A SALUTE TO OUR LIFESAVING VOLUNTEERS 2016
GUILDERLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Organized in 1931
Serves the town of Guilderland from The Prospect Hill Cemetery to the Nirvana Indian Restaurant, with parts of Routes 155 and 146 and Old State Road.

Calls:
Calls: 2015: 180  2016 YTD: 174

The Guilderland Fire Department has served the district for 84 years with 36 active members currently serving their community. The department maintains four fire apparatus, two command vehicles, and one utility vehicle. Fire apparatus includes a 1992 Salisbury (Engine 27) and a 2002 American LaFrance (Engine 26) engine. Both are Class I engines that pump large volumes of water and carry firefighting hose and ground ladders. Other apparatus includes a 2008 E-One 100 foot aerial ladder platform/pumper (Truck 29) and a 2007 Spartan Light Rescue Squad (Squad 23) that contains a mobile air bank and the Jaws of Life.

Our membership includes both men and women, highschool and college students and a diverse group of local professionals. Anyone 16 years or older may join if they live or work in the Guilderland Fire District. Ladies Auxiliary is also accepting new members, there is no residency requirement. Applications for either may be obtained by calling the firehouse at 456-5000 or by email via our contact page.

Membership
(* life member, ** emeritus)

Auxiliary:

Guilderland Fire Department firematic officers, seated from left: Scott Jill, chief, Jim Schanz, assistant chief. Standing from left: Christopher Uns, sergeant; Michael Dempsey, captain; Allen Mason, lieutenant.

Civil officers of the Guilderland Fire Department, seated from left: Doug Ryan, vice president; Bob Meyers, president. Standing from left: Robert Lynch, quartermaster; Nate Webb, Brian Forte, directors. Absent: Stewart Pattison, secretary, Vicente Ganance, treasurer.

Guilderland Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary officers, seated from left: Cathleen Cox, president; Pam Gaitor, vice president. Standing from left: Doris Selig, treasurer; Cindy Schultz, Melissa Wood, director.
Fort Hunter Volunteer Fire Company

Organized in 1950
Calls:
2016 YTD: 202

Membership
(* life member)

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Fort Hunter Volunteer Fire Company

Firefighter of the Year
Nick Macchiarella

On Sept. 22, fourteen volunteer firefighting crews rushed to the rescue as, late that night, Sally and Tom Ketchum’s home was engulfed in flames.

The firefighters were hampered as they battled the blaze because there was no ready access to water; they had to set up a system for shuttling water from trucks to the scene. A huge fireball leapt from the old three-story farmhouse at 3935 Western Turnpike and, although the back of the house was a loss, the front was salvaged. No one was injured.

Enterprise photographer Michael Koff, who is being honored as one of the Firefighters of the Year, was off-duty for the Westmere Fire Department and so could capture the drama for our newspaper.

It was one of three Tuesday fires within a month for the Altamont Fire Department, which in October turned its annual open house into a fundraiser for the burned-out families. Over $5,000 was raised. Al-tamont’s chief, Paul Miller, said he was gratified by the “outpouring of support from the community.”

We, in turn, are grateful for the selfless volunteers who put their lives on the line to save others. Those who staff the ambulance squads and those who fight fires spend countless hours training to be ready for emergencies.

Each year, we at The Enterprise salute them by picturing the leaders of the departments and squads and listing the members. Look for your neighbors in this special edition, and tell them, “Thank you.”

— Melissa Hale-Spencer, editor
The McKownville Fire Department was established in 1918 and has 57 active members. Located at the eastern end of the Town of Guilderland the Department’s coverage includes 900+ residential homes, Stuyvesant Plaza, Executive Park, part of the Albany SUNY Campus, several high-rise structures and numerous public and private businesses.

The Department and Auxiliary hold several fundraising activities throughout the year including a Spring Drawing, Chicken Barbecue, and a Fall Turkey Drawing.

Active Firefighters
(* life member)

Calls:
2015: 216 — 2016 YTD: 196

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Thank you to all of our Volunteers!

Civil officers of McKownville Fire Department, from left: David Clancy, president; Maureen Renna, vice president; Joe Siracusa, treasurer; Zachary Collen, secretary.

