940 Aug 31
W.E. Brown	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr 14-1945 Apr 29
Lyle Yerman	Old Forge, NY	\$1,200.00 annually	1945 May - 1945 Oct
Chancey Van Alstine	Woodgate, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Aug 15 - 1946 Oct 31
Charles H. Chase	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 May - 1946 July
R.L. Evans	Holland Patent, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 May - 1954 Oct
Donald W. Perkins	Old Forge, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 25 - 1955 Apr 26
Robert C. Chase	Old Forge, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1955 Oct
Stanley B. Little	Old Forge, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 May 1 - 1956 June 23
Clovis LeBrun	Old Forge, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 July 23 - 1959 Aug 27
Orrie James Patrick	Thendara, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Aug 11 - 1960 Nov 2
Clyde R. Swartz	Old Forge, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 June 15 - 1964 Nov 18
John J. Gaffney	Thendara, NY	\$164.18 bi-weekly	1965 June 18 - 1967 Oct
Richard E. Wormwood	Old Forge, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 11 - 1972 July 15
No observer listed for 1973 - 1974.			
Jim Tracy	N/A	N/A	1975 - 1976
Gordon Keyes	N/A	N/A	1977
No observer listed for 1978 - 1981.			
Jim Tracy	N/A	N/A	1982 - 1986
Dan Vellone	N/A	N/A	1986 - 1988
Mary Brophy-Moore	N/A	N/A	1989
Mark Clarke	N/A	N/A	1990
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1990 fire season.			

Roosa Gap Sullivan County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
George W. Maier	Wurtsboro, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr - 1953 May 16
Otto Schwarz	Wurtsboro, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 May 16 - 1954 Oct 31
Paul X. Preston	Bloomington, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 19 - 1955 Sept 30
John William Webster	Burlingham, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Oct 22 - 1956 Aug 29
Gaylord Low	Rock Hill	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1956 Sept 20 - 1958 Nov 5
Otto Schwarz	Wurtsboro, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 6 - 1959 July 27
Leslie H. Vreeland	Wurtsboro, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Aug 27 - 1965 July 17
Edwin R. Paige	Westbrookville, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Aug 3 - 1965 Nov 17
Vernon H. Criswell	Middletown, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 14-1966 Apr 15
Robert L. Boyer	Ferndale, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 16 - 1971 Apr 28
The fire tower was decommissioned in 1971.			

Sand Hill		St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Fire tower was removed in the early 1960s.			
Fire tower and cabin were constructed in 1950 Bureau of Forest Fire Control. FFC never paid a salary for an observer at this station it was staffed occasionally on a need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation or by fire wardens.			

Slide Mountain		Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Eben Chase	Slide Mtn, NY	\$62.00 month	1912 May 18 - 1912 Nov 15
Due to poor visibility the Slide Mtn facility was abandoned by Forest Fire Control after the 1912 season and the wooden fire tower was removed. In 1934 a standard steel fire tower was erected on Slide Mtn., but not by Forest Fire Control and it was never used for fire detection.			

Snowy Mountain		Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Alvin Mattison	Indian Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1912 Oct
Elmer Osgood	Sabael, NY	\$60.00 month	1913 May 7 - 1916 Aug 3
William Wilcox	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 Aug 23 - 1917 Oct 31
Elmer H. Bonesteel	Sabael, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Apr - 1920 July
Alanson Fish	Indian Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Aug - 1929 Oct
William Wilcox	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr 21 - 1937 Oct 31
John McCane	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr - 1940 Nov
Elmer H. Bonesteel	Sabael, NY	\$130.00 month	1941 Apr - 1944 Oct
L.P. King	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 June 1 - 1948 May 5
F.E. Blanchard, Jr	Indian Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 May - 1950 Nov
F.H. Monthony	North River, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 June 1 - 1951 Oct 20
Earle C. Holland	Indian Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 May - 1953 Nov
Earl F. Burgess, Sr	Indian Lake, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1957 Nov
Robert P. Cameron	Indian Lake, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 May - 1958 June
Laurence L. Trenchard	Indian Lake, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 July 9 - 1960 Nov 2
Earl F. Burgess, Sr	Indian Lake, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 May - 1961 Nov
Lee Locke	Sabael, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr - 1967 Oct
Arnold M. Smith	Indian Lake, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 18 - 1968 June 19
Sergio I. Perkins	Indian Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 July 19 - 1969 Aug 6
David Holcomb	Olmsteadville, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 Aug 7 - 1969 Aug 10
Verne H. Raymond	Northville, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 May - 1972 July 21
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1972 fire season.			

