



Doyle Hose Co. 1



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Happy New Year 2009



Doyle 1 Welcomes It's Newest Member

Brian Sas was sworn in as the newest member of Doyle 1 at the Christmas Drill on December 17th.

He lives on Shanley Street, is single and works as Financial Planner for the Knights of Columbus. In his spare time he is a ski and snowboarding Instructor at Hollymont Ski Resort and coaches flight and aerial teams for children.



Brian Sas

Brian is a 2006 Canisius Graduate who, while on a travel study program for 3 years, has lived in France, Spain, Mexico and Quebec. He is fluent in both Spanish and French.

Brian is excited to serve the community as a Firefighter as he comes from a family of volunteer firefighters. And is looking forward to taking the EMT and Firefighting courses this year. From all of us, a warm welcome Brian!

Get Out Your Poodle Skirts, and Saddle Shoes 'Cuz Elvis is Coming

The Installation Banquet is fast approaching and will be here this weekend. A reminder that our Annual Installation will be held at Kiebzak's Banquet Center on January 10, 2009 with cocktails starting at 5:00 PM and dinner at 6 PM.

For those of you who are planning to attend, please make sure you indicate how many are planning to attend on the sign-up sheet posted in the Club Room. And yes, the "King" and his entourage will be making an appearance!



We would like to offer our sincere congratulations to the 2009 Line Officers, Administrative Officers, Board of Directors and Commissioners!

Best wishes for a Safe and Successful New Year!

Memories Of Doyle 1 "Happy Days"

By Tom Klosko

Growing up as a kid in the 50's, we appreciated the things in life that is often lacking today. We had no computer games, big shopping malls, cell phones or plasma television sets. What we cherished most was our family and friends. The time spent with our parents was precious and meant so much in learning about life.

As a son of a dedicated father to the fire service and Doyle Hose Company #1, you also became a member of this cherished community as you were allowed to "hang" around the fire hall, work the field days as a fund raiser for the company, and do many other fire company things with

other children of Doyle #1 firemen.

Attending the parades, fair and other outings were things you looked forward to while you couldn't wait for the event to arrive. Christmas time was also special as the company party, held in the community hall, was filled with laughter and gifts for all the kids. Watching the firemen go off to calls during all hours of the day and night gave you a sense of pride as to the dedication of these men to their community.

Attending the softball games, watching the firemen perform their best and seeing them leave the game to answer a first aid call or fire are memories a lot of firemen today cannot

comprehend.

Finally, you were old enough to join the ranks, but the "waiting list was over 120 names! However, because your dad was a fireman, you were moved to the top. The people that you grew up respecting, were now part of YOUR company and they knew you from all the years of growing up around the hall.

Now, I was able to answer calls, serve my community, play broom ball in Welland and softball behind TR with the men I admired, and become part of a great organization. Those of you who can remember these times, I'm sure, cherish these memories as I do.

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From The Chief

As we begin the New Year 2009 , I would like to ask all the members to renew their commitment to being a member at Doyle 1. Ask yourselves the following questions:

- Why did I join?
- Am I willing to continue to help the community?
- What can I do to keep making this company a success?
- Can I do more?

It is no secret we need more help. Recruitment and Retention is working hard to bring in new members, but that is not enough! I would ask everyone to participate and help out more. We must roll our trucks and provide the service that our community depends on. If you want to be a member that it is your responsibility as much as mine.

I want our neighbors to continue being proud of Doyle 1, but if we can't roll the trucks and provide the service then Doyle 2 and Mutual Aid will have to step in. I would rather keep Doyle 1 in the spotlight as the best in class and the best in town! Please come to drill willing to participate. Don't wait to be told, try asking. Every week we have a drill topic or in some case a work detail.



We will be offering courses at our hall throughout the year. Our goal is to offer as much training in house making it convenient for our members

Openings are still available for EMT beginning 1/6/09 and Fire Police 1/17/09. See me if you are interested.

Answer alarms with the expectation of rolling the trucks. Don't ask to roll the second truck, we will tell you if we don't need it. Don't be a sheet signer only! Back the truck in or wash the truck off when it comes back.

We are all part of the team whether you are on the truck or at the hall waiting to put it back in service. When everyone participates we have a team. Remember there is no "I" in TEAM!

I would like to thank everyone in advance for the extra effort they are going to put in this year. It is a must if we want to remain a viable service.

Thanks—Your Friend and Chief "Chip" Schnurstein

Words of Wisdom

"You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there"

~Comedian George



The Bakowski's Do D.C.

Enjoying a relaxing moment in front of The White House



Firefighter/EMT Brian Slichta is happy to receive his certification award from Recruitment & Retention Chairman Len Siwinski

The President's Corner



Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe that we are in the last year of the first decade of the new millennium. Remember all the Y2K business, when all the computers were going to crash and the world was coming to an end. Where did the time go?

The new year is a time when people making resolutions or commitments to rededicate them shelves to an organization. The fire hall is no different. Let's all try to become more involved in 2009, whether its answering a few extra calls, taking state courses or just helping the Chiefs with a committee. All help is greatly appreciated. Remember by taking state courses you are possible helping yourself to awards through the Recruitment and Retention committee. They are working hard for your benefit. If anyone has something they would like to have in the newsletter, you can email your document to Debbie at the following address; DJakubowski@roadrunner.com.

Finally, please remember to sign up for the Installation banquet on Saturday January 10th @ Kiezbak's with dinner at 6PM.

Have a great 2009! -Larry

Doyle 1 Happy Days

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Becoming your President after watching my dad serve as President, following my uncle as Secretary and trying to do as good a job to make my family proud, and participating with my great friends, the Pajak's, the Przepiora's, Chip Andrzejewski, Larry Menard, Andy Cieply and devoted family members on the ball field, fighting fires and serving the community made me feel proud to be a Doyle #1 firefighter. The community respected us, the associations respected us, and more important, WE RESPECTED EVERYONE!!!

Now, growing older and feeling the pains that come with being overweight and getting up in years the ability to do what you could do years ago is just not there anymore. Being an average firefighter at best, your skills take a little longer to come around, but skills aren't the only things that have changed....

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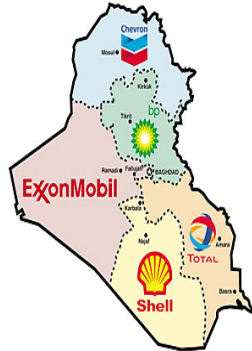
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The Funny Page



The Provinces of Iraq



Blast From The Past "Follow The Star"



Texaco Gas Stations

Remember Green Stamps, Full Service—attendants checking the oil and washing your windshield? Gas in 1968 was 35 cents a gallon. Good old days!



GUESS WHO CAME TO TOWN? SANTA BIG HIT WITH THE KIDS



The Committee would like to thank our newest firefighter, Sam Sampman, for stepping in and playing the jolly one! Great job Sam!

Also, a big thanks goes out to all who helped decorate the trucks and also to the "Elves" that helped make Santa's job an easier one!

Photo and story by Bob Higgins

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Happy New Year
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Healthy and Happy New Year!
E-mail me with articles at:
[djacobowski@roadrunner.com](mailto:djakubowski@roadrunner.com)

On Friday December 19th, Doyle 1 held it's annual Santa Stops event.

This year we had 14 stops and visited approximately 45 of our member's children, grandchildren and friends.

FROM THE EDITOR
I would like to thank the following for their January 2009 Newsletter contributions: Chip Schnurstein, Larry Menard, Tom Klosko, Barb Bakowski, and Bob Higgins for his Santa Stops and photo.
Go Doyle 1 !!!