

**Huntington Community First Aid Squad
2025 General Membership Meeting
Date: March 10, 2025**

Board of Directors and Operational Officers:

President Henry Waldron	PRESENT	Chief Dominic Heavey	PRESENT
Vice President Eric Kramer	PRESENT	First Deputy Chief Kathryn Donegan	PRESENT
Secretary Lehti Laas	ABSENT	Second Deputy Chief Keith Rubenstein	ABSENT
Treasurer Elizabeth Wood	PRESENT	Third Deputy Chief Matthew Philips	ABSENT
Brian Canty	PRESENT	Chief Dispatcher Patricia Tufo	PRESENT
Seth Fischer	ABSENT	Sunday Co. 1 Capt. James Kelly	PRESENT
Robert Franz	PRESENT	Monday Co. 2 Capt. Lily Poplawski	PRESENT
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 March 10th, 2025 General Membership Meeting.

The Meeting will come to order at 1933 hours

Acting Secretary Christine Tedone reported to President Henry Waldron that the required quorum of 50 members are present per the sign in sheet (eligible members 58).

We dedicate tonight's Meeting in honor of Life Member and Ex-Chief William "Bill" Billups #793. Sadly, Bill passed away on Saturday, March 8th, 2025. Our Crews tended to him.

Pledge of Allegiance Led by Henry Waldron – Please take a moment to remember all those who are serving in our Armed Forces and those who have lost their loves in the service of our country.

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.

Get Well Wishes, Condolences and Prayers:

Our deepest condolences on the passing of Ex-Chief and Life Member William "Bill" Billups. Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill's family and friends during this difficult time. Rest in Peace, Bill. You will be sorely missed by all of us. Services to be announced at a future date.

Get Well wishes are being sent to James Barkocy. Our thoughts and prayers will remain with James for a complete and speedy recovery.

Longevity Awards (Length of Service): Chief will announce on his report for (5-15 years).

Years of Service:

Forty-Five Years

Lisa Mohr #573

Thirty-Five Years

Claire Tesoriero #811

Claire Tesoriero and Lisa Mohr received their Longevity Pins and their photographs were taken with Chief Dominic Heavey and President Henry Waldron.

President Henry Waldron – Report Posted

Thank you to everyone who attended and participated in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade!

It was a great event and a terrific turnout. There was a lot of pride exhibited to and for HCFAS.

A special thank you to all the donors who sponsored the NYPD Emerald Society Pipe and Drum.

Thank you to Chief Dominic Heavey for all of his preparation and to Brian Canty for your assistance with the pre-game.

The Annual Installation Dinner will take place on Saturday, March 29th, 2025 starting at 6:00 PM at The Larkfield Manor. Just a reminder that you all represent HCFAS and the community at all functions.

Acting Secretary's Report – Christine Tedone

Motion by Robert Franz and seconded by Mark Brenner to approve the February 10th, 2025 General Membership Meeting Minutes as amended and posted.

Motion Approved Unanimously

Treasurer's Report – Elizabeth Wood – Absent - Report Posted

TREASURER'S EXPENSE REPORT			
February 1, 2025 - February 28, 2025			
5000	Payroll		\$ 48,742.32
5500	Billing Services		\$ 15,391.43

6000	EMS		\$ 5,844.18
6100	Vehicles		\$ 20,136.46
6200	Building		\$ 10,376.30
6300	Utilities		\$ 7,791.79
6400	Communications		\$ 1,092.53
6500	Accountant		\$ 4,000.00
6600	Insurance		\$
6700	Office		\$ 3,127.48
6800	Uniforms		\$ 1,217.00
6900	Members Inspection		\$ 225.00
7000	Training		\$ 255.88
7100	Public Relations		\$ 630.00
7300	Subsistence		\$ 4,935.43
8000	Other		\$ 2,211.36
8040	Medical Costs		\$ 1,920.00
8070	New Member Screening		\$ 218.56
		Total	<u>\$ 128,115.72</u>

Chief's Report – Dominic Heavey – Report Posted

Good Evening Everyone and a very Happy Saint Patrick's Day to all!

