

Hot Calls

This issue is dedicated to the memory of
Dale Jaynes, Car 9

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Reflecting...

As I write this edition of Hot Calls I am reflecting on the service of the two brothers lost within four days of each other. I spent the better part of this day, 10/01/2019, with my friend Car 9, Dale Jaynes. I only hope he was able to know how much he meant to the county and to me and the emergency services of Schuyler County. He made his last alarm on 9/16/2019. He is the third firefighter that I know who has passed in the line of duty in Schuyler County.

Tony Longbucco spent a lifetime in the fire service and was still currently President of the Ambulance Corp. I worked with Tony many times in the back of an ambulance and on large fires.

I only hope we all realize the passion people have to provide service to the people and emergency services of this county. These two brothers from the same organizations gave it their all till they could not do it anymore. "REST IN PEACE BROTHERS. TILL WE MEET AGAIN"

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October 04, 2019

NY Firefighter Dies after Medical Emergency Last Month

Burdett firefighter Dale Jaynes, who was also deputy fire coordinator for Schuyler County, died Tuesday following a medical incident he suffered while responding to a fire Sept. 16.



Calendar:

Burdett Dinner Dance	April 25 Tickets Available now! \$100 donation for two prime rib meals and entry into many cash and prize drawings!
Watkins Glen Sportsman Raffle and Casino Night	May 2 Tickets available now!

Mecklenburg Structure Fire

Written by: Nate Mayo, Chief

As many of you already know, Dale Jaynes suffered a medical incident on September 16th at a garage fire on the Williamee Road in the Mecklenburg Fire District. I wanted to better detail the incident and take the opportunity to publicly thank everyone who helped address Dale's needs that day and express my sadness over his loss.



A little after 1pm on Monday September 16th, the Mecklenburg Volunteer Fire Company was toned out for a working structure fire with flames showing. I was at work in Ithaca at the time, but due to several incidents in that area over the past few years, I felt it necessary to respond. As has happened so many times in my time as Chief, Dale Jaynes was one of the first on scene and immediately assumed command. His quick responses and his ability to run a fire scene is an invaluable asset to us when these incidents occur during the day and resources are limited. It allows all available hands to work on extinguishing the fire knowing that the command role is being filled by one of the best. Due to the excellent work by all responding agencies, Mecklenburg, Burdett, Odessa, Enfield, Trumansburg Fire, and Trumansburg Ambulance, the fire was in overhaul when I arrived 20 minutes after the dispatch was sent. This was fast efficient work, and I can't thank everyone enough for what they did to protect the exposures and quickly extinguish the fire. Once most of the overhaul was complete, Dale quickly put on his investigator hat and got to work on a determination of origin. He and I talked for a moment at the back of the structure and he informed me that he was going back to his truck to put on a pair of boots because he didn't want us to have to remain on scene any longer than necessary. His concern was getting us home to our families as soon as possible. Dale returned to his truck and put his boots on and was returning to the back of the building to meet with me when he collapsed. Thankfully many firefighters, as well as the ambulance personnel were close by and saw Dale fall to the ground. Immediately, Dale was surrounded by capable individuals who got started on working to stabilize him. The list of those individuals is as follows: Brian Gunning, Albert Foote, Jr., Carl Taber, Molly Taber, and Peter Coats from Mecklenburg. Dan Scherer, Daequan Elliot, Bill Szabo, and Kevin Whitaker from Trumansburg Fire. Roger Lauper, the chief of the Enfield Volunteer Fire Company. And last, but certainly not least, Susan Robertson, and Brian Gladu from Trumansburg Ambulance.

I am forever grateful to the individuals listed above who worked to get Dale revived and ready for transport to Cayuga Medical Center. This is because, not only was Dale someone whose help we all count on regularly, but he has also been a lifelong friend of mine. I grew up in Reynoldsville, less than one mile from his and Linda's home. I rode the school bus with all three of his children. I was in the Boy Scouts with their son Sean. Dale was one of the chefs at Camp Seneca when Sean and I were camping there with the Boy Scout Troop. I was on the track team with their daughter Kristina. And Dale and Linda not only showed up for every track meet, but I remember them being at almost every practice. This gave me the opportunity to visit with them on a daily basis. And I feel like we were much more than just casual acquaintances living in the same little Hamlet. When you are a child or adolescent and you are looking to the future you have no idea how significant some of the people you meet will become in your life. Dale started out as the father of some of my friends who I rode the school bus with. He then became the guy who was making sure we were fed at Camp Seneca as Boy Scouts. He was then someone I got to chat with during track practice nearly every night. And as I became Chief, he became someone I could always count on no matter the situation or time of day.

