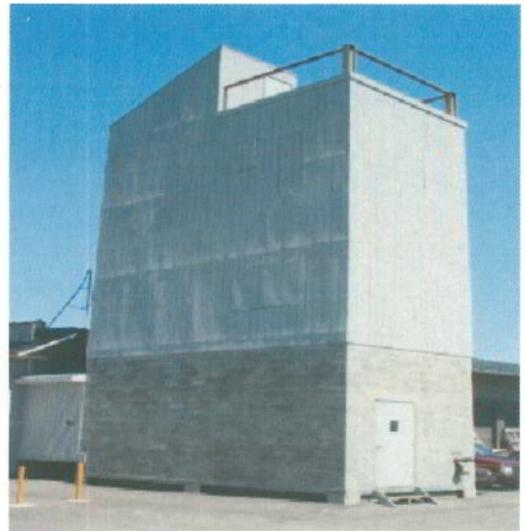


**CITY OF BINGHAMTON**  
**BINGHAMTON FIRE BUREAU**  
**ANNUAL REPORT**



**2006**

# CITY OF BINGHAMTON

## BINGHAMTON FIRE BUREAU

2006

**CHIEF DANIEL L. THOMAS**

**MAYOR MATTHEW T. BYAN**

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## OFFICE OF FIRE ADMINISTRATION

Matthew T. Ryan, Mayor

May 6, 2007

Dear Honorable Mayor Matthew T. Ryan,

It is my pleasure to submit the City of Binghamton's Fire Department's Annual Report for the year ending 31 December 2006.

The Binghamton Fire Department responded to over 8700 emergency calls in 2006. The most serious house fire resulted in the loss of four family members - a mother and three of her children. Another house fire, which started in its illegal methamphetamine drug lab, also had a fatality.

We also faced two significant natural disasters in our area. June 2006 will be remembered by many in the Binghamton area as producing the worst flooding in recorded history. We were challenged with early morning evacuations of Senior Citizens housing complexes and Lourdes Hospital, numerous life-saving rescue activities, HAZMAT situations and flooded basements. We received and coordinated special aid from fellow firefighters throughout the state who arrived within hours of our need. In November 2006, we were again hit with torrential rains and faced serious flash flooding. Again, we responded to water entrapment calls, submerged cars, sinkholes and downed trees and wires.

In the face of all that adversity, the Fire Department accomplished several of its goals in conjunction with the City's stated 2006 goals for ensuring public safety. Additionally, the Department, through a Home Land Security Grant, secured a 'Live Fire Burn Trailer Simulator' which expanded its firefighting training program in an effort to increase skills and enhance safety. The Department also conducted a very successful new firefighter training class which was coordinated with and included recruits from Endicott and Elmira.

The Fire Department ran an aggressive public education campaign in the past year and was diligent in its city wide inspections. Fire inspectors and code enforcement worked hand-in-hand with city officials in an effort to increase public safety in multi-residential buildings and to address issues in order to protect the occupants and neighbors.

The Fire Department took delivery of a new Rescue Pumper. In addition, the Department purchased breathing apparatus, fire hoses, rescue equipment and protective gear.

The Fire Department was actively involved in community events, including our annual United Way campaign where we were recognized with a 'Challenge Cup Award' for having the highest per capita giving in its category. The Binghamton Firefighters Benevolent Association raised and donated money for community causes, including the American Cancer Society Relay For Life, Mom's House and Muscular Dystrophy, to name a few.

I wish to extend my gratitude and respect for the dedication and professionalism, which has become a trademark of all the members of the Binghamton Fire Department. I would also like to thank the Mayor, City Council, the City management team, community service groups and local business for their support.

Daniel L. Thomas, Chief  
Binghamton Fire Bureau

## *MISSION STATEMENT*

We will provide the “City of Binghamton” and its citizens with FIREFIGHTER/EMTs and FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDICS trained to the highest and most progressive level of skill, to protect and serve our community with the utmost professionalism.

## **A FIREMAN'S PRAYER**

*When I am called to duty, God  
Wherever flames may rage,  
Give me strength to save some life  
Whatever be its age.  
Help me embrace a little child  
Before it is too late  
Or save an older person from  
The horror of that fate.  
Enable me to be alert and hear the weakest shout  
And quickly and efficiently  
To put the fire out.  
I want to fill my calling and  
To give the best in me,  
To guard my every neighbor and  
Protect his property.  
And if according to my fate  
I am to lose my life,  
Please bless with your protecting hand  
My children and my wife.*

**AMEN**

## BRIEF HISTORY OF THE BINGHAMTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

As with most of America's Fire Departments, Binghamton's began in 1834 as a volunteer organization. On May 3<sup>rd</sup> of that year, the trustees of the village voted to establish and organize fire and hook and ladder companies. By June 30<sup>th</sup>, sixteen citizens had accepted appointments. After a somewhat dubious beginning, the village purchased the first real piece of firefighting equipment in June of 1835. Eight hundred dollars was raised to purchase a small "button" hand powered fire engine. An additional \$250.00 was spent to buy land and erect an engine house on the present site of the Broome county Court House Square.

The Village of Binghamton continued to grow and consequently the fire load, necessitating the formation of additional volunteer companies. The loosely organized companies then began electing a Chief annually, with the first recorded Chief being Peter Miller elected in 1842. Two years after Binghamton obtained status as a City in 1867, The City of Binghamton Fire Department was formed under the leadership of Chief Erastus R. Campbell. On October 1, 1911 the Department became fully paid with a contingent of 91 officers and firefighters and with Charles N. Hogg as the Chief. The department continued to grow in size and modernized with motor driven apparatus. The horse drawn equipment was phased out by 1922. With the building of the station at 259 Conklin Avenue in 1929, the department reached its maximum size of 186 men operating nine engine companies, three truck companies and one heavy rescue company out of nine stations.

The department remained relatively unchanged until the late 1950s when the population began shifting to the rural areas of the county. Although the department began to downsize in relation to Binghamton's shrinking population, the scope of its operation expanded. In September of 1981 the ambulance was transferred from the Police Department to the Fire Department. In addition to providing ambulance service, a "First Responder" program was initiated. By having cross-trained firefighter/E.M.Ts responding from each station and in addition to the ambulance, medical assistance began reaching patients in approximately three minutes of the 911 call. To meet the growing needs of the City, the Hazardous Material Response Team began operations in May of 1988. In 1996, the EMS Program was upgraded to provide ALS level of service. Initially, twelve firefighters were trained as paramedics.