Spruce Mountain

Saratoga County - District 11 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Towers	Porters Corners, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Mar 22 - 1929 Aug 13
Dellos Towers	Porters Corners, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Aug 21 - 1936 Oct 31
Fred Lyng	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Apr - 1941 Nov
Stewart J. Dowen	Saratoga Springs, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 Sept
Kenneth Smith	Corinth, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Sept 16 -1945 May 31
John E. LaMora	Corinth, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 July 1 - 1946 Oct 31
E.B. Woodcock	Corinth, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr 7 - 1947 Nov 10
Warren E. Outhwaite	Porters Corners, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Mar - 1954 Nov
Louis P. Miller	Greenfield Center, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1956 Nov
Warren E. Outhwaite	Porters Corners, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1967 Oct 25
Howard W. Duell	Corinth, NY	\$161.67 bi-weekly	1968 Mar 28 - 1976 Nov
Lou Chandler	Corinth, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1976 - 1978
Bryon Clothier	Corinth, NY	\$3.24 hourly	1979 - 1988

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.

St. Regis Mountain

Franklin County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Edward Rorke	Paul Smiths, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 18 - 1911 July 31
Harry Thompson	Paul Smiths, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 Aug 1 - 1918 Oct 31
Albert Otis	Paul Smiths, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Apr - 1928 May 4
Edward Rorke	Paul Smiths, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 May 29 -1931 Sept 21
Fred Lyons	Paul Smiths, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Apr - 1937 Oct 31
Leander Martin	Gabriels, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr - 1942 Oct
Bert Ducatt	Saranac Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1954 Oct
Carl B. Farrar	Paul Smiths, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1955 Oct 31
Peter E. Pelky	Lake Clear Jct, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 May 1 - 1961 Aug 9
Earl Forkey	St. Regis Falls, NY	\$164.18 bi-weekly	1964 July 30 - 1964 Nov
Meredith Anderson (male)	Malone, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1967 Aug - 1970 July
Steven Strack	Lake Clear, NY	\$191.39 bi-weekly	1970 July 6 - 1970 Nov 4
James A. Hathaway	Mountain View, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 May 10-1971 May 22
Gerald Noreault	Mountain View, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1971 May 24 - 1971 Nov 9
Dennis Shaffer	N/A	\$2.79 hourly	1972 May 18 - 1972 Aug 23
Edward Samburgh	N/A	\$2.79 hourly	1973 Apr - 1986
Bill Porter	N/A	N/A	1987
Linda Lamphere	N/A	N/A	1988
Patricia Finnegan	N/A	N/A	1989
Dave Lamieux	N/A	N/A	1990

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1990 fire season.