I also want to personally thank Linda Jaynes for being so stoic when I arrived at their home with news of one of the most stressful events I had ever encountered. She allowed me the opportunity to explain what had happened to her and when I was finished with the details, her first question for me was, "Are you doing alright?" My answer was, of course "No! But I'm getting better because you're so calm". Linda allowed me to drive her to the hospital, so that I could check on Dale's condition as soon as possible. She kept me focused by engaging in casual conversation with me while I drove the both of us to Cayuga Medical Center. Her ability to process the story I had told her, and then focus on looking after my state of mind, is not something that I can relate to very well, and it makes me admire her strength more than I have the ability to express.

It is difficult to accurately state what the Burdett Volunteer Fire Department, The Town of Hector, and the fire service as a whole has lost. Dale was the type of person who left his mark on you. He became a more and more significant part of my life over the years that I knew him. And I think anyone who knew Dale would say the same thing. He found a way to be a significant part of so many lives. Grief, Sadness, Loss! None of those words say enough to describe what so many of us are feeling. Please keep Linda and the rest of those who were so close to Dale in your thoughts and prayers. Rest In Peace Dale. A huge number of us already miss you dearly. We'll take it from here my friend. And every one of us knows you will be looking down on us while we do.

Mecklenburg Structure Fire Continued...



Firefighter Profile: Molly Taber

This month's profile comes from the Mecklenburg Fire Company. Chief Nate Mayo is very proud of Molly as she is not only an active member but also in her real job she serves in the U.S. Army and works in Harrisburg Pa. She currently commutes to home in Mecklenburg every weekend.

She is married to Sean Taber who is also a Mecklenburg firefighter. They met while in the service. They both served overseas in Afghanistan. They have two children. Teaghan, 5 and Lucy, 4. They moved back to Mecklenburg and have been here for 10 years. She went on calls when Sean was deployed and became interested and was encouraged by him to also join. She has belonged since 2013. She has served as President from 2016 to 2017 and is a current CPR and First Aid cardholder and assists the rescues whenever home.

She is being deployed to Africa shortly for 9 months. Being in the military is certainly enough to give to your country, but she feels the need to help her home town as well. The way to do that is through the Mecklenburg fire company.

The first three calls she answered for the company turned out to involve providing CPR. This did not detour her from wanting to continue responding to calls. Her husband Sean is very strong support for her and she could not do it without him.

We write this article to show the need for younger members have the desire and that new ideas are good for the future of the organizations such as the fire company.

The following note was sent to me by Chief Nate Mayo:

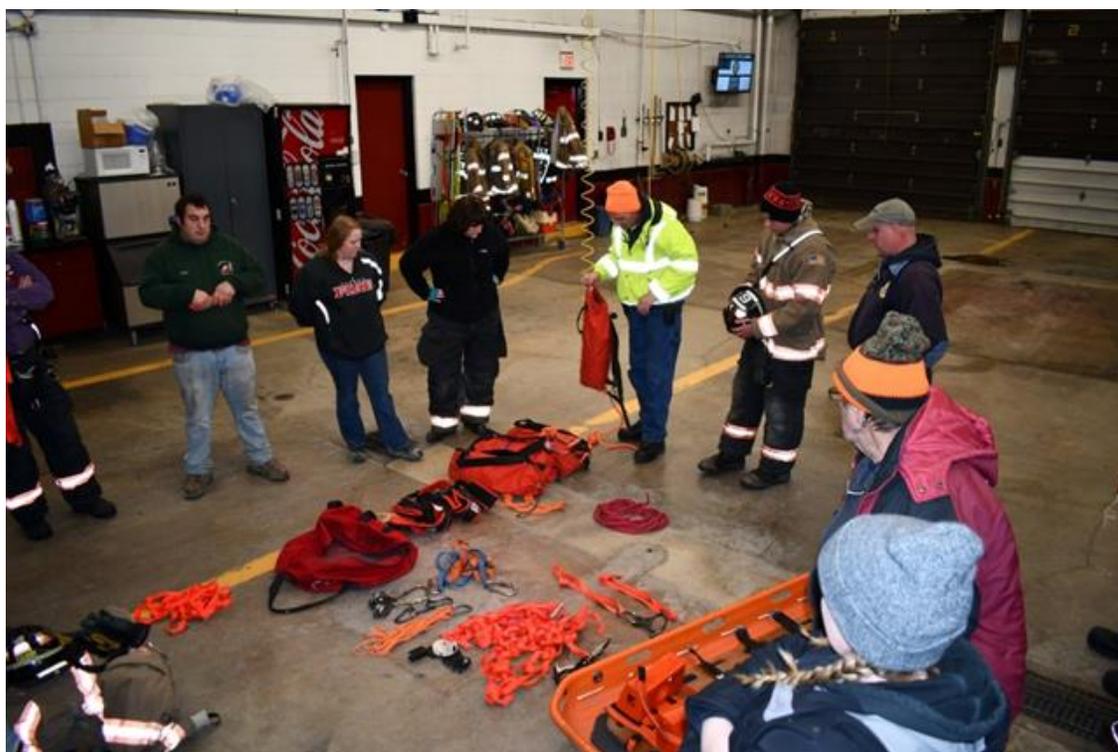
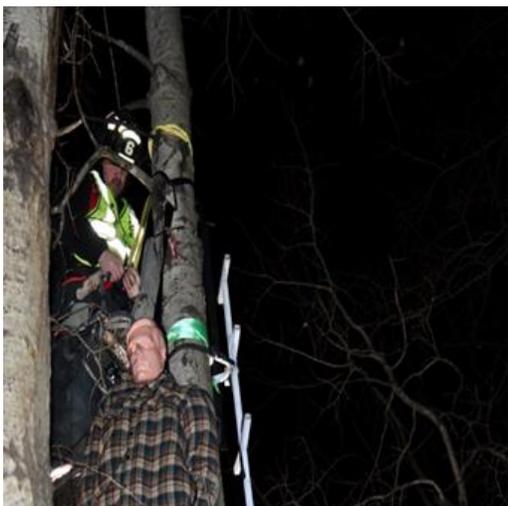
"I would like you to consider featuring Molly Taber. Molly is getting deployed with the armed services in less than a week. She has been president of the fire company. She's an interior certified firefighter. The mom of two little girls. The wife of a Mecklenburg firefighter who was an assistant chief for a few years. I would be very, very proud if you considered her for firefighter profile."

Molly told me her main purpose is to help people and to help her community. When you see Molly or Sean tell them "thank you for your service". Be safe.



Odessa Drill Preempted by Actual Call

Odessa's planned drill of the month was "Extrication of a Hunter that fell out of a tree stand". The only problem was that on the Saturday before the drill a rescue call for a hunter that fell out of a tree stand came in at 6:45 a.m. He was hanging upside down in a safety harness. Units responded and found that the hunter was accessible from an ATV vehicle and they were able to free him without too much effort. The drill went on as planned the following Monday night with the real life experience adding to the discussion.



Odessa Receives Its New Truck

The Odessa Fire Department's new Rescue Pumper, HE-23, was delivered Tuesday - a \$756,000 vehicle ordered last year after gaining approval in a village referendum. The truck - 33 feet long, 11 feet high and capable of carrying 1,000 gallons of water - was driven from Syracuse by Jeff Fortino of CNY Emergency Vehicles, dealer for Ferrara Fire Apparatus, which built the vehicle in its Holden, Louisiana plant. A total of \$200,000 of the price was covered by fire department reserve funds; the rest was bonded at "no fire tax increase to the community," said Fire Chief Mike Tomassi. The truck will be activated in a week or two, at which time its predecessor -- the old HE-23, which dates back to 1989 -- will be removed from Odessa service and sent to Millport, which has bought it.

Story and
Pictures by
Odessa File





Odessa Water Supply Drill

I would like to once again thank our neighboring departments and members for being willing to participate in our recent water supply drill. As I know that not all of you personally were able to make it, please know that your members represented you very well! It was a great thing to see everyone come together, mingle and get to learn as a group. With that, here is a brief overview of what was accomplished.



