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Dates To Remember:

- ◆ 6/8 Monthly Meeting—Dinner Meeting
- ◆ 6/16 Ladies Auxiliary
- ◆ 6/23 Exempts Meeting
- ◆ 6/24 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ All Scuttlebutt articles need to be in by 6/24

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Letter From Our Chief

Last month proved to be a very busy month with moving into the fire hall and training on our new SCBA's. It was also a very sad month with the untimely passing of Sharon Corcoran, mother of EMS Captain Kevin Corcoran and EMS Life Member, Joyce Lemon. Although these two women didn't know each other, they were both outstanding citizens in their dedication to their community...one through St. Leo's Church and the other through our Fire Department. Please keep both of their families in your thoughts and prayers.

In keeping with tradition, last June I wrote about the completion of my first year as chief, so now that I have completed my second year I thought I'd write again about my observations or what I see through the "chiefs eyes" in the last year.

I heard various comments on both my speech at Joyce Lemon's funeral and at the fire station dedication. I mention Joyce Lemon's funeral and the fire station dedication because the two are tied together, sort of. First, let me give you a little history about myself. My family moved next to the Lemon's in 1971 when I was six years old. Joyce became a member of the Hilton Fire Department in 1978 and helped me get into the explorer post in 1980. My family had one car...with my dad being the only driver. My dad was a great guy but running me around to fire calls or to explorer drill on Wednesday night was not on his list of priorities since he had bowling on that night. Actually, it didn't even make the list.

Joyce, although on the ambulance was there to run me around to any fire call that I wanted to go to. I didn't realize it then but what Joyce

instilled in me was that although we all act in different capacities...EMS, Fire, business board, Ladies Auxiliary, Fire Police, Explorers and Fire Commissioners, we really are one in the same in that our common goal is to help our neighbor in the time of need. Hilton is a model for that. While we might not agree on everything, all facets of our organization work very well together and it shows with our beautiful state of the art fire station designed by the people for the people and also more importantly to provide excellent service for our community.

I have the good fortune to network with some of the neighboring chiefs and to listen to some of the issues they encounter. I've come to believe that the number one issue with the fire service and probably any organization in general is ego. I believe when we keep our ego's out of the picture then good things will happen. This is what I see happening in Hilton. Hopefully this will continue happening in Hilton in the future even after we have come down from our "high" of having a new fire station. We can't afford to become complacent. We need to continue to keep in mind our goal of providing our community with the best possible service. We also have to continue to bring in "new blood" because that is essential for the survival of any organization.

In closing, "thank you" to everyone who showed up at Joyce Lemon's funeral and the fire station dedication. Honestly, when we were marching down the street and I saw all those people, I was so nervous that I almost passed out! I hope everyone enjoys the "unofficial" start of summer, keeps safe and considers marking in the upcoming parades! Thanks, Eric

Training Schedule

Submitted by Joe Lissow

1-Jun	Mon @19:00	Mand/Int.	Fast Team Operations
2-Jun	Tues @ 9:00	Mand/Int.	Fast Team Operations
8-Jun	Mon		Monthly Meeting
15-Jun	Mon @ 19:00	Mand/ Int	Interior Attack and Hoselines
16-Jun	Tues @ 9:00	Mand/ Int	Interior Attack and Hoselines
22-Jun	Mon @ 19:00		Ladder and LDH with Walker FD
23-Jun	Tues @ 9:00		Ladder and LDH with Walker FD
29-Jun	Mon @ 19:00		Search and Rescue
30-Jun	Tues @ 9:00		Search and Rescue

Mandatory training for the beginning of June will be FAST Operations. We will be working with the new Scott FAST Packs. We will be utilizing North Greece and Hamlin's Training Centers again for this drill so if you haven't gone through the mask confidence maze this will be another chance to get that done also. The target to get the airpicks on the trucks is the second week of June so if you haven't seen the Dival Presentation or done the maze please make every effort to attend the FAST drill on June 1st or 2nd. Both FAST and Mask Confidence this year is mandatory for all interior firefighters. The objective is to make sure we all are comfortable and trained before the new packs go on the trucks and we use them for the real deal.

