

## Station 66 News

Protecting Warwick Township since 1958

Spring 2014

Warwick Township Fire Company No. 1

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### In an Emergency Dial 9-1-1

www.warwickfd.com

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Dear Neighbors,

The newly built Warwick Township fire station was completed early in 2013, allowing the fire company to move into the station and continue operations more efficiently.

The new building has individual garage bays for all of the apparatus – an engine, tanker, rescue, and ladder truck. The individual garage bays keep all trucks accessible and improve volunteer response times.

Did you know that there are over 4,000 households, and 320 businesses in Warwick Township? On an annual yearly average, we respond to about 300 emergency calls to households and businesses in Warwick Township.

The men and women of the Warwick Township Fire Company are your friends and neighbors. These brave volunteer first responders work to save our lives and property when a disaster or accident occurs – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Your generosity and donations received over the last two years have made it possible for us to a make a \$165,000 payment towards the principal of the two million dollar mortgage. We appreciate and thank all of the households and businesses that have made a donation.

We continue to ask each resident to consider the value of the service provided by these brave volunteers and make a contribution to our capital campaign in accordance with your financial ability. Any amount that you can donate is greatly appreciated. Your donation makes a difference by supporting your all-volunteer fire company. Your donation goes directly to the capital campaign fund.

Please use the enclosed envelope to make a tax-deductible donation or go to the fire company's web site at warwickfd.com and make a donation through the PayPal link.

Sincerely,

The Officers and Members of the Warwick Twp Fire Company No.1

#### **Beef and Beer Fundraiser**

Warwick Township Fire Company, No. 1, is hosting another Beef and Beer. Last year's event was so successful that we are doing it again.

Admission includes meal, beer and wine. Tickets go on sale in August. Watch our web-site and front sign for more information.

Benefitting Warwick Township Fire Company Capital Campaign.

#### **November 15**

7:00 PM - 11:00 PM

The Bucks Club 2600 York Road, Jamison

Tickets available August 2014

**Annual Calls** 

2014 YTD Calls

308

330

291

351

296

285

36

4

28

2

7

59

8

144

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

2013

Fire

Rescue

Hazards

Service

Good Intent

False Alarms

#### Capital Campaign Financial Summary

The following financial summary is for calendar years 2012 and 2013.

2012 Opening Balance	\$ 78,661	2013 Opening Balance	\$ 98,326
Donations	\$ 120,722	Donations	\$ 63,767
Expenditures	\$ 101,057 (a)	Expenditures	\$ 3,071 (b)
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$ 98,326	<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$ 159,022

- a) Includes \$77,661 transfer to Fire Company General Account as part of equity in construction project; \$18,255 to purchase car for Heritage Creek raffle; \$2,000 transfer to a bank to open an "affinity" account; \$2,818 for campaign printing costs; \$123 for check purchases; and \$200 for returned donations.
- b) Includes \$871 for campaign printing; \$1,800 for event venue fees; and a \$400 bank adjustment.

The following financial summary is for the first quarter of 2014. The results are highlighted by \$165,000.00 of reductions in the mortgage on the Fire Station. The results also show the Fire Company's need for your continued support to help us pay down the mortgage further this year.

Opening Balance	\$ 159,022		
Donations	\$	7,568	
Transfers In	\$	9,382 (a)	
Expenditures	\$ 165,050 (b)		
Ending Balance	\$	10,922	

- a) Transfer from Fire Company General Account.
- b) \$165,000 principal payment on bank loan, plus \$50 Holiday Shop vendor refund.

Check www.warwickfd.com for Capital Campaign financial summary and event updates.

# Special Total Total

#### We are 100% Volunteer

Warwick Township Fire Company members are your friends and neighbors; all volunteers, men and women like you, who serve without pay.

Our firefighters and EMTs are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, ready to drop whatever we are doing to risk our lives to protect your family, business and property.

