



KENT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS *“THE RADIO ROOM”*

December & 2012 Year in Review!

The Kent Volunteer Fire Department wishes everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

On Wednesday December 19th, members of Kent VFD traveled with other fire departments to stand in honor of Sandy Hook Elementary School victim, 7 year old Daniel Barden, who wanted to grow up and be a fireman.

We hope the children who got to see Santa on December 9th for the annual Santa run had fun, Santa sure did!

We thank all of the community who supported us in 2012 by attending our open house and learning what we do and how we serve the community. Thank you to all those who have supported us through your generous financial donations throughout the year.

We thank all our members who worked many hours and days during Hurricane Sandy to keep the residents of Kent Cliffs safe!

Congratulations to our recent graduates of various classes in 2012 that completed many hours and months of training. Each has been certified by the NYS Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Services, and New York State Fire Prevention and Control for their respective trainings. Your commitment to expanding your knowledge as a volunteer is exemplary and will benefit the Kent Cliffs and Putnam County Communities.

Emergency Vehicle Operations Certification (EVOC) – (March):
Mike Belmonte, Jon Favreau, Bill Leo Sr., Ryan Piekarski

Fire Police: Bill Noel, Jonathan Galente

Hazardous Materials: Doug Casey

Emergency Medical Technicians - EMT (June):
Nick Bendjak, Rich Fehn, Bill Leo Sr., Bill Noel, Ryan Piekarski

Firefighter 1 (June):
Dan Buono, Bernie Comiskey, Joe Gasparrini

Firefighter 1 (December):
Mike Belmonte, Chris Staino, Matt Valente, Chris Wade

Firefighter 2 (November):
Alexa Leo, Steve Gasparrini

Fire Officer 1 (December):
Bill Leo Sr., Thomas Porta

Pump Operations:
Jon Favreau

Rope Repelling:
Billy Leo Jr.
TJ Porta

Thank you ALL members who attended the mandatory CPR/AED & Basic First Aid and OSHA class and giving up your weekend.

We also congratulate Billy Leo Jr., who recently graduated the FDNY EMS academy and is now a career EMT and continues as a volunteer firefighter/EMT with Kent VFD.

Our website went live on September 1st and continues to expand and offer information about Kent VFD and how we serve the community. Please continue to come back and visit us anytime.

December is the time when our membership elects new officer and administrative positions for the New Year. The KVFD membership congratulates our newly elected 2013 leaders:

OFFICERS:

Justin Byrne – Chief
Paul Kane – Assistant Chief
James (Jay) Piekarski – Captain
Steve Gasparrini – Captain
Daniel Greaves – Fire Police Lieutenant
Diane Kane – EMS Lieutenant
Nick Bendjak – Fire Lieutenant
Ryan Piekarski – Fire Lieutenant
Thomas (TJ) Porta – Fire Lieutenant

ADMINISTRATION:

Bill Noel – President
Ryan Piekarski – Vice President
Alexa Leo – Recording Secretary
Daniel Greaves – Sergeant-at-Arms
Bill Leo Sr. – Treasurer

BOARD of DIRECTORS:

Kathryn Casey
Bernie Comiskey
Gerard Sedlak

THANK YOU to all of our outgoing leaders for your time, dedication and an outstanding 2012!

REMEMBER TO ALWAYS CALL 911