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ROCKLAND DAY AT THE HOME

The Rockland / Westchester Combined Day at the Firemen's Home in Hudson, New York will be Sunday, July 17, 2022. **This is a family, children, grandchildren and friends' program and offers you and yours a chance to visit the museum,** and also visit our brother Rockland County firefighters who reside at the home. There will plenty to eat at our cookout on the grounds. During our visit, we would like to show our financial support to the home with a generous donation. There are personal needs of the home members, such as newspapers, shave cream, razor blades, and other personal items; this money is placed in the "Operation Small Change Fund". A handicapped-equipped bus will pick up those attending at the Orangeburg Firehouse on Dutch Hill Road at 7:30 a.m., the Hillcrest Fire Co. 1, Mount Ivy Station on Theills-Mt-Ivy Rd in Pomona at 8 a.m., and Volunteer Hose Co. 1, Suffern around 8:30 a.m. The bus will return around 5 p.m., and refreshments will be available on the bus. So, mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend.

FTC NEEDS JUNK AUTOS

The FTC is in need of old, junked cars to be used in extrication drills. The shortage of new cars has created a shortage in people retiring their old ones. The usual supply from local junk yards has all but dried up. If you are junking a car or know someone or family member willing to donate one, call Ken Sikorsky at 845-517-0810. He will pick your vehicle up and provide the documentation for tax donation purposes.

CARTOONS BY PETE CARNEY



Hey Rookie, where is your helmet?
Chief told me I couldn't wear it at
my next 10 fires because I missed drill
night.

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MEDAL OF VALOR AWARDED



On Mon, May 16, 2022, Sabrail Davenport and her grandsons received the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor from President Joe Biden on behalf of her son and their father, Spring Valley firefighter Jared Lloyd.

The nation's highest civilian Medal of Honor, "is awarded to public safety officers who have exhibited exceptional courage, regardless of personal safety, in the attempt to save or protect others from harm," according to the White House.

Lloyd was among 15 first responders honored at the White House, and one of two who died in the line of duty.

Lloyd, 35, a second lieutenant, died helping to rescue 112 residents of the Evergreen Court Home for Adults during an inferno on March 22, 2021. A building section collapsed on Lloyd as he made a final search for residents of the Lafayette Avenue facility.

WORKING FIRES



Photo/C. Kear

May 10: 0214 hours, Dept. 6 (Hillcrest) dispatched to a structure fire at 110 East Willow Tree Road. 6-2 on arrival reports working fire on rear porch spreading. 44-1, 4 and 6 responding. 0219 7-FAST (Monsey) to the scene. 0222 17-Engine (Spring Valley) to the scene, 0230 20-Engine (Tallman) and 26-FAST (Thiells) to the scene. 02:36 19-Engine (Suffern) to the scene, 0246 23-FAST (West. Haverstraw) to the scene, BCI requested. 0303 9-Engine (New City) to the scene. 0336 18-Engine (Stony Point) to the scene. The fire from 44-1: a house divided into three separate housing units, with many voids, tongue and groove walls and heavy timber construction made for a very labor-intensive operation.



Photo/Thiells FD

May 21: 16:31 hours. Dept. 26 (Thiells) and 23-FAST (West Haverstraw) dispatched to Bowline Plant for a roof fire. 44-Control reports several phone calls for a visible roof fire. This was an extremely hot day with temperatures in the 90s. There is one elevator to the roof. 26-1 reports roof fire of about 100' x 40'. 16:50 4-Engine (Haverstraw) to the scene. 44-4 responded. 17:21 18-Engine (Stony Point) to the scene. 17:32 3-Engine (Congers) to the scene. 17:42 6-Engine (Hillcrest) to the scene, 17:44 9-FAST (New City) to the scene. 17:45 7-Engine (Monsey) relocated to 26-100. The fire from 26-1 Chief Dan Coughlin: the fire was over 14 floors up providing many challenges to the firefighters. The fire started in an area

surrounding a steam pipe that releases steam at 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit. The fire was quickly spreading quickly in the void spaces and insulation areas of the roof membrane. Firefighters utilized a standpipe inside the plant with additional pressure fed the system with our engine 26-1501. EMS was requested to stand by the scene. With heat being a tremendous concern, multiple EMS agencies were on scene, Haverstraw, Spring Hill, Harriman, and South Orangetown. A cooling station was made available by EMS as well as the administration building of the plant. There were no injuries to report. All units were cleared by 1954 hours.

