

Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2025 Informational General Membership Meeting
Date: August 11, 2025

Board of Directors and Operational Officers:

President Henry Waldron	PRESENT	Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
Vice President Eric Kramer	PRESENT	First Deputy Chief James Mallilo	ABSENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	ABSENT	Second Deputy Chief Keith Rubenstein	PRESENT
Treasurer Elizabeth Wood	PRESENT	Third Deputy Chief Matthew Philip	ABSENT
Brian Canty	PRESENT	Chief Dispatcher Patricia Tufo	PRESENT
Seth Fischer	PRESENT	Sunday Co. 1 Capt. James Kelly	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT	Monday Co. 2 Capt. Lily Poplawski	ABSENT
Bernard Poole	ABSENT	Tuesday Co. 3 Capt. Sheon Bacchus	ABSENT
		Wednesday Co. 4 Capt. Tiffany White	ABSENT
		Thursday Co. 5 Capt. Kenney Cadet	ABSENT
		Friday Co. 6 Capt. Eve Pollack	PRESENT
		Saturday Co. 7 Capt. Andrew Taylor	PRESENT

Welcome to the August 11th, 2025 Informational General Membership Meeting.

The Meeting will come to order at 1930 hours

Acting Secretary Christine Tedone reported to the President Henry Waldron that the required quorum of 50 members are not present per the sign in sheet (eligible members 41).

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Jeffrey O'Neill – Please take a moment to remember all those who are serving in our Armed Forces and those who have sacrificed their lives in the service of our Country. Please remember all of our departed HCFAS members. Also, our special thoughts and prayers to all the victims and their families of the Mass (MCI) Casualty Incident/Shooting that recently transpired in New York City.

The President and the Officers and Committees have posted all reports on the white board instead of giving oral reports. Any questions regarding the information on the white board should be asked when that office gives their report.

Longevity Awards (Length of Service):

20 Years of Service:

Joanne Cunningham #1139

Joanne Cunningham – Member #1139 - Twenty (20) Years of Service – Congratulations
Joanne on your many years of service at HCFAS. We appreciate and thank you for your twenty (20) years of loyal and dedicated service to the Huntington Community First Aid Squad.

President Henry Waldron – Report Posted

Good Evening,

PAB Billing – Since the beginning of the year until July 2025 we have collected a total of \$260,000.00 in insurance payments. This is due to everyone's hard work and I want to thank you all for your continued efforts. Keep up the good work!

Suzanne Philip has resigned from the standby committee. This committee is a hard job and it requires a lot of work. I would like to thank Suzanne for all of her hard work and I would like to express my appreciation for her efforts. Myself, Dominic Heavy and Jim Mallilo will be temporarily be taking over the standby committee. We are trying to get it organized.

We cannot do any standbys without first following the proper procedures:

Standby requests must be made 30 days in advance. HCFAS does NOT do standbys for Private parties/Sporting Events or Commercial entities.

Please submit the following Information regarding Standbys:

Your Name, Phone number, Organization name, Date and time period for the requested standby, and address of the standby.

HCFAS will notify you if we are able to muster a crew for that standby within 12-14 days of your request. Phone calls, voice mails or text messages are not accepted.

Acting Secretary's Report – Christine Tedone

The July 14, 2025 General Membership Minutes will be presented at the September 2025 General Membership Meeting for approval as there is NO Quorum this evening.

Treasurer's Report – Elizabeth Wood – Report Posted

TREASURER'S EXPENSE REPORT

July 1, 2025 - July 31, 2025

5000 Payroll	\$49,073.05
5500 Billing Services	\$14,465.31
6000 EMS	\$4,642.47

79	6100 Vehicles	\$7,261.56
80	6200 Building	\$17,967.32
81	6300 Utilities	\$6,590.07
82	6400 Communications	\$2,327.59
83	6600 Insurance	\$45,580.68
84	6700 Office	\$2,012.94
85	6800 Uniforms	\$757.67
86	6900 Members Inspection	
87	7000 Training	\$1,941.80
88	7200 Fund Drive	
89	7100 Public Relations	\$300.00
90	7300 Subsistence	\$1,189.58
91	8000 Other	\$765.00
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93	<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$154,875.04</u>
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96 **Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey – Report Posted**

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98 Happy August to all and I hope you and your families are having a good summer.

