



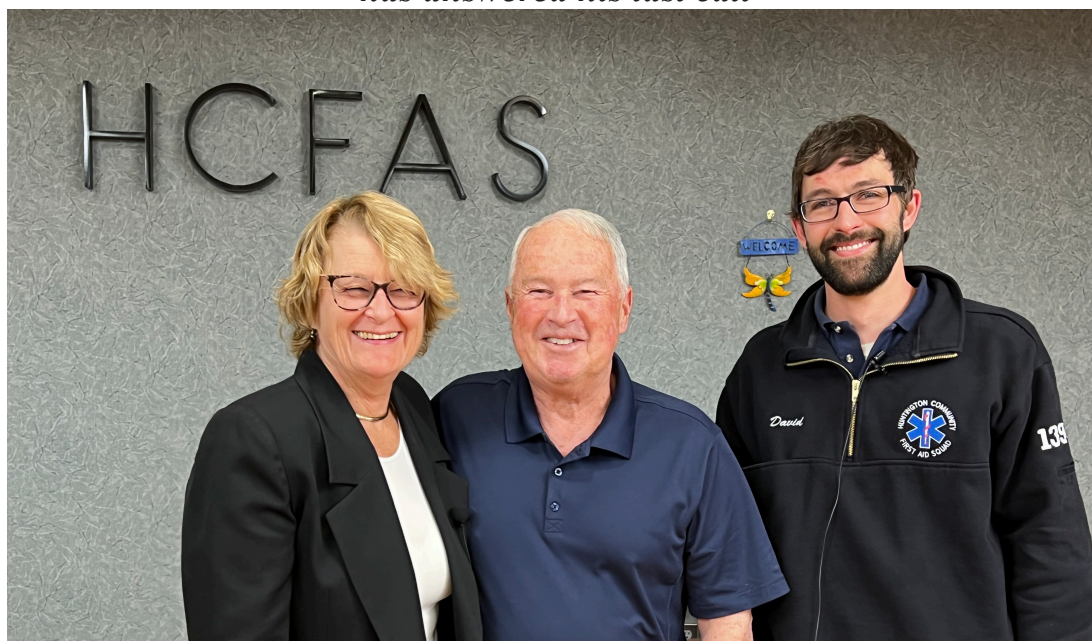
THE PULSE

***THE HEARTBEAT OF THE HUNTINGTON COMMUNITY FIRST AID SQUAD
PROUDLY VOLUNTEERING SINCE 1967***

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*It is with deep regret and great sadness that we announce that
MEMBER #1187 TOM O'LEARY
has answered his last call*



Questions? Submissions? Email the Editor – David Mohr at thepulse.hcfas@gmail.com
PULSE Staff – Brian Canty, Eric Kramer, Karen Martin, and Sheryl Roach

I would like to welcome Sheryl Roach to the staff of the PULSE. Sheryl has graciously agreed to take on the role of introducing you to our new members. Sheryl will be interviewing our new members as part of their introduction to the Squad.

Thank you Sheryl and we look forward to your interviews.



***President
Fiona Witkowski***

We were all saddened by the sudden passing of Tom O’Leary who has been such a dedicated member for the past fifteen years. In recognition of his many achievements, which include Driver of the Year, a top responder for many years, a former board member and someone who could be relied upon to respond to signal 3s, the Board has posthumously granted Tom Life Membership.

Fortunately, funerals are not something we have to organize very often. Because of Tom’s service to the Squad, we honored him with a salute as his hearse passed the building, and a celebration of his life after the service at St. Patrick’s. I commend the operational officers, under the leadership of Chief Kaufman, for making the events on Friday and Saturday run so smoothly. I would like to give special thanks to Ex-Chiefs Dominic Heavey and Jeffrey Brenner for their help and expertise in making us look so professional, and to Brian Canty for organizing the food after the service. A good job was done by all, and thank you to everyone who attended one of these events.

I am delighted to acknowledge three of our members for their recent significant achievements. Congratulations to our First Deputy Chief, Katie Donegan, on earning a dual Master’s degree in Childhood Education and Special Education. Congratulations to Alex Hastava, Friday Day Captain, on becoming a Paramedic. Congratulations to Ex-Chief and current Wednesday Day Captain Dominic Heavey on becoming an American citizen!

“Nobody made a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could only do a little.”

- Edmund Burke





*Chief
David Kaufman*

No Article Submitted



*1st Deputy Chief
Katie Donegan*

In June, HCFAS lost active member #1187, Tom O'Leary. The outpouring of love for Tom truly showed how deep an impact he had on our organization in his 15 years here. My heart goes out to his family, both at home and at HCFAS. Thank you to all members who came to the services to honor and celebrate his life. Special thanks to Tom and Judy Hogan for lending their compassion, and to all who aided in the arrangements. Thank you to the BOD and Brian Canty for organizing the gathering at the building, and for all who assisted in the services, Casey McCormack, Lorraine Healey, Lily Poplawski, Jackie deBruin, Jackie Callinan, Devon Linden, Pan Brenner, Brett Dowler, Kyoko Saito, Colin Weigele, Marty LoCascio, Brandon Eybergen, James Kelly and HUGE thanks to Justin Chermak and Jeffery Brenner for facilitating the Honor Guard and all the processions, I truly appreciate you all. My apologies if I missed a name or two, it was amazing to see everyone come out to honor Tom. Additional thanks goes to Chief David Kaufman as well as Ex-Chiefs Casey Orr and Ryane Como for their assistance.