RC FIRE CHIEFS OLD TIMERS DINNER



On April 9 the annual Old Timer's Dinner, held at the Haverstraw Elks. The following awards were given to Rockland County firefighters for their actions and dedication:

Chief's Award: Chief Kenny Conjura, SVFD

Charles M. "Smokey" Fales Award
Donald Arterburn, PRFD (presented at PR annual dinner same night)
Raymond Guarnuccio, SVFD

Jerome Trachtenberg Service Award
Jason Goldsmith, NCFD, outgoing Assoc President.

Andrew A. Fredricks Memorial Instructor of the Year Award
Charlie Prevot, Haverstraw FD
Nico Seminelli, Sparkill FD

William Harris, Jr. President's Award
Kyle Garrabrant, Valley Cottage FD

A special recognition award was also given to the three 44-Control radio operators for their professionalism and endurance as they worked the night of the Evergreen Court fire in Spring Valley on March 23, 2021.

Troy Spong - Shift Supervisor, RC Sheriff's Communication Division
Christopher Dillon, Radio Operator 1, RC Sheriff's Communication Division
Kevin Huslinger II, Radio Operator 1, RC Sheriff's Communication Division

We also owe a special thanks to the Stony Point FD, who once again handled the cooking and serving of a great meal! Thanks to all who came out!

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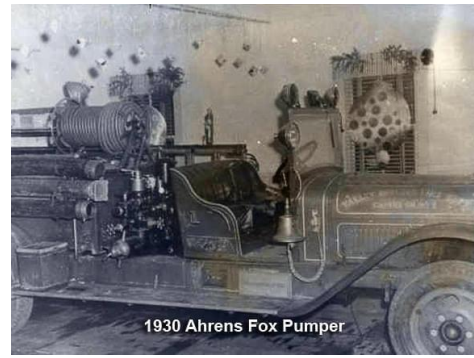
April 4, 2022 was a momentous night for the Empire Hose Company #1. The Company elected our first female president in 171 years.

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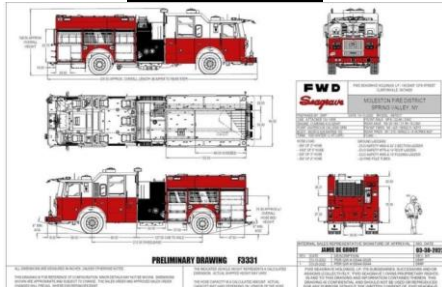


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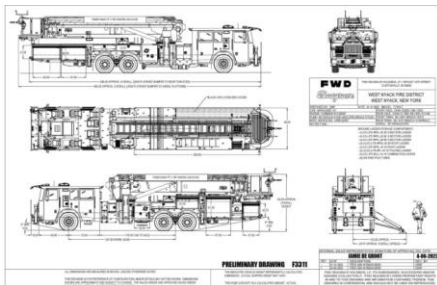


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COMING SOON

The Hillcrest Fire Company is happy to announce that the Moleston Fire District has signed with Seagrave Fire Apparatus and Hudson Valley Fire Equipment, LLC for the construction of a new pumper! The new pumper will ultimately replace 6-1501, a 2011 KME Predator and will be our second Seagrave Attacker. The new truck will serve as the "Hit Truck" out of 6-101. Many hours were put into the crafting of this truck by the members of the truck committee and we are excited for this addition to our fleet!-



West Nyack FD new tower ladder

WE SADLY REPORT THAT:

Fred Braband died May 8, 2022 age 72. Following in his father's footsteps, he devoted much of his life to the Nanuet. He served the Nanuet Fire Department for 53 years as Life Member, Ex-Chief and Ex-Commissioner Fred Braband Jr. Fred joined the fire company on November 1st, 1968 at 18 years old. He rose through the ranks and was elected Chief of Department in 1986 & 1987. He also served as a fire commissioner from 1992 to 1994. He was Life Member of RCVFA joining 1970.



