

Fire Chiefs & Fire Fighters Association Of York County, Inc.

**330 Emig Road
York, PA 17406**



**Monthly Meeting
3rd Monday**

May 19th, 2008

President Skip Rupert called the monthly meeting of the York County Fire Chiefs and Firefighters Association to order and led the pledge to the flag. _____ people were in attendance.

President Rupert asked for a motion to accept the minutes as published. 1st: _____
2nd: _____. The minutes were approved.

President Rupert asked for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. 1st: _____
2nd: _____. Motion Carried

BOARD OF GOVERNORS: Chief Senft:

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS: Chief Shank:

911: Cindy Dietz:

FIRE SCHOOL: Carl Avery, Program Coordinator, submitted the following report.

Activity:

- 📁 For the month of April the Fire School hosted 57 events which accounted for 293.5 hours of activity, with 236 of those hours being scheduled classes. Two Hundred five students attended classes for a total of 3653.5 student hours at the School last month. In April we had to cancel 8 Classes scheduled due to insufficient enrollment:
 - Incident Safety Officer – 11
 - Intro. To Vol. Emerg. Services Management -11
 - Fire Attack in Sprinklered Properties -6
 - Automatic Detection and Suppression Systems 6
 - NIMS 100 – 5
 - NIMS 700 -5
 - Building Construction, wood frame & Ordinary – 1
 - Confined Space Rescue - 2

The Fire School's video library of over 300 VHS Tapes and DVDs:

- 📁 Don't forget this valuable resource is available to you for Company Drills and Training.

High Speed Internet:

- 📁 After years of searching for a viable solution and even then undergoing some trials and tribulations, we now, finally have it installed and running. Yes, your Fire School now has a high speed internet connection. Our new system was installed on May 9th and seems to be working well. For those of you wondering, the 50 tower option was not pursued. During pre-installation testing it was found to be inadequate for our needs. Double Dog Communication was able to find another viable solution. Due to our terrain and lack of "line of site" with a tower site, we have to "bounce" our wireless connection off a site on Busser road

The ENTRY LEVEL Program:

🚒 Our upcoming Entry Level Interior Firefighter class is scheduled to begin on June 14th and run on Saturdays and some Sundays and is scheduled to conclude on August 3rd (revised date). Fire Instructor Hoover has been selected as the lead instructor for this program. All indications are this will include a live burn exercise in our new burn building.

- **AS OF May 18, 2008, we only have 11 students pre-registered. THIS CLASS MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 15 STUDENTS** Preregistration is OPEN until May 30th, at that time your fire school will have to make a decision based on the number of students pre-registered. **IF you need this class and meet the prerequisites PLEASE SIGN UP NOW!**

🚒 We do have ELFG courses scheduled for our summer day time series and our summer / fall evening series for those who still need this second step in the process.

🚒 We are offering a **Day-time Entry level program** over the summer months (ELIS and ELFG [see item above]). This series of Classes is scheduled to begin June 18, 2008 with the ELIS (Introduction to the Fire Service) **As of May 18th we only have 9 pre-registered, Please sign up soon!**

- The Daytime ELFG (Fire Ground Support) Class beginning July 7, 2008

🚒 The **Evening – summer / fall (Tuesday ; Thursday) Entry Level program** begins with ELIS- Introduction to the fire service on June 17th. **As of May 18 we only have 8 pre-registered for this class please sign up soon**

🚒 **REMEMBER the ENTRY LEVEL PROGRAM is a series of 4 classes the ELIS (Introduction to the Fire Service) class is a prerequisite for Fire Ground Support which is a pre-requisite for Exterior fire fighter which is prerequisite for Interior Fire Fighter**

Calling the Mayday: Hands-on-Training for Firefighters:

🚒 Lead instructor, Dan Hoff, for this important and life saving course has secured funding for LUNCH and Tee shirts for the student of this class, This class is scheduled for June 22nd, 2008 and is part of the Fire Schools observation of Firefighter Survival Week. **Current pre-registration is at 12, we need 15, PLEASE SIGN UP NOW**

Attendance:

🚒 **I cannot stress enough how important it is for students to attend the classes that they have been pre-registered for! This along with the Importance of being on time for Class! READY to take the CLASS!** Due to Class Minimums and Maximums and other factors, failure to attend when you have signed up for MAY result in the class being canceled or other hardships that impact fellow students and the courses

Camp Survivor, 4 H Summer Safety Camp"

🚒 On June 18th, 2008, The Fire School will be host to ONE Day of the 4H Center's week long Safety Camp. This will be in cooperation with the Manchester Twp. Fire Department and members of the Firefighter Combat Challenge Team. We still need some volunteers to assist with our safety demos and skills on that day. Please contact your Fire School if you are able to lend a hand for the day.

New Classes Scheduled:

🚒 **We are working with PAg (Penn State) Rescue training to bring you the following courses: (presented on April 19th) Intro to Farm Emergencies (This is a prerequisite for other courses in the series), PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU MISSED THIS PREREQUISITE CLASS, CHECK WITH STATION 23 WHO WILL BE HOSTING THIS CLASS IN September. THESE CLASSES ARE INFORMATIVE AND WELL PRESENTED AND ALSO OFFER CON-ED CREDITS FOR THOSE NEEDING THEM (presented on April 20th) Managing Tractor Emergencies, Managing Farm Machinery Entanglements, Farm Chemical Emergencies, Farm Confined Space Awareness, and Farm Confined Space Operations.**

- These classes ARE NOT funded like most Firefighter training is here in Pennsylvania. **Linda Spahr of Cooperative Extension has helped immensely with this.**

We are still looking into bringing the "Our Town – Incident Command" Table top simulation to the Fire School. This too will require funding, if we cannot secure a grant for this there will be a charge (Estimated \$25.00 -35.00) This class / simulation will help you maintain your NIMS Requirements

Also recently added:

- School Bus Rescue – August 9 & 10
- Truck Company Ops I – September 6 & 7
- Truck Company Ops II – September 13 & 14

Current and Future Schedule:

- ☛ The 2008 schedule is available online at our web site www.YorkCountyFireSchool.org , just click on the [Click Here to See Available Classes](#) link on the home page.
- ☛ The 2008 Schedule has been published, **We are constantly updating it**, Watch your department / **company Mailings for Updates and New Classes**. We will also **update our Website with new additions as they come along**.

Burn Building and Scheduling:

- ☛ Progress continues on the NEW Building (Live Fire Training Prop). Work is progressing on the installation of Thermal Resistant Lining. Metal work has begun and the Standpipes have been installed. ANTICIPATED completion is projected to be Late August or Early September. **There is a Possibility that it MAY BE COMPLETED 1 to 2 or more MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE**

YORK COUNTY ATR: John Sanford:

OEM: Tom Graybill:

FIRE POLICE: James Robertson:

RESCUE SPECS COMMITTEE: Josh Young:

RIT COMMITTEES: Dan Hoff:

FIRE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Joe Yahnke:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion to pay the bills: 1st: _____ 2nd: _____

NEW BUSINESS:

REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ASSOCIATION:

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for 7:30 pm on Monday, June 16th, 2008, at the York County Fire School.

Motion was made by Robert Bowman to adjourn the meeting. 2nd: _____

Sincerely,

Heather Marsteller

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Recording Secretary