We are officially in the first month of the third quarter of the year, and everyone needs 48 hours per quarter. The quarter ends 9/30. Please remember to finger in and out on the same shift. If you are going to miss a shift, plan to make up the hours by coming in early and staying late or doing another shift entirely. Please check your hours regularly and submit any necessary adjustments. If you are unsure about hours or if you need to submit any adjustments, reach out to your day captain or myself. To qualify for the end of year gift card, you need to have 36 shifts (full 4 or 8 hours) by December 1st.

As we enter the summer, there are many HCFAS events coming up! We are off to a good start to parade season and I hope to see many members at the ones we have forthcoming!

For Company 8 members, please reach out if you need any support to know which shifts are in need. As a reminder, let the Day Captain know when you will be in so they can add you to their roster and onto a crew.

If you have any concerns, please reach out to your Captain or the Chiefs so we can assist you in a timely manner. I am always happy to answer questions about leaves, advancements and any other needs you may have!

Thank you for your continued dedication to our organization.

Katie Donegan 2-15-31



***2nd Deputy Chief
Dale Bartolomeo***

Hope Everyone is doing well!!

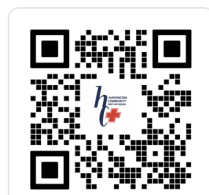
This month's Review Training is on "Allergic Reactions". Thank you, Mark Brenner, for putting this review training together!!

Please complete all monthly Review Training as soon as possible.

Please remember all PCR's are supposed to be completed and faxed within four hours. At the very least by the end of the day!! We are starting to see a lot of unfinished PCR's left in ESO!! **THIS HAS TO STOP!!!** Please make sure they are finished before the end of the day. If there is an issue, then please reach out to your Captain and/or me so we can fix the problem. Also, **INSURANCE** info needs to be obtained!! UTO should be used if you cannot get this information and an explanation why must be documented.

Anyone who needs to take a CPR class, CPAP, and/or BLS 12 Lead, please use this QR codes below.

Enjoy your summer!!



BLS CPAP



12 LEAD



***3rd Deputy Chief
Bill Connolly***

Greetings Members,

I have specific items to review for fueling the vehicles and monitoring supplies.

Drivers: **Do not** use the **Shell gas station located at 161 New York Ave, Huntington** for fuel. The Squad has ongoing litigation with this business.

When fueling-up the vehicles, the driver must get out and verify the correct fuel is being added to the vehicle. All ambulances and van (88) use diesel and the fly cars use regular gasoline.

At the hospital, please check the outside partition for Squad items such as backboards, O2 tanks, splints, and other supplies from the ambulance. When you return to the squad, please return the items to an ambulance or the supply closet.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

Bill Connolly 2-15-33



***Chief Dispatcher
Mike Capotosto***

No Article Submitted



***Co. 1 – Sunday Captain
Jacob Levinsky***

Hello everyone and happy July. Hope everyone will have a good 4th of July! Hope everyone has been good and has been staying healthy so far.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped out on Sunday's: Tom Schirripa, Jeff O'Neill, Matt Philip, Colin Weigele, Jackie DeBruin, Casey McCormick, Kenney Cadet, and everyone else who has helped Sunday in general. All of your help means a lot to me.

I'd like to congratulate the 1100 crew of Jackie De Bruin, Alex Hastava, David Kaufman, Sue Otto, Will Burton, and Keith Tetrault, for a save from a drowning that came in around 1300 on

6/26/22. I would also like to congratulate Alex Hastava for passing his medic course and having that be his first save as a medic.

I would also like to thank Felix Rivera-Medina and Matt Philip for answering up during the 1100 while we had 3 calls come in within 30 minutes.

Help is needed on many shifts, A Driver is needed for the 0700, and a Dispatcher and a full crew is needed for the 2300.

Anyone available to help out, please let me know.

As always, please remember to Clock **IN** and **OUT** on the same shift after completing either your 4 or 8 hour shift. You can use the finger reader by dispatch and the back door, to see what time you clocked in so you can now tell what time you need to clock out to receive credit for the full shift. Also, don't forget to do your weekly checkouts and clean up the rig after every call. If you use something on the rig, please clean up and restock if necessary. You are not the only one who uses the ambulances, and think about how you would feel if you found the ambulance you are using is messy and missing equipment.

Jacob Levinsky 2-15-51



***Co. 2 – Monday Captain
John Connors***

Company 2 & HCFAS Members,

Take a moment to think about what this agency and your fellow members mean to you. This is a great opportunity for reflection. Another mourning flag on display, another great member, friend, mentor, father, grandfather has passed. Tom O'Leary, your resilience in life will forever be admired and remembered. I attended a special little remembrance meeting for Tom hosted by the Hogans a couple weeks ago. I would like to thank them again for their time. There was an amazing takeaway that I took to heart during this gathering. One member had said although it is nice that we are saying all these nice things about Tom after his passing, but did we say these same things to him while he was alive? I feel that all of us should take a moment and reach out to someone you care about, tell them how special they are, and the impact they have made in your life. With all the darkness in the world, a display of love can brighten the light in the future of humanity.

With that being said, I would like to thank all of the Monday members and those who continue to come in to help out your community. Each and every one of you are a piece of a puzzle that when together makes us whole, and together we create a place that people want to be a part of. Mondays are building back up, our 1100 still needs Drivers, and our 2300 needs to full crews. ACL's and First Aiders are always welcome.

