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An Adventure"

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Doyle 1 Installs Officers, Despite Weather

On Saturday January 10th 2009, Doyle 1 held it's annual Installation at Kiebzak's Banquet Center. As always, a good time was had by all—the dinner was delicious, the entertainment was spectacular and the company was enchanting! The weather....well, everyone had a great time despite the cold, wind and snow. Elvis was an hour late, but graciously played an extra hour!

Congratulations to our 2009 Line Officers: Chief Chip Schnurstein, 1st Assistant Chief Rich Nowak, 2nd Assistant Chief Don Szumigala, 3rd Assistant Chief Jason Wojtaszczyk, EMS Captain Ken Kishbaugh, Truck Captain Jon Chapp and Master Mechanic, Dave Crone.

Sworn in as the 2009 Executive Officer are: President Larry Menard,



Chief Schnurstein and His 2009 Line Officer

Vice President Joe Ehnes, Secretary Tom Klosko, Treasurer Joe Cartenuto, Sergeant At Arms Len Gruszka, Parade Marshal Bill Depczynski and Chaplain Bob Nader.

Congratulations also goes to our 2009 Board of Directors: Steve Pajak, Dan Pawlowski, Frank Piotrowski,

Henry Przepiora Jr., Jim Darmstedter and Kevin Wiess.

Chief Schnurstein awarded the 2008 Firefighter of the Year Award to Joe Ehnes and the 2008 Rookie of The Year Award to Dennis Dombrowski — congratulations to both of you!

President Larry Menard awarded the President's Award to Len Siwinski and Mike Mazurowski for their efforts in bringing the largest SAFER grant given to a Fire Company in NYS to Doyle 1.

A special thanks goes to Father Richard Poblocki, our new Pastor of St. Joseph's, for the Invocation and joining us on that special day.

Also, thanks to our very own "King of Comedy" Chipper Andrzejewski, for being the Master of Ceremony.

Memories Of Doyle 1 "Happy Days"

By Tom Klosko

The Chiefs have a tough responsibility to maintain as the pressures of the District and community DEMAND the best. While enrollment back in the early 70's was near 110 members, our membership has dwindled below 70 members, with an average age around 60.

It seems as though the desire to become a firefighter is just not there anymore. Maybe it's because of the many hours of training, working two jobs to survive, or maybe having too many other interests have made it difficult for today's young adults to serve their community. PRIDE in your com-

munity is a thing of the past as everyone is fighting for survival, just to maintain a roof over their heads and put food on the table.

But, take a look back and it was no different in the 50's 60's or 70's!!! The special sense of being part of a great team is still within the members of Doyle #1. But our ability to help as we used to do is not there because of advancing age and health issues. I have seen a lot in my lifetime around Doyle #1, seeing new members join, but also losing friends and firemen who meant so much!!

Why did I become a fireman? Pride within yourself, respect for your fellow

members, and the desire to be part of a group of individuals who don't get recognized for the job and dedication they give to their community.

To those who have served many years, I am proud to be part of your group, and to those who are new members, be proud of ALL member in this company, whether young or old, and even though we may not be able to do the things you can do now, we tried our best when we were younger to keep the respect and dedication we earned in the community and within our company.

BE PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF
DOYLE #1



From The Chief

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

Doyle 1-9 will oversee District employees and all operations of the Fire District. My door is always open.

Doyle 1-9-1 will oversee all personnel equipment and assist with training as directed by 9-2.

Doyle 1-9-2 will oversee 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.

The EMS Captain will be responsible for 7-1 and all trucks with EMS equipment. He will assist the training directed by 9-2.

The Truck Captain will be

responsible for inventories of Engine 1,2 Ladder 6 and Utility 5. He will assist with training as directed by 9-2.

Just a reminder that all members who joined after October 1996 are required to maintain certification in EMS and CPR/AED.

I am looking for 2 Fire Police. See me if you're interested.

Thanks to everyone that came to the Installation Banquet! I hope you had a good time!