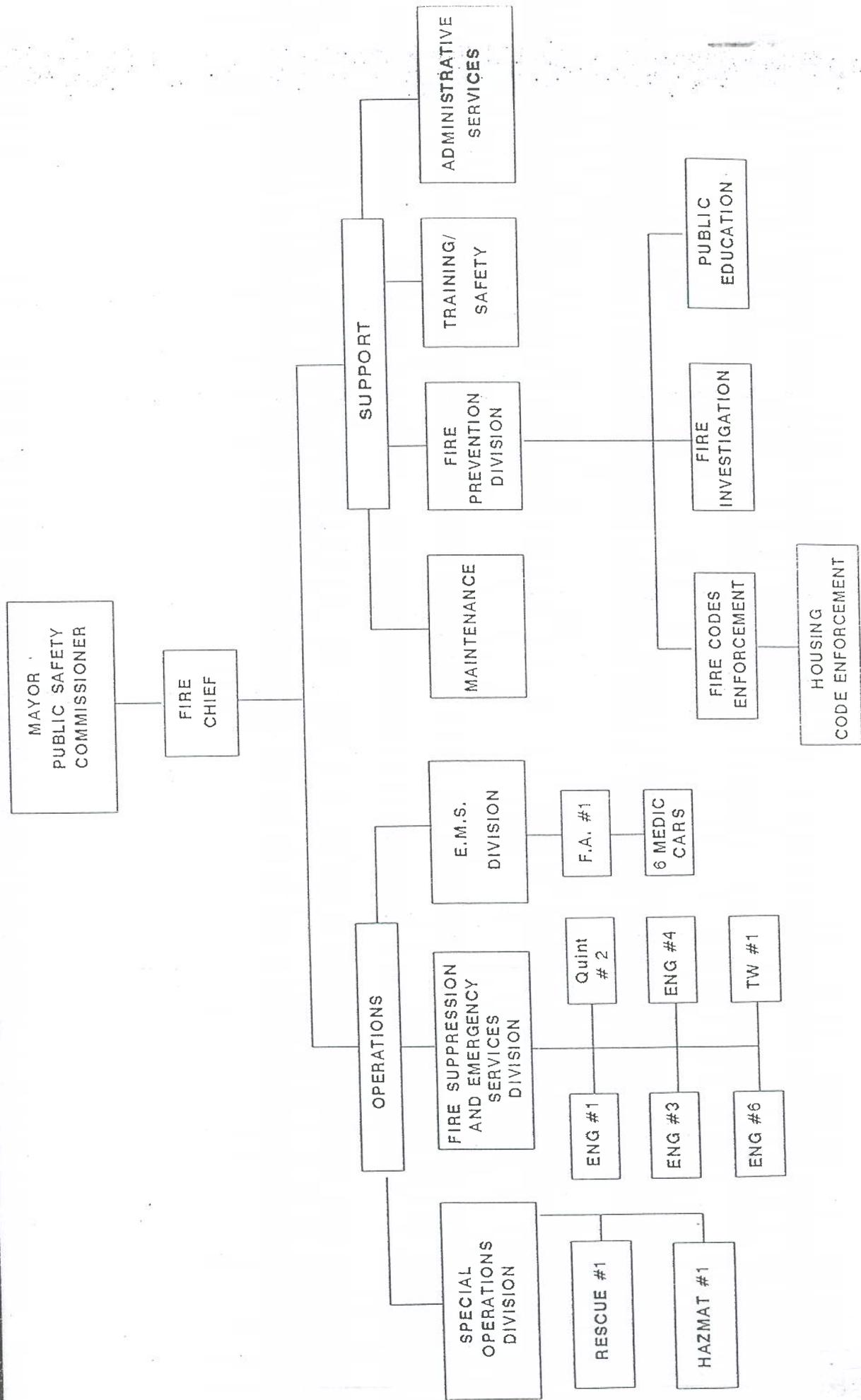
After almost thirty years of trying to develop a suitable training site, the Bureau was finally able to secure the necessary funding and property to realize this dream. The dedication was held on June 15, 2001 at 1 Belden St. The facility was named in honor of Training Instructor James Sullivan, who was killed in the line of duty on November 10, 1962.

Today's department has evolved into a modern multifaceted emergency response force providing firefighting, emergency medical services, hazardous materials and rescue coverage. If the emergency isn't directly to law enforcement, it is the Fire Department's job to provide assistance.

The "Mission Statement" developed by the firefighters demonstrates their enthusiasm and commitment in providing that most basic and important of all municipal responsibilities -- Public Safety. Since 1914 nineteen members have given their lives in the line of duty fulfilling this "Mission"

# BINGHAMTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

## ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



# DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION

## CHIEF CLIFFORD C. COLGAN

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2006

*CLIFFORD C. COLGAN*

*CHIEF, BINGHAMTON FIRE BUREAU*

*FIRE MARSHAL DANIEL EGGLESTON*

*FIRE PREVENTION  
CODE ENFORCEMENT*

*DEPUTY CHIEF DANIEL THOMAS*

*"D" SHIFT COMMANDER*

*ASSISTANT CHIEF LAWRENCE OSTANEK*

*"A" SHIFT COMMANDER*

*ASSISTANT CHIEF JAMES RICE*

*"B" SHIFT COMMANDER*

*ASSISTANT CHIEF BRIAN O'LOUGHLIN*

*"C" SHIFT COMMANDER*

*ASSISTANT CHIEF MICHAEL WASHINGTON*

*TRAINING INSTRUCTOR*

*CAPT. RICHARD ALLEN*

*E. M. S. COORDINATOR  
E. M. S. OPERATIONS*

*DOUGLAS MEGILL*

*GENERAL EQUIPMENT FOREMAN  
REPAIR OF APPARATUS AND  
EQUIPMENT*

**CITY OF BINGHAMTON BUREAU OF FIRE – PERSONNEL**

**EMPLOYEES FOR YEAR 2006  
FOR EACH POSITION CLASSIFICATION**

Title	Actual	Authorized
<b>Uniform:</b>		
Fire Chief.....	1	1
Fire Deputy Chief.....	1	1
Fire Marshal.....	1	1
Fire Assistant Chief.....	3	3
Fire Training Instructor.....	1	1
Fire Captain.....	9	9
Fire Lieutenant.....	24	24
Firefighter.....	94	95
<b>Total Uniform:</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>132</b>
 <b>Civilian:</b>		
General Equipment Foreman.....	1	1
Senior Typist.....	2	2
Account Clerk Typist.....	1	1
Code Inspectors.....	7	7
<b>Total Civilian:</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>143</b>

**PERSONNEL DATA FOR 2006**

Appointments.....	3
Retirements..(Total).....	5
Resignations.....	0
Promotions.....	5

**2006 HIGHLIGHTS**

**PROMOTIONS**

**Capt. Gary O'Neill  
Lt. Ronald Lew  
Lt. Richard Giles**

**RETIREMENTS**

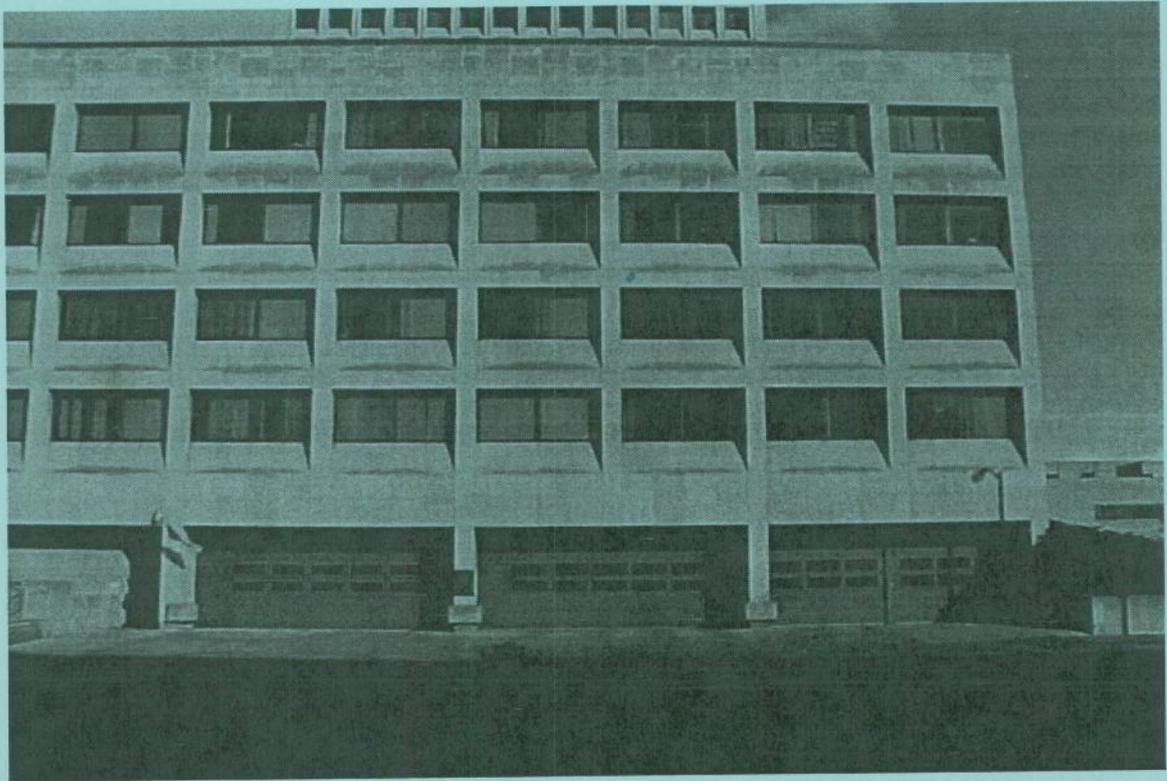
*Capt. Guy House  
Lt. Jerry Marinich  
William Kozel  
Robert Smith  
Raymond Rose*

