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Dates To Remember:

- ◆ 5/9 Monthly Meeting
- ◆ 5/17 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
- ◆ 5/24 Exempt Meeting
- ◆ 5/25 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ All Scuttlebutt articles need to be in by 5/28

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Letter From Our Chief

I would like to first apologize to Steve and Kimberly Carter for my mistake in forgetting to congratulate them on the birth of their daughter Ashlee in last months article. This was a huge oversight on my part and one I am truly sorry about. So Ashlee, I would like to personally welcome you to the fire department family! Congrats to Steve and Kimberly!!!!

The fire commission has taken possession of the new chief's car (2005 Ford Expedition) which will be in service shortly. I would like to thank Lieutenant Jeff Gates for taking the time to design and coordinate the installation of the equipment in the new vehicle. I think once you see it you will be very impressed! Thanks again Jeff.

The parade season is just around the corner. As soon as I receive all the dates and information on parades that we will be attending, I will post the list in the firehouse. The parades I have so far are as follows: Hilton Memorial Day parade- Monday May 30th, Spencerport Parade- June 16th, Rush Parade- Friday July 8th, Hilton Parade -Thursday July 28th. I'm still waiting to hear from Barnard and Hamlin on the dates of their parades. I am also excited to announce that we will have a new band this year thanks to Tom Scheg.

fob for access to the building, please get in touch with either Jeff Gates or myself. I have also posted the Battalion II golf tournament information in the lounge. This is open to anyone in the department.

Last but not least we are doing a great job on attending our required drills and manning the equipment. Keep up the great work.

Until Next month be safe...

Mark



If there is anyone who still needs a

2C26 News

Submitted by Eric Guest

By the time you read this the fire safety trailer will be all lettered thanks to Dan Azzolina. Fire Prevention is shaping up for the month of May. We will be utilizing the fire safety trailer for all the kindergarten and 1st grade classes. Captain Harter has put up a sign up sheet for anyone interested in training on using the fire safety trailer. Please sign up as training will commence soon. We will also be training some Walker and Spencerport firefighters as they have expressed interested in utilizing the fire safety trailer also.

Thanks, Eric



New Chief's Vehicle

2C36 News

Submitted by Jeff Mullen

Training continues to move forward with remarkable results. Keep up the great work!

Mike Mullen has developed a hands-on training class for Firefighter Rescue that will also include EMS involvement. All ambulance personnel are encouraged to attend, as well as all fire personnel. The class will be very enlightening to all who attend.

Don't forget to recertify whenever possible.

- May 2Ladders & Handlines
- F/E May 3.....CME PCR & Protocols
- May 9.....Meeting
- F/E May 16.....CME Firefighter Rescue Operations
- May 23.....Quint/Water Supply w/Spencerport
- May 30.....No Drill (Memorial Day)

Thanks!
Jeff

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Wed	2 Firematic Drill— Ladders & Handlines	3 EMS Drill— PCR & Protocols	4 Explorers – Monthly Meeting	5 Finance Meeting	6 Tue	7 Wed
8 Yellow Mother's Day	9 Monthly Meeting Dinner Meeting	10 Carnival Meeting at Carm's, 7:00	11 EMS Improvement Committee @19:00 Explorers – TBD	12	13 Thur	14 Yellow Work Detail @ 8:00 on Field
15 Sun	16 Firematic Drill— Firefighter Rescue Operations	17 Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meeting	18 Explorers – TBD	19	20 Mon	21 Sun Work Detail@ 8:00 For Dunk Booth Food Certification Course 9:00-3:30 @ Fire hall
22 Tue	23 Firematic Drill— Quint/Water Supply (w/Spencerport)	24 Exempt Dinner Meeting @ 7:00	25 BOD Meeting Explorers – TBD	26	27 Wed	28 Tue Work Detail@ 8:00 For Dunk Booth
29 Yellow	30 Memorial Day	31 Carnival Meeting at Carm's, 7:00				

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This Month's Birthdays – Happy Birthday To All



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| May 4: Brian Kehrer | May 10: Mike Lissow |
| May 5: Joyce Lemon | May 13: Nancy Alton |
| May 6: Bill Mullen | May 13: Chris Steenson |
| May 8: John VerWulst | May 16: Ryan Benson |
| May 9: Dave Noltee | May 25: Zach Weneck |
| May 9: Craig Lemcke | May 28: Paul Butler |

Ladies Auxiliary News

Submitted by Marge Fisher

Well girls we have made it through the first quarter of 2005. Our 1st Quarterly dinner was a success, as always our Firemen's Banquet is a hit and we had a great time entertaining the Spencerport and Walker Ladies Auxiliary.

