



# Scuttlebutt

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**Dates To Remember:**

- ◆ 8/13 Monthly Meeting—Dinner Meeting
- ◆ 8/21 Ladies Auxiliary
- ◆ 8/29 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ All Scuttlebutt articles need to be in by 8/29

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## Letter From Our Chief

Another carnival is in the record books and despite a few rain showers I believe it was a success. Thank you to everyone who marched in our parade and gave their time to work the carnival. The good turnout is a reflection upon how great this organization is.

Thank you to Deputy Chief Jeff Mullen for filling in while I was on vacation with my family. Spending 22 days in a trailer with 8 other people proved to be one of my greatest challenges to date! As the saying goes...there's no place like home.

I'd like to offer my sincere condolences to Roger Clark and his family on the passing of his father...to Don Harter and his family on the passing of his mother-in-law...to Glenn and Cheryl Johnson on the passing of his mother and to Dick McKenzie and his family on the passing of his stepson, Doug Lemcke. However, on a more positive note I'd like to congratulate Brian and Karla Lissow on the birth of their 2nd daughter, Sarah Jean who joined the fire department family on Thursday, July 26 at 2:30 am. From what I've heard, mother and baby are doing well and Emma is enjoying her new role as big sister.

This month we also had recruit graduation at MCC. Graduating this month were Tom Hare, Matt Johnson, Jason Schwan, David Speer, and Jason Wille. These young men

put a lot of hours into this class and should feel very proud of their accomplishment. I anticipate a bright future with the Hilton Fire Department for these firefighters.

While we're on the subject of many hours of hard work, Jeff Thompson recently received his EMT certification. Congratulations Jeff!

Please keep in mind that the water rescue running order has had a minor change. 262 will now be running on all water rescue calls along with 268 and an ambulance. Water rescue suits have been put on 262.

While I was away, our department responded to a violent car accident on Peck Road which resulted in a fatality. While these type of calls are a rarity, they unfortunately do happen and can subject our members undue stress. I mention this to make everyone aware of the County's Critical Incident Stress Management team (CISM). This team is made up of professionals who are equipped to confidentially help out those who are involved in this type of situation. If anyone ever feels that they need to use this team please free to talk to a Chief.

On a final note, there will be a mass physical on Saturday, August 25th at 9 am. at the fire hall. A list will be posted at the lounge for those who need it.

Thanks, Eric

# Training Schedule for April 2007

Submitted by Joe Lissow

Well, another carnival has come and gone. Thank you to everyone for another outstanding effort and hard work contributed towards this years carnival. Again this year, August will be hose testing month. Many hands make light work, so if you're available your help would be greatly appreciated.

Also starting in August we will have eleven new members starting out there recruit training in our department. 3 EMS members and 8 Firefighters. Please take the time to introduce yourselves to them and make them feel welcome if you run into any of them. Lieutenants Carter and Nichols are working on the recruit schedule and once it is completed it will be posted on the training board. This is a good way to make up any mandatory hands on training. It also is a great opportunity for you to share your knowledge with the newer people and it can be very rewarding for everyone, the newer people and seasoned veterans.

Congratulations to Tom Hare, Jason Wille, Matt Johnson, Jason Schwan and David Speer for successfully completing the New York State Firefighter 1 program.

Until next month, I hope everyone has a fun and safe rest of the summer.

Joe

## Carnival News

Submitted by Ray Ward

Carnival is over, I think we will fondly remember another year. The rain tried to hamper us on Friday, unfortunately it did cut the rides short for our families. Some of us got together in the afternoon and pumped, bailed and pushed the water off the field. We also called WBEE and had them put in a plug to let people know that the rain was not going to get in our way. We got a little more rain in the evening, but I don't believe it sent anyone home.

Saturday was a great day weather-wise.

I am excited to see the final results once Neil has paid all the outstanding bills.

I would like to thank everyone for all the hard work in making this another good carnival year. The carnival chairs will be getting together to discuss things that need to be done for next year. If you have any concerns, please see one of the chairman.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Explorers – Meeting	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Wed	<b>4</b> Tue
<b>5</b> Thur	<b>6</b> Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>7</b> Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>8</b> Explorers –	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Yellow	<b>11</b> Thur
<b>12</b> Mon	<b>13</b> Monthly Meeting	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Explorers –	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Sun	<b>18</b> Mon
<b>19</b> Wed	<b>20</b> Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>21</b> Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>22</b> Explorers –	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Tue	<b>25</b> Wed
<b>26</b> Yellow	<b>27</b> Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>28</b> Firematic Drill—Hose Testing	<b>29</b> BOD Meeting Explorers –	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Thur	

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**This Month's Birthdays – Happy Birthday To All**

**Happy Birthday to all that have a birthday in August!**



# Ladies Auxiliary News

Submitted by Sue VerWulst

Hi Ladies, Just a few reminders.

