

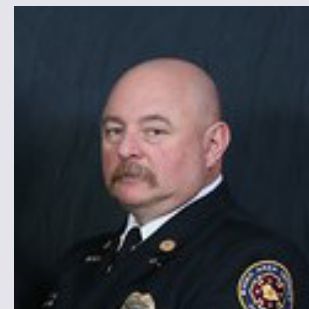


PENNSYLVANIA'S 1ST REGIONAL COMBINATION FIRE DEPARTMENT



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FIRE PREVENTION

As we continue through the cold weather months, please be sure to make sure that all vents on the outside of your home are free from snow and other clutter.

Blocked vents for gas appliances can contribute to carbon monoxide buildup in your home. Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless, and tasteless gas produced when a fuel burning appliance is not burning cleanly. Typical symptoms include a headache and flu like symptoms. We encourage anyone with fuel burning appliances to have CO detectors in the home.

As always, please remember to check the batteries in your smoke detectors as well. We always suggest changing the batteries in your detectors when you change your clocks for daylight savings time in the spring and fall.

Should you find that any of your detectors are over 10 years old, they can be purchased at any hardware store. If you need assistance with installation, obtaining a detector, or if you have any other questions relating to smoke detectors, CO, or fire safety – please contact our office at 717-718-2381. WORKING SMOKE DETECTORS SAVE LIVES!



Did you know that York Area United Fire & Rescue offers Fire Extinguisher Training for your organization?

We can come to your location with our self-contained demonstration trailer, and provide the following services to your staff:

- ❖ Fire Extinguisher Operation
- ❖ Classifications of Fire
- ❖ Types of Fire Extinguishers
- ❖ Hands-On Fire Extinguisher Operation with a propane-based fire

For details on pricing and scheduling, please contact PublicEducation@Yaufr.com or 717-718-2381.

PIO TRAINING

In January, YAUFR Captains and Command Staff attended Public Information Officer (PIO) training.

Through the 16-hour class developed by FEMA, personnel were taught communications skills aimed at improving the Department’s overall communications strategy.

Disseminating public information is more than just communicating with the public during emergencies. Much of a fire department’s interaction with the public occurs during non-emergency times. The knowledge gained during this class will enable our personnel to make sure that information reaches the right audience at the right time, through the most-effective methods.

INCIDENT STATISTICS

2017 Total-	3951
2018 Year To Date – 497 (As of 2/12)	
Springettsbury YTD –	189
Spring Garden YTD –	113
Manchester YTD –	99
Mount Wolf YTD –	6
Year To Date Fire Loss -	\$85,860
Year To Date Property Saved -	\$6,566,740

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

This month our employee spotlight shines on FF Richard Godfrey, assigned to Station 895 on A Shift and FF Ed Morin, assigned to Station 892 B Shift.

1. How long have you worked for the fire department? 16 years
2. Before working for the fire department what was the most unusual or interesting job you had? I was a general manager for a catering company with a market area from Virginia to New York.
3. How or why did you become involved in the fire service? My Uncle sparked my interest. When I was around 12, he would take me to the Alert Fire Co to help with BINGO and other fundraisers.
4. What is your proudest fire service moment? When I was selected as a Hazmat Specialist for the Pennsylvania Urban Search & Rescue Task Force (PA-TF1).
5. If Hollywood made a movie about your life, who should be cast to play you? Tom Cruise
6. What is your favorite travel or vacation spot? Anywhere I can park my motorhome.
7. What is your favorite past time? Tailgating and attending Penn State Football games with family and friends.
8. What are the top two items on your bucket list? 1. Travel to all 50 states in my motorhome. 2. Win Powerball so I have the time and money to travel to all 50 states in my motorhome.
9. If you could live anywhere in the world where would it be and why? I don’t have one specific spot. I would like to be able to live/travel full time in my motorhome...which brings us back to bucket list item # 2.
10. Tell us one thing about you that would surprise most people. I’m a Penn State Football fan...wait I think everyone already knows that.



Firefighter Richard Godfrey

“...Penn State Football fan...”

1. How long have you worked for the fire department? 11 years
2. Before working for the fire department what was the most unusual or interesting job you had? Working for Osmose Utility Services – treating and maintaining utility poles in the Mid-Atlantic Region.
3. How or why did you become involved in the fire service? I began my fire service journey at the age of 14 with Porters Community Fire Company after a discussion with a close friend.
4. What is your proudest fire service moment? Graduating from the 38th HACC Fire Academy.
5. If Hollywood made a movie about your life, who should be cast to play you? I’ve never been much of a movie person.
6. What is your favorite travel or vacation spot? Anywhere with my wife on two wheels, seeing the open scenery
7. What is your favorite past time? Talking on my amateur radio to countries all around the world
8. What are the top two items on your bucket list? 1. Taking a cruise. 2. Being financially stable when I reach retirement
9. If you could live anywhere in the world where would it be and why? I would love to travel the country in an RV and visit all the areas I have never been to.
10. Tell us one thing about you that would surprise most people. I was considering a career in the railroad industry before being hired as a firefighter.
11. Anything else you might want people to know about you? I am a die-hard Philadelphia Eagles fan and it just so happens we finally won a Super Bowl.



Firefighter Ed Morin

“...Philadelphia Eagles fan...”



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Mount Wolf Borough Residents**

YAUFR is now live on the Nixle Public Safety Notification System.

**Text YAUFR to 888777 to sign up and stay informed of important
emergency services messages in our area.**



YAUFR is continually looking for community volunteers who may not be interested in emergency response but have a desire to assist their fellow residents. Emergency management training is usually free, available on-line from the comfort of your home and available at your own pace. We would love to have you as a part of our EMA team, planning and preparing for our community's time of need. If interested please contact YAUFR headquarters at 717-718-2383.

FIRE CHIEF'S CORNER



Greetings,

Welcome to the first quarter of 2018. It is our sincere hope that everyone is as excited about the possibilities for the coming year as the command staff is.

We finished 2017 on a high note with our budget approved and looking forward to the addition of Manchester Township as our third charter member. With only a few glitches in the transition we hit the ground running to start off 2018. All three townships passed resolutions to endorse our capital replacement financing plan and our new apparatus has been ordered. This addresses the largest concern our employees voiced in an internal survey during 2017. We continue to look at other areas for inclusiveness and advancement.

We have also revised policy's, added cleansing wipes to all apparatus and are working on gear extractors for the individual stations to continue addressing concerns over carcinogens. We are eager to begin working with both locals to finally get down to one collective bargaining agreement.

The department is extremely proud of the continued efforts of all personnel in being fire service ambassadors and taking care of the community in the most professional and committed manner possible.

Keep training, take care of the firefighter next to you and be safe!

Chief Hoff