On the evening of June 15 and the morning of June 16 we will again be going to the North Greece Training Grounds and utilizing the burn building. This training is mandatory for interior firefighters. Signup sheets will be going up on the training board in the mail room in the near future if you wish to go on one of these dates. For those who don't sign up, there will be driver recertification going on back in Hilton. With this facility being right next door there is the opportunity to go more than once if you wish plus because this is live fire training we need to have a minimum number of people to conduct this training.

June 22 and 23 we will be training with the Walker Fire Department so we can work with our Quint and their LDH and Portable Ponds and both departments get the opportunity to work with one another and familiarize both departments on each other's equipment.

And the last week of the month we will be doing some basic Search and Rescue training.

If you are a Quint driver check the training board, Brockport Fire Dept. is hosting a State Aerial Class and our looking to borrow our Quint a few times in the month of June. Dates and times are posted on the training board if you can help.

If you are a pumper driver and want to be a Quint driver, Captain Gates posted a sign up sheet on the training board for a Quint driver/ operator class. Sign up if interested. Also coming soon will be a 267/268 driver training class. Check the training board in the mail room frequently for new training opportunities.

If anyone still needs to make up 2009 goals, safety blood borne or Haz Mat, the DVDs are available, see any line officer.

People keep reminding me that it has been awhile since we had a fire and the calls seem less frequent. That is where we need to put the emphasize and focus on training so when we go to calls we operate safely for ourselves, the team and our families and also continue to do the great job that the community expects from us.

Stay Safe,

Joe

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Firematic Drill— Fast Team Operations	2 Firematic Drill— Fast Team Operations	3 Explorers – Meeting	4	5 Sun	6 Mon
7 Wed	8 Monthly Meeting— Dinner Meeting	9	10 Explorers – TBD	11	12 Tue	13 Wed
14 Yellow	15 Firematic Drill— Interior Attack & Hoselines	16 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Firematic Drill— Interior Attack & Hoselines	17 Explorers – TBD	18	19 Thur	20 Yellow
21 Sun	22 Firematic Drill— Ladder & LDH w/ Walker	23 Exempt Monthly Dinner Meeting Firematic Drill— Ladder & LDH w/ Walker	24 BOD Meeting Explorers – TBD	25	26 Mon	27 Sun
28 Tue	29 Firematic Drill- Search & Rescue	30 Firematic Drill— Search & Rescue				

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This Month's Birthdays – Happy Birthday To All



June 1: Bill Zarpentine
 June 2: Tracy Jarvis
 June 4: Dick Popowych
 June 5: Amy Lissow
 June 6: Jim Mullen
 June 7: Jason Wille

June 8: Jim Maley
 June 9: Aleda Lalik
 June 11: Tyler Frankenberger
 June 17: Tracey Reiter
 June 18: Jill Porter
 June 21: Mike Werner

June 23: Tabitha Hall
 June 24: Jill Wirth
 June 25: Brian Furtner
 June 25: Ron Bucci
 June 29: Jason Heinrich
 June 30: Ray Gillette

Ladies Auxiliary News

Submitted by Beth Mueller

Every month when I sit to write this article, it seems like I was just completing last months' news. Here we are another month over and summer is just a small leap away.

Thank you to everyone who participated at the new Fire Hall dedication, what a great turn out of department members and the community. It was great having so many ladies in the kitchen at one time and not bumping into each other. What a wonderful new kitchen we have to work in, thank you again to everyone involved with the design.

***May's dinner meeting for the Fire Department has been re-scheduled for June 8th. Mark your calendars to come and help.

Parade season is upon us, we had 5 ladies for Memorial Day. The next parade is Spencerport on June 11th, if you have questions call Marie.

Please join us at our next scheduled meeting June 16th @ 7:15 everyone is welcome.

*Don't forget your secret pal.