Tom O'Leary you will be greatly missed, thank you for every moment we ever had. You were truly a great man.

John Connors 2-15-52

Co. 3 – Tuesday Captain – Joe Savaglio

No Article Submitted



Co. 4 – Wednesday Captain Dominic Heavey

I would like to thank everyone for their help during Tom O'Leary's funeral. The Honor Guard at the Funeral Home and at St. Patrick's Church. The Pallbearers who carried Tom to and from the Church. All the members who showed up for the Squad Services, and again on Saturday morning outside the squad and outside the Church.

A special thanks goes out to Ex-Chief Martha Brenner, Jeffery Brenner and Justin Chermak who looked after the details during Wake and Church Services.

To Ex-Chief Brian Canty and his committee for looking after the food Saturday morning and afternoon.

To the Chief Officer's, men, and women of H.M.F.D. and H.F.D., nice job with the American Flag across Railroad Street in front of our Headquarters.

There were a lot of moving parts to be taken care of and with everyone's help it all went well. Job well done by all.

Rest in peace Tom, we got it from here.

Vacation 2022

Like I promised, I need help on the following shifts while I am away.

	7-27-2022	8/3/2022	8/10/2022	8/17/2022
0700-1100	CL & DR 2 Due	CL 1 Due	CL 1 Due	CL 1 Due
		CL & DR 2 Due	CL & DR 2 Due	CL & DR 2 Due
2300-0700	CL & DR 2 Due	CL & DR 2 Due	CL & DR 2 Due	CL & DR 2 Due

As we enter the Third Quarter (1+2), I would like to remind everyone to check their hours, and make sure you are up to date on your review training.

I would like to thank everyone who did an extra shift this month or who answered up on a 16. Wednesday made it through another month without any 24's.

Dominic Heavey 2-15-54

Co. 5 – Thursday Captain – Colin Weigele

No Article Submitted



Co. 6 – Friday Captain Alex Hastava

Happy Friday everyone! It should be known that the regulars who consistently help out on Fridays do not go unnoticed and are a tremendous support to the backbone of Company 6. These exemplary members are: #1423 Bob Biersack, #1281 Seth Fischer, #1505 Paul Bayer, #1361 Richie Cortes, #1627 John Stevens, #1631 Matt Philip, and #1082 Spencer Newman. Thank you all for your continued support and willingness to step up and serve our community at large.

Starting in the month of July, I am planning on conducting weekly 'STAT reviews', follow-up Google quizzes on critical skills/assessments that could be improved upon based on ePCR audits and reviews. Please feel free to reach out with any recommendations or suggestions for topics we could cover. It is crucial to remember that "if you don't document it, it didn't happen"; thus, it is extremely important to document any and all encounters or skills you perform on the scene of a call. Additionally, please make sure that you are filling out the physical copy of the checkout forms when you do your ambulance inventories as active participation.

As always, the 1100 is desperately looking for a permanent 1st due Driver to replace Bob Biersack, who tirelessly puts in more hours than he is regularly scheduled for to help fill in scheduling holes. In fact, the 1100 on Friday is not even one of the 4 other shifts he regularly helps out on. Additionally, a full 2nd due crew can be used on the 2300.

Company 6 Members: Please remember to join the GroupMe page that was sent out to you via email. I will be using this as our weekly training and notification platform going forward.

Alex Hastava 2-15-56



***Co. 7 – Saturday Captain
Steven Benjamin***

There have been many good developments since my last PULSE article. Mike Como (1500) and Samantha Ryan (0700) have returned to the schedule from their Operational leaves. Alissa Barber (1500) and Ben Curry (1900) returned from their Educational leaves. Eve Pollack (1900) officially became a Saturday member as did Kevin Solano (0700). There are six members currently in the ACL program whom I expect to advance soon.

Paid ALS has returned to Saturdays after a long hiatus, thanks to the efforts of Alex Mullin, our Chief Medic and our Board of Directors. Most June shifts had a paid medic with Alex and new Medic Ben Galinson being on shift most frequently. The infusion of returning members and medic availability has enhanced our culture, not to mention enhanced our response capabilities.

HCFAS is made up of very special people willing to sacrifice their valuable time, but those who regularly support the 2300 shifts are a different breed. There are only around 20 or so members who do a 2300 shift week in and week out and I am fortunate to have six of those members, Jackie DeBruin, Marissa Lindner, Ori Baer, Matt Philip, Jake Levinsky and Alex Hastava who support the Saturday 2300 most weeks. These members also support other days. While I have been mostly fortunate, most days struggle with this shift each week and it is one of the main reasons we do not have a lot of members run for Captain each year. If most members would just do a couple of 2300 shifts a year, this would alleviate what has been an issue for HCFAS. You will have filled in where the need is very high and there is something surreal about taking a call in the middle of the night when everything is quiet.

Members of the week since my last report:

June 18th – Tim Quigley and Suzie Biagi

June 11th – John Stevens and Alyssa Sorenson

June 4th – Alex Mullin

May 28th – Michael Jacoby

Stay safe everyone

Steven Benjamin 2-15-57



News from Huntington Hospital

Fiona Witkowski

~ **COVID Update:** Huntington Hospital has only a handful of hospitalized patients with COVID. None are in the critical care units. Please continue to place masks on your patients and yourselves. We are currently allowing one visitor per ED patient; 2 for pediatric patients.

~ **Wound Care Center/Hyperbaric:** The Director of the Wound Care Center, John Kutzma, gave an overview of the services the hospital's Wound Care Center provides. Currently, the Center is not part of the 911 system and only provides outpatient follow up care.