I would like to thank everyone who showed up for the Work Detail on Saturday to get the rigs ready for the Parade. With that said, I was so proud to lead the agency into town this year with a great Pipes & Drums band from the NYPD. I would like to coagulate the Squad for a great turn out for the Parade on Sunday, March 9th, 2025. All the members and the Rigs looked sharp. A big thank you goes out to our own 2-15-Post members who, as always, helped out in being part of a great color party. We had over 50 people marching with us.

As always, thank you to Ex-Chief Brian Canty for looking after the food for both days. If any Probationary Member was present at the work detail or part of the Parade and needs to be signed off, please see one of the Chiefs for a signature.

Huntington Hospital will be hosting an MCI Drill in August of this year more to follow. The theme will be Active Shooter.

DRIVERS:

Please be mindful of the way you drive. Be cautious.

VFIS Emergency Vehicle Response Safety Student Level held on January 14, 2025. Certificates are in the possession of the Chief and Second Deputy Chief.

If you need one of the Black Jackets that were handed out for EMS Week please take one. They are not to be worn on Duty.

e-PCRs need to be completed on the day the patient is transported. If you have a no patient or an RMA you must complete an e-PCR. If the ambulance goes on a signal 2 you need an e-PCR.

If you have more than one patient on scene you must have an e-PCR for each patient, further the same goes for RMS. (Ex: 3 RMA/3 e-PCR.)

Overnight Crews:

Please remember to remove all the sheets from your bunk and place them in the laundry room. If you are one of the members who sleep in the ready room, remember when the 7:00 AM on duty crew comes in it is their shift and they are allowed to turn on all the lights and TV's if they wish.

Please remember if you are still in the building after 7:00 AM you may be asked to go on a call.

I hope to see everyone at the Installation Dinner on March 29th.

First Deputy Chief – Kathryn Donegan – Report Posted

Happy March!

Thanks to all who came out for the parade yesterday, it was beautiful weather and a great time. Special thanks to President Hank and all who helped in securing a band for this year, it was truly a wonderful year!

This past weekend we lost Ex-Chief Bill Billups. I have had the distinct honor of hearing countless wonderful words about Bill shared with me. In addition to serving our community in varied roles at our organization, Bill was also a retired member of R4 of the FDNY, a specialized operations rescue company in NY and a Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He truly embodied a life of service to others. The legacy of this organization is built on the efforts of many and Bill's were significant here and one he shared great pride in as seen by his frequent attendance at our Installation Dinners. I am looking forward to honoring Bill at his upcoming services and hope many others will join me.

As a quick reminder, we're now in the final month of the first quarter of the year, running from January 1st to March 31st. Each member is expected to complete 48 shift hours per quarter. Let's work together to ensure everyone stays on track, but remember that life happens - if you're struggling with your hours, reach out! We're here to help. For clarity, the SOPs and By-Laws outline next steps if hours aren't met, so be sure to review **Article II, Section 1 (pg. 8)** if needed.

If you have finger-read adjustments, please submit them as soon as possible. Adjustments must be submitted within 30 days to be processed so please submit these as soon as possible. If you have any concerns about this process, the Board of Directors is here to assist.

Did you know that you can access your member reports on the finger readers??? I sure didn't, until recently! When you finger in, enter your member number and do not hit select shift, just place your finger on the reader. Once scanned, you will see a button labeled 'Reports.' In this, you can access a variety of useful reports pertaining to your membership here! Need help? Ask a Captain or Chief all are happy to assist!

As always, if you have questions or concerns, reach out to your Captain or the appropriate Chief so we can address them promptly. Communication is key to keeping everything running smoothly, so please don't hesitate to speak up.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to our organization, our fellow members and the community we serve. Your hard work, passion and kindness make a difference every single day.