Aug. 6th is our carnival workers thank you dinner. Make sure you have contacted Donna Allport or Amy Lissow.

We are having our chicken BBQ on Sept. 22 noon till gone. Save the date and come hungry. It will be take outs only and we will be selling tickets in advance. See an officer if you want tickets.

We are also putting together an auxiliary cook book with Spencerport and walker auxiliaries. If anyone in the department would like to donate a recipe for this, please see Denise or Sandy.

Our October meeting is going to be on the 23rd instead of the 16. That is the date we are invited to Walkers dinner. I will let you know where it is when I find out.

Respectfully submitted, Sue VerWulst

## Cooking With The Ladies Auxiliary

Submitted by Denise Mohr-Montalbano

Another Carnival has passed and we are slowly getting back to our summers and moving forward with other summer activities. Our Ladies Auxiliary along with our neighboring Ladies Auxiliary is working on putting together a cookbook and we would love your help. Each month, from now until February, we will ask you for a specific type of recipe to send to us.

As we move on with August, we are invited to many picnics, barbecues and other family gatherings and we are frequently asked to bring a dish to pass that is our signature dish. If you would like to include your **Summertime Favorite** recipe (or your mother's, grandmothers', sister's or friends' recipes) in the cookbook, please fill out a recipe sheet (on the back page) and get it back to us. You can leave it in our mail slot at the fire hall (in the fire hall kitchen) send it to our PO Box (PO Box 64 Hilton), email it to [ladiesauxcookbooks@yahoo.com](mailto:ladiesauxcookbooks@yahoo.com) or fax it to 637-5843. Please leave your phone number on recipe sheet, in case we have a question and need to contact you. (Your phone number will not be in the cookbook.) Blank recipe collection sheets will be available in the kitchen.

We look forward to cooking with you...

The Cookbook Committee

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## **Commission News**

Submitted by Jim Bimmler

Hey everyone..... It's hard to believe that the carnival is over and summer is drawing to a close. Where does time go? We hope that all of you have had a great summer thus far. Despite some very heavy rain I think we all survived the carnival. A great job done by everyone. I never thought that you would get the midway as dry as you did along with the beer tent only to have it rain again Friday night. Congrats to all and we hope that is reflected in the bank coffers.

Speaking of money..... By now you probably have read the article in the Suburban News in regards to the "surprise" that the Spencerport Fire District (SFD) received when they opened their bid packages. Obviously very bad news, with their bids winding up about a million dollars over target. They have checked their facts & figures and are at a loss to explain the bid figures. Without going into any specifics (and I really don't have any) it would be very difficult at this point in time to compare our new building with that of Spencerport's. You have all heard of trying to compare 'apples & oranges', well that is exactly the case. The Building Committee has been trying to get a handle on this issue for obvious reasons. There have been a number of conversations held with our architects since the situation with the SFD has arisen. With no obvious reason hitting anyone in the face as to why the costs have gone up so much, the Building Committee at this point is proceeding with cautious deliberation. People are going back and re-checking details and numbers. As I write this article I cannot promise you that we won't be "surprised" also. But we are taking the steps now to be as prepared as we can be to understand the bid process. Much, much more to follow when we have more information.

Not much else from a district standpoint to report on. As reported earlier Ray Ward has done a great job in finding a cheaper and better way to manage the high cost of Workmen's Compensation. This is the same package as the Village of Hilton uses as well as many other surrounding towns & villages. Keep up your GREAT safety record and the district and you the taxpayers will be saving money. Old news.... The New Squad is on order and should be just about completed. Chief Mullen will be heading up that project when it arrives. Commissioner Lemcke has successfully secured a \$1000 grant from the Forestry Department for use on the new squad. Great work John!! Lastly, the fire district has adopted a Code of Ethics as required by state law. It will be available for all to review.

Have a great August and keep you chin up.....we will get through this building process.

## **Family Picnic News**

Submitted by Amy Lissow

Just wanted to remind everyone to save the date of the Family Picnic, it will be on Sunday, September 9th. More details will be forthcoming.