**NEW APPOINTMENTS**

**Benjamin Sternberg  
Richard Decker, Jr.  
Arthur Griswold**

# SECTION ONE

## OPERATIONS DIVISION



**FIRE HEADQUARTERS  
38 HAWLEY STREET**

## Binghamton Fire Department

## Activity Report

This year: 01/01/2006 to 12/31/2006, This year: 01/01/2006 to 12/31/2006

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## Incident Types (NFIRS)

Incident Type Group	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	# Inc.	% of Total	# Inc.	% of Total
10-Fire, other	59	0.7%	59	0.7%
11-Structure Fire	110	1.3%	110	1.3%
12-Fire in mobile property used as a fixed structure	0	0%	0	0%
13-Mobile property (vehicle) fire	21	0.2%	21	0.2%
14-Natural vegetation fire	19	0.2%	19	0.2%
15-Outside rubbish fire	21	0.2%	21	0.2%
16-Special outside fire	5	0.1%	5	0.1%
17-Cultivated vegetation, crop fire	0	0%	0	0%
20-Overpressure rupture, explosion, overheat, other	0	0%	0	0%
21-Overpressure rupture from steam (no ensuing fire)	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
22-Overpressure rupture from air or gas - no fire	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
23-Overpressure rupture, chemical reaction - no fire	0	0%	0	0%
24-Explosion (no fire)	5	0.1%	5	0.1%
25-Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
30-Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other	1164	13.6%	1164	13.6%
31-Medical assist	1880	21.9%	1880	21.9%
32-Emergency medical service (EMS)	3927	45.7%	3927	45.7%
33-Lock-In	6	0.1%	6	0.1%
34-Search for lost person	4	0.0%	4	0.0%
35-Extrication, rescue	18	0.2%	18	0.2%
36-Water or ice-related rescue	14	0.2%	14	0.2%
37-Electrical rescue	0	0%	0	0%
38-Rescue or EMS standby	7	0.1%	7	0.1%
40-Hazardous condition, other	65	0.8%	65	0.8%
41-Combustible/flammable spills & leaks	44	0.5%	44	0.5%
42-Chemical release, reaction, or toxic condition	15	0.2%	15	0.2%
43-Radioactive condition	0	0%	0	0%
44-Electrical wiring/equipment problem	99	1.2%	99	1.2%
45-Biological hazard	0	0%	0	0%
46-Accident, potential accident	19	0.2%	19	0.2%
47-Explosive, bomb removal	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
48-Attempted burning, illegal action	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
50-Service call, other	172	2.0%	172	2.0%
51-Person in distress.	9	0.1%	9	0.1%
52-Water problem	176	2.0%	176	2.0%
53-Smoke, odor problem	29	0.3%	29	0.3%
54-Animal problem or rescue	6	0.1%	6	0.1%
55-Public service assistance	38	0.4%	38	0.4%
56-Unauthorized burning	5	0.1%	5	0.1%
57-Cover assignment, standby at fire station, move-up	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
60-Good intent call, other	150	1.7%	150	1.7%
61-Dispatched and canceled enroute	14	0.2%	14	0.2%
62-Wrong location	3	0.0%	3	0.0%
63-Controlled burning	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
64-Vicinity alarm	0	0%	0	0%
65-Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke	18	0.2%	18	0.2%
66-EMS call where party has been transported	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
67-Hazmat release investigation w/ no hazmat	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
70-False alarm and false call, other	78	0.9%	78	0.9%
71-Malicious, mischievous false alarm	26	0.3%	26	0.3%
72-Bomb scare	0	0%	0	0%
73-System or detector malfunction	139	1.6%	139	1.6%
74-Unintentional system/detector operation - no fire	191	2.2%	191	2.2%

Binghamton Fire Department  
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**Incident Types (NFIRS)**

Incident Type Group	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	# Inc.	% of Total	# Inc.	% of Total
75-Biohazard scare	0	0%	0	0%
90-Special type of incident	0	0%	0	0%
91-Citizen complaint	0	0%	0	0%
	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

**Report Types**

Incident Type Group	>>>This year<<<				>>>This year<<<			
	#Inc.	#Pers.	#Hrs in Svc	#Man Hrs	#Inc.	#Pers.	#Hrs in Svc	#Man Hrs
D-Drill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M-Meeting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-NFIRS	8587	33492	3923.0	16460.1	8587	33492	3923.0	16460.1
O-Other (not NFIRS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S-Special Assignment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W-Work Detail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>8587</u>	<u>33492</u>	<u>3923.0</u>	<u>16460.1</u>	<u>8587</u>	<u>33492</u>	<u>3923.0</u>	<u>16460.1</u>

**Reports by Category**

Incident Type Group	>>>This year<<<				>>>This year<<<			
	#Inc.	#Pers.	#Hrs in Svc	#Man Hrs	#Inc.	#Pers.	#Hrs in Svc	#Man Hrs
1-Fire	235	2115	145.0	1817.5	235	2115	145.0	1817.5
2-Overpressure Rupture, Explosion...	8	37	8.6	17.2	8	37	8.6	17.2
3-Rescue & Emergency Medical S...	7020	24563	3228.2	11926.2	7020	24563	3228.2	11926.2
4-Hazardous Conditions (No fire)	246	1269	129.0	690.0	246	1269	129.0	690.0
5-Service Call	436	1870	215.9	926.2	436	1870	215.9	926.2
6-Good Intent Call	190	1012	64.4	353.7	190	1012	64.4	353.7
7-False Alarm & False Call	434	2575	116.2	676.9	434	2575	116.2	676.9
8-Severe Weather & Natural Disast...	11	23	4.5	8.6	11	23	4.5	8.6
9-Special incident type	7	28	8.3	34.9	7	28	8.3	34.9
D-Drill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M-Meeting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
O-Other (not NFIRS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
S-Special Assignment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
W-Work Detail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	<u>8587</u>	<u>33492</u>	<u>3920.0</u>	<u>16451.2</u>	<u>8587</u>	<u>33492</u>	<u>3920.0</u>	<u>16451.2</u>

**Causes of Ignition (NFIRS)**

Cause of Ignition	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	# Inc.	% of Total	# Inc.	% of Total
Cause, other	5	4.5%	5	4.5%
Intentional	17	15.2%	17	15.2%
Unintentional	39	34.8%	39	34.8%
Failure of equipment or heat source	10	8.9%	10	8.9%
Act of nature	3	2.7%	3	2.7%
Cause under investigation	24	21.4%	24	21.4%
Cause undetermined after investigation	14	12.5%	14	12.5%
	<u>112</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>112</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

## Binghamton Fire Department

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**Losses (NFIRS)**

<u>Total Losses</u>	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
None	8520	99.2%	8520	99.2%
1 to 9	0	0%	0	0%
1 billion and up	0	0%	0	0%
10 to 99	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
100 to 999	22	0.3%	22	0.3%
1000 to 9999	26	0.3%	26	0.3%
10000 to 99999	17	0.2%	17	0.2%
100000 to 999999	0	0%	0	0%
1 to 9.9 million	0	0%	0	0%
10 to 99.9 million	0	0%	0	0%
100 to 999.9 million	0	0%	0	0%
	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

**Aid Given or Received (NFIRS)**

<u>Aid Given or Received</u>	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Mutual aid received	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Automatic aid received	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
Mutual aid given	14	0.2%	14	0.2%
Automatic aid given	1	0.0%	1	0.0%
Other aid given	6	0.1%	6	0.1%
None	<u>8563</u>	<u>99.7%</u>	<u>8563</u>	<u>99.7%</u>
	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>8587</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