Second Deputy Chief – Keith Rubenstein – Absent - Report Posted

Hello,

I am sorry I can't make it to the meeting tonight. I am taking care of some sick family.

Thank you Mark Brenner for teaching a CME class last month. There are two upcoming CME'S that will be taught by Mark Brenner. One will take place at Cold spring Harbor FD on March 18th and the other one at HCFAS on March 31st at 7:30 PM. Please see Flyers downstairs to register for both of them.

Thank you Chris Fischer for your CME on PCR documentation. There will be another CME from him soon. We will be having a call review in April date will be announced.

As always any questions feel free to reach out to me.

Third Deputy Chief – Matthew Philip – Absent – No Report

Chief Dispatcher – Patricia Tufo – Report Posted

February 01, 2025 thru February 28, 2025

Alarms.....456

Signal 24's.....5

Signal 24% rate.....1.09

Signal 24's by Day of Week:

Sunday.....2 (YTD = 2)

Monday.....0 (YTD = 5)

Tuesday.....1 (YTD = 1)

Wednesday.....1 (YTD = 8)

Thursday.....1 (YTD = 6)

164 Friday.....0 (YTD = 2)
165 Saturday.....0 (YTD = 1)
166 **Year to date # Alarms.....1073 an INCREASE of 69 calls compared to 2024**
167 **Year to date # Signal 24's.....24 a DECREASE of 4, compared to 2024**
168 **Year to date Signal 24% rate...2.23 compared to 2.78% in 2024**
169 **Year to date multiple calls running.....61.7%**
170 **Year to date Average # calls per day.....18.18**
171 Thank you Drivers, Crew Leaders, EMTs/ First Aiders, ALS/Paramedics and Dispatchers for
172 your continued effort on your response and management of calls. It shows!
173 **Dispatchers** – If there is a negative transport once an ambulance has been sent out on the call (
174 ie: call cancelled, no patient found, RMA) please select that reason in the Signal drop down box
175 or write it in the notes! This also includes VIPs where the ambulance is on a 9/16, sitting on the
176 ramp, and the call gets cancelled by Medcom. If you do not do this, I have no way of knowing
177 what happened and why there was no transport.
178 Thank you for all that you do and keep up the good work!
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180 **Company 1 - Sunday Day Captain James Kelly – Report Posted**
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182 Hey Everybody,
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184 As always, thank you so very much to everybody who's been coming to help on Sundays. So
185 many of you have stepped up week after week and I truly appreciate all of your hard work.
186 There's so many of you who've helped out this past month, many of whom are here with us
187 tonight, thank you all so much! And of course, to everyone else who's helped company 1, I
188 appreciate you and am always happy to have you join us.
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190 Sundays have quite a few permanent spots to fill so please consider picking up an extra shift,
191 myself, your department and your community will appreciate it very much!
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193 **0700 Shift: Crew Leader**
194 **1100 Shift: 2x Crew Leaders**
195 **1500 Shift: Full Crew**
196 **1900 Shift: 2x Crew Leaders**
197 **2300 Shift: Dispatcher, Driver/Crew Leader, Full Crew**
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199 ALS has also been somewhat inconsistent throughout the day so if any volley medics are able to
200 fill in a spot, the door's most definitely open.
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202 First Aiders and ACLs are always welcome. We love having the extra help!
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I hope everybody is well and is ready to welcome Spring with open arms. Have a great night all.
Stay safe and stay awesome.

Company 2 - Monday Day Captain Lily Poplawski – Report Posted

Hey everyone - Happy March!

We were able to finish February with 0 24s and we currently have 0 for March at the time of me writing this. This leaves us with a YTD total of 5, with a 24 we took in from Syosset last week.

Thank you to everyone who came down to help the last few weeks: Liz Perro, James Kelly, Barry Winter, Shannon Gore, Eve Pollack, Ryane Como, Hank Waldron, Dany Portillo, Pam Brenner-Davis, Colin Weigele, Matthew Philip, David Kaufman, Natalie Amaya, Dominic Heavey, Brian Canty, Chelsea Keatley, Patrick Donegan, Christian Caballero, Andrew Taylor 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.