Louis "Bubby" Hartell died May 7, 2022, age 95. He was a member of Nyack Fire Department; Chelsea Hook & Ladder Company He was a Life Member of the RCVFA joining in 1970



Charles Hoffman, died May 9, 2022, age 85; He was a member of Orangeburg Fire Department, 67 Year Life Member and Ex-Chief.



Dennis H Byrnes died May 17, 2022 age 80. He was a member of Wayne Hose Company, Stony Point, Life Member and Past Fire Commissioner. Dennis was a 57-year Life Member of the RCVFA joining in 1965



Don G Freeman, died May 23, age 83. He was a member of the Haverstraw Fire Department, Lady Warren Hose Co.5.

FEW FIRE FACTS FROM FRIENDS

Feb 13, 2022. Congratulations to the following Thiells FD members on completing their ice/cold water rescue technician certifications!
Dive captain Christopher Hughes
Divers Jayson Nilsen and Rafael Diaz
Top man Emilio Gonzalez

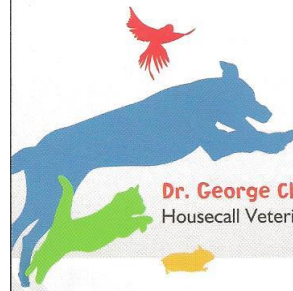


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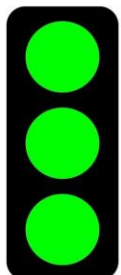
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CALENDAR**LISTINGS ARE FREE****845-364-8800****Deadline for Next Issue Last Wed. 6/29/2022**

- Fri, June 10
- RCVFA Next Meeting, 7:30 PM, at **Suffern 19-100, Vol. Hose Co.1**, with Pres Mike Rivera
 - SW Johnson Ladies Auxiliary, Pocket Bingo, Open 6 PM, Starts 7 PM \$45 include, eight games of bingo, (3 game cards per sheet, 8 sheets) one door prize raffle ticket, a bingo dabber for you to use, And the captain's table raffle ticket if qualified. What's a Captain ticket... Purchase a table of 10 in one transaction and your tickets become \$40.00 (\$400.00 For the table of 10) and now you are the captain of your table. You will be assigned a table number and when your fellow bingo players arrive at the event they go straight to the table, only the captain checks in. you receive a bag with everyone's bingo cards. Bring your own snacks, drinks (wine OK), Tickets texting 914-424-3064, Venmo or cash app.
- Sat, June 11
- Vol. Hose Co. 2, West Haverstraw FD, Comedy in the Park, Pecks Pond Park, 130 Samsondale Ave. West Haverstraw, doors open 7 PM, Show 9PM, Rain date Jun 12, contact any member for tickets, \$30, **any tickets bought for the Mar 19 show will be honored at door.**
 - Orangeburg Fire Dept, 2nd Motor-Fest, 10AM-6 PM, This event will be held in the Tappan Zee High School parking lot. All are welcome there is no admission fee for spectators. If you would like to participate you can find entry forms attached. <https://www.orangeburgfd.org/news/26/Motor-Fest>
- Wed-Sat, June 15-18
- NYSAFC FIRE 2022 in The Oncenter in Syracuse, NY, for info go to: <https://www.nysfirechiefs.com/fire2022>
- Fri, June 17
- Hudson Valley VFA, Mardi Gras Parade, line up 5 PM, Step off 7 PM, deadline 5/18/22, wallkillfd@gmail.com
- Sat, June 18
- Hudson Valley VFA, Dress Parade, deadline 5/18/22, Wallkill FD, wallkillfd@gmail.com
- Sun-Sat, June 19-25
- Firefighter Safety Stand Down
- Wed, June 22
- RCVFA Ladies Auxiliary, 7:30 PM, at West Nyack host @FTC (always 4th Wed), with Pres. Carol Cich
- Thur, Jun 23
- Fire Advisory Board, 7:30 PM, @FTC, with Chairman Lisa Castaldo
- Wed, Jun 29
- RCVFA Brd of Dir, 7:30 PM, at 6-100 Hillcrest, with Chairman, Ken Gordon
 - Deadline for articles for Trumpet
- Fri, Jul 8
- RCVFA Next Meeting, 7:30 PM, at **Hillcrest, Scholarship Night**, with Pres Mike Rivera

