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Doyle 1 to Install 2010 Officers

Doyle Hose Company 1 will install it's Administrative and Line Officers at their Annual Installation of Officers Ceremony on Saturday, January 9th at Kiezbak's Beginnings Banquet Center, 35 Crocker St. in Sloan.

This years Administrative Officers include; President Larry Menard, Vice-President Joe Ehnes, Treasurer Joe Cartenuto, and Secretary Tom Klosko. The Board of Directors are: Dan Palowski, Frank Piotrowski, Henry Przepiora Jr., Arthur Darmstedter, Kevin Wiess, and Steve Pajak.

The Line Officers for 2010 are: Fire Chief Charles "Chip" Schnurstein, First Assistant Chief Richard Nowak, Second Assistant Chief Donald Szumigala, Third Assistant Chief Jason Wojtaszczyk, EMS Captain Kenneth Kishbaugh, Truck Captain Donald Keuck and Marshall William Depczynski. The District Mechanic is David Crone.

Aside from administering the Oath of Office to the new Officers, awards will also be presented for Fire-

fighter of the Year and this years recipient of the President's Award. Honors will also be bestowed upon those members that have achieved the highest percentages of responses for requests for assistance.

A reminder to all Fire Police that the Installation is also the opportunity to take the required oath of office and complete the necessary state paperwork.

Members and guests are reminded that cocktails will be available at 5 PM and Dinner will begin at 6 PM with the Installation of Officers to convene immediately afterwards with music and entertainment to follow. The Annual Installation has al-

ways provided an excellent opportunity to interact with the leadership of Doyle 1 on the goals for the coming year.

Anyone that has not yet signed up for the Installation is encouraged to contact Chief Schnurstein as soon as possible. Hope to see you there!



January Assigned for OSHA Training

Chief Chip Schnurstein has announced that the month of January 2010 will be dedicated to helping Doyle 1 firefighters complete their annual Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA) firefighter safety training.

Wednesday night Drill Sessions will provide training by Line Officers on; Response, Firehouse and Scene safety, Hazardous Materials and New Developments in the Fire Service, Tools and Equipment safety, Infectious Control and Bloodborne Pathogen safety, Hazard Recognition, Confine Space Awareness and Proper



use of Protective Equipment.

A special request has been made to have all firefighters bring in their protective turn out equipment as well as their voice and alphanumeric pagers on Drill, January 27th.

A reminder to Doyle 1 firefighters that per the Fire District regulations, members must complete annual OSHA firefighter refresher training.

Anyone that is unable to make these training dates is encouraged to contact Chief Chip Schnurstein at their earliest opportunity to seek an alternative way to complete this training.



Best Wishes for a

Happy New Year 2010





From The Chief

Please review the Chief's duty assignments to assist your needs!

- Doyle 1-9 will over see District employees and all operations of the Fire District. My door is always open.
- Doyle 1-9-1 will over see all personnel equipment and assist with training as directed by 9-2.
- Doyle 1-9-2 will over see all training and be responsible for the training calendar.
- Doyle 1-9-3 will oversee the EMS and truck Captains and assist with training as directed by 9-2.
- EMS Captain will be responsible for 7-1 and all trucks with EMS equipment. He will assist with training directed by 9-2
- Truck Captain will be responsible for Inventories of Engine 1,2, Ladder6 and Utility 5. He will assist with training as directed by 9-2.

Just a reminder all members that joined after October 1996 are required to maintain certification in EMS with CPR/AED. We will be teaching CPR in February

I am looking for Fire Police. See me if your interested.
 I would like thank you for your cooperation and dedication. With everyone's help and open mind are goals that can be accomplished. Let's not forget why we are all here:
 To serve our community!
 To make friends
 To have fun doing 1 and 2.

Just a reminder that OSHA will be taught every Wednesday in January and is mandatory for all members.

EMT original / recertification course beginning January 28 at our hall. See the Chief if interested.

Thanks!
Your Chief and friend!
Chip Schnurstein

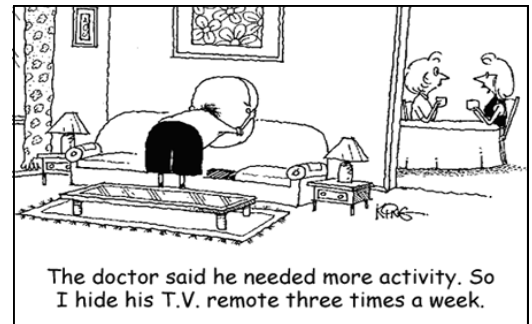
FROM THE RECRUITMENT & RETENTION COMMITTEE:

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Uniform Pants **before** laundering.