1100: CL/DR

1900: 2 DRIVERS

2300: DISPATCHER, 1st due DR & 2nd due FULL CREW

CMEs are back here at HCFAS with Company 2's own Mark Brenner! Please be on the lookout for CMEs posted and they will be held on the 4th Monday of the month. March will continue with BLS Core Class 2 - Pharmacology!

Probationary members! Please remember you need 5 meetings and 5 events as well as all RT's to come off probation. Also, if you are looking to start driver training and you are a Company 2 member please come see me.

Please continue to do your checkouts and keep radios on and with you on calls. Keep up the great work!

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 Posted

Greetings HCFAS Members,

Sorry, I could not be here tonight due to another commitment.

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

Special acknowledgements to the following members for helping on Tuesdays:

Matt Phillip, Christy Stiles, Lily Poplowski, James Kelly, Andrew Taylor, Bob Biersack, Betty Wood, Ben Curry, Brian Canty, Christian Caballero, Barry Winter, Bobby Loysch, Daniel Fischer, Bedel Saget and Dany Portillo.

Tremendous gratitude to Barry Winter who will also drive the Tuesday 1500 shift on a temporary basis!!

This Tuesday 3/11/2025, we have some needs:

1100 - Second due full crew

1500 - Second due full crew

2300 - First due driver, second due full crew

Tuesday permanent shift needs are:

1100 - Second due full crew

1500 - Second due full crew

2300 – Dispatcher, first due driver, second due full crew

ACL preceptors are also needed on the 1100, 1900 and 2300 shifts.

F/A & ACL are welcomed on any shift. Please just 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 Posted

Good Evening Everyone,

I would like to start off by saying thank you to all Company 4 members for your continued time and effort on showing up for your shift every week. A special Thank you to Pamela and Mark Brenner for coming in often to help out as well. All of you are doing a fantastic job on keeping up with your responsibilities. Keep up the great work.

Wednesday has had only (1) 24 this month, a huge drop from last report.

On 2/26/25 Wednesday had a total of 22 calls! All of which were handled with no 24s Way to go everyone!

Wednesdays are still in need of FA's on the 1100, 2nd due CL for the 1500 and a full 2nd due crew for 2300 shifts. Your continued support to HCFAS is greatly appreciated and does not go unnoticed.

As we all know, Company 4 has suffered another loss. Ex-Chief and Life member #793 William “Bill” Billups was a former member of the 1100 shift. His kind words and caring spirit will be sorely missed. Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

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

Company 6 - Friday Day Captain Eve Pollack – Report Posted

Hello Everyone! Happy March!

Thank you all for helping Company 6 start off 2025 strong! Very proud to say we have only had two signal 24s for the year so far. Lets keep that energy going!!!

Thank you to all who attended Pizza night last month, I hope you had as much fun as I did. I am looking forward to planning more fun events in the near future. In the next few months it is also my hope to teach a CME on de-escalating strategies so please stay tuned on that.

The schedule is looking good this week but there are permanent spots needing help. TWO DR on the 1100 and 2 CL. FA needed throughout the day. The more hands on deck, the better!

Please let me know if you would like to start your weekends off strong getting to know what Company 6 is all about!

Company 7 - Saturday Day Captain Andrew Taylor – Report Posted

Good Evening!

First of all, I want to thank everyone in Company 7, Company 8 and everyone who’s been dedicated to keeping our operations running smoothly on Saturdays. Your hard work does not go unnoticed and we are truly grateful for your efforts!

A special shout-out to the following individuals for their contributions to our successful Saturday operations: Sunday Captain James Kelly, Ex-Chief Dispatcher Melissa Anastos, Ex-Chief Jeff Brenner, Dana Silverstein, Paul Bayer, Daniel Fischer, Christy Stiles, Dany Portillo, Bob Loysch, Suzanne Philip, Chelsea Keatley, Tom Romano, Andrew Ganley, Tiffany White

Thank you all for your continued support and commitment! Your dedication is invaluable, and we truly appreciate everything you do.