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100 Only 2 Parades left for this year; East Northport Fire Department Wednesday, August 6th 2025,
101 leaving HQ 5:30 PM and Greenlawn Fire Department Thursday, August 28th, 2025, leaving HQ
102 at 5:30 PM.

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104 **MCI Drill:** The MCI Drill will take place on August 10th. All members wishing to participate in
105 this drill should be at HQ no later than 7:00 AM. The drill will be an Active Shooter and will
106 take place at the Walt Whitman High School. Please sign up or get in touch with the 3rd Deputy
107 Chief.

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109 **Survivor Stories:** Please see flyer included or on the bulletin board at HQ. Please sign up using
110 the QR Code. This is also open to the public.

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112 **NYS/DOH.** By now we have our New Certificate of Inspection and all our vehicles have the
113 new NYS/DOH sticker on them. Thank you to all who helped complete the paper work.

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115 **Huntington Manor Fair 2025:** As everyone is aware we had a foul up this year with the
116 HMFD fair. I take full responsibility for this and would like to apologize to both the BOD
117 and Membership for my part. I spoke with the Chief of HMFD and apologized to his
118 Department. The rest of the week went well. Thank you to everyone who helped out.

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120 **HCFAS EVENTS** - If you sign up for an HCFAS event please be certain that you show up. It
121 has come to my attention that we had a total of **36 NO SHOWS** at our Annual HCFAS Picnic
122 this year. This is unacceptable as the squad spends an exorbitant amount of money to host these
123 events and this is a complete waste of food and money. Please, be mindful of this in the future.
124 Your full cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Be safe out there and enjoy the rest of the summer.

First Deputy Chief – James Mallilo – Absent - Report Posted

Fellow Members,

Fall is upon us and sooner than we all expect it. There are six original EMT classes being offered in the county, check the REMSCO website. (<https://www.suffolkremSCO.com/>)

Some of our members who started January 1, 2016 or later are running out of time. You must have your EMT credentials by the end of your first (3) years of membership or else you will be dropped as per our BY-LAWS.

The County will drop classes if less than 20 are registered. West Babylon has only 10 registered and is close to being cancelled. Other classes include locations at the EMS Academy in Yaphank, Brentwood, Ronkonkoma and Saint James. You must first complete the application, mail in the check and HCFAS will reimburse you upon completion. Get that certification, it is a skill you can use and help us serve the community.

There are several standbys posted at HCFAS HQ and we need volunteers to fill these stand bys.

Second Deputy Chief – Keith Rubenstein – Report Posted

This months training is on documentation. Thank you Mark for your excellent trainings as always. Documentation is a very important topic. If you didn't document it then it did not happen.

The mobile dispatch terminals are installed into the ambulances. Thank you to Chief Matt Phillip for your hard work getting those installed. There's a document on our website how to use the MDT. Please read it over as it does a lot of things.

I am pleased to announce that as of today our frequency is now being played on the Ladder App. If you are a riding member please download the App. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me for assistance.

Thank you to everyone who attended the active shooter drill.

Please start using the MDT check out feature to do your checkouts as this will be the primary way to do checkouts and if you see anything wrong with the checkout please let me know.

Thank you!

Third Deputy Chief – Matthew Philip – Absent - Report Posted

Sorry, I am unable to make it to the meeting tonight. I am at work.

166 **Repairs needed as per 07/31/25**

167 **16 In service - Mileage: 85471 Miles**

168 **17 In service - Mileage: 28527 Miles**

169 **18 In service - Mileage: 56037 Miles**

170 **19 In service - Mileage: 86690 Miles**

171 **20 In service - Mileage: 90291 Miles**

172 **21 In service - Mileage: 39433 Miles**

173 **25 In service - Mileage: N/A Miles**

174 **80 In service - Mileage: 11832 Miles**

175 **81 In service - Mileage: 99072 Miles**

176 **82 In service - Mileage: 48635 Miles**

177 **88 In service - Mileage: 27782 Miles**

178 **89 In service - Mileage: 107038 Miles**

179 **Gator In service - Mileage: N/A Miles**

180 The ipads are in all the vehicles and are all Operational. Please see the MDT instructions that
181 Chief Rubenstein posted on the website to give signals to MedCom through the ipads.