**Mutual Aid Agencies Used (NFIRS)**

<u>Station/Agency Giving Aid</u>	>>>This year<<<	
	<u># Responses</u>	<u># Responses</u>
22-Deposit	0	0
25-Endicott	0	0
26-Johnson City	3	3
31-Endwell	1	1
32-Vestal	2	2
35-Port Dickenson	1	1
37-Port Crane	0	0
38-Kirkwood	0	0
39-Chenango Bridge	0	0
46-Conklin	0	0
52-Ouaquaga	0	0
56-East Maine	0	0
57-Choconut Center	0	0
58-Town of Binghamton	0	0
59-5 Mile Point	1	1
63-Prospect Terrace	0	0
64-Castle Creek Fire	0	0
66-Chenango	0	0
	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

**Other Districts Responded To (NFIRS)**

<u>FDID Receiving Mutual Aid</u>	>>>This year<<<		>>>This year<<<	
	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>	<u># Inc.</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
04003-Chenango	2	13.3%	2	13.3%
04004-Castle Creek Fire	0	0%	0	0%
04005-Chenango Bridge	0	0%	0	0%
04007-Choconut Center	0	0%	0	0%
04008-Conklin	5	33.3%	5	33.3%
04009-Deposit	0	0%	0	0%
04010-East Maine	0	0%	0	0%
04011-Endicott	0	0%	0	0%
04012-Endwell	1	6.7%	1	6.7%
04013-5 Mile Point	1	6.7%	1	6.7%
04018-Johnson City	1	6.7%	1	6.7%
04020-Kirkwood	1	6.7%	1	6.7%
04025-Ouaquaga	1	6.7%	1	6.7%
04026-Port Crane	0	0%	0	0%
04027-Port Dickenson	0	0%	0	0%
04028-Prospect Terrace	0	0%	0	0%
04030-Town of Binghamton	0	0%	0	0%
04034-Vestal	3	20.0%	3	20.0%
04560-Broome Co Haz-Mat Team	0	0%	0	0%
04601-Binghamton University	0	0%	0	0%
	<u>15</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

Activity Report

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**Calls by Day of Week (NFIRS)**

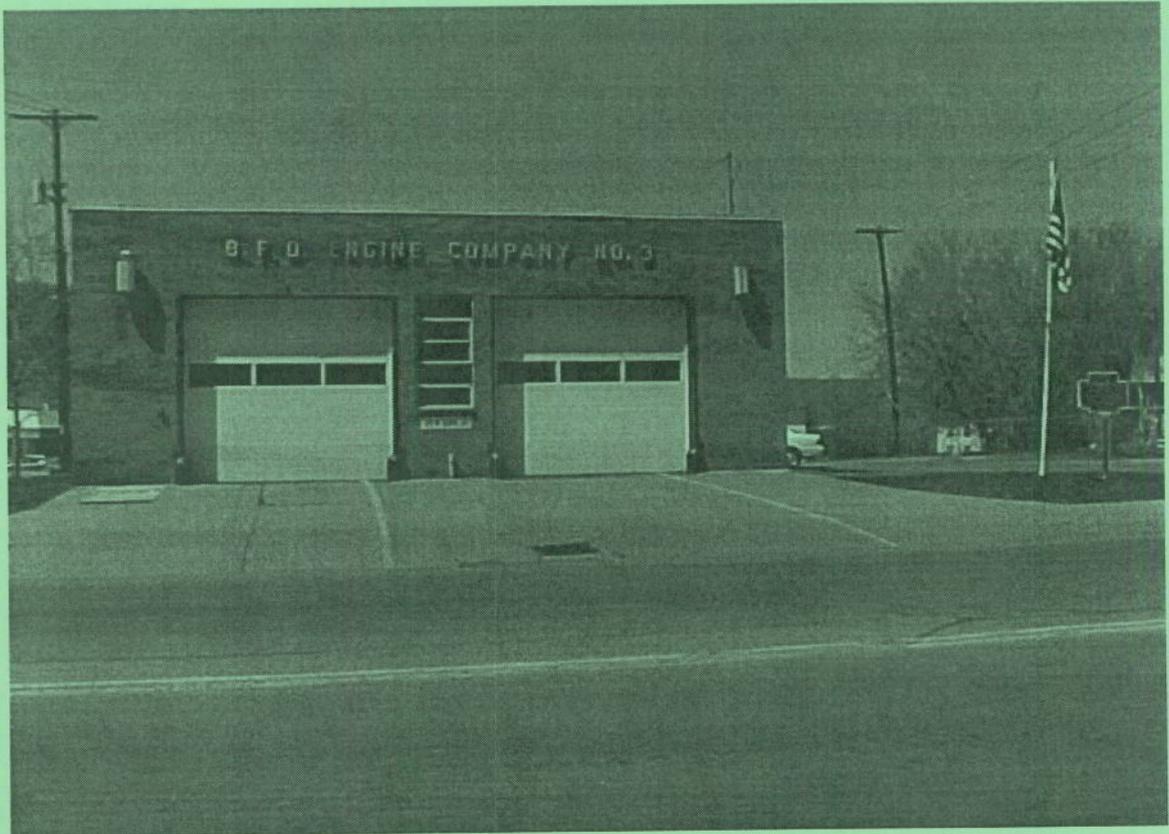
	>>>This year<<<			>>>This year<<<		
	Calls	Avg Apparatus/Call	Avg Personnel/Call	Calls	Avg Apparatus/Call	Avg Personnel/Call
Sunday	1229	1.1	4.0	1229	1.1	4.0
Monday	1243	1.1	3.9	1243	1.1	3.9
Tuesday	1194	1.1	4.0	1194	1.1	4.0
Wednesday	1200	1.1	3.9	1200	1.1	3.9
Thursday	1308	1.1	3.8	1308	1.1	3.8
Friday	1184	1.1	3.9	1184	1.1	3.9
Saturday	1229	1.1	3.9	1229	1.1	3.9

**Calls by Time of Day (NFIRS)**

	>>>This year<<<			>>>This year<<<		
	Calls	Avg Apparatus/Call	Avg Personnel/Call	Calls	Avg Apparatus/Call	Avg Personnel/Call
00:00-00:59	313	1.0	3.8	313	1.0	3.8
01:00-01:59	281	1.1	3.8	281	1.1	3.8
02:00-02:59	227	1.1	3.8	227	1.1	3.8
03:00-03:59	227	1.1	4.2	227	1.1	4.2
04:00-04:59	179	1.1	4.0	179	1.1	4.0
05:00-05:59	169	1.1	4.2	169	1.1	4.2
06:00-06:59	196	1.1	3.9	196	1.1	3.9
07:00-07:59	224	1.1	4.2	224	1.1	4.2
08:00-08:59	310	1.1	4.2	310	1.1	4.2
09:00-09:59	397	1.1	4.1	397	1.1	4.1
10:00-10:59	470	1.0	3.6	470	1.0	3.6
11:00-11:59	427	1.1	3.9	427	1.1	3.9
12:00-12:59	471	1.1	3.7	471	1.1	3.7
13:00-13:59	425	1.1	3.8	425	1.1	3.8
14:00-14:59	443	1.1	4.4	443	1.1	4.4
15:00-15:59	473	1.1	4.0	473	1.1	4.0
16:00-16:59	519	1.1	3.9	519	1.1	3.9
17:00-17:59	480	1.0	3.8	480	1.0	3.8
18:00-18:59	419	1.1	3.9	419	1.1	3.9
19:00-19:59	433	1.1	3.7	433	1.1	3.7
20:00-20:59	424	1.1	4.0	424	1.1	4.0
21:00-21:59	366	1.1	3.8	366	1.1	3.8
22:00-22:59	382	1.0	3.8	382	1.0	3.8
23:00-23:59	332	1.1	3.9	332	1.1	3.9

# SECTION TWO

# FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION



**QUINT #3**  
**39 W. STATE STREET**

# 2006 HIGHLIGHTS – FIRE MARSHAL’S OFFICE BINGHAMTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

## 1. FIRE PREVENTION OFFICE & CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Fire Prevention Office trained one new officer in 2006, Lt. Thomas Harding. He obtained his Level 1 Fire Investigator Status at the New York State Fire Academy in Montour Falls. Lt. Harding will continue to receive training in 2007; meeting all the New York State requirements of a Fire Prevention officer. The office conducted hundreds of inspections in various buildings in the City including but not limited to, public assemblies, hospitals, public and private schools, day care centers, churches and senior citizen centers. Fire Prevention expanded its use of new technology with new digital cameras (obtained through a grant) that are being used along with DVD recorders (2005 grant) in fire investigations. All Fire Prevention officers attended numerous training classes and seminars throughout 2006.