April found us on the carnival grounds working with the firemen to get the buildings ready for the power washing and painting. I want to thank the 12 girls who were able to make it as the men really appreciated our help with the little things as they were busy hauling out the big things. That was only the first of many work details that we will be asked to help at so please try to make as many as you can. I know we all have so many family and work commitments but I want you to know your help is always appreciated.

As we approach May please keep Monday, May 9th open as it is the 2nd Quarterly Dinner at the exempt club. We can use your help for set-up, serving

or clean-up. Also our Auxiliary meeting is Tuesday, May 17th at the fire hall. Ron Bucci is having surgery on the 13th so he will not be able to do our photo ID in May but will get them done before carnival.

" Happy Mother's Day to us all."



REMEMBER YOUR SECRET PAL

Commission News

Submitted by Ray Ward

Not a lot to report this month. The RFP for the building improvement investigation went out as planned, see the information in the Building Improvement Committee Update article for more detailed information.

The new chief's vehicle is in and almost ready (by the time this issue goes out it should be ready) for the chief to start driving, I'm sure Mark is looking forward to it. The lettering and stripes look very nice with the white background. Check it out when you get the chance, usually parked in front of the fire hall.

I believe we have received the final check from the insurance company for the flood damage. I think we can almost put the flood behind us and just look at the pictures as a *fond* reminder of what it was like (see the department web site www.hiltonfd.org).

EMS News

Submitted by Aaron Horowitz

April was a busy month for us. We had a higher than normal call volume and still maintained great coverage. This is a huge turnaround from last month. The efforts of all those who made this possible are greatly appreciated and do not go unnoticed. Thank-you for all that you do. As always, please remember to keep your pagers on and sign up for both daytime and nighttime coverage when you are able to.

We have already received a significant amount of donations from our fund drive. Many positive comments have been returned to us. This shows that the community continues to approve and support the great service that we provide. I plan on including some of these comments in the next scuttlebutt article. In the meantime, if anyone would like to read the comments please contact an EMS officer.

Attendance at our last Tuesday night drill was much lower than anticipated. We held a skill review and verification of EMS skills. As I had mentioned, anyone involved in the rapid re-cert class needs verification of their skills in order to recertify. This was an excellent opportunity to complete that requirement, but was missed by many. For clarification, all drills and training, including rapid re-cert classes are beneficial for **all members** to attend.

Kevin Yousey will be covering PCR's and protocols on May 3rd at 1900. This is an excellent class for **anyone who writes on a PCR (medics and driver)**. Most of us have become quite comfortable with the PCR NET PCR's but could still use some fine tweaking to improve them.

As I mentioned at the monthly meeting, there have been some minor, and some not so minor, changes to the rapid re-cert program. These changes come from the state level and are clearly spelled out in a handbook. I will post a copy of this handbook on the EMS communications board and encourage all participants of the rapid re-cert program to read it. If anyone would like their own copy of this book please leave me a note.

The EMS improvement committee meeting date was changed due to a scheduling conflict. The new date is **May 11th at 1900 hours**. A sign-up sheet, announcing this change, has been posted on the EMS communications board. One of the topics that will be discussed at the meeting is improving the way we complete peer evaluations for both medics and drivers. Completing and updating EMS operational guidelines will also be discussed. We will not be re-inventing the wheel; we will only be improving upon the way we currently operate.

I will be posting sign-up sheets for Carnival EMS stand coverage (yes I said it this soon). I am doing this now to allow people plenty of time to arrange their schedules so there are no conflicts with the stands that they are assigned to. Anyone who normally provides EMS may be assigned to the EMS stand if they have not signed up for a shift. Both the board of directors and the carnival committee fully support this. If you are unsure if you are required to sign-up, please contact an EMS officer. Also, we will be placing an "E" after anyone's name, on the carnival stand assignment list, who normally provide EMS to help clarify this. Thank-you in advance for your cooperation.

Thank-you to all those who signed up to provide coverage for the baseball tournament. (Unfortunately, the tournament was postponed by one week). I would also like to thank those in advance (assuming the weather cooperates) who provided coverage for the tournament. As always, your help in covering standbys is much needed and greatly appreciated.

Yellow group NEEDS HELP!! If you are able to assist yellow group with coverage please contact the group leader, Jim Hare. Any help that you can provide would be wonderful. Currently only a very small group of people are maintaining that group. Thank-you to them (especially Jim Hare) for ensuring that it has been covered.