Sterling Mountain		Orange County - District 13 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John F. Woods	Sterlington, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Apr 16 - 1923 Apr 30
Harrison DeGraw	Gloatsburgh, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 July 1-1924 July 2
Peter Sarnecky	Tuxedo, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 July 8 - 1930 Oct 1
Charles Sarnecky	Tuxedo, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Oct 1 - 1940 Nov 15
Stephen Sarnecky	Tuxedo, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 22 - 1964 Dec 17
Neil C. Pardy	Middletown, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 Apr - 1965 Nov
William Ike	Warwick, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 16-1966 July 2
Peter Louis Dobo	Poughkeepsie, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 Aug 4 - 1966 Sept 30
Neil B. DaCosta	Little Neck, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1967 Nov
Robert Farrell	Liberty, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1968 Aug 7
Fred R. Ryder	New Hampton, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Sept 26 - 1968 Oct 9
Clifford Montanye	Goshen, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 Oct 24 - 1968 Nov 13
Turner B. Willis, Jr.	New Paltz, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr 15 - 1969 May 21
Michael Dumovich, Sr	Monroe, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1969 June - 1971 May 15
At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Stillwater Mountain		Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Eugene Barrett	Beaver River, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1923 Oct
Harry L. Russell	Beaver River, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 1 - 1924 May 7
Charles N. Ward	Lowville, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May 9 - 1925 Oct 31
A.D. Petrie	Beaver River, NY	\$100.00 Month	1926 May 3 - 1927 Oct 31
Clarence Rennie	Beaver River, NY	\$100.00 Month	1928 May 5 - 1939 Oct 31
Theodore Jarvis	Big Moose, NY	\$100.00 Month	1940 Aug 31-1940 Sept 15
George A. Clair	Lowville, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May - 1964 July
Kenneth M. Hite	Lowville, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 July 13 - 1974
Larry Combs	N/A	N/A	1975
Gary Kincade	N/A	N/A	1976
Jim Tracy	N/A	N/A	1977
Mike Strife	N/A	N/A	1978
David Gates	N/A	N/A	1979
Larry Strife	N/A	N/A	1980 - 1981
Les Mahar	N/A	N/A	1982 - 1988
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Stissing Mountain		Dutchess County - District 14 - Region 3	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Clayton Hart	Pine Plains, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 March - 1937 Sept 1
William Douglas	Pine Plains, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Sept - 1938 May 18
John H. Adams	Pine Plains, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 June - 1940 Sept
George C. Will	Pine Plains, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Oct 12 - 1945 Nov 4
James E. Greene, Jr.	Amenia, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1971 Apr 28
At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Stony Hill		Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Worden S. Miller	Amagansett, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1937 Oct 31
Russell E. Hadel	Amagansett, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr - 1941 Nov
Joseph M. Edwards	Amagansett, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1942 Nov
H.L. Mulford, Sr	Amagansett, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1943 Nov
Harry Vail	Amagansett, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr 3 - 1954 Nov 6
George L. Fowler	Easthampton, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1959 Nov
Operation of the Stony Hill fire tower ceased in 1959 in conjunction with the 1959 pull out of the Bureau Forest Fire Control from Long Island. The fire tower was removed under contract in the early 1960s.			

Sugar Hill		Schuyler County - District 4 - Region 8	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Henry J. Foote	Watkins Glen, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 Apr - 1953 Aug
Jas. W. Cummings	Dundee, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1954 Oct
Walter C. Sproul	Watkins Glen, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 21 - 1955 Oct 31
Lorna DeWitt	Millport, NY	\$239.47 Month	1959 Apr - 1966 Nov
Frederick A. Snyder	Bath, NY	\$181.44 bi-weekly	1967 Mar 30 - 1972 Dec 13
At present no records available beyond 1972.			
Prior to 1951 the fire tower was operated part-time on a need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation and by assignment from the District Forest Ranger by NYS Fire Wardens.			

Summit Hill		Cattaraugus County - District 5 - Region 9	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John D. Keating	Olean, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1937 May 9
Harry L. Gray	Salamanca, NY	\$100.00 month	1938 Apr - 1942 May 16
Mrs. Anastasia Gray	Salamanca, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 May 17 - 1954 July 19
Jerry L. Lewis	Salamanca, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 May 9 - 1954 Oct 31
Francis Bosquet	Salamanca, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1970 Nov
Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Swancott Hill		Lewis County - Assigned to District 8 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Jeremiah Crowley	Osceola, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May - 1948 Oct
Edward Bertrand	Lee Center, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 May 1 - 1958 June 30
Russell M. Burgey	Camden, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Sept - 1960 Nov
Roch Chaloux	Taberg, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1961 Apr - 1970 Nov
Inactive 1971 - 1972. At present no records available beyond 1972.			

Swede Mountain

Warren County - District 11 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Fred Bolton	Hague, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May - 1914 Sept
Leroy Haff	Graphite, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 Sept 25-1915 July 24
George C. Waters	Graphite, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 Sept 16 - 1915 Oct 31
Horace Duell	Graphite, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May - 1920 June 30
William Bennett	Graphite, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 July - 1922 Oct
Frank Owens	Horicon, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Apr - 1928 May 25
Percy Robbins	Adirondack, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 June 19 - 1929 Oct 31
Richard McCoy	Hague, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1943 Oct
Fletcher Beadnell	Hague, NY	\$110.00 month	1944 Apr - 1952 Nov
John McKee	Hague, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Oct 2 - 1947 Nov 10
Bryon B. Monroe	Hague, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1957 Nov
Wilford C. Ross	Hague, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1958 Apr 15 - 1958 Nov 5
Leon Wells	Hague, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 15 - 1961 Oct 6
Bryon B. Monroe	Hague, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 Aug 17 - 1962 Oct 31
Howard H. Davis	Hague, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1968 Nov
Jack W. Dunsmore	Hague, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1969 Oct

Fire tower was officially decommissioned in 1970.

