

HIGHLAND FIRE DISTRICT

*Highland Hose
Company, No. 1, Inc.*

NEW AMBULANCE PROVIDER

Effective April 1, 2008 at 12:01am, the Town of Lloyd's new ambulance service will be Mobile Life Support Services. There will be two dedicated ambulances stationed in Lloyd from 6am to 6pm and one ambulance dedicated in Lloyd from 6pm to 6am. If anyone has any questions or if you are interested in seeing the Town's contract please let me know.

NEW EQUIPMENT

The new Hurst ML-28 Spreader is in service on R31-60. The unit is mounted in a vertical mounting bracket in compartment L1 next to the existing cutter. Along with the new Hurst Spreader, the new Hurst *Streamline* connections are also in service. These connections are installed on all the existing hydraulic lines on R31-60 (including the portable gas unit). The connections allow you to disconnect any hydraulic tool with the pump pressure on. You don't have to shut the pump pressure down to change tools anymore. Just twist and switch the tool. **IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT EITHER THE NEW SPREADER OR THE NEW CONNECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT AN OFFICER.**

There is currently one 4-Gas Detector in-service on R31-60. The Station #2 unit is out of service. We are currently looking into possible replacement units for both stations.

TRAINING

F.A.S.T Team training will be held on March 30, 2008 beginning at Station #1 at 8:00am

APPARATUS PROBLEMS

Please call 31-A with any and all problems with apparatus. His number is 797-2217.

TRAINING CONTINUED

Haz-Mat Refresher Course will be held on March 27, 2008 beginning at 6:30pm at Station #1. Everyone should attend this course.

SCBA Annual qualification make-up is scheduled for May 17, 2008 at the DCBF Fire Training Center. This is the only scheduled make-up. If anyone who is already qualified wants to attend you are more than welcome. Please be at Station #1 by 7:45am. If you already completed the SCBA Re-cert, please see 31-4 to get your #8 for your helmet.

If anyone is interested in attending the Hybrid-Vehicle Seminar in Walkill please sign up in the radio room.

REGULAR COMPANY TRAINING WILL CONTINUE TO BE HELD ON THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

GEAR ISSUES

If anyone has any outstanding gear problems please contact 31-C.

DUTY NIGHTS

The attendance is still a little low. Please make every effort to attend so that our equipment and SCBA's can be checked.

NEW R31-60 OPEN HOUSE

The open house for the new R31-60 will be held on March 30, 2008 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at Station #1. The Ladies Auxiliary will serve light refreshments.

ANNUAL INSTALLATION DINNER

Annual Installation Dinner will be held on April 19, 2008 at the Hillside Manor. Please get your responses in ASAP

NEW SCBA THREAD PROTECTION CAPS

There are new caps on all the SCBA bottles to protect the bottle threads. Please use the caps!

NEW HOSE COMPANY WEBSITE

THE NEW COMPANY WEBSITE IS UP AND RUNNING. IT CONTAINS A CALENDAR PROGRAM THAT IS SIMILAR TO THE YAHOO CALENDAR PROGRAM REGARDING TRAINING DATES AND COMPANY EVENTS. THE NEW SITE ADDRESS IS HIGHLANDFIRE31.ORG

NEW ACCOUNTABILITY TAG SYSTEM

A NEW ACCOUNTABILITY TAG SYSTEM HAS BEEN ORDERED. All new tags will be issued to all members once they arrive. We are switching to a plastic tag with your name engraved on the tag. The accountability procedure will remain the same.

UNIFORMS

Please remember to bring you Class A uniform to the April 1st meeting so that the new company patches can be sewn onto your uniform jacket and white short sleeve parade shirt. If you cannot drop your jacket or shirt off, please contact the quartermaster to make other arrangements.

DISTRICT PHYSICALS

THE NEXT ROUND OF PHYSICALS WILL BE SENT OUT SOON. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT.

200 CLUB / MAGIC SHOW TICKETS

Tickets for both of these events are available. Please see either Rosanne or Dave Parker to get tickets.