The newest code enforcement officer, Ryan Whalen, started his required 6 week training with New York State in 2006. The remaining code enforcement officers completed their required New York State training in 2006 and have retained their code enforcement status. The ultimate goal of code enforcement is for all properties in the City of Binghamton to be in 100% compliance with the City of Binghamton and New York State property maintenance codes.

## 2. PUBLIC EDUCATION

Throughout the year, the Binghamton Fire Department (through the Fire Prevention Office) provides numerous “Public Education” lectures as a means of communicating valuable fire safety information. The Fire Prevention personnel are assisted in this endeavor by line companies for demonstrations, whenever possible. In addition to our normal school system program, additional lectures/demonstrations are presented by line officers on a voluntary basis. Over 80 of these presentations are given at schools, day-care centers, home health care organizations, senior citizen centers, community organizations, hospitals, etc. These lectures/demonstrations consisted of, but were not limited to, the following topics:

1. Basic Fire Safety
2. Fire Extinguishers
3. “Stop, Drop & Roll” (youth)
4. “Safety Town Lectures” (youth)
5. Smoke Detectors
6. Holiday Safety
7. Fireplace & Wood-Stove Safety
8. Hi-Rise Safety

9. Fire Safety For the Elderly
10. Exit Drills In The Home (E.D.I.T.H.)
11. Evacuation of Handicapped School Children
12. Juvenile Fire Setter Evaluation And Referral
13. The Hazards of Propane Use

In addition, "Fire Safety" advisories are given daily and in the interest of community relations and education, there were approximately 53 guided tours given at fire stations to various area school groups.

### **3. FIRE INVESTIGATIONS**

Among the varied and crucial functions of the Fire Prevention Office, "Fire/Arson Investigations" are one of the top priorities. Every fire in the City of Binghamton, which is not of obvious cause, is referred to an officer from the Fire Marshal's Office (Fire Prevention). A complete and thorough investigation is then done to determine cause and origin. In 2006, 69 such investigations were completed. The Fire Prevention Office was a key player in the investigation and conviction of a serial arsonist who was sentenced to over 20 years in jail in 2006 for numerous arson fires started in the City of Binghamton. The City of Binghamton also had the first methamphetamine drug lab fire fatality in the State of New York in 2006. Fire Prevention worked directly with the Binghamton Police Department and the New York State Police in uncovering the drug lab. The department, along with the community, endured the most horrific fire incident in over 50 years in 2006. The fast moving single family home fire in the City's First Ward claimed the lives of a mother and three of her children. Countless hours were spent on the investigation.

### **4. FIRE CODE COMPLIANCE**

In 2006, we continued our expanded effort to achieve an increased degree of compliance with all City and State mandated requirements, particularly life-safety items (i.e., smoke detector and exiting requirements). The objective for this office is to utilize our unique accessibility privilege to assure compliance has been met and exceeded.

#### **A. HOUSING CODE**

The seven officers in Code Enforcement falling under the supervision of the Fire Marshal, continued to improve the resident's quality of life in 2006, with the strict enforcement of the City of Binghamton and New York State's Property Maintenance Code. New computer software and the registering of out-of-town landlords along with the code officer's unwavering work ethics, are part of the reason our City is headed toward a better future. Code Enforcement is committed to making our City clean, healthy and safe.

## 5. ELIMINATION OF UNNECESSARY RESPONSE

The continued efforts by Fire Prevention personnel to work with the owners and managers of establishments with defective or poorly designed alarm systems to upgrade and/or repair such systems has lowered unnecessary responses. Any decrease in unnecessary Fire Department response saves a substantial amount of wear and tear on equipment and also increases the availability of personnel and apparatus for legitimate requests for assistance.

## 6. APPARATUS INSPECTION PROGRAM (COMMERCIAL OCCUPANCIES)

This program is on going in 2006. The objective is to increase the number of buildings inspected annually and thereby reduce and/or eliminate the existing fire and life safety hazards. These inspections also increase the "fire suppression" company's knowledge of the layout and construction of commercial buildings in their districts. This information is crucial in assisting them in fire suppression tactics should a fire occur in that building. Over 700 such inspections were completed in 2006, resulting in the elimination of many "serious" hazardous conditions which would, more than likely, have eventually caused structure fires!!

## 7. SPECIAL NOTE

The desired result of all Fire Prevention Programs is to protect and preserve life and property! Most, if not all, fires are preventable. If they do occur, an aggressive, offensive, interior attack is necessary to limit the loss of the absolute minimum. The statistics for 2006 suggest success on both "fronts" (suppression and prevention).

The Bureau of Fire, as a whole, does not rest on the success of these mentioned accomplishments, but instead concentrates on the non-compliances and any other issues that affect the degree of life-safety and security of the citizens of this fine community!!

The word "**professionalism**" is often used to describe the type of competence portrayed by all members of this Department. For the "**City of Binghamton, Bureau of Fire,**" this term describes our philosophy as well as our level of performance!!

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel Eggleston  
Fire Marshal

**SECTION THREE**  
**SPECIAL OPERATIONS**  
**DIVISION**



**ENGINE #6**  
**8 WEST STREET**

City of Binghamton Fire Bureau  
Special Operations Hazardous Materials Response Unit  
2006 Annual Report

The Special Operations/Hazardous Materials Unit of the Binghamton Fire Bureau continued with the expectation of providing the City of Binghamton with the highest quality of emergency response. With this goal in mind and inspired to accomplish this endeavor, training for emergency response situations continued on a daily basis. Members trained to safely mitigate emergencies in Confined Space Rescue, Explosive Environments, Hazardous Materials, High and Low Angle Rope Rescue Techniques, Vehicular Extrications and Water Rescues.

During the course of 2006, ENG 21-6/HAZMAT 1 and Rescue 21-1 which make up the Special Operations Unit, continued with on-going joint training with the Broome County's Hazardous Materials Unit. Monthly training sessions continue to be held at various in field training sites where Hazardous Materials are stored or are in use in the daily work environment. Subjects of joint training include but were not limited to clandestine drug lab operations, air quality monitoring, chlorine spill mitigation, chemical leak suppression, foam/petroleum operations, computer cameo reviews, and training with encapsulating hazardous material suits. The on-going training process further enhances the Binghamton Fire Department's ability to safely mitigate emergency hazardous materials responses.

Captain Richard Allen was recently assigned as the Hazardous Materials Station Captain and he will continue to implement new ideas and energy to a well established relationship with Broome County personnel that will continue to enhance Binghamton's ability to deal with emergencies. Captain Allen brings with him knowledge of computer incident management and EMS accountability solutions that will be incorporated into training scenarios that will enhance mass casualty incidents and small scale hazard responses.

Along with Captain Allen, two firefighters recently became hazard materials technicians. Jason Lakomec and Shannon Potts completed the New York State 40-hour course at SUNY Binghamton. Fifteen members of the Binghamton Fire Department completed the Confined Space Rescue Course presented by the Johnson City Fire Department.