T - Lake Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Emerson Nye	Piseco, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 Aug 8 - 1928 July 20
Everit Shotwell	Piseco, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 July 21 - 1928 Oct 31
William Randall	Piseco, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May 1 - 1929 Oct 31
Clarence Williams	Piseco, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 May 1 - 1940 Nov 4
James Donahue	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1942 Oct
Monty Lynch	Piseco, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1943 May 21
H.H. Pawling	Piseco, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May 8 - 1952 Nov 9
Donald W. Courtney	Piseco, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Apr - 1956 Nov
Robert H. Parslow	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr - 1959 Nov
George S. Lewis	Hoffmeister, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1963 Nov
Harland S. Jaquish	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1967 Oct
Howard E. Dutcher, Jr	Caroga Lake, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 18 - 1968 June 24
David L. Davis	Cold Brook, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 July 22-1968 Oct 25
Clarence B. Gallaway	Cold Brook, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr - 1970 Nov

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.



Portrait of the T – Lake Mtn cabins at the fire tower site around 1931 by Observer Clarence Williams.

Williams family collection.

Telescope Hill

Suffolk County - District 15 - Region 1

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
A.H. Lucas	Selden, NY	\$90.20 month	1919 Mar - 1919 Dec
Frank A. Forsyth	Selden, NY	\$100.00 month	1920 Apr - 1948 Jan 16
R.M. Henry	Selden, NY	\$172.50 month	1948 Apr - 1950 Oct
Sidney E. Balance	Coram, NY	\$172.50 month	1951 Apr - 1951 Oct
Hewitt C. Norcross	Yaphank, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr 29 - 1952 Oct 31
Lawrence W. Smith	Bellport, NY	\$172.50 month	1953 May 5 - 1953 July 29
Milton E. Hjordt	Holtsville, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 Aug - 1954 Nov
Demetrios Mousmoulis	Patchogue, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 18 - 1955 May 16
Ollie Kemp	Patchogue, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May 16 - 1955 May 17
Frank M. Palermo	Patchogue, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May 24 - 1956 May 1
John J. Santomassino	Selden, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 May 4 - 1956 May 13
Milton E. Hjordt	Holtsville, NY	\$116.66 bi-weekly	1956 May 15 - 1959 Nov

Operation of the Telescope Hill fire tower ceased in 1959 in conjunction with the 1959 pull out from Long Island of the Bureau Forest Fire Control. The fire tower was removed under contract in the early 1960s.

Tomany Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Garfield Kenell	Green Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 Aug 6 - 1912 Nov 10
Edward Avery	Green Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1912 May 5 - 1912 Aug
Russell Scouten	Green Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 May 6 - 1914 Nov 12
Arthur H. Stokes	Green Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May - 1915 Oct 31
Edward Sargent	Green Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May 10 - 1921 Nov 5
Russell Scouten	Green Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 June 1 - 1923 Oct 31
William B. Hunter	Green Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1924 Nov
James C. Luff	Johnstown, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Aug 30 - 1925 Sept 30
James C. Luff	Johnstown, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 May 1 - 1925 June 15
Oscar Howland, Jr.	Green Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1926 Nov
Walter Bogardus	Green Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1928 Oct
Orville Slade	Meco, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Apr - 1933 July
Arthur Holliday	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 July 7 - 1936 May 20
Archie Pollard	Stratford, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 May 21 - 1937 Aug 7
Arthur Holliday	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1937 Aug 30 - 1938 Oct 21
Orville Slade	Meco, NY	\$110.00 month	1938 Oct 22 - 28 ONLY
Ellis Hadcock	Stratford, NY	\$100.00 month	1939 May 2 - 1939 Aug 31
H. Lincoln Rivers	Schenectady, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr - 1940 Nov
Edward Avery	Wells, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr - 1944 July
Walter LaGrange	Canada Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1951 Sept 5
Richard E. Berry	Northville, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 Apr - 1954 Apr 24
John Bartlett, Jr	Canada Lake, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May - 1955 Oct
John Remias	Arietta, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1961 Nov 6
Armando Latonia	Caroga Lake, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 Apr 19 - 1962 Apr 21
Gerald R. Calkins	Hoffmeister, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 May - 1963 Nov
Fred R. Miller	Cold Brook, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr 26 - 1966 Oct 26
Orville Slade	Meco, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1970 Nov

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.