Associate members

Inactive life:
Herb Brown, Fred Deichman, Paul Laudato, Robert Monaghan, Paul Sweeney.
WESTMERE FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Active Members
(* life member)

Social Members
Donald Burkett, Bill Goodwin, Rich Reyners, Guy Comparetta, Rocco Padula, Robert Spain, Sean Coburn, Anthony Pazzola, Thomas Gannon III, Scott Boris, Nicholas Nelson

Honorary Members
James Michael, William Young

Organized in 1935
The Westmere Fire Department protects 12 square miles of property in the Town of Guilderland. Our district includes Crossgates Mall, Hamilton Square, Westmere Plaza and several smaller shopping centers, and over 2,900 homes, several apartment complexes with a total of over 3,100 apartments and several schools and churches. The assessed value of the property in the district totals over $1 billion.

Calls:
2016 YTD: 330

Firefighters of the Year

Our Hero
All photos in the Volunteer Section were taken by Altamont Enterprise Publisher Emeritus James E. Gardner Sr., except where noted.
Westerlo Volunteer Fire Company Inc.

Organized March 23, 1938.
Covers town of Westerlo; dispatched by Albany County 911 Dispatch Center.

Calls:
2015: 90  2016 YTD: 65

Received a FY2015 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), total amount of the award was $124,861, and this will eliminate a large expense to replace our SCBAs and cylinders which expire every 15 years.

Received a FY2015 Fire Prevention and Safety for the training of members and purchase of Supplies for Cause and Origen Investigations, total amount of the award was $57,026, and this will enhance our training and increase capabilities for us and surrounding towns.

Fire Company Board of Directors:
Alan Clickman, Donald Filkins, James Brush, Richard Gage, Ethan Sharp, Eric Dutton.

Fire Company Civil Officers:
President, Debra Filkins; Vice President, Kelley Keefe; Secretary, Tracey Lawson; Treasurer, Lisa Joslin

Fire Battalion Line Officers:
Chief, Kevin Flensted; Deputy Chief, Thomas Diederich; Assistant Chief, Andrew Joslin; Captain, Donald Filkins; Lieutenant, Debra Filkins; Lieutenant, Richard Gage; Lieutenant, Ethan Sharp

Fire Police Officers:
Captain, Don Garanachon; Lieutenant, Steve Bose; Lieutenant: Henry Lasher

Thank you to all our lifesaving volunteers.

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ALTAMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT

Organized May 22, 1893, Oldest volunteer fire department in Albany County Serves the village of Altamont and part of the town of Guilderland.

Calls:
2015: 84  2016 YTD: 94

The department serves the Village of Altamont and part of the Town of Guilderland. Each year the department participates in a number of community related events. These include the Halloween parade, the Altamont Police Department Safety Awareness Day, the PTA village-wide garage sale and the Altamont Memorial Day Parade. Fire Safety programs were provided to the Altamont Pre-School and Altamont Elementary School children. The department hosts the Annual Fireman’s Ball in the spring of each year, as well as comedy night in the fall. The department observes a moment of silence every Sept. 11th with a memorial service. The department participates in a Santa Stroll every December. Members also assist the auxiliary’s annual Back to School Brooks’ Barbecue fund-raiser every September.

The auxiliary participates in the annual Halloween Party, the village-wide garage sale, the Altamont Memorial Day Parade and decorating for the Annual Fireman’s Ball. The women host the annual Brooks Barbecue each September.

Membership

ALTAMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT line officers, seated from left: Paul Miller, chief; Kyle Haines, first assistant chief. Standing from left: Lawrence Grant, second lieutenant; Laura McConchie, first lieutenant; Susan Olivares, second lieutenant; Thomas Tubbs, captain. Absent: Nicholas Carducci, second lieutenant; Thomas Person, captain of fire police.

ALTAMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT civil officers, seated from left: Jane Huggins, secretary; Kelly Best, treasurer. Standing, from left: Joseph Dover, sergeant at arms; Todd Kedik, president; Lawrence Grant, chaplain. Absent: David Cowan, vice president.

ALTAMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT Ladies Auxiliary officers, from left: Treea Freeman, treasurer; Dorothy Ernest, president, Katrina Mayba, secretary. Absent: Patricia Dover, vice president; Linda Dunn, chaplain; Kelly Best, historian.
RENSELAERVILLE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE INC.

Organized 1973
Calls
2016 YTD: 145

The Town of Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance, Inc. serves the three fire districts within the Town of Rensselaerville. We are volunteers handling as many calls as possible with assistance from the Albany County Sheriff’s Department for coverage when we are short on manpower. We currently have six trained EMT’s or higher as well as eight drivers, and are always looking for HELP! We have been in operation since 1973 and our quarters are located at the intersection of County Routes 352 and 357. We answer on average 160 calls annually. Our vehicle is a 2009 Ford Road Rescue ambulance. Our meetings are the third Wednesday of each month, starting with one hour of training at 7:00 p.m. and a business meeting at 8:00 p.m. Whenever possible we are available for mutual aid to neighboring towns, if manpower permits.