I would like to thank you for your cooperation and dedication. With everyone's help and open mind, our goals 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

Thanks!

Your Chief and Friend,

Chip Schnurstein

The Funnies



"Let me explainify the war against Iraq a little bit in Texas terminology."



We

not

EXONNERATE

Saddam

Hussein for his actions.

We will Mobilize to meet this

threat in the Persian Gulf until

an AMOCO ble solution is reached.

Our plan is to BPprepared.

Failing that, we ARCO ming to

liberate HESS country.

The President's Corner



I hope that everybody had a good time at the 2009 Installation banquet. Thank you to Chip for your commitment to Doyle 1, to Chipper as the Toastmaster and any other person that helped out in any way to make this event a success. Congratulations to the service award and individual award winners and I hope we have a successful 2009.

As the 44th President of the United States was given his inaugural speech to the country, he talked about serving in our community and the volunteer fire company surely meets this ideal. Let's build on the efforts that our Recruitment and Retention committee has provided for us and increase the membership of Doyle 1.

Remember what JFK said during his inaugural speech "ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country" we can substitute "community" for country and well you get the point.

I would like to welcome Fr. Rick Poblocki, Pastor of St. Josaphat Parish as our Chaplain. Thank you for being able to support the members of Doyle 1 and welcome to our community.

Larry

From The Editor

I'm not sure if there are those of you who feel a great excitement in the air about our Fire Company. Not only for a new year to start over, but the R&R program. This past year has seen 6 new members, 4 of which were recruited since the program began. There's a lot more surprises yet to come!

We need to come together collectively, work as a team—to give our new Committee Chairmen and teams support. Like Chip said, have fun, get the job done and make friends - no matter the age difference. Let's also give our support and above all, respect, to the Chief and Executive Officers and Board Members. You're all great people! ~Debbi
(DJakubowski@adelphia.net)



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Doyle Fire Company #1

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 7:30 PM Fire Company Meeting Groundhog Day	3 7:30 PM William St Taxpayer's EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	4 OSHA-Firehouse Safety, New Tools	5 EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	6	7
8	9	10 7:00 PM Fire District Meeting EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	11 7:30 PM Gang Awareness Class @ Cheek Central HS	12 EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day
15 Happy Birthday Chris Farnsworth & Scott Hoerner	16 President's Day	17 8:00 PM Town Chiefs Mtg- South Line EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	18 Apparatus Refresher	19 EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	20 Happy Birthday J Chapp	21
22 Washington's Birthday	23	24 EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	25 10:00 AM Gang Awareness Class @ Cheek Training Tower ICS-800b Happy Birthday J Cieply	26 Happy Birthday B Spear EMT New/Recert Class- Doyle 1	27	28

Jan 2009

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Photos From The 2009 Installation Banquet



**Firefighter Of The Year
Joe Ehnes**

*Thanks To Bob Higgins
For The Banquet Photos*



*Elvis Did Not Leave
The Building Until 1:00 AM*



*Al Bakowski
Showed Up Briefly
In An Attempt To
Play Elvis
Come Back Soon
Coozin'!*



*Congratulations To Our
Elected Board Members*



*Don't Know Who These
Guys Were, But They
Crashed The Party*



Future Doyle 1 EMT's Hard At Work

Several of our members are currently enrolled in an original and recertification EMT Course here at Doyle 1. Some of the original students include Lisa Sprada, Scott Hoerner, Vic Styn, Sam Sampman and Brian Sas. They have already been trained in the Airway skills and on Tuesday, will be AHA CPR certified.

Rich Nowak, Don and Rachael Szumigala and Dave Zamorek are recertifying their EMT status.

There are 23 students altogether in the course and it is a lot of hard work, but in the end we hope to produce an outstanding group of EMT's that will be trained, capable and ready.

Here are a few pictures of the students having a little fun with CPR! Stay tuned for their progress and more pictures!



9-3 checking the airway



Sam Sampson learns CPR

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*Spring Is Just
Around The
Corner!!!*

