



FAIR HAVEN FIRE COMPANY No. 1 *Newsletter*

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Residents,

This is my third year as President of the Fair Haven Fire Company, and I continue to be amazed at the progress and contributions our organization is making to the Citizens of Fair Haven.

This year, our Fire Department has responded to and dealt aggressively with major incidents, including a serious structure fire at one of our churches. That fire was reported by one of our members in the wee hours of the morning, and our department contained the damage to one part of the structure. Church structures represent a very serious challenge to fire fighters, as I'm sure you've read. Our department demonstrated its outstanding training and skills that morning.

Our First Aid Squad has also been very active (see last page), and has upgraded the training of all of its active members to allow provision of external defibrillation to heart attack victims. This procedure has been proven to save many more lives than simply applying CPR without the use of the new equipment. We've already had a number of successful uses of this procedure in Fair Haven.

It goes on and on — Fire Police, Auxiliary, etc. All of our departments are adding value and service to this town.

But — what we need more than anything else right now is more volunteers. Please contact any of our officers to help in this extremely rewarding cause.

*James M. Kirman
President*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Firemen's Fair 2000!

*The annual Firemen's Fair will
be at the Firehouse
August 25 – September 2*

**New this year ———
Super 50/50 with a huge
prize!!**

Something for the entire family.
See inside!

*Volunteers are needed to work
at the Fair. Contact
Joe Perrotto to sign up for this
fun activity.
(732) 741-0798*

**1ST ANNUAL FALL CAR SHOW
OCTOBER 14
9AM 3PM
ANTIQUES, CLASSICS,
STREET RODS, MORE!
FREE ADMISSION**

**CONTACT TOM BROUNLEY TO
REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE
(732) 747-8572**

CHIEF'S REPORT...

For those of you who don't know me, my name is John Felsmann. I'm proud to be your Fire Chief for the year 2000. I was born and raised in Fair Haven, and I am a third generation Fair Haven fireman. Volunteering my time to this organization is very rewarding, and I feel wonderful about the opportunities that the role of Chief presents. I would suggest that you could also benefit from a volunteer role, and that the Fair Haven Fire Department is a particularly great place to put your volunteer energies to work. If you are interested, please call me at (732) 933-9884. Leave a detailed message if I don't answer.

My assistant chiefs for this year are:
Deputy Chief – John Riley, Jr.
1s Assistant Chief – John Feeny
2nd Assistant Chief – Marty Coy

To date this year, we have had approximately 75 fire calls. In addition, we participate in monthly meetings and drills. We have also provided mutual aid assistance to Rumson and Red Bank on numerous occasions.

I would like to thank the assistant chiefs and our highly trained firefighters for working so hard to protect lives and property in our fine town.

*John W. Felsmann
Chief of Department*

A Photo Album of the 1999 Fair Haven Fireman's Fair



Paul and Fred Serve 'em Up



The 50-50 Booth Gets Exciting!



There's Nothing Like Fast Horses!

EVERYONE HELPS

Even though the members of the Fair Haven Fire Company come to expect working at the annual Fireman's Fair, the amazing thing is that so many people from our community volunteer to work at this event.

We are truly grateful for the help provided by our friends and neighbors.

Last year was our most successful Fair, and we thank you all for helping make that a reality. The year 2000 will be even better!



You Can't Beat the Fishing in Fair Haven!

———— This Year Will Be Even Better !! ————



Phil Works Hard on Meals



Friends Love the Fair!



The Rides Are Outta Sight!!



You Can't Get Better Prizes Anywhere!



Paula Spins the Big-6!

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FROM THE FIRST AID SQUAD —Your volunteer emergency medical service (EMS) has answered over 200 calls for help, so far, in this new millennium. This is our usual volume for the first half of the year, compared to prior years. Though our calls are not decreasing, our membership has been declining over the years. Our dedicated volunteers are not getting any younger and because of the nature of the job, it has forced some into retirement. If you are not too familiar with the way we operate, here is a brief summary of how your local EMS system works and what role the Fair Haven volunteers play.

The Fair Haven First Aid Squad, a subsidiary of the Fair Haven Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, is staffed strictly by volunteers; people just like you and me. We all come from diverse backgrounds, different careers, ethnicity, gender, age, and length of residency in Fair Haven -- life-long residents and newcomers. We operate with two basic life support ambulances, a first responder vehicle and a rescue boat. Our members are certified in emergency care, either as a First Responder or an EMT. For any life-threatening emergencies, we are supported by MONOC Mobile Intensive Care Paramedics, a non-profit coalition of area hospital emergency departments. When someone dials 9-1-1, our volunteers stop what they are doing, whether that activity is dinner, house work, sporting activities, sleep or even being at their jobs. Because of our annual fundraiser and a borough budget, we do not charge a fee for our service.

If you have ever had any interest in becoming involved in the exciting field of emergency medicine, here is your opportunity. Most people respond, "I don't have the time." We do not expect every person to be available every minute of the day. We need help whenever it can be offered. For example, some of our members are commuters who can answer calls at nights or weekends. Other members are free during business hours, however, not available at nights. Also, for you students in town who are at least 18, you can be trained during the summer months or while you attend school. Some schools offer college credits and it will also look great on your resume!

Fair Haven has had a long tradition of volunteer EMS service. Without support from the community, such as yourself, we do not know how much longer the squad can exist. As taxpayers, we know that the borough certainly doesn't need to fund additional full-time employees to staff an ambulance. Please help us continue to help you! For additional information, please contact our membership chairman, Joe Perrotto at (732) 741-0798 or visit our web site at: <http://home.infinet/~fhems>.

— ***“Help Us to Help You!”***

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