182 Thank you to everyone who marched in the East Northport and Huntington Manor Parades and
183 everyone who participated in the MCI drill at Whitman HS this past Sunday. A big thank you to
184 Chief Dom Heavey for allowing me to be the Medical Branch Director, it was such an invaluable
185 experience and something I pray I'll never have to use for real.

186 If anyone sees anything new or wants to bring something up don't hesitate to reach out to my cell
187 phone at (631) 553-3135.

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189 **Chief Dispatcher – Patricia Tufo – Report Posted**

190 **Alarms.....588**

191 **Average Calls per day.....19**

192 **Signal 24's..... 08**

193 **Signal 24% rate.....1.36**

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195 **Signal 24's by Day of Week:**

196 **Sunday.....1 (ytd=15)**

197 **Monday.....0 (ytd=07)**

198 **Tuesday.....0 (ytd=08)**

199 **Wednesday.....2 (ytd=14)**

200 **Thursday.....2 (ytd=13)**

201 **Friday.....1 (ytd=03)**

202 **Saturday.....2 (ytd=07)**

203 **We had (1) Mutual Aid 16/24 to Greenlawn and (2) of the Signal 24's on Saturday 07/12/25,**
204 **occurred while HCFAS was in the middle of a Medevac/Medivac.**

205 **Year to date # Alarms.....3855, an INCREASE of 82 calls, compared to the same time in**
206 **2024.**

207 **Year to date # Signal 24's.....66, a DECREASE of 16, compared to the same time in**
208 **2024.**

209 **Year to date Signal 24% rate.....1.71, as compared to 2.17% the same time in 2024.**

210 **Year to date Multiple Alarms running.....59.8%**

211 **Year to date Average # calls per day.....18.2**

212 **Congratulations to (2) members that passed Dispatch Training, Post member Marcelle Samuch**
213 **on 07/08/25 and Marianna Rivas #1762 on 07/17/25. Also clearing Dispatch Training is new**
214 **Medic, Greg Williams #1769.**

215 **There are currently 3 members and 2 Post Member in the Dispatch Training classes.**

216 **A big round of applause goes to Mike Barker and the Dispatch Training Committee for their time**
217 **and effort.**

218 **Thank you Drivers, Crew Leaders, EMT's, First Aiders, ALS/Paramedics and Dispatchers for**
219 **your continued efforts on your response and management of calls! Everyone is doing a**
220 **wonderful job!**

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222 **Company 1 - Sunday Day Captain James Kelly – Report Posted**

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224 **Good Evening Everyone,**
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226 **I hope everyone is doing well. As always I would like to thank everyone who has been coming**
227 **out to help on Sundays. Sundays are pretty light as far as permanent staffing goes but week after**

week you all come together and make the day run beautifully so I thank you all so much for your help.

With that said our usual vacancies for Sunday are always:

1100 Shift: 2x Drivers and a Full Crew

1500 Shift: Full Crew (second CL on occasion)

1900 Shift: Crew Leader and a Full Crew

2300 Shift: Dispatcher, Driver/Crew Leader and Full Crew - (We will be needing (2) Permanent Full Crews in the coming weeks).

We also are looking for ALS providers throughout the day so if anyone is able to snag one of the spots as one of their own, that would be super appreciated.

We also have a pretty large number of PCRs, which are still open. We have been slowly chipping away at them but it really needs to be stressed that these reports must be completed within four hours of your call. Leaving reports incomplete for weeks afterwards is a pretty big problem. Keep on top of your review trainings, do your checkouts and most importantly stay safe out there.

Company 2 - Monday Day Captain Lily Poplawski – Absent - Report Given by James Kelly

Hey Everyone, Happy August!

We were able to finish July with 0 24s. This leaves us with a YTD total of 6 at the time of me writing this.

Thank you to everyone who came down to help the last few weeks: Tom Lemp, James Kelly, Barry Winter, Shannon Gore, David Kaufman, Ryane Como, Hank Waldron, Matthew Philip, Bobby Loysch, Brian Canty, Anthony Toledo, Patrick Donegan, Andrew Taylor, Jake Levinsky, Sasha Santamaria, Mike Gallagher, Mariana Rivas, Isilma Reyes, as well as all the hardworking dedicated Company 2 members and many others. Your help is truly appreciated.