Excess Office Equipment

Submitted by John Lemcke

The Excess Office Equipment list, office equipment left from the old fire station, is posted in the mail room. The instruction for entering your name to attempt to obtain any of this equipment is also posted there. If you have any questions, please see one of the commissioners.

Fire Prevention

Submitted by Wayne Collins

Fire Prevention is once again upon us, if anyone has time here is the schedule for Village Elementary School; June 3rd & June 4th 2009. Times are as follows; start at 8:45am half hour blocks and finishing around 2:00 or 2:30pm. Quest School will be June 5th 2009, start at 9:00am half hour blocks finish around 3:00pm. So please this is an open invitation for any and all to help educate our younger community members to be safe. As stated in several monthly meetings recruitment starts with you the members of the Hilton Fire Department to recruit ONE person for either Fire or EMS. Hard to believe in 30 days we are half way through this year already, so just a friendly reminder good weather is upon us. So with children out playing, our community out jogging or walking, bikes, animals etc; remember to drive respectfully and defensively. All eyes are on how we carry our self as members of the Hilton Fire Department.

Stay Safe Be Safe

Wayne Collins



Office of Emergency Management

Monroe County, New York

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County Executive

Mary Louise Meisenzahl, MPA, CEM®
Administrator

May 21, 2009

Hon. John Lemcke, Commissioner
Hilton-Parma Fire District
480 Burritt Road
Hilton, NY 14468

Dear John:

Please extend our thanks to the members of the Commission for including the Office of Emergency Management on the guest list for your Dedication Ceremony.

We were pleased to join your celebration and offer our congratulations to you, the Department, and the community. This "job well done" ushers-in the beginning of the next fifty years of delivering emergency services in the community.

What this station represents is priceless! Just ask anyone who was in the audience.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Muffy

Mary Louise Meisenzahl
Administrator

MLM/da

Carnival Stand Assignments 2009

Submitted by Chris Quarteri

POP 1

Tim Wirth-CH
Ron Bucci
Eric Guest
Ryan Benson
Roger Clark

POP 2

Bill Carter-CH
Bill Chatterson
Nancy Alton
Kevin Allport

Sausage

Tom Bertrand-CH
Mike Hare
Jim Maley
Lyle Weaver
Rachel Hare

Hot Dogs

Ray Gillette-CH
Steve Burrirt
Craig Burrirt
Jim Bimmler

French Fries

Jim Hare-CH
Jim Gates
Sue Nealon
Linda Yousey
Kevin Yousey
Dave Zobel

Nevada

Larry Speer-CH
Ann Duggan
Bill Hess
Mike Lissow

Over & Under

Tim Jarvis-CH
Phil Carris
Jason Schwan
Jason Heinrich
Tom Furtner

Big 6

Tom Parizek-CH
Paul Butler
Rodney Manhardt
Jim Kibby
Troy Green

Popcorn

Pickett Family

Front Beer

Mike McHenry-CH
Steve Carter
Jeff Gates
Hy Johnson
Bruce Castle
Red Voight
John Verwulst
John Sweeney
Bill Porter
Jeff Mullen
Joe Lissow
Bob Floyd
Jill Porter
Bill Zarpentine

Beat Dealer 1 & 2

Dave Zajonczkoski-CH
Mike Mullen
Chris Quarteri
Jim Buongiorno-CH
Jane Gebhardt
Ryan Hess
Mark Kalen

Hamburg

John Lemcke-CH
Dick Barrett
Brian Lissow

Black Jack

Wayne Collins-CH
Dave Noltee
Tim Yockel
Greg Nichols
Gordon Stephens
Aaron Horowitz
Dave Gebhardt
Pam Johnson
Sue Fisk

Zoo Food

Rich Maier-CH
Todd Meyer-CH
Tom Hare
Ron Bourret
Mike Werner
Erin Stiles
Bill Palma
Steve Reiter
Tom Kadublowski
RJ Yockel
Roland Yockel
Shaun Castle
Craig Lemcke
Pat Wallace
Cody Schmitt
Bill Moore
Jason Wille