Operational Update:

I’d like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the following team members for responding to

a critical situation with professionalism and care: Dispatcher Michael Barker, Dana Silverstein, Debbie Rudilosso, Jerry Hernandez, Jeffrey Brenner, Tim Quigley, Suzie Biagi and Christopher Leslie.

They all responded to a critical patient in need of immediate assistance and thanks to their efforts, the patient was transported to the appropriate hospital and received the care needed.

Additionally, thank you to Jeffrey Brenner, Caroline Mancino, Brian Block and Mike Jacoby, who responded to a two-car MVA with minor damage. I was the first responder on the scene, where one patient showed signs of a stroke based on the Cincinnati stroke scale. The team acted quickly to stabilize the patient and later, it was confirmed that the patient had a subdural hematoma on the left side.

Lastly, my prayers go out to the family and friends of Ex-Chief Bill Billups, who we recently lost. On March 8, 2025, at 07:50, Paramedic Zack Harrington, Paramedic Mina Sharpe and Jasjeet Kaur responded to assist in this difficult situation.

Needs for Coverage:

We are still in need of additional coverage for the following shifts:

- **Dispatcher Shifts:** 1900 and 2300
- **Second-due Crew:** 1100, 1500 and 2300 Shifts
- **ALS coverage:** 1500 and 1900 Shifts

Once again, thank you all for your dedication, support and teamwork. Together, we make a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Delegate & Committee Reports:

10 % Property Tax Exemption – Bob Franz

All new applications received and a bulk renewal for members who are currently receiving the 2-year or 20-year status tax exemption were filed on February 28, 2025 with the Town of Huntington (TOH) Assessor.

Important Alert Note – Not legal advice: The majority amount of the tax exemption is attributable to a Squad Member's taxing jurisdiction – "the School District". Resolutions that were passed by School Districts under a new NYS Real Property Tax Law (enacted in December 2022 RPTL section 466-a) in December 2023 or January 2024 excluded certain volunteers because the volunteer's primary residence was not located in the area served on a primary basis by the volunteer's Squad. Many taxing jurisdictions wanted to extend the real property tax exemption to all EMS volunteers residing within their jurisdiction even if the volunteer's primary service area was in a neighboring jurisdiction. In September 2024, Governor Hochul

373 signed NYS Real Property Tax Law 466-1 which solves this problem but it is not automatic. The
374 School District must pass a resolution stating that it agrees to extend the benefits under RPTL
375 section 466-a to any volunteer ambulance worker who lives within the School District but
376 provides volunteer services to an agency located in a neighboring School District under RPTL
377 466-1. Member exemptions that are affected by RPTL-466I should contact their school district
378 and any other applicable districts.

379 Members who live in a primary residence in Huntington and South Huntington School Districts,
380 both of which are in the Huntington Community Ambulance District, should not be affected by
381 the new RPTL section 466-1.

382 **NYS Income Tax Claim for Volunteer Firefighters' & Ambulance Workers'**
383 **Refundable Credit for 2024 – Bob Franz**

384 You can claim the \$200 refundable credit for 2024 on the NYS Department of Taxation and
385 Finance **Form IT-245**. As per the instructions, **you cannot claim the credit if you receive a**
386 **real property tax exemption that relates to your volunteer service under Real Property Tax**
387 **Law**. The ambulance workers' credit is available to full-year NYS residents who are active
388 volunteer ambulance workers for the entire tax year for which the credit is claimed. A copy of
389 the Form IT-245; instructions is posted on the bulletin board. If you have any technical
390 questions, consult your independent tax advisor.

391 **LOSAP 2024 Points – Bob Franz**

392 It is requested that each member review the final point listing and immediately report in writing
393 any discrepancies to the LOSAP point committee. This final LOSAP point listing will be
394 submitted to the Town of Huntington by the last week in March for Town Board Approval.