Tooley Pond Mountain

St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Richard Towne	Cranberry Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1914 May 25 - 1915 Oct 31
Seward Whitmarsh	New Bridge, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May 6 - 1919 Oct 31
Thomas Mason	DeGrasse, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 Apr - 1920 Oct
Howard Basford	DeGrasse, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 Apr - 1922 Oct
Charles Kaufman	Fryties, NY	\$90.20 month	1923 Apr - 1923 Oct
Fay Goutermont	Canton, NY	\$90.20 month	1924 May - 1925 Oct
Benjamin Barden	DeGrasse, NY	\$100.00 month	1926 May - 1927 July 31
Myron Given	Cranberry Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Aug - 1927 Nov
Charles Brayton	Cranberry Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1928 Apr - 1944 Oct
Benjamin Barden	DeGrasse, NY	\$125.00 month	1941 Nov 1 - 15 only
Ralph A. Cole	DeKalb Jct, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Apr - 1954 Sept
Wilfred K. Premo	Newton Falls, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 May 6 - 1958 Nov 5
Perry L. Medford	Hermon, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1961 July 13
Clarence McKenney	Cranberry Lake, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 July 17 - 1967 Oct
Howard E. Wood	Childwold, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 16 - 1969 Oct 29
Joey Hickey	Oswegatchie, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Tremper Mountain

Ulster County - District 13 - Region 3

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
William Smith	Phoenicia, NY	\$62.00 month	1917 Apr 3 - 1930 Nov 17
Roy Erikson	Chichester, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1944 Nov
Thomas Rotello	Phoenicia, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 Apr 7 - 1941 June 3
Eugene Wilber	Willow, NY	\$100.00 month	1945 Sept 15 - 1945 Oct 31
Harry Baldwin	Willow, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Mar 25 - 1954 Oct 31
Felix Van Valkenburgh	Shandaken, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 18 - 1958 Nov 5
Harry Baldwin	Willow, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1959 Apr 6 - 1970 Sept 30
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Twadell Point

Delaware County - District 1 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John B. Hawk	East Branch, NY	\$50.00 month	1911 May - 1911 Nov
Alfred Waterman	East Branch, NY	\$50.00 month	1912 May 1 - 1932 Oct 31
J.O. Brown	East Branch, NY	\$100.00 month	1933 Apr - 1934 Oct
Howard Bojo	Fish's Eddy, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 March - 1951 Oct
Merton Williams	East Branch, NY	\$172.50 month	1952 Apr 7 - 1953 June 30
Glenn S. Smith	Peakville, NY	\$204.26 month	1953 July 16 - 1953 Oct 31
Willis L. Early	Fish's Eddy, NY	\$204.26 month	1954 Apr - 1967 Aug 16
Douglas R. Gregory	Cook Falls, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Aug - 1971 Nov
Linda L. Trask	Walton, NY	\$2.79 hourly	1972 Apr 17 - 1978
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1978 fire season.			

Utsayantha Mountain

Delaware County - District 1 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John Gray, Jr.	Stamford, NY	\$100.00 month	1935 Apr - 1935 Oct
Alton G. Henderson	Harpursville, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1941 Nov
James E. Davies	South Kortright, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1962 Oct
Merton Van Dusen	Grand Gorge, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr 11 - 1971 Nov 18
Thomas Brown	N/A	N/A	1972
Larry D. Germond	N/A	N/A	1973
Perry M. Miller	N/A	N/A	1973
Ken Greek	N/A	N/A	1974 - 1975
Allan Jordan	N/A	N/A	1976 - 1978
Donald Oakley	N/A	N/A	1979 - 1980
Judy Merwin	N/A	N/A	1981
Clifton Oakley	N/A	N/A	1982 - 1989
The fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1989 fire season.			