Carnival Stand Assignments 2009

Submitted by Chris Quarteri

Office

Patricia Ayers-CH
Charlie Kimball
Bob Cusenz
Jan Lloyd
Ray Ward
Carm Carmestro
Don Stillson

Parking

Tim Yockel- CH
Dick Popowych
Dale Nesbitt
Mike Piper
Bill Smith
Brandon Tobin
John Zobel
Cody Schmitt
Richard Haberberger
Sharon Anderson
Brian Attridge
Pete Drescher
James Fox
Aleda Lalik
Dan Weber
Joe Yockel

Explorers

Al Carris-CH
Steve Speer

EMS Tent

Kevin Corcoran-CH
Bill Palma
Jason Heinrich
Tom Hare
Jeff Thompson
Tom Krewer
Matt Johnson

Best Hand Poker

Ben Floyd-CH
Bob Cusse
Carm Carmestro [Fill In]

Dunk Booth

Don Harter-CH
Adam Maier
David Speer

Ladies Aux

Beth Mueller-CH
Amy Lissow

Zoo Pop

Debbie Waterman
Kevin Corcoran-CH
Tracey Reiter
Danny Hasenauer



Carnival Stand Assignments News

Submitted by Chris Quarteri

This is the current stand assignment list please look it over if any questions please contact Chris Quarteri, or Ray Ward. EMS, as always will have a sign up sheet for the EMS stand. Please remember to let the stand chairperson know when you can't be in your assigned stand for any reason as man/woman power is critical to a successful carnival season. Thank You ahead of time for all your devotion and help for our Hilton Fire Department carnival.

Carnival Staff

Building Dedication

(or John's Dream)

Submitted by John Lemcke

Thank-you, Thank-you , Thank-you. I can not say it enough to everyone that showed up and participated in the Dedication Ceremony on the 16th. We had a great turnout from both the department, and the public, and best of all the weather cooperated with us.

Before I go any further, I really need to thank some people who have been part of the Building Publicity Committee since the beginning of the process 5 years ago. The other individuals are John Duggan, Bob Floyd, Mike Lissow, and Ray Ward. This committee has worked behind the scenes preparing and making presentations, writing letters to the neighbors, developing articles for the newspapers, and organizing and executing both the Groundbreaking Ceremony last year, and Dedication Ceremony. Below is a brief summary of the activities this committee accomplished.

In the beginning there were a few newspaper articles explaining what we were doing, and how we wanted to do it. However that was met with additional editorials and articles that pretty much said, if one department gets a new station, we all want a new station. We tackled each one with the facts, and remained constant in presenting the facts for Hilton, and not get involved in what other departments were doing.

Then came presentations with groups, the first being with St Leo's Church who had the option of selling the property to builders for homes, or selling to the Fire District for a fire station located in their backyard. We made the pitch that we would be good neighbors; we will maintain our property, and that we would provide a view for them that would be pleasing when they looked out the windows. In the end we won the privilege to buy one of the few remaining parcels in the Village that is big enough to house the station that we were designing.

Then came the presentations with neighbors and groups, prior to the Bond Vote. Each presentation had a few PowerPoint slides that explained the facts, and always showed the flooded firehall, just to remind people why we had to move. Obviously the neighbors had the most objections, but all listened to the presentations with open minds. Questions were answered honestly, and it seemed like we were gaining widespread support. I believe that we have done everything we said we would do, and now that the construction is over, and we have moved in, we need to be aware that there are neighbors in close proximity to the building, and keep noise to a minimum especially in the summer months when windows could be open.

Then came the public meeting & bond vote. We decided that we would have several speakers, and that they would be from the committee. Others have used Architect's, Lawyers, Construction Managers, etc for presentations, and some outside sources cautioned us that we should not try it with our own people. The committee forged forward, developed a presentation that was clear and concise, and stated the facts. The presentation was shared by several members speaking about the building and what it was going to cost. The results of the bond vote told the story. By all measures we were successful in gaining the community support, as shown with a 580 to 80 vote in favor of a \$6.15M investment for a future home for the Fire Department. Many compliments were given to the committee for the presentations, and several districts have since asked how we did it, and what we would suggest for them.

