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Dates To Remember:

- ◆ 2/11 Monthly Meeting—Dinner Meeting
- ◆ 2/26 Ladies Auxiliary—Dinner Meeting
- ◆ 2/26 Exempts Meeting
- ◆ 2/27 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ All Scuttlebutt articles need to be in by 2/27

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Letter From Our Chief

First and foremost, I want to congratulate Tom Furtner, Jeff Thompson, Pete Drescher, Adam Maier and Tim Hutchings on their completion of the Fire Fighter 1 class. This class is a big commitment and a true accomplishment for anyone who passes it. Again, congratulations guys and thank you for your dedication to the fire service.

I also want to make a point of thanking all of the Fire and EMS members who manned the fire hall due to the recent high winds. Of course, while I was no where to be found and our district missed the brunt of it, we still had to answer several calls for service. As usual, you did a great job and I thank you again. And, while I'm handing out "thanks"...my appreciation goes out to John VerWulst for once again serving up his famous chili at the goals drill. It was awesome!

Recently a few of our members underwent some serious health issues: Jill Porter had back surgery, Rachel Hare, who is expecting her first child with Lieutenant Michael Hare (congrat's, by the way!) suffered from kidney stones and Shaun Castle had an emergency appendectomy. I hope everyone is recovering well and will be feeling 100% soon.

On a sadder note, my condolences to Past Chief, Jim Gates, his wife Jane, Captain Jeff Gates and his wife Jennifer, on the passing of brother

and uncle, John Gates. You have been in our families thoughts and prayers.

Also, please keep Dennis Bates and his family in your prayers as he serves a 1 year tour of duty in Afghanistan. I can't even imagine being away from my family for that long. (although a few hours reprieve from the noise and craziness is always nice...my wife is convinced that is the real purpose for all of the "meetings"

that I attend each week 😊) Dennis has an e-mail address, however I don't have it in front of me right now. I'll do my best to find out what it is and get it to you all soon in case anyone would like to send him a note or two. I'm sure he'd appreciate hearing from you.

Thank you to everyone for all you do. Every one of you make a difference to the Hilton Fire Department and the Hilton Community... which reminds me of a quote I recently read. It goes like this: "If you think you're too small to have an impact try going to bed with a mosquito in the room"! "Anita Koddick. Until next month, Eric

Training Schedule

Submitted by Joe Lissow

M/F/E	Monday	Feb. 4 @ 7:00PM	Safety / Blood borne Pathogens (CME)
M/F/E	Tuesday	Feb. 5 @ 9:00AM	Safety / Blood borne Pathogens (CME)
EMS	Tuesday	Feb. 5 @ 7:00PM	Aspirin / Sign Offs (CME)
EMS	Tuesday	Feb. 12 @ 7:00PM	EMS Charts (CME)
EMS	Wednesday	Feb. 13 @ 7:00PM	EMS Charts (CME)
	Monday	Feb. 18 @ 7:00PM	Water Rescue (CME)
	Tuesday	Feb. 19 @ 9:00AM	Water Rescue (CME)
EMS	Tuesday	Feb. 19 @ 7:00PM	EMS Charts (CME)
	Monday	Feb. 25 @ 7:00PM	CO Emergencies / Chimney Fires (CME)
	Monday	Feb. 26 @ 9:00AM	CO Emergencies / Chimney Fires (CME)



Movie Night

Submitted by Bob Floyd

February's movie night is going to be on Friday, February 15 at 7:00 PM in the training room. This month's movie will be Shrek the Third. Come down and bring your friends and family for a fun night with popcorn, drinks and a movie!!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Sun	2 Mon
3 Wed	4 Firematic Drill— Safety/Bloodborne Pathogens	5 Firematic Drill— Safety/Bloodborne Pathogens EMS Aspirin/Sign- Offs	6 Explorers – Meeting	7	8 Tue	9 Wed
10 Yellow	11 Monthly Meeting Dinner Meeting	12 EMS EMS Charts	13 Explorers – TBD	14 Happy Valentines Day	15 Thur Movie Night “Shrek the Third”	16 Yellow
17 Sun	18 Firematic Drill— Water Rescue	19 Exempt Monthly Dinner Meeting EMS EMS Charts Firematic Drill— Water Rescue	20 Explorers – TBD	21	22 Mon	23 Sun
24 Tue	25 Firematic Drill— CO Emergencies/ Chimney Fires	26 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting Firematic Drill— CO Emergencies/ Chimney Fires	27 BOD Meeting Explorers – TBD	28	29 Wed	

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This Month's Birthdays - Happy Birthday To All