Please consider picking some Monday shifts! The following are PERMANENT openings!!!

These need help EVERY week on top of vacancies that open up regularly.

0700 Shift: 3rd due DR

1900 Shift: 2 DRs

2300 Shift: 1st due DR & 2nd due DR

As a reminder from last month's GMM, I changed over the BLS Med pouches to be more uniform across our ambulances. I will continue to reseal all of them monthly. I have also

added ASA and oral glucose to the sealed BLS meds and removed nebulizers. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to me at any time. If you break the seal and need help re-sealing please reach out to a member on the BLS committee.

A few weeks ago we handled a Monday with 34 total calls. Thanks to the amazing work of all my Company 2 members and help throughout the day we did not 24 a single one. My Crews handled 3 Cardiac Arrests and 4 Choking. I could not be more proud as a Captain to have such motivated and hardworking members to get all those ambulances out to our community in need. Thank you for always coming in, showing out and constantly doing what's right.

With that all being said, we are now in the territory where you will most likely no longer see me for the rest of the calendar year. I am starting my Medic Program, which unfortunately falls on Mondays. Although, I am hopeful to make some more meetings and to see all of you chances of that are slim. I'll still be around sporadically, don't worry.

I'd also like to take some time to reflect on my 5 year tenure here as a member. Although a small milestone, I'm grateful to have the exposure I have here and the impact I've made in our organization. Here's to many more and have a great summer!

Thank you all for your consistent hard work and dedication on Mondays. Please be safe and I look forward to seeing you all around at some point! If you have any questions, comments, or concerns you can reach me at Monday.Captain@hcfas.org or my personal cell 631-374-5663.

Company 3 – Tuesday Day Captain Sheon Bacchus – Absent - Report Given by Eve Pollack

Good Evening HCFAS Members,

Special acknowledgements to the following members for helping on Tuesdays: Andrew Taylor, Bob Biersack, Bobby Loysch, Betty Wood, Brandon Sala, Veera Martin, Spencer Newman, Barry Winter, Daniel Fischer, Chelsea Keatley, Dan McNamara, Vera Ehlers and Hank Waldron.

Thanks to all of you who answer up and pick up extra shifts. It is appreciated!

This Tuesday, 8/12/2025 we have some needs:

1500 Shift - Second due Driver 1500

2300 Shift - Dispatcher, First and second due Crews

Tuesday Permanent Shift needs are:

1500 Shift - First Due Driver, Second due Full Crew

2300 Shift – Dispatcher, first due Driver, first due Crew Leader, second due Full Crew

Again, I stress the need for help on the overnights. We will end up burdening the surrounding

Departments with signal 24s.

ACL preceptors are also needed on the 2300 Shift. ACLs are welcome on any shift. Please email or call me to request to be added to the schedule.

Thanks for all that you do for our community.

Company 4 - Wednesday Day Captain Tiffany White – Absent - Report Given by Andrew Taylor

Hello Everyone,

I hope all of you are doing well and keeping cool.

I want to take the time out and give a special thank you to Melissa Anastos, Solomon Walden, Capt. James Kelly, Shannon Gore, Isilma Reyes Canales, Capt. Andrew Tayler, Barry Winter, Capt. Lily Poplawski and Captain Kenney Cadet for coming in and helping out on Wednesdays. I really appreciate your help.

Everyone please join me in welcoming a new member to HCFAS and to Company 4 member #1770 Anthony Toledo. We are very glad to have you join our EMS family with the willingness to learn and grow to be the best EMS provider you can be. I hope everyone's summer is going well.

Wednesdays needs are as follows:

0700 Shift – First Aiders

1100 Shift - Desperate need of Permanent Dispatcher

1500 Shift - 2nd due DR/CL

1900 Shift - 3rd Due DR

2300 Shift - 2nd due DR/CL

Again thank you all for what you do for HCFAS. Your hard work and dedication is greatly appreciated.