395 **LOSAP 2025 Points – Bob Franz**

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

401 **COLLEGE STUDENTS -The Suffolk Educational program for Retention in the Voluntary**
402 **Emergency Service (SERVES) - Bob Franz**

403 **The SERVES Administrative Guide is posted on the bulletin board and is available on line-**
404 **Go to www.suffolksbravest.com. Suffolk County resident student volunteers may attend a**
405 **college or university in Suffolk or Nassau County** or take on line courses from accredited
406 institutions of higher education or attend an authorized workforce vocational training program in
407 Nassau or Suffolk County. **The application and supporting documentation for each semester**
408 **must be submitted no later than the 8th Friday of the academic calendar.**

409 **Some highlights of the SERVES program as follows:**

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

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

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

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

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

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

426 **Purchase of a Home \$50,000 Grant Program – Bob Franz**

427 Huntington Community First Aid Squad, Inc. (HCFAS) enrolled as a corporate partner with
428 Long Island Housing Partnership’s Employer Assisted Housing Program (EAHP) which will
429 allow our volunteers and employees to have access to federal and state sources to assist with a
430 down payment (up to \$26,000) and if qualified a rehabilitation grant (up to \$24,000) to fix your
431 home. As an enrolled organization, Long Island Guardian Grants will satisfy the employer
432 required contribution of \$3,000 net to each eligible volunteer and employee who purchases a
433 home. The Board of Directors further approved a HCFAS eligibility criteria policy for our
434 volunteers and employees. You must also meet the eligibility and income criteria of the program.
435 The Grant Committee Chair (Louis Dell –Thursday 1900 shift) completed the necessary program
436 enrollment paperwork and can answer any questions regarding the program. Various documents
437 are posted on the bulletin board above the mail folders. You should register with the program
438 prior to looking for a home to purchase so that you meet any required time line.

439 **EMS related meetings – Bob Franz**

440 **-Suffolk REMSCO** – tomorrow evening at SCEMS in Yaphank – 7:00 PM

441 **-District 7 NYSVARA** meeting next Tuesday (location TBD) 8:00 PM

442 -SCACA meeting next Wednesday at Flanders

443 **Legislation – Bob Franz**

444 We are all members of the NYS Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association (NYSVARA)
445 and we recently received an email requesting that we participate in a grass roots effort to increase
446 the Medicaid Payment Rate for providing EMS for Medicaid Patients. The current \$250 payment
447 rate does not cover our costs of providing the service and is well below the Medicare payment
448 rate. The email contains a link to a form letter that will be sent to your respective NYS
449 Assemblyman and Senator based on your zip code. I ask that everyone send a letter.

450 **Drivers – Bob Franz**

451 As the rainy season approaches, please take extra time and drive carefully and when possible
452 please use a spotter when backing up.

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

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456 **Building Committee – Roger Winter** – The new heater has been installed in the Dispatch
457 Office and now the office is too warm. Also, if you use the Meeting Room, please make sure
458 you put it back the way you found it. Please clean up after yourselves and put the chairs and
459 tables back where they belong.

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461 **CME Committee – Pamela Brenner-Davis – By Mark Brenner** - If you are not already
462 enrolled in the CME Program, you need to register. If you are not registered and would like to do
463 so, please contact Pamela Brenner-Davis via email and she will send you a form to complete.
464 You must be registered for the CME Program prior to signing up for any classes. Also, please
465 make sure you complete your Review Trainings in a timely manner.

466 **Upcoming CME's – Instructor Mark Brenner – Mandatory Non-Core CME – Emergency**
467 **Vehicle Operations** – Scheduled for Tuesday, March 18th from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Cold
468 Spring Harbor Fire Department located at 2 Main Street, Cold Spring Harbor, NY. Please park
469 in the Municipal Lot. To Register: Call Suffolk County EMS at 631-852-5080. This course is for
470 EMT, AEMT, EMT-CC and Paramedics.