All depts arrived and signed in prior to the beginning of the training at 1900 hrs.



After a safety briefing each piece of apparatus was directed to the training site in a staggered fashion to loosely mimic how apparatus and manpower arrive at a working incident. The first engine arrived and over the course of probably 10-15 minutes or so, set up two, 1 3/4" hand lines and a blitz fire ground monitor with a 2 1/2" hose and



two folding tanks were dropped. The first tanker offloaded at 19:29. After working out a few details (we forgot to grab the jet siphon to transfer water and we hand-jacked extra hose from the station) we flowed water in multiple fashions for 1 hour that included the deck gun and eventually supplying a ladder truck. Newer members from multiple departments had the opportunity to get some time operating both the hand lines and the ground monitor.

We also established two separate fill sites (green group and orange group). Each group comprised of one engine and four tankers. The green site was about 2 miles round trip and the orange site was about 4 miles round trip. During the evolution the tankers dropped approximately 40,000 gallons that averaged 667 gallons per minute for that hr.



At 2030 hours the last tankers dumped into the ponds and then went to fill. All apparatus were picked up and put into service then regrouped at the Harley Dealership training grounds for a debriefing. By 2100 hours units were released and returned to you.

Thanks again for your time and assistance!!

Richard Brown
Fire Captain
Odessa Vol Fire Dept

Firefighters Extinguish Blaze at Village House

A residential fire with a person trapped inside ended well on September 19 in Watkins Glen with "the subject rescued without incident," according to a Facebook post on the Watkins Glen Fire Department's Facebook page. The South Monroe Street fire -- at "a multiple dwelling" -- featured flames "from windows on the second floor," but was quickly extinguished. Fire units from Montour Falls, Burdett, Odessa and Beaver Dams assisted. The Schuyler Sheriff's Office, State Police and Village Police were also on hand.

Story by
Odessa File

CASINO NIGHT

THE WATKINS GLEN FIRE COMPANY PROUDLY PRESENTS CASINO NIGHT

Saturday May 2nd, 2020 From 6pm to 11pm
Watkins Glen Fire Station. 201N Perry St. Watkins Glen NY
Admission: Any Cash Donation at the Door



Games Include:

- Blackjack
- Bingo
- Beat the Dealer
- Poker
- Money Wheels
- Over-Under 7
- Pull Tab

Sportsman Raffle:

- 25 Firearms
- Duck Call Raffle
- Deck "O" Cards
- Gun Giveaway



Raffles, Prizes, Food & Drink

- \$500.00 Cash Giveaway
- 50/50 Raffle
- Tons of Door Prizes
- Free Adult Beverages
- Hot Dogs, Hamburgers
- Sausages, Salads
- Ham & Smoked Bacon Raffles

Sportsman Raffle Tickets on Sale Now, Only 1,000 Sold. Contact WGFD at 607-535-7700 or send us a message on Facebook to Get Your Tickets.

Come Support the Watkins Glen Fire Company and Help Us Help You!!

1. **Casino Night**
Includes games of chance, blackjack, money wheels, beat the dealer, bingo, free adult beverages, food, soda, ham and turkey raffles, 50/50, door prizes, sportsman raffle, additional gun raffles, \$500.00 cash prize giveaway.
2. Sportsman raffle ticket is your entry ticket to Casino Night. Without the ticket stub the entry fee will be charged. Present your sportsman raffle ticket at the food table for one free meal.
3. Sportsman raffle tickets will be limited to 1000 sold in total but there is no limit per person. If a ticket wins it will not be eligible for winning again. Tickets numbered from 0001 to 1000.
4. All sportsman raffle items will be raffled the night of Casino Night. Need not be present to win items in the sportsman raffle.
5. Must be 18 years old to enter sportsman raffle but must be 21 years old to attend Casino Night.
6. Must pass a background check to claim a firearm. If background check is failed the cash prize will be given. Details on where and when to do the background check and claim the firearm will be given individually to each winner.
7. Sportsman raffle ticket does not include Casino Night raffles, \$500.00 cash prize, 50/50, and door prizes. Tickets available at Casino Night the day of the event. Must be present to win.
8. Firearms are based on availability. If the raffled firearm for some reason is no longer available it will be replaced with a firearm as close as possible to the advertised firearm.
9. For pistol prize, winner must hold a valid pistol permit. If winner does not possess a valid pistol permit, winner must take cash.
10. Must claim prize within 60 days of drawing.