Please remember to wash, clean, and re-stock the ambulances after each and every call. As always, the EMS office has an open-door policy. Thank-you for all that you do!!!

Building Improvement Committee Update

Submitted by Mike McHenry

For the last 4 1/2 months the committee has been working on putting together a request for a proposal for a feasibility study. The district at this time is soliciting proposals from qualified Architecture and Engineering firms to prepare a Feasibility Study that would identify alternatives for the development of our current and future facility needs and to evaluate alternative sites within the district. There is a copy of the request for proposal (RFP) on the bulletin board in the lounge.

The firm the district hires will collect pertinent data, meet with 3 chiefs, 5 commissioners, EMS captain, department president and the building committee. The purpose of meeting with all of these department personnel is to allow the firm to develop a concept of our future building needs. The building committee has already done a lot of the basic groundwork by exploring what other local fire departments have gone through in this process, the problems and obstacles they encountered, and any recommendations they have to offer. We also utilized the survey results of the department members concerning basic needs and priorities of our members, and the possible future needs that members identified. These results are in this Scuttlebutt and the committee would like to thank the 38 members that filled out the survey. After the committee interviewed 6 different Architect/Engineering firms it was recommended to the district that we give the RFP to 3 firms. These firms are Bergman Associates, LeChase, and SWBR.

We have also done a thorough building evaluation of our current structure, looking at it both objectively and subjectively. The committee has only developed a concept of overall needs for our building. The specifics will be looked at, at a much later date, depending on what the Feasibility Study reveals. What I mean by saying this, is this study is only the beginning phase of identifying basic needs, not to develop blueprints for our next structure. When and if we get to the point of developing blueprints, specific members of our department will be asked to join the committee to represent and contribute to their area of specialty (i.e. EMS, fire, training, administration, support, mechanical, etc.).

Another thing being worked on regarding the building is possible flood mitigation money from FEMA to build a new fire hall. The commission has submitted the application and it is being reviewed now to see if we are approved to proceed to the next step of the application process. If everything plays up in our favor, there is the possibility that FEMA could pay for 75% of our building costs in a location not in a flood zone. The committee has come up with 4 possible locations that will be explored by the Feasibility Study. At this time we are not making our locations public, however, 3 of the sites are within the village limits and the 4th is just outside the village. Another option to this RFP is looking at possible sites and justification for a future 2nd station.

We will be opening the RFPs from the 3 firms in early May and review them throughout the month. Hopefully the district will be able to hire a firm by early June to start the Feasibility Study and have it completed by the first part of August.

The Building Committee members are: John Duggan, Bob Floyd, Jeff Gates, Eric Guest, Mark Kalen, John Lemcke, Mike Lissow, Mike McHenry, Bill Porter, and Charlie Kimball as our secretary. If you have any questions about what is going on, don't hesitate to ask any of the committee members.

Building Improvement Committee Survey Results 2005

Submitted by Mike McHenry

1. Wash bay	1.81
2. Increase floor space on apparatus floor	1.88
3. Remote control for overhead doors	2.12
4. Conference room for meetings/officers/etc.	2.23
5. Exhaust ventilation system for apparatus	2.38
6. Entrance doors w/auto unlock during alarms	2.42
7. Multiple training rooms	2.46
8. Improved turnout gear lockers	2.46
9. Physical fitness room/equipment	2.5
10. Improved lounge	2.5
11. Drive-thru truck bays	2.54
12. Bunk room	2.77
13. Work area for general membership	3.0
14. Showers	3.08
15. Need for recreation area (pool table, ping pong)	3.08
16. Large kitchen facility for large events	3.12
17. Place to display 36 LaFrance/other memorabilia	3.15
18. Smaller kitchen facility for everyday use	3.4
19. Personal lockers/locker rooms	3.58

(Scale 1-5, 1 very important, 5 not important)

Carnival Stand Assignments

Submitted by Carnival Committee

POP 1

Tim Wirth—CH
Ron Bucci
Eric Guest
Joe Lissow
Rodney Manhardt
Ryan Benson

POP 2

Bill Carter-CH
Bill Chatterson
Rick Pullen
Nancy Alton
Kevin Allport
Janet Van Allen

SAUSAGE

Fred Videan-CH
Tom Bertrand
Jim Maley
Patty Reuschle
Mike Hare
Dan Leeming
Rachel Hare