Company 5 - Thursday Day Captain Kenney Cadet – Absent – No Report

Company 6 - Friday Day Captain Eve Pollack – Report Posted

Hello Everyone,

Happy August - I can't believe summer's halfway over. Make sure to soak up the sun while we can. Whether it's reading, hanging at the beach, taking your dogs for a walk or playing

sports with your kids and enjoying the outdoors before fall arrives.

From February to July 4th, Fridays were Signal 24 free. A huge shout out to Company 6 and beyond for always showing up and giving it your all.

Looking ahead - Our Brick Oven Pizza Night will be held on Thursday, September 25th. Stay tuned for a flyer with more details. I can't wait to see you all there!

Help is needed: Two Drivers on the 1100, one full crew on the 2300 and a second Medic is needed throughout the day. Extra hands are always appreciated!

Reminders: Please finish checkouts and monthly review training. PCRs must be completed within 4 hours per protocol, even if the call is cancelled.

Thank you for everything you do. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or just want to chat. Looking forward to seeing you on Fridays.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer!

Company 7 - Saturday Day Captain Andrew Taylor – Report Posted

Good Evening Everyone,

A special thank you to all members of Company 7, Company 8 and everyone who has dedicated their time on Saturdays to ensure our operations run smoothly. Your hard work and commitment are truly appreciated!

A heartfelt thank you to the following individuals for their contributions to our successful Saturday Operations: Chief Matthew Philip, Captain James Kelly, Adam Ellenhorn, Suzanne Philip, Seth Fischer, Robert (Bobby) Loysch, Jeffrey Brenner, Michael Barker (Dispatching), Paul Bayer, John Stevens, Tommy Romano, Michael Jacoby, Andrew Ganley, Joseph Grant, Michael Capostoso, Angie Mata, Steven Benjamin, Dany Portillo, Jake Levinsky and Anthony Toledo. Your dedication and hard work are truly appreciated.

A big Congratulations to Andrew Ganley #1750! We're proud to share that Andrew has been accepted into the Stony Brook Paramedic Program! Your hard work and dedication have paid off now it is time to start this exciting new chapter!

Operational Update - We need additional coverage for Dispatcher shifts at 1900 and 2300, Second-due crew at 1100, 1500 and 2300 and ALS coverage at 1500 and 1900.

Delegate & Committee Reports

2025 HCFAS Scholarship Recipients – Bob Franz

410 The Board of Directors approved two additional 2025 scholarships to members Noah Ramos
411 #1674 and Lauren Groser #1702 as requested at the last membership meeting. In total, eight
412 2025 scholarships were awarded. The other recipients and winners of the drawing were Jasjeet
413 Kaur #1694, Kayla McCann #1759 – daughter of Kevin McCann # 1143, Katie Block – daughter
414 of Brian Block #1484, Amanda Treulich – daughter of Laura Treulich # 743, Melissa Dale
415 Treulich – daughter of Laura Treulich #743, Jack Fischer - Son of Seth Fischer #1281.

416 **NYS Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association Scholarship-Deadline August 15th –**
417 **Bob Franz**

418 The NYS Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association scholarship application can be found on
419 their website www.nysvara.org or on the bulletin board and must be received by August 15, 2025
420 (applications postmarked later than the deadline August 15, 2025 will not be considered). This
421 scholarship is open to squad members and post 215 members. Each year the NYSVARA
422 provides up to three \$500 scholarships. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit as
423 determined by The Scholarship Committee of the Association, whose decisions are final.
424 Applicant must be a high school senior in good academic standing and graduating in June of the
425 year applying or an adult member furthering their education. Applicant must have applied to and
426 be planning to enroll and pursue a course of study in an accredited college or university.

427 **See also Scholarship to D'Youville University, Buffalo, NY on NYSVARA website.**

428 **Scholarships: Various scholarships & Tuition Assistance information is posted on the**
429 **bulletin board above the mail folder counter, such as:**

430 **-Gregory A. DeCanio Memorial Scholarship**

431 **-The Glatfelter Scholarship Foundation**

432 **-The Suffolk County SERVES program**

433 **NYSVARA Special Awards Nomination Applications**

434 **Applications must be Submitted by September 8, 2025.**

435 **NYSVARA Pulse Check and Annual Meeting** - The event is scheduled for Sunday, October 5,
436 2025 in Rockland County.