Feb 1: Joan Kohler	Feb 12: Ben Floyd	Feb 23: Tom Mills
Feb 2: RJ Yockel	Feb 13: Bob Cusse, Jr.	Feb 23: Marge Fisher
Feb 2: Donna Allport	Feb 14: Jim Kibby	Feb 24: Ray Ward
Feb 5: Andrew Sweeney	Feb 15: Ray Hendershot	Feb 24: Robert A. Floyd
Feb 6: Ryan Nichols	Feb 15: Robert Hebing	Feb 25: Jan Lloyd
Feb 9: Tim Yockel	Feb 16: Bill Hess	Feb 26: Roland Yockel
Feb 11: Anne Duggan	Feb 16: Tom Hare	Feb 27: Don Harter
Feb 11: Amy Grande	Feb 19: Michael Furia	Feb 28: Claude Barclay
Feb 11: Jeremy Hasenauer	Feb 20: Eric Quigley	



Commission News

Submitted by Ray Ward

Personnel – The personnel committee has interviewed four candidates for the 5:00 to 10:00 position. They should make their selection shortly.

ETIN – The commission was contacted about the remote capability of the ETIN system. The software required is currently being tested at two other fire stations and will be made available once it has run successfully.

Building Feasibility – See New Fire Station News article.

Grants – We have entered into an agreement with the Village of Hilton for the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant for the purpose of sharing a Fuel Facility on the grounds of the Village DPW. All other grants are still status quo. We are also working closely with the village, actually John Lemcke is the lead person, on the FEMA grant for the existing fire station.

Building – I am sure everyone has already heard about the roof on the second story of the existing fire station, however; the part of the roof that seals the building from the elements blew off on the morning of the wind storm (1/30/08). By the time you read this, Upstate Roofing should have finished putting a new roof in place. Luckily the weather, after the wind storm, held out for us to not receive any more damage, such as water damage.

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

Carnival News

Submitted by Ray Ward

Yes, it is time to start thinking about the 2008 carnival. We had our first meeting in January to start getting things lined up. We have contracted with our usual Friday night band, 7th Heaven and are close to signing a contract with our Saturday band, Catch 22. We are in progress on the other available time slots.

I would like to extend an invitation to last year's stand chairman to approach any of the carnival staff for any stand issues or suggestions they would like to see implemented.

The following is a list of this year's carnival staff:

Ray Ward	Tim Yockel	Carm Carmestro
Wayne Collins	Mike Lissow	Chris Quarteri
Ryan Hess	Mark Kalen	

We will start updating the web site as soon as we have some information to share. Please see any of the carnival staff if you have any questions. Our next meeting will be February 12th if you would like to attend with any ideas.

New Fire Station News

Submitted by Ray Ward

We just want to recap what was stated at the goals meeting to make sure everyone is up to date on the status of the new fire station. We have received all our bids, they have come back favorable. Our construction manager has recommended the contractors for the four primes required to construct a building. They are as follows:

General Construction	D'Agostino General Contractor's, Inc.
Mechanical	Monroe Piping & Sheet Metal
Plumbing & Fire Protection	Lloyd Mechanical, LLC
Electrical	Northeastern Electrical Company

We will be officially approving these at the next public meeting of the commission. We were able to add back a couple of the alternates that were pulled out to insure we would stay under the bond value of \$6,150,000. One was the moveable partitions in the training room. We will now be able to separate the room into two distinct training areas. The other was full glass on the front bay doors to allow us to show off our trucks when they are in the station. We have allowed for appropriate lighting for this as well, we have lighting that will be illuminated during the night to display the vehicles.

Also we will not be installing a garage as part of the initial construction. It was decided that this could be done with substantial savings after we move in.

The expectation is that work will start in the beginning of April. The first thing will be getting the placement for the construction trailers, which will be placed on the north side of the lot. Hopefully everyone is excited as those of us on the building committee to see the construction begin. I have included the proposed schedule, from LeChase, on the back page.

On a last note, we are attempting to place a video camera to view the progress of the construction from a web site. The camera will, most probably, be placed on the town garage across the street from the construction site. Once we have the details worked out, we will give you more information on this.



Ladies Auxiliary News

Submitted by Kelly Nichols

We have a couple of fund raisers under way. One is the cookbook, keep giving your recipes to Denise. The other is the Chicken BBQ, March 8th. You can get your tickets from any of the Ladies Auxiliary.

Dates to remember:

Quarterly Dinner February 11th (4PM set up)

Meeting February 26th at 6:15

The men are cooking us a marvelous dinner. We will have our meeting after the dinner.

Quote of the day: Every really new idea looks crazy at first.

Alfred North Whitehead (1861-1947)

REMEMBER YOUR SECRET PAL.



Water Rescue Drill, Fire & EMS (2/18/08)

Submitted by Jeff Gates

This year we will be doing things a little different for the water rescue drill. Everyone knows that we have a large target hazard year round with open water in our district, with the lake, ponds and creeks. We deal with boaters and people fishing in the summer to snowmobile's and people that want to sit on the ice and fish (I can't figure that one out) for winter time fun.