Calls:
2016 YTD: 145

WESERLO RESCUE SQUAD INC.

Organized July 16, 1998
Incorporated December 8, 1998.
Started operations January 1, 1999
Serves the entire Town of Westerlo.
Calls:
2015: 308  2016 YTD: 246

Membership
(* life member)
Eve Aragona, Bob Beck*, Sue Fink, Amanda Gosman, Dan Kissling, Ken Mackey*, Dan Mackey Jr., Philip Mackey, Deana O’Hare, Jody Ostrander, Bill Riley, Jeanine Riley, Kevin Slingerland*, Debbie Theiss-Mackey*, Tara Wesley, Colin Wilkinson, Kaira Wesley, Todd Winne*.

The Town of Westerlo Rescue Squad Inc. serves all of Westerlo with mutual aid to neighboring towns if manpower permits. Our vehicle is a 2009 Ford Road Rescue ambulance. Our meetings are the third Wednesday of each month, starting with one hour of training at 7:00 p.m. and a business meeting at 8:00 p.m. Whenever possible we are available for mutual aid to neighboring towns, if manpower permits.

Calls:
2015: 308  2016 YTD: 246

ALTAMONT RESCUE SQUAD INC.

Founded 1937

The oldest volunteer rescue squad in New York State.
Serves Altamont with mutual aid to Guilderland and Knox. The Squad is certified at the EMT-D (emergency medical technician certified to use a defibrillator). We also are able to administer Albuterol and Epi Pens and check finger stick blood sugars.
Calls:
2016 YTD: 800

Honorary members:

Volunteers

Calls:
2016 YTD: 800

Rensselaerville Volunteer Ambulance, Inc. officers and members, from left: Brian Wood, lieutenant; Kenneth Decker, president and assistant captain; Barry Cooke Jr.; Bailey Wood; Barry Cooke, lieutenant; Brenda Wood, treasurer; Michael Leppig; Gerald Wood; Robert Boettler, vice president; MaryAnne Overbaugh, secretary; Dennis Wood, captain.Absent: Anthony Guadagno.

Westerlo Rescue Squad Officers from left: Ken Mackey, captain; Debbie Theiss-Mackey, assistant captain, secretary, treasurer and board of directors; Kevin Slingerland, president; Jody Ostrander, board of directors, Dan Kissling, vice president.

Altamont Rescue Squad Officers, from left: Robert Trottier, director; Lillian Quinn, president/director; Rich Perras, director; Mike Thibdeau, captain/director.

Altamont Rescue EMS Providers of the Year
Absent: EMS Provider Mike Robie.
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The Altamont Enterprise – Thursday, November 3, 2016

ONESQUEATHAW VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

Organized 1942
Provides fire and ambulance service in the southern parts of New Scotland.

Calls:
2016 Fire YTD: 72
2016 Ambulance YTD: 158

Membership
(* life member, ** inactive life)

Ladies Auxiliary
(* life member)

Associate
(* life member)

Onesqueathaw Volunteer Fire Company line officers, seated from left: Dan LaDuke, chief; Peter Houck, battalion chief Unit No. 1 Clarksville; Richard Voorhaar, battalion chief Unit No. 2 Feura Bush. Jeff Mudge, battalion chief Unit No. 3 Unionville. Standing from left: James Cable, captain Unit No. 1 Clarksville; Zach Spaullding, captain Unit No. 2 Feura Bush; John Mudge, John Freihofer, captains Unit No. 3 Unionville. Absent: Mike Salisbury, assistant chief.

Onesqueathaw Volunteer Fire Company special squads, seated from left: Fire Police: William Salisbury, captain; Richard Stickley, lieutenant; Paul Lobdell, sergeant; Wayne Hoffman, sergeant. Standing from left: Rescue Squad: Sherry Silvano, Ethan VanPraag, lieutenants; Matthew Latham, captain; Steve Dooley, Sr., sergeant of fire police.

EMS Providers of the Year for Onesqueathaw Fire Company, from left: Chris Pierce, Matthew Latham, and Kevin Pierce.
RENSSSELAERVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

The Rensselaerville Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. was incorporated in 1939. Our fire district is 27 square miles including the village and hamlet of Rensselaerville. Please follow us on Facebook for updates and details.

