



2015

THE PATRON FIRE FIGHTER



BEMUS POINT VOLUNTEER FIRE CO., INC.

13 ALBURTUS AVENUE, BEMUS POINT, NEW YORK 14712

Visit our web site: www.bemuspointfire.org

Steven Hayes

Fire Chief



Michael Krott

President

Dear Patron Fire Fighter,

As we near the end of 2015, and look forward to time with family and friends during the holidays, we reflect on another very busy year at the Bemus Point Volunteer Fire Department. Our call volumes for the year are approaching all-time highs, led by calls for our ambulance, stocked with essential supplies to provide advanced life support, thanks to your ongoing contributions. We have been fortunate to have some new members join us this year and as always, we welcome new members as we have many jobs to be done and have a role to match anyone's level of interest and expertise.

Our members continued to build skill through attending NY State Fire classes locally and at the NY State Fire Academy in Montour Falls, NY. Volunteers attended classes in firefighting, fire engine pump operations, and a variety of emergency medicine and rescue operations. Our volunteers participated in county-wide emergency drills, including the annual Ice Rescue Drill, where our ice-rescue airboat played a role, and our Boston Whaler rescue boat provided critical assistance on the lake last summer. We appreciate your ongoing support to maintain our equipment and supplies.

As we look ahead to 2016, we see continued challenges across volunteer fire and emergency services in recruiting new members, especially in providing emergency medical services. If you or someone you know has an interest in providing life-saving services to your community, whether it is Bemus Point, or elsewhere, we encourage you learn more. Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) classes are offered twice a year, at no cost to the student. For college students, local tuition grants are available to students who volunteer during their studies – visit the fire department to learn more about how being a volunteer can help cover college tuition costs.

We welcome you to visit the fire hall any Tuesday evening to see our equipment and meet our members who represent a diverse cross section of our community from high school and college students to retirees, local business owners and seasonal residents, and backgrounds as varied as the people themselves. Our doors are open every Tuesday evening, and we welcome you and your family to stop in and see your local fire department.

Thank you for your patronage. Stay in touch with us throughout the year at our website bemuspointfire.org, Facebook, and Twitter @BPVFD.

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FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR

“Louise Parker”



Each year the Bemus Point Volunteer Fire Department Members vote by closed ballot for our Fire Fighter of the Year. Although the name implies that this honor goes to a Fire Fighter, not all Fire Fighters don air packs or enter burning houses. Some, like this year's recipient, support the aforementioned by controlling traffic, retrieving tools or hoses, or providing cooling rags and bottled water among other critical duties. Louise Parker, a vital part of our Fire Police team, exemplifies the ideals of this honor.

Louise, a Bemus Point native, joined the Department in 2011 when her son, Assistant Chief, and last year's recipient, Randy Edwards mentioned that he thought she would make a good Fire Police Member. After joining, Louise took the Scene Support Class, became involved in all the departmental events, and then in 2012 won the office of Treasurer. She has also been in the Top Ten Responders for the past three years. Her commitment to the department is highly regarded and is representative of her life as a whole. Louise, a Maple Grove High School graduate, has devoted her life to helping others, including 31 years as a Residence Manager for The Resource Center. Her clients come second only to her own family: husband Tobin, sons Randy and Ken, step-daughters Stephanie and Amber, and three adorable grandsons, Liam, Jace, and Jake. Between her family, career, department events, and Emergency Responses, Louise Parker epitomizes the principles of Fire Fighter of the Year and we are honored to count her among our Members.

Chief Officers

Chief – Steven Hayes
1st Ass't – Michael Winne
2nd Ass't – Randy Edwards
3rd Ass't – Jeffrey Molnar

Line Officers

Station Lieutenant -
Dave Gustafson
Station Lieutenant -
Dave Braund
Station Lieutenant -
Dave Glassman
Fire Police Captain - Brad Crist
EMS Captain - Mike Winne

Administrative Officers

President – Michael Krott
Vice President – Brad Crist
Secretary – Sheri Winne
Financial Secretary –
Debra Carlson
Treasurer – Louise Parker