Thank You for Supporting the Watkins Glen NY Firefighters

All guns are provided by
Scott's Guns and Accessories
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Watkins Glen Fire Company
Sportsman Raffle And Casino Night
Saturday, May 2, 2020
Located At The Watkins Glen Fire Station
201 N. Perry St. Watkins Glen Ny, 14891
From 6pm To 11pm
Tickets \$20.00

Includes Casino Night Entry, Food Ticket, Beverage, and Entry Into Sportsman Raffle

Sportsman Raffle Items:

1. **HOWA 1500** Gameking Scope Package 308 Win. or \$175
2. **Smith & Wesson M&P 9** 2.0 9mm Pistol or \$180
3. **HOWA 1500** 6mm Creedmoor W/Diamond Lr Scope or \$240
4. **Savage Axis 270 Winchester** or \$110
5. **Ruger American Stainless .223** or \$150
6. **HOWA Mini Action** 204 Ruger or \$140
7. **Escort 22Cal.** Bolt Action Rifle or \$100
8. **HOWA 1500** Heavy Barrel Long Range 22-250 or \$150
9. **Savage Axis 243 Winchester** or \$110
10. **HOWA Mini Action** Gameking Scope Package 6.5 Grendel or \$150
11. **Legacy Pointer** Semi-Auto 12Ga. or \$130
12. **Remington 700** Elk Foundation Camo or \$200
13. **Smith & Wesson Shield** 2.0 W/Crimson Trace Laser 9mm or \$160
14. **HOWA Ranchland** 7mm Mag Southern Comfort Camo or \$140
15. **Legacy Pointer** Over-Under 20Ga. or \$175
16. **Savage A17** 17Hm Semi-Auto or \$140
17. **Legacy Pointer** Over-Under 410 or \$175
18. **Ruger Pc Carbine** 9mm Rifle or \$180
19. **HOWA Mini Action** Gameking Scope Package 7.62 X 39 or \$150
20. **Glock 42** 380 Acp Pistol or \$140
21. **Legacy Pointer** Over-Under 12Ga. or \$175
22. **Savage Axis** 30.06 or \$110
23. **Legacy Pointer** Youth 20Ga. Semi-Auto or \$120
24. **HOWA 1500** Gameking 7mm/08 or \$175
25. **Hatfield 410** Pump Action Shotgun or \$100

See Reverse Side For Raffle And Casino Night Rules & Details

Thank You For Supporting The Watkins Glen Fire Company

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Sixteenth Annual “Keep the Wreath Blue” Campaign

As we move into this holiday season Schuyler County Emergency Management, along with all of the fire departments in Schuyler County and Schuyler County Volunteer Ambulance Corps., want to remind citizens to be safe with our sixteenth annual fire prevention “Keep the Wreath Blue” safety reminder.



The participating agencies will be placing a wreath in front of their stations this holiday season starting the day after Thanksgiving - November 29 and running until December 31. The wreaths will be lit with blue lights. Whenever a structure fire occurs in the county a blue light bulb will be replaced with a red bulb.

We ask that the citizens of Schuyler County use this as a reminder that fire safety starts at home and to be vigilant in-home fire safety.

Follow our Facebook posts for updates to the wreath.

“LET’S KEEP THE WREATH BLUE IN SCHUYLER COUNTY”

Seneca Santa

Again this year, the fire companies will be assisting and delivering Seneca Santa gifts on the morning of December 24th.



Trivia Question

Who were the counties that formed the “Tri-Counties Fire Association” in the 1950’s?

Congratulations to Darci Kasprzyk who correctly answered the last trivia question: Who was the first Fire Coordinator in Schuyler County? Answer: Bert Cate

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Last Alarms



Tony Longbucco
Burdett FD, EMO, SCVAA

Dale Jaynes
Car 9
Burdett FD, EMO, SCVAA

Upcoming Classes

We will be offering the following classes:

Tentative:

- *SCBA/Interior (TBD 2020)*

Want to be notified of our upcoming courses? Join our mailing list! Send requests to jgeck@co.schuyler.ny.us

For more information, visit:

www.schuylercounty.us
www.dhSES.ny.gov/ofpc
www.emstar.org

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