437 **The Suffolk Educational program for Retention in the Voluntary Emergency Service**
438 **(SERVES) -Bob Franz**

439 The SERVES Administrative Guide is posted on the bulletin board and is available on line – Go
440 to www.suffolksbravest.com. Suffolk County resident student volunteers may attend a college or
441 university in Suffolk or Nassau County or take on line courses from accredited institutions of

higher education or attend an authorized workforce vocational training program in Nassau or Suffolk County. The application and supporting documentation for each semester must be submitted no later than the 8th Friday of the academic calendar.

Some highlights of the SERVES program follow.

- The program is a reimbursement program with an award payment made directly to the student-volunteer at the completion of each semester.

- SERVES provides a reimbursement based upon tuition costs at Suffolk County Community College- i.e. as of July 2024, the maximum payment for a 12 plus credit schedule (full-time status) with a GPA of 3.75 to 4.00 or an “A” would be \$2,915. The student-volunteer will receive reimbursement based upon a sliding scale related to their GPA.

- The number of credits supported by the program; full or part time; covers a Bachelor’s Degree or up to 120 credits (see administrative guide for definition of lifetime credit hours). If you already earned 120 credits of higher education, you are not eligible for SERVES.

- The student-volunteer agrees to use SERVES funds only to supplement any tuition not covered by sources of free financial aid (TAP, PELL, APTS and etc.)

- The student-volunteer must maintain acceptable volunteer activity and training during their entire course of study. There is also a volunteer service obligation of one to five years after attendance at a college or university based upon the number of credits taken under the program.

- Applications are date stamped upon receipt and the earliest dated applications shall be reviewed first as SERVES funds shall be disbursed on a first come, first served basis.

LOSAP 2025 Points – Bob Franz

The LOSAP point committee puts incomplete submitted LOSAP forms for your correction in a basket on the mail folders counter top. Please check this basket and immediately, make any required corrections and return the form to the LOSAP point committee. Please always use the proper LOSAP form and enter the required information in a legible manner. All Finger Read Adjustments must be submitted to your Day Captain for correction within 30 days of the event.

The 2025 LOSAP Point listing posted on the bulletin board is being updated periodically. It is requested that each member review their points and report in writing any discrepancies to the LOSAP point committee. All review trainings must be completed & submitted by December 31, 2025 to be eligible for LOSAP points for 2025. Review Trainings should be

472 completed on a monthly basis, please do not do more than a maximum of two review trainings in
473 a single day.

474 **LOSAP 2024 Benefit Statements - Bob Franz**

475 We received the December 31, 2024 LOSAP benefit statements and they will be distributed
476 within two weeks to all participants in your member mail folder or by the USPS. Upon receipt,
477 please review this statement carefully and if any of the information is incorrect, please put a
478 detail note with any corrections in Director Bob Franz's mailbox. If you require a change of
479 beneficiary, please use HCFAS Form #430 which can be found on the form rack outside the
480 dispatch office or on the Squad website or server.

481 **Please make sure your legal name and address is correct on the statement.**

482 LOSAP participants who are currently receiving a benefit payment will receive their 2024 earned
483 benefit increment with their September benefit payment and will receive a separate payment for
484 the 2024 earned increment amount for the months of January to August 2025 (eight months)
485 benefit at the end of August.

486 **NYS Legislation Update**

487 **S1515 / A2177A** - The bill which was advocated by South Country Ambulance Chief Greg
488 Miglino has passed the Senate and the Assembly – the bill Removes EMS from the limit on real
489 property tax levies by local governments. The bill takes effect immediately upon being signed by
490 the Governor. (Senator May/Assemblywoman Lupardo). Once the bill is delivered to the
491 Governor then letters, emails etc. to the Governor to sign the bill will be requested.

492 **Vital Signs 2025 - In Syracuse, NY November 12-16, 2025. For more info see:**
493 **www.vitalsignsconference.com.**

494 **SUNY RECONNECT – FREE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR ADULTS IS HERE – Bob**
495 **Franz**

496 Free Associate Degrees for individuals Age 25 to 55 with no current degree. Students can earn
497 degrees in growing fields like health care, automotive service specialists, computer science,
498 **EMT – Paramedic, Nursing etc. etc. etc.** - Half of NYS Paramedic Programs are offered at
499 SUNY and CUNY institutions – attend a program and come out with an Associate Degree.