Calls:
2016 YTD: 29

Like our neighboring volunteer fire departments, we are in need of new members. There is a position for everyone. For more information about joining, please stop by at one of our meetings. Battalion meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and company meetings are the last Wednesday at 7:30 pm or stop by at drills which are held the first two Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

KNOX VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY INC.

Organized 1948
(Incorporated in 1953)
Serves 40 sq. miles of The Town of Knox

Calls:
2015: 70 2016 YTD: 59

Company and Auxiliary Fund-raisers
Calendar Drive in October, fall dinner in November, Memorial Day bake sale and August town-wide garage sale. The Auxiliary has been sending packages to our troops in Iraq. Packages are sent every month while there is a need, so donations are always accepted. Contact any Auxiliary member for more information.

Membership

Fireman of the year
Dana Sherman

Civil officers of Knox Volunteer Fire Company, from left: Clark Conklin, treasurer; Russell Pokorny, secretary; Rich Lounds, vice president; Dan Sherman, president. Absent: John Graves, membership secretary.

Knox Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary and members, seated from left: Pat Lightbody, vice president; Delia "Barney" Palumbo, honorary member; Maryann Saddlemeire, president. Standing from left: Nancy Doster, Dee Winters, Mary Sherman, Linda Hodges, honorary officer, Judy Conklin, secretary. Absent: Diane Champion, treasurer; Charlotte Fuss, chaplain, Joan Becker, Sharon Humes.

Knox Volunteer Fire Company line officers, from left: Donald Champion, captain of fire police; Tim Hagerott, captain; James Albert, second assistant chief; Bill Vinson, chief. Absent: Kevin Sherman, first assistant chief, Megan Sherman, assistant captain.
The Tri-Village Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. was formed in 1933 to cover the hamlets of Preston Hollow, Potter Hollow and Cooksburg. The firehouse is located on Rt. 145 in Preston Hollow. The Company serves the lower southwest portion of the Town of Rensselaerville in Albany County.

The Company annually sponsors two boot drives in the district and distributes an annual update letter to our residents.

Calls:
2016 YTD: 45

Apparatus
1991 Beck Pumper 1000 GPM pump/500 gallon tank
2001 KME Engine Tanker 1250 GPM Pump/1,000 gallon tank also used for Rescues.
2011 Custom Fab Engine Tanker 1250 GPM/3,000 gallon tank

The Tri-Village Volunteer Fire Company handles on average 60 fire/rescue calls annually.

TRI-VILLAGE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY INC.

MEDUSA VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

Founded March, 1946
Serves the hamlet of Medusa in the town of Rensselaerville.
Fundraising events include our annual Medusa Fest, Turkey Supper, Election Day Buffet, plus our famous All-You-Can-Eat Breakfasts on the third Saturday of each month from September until April, along with our Annual Horsehoe Competition on the first Saturday of August. Our Auxiliary is a part of our regular membership.

Calls:
2015: 56  2016 YTD: 33

Civil officers
Warren Beeman, chaplain, Janet Case, correspondent secretary, Brenda Heath, treasurer, Mark Overbaugh, president, Ted Rice, vice president, Pat Rice, secretary.

Line officers
Dominick Albergo, second lieutenant, Dan Beeman, third lieutenant, Ron Case Jr., first assistant chief, Ron Case III, first lieutenant, John Gordon, second assistant chief, Chris Heath Sr., third assistant chief, Anthony Higgins, deputy chief, Scott Lee, portables, Steve Phleging, chief.

Additional members
Manny Alabat, David Battsbolts, Norm Berker, Charlotte Berker, Joyce Chase, Parker Chase, Courtney Heath, Nick Heath, Bill Hillcoss, Tabitha Marres, Brandon Paden, Shirley Trafton.

Directors
Ronald Case Sr., Mark Overbaugh, John Gordon.

NEW SALEM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Organized in 1946 and incorporated in 1947
The Department covers that half of the town of New Scotland that surrounds the Village of Voorheesville.