The Groundbreaking Ceremony was held, although not well attended, but still, it marked the beginning of the construction phase. It was at that point, the committee told me that they would do whatever I wanted at the

Building Dedication (continued) ***(or John's Dream)***

Submitted by John Lemcke

Dedication Ceremony. That is how it became "John's Dream". As we started the formal plans for the Dedication Ceremony, the committee all had the same goal that was; Host an event that not only celebrates the new building, but also thanks the members of the Fire Department for what they do. It took several months to pull it all together with everyone on the committee offering suggestions, and how best to plan the day.

Many details go into such an event, and not one person can do it all. The invitations, both formal & post-cards, were designed by the committee with some help from Mary Lissow. When we received them back, each one of the 4500 invitations was labeled and stamped by the committee (and families) and sent out. The actual event was put together, reviewed, and revised to make sure it was a fitting tribute to our members. Sure there were comments why Lemcke is making us march from the Community Center to the firehall, why are we wearing our Class A's, why do we need to stand at the sides of the people, etc. I hope you feel that the public saw you as the professionals you are, because it sure looked great to see you march towards the front, and then into position

We had trouble with the speaker system, but it was too late to make any changes to what we had. I wish you could all have heard the comments from the people that spoke and made presentations to the department. Everyone talked about how important it is to have the members that are willing and able to do what you do every day, and how you do it with such profession. Ray Ward thanked the community for their continued support of the building and department, while Eric Guest talked about how it is more than bricks and mortar, and spoke of the family atmosphere that we are well known in the community for. You could tell the sincerity in Eric's speech.

There are a few other thanks I wish to mention. The first goes to the Ladies Auxiliary for helping serve the drinks and cookies. You are truly an asset to this organization, and sometimes forgotten for all you do. Secondly to the Fire Department Board for the beautiful plaque they presented to the Fire District. It was not necessary, but it is appreciated. Thanks also to the "Transition Team" of Bill Carter, Steve & Pam Speer, Charlie Lissow, and Fran Blonsky. Had you not done what you did, you would not have given us the opportunity to grow into the vision you had for the community. Lastly, to all the people that helped set up and tear down the chairs and arrangements. I was being pulled aside by many people, and I truly wanted to help get that done, and by the time I got back out, it was done and over, so Thank-you to you also.

There were many positive comments I heard, not just the presentation but the building, and the members and how they looked. Some included, Very Professional, Wow, Nice job by all, You impressed the (County) Executive. I am still receiving positive comments from people I did not have a chance to talk to at the Ceremony, and want to pass them on to you all. One comment was in regards to the members showing off the facility to the community, with as much pride as if it was their own home. Justice Florist presented us with both the floral arrangement and the plant as a thank-you for all you do. I was surprised when it showed up, as it truly made the podium look nicer.

So I have rambled on enough. You have once again proved why I am proud to be a member of this department, and what we do for the community. My dream was to have a ceremony that showed off our department, and highlighted the building we were given by the community. You made my dream a reality. Thank-you.
John Lemcke

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Friday June 5, Spencerport Football Field
Opening ceremonies start at 7:00 pm

Some of the Ladies Auxiliary members have formed a team this year to Honor friends and family who have or have had cancer, and also in Memory of our friends and family members who have lost the battle.

We are looking for sponsors, or new team members for team:
Evie's Angels

Team: Beth Mueller – captain
Sandy Popowych
Denise Mohr
Marie Ward
Cathy Carmestro
Mary Hebblethwaite

We are also looking for cheerleaders.....

Please contact this year's team captain: Beth Mueller @ 330-3580 or any member for questions or to donate, you can also log on to www.relayforlife.org/spencerportny Click on Donate; and search find team.