~ **STEMI:** YTD 2022 stats presented. Please continue to provide us with early and pre-notification. Direct transmission of EKGs from the field is the ideal process and should be utilized. Sole transmission to Medical Control can add a 5-10 minute delay.

~ **Linens:** Thank you for dropping off any unused or extra hospital linens. The drop-off bin has been permanently placed outside the ED. The hospital is charged for linen not returned. We ask that you only replenish the amount of linen that is used.

~ **Face Sheets:** Our ED Registration staff can provide crews with a patient face sheet upon request; however, the request needs to be made while the crew is in the department. Please do not make these requests to our Unit Secretaries or the triage nurse.

~ **Medication History:** Assistance in relaying information you receive about a patient's medication history is greatly appreciated. A copy of any lists that might be obtained by the patient, family or transferring facility should be provided to the triage nurse.

~ **Trauma:** The Trauma Program Manager, Sue O'Connell, shared that there has been an improvement in the percentage of completed PCRs and the pre-notification of patients. It was noted that cervical spine immobilization has been lacking in some recent trauma transports. Dr. Ryan O'Neill, physician liaison to EMS, has spoken to the specific departments involved in these cases.

~ **Healing the Heart of Healthcare Event:** The hospital will be hosting a 24-hour on-site event entitled Healing the Heart of Healthcare next Tuesday, June 28 beginning at 12 noon in the North Parking Lot (adjacent to the upper level of the parking garage). The event will kick off with an eternal flame lighting ceremony and continue with pinning ceremonies, healing stations, pet & music therapy, etc., through 12 noon on Wednesday, June 29. This event is open to all first responders (Fire, Rescue and Police Department personnel). All are encouraged to attend some

portion of this 24-hour period. If you plan to come in a group, please let me know. We would appreciate if all attendees wore identifiable clothing to indicate the agency/department.



Directors Article *Robert Franz*

2022 HCFAS Scholarship – Deadline July 1st

The Board of Directors approved the awarding of up to six (6) five hundred-dollar (\$500) Squad scholarships to be given to any non-probationary HCFAS Squad member in good standing or a direct family member (spouse, son, daughter, brother, sister) residing in the same home as the non-probationary member in good standing. A drawing will be held at the July 2022 General Membership Meeting to select from those applicants who have applied to Director Bob Franz as of July 1st with the appropriate application form, as supplied by HCFAS, and with the required qualifying evidence. All 2021 scholarship winners are not eligible for the 2022 scholarship drawing. The application form was included in the June Pulse and is posted on the bulletin board and website. The form can also be found on the mail folder counter at the Squad.

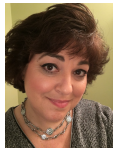
NYS Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association Scholarship-Deadline August 15th

The NYS Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association scholarship application can be found on their website www.nysvara.org or on the bulletin board & must be received by August 15, 2022 (applications postmarked later than the deadline August 15, 2022 will not be considered). This scholarship is open to squad members and post 215 members. Each year the NYSVARA provides up to three \$500 scholarships. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of merit as determined by The Scholarship Committee of the Association, whose decisions are final. Applicant must be a high school senior in good academic standing and graduating in June of the year applying or an adult member furthering their education. Applicant must have applied to and be planning to enroll and pursue a course of study in an accredited college or university.

Designation of Beneficiary

Reminder to review and update your beneficiary(s) especially if you went through any life changes, such as marriages, divorce, death or birth of loved ones.

Members wishing to check their designated beneficiary(s) on their VFIS Group Term Life Insurance or on their VFIS Accident & Sickness Policy please drop a note in Director Bob Franz's mail box or the insurance committee mail box or email Bob Franz (robo4200@hotmail.com). Eligible members under the squad's group term life insurance program are generally covered for \$50,000 (lower amounts if over 69 years of age). All active members are covered under the VFIS Accident & Sickness policy while on duty; the death benefit is \$250,000. Your beneficiary(s) under the LOSAP program was indicated on your 2020 LOSAP benefit statement which was distributed to you in August 2021 unless you submitted a change since thereafter.



Welcoming Our New Members Sheryl Roach

**Welcome new member, Daniel Alaiev #1676,
who will be on the Saturday 1500-1900 shift.**



Daniel is an EMT-B since 2020.

He has been looking to join a busy agency and was directed to HCFAS by his EMT instructor!

He has a background in Finance and Business and works as a Statistical Researcher for NYC Health & Hospitals, but he hopes to go to Medical School.

Fun fact: Daniel was born in Israel and came to the United States when he was 9 years old. When he is not working or volunteering, Daniel loves to read.

Please welcome Daniel to our HCFAS family!

**Welcome new member, Zainab Raza #1676,
who will be on the Saturday 1100-1500 shift.**



Zainab is attending Stony Brook University as a Biology major, and she hopes to work in healthcare in some capacity. She came to HCFAS on the recommendation of member Marissa Lindner. She loves our mission of helping people and providing the best possible service to the community! She is looking forward to becoming an EMT and riding the ambulance.

Fun fact: When Zainab is not attending school or volunteering, she loves to bake and spend time with her younger sister!

Please welcome Zainab to our HCFAS family!