One potential hazard that is in everyone's neighborhood, that we have had little training on is the family swimming pool. This year we are going to work with the Life Guard staff at the Merton Willams School to change that. We will be working together to perform patient packaging in the water, spinal immobilization including back boards collars and so on. We need to see what they can do for us and what we can do for them. Then we need to apply it to the back yard swimming pool where we will not have luxury help of a Life Guard (my guess is someone is getting wet).

For the drill **everyone** should bring clothes that they can get wet in the pool and dry ones to change into. We also will have other stations set up like the suits and rope bags to work on in the pool. I know that I'm looking forward to this it should prove to be educational and interesting all at the same time, now if I can just remember where I put my Speedo.

Thanks

Jeff Gates

Hilton Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Chicken BBQ



Saturday, March 8, 2008
At the Fire Dept. Exempt Club
(Take out ONLY)
Noon till Gone

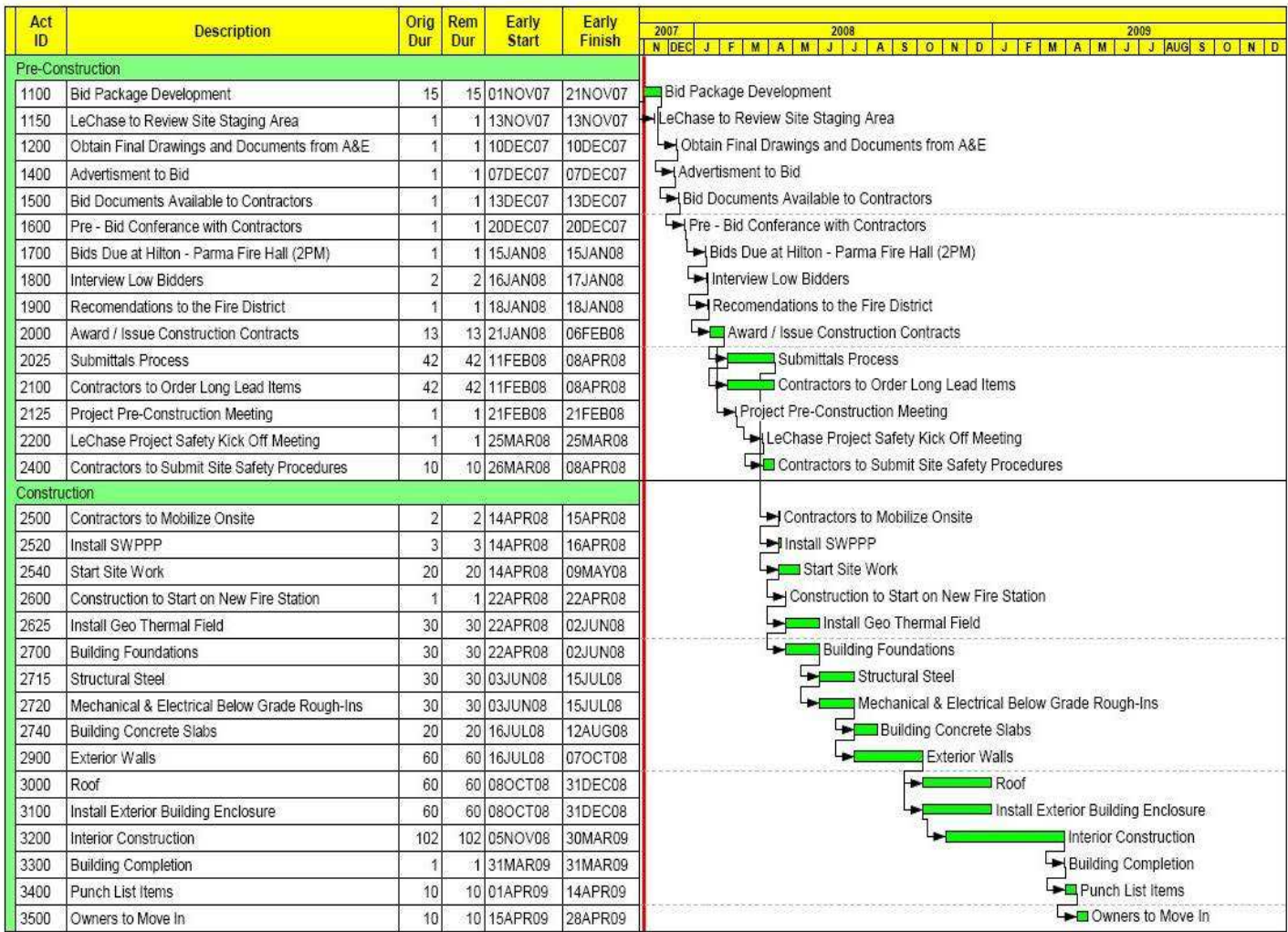
Tickets:

\$7:00 Advance Sale
(Pick up by 3:00 pm)
\$8.00 Day of Sale

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