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Dates To Remember:

- ◆ 9/11 Monthly Meeting—Dinner Meeting
- ◆ 9/12 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
- ◆ 9/26 HFD Exempts
- ◆ 9/27 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ All Scuttlebutt articles need to be in by 9/27

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Letter From Our Chief

I hope everyone has enjoyed the rest of the summer . Please remember that school starts in just over a week. There will be not only additional traffic during the daytime, but more importantly an increase of children near the streets. Please use extra caution when responding to calls.

Last month I had the privilege to meet with Father Joe Catanise from St. Leo's. It is my pleasure to announce that father Joe has accepted the position as one of our fire department chaplains. Father Joe joins us with a tremendous amount of knowledge and experience. He will be attending the October business meeting to address the body. Please welcome Father Joe to the fire department family.

At the monthly meeting last month I failed to address an issue that has come up recently. If at all possible, please refrain from turning vehicles around in private driveways. We had an issue last month where a resident was concerned about damage incurred due to turning around some apparatus in his driveway. In an effort to avoid this in the future, please refrain from using private driveways as a means of turning fire equipment around.

On a happy note I would like to congratulate John and Sue VerWulst on the birth of their baby girl . Also I would like to congratulate Bob Wirth on getting married on Saturday, August 27th.

Please be advised that point review is this month. If you receive a letter

regarding your participation, please make an effort to contact either myself or the president as soon as possible.

On a final note this month , I would like to express my deepest sympathies to Bob, Ben & Jim Floyd , Jim & Saralynn Mullen, as well as the entire Floyd and Mullen families. I would like to thank everyone who attended both the calling hours and the memorial service for Karen Floyd. As I stated in my original announcement on Karen's passing, although she was not a formal member of the fire department, she was a great friend to many and always willing to help out whenever possible. She will be truly missed by the entire department. Please keep the Floyd and Mullen families in your thoughts and prayers.

Until next month

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EMS News

Submitted by Aaron Horowitz

I would like to start out by extending my deepest sympathy to the Floyd family on the loss of Karen. Please keep the family in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with this difficult time.

Call coverage has continued to hold steady with very few uncovered calls. This is something that we should all remain very proud of. If you are able to cover a day or night shift, please let the appropriate group leader know and/or sign up on the master schedule.

Group leaders; please remember to email Kevin Corcoran a copy of your group's schedule before the start of the upcoming month. This will enable the master schedule to be put out in a timely fashion. Many schedules have not been forwarded to Kevin until a couple weeks into the month.

The Hilton Applefest is quickly approaching. This year it will be held on September 30th and October 1st (Saturday and Sunday). As in the past, we will need help in providing standby coverage and staffing the second ambulance. A sign up sheet will be posted shortly on the communications board. Please sign up where you are available.

During the months of September and October we have several requests for standby coverage at Hilton High School for Cadet football games. Please check for dates to be posted and sign up if you are interested.

As a reminder, the Vital Signs conference runs from October 19-22 in Syracuse. If you plan on going please sign up on the list posted on the EMS communications board. Please also indicate if you plan on spending the night in Syracuse. I have the names of several people already interested. A final count is needed by **September 8th**. Also please fill out the registration form (located on the EMS communications board) and place it in my mailbox when completed.

Congratulations go out to **Cindy Jock** on clearing as a first medic. She worked very hard to obtain this status and should be commended.

As always, please remember to wash, clean, and restock the ambulances after each and every call.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Wed	2 Tue
3 Thur	4 Firematic Drill— No Drill—Labor Day	5	6 Explorers – Monthly Meeting	7 Finance Meeting	8 Yellow	9 Thur
10 Mon	11 Monthly Meeting Dinner Meeting	12 Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meeting	13 Explorers – Hose Relay Compe- tition	14	15 Sun	16 Mon
17 Wed	18 Firematic Drill— Quint—Commercial Operations	19	20 Explorers – Drafting	21	22 Tue	23 Wed
24 Yellow	25 Firematic Drill— Drivers Recertifica- tion	26 HFD Exempts Monthly Meeting	27 BOD Meeting Explorers – EMS Review	28	29 Thur	30 Yellow

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Submit Scuttlebutt Articles via Email to Scuttlebutt@hiltonfd.org Articles Due 9/27

This Month's Birthdays – Happy Birthday To All



Sept 5: Larry Speer
 Sept 5: Sandy Popowych
 Sept 6: Jim Bimmler
 Sept 9: Debbie Peter
 Sept 9: Jeff Mullen
 Sept 10: Roger Gavigan
 Sept 15: Charlotte Bimmler

Sept 16: Marie Ward
 Sept 16: Don Stilson
 Sept 17: Tom Vereecke
 Sept 18: Bill Carter
 Sept 19: Mark Lage
 Sept 19: Chris Quarteri
 Sept 21: Jane Gebhardt

Sept 22: Dave Zajonczkoski
 Sept 24: Bob Cusenz
 Sept 24: Joe Yockel
 Sept 24: Janet Heinrich
 Sept 25: Evie Hoyt
 Sept 25: Brandon Tobin

Commission News

Submitted by John Lemcke

Meeting Highlights – Audit; Work is continuing on the GASB-34 requirements for Asset Management and Depreciation. This work should be completed by the end of September. Computers, Radio's & Telephones; The new Digital pagers are continuing to be programmed and distributed. We are unsure of the expected delivery of ours, as they are done on a first in (payment) first out basis. Conversion to Narrowband in the county has been delayed due to some departments unable to have the proper equipment in place. The City has made the conversion, and appears to be working well. Fire Equipment & Apparatus; The Quint has been sent to RD Murray for repairs. There continues to be work done on the Aerial hydraulics due to the “bouncing” of the ladder. Personnel; The personnel committee has hired 4 new people as Dispatchers, they are Wayne Collins, Ryan Hess, Pam Johnson (Walker FD), Bob Wirth. Thank-you to all that applied. The Board would like to thank Amy Lissow for taking the August Meeting notes in Michelle's absence.