Thank You

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Firefighters are needed for Standby Duty
January 16th 5 PM—9 PM
Sloan Volunteer Fire Company
Those interested should contact Chief Schnurstein

The President's Corner



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I would like to wish everyone a safe healthy new year and that 2010 will be a successful one in all of your endeavors. As 2009 was filled with many good moments it had its share of sad times as well. The saddest events in 1one year since I have been a member of the fire service is the plane crash of Flight 3407 in Clarence and the Buffalo firefighters death in the line of duty in late summer. The world lost many famous sports and entertainment figures as well. Our ranks were not exempt from losing members as we lost firefighters through relocation, other opportunities and God's call to home as was the case with Walter Gurowicz. We thank them all for their dedication and service to Doyle 1.

Ah, but we had some great times as well! The fair is one of most fun days of the year, the softball team won a couple of games more than the previous year, the bowling team is currently leading the way in their league and we have increased our roles with new members that have taken the time to join the ranks of Doyle 1 and have successfully completed EMT class and Basic

Firefighter.

We also had the safe return of Don Kueke for Afghanistan and are proud of the work being performed by Barb Bakowski at Walter Reed Hospital in caring for our wounded soldiers. I may have missed some stories or accomplishments and I apologize but it is not intentional.

We start 2010 off rather busy with OSHA training during the month of January and the Installation Banquet Saturday January 9th at Kiebzak's. Please mark your calendars and try to attend each event. We also need everyone's help in answering alarms and recruiting new members to stay a strong fire company within our community. This job does not just fall to the recruitment committee but to all of us.

Finally if anyone is looking to help out in any committees please see me as some of our previous chairmen would like to move on to other endeavors so please see me and get involved!

HAVE A GREAT YEAR!
Larry



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Be Advised: Leptospirosis

The following information has been distributed by the New York State Office of Fire Protection and Control. We have reprinted this information in an attempt to keep you informed of potential hazards that we may face.

OFPC has been made aware of an incident in New York State FD response area. The Town Animal Control Officer has come down with a disease called Leptospirosis. The Village Animal Control Officer who also operated at the same location went for medical base line information and multiple shots. This was due to an exposure from animal urine from infected animals. The home where this exposure took place is going under condemnation proceedings and the occupants of the home have been removed. The condition of the home has changed the response procedures to include adding a HazMat component to the response for any call at the residence along with mandatory PPE and SCBA. The thought is that due to the economy and the possible abandonment of animals in homes that are not taken care of that this may become more of an issue to emergency responders who have to operate in or around this type of residence. Attached is the CDC information that you may want to send out as an advisory.

Animal care organizations nationwide have reported an "up-tick" in the number of incidents involving abandoned pet animals. This is likely due to the economy and the inability of people to properly care for pet animals. Should you encounter a situation wherein pet animals appear to be neglected, not properly cared for, or abandoned, immediately institute the same Blood Borne Pathogens, and Body Substance Isolation precautions as you would for human contact. Notify the appropriate animal control agency in your jurisdiction.

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Know someone that would be a good member of Doyle 1 ? You can help us by getting their contact information to one of the members of the Recruitment & Retention Committee

Santa Visits Doyle

On December 18, 2009 members of Doyle 1 once again, escorted Santa Clause to approximately ten households in the Fire District. This year's Santa visit was accomplished through the combined effort of Firefighters Robert Higgins and Sam Sampman. Both Santa's did a great job and all the kids that where visited were very happy.

Firefighter Colton Marrinelli assisted in the role of Santa's elf and did a good job however, Santa has asked that he be sent to the North Pole for some advanced elf training in order to be better prepared for next year.

I would also like to thank Firefighters; Joe Ehnes, Dennis Dombrowski, Ken Kishbaugh, and Bob Spears, for there help during the visits and for there help decorating the trucks.

Jason Wojtaszczyk, Chairman



December Special Lottery Raffle

Thank You to all the supporters of the Doyle 1 December Special Lottery Raffle. All the tickets were sold which contributed greatly to making this fundraiser a HUGE success.

The next raffle is scheduled for June 2010 and I am counting on everyone's help to pitch in again.

Tickets are expected to be available in April. Thanks again to all those who helped support this important fundraiser, I really appreciate your help.

Hank Pzepiora
Chairman