#### Make a Difference in Someone's Life

Join our 75 members - volunteer at Warwick Township Fire Company. Opportunities exist for Firefighters and Fire Police positions. Training and equipment is provided. We need administrative members too; regardless of skill, help is needed to run the business.

Please stop by any Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm to talk to our members and tour the station.

#### **Annual Holiday Shopping Event**

The Second Annual Warwick Fire Company Holiday Shopping Event was held on Sunday, December 1, 2013, at the firehouse. Forty-five vendors, crafters, and independent consultants signed on as participants in this community

shopping event fundraiser for the fire company.

The officers and members of the fire company wish to thank all of the event participants, shoppers, and local businesses for supporting this fundraising event. Your support is greatly appreciated.

#### The 2014 Holiday Shopping Event will be held on Sunday, December 7, 2014, 10 am to 3 pm.

For more information about the Holiday Shopping Event or to sign on as a vendor, please contact Heidi Chen at (215) 491-8689.



#### Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

Upcoming and current events, plus other important notices are posted on Facebook and Twitter.

facebook.com/warwickfd

twitter.com/WarwickFireCo

#### **Upcoming 2014 Events**

October 11 Fire Prevention Open House

November 15 Beef and Beer December 7 **Holiday Shop** 

#### **Warwick Fire Company Awarded Unit Citation**

The Lingohocken Fire Company of Buckingham Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, presented Warwick, Midway, and Doylestown Township Fire Companies each with Unit Citation Awards.

Fire Chief Greg Jakubowski of the Lingohocken Fire Company presented the Unit Citation Awards to each of the fire companies in recognition of the companies' initiative and actions to successfully

help extricate a trapped worker at a building collapse in Buckingham Township.

Warwick, Midway, and Doylestown Township Fire Companies assisted Lingohocken Fire Company on the rescue call through mutual-aid. Mutual-aid agreements allow neighboring fire companies to be called in as backup based on the level of emergency.



During the Spring and Summer months, fire departments respond to a high number of fire calls resulting from unsafe grill use. Grills should only be used outdoors and placed well away from homes, fences, deck rails, and other combustible materials. Keep your grill clean and use only as directed by the manufacturer. Never leave grills and open flames unattended.

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## Replace Your Old Smoke Detectors with Interconnected Detectors

Smoke detectors are an important part to safety at home and work. When you replace your smoke detectors, consider using interconnected technology. Whether wired or wireless, interconnected smoke detectors sound an alarm at all units when one of them detects smoke ensuring everyone is aware of the detection regardless of location in the house or facility.

Smoke detectors that are ten years old or older should be replaced. Their ability to detect smoke is greatly diminished with age and advancements in detection technology help improve performance while reducing nuisance alarms.



Ionization smoke detectors are more responsive to flaming fires while photoelectric respond better to smoldering fires. Installing combination (dual-sensor) smoke detectors provide the best protection.

Dead air develops in the corner at the ceiling and walls, be sure to place your smoke detector more than four inches on the ceiling at least four inches from the nearest wall. If mounting a smoke detector on a wall or sloped ceiling, it should be placed outside the four -inch dead space, but no more than twelve inches from the top/ceiling.

#### Material and Labor Donations Needed

In keeping the overall project cost low, several rooms in the station were left unfinished. The entire upstairs administrative wing needs flooring, doors, and fixtures, this wing includes offices, file storage, bunk rooms and the second floor restrooms.

We are relying on the continued hard-work of our members and community volunteers to finish these areas. Financial donations and skilled volunteers are needed to help complete the station. If you are interested in contributing materials or labor, please email President@warwickfd.com



#### **B-I-N-G-0**

We just completed our first BINGO event, with Designer Bag Bingo. Prizes included high-end designer hand bags from Coach, Vera Bradley and Thirty-One. It was a fun afternoon and a huge success. We are planning another BINGO event for May 3, 2015.

Watch our web-site and front sign for more information. Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



#### Community Alert System

- Emergencies
- Severe Weather
- Road Closures
   Crime alerts