471 **BLS Core CME – Instructor Mark Brenner – Class 2: Pharmacology, Med.**
472 **Administration, Emergency Meds, Toxicology, Immunology, Endocrinology, Neurology.**
473 Scheduled for Monday, March 31st from 7:30 PM – 10:30 PM at HCFAS HQ. Please park
474 in the Commuter Lot. EMT's must register through Suffolk County EMS at 631-852-5080. Non-
475 EMT's are welcome. Please sign up on sheet located downstairs.

476 **Driver Trainer Committee – Jeffrey Brenner & Dominic Heavey** – If you are interested in
477 becoming a Driver Trainer please put a copy of your New York State Driver's License (NYS DL)
478 in the Driver Training Mailbox. Please use caution while driving the Ambulances. Remember

479 **ALL** accidents including minor incidents **MUST** be documented and reported immediately.
480 Drive Safely!

481 **Fund Drive Committee – Mary Brenner & Joan Florio** – As of February 27, 2025 the Fund
482 Drive Committee has collected a total of \$5,127.00 in donations.

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484 **Pulse Committee** – All Reports and Articles are due the 25th of the month.
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486 **Children's Easter Egg Hunt – Ann Maloney** - The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday,
487 April 12th, 2025 from 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM at the Jefferson Primary School located at 253
488 Oakwood Road in Huntington, NY. Children 10 years old or younger are eligible to participate
489 in this event. The Easter Bunny will be there distributing Easter Baskets filled with goodies to all
490 the children. The sign up sheets will be available online. Ann needs help with this event, so if
491 you are interested please contact her.

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493 **Special Events Committee – Brian Canty** – The HCFAS Annual Installation Dinner will be
494 held on Saturday, March 29th, 2025 at 6:00 PM at the Larkfield Manor located on Larkfield
495 Road in East Northport, NY. Please notify Brian ASAP if you are no longer attending the dinner
496 or if you are no longer bringing a guest.

497 **Stand-By Committee – Kenney Cadet, Peyton Kalb & Suzanne Philip** – The 10K Cow
498 Harbor Run is coming up and we need volunteers. Please see sign-up sheets posted on the
499 bulletin board. Your help is always needed and appreciated. Please contact the Stand-by
500 committee if you are able to assist with this and any future stand-bys. Thank you!

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502 **In Closing:**

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504 Has everyone fingered in?

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

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508 **Social and Kitchen Committees:** A Special thanks to Lisa Mohr, Bob Biersack, Angie
509 Kalodoukas, Kevin McCann, Carol Nucci, Gregory Orr and Claire Tesoriero

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511 **New Business:**

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513 **Dany Portillo** – Notified the members that the Pulse-OX cords on the Ambulances are too short.

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515 **Mark Brenner** - An EMS Educational Conference is being held in memory of Thomas
516 Lauterlere. This event will be held on Saturday, April 26th at Saint Anthony's High
517 School from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. This event
518 is FREE and all are welcome to attend.

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520 **Old Business: None**

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522 **Various Raffles:**

523 **Cheesecake Factory Gift Card \$25.00 – Dany Portillo**

524 **Home Depot Gift Card \$25.00 – Betsy Smith**

525 **Panera Bread Gift Card \$25.00 – Noah Ramos**

526 **Target Gift Card \$25.00 – Kevin DiDonato**

527 **Bottle of Wine – Bob Biersack**

528 **Bottle of Wine – John Palmieri**

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530 **Members in Attendance:** Eligible Members 58, Probationary Members 5, Total: 63

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532 **Motion made by Robert Franz and seconded by Mark Brenner to adjourn the General**

533 **Membership meeting at 2026 hours.**

534 **.....Motion Approved Unanimously**

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538 Respectfully Submitted,

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540 ***Christine A. Tedone***

541 Assistant Secretary

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543 ***Lehti A. Laas***

544 Secretary

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