**Welcome new member, Veera Naeaetsaari #1679,
who will be on the Thursday 1900-2300 shift.**



Veera is attending SUNY at Farmingdale as a Business major and is working on her prerequisites for PA School. She came to HCFAS on the recommendation of members Evelyn Hernandez-Veliz and Paramedic Alex Mullin, and will be enrolling in an EMT course this Fall. She has already passed her dispatch test and is looking forward to riding the ambulance.

When Veera is not attending school or volunteering at HCFAS, she volunteers at Huntington Hospital. She loves outdoor sports, arts and crafts, and traveling.

Fun fact: Veera was born and raised in Finland and moved to NY in 2017!
Please welcome Veera to our HCFAS family!





Basics – July 2022
Spinal Motion Restriction/Immobilization
Mark Brenner, CIC

There was a time (not long ago) when every patient with a head injury and/or neck pain would be fully immobilized on a backboard. But that changed a few years ago with the Spinal Motion Restriction Protocol. This can be found in the NYS BLS Protocols on page 72.

Or you can click on the link below to access the ***Suspected Spinal Injuries Protocol***.

<https://suffolkems.adobeconnect.com/ptjvx30rp3mj/>

The questions that follow will help us review this protocol.

1. You respond to a motor vehicle collision on a side street. A single-occupant vehicle side-swiped a parked car when the driver became distracted while answering her phone. There is minor damage to both cars. The driver was seat-belted, and the airbag was deployed. The patient is alert and oriented x4 and denies losing consciousness. She is 40 years old, has no medical history, is complaining of minor neck pain. You would:
 - a. Fully immobilize the patient
 - b. Place the patient in a KED
 - c. Apply a cervical collar and, if she's able, have her move onto the stretcher.
 - d. Apply a cervical collar and walk her to the ambulance.
2. You respond to a motor vehicle collision involving a motorcycle. The operator of the motorcycle is 10 feet away from the bike. He is unconscious. His helmet came off during the collision. You would:
 - a. Apply a cervical collar and lift him onto the stretcher
 - b. Apply a cervical collar and use the scoop stretcher to lift him onto the stretcher and then remove the scoop.
 - c. Apply a cervical collar, log roll the patient onto a backboard and lift him onto the stretcher. Once on the stretcher, log-roll him and remove the backboard.
 - d. Apply a cervical collar, log-roll him onto a backboard, fully immobile him, lift him onto the stretcher and maintain full immobilization during transport.
3. Your elderly patient tripped and fell in her house. They are embarrassed and say they are uninjured, although they report numbness and tingling in their hands. You perform a physical exam and do not note any injuries. A family member present reports there was no loss of consciousness. The patient is willing to go to the hospital but does not have the strength to get onto the stretcher. You should fully immobilize her.
 - a. True
 - b. False. Place a properly sized cervical collar and use a device such as a backboard, scoop stretcher or Reeves stretcher to move her from the floor to the stretcher.
4. It's Saturday night and you are at the scene of a bar fight where one man received multiple blows to the head. He is standing outside the bar. He is conscious and bystanders report

that there was no loss of consciousness. He has the odor of alcohol on his breath. He has bruises to the face and is bleeding from a laceration above his left eye. His pupils are equal and reactive. You should:

- a. Transport the patient on the stretcher in a seated position.
 - b. Place a properly fitted cervical collar and transport the patient on the stretcher.
 - c. Place a properly fitted cervical collar and perform a standing takedown.
 - d. Place a properly fitted cervical collar, have the patient lie down on the backboard you have placed on the stretcher and fully immobilize him.
5. It's a hot summer day. You are dispatched to a home where a 15-year-old male suffered a neck injury while diving through an inner tube, except he didn't go through the tube, his head hit the tube, twisting his neck, and causing him to collapse into the pool. His friends helped him out of the pool. They report no loss of consciousness. You palpate his neck and do not find any deformity. He denies having neck pain. He has positive Pulse, Motor, and Sensory finding in all four extremities. His parents want him to be transported to the hospital. You should:
- a. Transport the patient on the stretcher in a seated position.
 - b. Place a properly fitted cervical collar and transport the patient on the stretcher.
 - c. Place a properly fitted cervical collar and perform a standing takedown.
 - d. Place a properly fitted cervical collar, have the patient lie down on the backboard you have placed on the stretcher and fully immobilize him.

ANSWERS: 1c, 2c, 3b, 4b, 5b



Birthdays

7/1 – Fernando Rivadeneira #965
7/1 - Leonardo Terrones-Nunez #1570
7/2 – Israel Cortes #1174
7/3 – Brian Block #1484
7/4 – Robert Franz #539
7/4 – Mark Brenner #449
7/5 – Josephine Cunningham #1139
7/6 – Andrew Mesnick #1588
7/7 – Paul Terenzi #1094
7/8 – Thomas Curry #833
7/8 – Claire Tesoriero #811
7/8 – Elizabeth Wuestman #1399
7/9 – Martin LoCascio #1368
7/9 – James Mallilo #1030
7/9 – Jacqueline De Bruin #1581
7/11 – Keith Tetrault #995
7/11 – Allison Aievoli #1433
7/12 – Michell Franco #1626
7/14 – Bazeel Walters #1137
7/14 – Susan Martin #1057
7/14 – Eric Nazinitsky #1480
7/15 – Thomas DAntonio #1006
7/15 – Elizabeth Wood #1464
7/15 – Sara Manning #1345
7/16 – Erin Gallagher #1667
7/17 – Evan Barnes #1628
7/18 – Thomas Romano - 939
7/18 – Bridget Kennedy #1544
7/19 – Ann Schwartz #1313
7/20 – Nicole Terenzi #1610
7/21 – Leslie Wissner #1285
7/21 – Nicole Calderone #1339
7/23 – Julia Vodopia #1522
7/25 – Eric Bantz #1638
7/25 – Gregory Henninger #1653
7/26 – Eileen Burns #767
7/28 – Jeffrey O'Neill #1535
7/29 – Kenney Cadet #1619

Length of Service

5 Years

Michael Jacoby #1514

Congratulations

To Rodriguens & Prime-Flores Gabriel on the birth of Gianna Faith on 5/26/22.