Future Events

- Wed, Jul 13
- RC Fire Police Assn., 7:30 PM, at Columbians, SV, with Pres. George Cich
- Sun-Wed, Jul 17-20
- NYS Assoc of Chaplains Seminar "Four Chaplains", Comfort Inn & Suites, East Greenbush, 99 Miller Rd, Castleton, NY contact Tom With tomwith@hotmail.com
- Wed, Jul 20
- RC Vol Safety Officers Assoc, BOD 6:30 PM. Mtg 7:30 PM, at East Spring Valley firehouse, with Pres Lisa Castaldo
- Thur, Jul 21
- RC Fire Chiefs Assn, 7:30 PM, at **Tallman, Scholarship Night**, with Pres Kevin Huslinger
- Tue, Jul 26
- Association of Fire Districts, 7:30PM, at Orangeburg, with Pres Ken Gordon
- Wed, Jul 27
- RCVFA Brd of Dir, 7:30 PM, at 6-100 Hillcrest, with Chairman Ken Gordon
- Mon, Aug 8
- FASNY Golf Tournament, Sprain Lake & Dunwoodie Golf Courses, Yonkers NY, 1130 AM Reg & Lunch, 1 PM Shotgun Start, 615 PM Dinner \$135 per golfer, Pre-Reg by Jul 1, only 36 foursomes per course
- Mon, Aug 22
- S.W. Johnson's 22nd Annual J. Harold Hulme Golf Outing, at Rotella Golf Course, Cost: \$140/Golfer - includes: Breakfast at Sparky's Diner 6:00am, 8:00am Shotgun Start at Rotella, BBQ immediately after at Kruckers, Giveaways and Door Prizes, Tee/Green Sponsor - \$100, Silver Sponsor - \$300, Gold Sponsor - \$500, Foursome + Tee Sponsor - \$600

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Please email Sheryl Rose with any Fire Department news, dates of events, fundraisers, etc. SherylERose58@gmail.com

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Trumpet June 2022 (2007).....15 Years Ago-Throwback!
County-Wide Public Safety Communications Network Update

September 10, 2007 marked the official kick-off of Rockland County's new county-wide public safety communications network project.

The new network is a state-of-the-art digital trunking system that will replace numerous analog radio systems operating on different radio bands currently used by the county's public safety community. Designed to provide interoperable radio communications for all Rockland County first responders, it will remove blockages in emergency communications caused by today's incompatible frequency bands. Fire, police and EMS will all benefit equally from the network's county wide coverage, robustness and redundancy. Additionally, users will be only a channel click away from being able to talk directly to any other first responder across village and town boundaries.

The County network will serve each agency independently for day-to-day operations, however will support mutual aid and joint operations through common "talk groups" set aside for combined police, fire and EMS operations needed for emergency situations or special events.

More than 9 tower sites will support the network's design goal of providing county-wide portable radio coverage with in-building coverage in town police headquarters, hospital Emergency Departments and other critical buildings such as shopping malls. The towers are linked by microwave, removing the dependency on fragile telephone lines.

Motorola was chosen to supply the network, mobile and portable radio equipment. PierCon Solutions is acting as the county's project and construction managers while AVSTAR consulting is managing the site acquisition process.

The new network is "open architecture" meaning that mobile and portable radios can be purchased from numerous vendors such as Motorola, Kenwood, Icom, M/A-Com and others to encourage competition and maximize interoperability.

Anyone familiar with two-way radio will agree that coverage is the all-important element. The county recognizes this and so has been totally focused on the proper placement of towers to insure the network's basic performance. We're moving through the somewhat un-glamorous task of lease negotiations but we're anxious to provide you with more specific details of the network's features shortly. (See Photo on Page 5)