Equipment still continues to be delivered to ENG 21-6 HAZ MAT 1 from past Homeland Security Equipment Grants. All equipment and supplies delivered will enhance the ability of the team with the safe mitigation of an emergency response. With the latest equipment and training, Binghamton's Special Operations Unit remains ready to handle emergency responses at any given time. Binghamton's Special Operations Unit will continue to maintain an advanced, well-trained emergency unit.

Assistant Chief James Rice, Special Operations



# SECTION FOUR

# TRAINING DIVISION



**JAMES M. SULLIVAN FIRE TRAINING FACILITY**

**1 BELDEN ST**

## City of Binghamton Fire Bureau Annual Training Report 2006

***“If you think education is expensive, wait till you see what ignorance COST”***

As Training Instructor for the City of Binghamton, I am proud to report that we trained to a higher standard and that we more than met state minimum standards. I sought interactive hands on training not only within the Binghamton Fire Bureau, but also within other City Agencies and Local Fire and Emergency Services Agencies. This year, in an effort to continue and expand upon those ideals, I am happy to report that not only have we met last year's training accomplishments but we have also surpassed them.

Every firefighter has met and or exceeded the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Controls minimum 100 hours of mandated training and logged over 29,000 training evolution hours. This averages out to be over twice the minimum training hours required per firefighter. In meeting this mandated training, I would like to congratulate the Shift Commanders and Company Officers who participated so readily, assuring that all this training was done and done in a safe and learning environment. My thanks to all of you.

We expanded our role as a regional training center, not just for the fire community, but also, for all of emergency services. We received through a Home Land Security Grant, a state of the art “Live Fire Burn Trailer” simulator. With this trailer, the Binghamton Fire Bureau can safely train all firefighters how to combat real fires, meeting all Federal, State, and Local requirements for Live Fire Training, yet do so in the safest manner possible. Because this Trailer is mobile, we can train not only our firefighters, but also, the neighboring communities either here or at their community. In addition to providing a Live Fire Training Simulator, the grant provided for the training of instructors in the use of the simulator. Successfully completing the 20 hour training course was: A/C Michael F. Washington, Captain S. Santoni Capt. E. Bergman, Capt. M Whalen, Capt. A. Gardiner, Capt. R. Allen, Lt. R. Tinder, Lt. P. Holleran, Lt. R. Lew, Lt. J. Colling, Lt. W. Broderick, Lt. P. Ryan, Lt. M. Griffis, Lt. F. Fitch, and Firefighter P. Giblin.

The Sullivan Training Center continues to serve as a meeting and training place for the Broome County Bomb Squad, the Broome County Hazardous Material Unit, and the SUNY Binghamton Confined Space Team, Johnson City and Endicott Candidate Physical fitness testing, as well as train, the Binghamton Firefighters in all aspects of firefighting. We participated in the US Postal Service Emergency Response to A Biohazard Detection Alarm System Activation at the Binghamton Post Office. The Fire Training Office developed the Procedure and the Fire Bureau conducted a training exercise at the Post Office with the FBI, USPIS, Br. Co DOH, BPD, and local Postal Employees. In addition to the training exercise, the Bureau met multiple times with Postal employees to familiarize themselves with our decontamination procedures. Several outside Fire Agencies have come here to conduct training classes, Johnson City, and the Town of Binghamton to mention a few, have utilized and/co-trained. Exemplifying our role as a regional training center.

This year saw one Fire Fighter Recruit Class. The class consisted of five students from two cities, Binghamton and Endicott. All five candidates passed both the State and National Firefighter I and II Certification exams, along with Apparatus Operator Pump, Rescue Technician Basic, Incident Command 100, and 200, Truck Company Operations, Accident Victim Extrication Training, Basic Wild land Suppression, Apparatus Operator Emergency Vehicle, and WMD Awareness and Operational. Congratulations go to

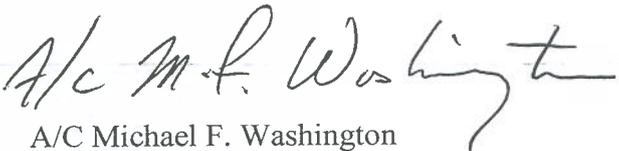
Firefighters B. Sternberg, R. Decker Jr. and S. Pancoast from Binghamton and D. Abell and T. Reese from Endicott.

All the Binghamton Firefighters have had and met the annual mandatory quantitative fit test. Our quartermaster clothing program records have been updated insuring all firefighter met the minimum NFPA 1981, 1989 and 1975 standards for interior fire fighting. All Fire Bureau hose was inventoried and service tested to meet NFPA standards. The NFPA required Aerial Apparatus Stress Test, and SCBA Hydrostatic Tests and testing of the SCBA compressor air quality were conducted and successfully completed.

Once again the City of Binghamton Bureau of Fire was fortunate to receive a grant from the Homelands Security Grants monies. This grant is for a "Fitness and Wellness" program for the firefighters of our city. This program has been a long time in coming. Ever since the tragic State Office Building Fire of February 5<sup>th</sup> 1981, our firefighters have known the need for a baseline physical and good physical conditioning. Hopefully in 2007 we will see a good baseline physical for every firefighter become a reality and physical training equipment in every fire station at no cost to the taxpayers of the city. This proactive program will promote good physical fitness and help to keep job injury rates low and at the same time give the residents the best-conditioned firefighters possible. Further more, included is the OSHA mandated testing and screenings that the city currently provides.

The year 2006 saw two of the worst floods in the cities recent history, however, there were no fatalities from the flooding. One reason has to be because of the dedication and training of the firefighters. Firefighters were sent into flood waters to turn on the DPW pump house, people in cars were rescued from swollen intersections, two individuals were rescued after being washed away in a creek that eroded the walkway behind their work exit, cellars were being continually pumped and one dramatic rescue involved the Rescue Company leaving the city to help save a gentleman trapped in a tree after his car was washed away.

Yes this year 2006 was indeed a very busy year for the City of Binghamton Bureau of Fire and yet our number of hours training still increased. I believe that this increase in training paid off in tremendous dividends. Our call volume was up, yet our injury/mortality rate was down. I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and every firefighter for their professionalism and enthusiasm which provided great incentive to keep our Fire Bureau at a level of excellence second to no one.



A/C Michael F. Washington  
Training Instructor

**SECTION FIVE**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL**  
**SERVICES DIVISION**



**QUINT 2**  
**180 MAIN STREET**

## 2006 Emergency Medical Service Report

The number of emergency medical calls in the city went up again in 2006. This has been the trend over the past several years. With E.M.S. calls being the lion's share of our total responses, it should be clear, how vital the service we provide is to the people of Binghamton. It also emphasizes the need to remain ever vigilant in keeping our emergency medical skills current with training and education.

As Emergency Medical Technicians (E.M.T.s) we are required by New York State Law to report any suspected incidents of child abuse or neglect found during performance of our duties or even in our daily lives. To help explain this requirement, along with what to look for, and how to properly report it, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services came to instruct us in the Mandated Child Abuse Reporter Training. This four hour class was informative and essential.

Paramedics are required by the Regional Medical Advisory Committee, who are the physicians that regulate our protocols, to complete all of our hands-on skills every six months. To make this possible and make the training more effective, skills sessions were separated from regular paramedic training. This allowed for smaller groups thus making the instructor to student ratio more beneficial. So far feedback from paramedics has been positive to this change.

The year 2006 also saw a change in how we perform one of our most basic but most important life saving skills. The American Heart Association made significant modifications to the Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Guidelines. This required everyone to be trained to the new standards and was completed as we approached the end of 2006.

A total of seven firefighters completed their paramedic training in 2006; Dan Vail in January, Brian Sullivan in May, followed by William Banovic, Thomas Edwards, Robert Gaffney, Steve Pancoast, and Paul Yannuzzi in December. These firefighters committed themselves to this difficult task and confirmed the positive drive to provide the finest medical care possible. In 2006 only one *new* student, Art Griswold, was selected to begin paramedic education in the Fall Semester.