Calls:
2015: 88  2016 YTD: 75

Members
(* life member)

Auxiliary Membership
(* life member)

Administrative officers for New Salem Volunteer Fire Company, from left: John Furlong, administrator; Angelo Sangiorgi, director of membership; Tim Blow, treasurer. Absent: Nate Wood, secretary, Keith Tuzzolo, director of property.
BERNE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

Organized 1929
Covers the Town of Berne and a portion of the Town of Knox.
Calls:
2015 Calls: 102  2016 YTD 71

Community Events: In the spring and fall company members participate in a highway clean up on Helderberg Trail. In May, firefighters place American flags on the graves of departed members, and the fire company participates in many local Memorial Day Parades. During Fire Prevention Week in October, the firefighters teach lessons on fire safety to the elementary students at Berne-Knox-Westerlo. In addition to fire safety, the children learn about firefighting equipment and have an opportunity to meet the firefighters. Students are given fire prevention coloring books filled with safety ideas. In August, the firefighters also visit the Connections Program at B-K-W. In May and October, the fire company hosts two Roast Beef Dinners.

In case of a lengthy power outage in the town, residents may come to the Berne Fire Station for water, food, and showers.

Membership
Terry Adams, Jeff Alexander, Tyler Anderson, Eden Becker, Jay Becker, Peter Becker, Dave Clark, Holly Clark, JoeColby, Gerry Cross, Paula Dunnell, Robert Flagler, Eric Gardner, Ed Hampton, Mary Hampton, Dave Haverly, John Todd McGivern, Daniel Meszaros, Alex Migliucci, Nick Minute, Mary Alice Molgard, Jim Mosbey, Rob Motschmann, Jack NORray Sr., TimNorbay, JackNorbay, JasonNorbay, Jack Norray Jr., Mark Sampsen, Art Shultes, Ron Shultes, Vickie Snyder, Mike Vincent, Jarome Wheeler, Ted Wiederhold, Evan Quay, Alan Zuk.

Executive Officers
Alan Zuk, president; Edward Hampton, vice president; Jim Mosbey, treasurer; Robert Motschmann, secretary; Vicki Snyder, corr. secretary; Robert Flagler, asst. treasurer; Robert Hoffman, chaplain.

Board of Directors
Terry Adams, Vickie Snyder, Rob Motschmann, Jack Norray Sr., Mike Vincent, Mark Sampsen.

BERNE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY Ladies Auxiliary Officers from left: Robin Meszaros, secretary; Bridget Minute, president; Janet Adams, vice president; Heather Gardner, treasurer; Alyce Gibbs, chaplain.
VOORHEESVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Organized 1902
Serving the Village of Voorheesville in the Town of New Scotland.
Calls:
2015 Calls: 48  2016 YTD 38

Fund Raising Events:
Annual Calendar Drive, Breakfast with Santa, Election Day Auxiliary Bake Sale, car washes, blood drive. Proceeds from donations and fund raising events are used to benefit many community functions. Some of the local organizations assisted in the past are: Voorheesville High School Dollars for Scholars, New Scotland Pop Warner football, Voorheesville High School Yearbook, Voorheesville High School Drama Club, and Hilltowns Children’s Christmas Drive, the American Cancer Society, Kiwanis baseball, Voorheesville Area Ambulance, Voorheesville American Legion Post 1493, St. Peter’s Hospice, and the New Scotland Food Pantry. There were two collections to send care packages to troops stationed in war zones. In addition, proceeds are used to benefit the FASNY Fireman’s Home in Hudson, New York, the October Fire Prevention Week, as well as many other firematic associations. The Auxiliary assists the firemen with many of these fund-raisers and donates the proceeds from their bake sale to the Albany County Burn Fund.

Community Service Activities:
The department supports the Adopt-a-Highway program with its semi-annual cleanup of Route 85A through the Village; conducts firehouse tours for the nursery and kindergarten classes in support of fire safety education; hosts three golf leagues. The Department also offers a Junior Firefighter program for Voorheesville teens aged 16 & 17 who desire to learn about the fire service while fulfilling their own school Community Service obligations.

Membership
(* life member, ** past chief)

Junior Firefighter of the Year
Edmund Schultz

Firefighter of the Year
Thomas Cascone

Civil officers of Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department, from left: Richard Berger, president; John Hensel, vice president; James Giner, secretary; James Hensel, treasurer; Foye Belyea, chaplain; Stanley Hadeka, delegate; Paul Duncan, alternate delegate. Absent: Harvey Huth, chaplain.

Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department line officers, from left: Ernie Papa, captain fire police; Timothy Gyurovits, lieutenant; Ron Henry, captain; Dave Gannon, second assistant chief; William Reddy, chief; Michael Herzog, first assistant chief; Thomas Cascone, captain; Nicholas Duncan, lieutenant; Clark Thomas, quartermaster.

Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary officers, from left: Sarah Lindner, chaplain; Colleen Schubert, president; Diane Deschenes, treasurer; Tanya Hensel, vice president; Karen Duncan, secretary.
NORTH BETHLEHEM FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Organized 1948

The North Bethlehem Fire Department covers the Elmwood Park Fire District, which includes parts of the towns of Guilderland, Bethlehem, and New Scotland, bounded by the city of Albany on the east, the Normanskill Creek on the south and west, and the McKownville Fire District on the north.

Calls
2015: 641  2016 YTD: 431

Responding Members
(* life member)

Calls
2015: 641  2016 YTD: 431

Responding Members
(* life member)

HELDERBERG AMBULANCE INC.

Incorporated 1990

An all volunteer ambulance squad serving the Towns of Berne and the southern portion of Knox. Certified at EMT-B level, and funded by a revenue-recovery program. The squad sponsors an annual blood drive for the American Red Cross in January. Once a month the squad provides blood pressure checks for the Hilltown Senior Citizens.

Membership
(* life member)
EAST BERNE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY
Organized 1964

Fund-raisers include the annual calendar drive, Brooks chicken B-B-Q, “Horror in the Hilltowns” haunted house, and summer cash fun days drawing tickets for the month of August. See any member for tickets.

Calls:
2015: 102  2016 YTD: 71

Active Membership
(* life member)

Auxiliary
(* life member)

Civil Officers of East Berne Volunteer Fire Company, seated from left: Phyllis Johnson, Jennifer Duncan, director; Mark Resnick, treasurer; Dean Keller, membership secretary; Joanne Wright, secretary. Standing from left: David Harnett, Richard Guilz Sr., George Montesano, directors; Ron Foch, sergeant at arms; Gerald O’Malley, president; Ann Resnick, chaplain; Chuck Feldmann, vice president. Absent: Vernon Wagoner, director.

East Berne Volunteer Fire Company line officers, seated from left: David Wright, assistant chief; Scott Duncan, chief; Jason Tice, captain. Standing from left: Lee Harnett, Melissa Harnett, Sean Peck, Brandon Kallner, lieutenants; James Harnett, quartermaster; Joanne Wright, lieutenant of fire police. Absent: Vernon Wagoner, captain of fire police.

East Berne Volunteer Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary officers, seated from left: Danielle Shepard, vice president; Becky Gross, president/director; Marge Capuano, trustee; Carol Guilz, historian; Joanne Wright, secretary/sunshine. Standing from left: Frances O’Malley, trustee; Tammy Petruska, treasurer; Peppie Harnett, color bearer. Absent: Lora Ricketts, chaplain.

Firefighter of the years: Chief Scott Duncan presents a plaque to firefighter of the year, Jason Tice, at right.

Thank you to all our lifesaving volunteers.

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PINE GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Organized 1933
Serves Western Guilderland and parts of Princetown and Rotterdam in Schenectady County.

Calls
2015: 192   2016 YTD: 135

Membership
(* honorary life member):

Equipment
U150 2012 Chevrolet pick-up truck
E151 2002 KME pumper
E152 1998 Pierce pumper
E153 196 Central States mini pumper
TA 154 1981 Mack Tanker
R155 2006 KME heavy rescue

Firefighter of the Year
Brian Anderson

GUILDERLAND CENTER FIRE DEPARTMENT INC.

Organized 1918, incorporated July of 1919.
Serves the hamlet of Guilderland Center and surrounding areas in the town of Guilderland.

Calls
2015: 104   2016 YTD: 127

Membership
(* life member)

Auxiliary Members
Kelly Dodge, Terry Dodge, Darci Eflaw, Susan Eflaw, Vala Jackson, Barb Jager, Patty Peters, Alisha Hennet, Debbie Sim, Mary Reinemann.

Community Events
A Ham Game Party in March/April; Memorial Services at the GCFD and parades with Altamont and Voorheesville Fire Departments in May. Doug Lawton Memorial Golf Outing in July. Fireworks at the Albany Country Club in July. At the Altamont Fair in August. Various parades in and out of Albany County in September. Albany County Volunteer Firemen’s Association Muster; Fire Prevention Week Open House and Halloween Party in October. A Turkey Game Party on November 14th. Arrival of Santa Claus on a fire truck in December.

Civil officers of Guilderland Center Fire Department, Inc. line officers, from left: Ed Makowski, lieutenant; Chris Dvorszak, captain; John Joy, assistant chief; Casey VanAlstyne, captain; Jon Reimenschneider, lieutenant. Absent: Dylan Weremeichik, lieutenant and steward; Robert Santorelli, captain of fire police.

Firefighter of the Year
Bob Purzycki