RESPONSE CALLS FOR 2015

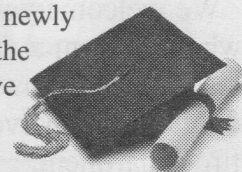
EMS ... 123 • FIRE ... 7
FIRE ALARMS ... 30
VEHICLE ... 15
OTHER ... 24
TOTAL ... 199

Each year shortly after Labor Day, the members of the department have an opportunity to gather with family members and enjoy a time-out from a busy summer to relax with good food and family fun. We appreciate the support of our Patrons, who help us take opportunities to recognize and thank our volunteers for the time they dedicate to our community.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2015

The fire department hosted the Maple Grove Class of '15 on graduation night last June in continuation of a tradition begun over 30 years ago. The fire hall was transformed into a Monte Carlo Casino for the evening as the newly graduated students enjoyed some casino games (with play money of course) and refreshments as part of the all-night post-graduation events. Our members look forward to this event each year and with each year we see members who once visited the hall as students, welcome their own children as graduates. We thank the many volunteers who help with events like this, and the sponsors who make them possible.



NEARING A MILESTONE - CENTENNIAL PLANNING UNDERWAY!

We are one year closer to the 100th anniversary of the Bemus Point Volunteer Fire Department in 2020. The committee's focus now is reviewing volumes of archived photographs, documents, and memorabilia and ensuring items from our history are preserved digitally and then shared at the anniversary and in the future. If anyone has articles or photos pertaining to the Bemus Point Fire Dept. and would like to donate it please drop it off at the Fire hall.



SANTA VISITS THE BEMUS POINT FIRE HALL

The crew of Engine 442 escorted Santa (wearing his red seat belt) to the Bemus Point Fire Hall for the Annual Children's Christmas Party in December. This annual tradition brings visitors of all ages to the Fire Hall for games, food, and children's gifts from Santa himself. Thanks to all who helped us have a wonderful event each year.

FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION

During National Fire Prevention Week in October, over 200 students from the Bemus Point Elementary School visited the Bemus Point Fire Hall. Our school visitors learned about smoke alarms, and had a chance to see our firefighters in their full protective gear, and had an

opportunity to climb aboard our vehicles. Your contributions allow us to send our visitors home with kid-sized fire helmets and safety education materials. This year, through your contributions, the BPVFD was also able to sponsor a trip to the Children's Safety Village, for the Bemus Point Elementary 2nd Graders.

This year's National Fire Prevention Week theme was "Hear the Beep Where you Sleep - Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm". Do you have smoke alarms in your sleeping areas? Have you changed the batteries and tested the smoke alarms in your home or cottage?

Dear Firemen,
We had fun going in the rescue vehicles. We liked holding the fire hose. Thank you for the activity bags and fire hats. We really enjoyed our visit!
From the Bemus Point Pre-K

MEMBERS ANSWER THE CALL TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE



With the majority of our calls being for Emergency Medical Services (EMS), the role of the trained first responder is more critical than ever before. This year our members dedicated their time and efforts toward obtaining new or advanced EMS certification. Congratulations to Assistant Chief Mike Winne on attaining certification as a Paramedic, and Assistant Chief Randy Edwards and Rick Shick on attaining first-time certification as Emergency Medical Technicians.

Each of these volunteers dedicated hundreds of hours of personal time and effort to learn the skills needed to provide emergency medical care to our community. We are

grateful for their efforts, and all of our volunteer responders. Your donations provided the textbooks and supplies needed by the students as they attended classes.

If you have ever considered becoming an EMT, please visit the fire hall on any Tuesday evening to find out how.



BPVFD SUPPORTS THE LOCAL HONDURAS MISSION

For the past couple of years the members of the Fire Department have chosen to dedicate part of the proceeds from the Spring Pancake Breakfasts to purchase household medical supplies, which provides 30 needy families with First Aid Kits to meet the families' needs. With limited access to medical facilities and care, the First Aid Kits and basic knowledge provided by Fireman Bob Goold will hopefully help the families endure minor injuries. The Honduran families who received the kits were extremely grateful to the members of the BPVFD and the Bemus Point Community.

LIST of DONORS

Please check for accuracy and let us know. (Donations received Nov 1, 2014 to Oct 31, 2015).

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