In an effort to improve equipment and make both first line ambulances equally equipped, a new Medtronic LifePak 12 was purchased. This unit replaces the older, heavier, lesser functioning LifePak 11. The LifePak 12 is a considerable investment at just under \$17,000.00.

As the newest ambulance in the fleet approached 5 years of service, a new ambulance needed to be specified and funded. After working with the comptroller and city council it was agreed that the city would bond for the new ambulance. With input from the fleet maintenance supervisor, a larger more durable chassis was chosen as the foundation for this new vehicle. This will hopefully make the vehicle safer as compared to the current ambulances which, when loaded with patient and crew, are overloaded. Furthermore, the larger chassis will minimize downtime and costly repairs due to less maintenance because mechanical parts are heavier duty. Other design features of the ambulance are aimed at safety. A back-up camera will be installed for

safer backing operations. An oxygen lift system will hydraulically lift the large oxygen tanks into place in the compartment, preventing possible back injuries. The hospital radio will have two microphones in the back and two control panels will be present, allowing crew members to remain seated and restrained. Another measure to prevent back injuries is the addition of a Stryker power cot stretcher, which will lift patients mechanically saving providers the strain. In July the specification went out to bid. The Bid was won by VCI, providing a 2007 Horton. We are expecting delivery in mid-2007.

Part of the function of EMS is not only to provide emergency medical care resulting from a 911 call, but to be prepared and standing by for special events where large crowds gather and the chances for a medical emergency are more significant. Since 1998 Binghamton Fire has contracted with Broome County to provide an ambulance and EMS for all Part 18 Events. Part 18 is the section of New York State Health and Sanitation Law requiring EMS personnel and an Advanced Life Support Ambulance to all "mass gatherings" with an attendance of 5000 people or more. That contract was renewed thus continuing to provide additional income for the city. In addition the American Hockey League is now requiring all teams to provide on-site ambulance service for its players and officials. Therefore the Binghamton Senators contracted with us to provide this service for all home games at the Arena, creating yet another source of income for the city.

As the year closed out a change in the EMS Coordinator had been announced. I was thankful for the opportunity of being EMS Coordinator. It was both challenging and rewarding. As my successor, Captain Robert Parke will do a fine job and bring his own expertise and ideas to the position.

Respectfully submitted,



Captain Richard J. Allen Jr., AEMT-P  
E.M.S. Coordinator

INCIDENT TYPE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
ALS ASSIST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
ABDOMINAL	25	22	22	31	18	26	21	21	24	17	14	18
ALLERGIES	5	0	8	9	3	5	7	13	7	4	6	4
ANIM BITE	1	2	2	2	0	2	1	3	1	3	0	1
ASSAULT	21	17	16	15	17	15	26	16	17	25	14	17
BACK PAIN	16	11	13	11	2	9	8	19	12	9	18	7
BREATHING	95	84	98	95	82	81	88	79	78	93	92	76
BURN/EXPLO	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
INHALATION	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CARDIAC	15	11	9	7	3	10	7	13	7	6	4	7
CHEST PAIN	55	55	55	52	52	50	54	50	48	51	57	35
CHOKING	3	1	2	1	2	4	1	2	6	1	0	2
SEIZURES	19	22	26	25	26	19	27	17	28	27	21	21
DIABETIC	8	19	22	21	19	26	16	14	15	18	23	14
DROWNING	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
EYE INJURY	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
FALLS	70	60	87	70	85	75	71	89	104	75	86	91
HEADACHE	5	8	2	7	4	3	9	4	4	4	3	3
HEART PROB	3	3	7	9	9	8	13	11	5	5	6	8
EXPOSURE	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
HEMORRHAGE	23	24	15	25	27	23	31	33	18	21	12	16
MUTUAL AID	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
OVERDOSE	22	22	15	19	18	21	16	26	19	23	19	25
PREGNANCY	17	6	12	6	7	16	12	13	13	8	13	9
SUICIDE	9	2	8	11	1	8	9	14	10	11	10	4
SICK PERS	37	52	67	48	50	58	72	56	68	51	63	68
STAB/SHOOT	4	2	2	11	2	3	3	4	4	7	0	3
SPEC EVENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
STAND BY	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
STROKE	10	16	13	16	10	15	7	12	10	7	9	14
MVA/EMS	0	0	2	3	7	8	2	6	3	2	6	6
TRAUMATIC	21	16	22	21	30	33	29	30	30	16	17	30
FADING	32	34	33	35	31	26	33	30	41	29	38	27
UNKNOWN PR	17	19	23	34	26	24	38	24	16	17	14	16
EMS ALARM	12	11	7	14	20	13	7	10	8	11	15	14
TRANSPORT	0	1	2	0	2	0	1	4	0	0	0	0
EMS ALL OT	10	2	4	4	10	15	7	4	5	13	3	10
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>556</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>547</b>
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## TOTALS DAY HOUR

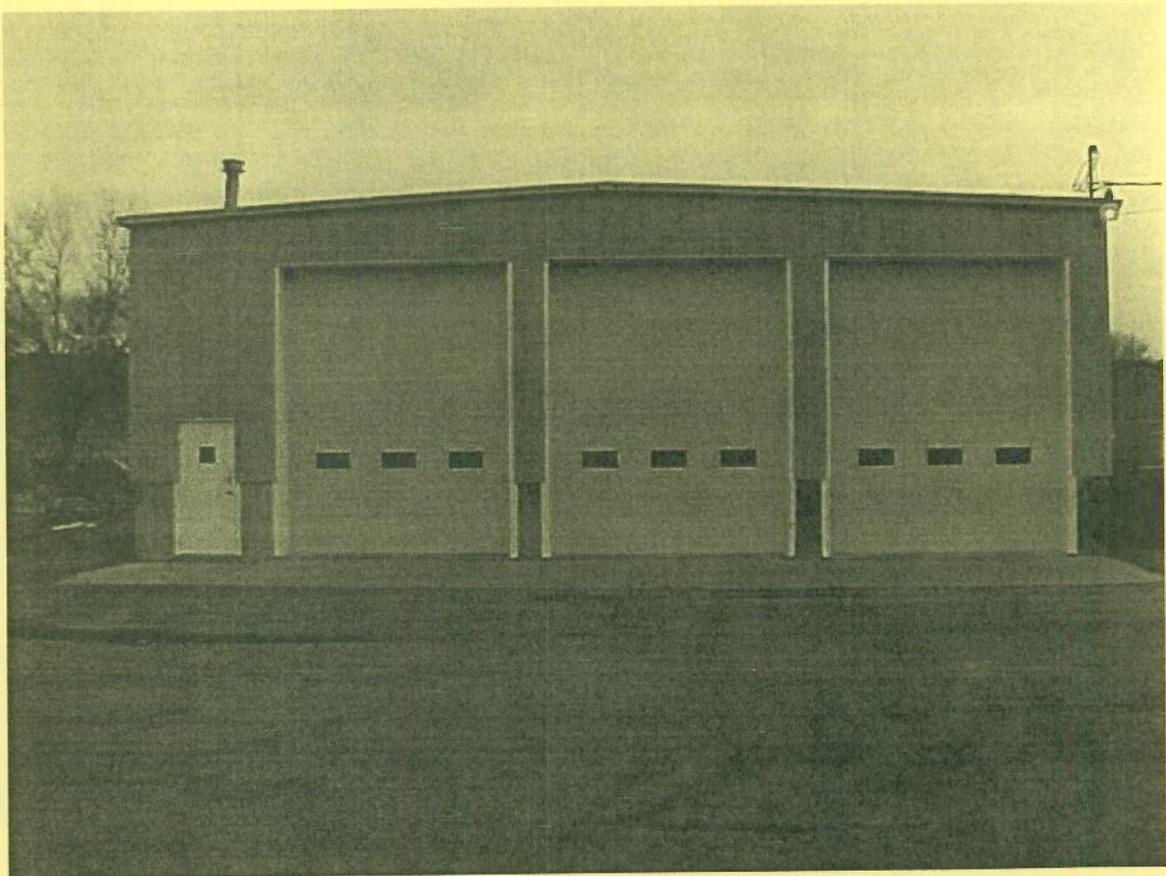
Hour	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	TOTAL
24	47	42	50	43	31	34	62	309
1	60	21	38	31	40	36	55	281
2	65	28	25	27	25	31	29	230
3	43	27	23	32	24	19	62	230
4	30	30	27	26	23	18	26	180
5	34	25	24	26	20	18	27	174
6	23	25	33	33	29	30	30	203
7	30	25	25	44	34	38	33	229
8	43	55	41	49	43	47	41	319
9	50	69	51	57	58	60	62	407
10	68	68	71	74	71	73	52	477
11	56	64	68	60	64	64	57	433
12	61	74	70	65	67	72	65	474
13	51	87	65	52	62	57	49	423
14	62	78	67	63	53	65	70	458
15	56	69	73	72	82	61	73	486
16	55	75	81	73	109	71	68	532
17	70	71	62	71	101	59	60	494
18	56	60	50	60	93	63	49	431
19	55	67	63	59	68	56	69	437
20	69	52	52	65	78	56	55	427
21	56	50	56	47	56	58	52	375
22	53	48	59	56	64	58	50	388
23	48	49	44	48	56	54	46	345
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,241 14</b>	<b>1,259</b>	<b>1,218</b>	<b>1,233</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>1,198 13</b>	<b>1,242</b>	<b>8,742 10</b>