Observer Ken Greek in the Utsayantha Mtn fire tower - 1974

Photo by Bob Eckler

Vanderwacker Mountain

Essex County - District 9 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Grover Lynch	Newcomb, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1915 Oct 31
William H. Lorimer	Minerva, NY	\$60.00 month	1916 May 2 - 1917 June 16
Joseph C. Mitchell	Minerva, NY	\$77.00 month	1917 June 27-1918 Sept 14
John Galusha	Minerva, NY	\$90.20 month	1918 Sept - 1934 July 8
John O'Donnell	Olmsteadville, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 July 8 - 1955 July 31
Elliott R. Montfort	Olmsteadville, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Aug 1 - 1958 Oct 8
Wallace R. Heffernan	Olmsteadville, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1959 Nov
Charles E. Kays	Olmsteadville, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1962 Oct
Kerry Killon	Olmsteadville, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1965 Oct
Ivar S. Liberg	Olmsteadville, NY	\$158.87 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1966 Nov
William R. Blackburn	Olmsteadville, NY	\$167.44 bi-weekly	1967 Apr - 1970 Nov
Closed 1971 - 1979			
Laurel Wells Gailor	N/A	N/A	1980
Art Lynn	N/A	N/A	1981 - 1982
Closed 1983 - 1984			
Clark Griffen	N/A	N/A	1986
Keith Roberts	N/A	N/A	1986
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1986 fire season.			

Wakely Mountain

Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Lewis Persons	Indian Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 25 - 1912 Nov 10
Frank Van Dusen	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 Month	1913 Aug 20 - 1914 Nov 10
Chauncy A. Hill	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 May 1 - 1915 June 17
Harrison Brown	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 Month	1915 June 18 - 1915 Oct
Charles Philo	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 Month	1916 May 3 - 1917 Oct 31
E.T. Dymond	Indian Lake, NY	\$72.00 Month	1918 Apr - 1920 Oct
Frank R. Philo	Indian Lake, NY	\$82.00 month	1919 Aug 1 - 1919 Aug 17
Charles Philo	Indian Lake, NY	\$90.20 Month	1921 Apr - 1922 Nov
Frank R. Philo	Indian Lake, NY	\$92.20 month	1923 May 14 - 1929 Oct 31
Harrison Brown	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr - 1939 Oct
Richard D. Farrell	Indian Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May - 1947 May 6
Joseph P. Saverie	Indian Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 July 1 - 1951 Nov 6
Gordon E. Aldous	Indian Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1952 Apr 24 - 1952 Apr 28
Warren Meeker	Inlet, NY	\$204.26 month	1952 June 2 - 1955 Oct 14
Bernard F. Kehoe	Indian Lake, NY	\$239.47 month	1956 Apr - 1961 May 31
Frederick L. Hitchman	Indian Lake, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1961 June - 1967 June 5
Clarence B. Gallaway	Coldbrook, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr 18 - 1968 Apr 29
James A. Herbert	Owego, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1968 May - 1968 June 9
Arnold M. Smith	Indian Lake, NY	\$178.16 bi-weekly	1969 Apr 1 - 1969 Sept 10
Peter E. Mitchell	Indian Lake, NY	\$206.15 bi-weekly	1970 June 18 - 1970 Oct 1
Closed in 1971			
Ron Aldous	N/A	N/A	1972
Meade Hutchins	N/A	N/A	1973
Willard Weldon	N/A	N/A	1974 - 1978
Peter Gloop	N/A	N/A	1978 - 1981
Mark Clarke	N/A	N/A	1982 - 1983
Dick Edinger	N/A	N/A	1984
Herman Hemple	N/A	N/A	1985
Tom Steeg	N/A	N/A	1986
Ken Bielowski	N/A	N/A	1987 - 1988
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1988 fire season.			

Washburn Mountain

Columbia County - District 12 - Region 4

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Ray Pelham	Philmont, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 Oct 17 - 1933 Oct 31
Edwin S. Cornell	West Copake, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 May 7-1934 May 31
Lester Miller	Copake, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 June 14 - 1935 Nov 6
Lloyd Hoyt	Copake Falls, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 May - 1939 Oct
Charles C. Munson	Copake, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 May 20 - 1942 Oct 31
No observer listed for 1943.			
Charles C. Munson	Copake, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Apr - 1954 Aug 27
Wallis E. Lispenard	Copake Falls, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr - 1956 Nov
Otto Weber	Copake Falls, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 29 - 1957 May 14
Jack Morelock	Philmont, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 May 23 - 1958 Nov 5
Henry Leppla	Copake Falls, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1964 Nov 22
Fire tower was dismantled and moved by helicopter to Beebe Hill in Nov. 1964.			

