



**Greenfield Township Volunteer Fire Company
(GTVFC)
Fire/EMS Station 24**

Weekly Report

July 9 - 15, 2006

Sunday, July 9

The Greenfield Township Fire Apparatus team responded to a reported electrical fire in Scott Township. While the Fire Apparatus team was responding, Scott Township Fire Chief arrived on scene and determined that no fire was present. All responders were released.

Tuesday, July 11

Work Session at Station

Members were involved in a multitude of tasks Tuesday night, including attending the regular Township meeting that was rescheduled from the July 4 holiday. Members began laying out the interior of the new hazardous materials response vehicle.

Thursday, July 13

Accident I81 north at Mile Marker 203

Seven AM is usually the start of the workday for most people, and it is also the start for Greenfield, except that morning, the workday began with a car accident on I-18 just north of mile marker 203. A female victim trapped in a car was rescued by Greenfield and Clifford Township crews and transported by Greenfield to a Scranton hospital.

Friday, July 14

False Alarm, Route 247

Employees sanding sheet rock in a Greenfield residence caused a false alarm around 11 AM. Employees putting finishing touches on sheet rock in a building under construction, caused dust to become airborne. That dust entered a smoke detector and caused an alarm to be sent to the central alarm monitoring service. Units from Greenfield, Clifford, Scott, Carbondale and Mayfield responded. Greenfield Police and Fire Chief arrived at the residence at the same time, advised units that it was a false alarm and assisted the property owner in resetting the alarm.

Saturday, July 15

Medical Emergency

Medical emergency mid-day, kept the ambulance crew busy for two hours. A township resident was transported to a Scranton area hospital by Greenfield Ambulance, assisted by Cottage Hose Paramedics.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Early in 1999, Greenfield members saw a need in the Northeast area for a decontamination (decon) team. Within the nine counties that surround Lackawanna, there were no resources to provide cleanup of people who were contaminated by chemicals. Thus began a long journey, that has led to the formation of decon teams in every county of the Commonwealth. Greenfield was instrumental in the development of the techniques and equipment used by all of these teams.

Now as we move forward, the need for specialized technical decon teams has risen. Likewise, Greenfield has transitioned from providing decon to the masses to technical decon. The move from a trailer to a truck will allow us to carry more equipment and travel in a safer manner than towing a trailer.