

Did You Know?

The GFD has an email list that you can subscribe to easily by going online to greenfieldfd.org. This list is used fairly often throughout the year as we notify all the registered members on the list when we post new approved meeting minutes, date changes to meetings and other important information.

Go to www.greenfieldfd.org and subscribe by clicking on the “Register” link on the top of the page.

Did You Know?

The GFD is the most active volunteer fire agency in Saratoga County! Here are the calls as of as of September 1st, 2009 for each sister fire company of the GFD:

Greenfield Center	374
Porter Corners	103
Middle Grove	151
Maple Avenue	603

*That's a total of 1231 calls
for the GFD!*



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THE GREENFIELD FIRE DISTRICT

Volunteers Saving Lives for over 60 Years

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October is Fire Prevention Month!

Look for the GFD firefighters at our local Greenfield Center Elementary and Dorothy Nolan Elementary schools. GFD firefighters visit our schools and invite students into our firehouses to teach important safety and fire prevention lessons. We post details about our fire prevention program on our website along pictures each year! Questions about our fire prevention program can be forwarded to Commissioner Brian Bishop via our website.

GFD 2010 Budget

The GFD Board of Fire Commissioners is proud to announce a proposed 2010 overall budget with a planned increase of 4%. The GFD has completed some multi-year initiatives, whose funds were used to supplement other budgetary increases (apparatus repair and facility repairs). The Board of Fire Commissioners also wishes to focus more on savings for apparatus and buildings – creating a tentative overall budgetary increase around 4%.

A public informational meeting will be held Tuesday October 20th at 7 pm at the Greenfield Center firehouse. All are welcome and encouraged to attend! The proposed budget will be available for download on our website: www.greenfieldfd.org prior to the meeting.

Shout Outs!

- Thanks to Stewarts Company for their generous support of the Maple Avenue Fire Company Open House
- Thanks to Fun Services New York, who generously donated all the rides and games for the Maple Avenue Fire Company Open House
- Chief Andy Kelley and the Corinth Fire Department for their generosity in allowing us to acquire a Jaws of Life set for the Porter Corners Fire Company





Maple Avenue Emergency Generator Installed

The last generator of the emergency generator initiative has been installed this summer at the Maple Avenue firehouse. The GFD began a multi-year initiative in late 2006 to install an emergency generator at each of the four firehouses in the district – the Maple Avenue install was the last of this initiative.

The generator initiative started with a NYS grant from Senator Hugh Farley - which was used to purchase the first generator, and also several smaller portable generators - to power home medical equipment during power outages.

The Maple Avenue generator install was a massive undertaking requiring a lot of time and effort from many people - and we would especially like to recognize the following people whom made this installation possible:

- Wilton Town Supervisor Art Johnson
- Wilton Town Highway Superintendent Kirklin Woodcock
- Wilton Town Highway Foreman Michael Monroe
- National Grid Supervisor Robert Dawson
- Saratoga Masonry Supply
- King Enterprises

All generators have been designed with growth in mind, so that any future additions to the facilities, will not require a generator upgrade.

GFD Takes Possession of the new EL-293

On Saturday May 16th the GFD took possession of the new Maple Avenue aerial truck, EL-293. The new truck was a “demo” truck – a truck that is used by a manufacturer to showcase their models and workmanship. Because demo trucks travel a fair amount, they are sold a significant discount – which made this particular truck a very appealing purchase.

This truck replaces a nearly 20 year old truck which was old to the Keeseville Volunteer Fire Department after the new truck was delivered. We wish them the best of luck and hope that the old EL-293 serves them well!

You can view a picture of the new EL-293 aerial truck on the fire district website: www.greenfieldfd.org

The Board of Fire Commissioners

Donald Kugler	Chairman
Brian Bishop	Commissioner
Tom Robarge	Commissioner
Richard “Spack” Spackmann	Commissioner
Ken Waite	Commissioner

*The next Fire Commissioner election will be held at each of the GFD firehouses on
Tuesday, Tuesday, December 8th, from 6 pm to 9 pm*



District Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location
Wed, Oct. 14th	7 pm – 9 pm	GFD Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting	Middle Grove Firehouse
Tues, Oct. 20th	7 pm – 9 pm	Public 2010 Budget Hearing	Greenfield Center Firehouse
Tues, Oct. 27th	7 pm – 9 pm	GFD Board of Fire Commissioners Workshop	Greenfield Center Firehouse
Wed, Nov. 11th	7 pm – 9 pm	GFD Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting	Maple Avenue Firehouse
Tues, Nov. 24th	7 pm – 9pm	GFD Board of Fire Commissioners Workshop	Greenfield Center Firehouse
Tues, Dec. 8th	6 pm – 9 pm	GFD Fire Commissioner Election	All GFD Firehouses
Wed, Dec. 9th	7 pm – 9 pm	GFD Board of Fire Commissioners Meeting	Greenfield Center Firehouse

It is not uncommon for meeting dates and locations to change. All Meeting dates and updates are posted on our website: www.greenfieldfd.org

2009 Summer Picnic

On Saturday, August 15th, the Greenfield Fire District held their 2nd Annual Picnic & Firefighter Olympics! Middle Grove Co #3 once again took home the trophy in this year's competition! A great time was had by our volunteers and their families, which was made possible with generous donations received from the following:

Chris Baker / Brookhaven Golf Club / O. B. Beyer Park
Greenfield Center Fire Company (Co. #1)
Porter Corners Fire Company (Co. #2)
Middle Grove Fire Company (Co. #3)
Maple Avenue Fire Company (Co. #4)
Bradley Septic
Freihofer's
Hannaford
Humpty Dumpty Ice Cream
Minogue's Beverage Center
Mohawk Dairy
Parillo Sausage Company
Price Chopper
Saratoga National Bank
Stewart's Shops

A special thank you as well to the following people who lent a hand with various picnic tasks:

Greenfield Center Ladies Auxiliary
Porter Corners Ladies Auxiliary
Middle Grove Ladies Auxiliary
Maple Avenue Auxiliary
Claire & Brian Bishop
Jean & Ron Bishop
George Miller
Vanessa Perkins
Joyce & Ed Petkus
Matthew Petkus
Tom Robarge

You can find out more about the Board of Fire Commissioners and much more on our new website, log on to www.greenfieldfd.org. Also don't forget to register online for updates!