West Mountain**Hamilton County - District 10 - Region 5**

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Gal LaPrairie	Raquette Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 June - 1914 Oct
Clarence Murphy	Raquette Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 June 3 - 1915 Aug 31
Jerome Wood	Raquette Lake, NY	\$60.00 month	1915 Sept 20 - 1915 Oct 31
Edward Cronin	Raquette Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1916 May - 1917 May
Joseph Sweeney	Raquette Lake, NY	\$72.00 month	1917 June 6 - 1917 Oct 31
Con Murphy	Raquette Lake, NY	\$82.00 month	1918 May 7 - 1918 Aug 14
Morris Smedey	Raquette Lake, NY	\$92.00 month	1919 Apr 21 - 1919 Oct 31
George Newton	Raquette Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 May 31 - 1920 Oct 31
Joseph Sweeney	Raquette Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1921 May 23 - 1921 Nov 1
George Newton	Raquette Lake, NY	\$90.20 month	1922 May 2 - 1926 Oct 31
James Harding	Raquette Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 May - 1931 Oct
F.A. Doran	Raquette Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1932 May - 1935 Sept
Edward E. Hamner	Long Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1936 Apr - 1938 July 16
Clyde Crego	Raquette Lake, NY	\$100.00 month	1942 Apr - 1943 Oct
Joseph Morrissey	Raquette Lake, NY	\$130.00 month	1945 Apr 15 - 1946 July 19
Austin Dobson	Harrisville, NY	\$130.00 month	1946 Aug - 1946 Oct
Joseph Morrissey	Raquette Lake, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr 1 - 1947 June 1
John M. Wilkins	Rome, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 May 16 - 1949 Oct 31
Charles F. White	Raquette Lake, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 June 1 - 1951 June 7
Wilbur J. Lambert	Croghan, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Aug 16-1956 Sept 26
Joseph F. LaFreniere	Indian Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 June 4-1956 July 4
Fred Seelman	Long Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1956 Oct 23 - 1956 Nov 10
Fred M. Monty	Raquette Lake, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1957 Apr 28 - 1957 June 11
Charles J. Baker	Fairport, NY	\$114.44 bi-weekly	1957 July - 1959 Nov
Albon Harrington	Lake Pleasant, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1960 Apr - 1960 May 18
Paul W. Thompson	Raquette Lake, NY	\$128.92 bi-weekly	1960 June 13 - 1964 Nov 21
Herbert Manning	Hinckley, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 July 19 - 1965 Oct 27
Roger Allen Arnott	Sabael, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 June 17 - 1965 July 7
Stanton Bell, Jr	Indian Lake, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 May 18 -1965 June
Leon A. Brooks	Remsen, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr - 1970 Oct

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.