500 **Benevolent Committee – Brian Canty** – If there is a need from any member please contact
501 Brian Canty for assistance.

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503 **Driver Training Committee – Jeffrey Brenner & Dominic Heavey** - Please remember to
504 drive with caution and be safe out there. Also, **SLOW DOWN**. You will not be penalized if you
505 are involved in an accident but you must immediately report any and all accidents. You are
506 required to complete and submit all the necessary paperwork if you are involved in an accident.

507 Drivers, please note that you are required to turn **OFF** the lights and sirens as you approach
508 View Acre Drive prior to your arrival at the Entrance of the ER. Your full cooperation is
509 appreciated.

510 If anyone is interested in becoming a Driver, please submit a copy of your New York State
511 Drivers License and place it in the Driver Committee's Mailbox. Thank you to all the Drivers,
512 you are all doing a great job.

513 **Explorer Post 215 – Susanna Otto & Kevin McCann** – HCFAS Explorer Post #215 will be
514 hosting a Car Wash on Saturday, September 6th between 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. All Proceeds
515 will support our Youth Training Program. Please come out and support our Explorers. We hope
516 to see you there.

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518 **Fund Drive Committee – Joan Florio & Carol Nucci** – As of July 31, 2025 the Fund Drive
519 has received a total of \$63,932.30 in donations.

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521 **New Vehicle Committee – Keith Rubenstein** – There will be a meeting at Town Hall on
522 Thursday. It will take at least two (2) years to get a new Ambulance. I am waiting to receive
523 word on much it will cost to purchase the ambulance.

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525 **Pulse Committee** – All Reports and Articles are due the 25th of the month.

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527 **Stand-By Committee – Dominic Heavey/James Mallilo & Henry Waldron** - There are
528 several upcoming standbys posted at HCFAS HQ, we need volunteers to fill these stand bys.
529 Please contact the committee if you are available to help out.

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532 **In Closing:**

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534 Has everyone fingered in?

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536 **Thank you to those who have helped prepare tonight's dinner:**

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538 **Social and Kitchen Committees:** A Special thanks to Lisa Mohr, Bob Biersack, Angie
539 Kalodoukas, Joanne Cunningham, Kevin McCann, Carol Nucci

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541 **New Business:**

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543 **Seth Fischer** – Spoke about the recent incident involving the West Babylon Fire Chief who
544 acted inappropriately towards a patient on a rescue call. He advised members that they should be
545 mindful of what they say because you are always on camera. Act accordingly and professionally
546 at all times. Remember, you are ALL representing HCFAS.

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548 **Bob Franz** – According to the **HCFAS SOP's** any non-probationary member in good standing
549 is eligible to file for an Operational LOA. The LOA **MUST** be requested no less than two (2)
550 weeks prior to the dates or time period that you are requesting.

John Palmieri – Last month at the BOD Meeting John lost his temper and utilized inappropriate language while the group was discussing changes to the SOP. John apologized to Bob Franz and all the other Board Members that were present at the meeting for his inappropriate behavior.

Roger Winter – Thanked all the members who participated in the recent MCI. There were over two hundred (200) individuals who participated in this drill. It was very well done and very well choreographed. Roger would like to extend his Congratulations to everyone for their efforts and great success.

Old Business: None

GMM Various Raffles:

Cheesecake Factory Gift Card \$25 – Kevin McCann

Home Depot Gift Card \$25 – Nancy Barker

Panera Bread Gift Card \$25 – Casey Stone

Target Gift Card \$25 – Daniel Fischer

Bottle of Wine – Colton Kraese

Bottle of Wine – Fiona Witkowski

Members in Attendance: Eligible Members 41, Probationary Members 8, Total: 49

Motion made by Paul Shapiro and seconded by Fiona Witkowski to adjourn the General Membership meeting at 2045 hours.

Motion Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine A. Tedone

Assistant Secretary

Lehti A. Laas

Secretary

Draft Posted: August 2025

Draft Approved: August 2025