HOT DOGS

Ray Gillette-CH
Steve Burritt
Reed Harris
Ray Hendershot

HAMBURG

John Lemcke-CH
Dick Barrett
Jim Bimmler
Ed Tobey

FRENCH FRIES

Jim Hare-CH
Jim Gates
Sue Nealon
Linda Yousey
Dave Zobel
Kevin Yousey-[Fill In]
Dennis Bates

NEVADA

Larry Speer-CH
Ann Duggan
Bill Hess
Steve Speer
Nancy Kress

DUNK BOOTH

Don Harter-CH
Roger Clark
Mark Harter

OVER & UNDER

Tom Vereecke-CH
Mike Hoffman
Tim Jarvis
Jim Mackenzie
Phil Carris

FRONT BEER

Mike McHenry-CH
Steve Carter
Jeff Gates
Hy Johnson
Brian Lissow
Mike Lissow
Jeff Mullen
Bill Porter
Brian Speer
John Sweeney
John Verwulst
Red Voigt
Bruce Castle

BACK BEER

Bob Floyd
Roger Gavigan
Bill Zarpentine
Jill Porter

BEAT DEALER 1 & 2

Jim Buongiorne-CH
Jane Gebhardt
Dave Zajonczkoski-CH
Mike Mullen
Tom Mills
Chris Quarteri
Ray Ward

BIG 6

Tom Parizek-CH
Paul Butler
Chris Tobin
Jim Kibby
Jerry Acton
Jim Sage
Debbie Waterman

Carnival Stand Assignments (continued)

Submitted by Carnival Committee

BLACK JACK

Wayne Collins-CH
Neil Kendrick-CO
Bob Cusse
Ben Floyd
Dave Gebhardt
Pat Ayers
Scott Castle
Gordon Stephens
Jason Davis
Ray Ward

ZOO FOOD

Dave Noltee-Advisor
Greg Nichols-Advisor
Ron Bourret
Craig Burritt
Rich Maier-CO
Mike Werner
Todd Meyer-CO
Erin Stiles
Carol Struble
Bill Palma
Steve Reiter
RJ Yockel-[Fill In]
Mark Kalen

ZOO FRIES & POP

Alan Alton
Tom Scheg-CO
Craig Lemcke
Shaun Castle
Kevin Corcoran-CO

EXPLORERS

Al Carris-CH
Roger Benson
Jason Heinrich

EMS TENT

Aaron Horowitz
Kevin Yousey
RJ Yockel

OFFICE

Neil Kendrick-CH
Charlie Kimball
Bob Cusenz
Don Stilson
Jan Lloyd

Tim Yockel
Carm Carmestro

FIRE POLICE

Bill Smith
Dale Nesbitt
Mike Piper
Bob Wirth
Doug Trembeth
Dick Popovich

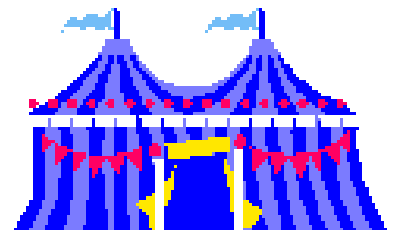
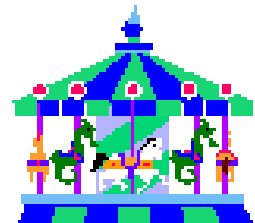
POPCORN

Pickett Family

LADIES AUX

Amy Lissow

FLOATERS



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Safety News

Lawn Mowing Safety

Submitted by Fred Videan

Spring is here and summer is just around the corner. Here are a few safety tips to maybe prevent an accident that can spoil the summer.

- Never allow children to ride as passengers either on a mower or in a trailer behind a mower.
- Wear shoes and long pants.
- Never leave a mower running unattended.
- Be sure lawn is free of tree limbs, rocks, wires and other debris, which can get caught-up in the blades .
- Anytime it is necessary to reach under the mower, disconnect the spark plug wire to insure that the engine cannot start.
- Do not remove any safety devices or guards.
- Do not drink alcoholic beverages before or while using your lawnmower.

Statistics

- One gallon of gasoline, combined with the correct amount of air, is equal to 83 pounds of Dynamite.
- Kinetic (motion) energy imparted by the standard blade is comparable to the energy generated by dropping a 21 pound weight from a height of 100 feet or equal to three times the muzzle energy of a .357 Magnum pistol.
- A stick, toy, or piece of debris can fly out of a discharge chute at approximately 200 miles per hour.
- 25% of hand and foot injuries result in amputation.
- Children under age 15 have the most accidents.

REMEMBER, When lawnmowers are used properly, injuries can be prevented. Only a small percentage of the injuries are caused by mechanical failure. Most are the result of HUMAN ERROR.