In Mourning

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of passing of Longin Stupnicki, Father of Diane Muszynski #1417

Meetings

7/11 - 1930 General Membership, Dinner starts at 1830
7/21 - 1900 Board of Directors

Stand-Bys

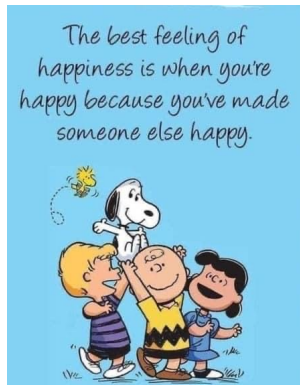
7/28 - 1815 HFD, Fire Academy
8/14 - 0815 HFD, Fire Academy
7/20, 8/17, 9/14 and 10/12 - 1830 HMFD, Fire Academy

Holidays

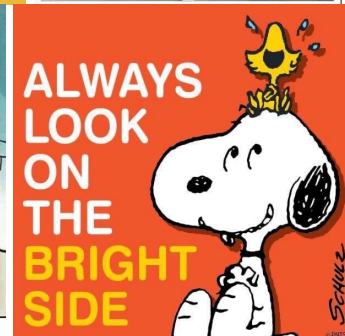
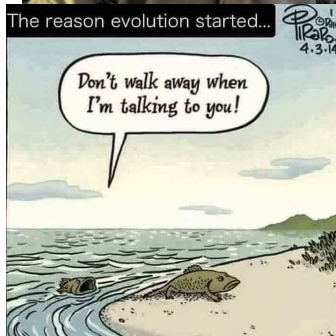
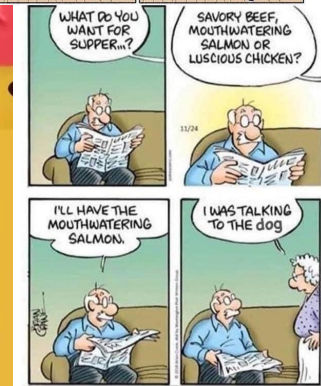
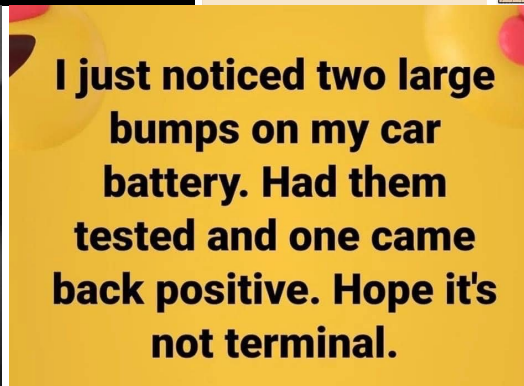
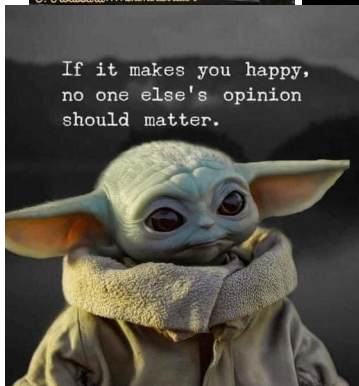
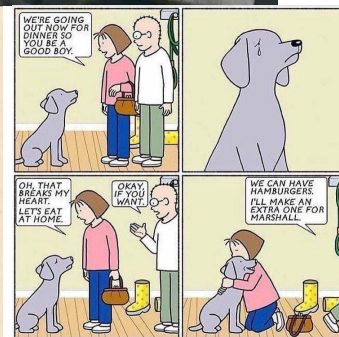
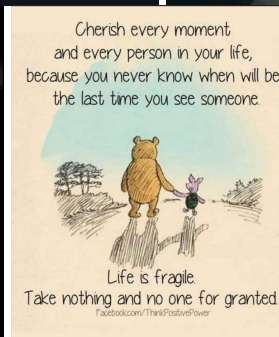
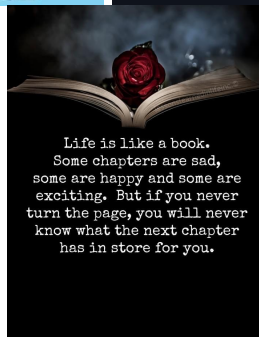
July 4 - Independence Day

Independence Day also known as Fourth of July, is a federal holiday observed yearly on July fourth. It is the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America from Great Britain in 1776.

On The Lighter Side



I put my scale in the bathroom corner and that's where the little liar will stay until she apologizes



Recipe of the Month

Lisa Mohr

Pork Tenderloin with Balsamic Cranberry Sauce



You will need:

1 1/2 tablespoons butter
1 8- to 10-ounce pork tenderloin
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary
1/2 cup canned low-salt chicken broth
1/3 cup canned whole berry cranberry sauce
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar

Directions:

Step 1 - Preheat oven to 450°F. Melt 1/2 tablespoon butter in heavy large ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Sprinkle pork with salt and pepper. Sear pork on all sides, about 2 minutes. Place skillet with pork in oven. Roast pork until thermometer inserted into center registers 155°F, about 10 minutes.