The West Mtn cabin and fire tower in 1973 – photos by Bob Eckler

Whiteface Mountain		Essex County - District 9 - Region 5	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
John Courtney II	Wilmington, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May - 1915 June 6
Samuel Cheetham	Wilmington, NY	\$72.00 month	1915 June - 1919 Oct
George Marshall	Wilmington, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 May 3 - 1920 July 4
Asa Lawrence	Wilmington, NY	\$90.20 month	1920 July 12 - 1924 Nov
Stratton Bowen	Newman, NY	\$90.20 month	1925 Apr - 1928 Sept
Jesse Bowen	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May 1 - 1929 May 14
Frank Ormsby	Lake Placid, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May 17 - 1929 May 28
Walter Wilkins	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May 29 - 1929 May 30
Donald Lawrence	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 May - 1929 Aug 31
Carl Larence	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1929 Sept 4 - 1933 Oct
Samuel Cheetham	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 June - 1942 Oct
Riley Lawrence	Wilmington, NY	\$100.00 month	1943 Apr - 1946 July 7
Ernest LaPine	Keene Valley, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Sept 23 - 1946 Sept 30
Hiram Denton	Wilmington, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr - 1949 Oct
Carson J. Slater	Wilmington, NY	\$172.50 month	1950 Apr 20 - 1951 Sept 15
George Lincoln	Saranac Lake, NY	\$197.50 month	1951 Sept 16 - 1954 Oct 31
Norman J. McCasland	Lake Placid, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Apr 25 - 1955 Apr 29
George Lincoln	Saranac Lake, NY	\$228.48 month	1955 May 3 - 1955 Nov 2
Clifford M. Smith	Ray Brook, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Sept 16 - 1955 Oct 31
George Lincoln	Saranac Lake, NY	\$253.48 month	1956 Apr 26 - 1956 May 19
Charles O. Hutson	Saranac Lake, NY	\$121.27 bi-weekly	1956 May 21 - 1958 Nov 5
Ralph Griffin	Wilmington, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 Apr - 1959 July 19
Ira C. Winch	Wilmington, NY	\$122.09 bi-weekly	1959 July 20 - 1962 June 27
Lionel J. Vincent	Lake Placid, NY	\$128.38 bi-weekly	1962 July 17 - 1962 Oct 17
Oscar R. Husereau, Jr.	Lake Placid, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1963 Apr - 1964 July 15
Robert C. Johnson	Lake Placid, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 July 23 - 1964 Oct 28
Allan G. Lawrence	Wilmington, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 May 13 - 1965 July 9
Roland N. Mulvey	Wilmington, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 July 19 - 1965 Oct 27
Robert H. Wright	Keene, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 Apr 14 - 1966 May 11
Edward C. Moody	Keene, NY	\$147.88 bi-weekly	1966 May 26 - 1967 Aug 11
Eugene W. Loughran	Wilmington, NY	\$161.61 bi-weekly	1968 Apr - 1969 Oct
Raymond Watson	Lake Placid, NY	\$193.09 bi-weekly	1970 Apr 30 - 1970 Nov 4
Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.			

Whites Hill		St. Lawrence County - District 7 - Region 6	
NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
Bert E. Jones	South Colton, NY	\$186.98 bi-weekly	1970 Apr - 1970 Nov
Fire tower was decommissioned in 1971.			
Prior to 1970 the Whites Hill fire tower was operated on a part-time need by need basis by the Bureau of Reforestation and by assignment from the District Forest Ranger by NYS Fire Wardens.			

Woodhull Mountain

Herkimer County - District 8 - Region 6

NAME	RESIDENCE	START SALARY	PERIOD OF SERVICE
T.H. Tabor	McKeever, NY	\$60.00 month	1911 May 2 - 1926 Oct 31
Charles Reed	McKeever, NY	\$100.00 month	1927 Apr - 1929 Oct 31
D.E. Williams	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1930 Apr 16 - 1930 Nov 5
Grant Parkhurst	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1931 Apr - 1933 Oct
Charles H. Chase	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1934 Apr - 1938 Nov
Harry L. Russell	Thendara, NY	\$100.00 month	1940 Apr - 1941 June 16
Earl Carman	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1941 June - 1944 May
Daryl Carman	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 May - 1944 June
Daryl Carman	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1944 Oct - 1945 Oct
William Peacock	Old Forge, NY	\$100.00 month	1946 Apr - 1946 Oct 31
Ralph Austin	Old Forge, NY	\$133.90 month	1947 Apr - 1948 Oct
Stanley B. Little	Old Forge, NY	\$172.50 month	1949 May 11 - 1955 Aug 20
John J. Marleau	Big Moose, NY	\$214.47 month	1955 Aug 6 - 1955 Sept 16
James Axtell, Sr.	Old Forge, NY	\$114.47 bi-weekly	1955 Oct - 1959 Aug 11
Clovis LeBrun	Old Forge, NY	\$110.22 bi-weekly	1959 Aug 27 - 1962 Dec
John J. Gaffney	Thendara, NY	\$134.79 bi-weekly	1964 Apr - 1964 June 18
James M. Ryan	Old Forge, NY	\$139.18 bi-weekly	1965 July 2 - 1970 Dec 2

Fire tower was decommissioned at the end of the 1970 fire season.



The Woodhull Mountain observer's cabin – Town of Webb Historical Society collection