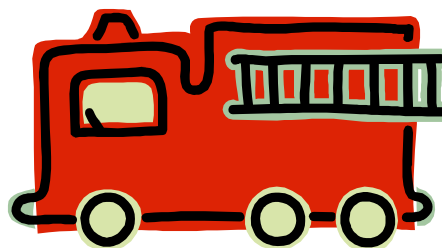
ETIN – Programming work continues on the equipment. They are in the process of updating software to make the equipment functional. **It is important that the equipment is left in the ON position in order for the software to be downloaded.** Please do not turn any of the equipment, including the monitor, off.

Building Feasibility – The Building Committee has met with St Leo's Parishioners to discuss the purchase of land behind the church, on Old Hojack Road. There were 2 meetings held at the church to present our proposal and answer questions. In addition, another member of the church had the same opportunity to present a proposal for the purchase of land. The Finance and Parish Councils are expected to make a decision in the very near future regarding their decision. At that point, the Fire District will make a presentation to the body, with our path forward.

Budget & Finance – The Commissioners and Chiefs have met for an initial proposal regarding the 2007 Budget. The District will continue to meet to determine what the final numbers will be, and will present this to the Town of Parma. Obviously, the big ticket item for next year's budget will be the Building, and compensating for the rising fuel costs for both apparatus, and heating

The Board of Fire Commissioners would like to pass on their condolences to the Floyd and Mullen families with the passing of Karen.

Next Meeting – The next meeting of the Hilton-Parma Fire District is September 6th, 7:30pm at the Fire Station.



Trustee News

Submitted by Todd Meyer

This Fall should once again be a busy time for the trustees. We are going to attempt many small projects to get a jump start on preparing for next year. These projects will include:

- Installing a stone roadway connecting the Exempt Club parking lot and the existing stone roadway behind the carnival buildings
- Repairing the damaged field areas with soil and grass seed
- Removing the stumps from the large trees that were cut down in the Zoo area
- Planting new trees in the Zoo area

These are only a few of the items that we will be attempting to get done this year. As the fall nears, we will also be winterizing the field and getting the storage trailer all buttoned up for the winter. As usual, if you hear of a work detail going on or see us working down there, don't be afraid to come help!

-The Trustees (Ben, Todd & Larry)

Ladies Auxiliary News

Submitted by Sue VerWulst

I would like to send my deepest sympathy to the family of Karen Floyd. May God help you through your grief and restore love and laughter to your lives again.

Thank you to everyone who worked the Aux. carnival booth this year. Thank you to our carnival chairmen, Kelly, Beth, and Debbie, you did a great job.

Our Carnival workers dinner was a great success thanks to the planning of Amy and Donna A. I heard a lot of good feedback. Thanks girls.

Also thanks to the girls who were able to come together at the last minute and help out at Spencerport's fire, with lunch and supper and desserts. Thanks Patty for getting all those desserts for us. The girls from Spencerport were very grateful for all our help.

Our next meeting is Sept. 11th after the quarterly dinner and before the clean up. It will be at the exempt club @ 7:00.

We are invited to Walker for their Fall Frolic on Sept. 19th. so save the date. More details to follow at the meeting.

There is a food donation box in the lounge again for the Hilton food closet. They are also looking for school supplies this year for needy families. There will be a list on the outside of the box as to the school supplies they are looking for. Everything will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks to everyone for all the cards and flowers and well wishes that we received after the birth of our daughter Theresa Sue. Born Aug. 17th. She is healthy and happy and we are both doing fine.

To All Fire Department Personnel: The Fire Department Open House is Sunday October 1st. If you would like to bake a dozen of cookies for the Open House and you are unable to get them down there in the afternoon, please feel free to leave them in the Fire hall kitchen that morning.

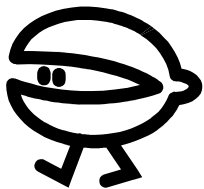
Respectfully submitted

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Clambake 2006–October 9th

Submitted by Charlie Kimball



The date for the 2006 Clambake is rapidly approaching. This year it will be Monday, October 9 at the Exempt Club. Festivities will start at 6:30pm. Hopefully the SHORT business meeting will be over. I have not been given other instructions so we can assume that all Active Fire, EMS & Ladies Auxiliary members as well as Associates, Life members, and Exempts are eligible to attend. Food will include chips, cheese & crackers, and other munchies; the Bimmeler sausage & wing medley; shrimp; 4 doz. Clams; chowder; beef tenderloin; salt potatoes; corn (if still available) or other vegetable; salad; and cookies. If you are still hungry after all that it is not our fault!! Beer, pop, & wine will be available at no cost. If you want something else it will be a cash bar. There is no charge to attend but our usual penalty will be charged if you sign up and don't show up.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the September Business meeting and in the fire hall through the month of September. You can also call Charlie Kimball at 392-3247 to reserve a spot. Sign-up deadline is October 1. I have to order the clams then.

As is usually the case, any assistance for set-up or clean up would be greatly appreciated. Thanks!

Special Meeting Announcement

Submitted by Ray Ward

The Fire District received information from St. Leo's Church indicating that we were approved to purchase the property directly behind the church. This still needs to go before the Diocese and the NYS Supreme Court. These should just be formalities, but are required.

We would like to convey the presentation given to the church to the Fire Department Members. We plan on hosting the first informational meeting after the next monthly meeting, on September 11th.

We will be contacting the remaining fire department organizations to schedule a time to give the presentation to them.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the Fire Commissioner and we will attempt to obtain the appropriate answer for you.