Step 2 - Meanwhile, melt remaining 1 tablespoon butter in heavy medium skillet over medium-high heat. Add onion and rosemary; sauté until onion softens, about 3 minutes. Add broth, cranberry sauce and vinegar and whisk until cranberry sauce melts, about 2 minutes.

Step - Transfer pork to work surface. Scrape any juices from large skillet into cranberry mixture. Boil until sauce has reduced enough to coat spoon thickly, about 6 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Slice pork and serve with sauce.



**Town of Huntington 50th Anniversary
Vietnam Memorial Honoring Huntington
Ex-Chief Andrea Golinsky, Past President
Robert Franz, Ex-Chief, and current
Wednesday Captain Dominic Heavy, USA
Captain Retired Paul Kelly, USN Chief, Rich
Gierbiolni, President, Fiona Witkowski,
Secretary Carol Nucci, Christine & Don
Roulo, Annette Hershkowitz
Photo by Past President/Ex-Chief Roger
Winter**

Proposed By-Law Change 01-2022

Proposal:

Emergency response – Prior Service membership program

Background/Justification:

This By-Law change proposal is made to allow this organization to more quickly and easily respond to manpower need changes. The Covid-19 pandemic.

Update By Laws based on Emergency Membership Program as approved by Officers & Directors.

Change (additions are underlined and deletions are ~~stricken~~):

Article I, Section 3 - Definition**SECTION 3 - DEFINITION**

- a) These By-Laws follow the convention that "he" means "he or she".
- b) "Properly certified per Article I, section 3b of the By-Laws" means:
 - 1. For members accepted prior to January 1, 2016, possessing a valid American Heartsaver First Aid Online certification and a BLS CPR Card, or a New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) or higher certification.
 - 2. For members and prior service members accepted after to January 1, 2016, possessing a valid BLS CPR card until receiving their New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) or higher certification in accordance with Article III, Section 2.

Article II, Section 15 - Crewleader**SECTION 15 - CREWLEADER**

Crewleaders will be certified by the mutual consent of the Operational Officers. The Crewleader for a particular shift will be appointed by the appropriate Captain or the Squad Chief. The Chief and the Board of Directors will have a veto power of any appointment by a Captain. A Crewleader must be minimally qualified as a New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) or equivalent title as may from time to time be applied and as defined by the New York State Department of Health.

The Crewleader will direct the first aid and/or rescue activities of his crew members and driver, unless formally relieved by a superior Operational Officer. It shall be his responsibility for the proper administration of first aid to the injured, and their safe transportation. He is to prepare a written report

(such as a Prehospital Care Report or equivalent) describing in detail his activities and those of the crew. The report is to be left for the appropriate Captain's approval. It shall be the responsibility of the Crewleader to insure that the emergency vehicle is sufficiently equipped to respond to the next call.

Article II, Section 17 – Drivers

SECTION 17 - DRIVERS

Drivers shall be certified by the First Deputy Squad Chief. The driver for a particular shift will be appointed by the appropriate Captain, or in his absence, by the Crewleader. The Chief and the Board of Directors will have veto power over the certification of any member as a driver. To be certified as a driver, a member must be 21 years of age and possess, as a minimum, a valid New York State Class D Drivers License (or equivalent), and ~~a valid New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) certification~~ be properly certified per Article I Section 3 of the By-Laws.

A driver must maintain both of these qualifications to retain active driving status. The only exceptions to this rule are as follows:

- ~~1. Those drivers who were qualified drivers, holding only an American Red Cross Advanced First Aid Card, prior to May 18, 1981. These drivers may continue as active drivers as long as they are properly certified per Article I, section 3b of the By-Laws.~~
2. Any current driver whose EMT or higher certification has expired but is currently enrolled in an EMT or higher refresher course shall have 90 days from the expiration of his EMT or higher certification to receive his new certification before he losses his driving privileges.
- ~~3. Any member properly certified per Article I section 3b of the By-Laws who is a First Aider and currently enrolled in an EMT class may apply for the driver training program. This member shall remain a probationary driver until he completes the class and receives his certification. If the member fails to complete the EMT certification he will be removed from driving. This exception may be exercised only once within a two-year period.~~
- ~~4. Those drivers who were qualified drivers, holding a valid New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) certification for a minimum of five years, may continue as active drivers as long as they are properly certified per Article I, section 3b of the By-Laws.~~

His duties shall be to transport the crew and vehicle to the scene of the emergency safely. He will remain with the emergency vehicle at the scene, unless directed otherwise by the Crewleader or officer in charge. He will safely transport the injured to the place he is directed.

Drivers, when returning to headquarters, or when not on emergency call, shall observe posted speed limits and all traffic regulations.

Article III, Section 2 – Active Membership

SECTION 2 - ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for ~~first-aid~~ membership shall be at least 18 years of age.

All applicants shall be examined by a physician approved by the Corporation or provide proof of medical clearance from the prospective members current Dept within the last 12 month., and show written proof that there is no physical contraindication to the performance of their assigned tasks. The Board of Directors shall reserve the right to evaluate each applicant's fitness for service and limit his activities as it deems appropriate.

Applicants must be residents of Huntington Township, ~~except for extenuating circumstances as deemed~~ approved by the Board of Directors.

Applicants for regular operational membership shall have a completed membership application processed and approved by the Membership Committee, shall be certified per Article I, section 3b of the By-Laws and shall have attended an orientation meeting to familiarize themselves with Squad policies. The applicant shall also be interviewed by at least two representatives of the Membership Committee, at which time a Chief rank officer and/or Board member will have the opportunity to meet the applicant. Upon meeting these requirements, the application shall be presented to the Board of Directors by the Membership Committee for approval of a probationary membership period to end one year from the date of acceptance.

Applicants for Prior Service operational membership shall have a prior service completed membership application processed and approved by the Chief or his designee, shall be certified per Article I, section 3 of the By-Laws and shall have attended an orientation meeting to familiarize themselves with Squad policies. Prior Service shall mean service in a Fire Dept., EMS Agency or Law Enforcement Agency as EMT's, drivers, or dispatchers. The applicant will provide The Chief of Department or similar reference from the prospective members current Department. Upon meeting these requirements, the application shall be presented to the Board of Directors by the Chief for approval of a probationary membership period to end one year from the date of acceptance.

All regular members, except Administrative members or members designated as permanent dispatchers or drivers accepted after January 1, 2016 must be enrolled into a New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) class within eighteen (18) months of their date of acceptance, and must have obtained a New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) certification within three (3) years of their date of acceptance. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in the loss of membership. Administrative personnel and members designated as permanent dispatchers or drivers shall pass through all steps in the membership application process except they will be exempt from the New York State Emergency Medical Technician (Basic) certification requirement.

All new members shall be required to serve a ~~one-year~~ probationary period to begin on the day of Board of Directors membership approval. At the end of this period a recommendation, for or against full active membership, will be made by the Squad Chief for Operational members and the Vice-President for Administrative members, and the Board of Directors will make a determination based primarily on this recommendation. During the probationary period, the new member shall successfully complete all training programs, testing and other programs advanced by the Operational Officers and/or the Board of Directors.

Proposers

Joseph C. Savaglio #1549 /s/

Michaela Ryan #1537 /s/

Robert Biersack #1423 /s/

Proposed SOP Change 03-2022

Proposal:

To add a protocol for the Memorial Tree

Background/Justification:

The Memorial Tree was passed by a motion of the BOD. To ensure and provide for continued direction for future BODs on each classification of membership and the related star or rock color.

Change (additions are underlined and deletions are ~~stricken~~):

Add Article IX, Protocols, Section 5, Miscellaneous Protocols, Paragraph 4, Memorial Tree

4. The symbolism of the Tree, located on the staircase in Headquarters, is a tribute to our deceased members. Each Star is engraved with the member's name, number, status, and date "they answered their last call". The Rocks at the bottom represent our Charter Members. A Charter Member's Rock is silver, while a Charter and Life member's Rock is gold, with silver trim. The Stars on the Tree are brass for Members, in Good Standing according to Article II, Section 1 of the Standard Operating Procedures, Associate members and Honorary members. Gold Stars are for Life members and 20-Year Exempt Membership. Should a member die in the Line of Duty, as approved by the Board of Director, the rim of their star will be purple.

Proposed SOP Change

04-2022

Proposal:

To clarify the Length of Service Awards Eligibility SOP for the time frame and notification for lengths of service awards

Background/Justification:

To eliminate and clarify the time frames for notification of length of service awards.

Change (additions are underlined and deletions are ~~stricken~~):

Article X, Section 1, Paragraph A(17)(h), Length of Service Awards Recognition Eligibility

For lengths of service in excess of twenty (20) years, the member will be notified, in writing, by the Committee Chairperson ~~four (4) months in advance of reaching a milestone length of service and will have two (2) months, from the service date~~ three (3) months in advance of reaching a milestone length of service and will have two (2) months, from that notification date, to notify the Committee Chairperson of their choice. If the anniversary recipient does not notify the Committee Chairperson of their choice with all pertinent information for the purchase to be made, at the expiration of the 60 days the recipient will forfeit their award. The Committee Chairperson will make every attempt to secure the requested gift by the recipient's service anniversary month.

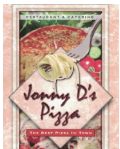


HCFAS Discounts – David Mohr

There are many places that offer discounts to Squad members. Even if you don't know if they do or don't, it doesn't hurt to ask. I have had times when I have asked and the answer was "we don't, but hold on" and they would talk to a manager/owner and in the end a discount was given. Below are just some of the places that offer discounts to Squad members.

If you know of a place that offers a discount to members, please email me at davidmohr@yahoo.com

Always have and show your Squad Membership card.



946 New York Avenue – 631-385-4444 – 15% Discount



340 New York Avenue – 631-549-8887 - 15% Discount



Catusco's Pizza – 336 Depot Road – 631-629-4872 - 15% Discount



9 East Carver Street – 631-427-0514 – 15% Discount



720 Walt Whitman Road – 10% Discount



1933 New York Avenue - 10% Discount



340 West Jericho Turnpike – 631-659-3111 – 10% Discount



9 Wall Street – 631-271-3540 – 15% Discount



247 Broadway Greenlawn Road – 631-740-3155 – 20% Discount



60 Main Street – 631-421-4242 - \$50 Initiation Waived &
20% off Membership Fee



134 Main Street, CSH – 631-367-6060 – 20% Discount



800 New York Avenue – 631-423-0200 – 15% Discount



16 West Jericho Turnpike – 631-271-2277 – 15% Discount