EMS COMPANY TOTALS

	EM1	EM2	EM3	EM4	EM5	EM6	7121	7122	7123	TOTAL
ABDOMINAL	30	52	40	35	57	41				255
ALLERGIES	9	14	12	12	11	12				70
ANIM BITE	1	2		4	4	6				17
ASSAULT	20	49	29	23	53	37				211
BACK PAIN	20	29	18	15	37	14				133
BREATHING	131	206	166	164	209	155				1031
BURN/EXPLO	1	1	3	0	2	2				9
INHALATION	0	0	0	1	0	0				1
CARDIAC	17	12	16	13	26	13				97
CHEST PAIN	72	105	99	110	129	96				611
CHOKING	5	4	4	4	1	6				24
SEIZURES	29	53	45	27	67	53				274
DIABETIC	26	36	27	38	57	28				212
DROWNING	0	0	0	0	0	1				1
EYE INJURY	3	2	0	0	1	0				6
FALLS	116	186	122	136	269	124				953
HEADACHE	9	9	5	12	15	6				56
HEART PROB	13	16	14	17	20	5				85
EXPOSURE	0	0	2	1	2	1				6
HEMORRHAGE	42	51	43	31	63	34				264
MUTUAL AID	0	0	0	1	1	1				3
OVERDOSE	26	53	39	29	67	26				240
PREGNANCY	14	24	19	13	31	31				132
SUICIDE	12	22	14	15	15	15				93
SICK PERS	85	135	106	110	152	90				678
STAB/SHOOT	4	10	14	4	5	6				43
STROKE	22	24	14	22	29	27				138
MVA/EMS	2	13	7	5	3	11				41
TRAUMATIC	33	59	59	37	51	49				288
FAINING	39	96	58	68	80	43				384
UNKNOWN PR	25	65	33	50	63	28				264
EMS ALARM	12	26	18	15	48	23				142
EMS ALL OT	15	17	14	7	22	7				82
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>1371</b>	<b>1040</b>	<b>1019</b>	<b>1590</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>2494</b>	<b>1447</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6844</b>

# SECTION SIX

## APPARATUS/EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE DIVISION



MAINTENANCE FACILITY  
1 BELDEN STREET

## STATION LOCATIONS/APPARATUS ASSIGNMENTS

STATION	ADDRESS	APPARATUS
HEADQUARTERS	GOVERNMENTAL PLAZA 38 HAWLEY	CAR #21 (DUTY CHIEF) RESCUE #21 TOWER LADDER #21 FIRE AMBULANCE #7121 EMS-21-5 RESCUE BOATS #1 & 2 RESERVE AMBULANCE 7122
STATION #1	259 CONKLIN AVE.	ENGINE 21-1 EMS 21-1
STATION #2	180 MAIN ST	QUINT #21-2 EMS 21-2 RESERVE ENGINE #21-7
STATION #3	39 W. STATE ST.	QUINT 21-3 EMS 21-3
STATION #4	176 ROBINSON ST.	ENGINE #21-4 EMS 21-4
STATION #6	8 WEST ST.	ENGINE #21-6 EMS 21-6 HAZ MAT #21

**2006**

**RESCUE PUMPER**



# SECTION SEVEN

## MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARDS



**JAMES M. SULLIVAN FIRE TRAINING FACILITY**

1 BELDEN STREET

**2006 MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

**AWARDS CEREMONY**

**HOSTED BY:**

**Mayor Matthew T. Ryan**

**Friday, October 13, 2006**

**SULLIVAN TRAINING FACILITY**

**INVOCATION**

**FATHER COREY VAN KUREN  
BINGHAMTON FIRE CHAPLIN**

**REMARKS**

**MAYOR MATTHEW T. RYAN  
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS  
MATTHEW T. RYAN  
CHIEF CLIFFORD C. COLGAN**

**FIREFIGHTER AWARDS**

**EMS LIFE SAVING AWARD  
LT. CHRISTOPHER BALLARD**

**LT. RONALD LEW**

**LT. BRIAN GRACE**

**FF CHRISTINA BRODERICK**

**FF MATTHEW SKOPE**

**FF WILLIAM MARION**

**FF PAUL YANNUZZI**

**FIRE RESCUE AWARD**

**FF GREG HORTON**

**HIGH RISK RESCUE AWARD**

**D/C DANIEL THOMAS**

**LT. RONALD LEW**

**FF STEVE PANCOAST**

**FF MICHAEL FITZGERALD**

**BENEDICTION**

**FATHER GERALD BUCKLEY**

## ACTS OF HEROISM

A dozen firefighters were honored at the James M. Sullivan Fire Training Facility with Firefighter Meritorious Service Awards for saving the lives of a shooting victim, a near-drowning victim and a disoriented firefighter.

Lts. Christopher Ballard, Ronald Lew, Brian Grace and firefighters Christina Broderick, Matthew Skope, William Marion and Paul Yannuzzi received the EMS Life Saving Award for a February 19<sup>th</sup> call in which they helped save a man with a gunshot wound to the face. Rather than transporting him on his back, as EMS protocol requires, the rescuers moved him face down to allow blood to drain away from his airway. The man survived.

Firefighter Gregory Horton received the Fire Rescue Award for helping save fellow firefighter Patrick Lynch when responding to an October 30<sup>th</sup> structure fire. While inside, the two encountered a sudden increase in temperature, causing Lynch to feel searing pain on an exposed portion of his face. Disoriented because of smoke, pain and anxiety, he made a wrong turn while trying to exit the building. Horton, who sustained a steam burn to his neck, abandoned the hose to search for Lynch and lead him to safety.

“The outcome could have been much more severe if it were not for the selfless and heroic efforts of Greg Horton”, Lynch said.

Deputy Chief Daniel Thomas, Lt. Ron Lew and Firefighters Michael Fitzgerald and Steven Pancoast received the High Risk Rescue Award for helping save a man from drowning at MacArthur Elementary School’s flooded playground during the June 29, 2006 flood. The men formed a search line and waded into neck –deep water, when Pancoast stumbled across the man and pulled the victim to the surface. The victim has since recovered.

“We honor these people whose job is to save a life and avert further danger in their line of duty”, they are called on many times to perform an ordinary duty in an extraordinary way”.  
*Reverend Gerald Buckley, Binghamton Firefighter Chaplain.*

# SECTION EIGHT

## REVENUE



**ENGINE #4**  
**176 ROBINSON STREET**

CITY OF BINGHAMTON

BUREAU OF FIRE

2006

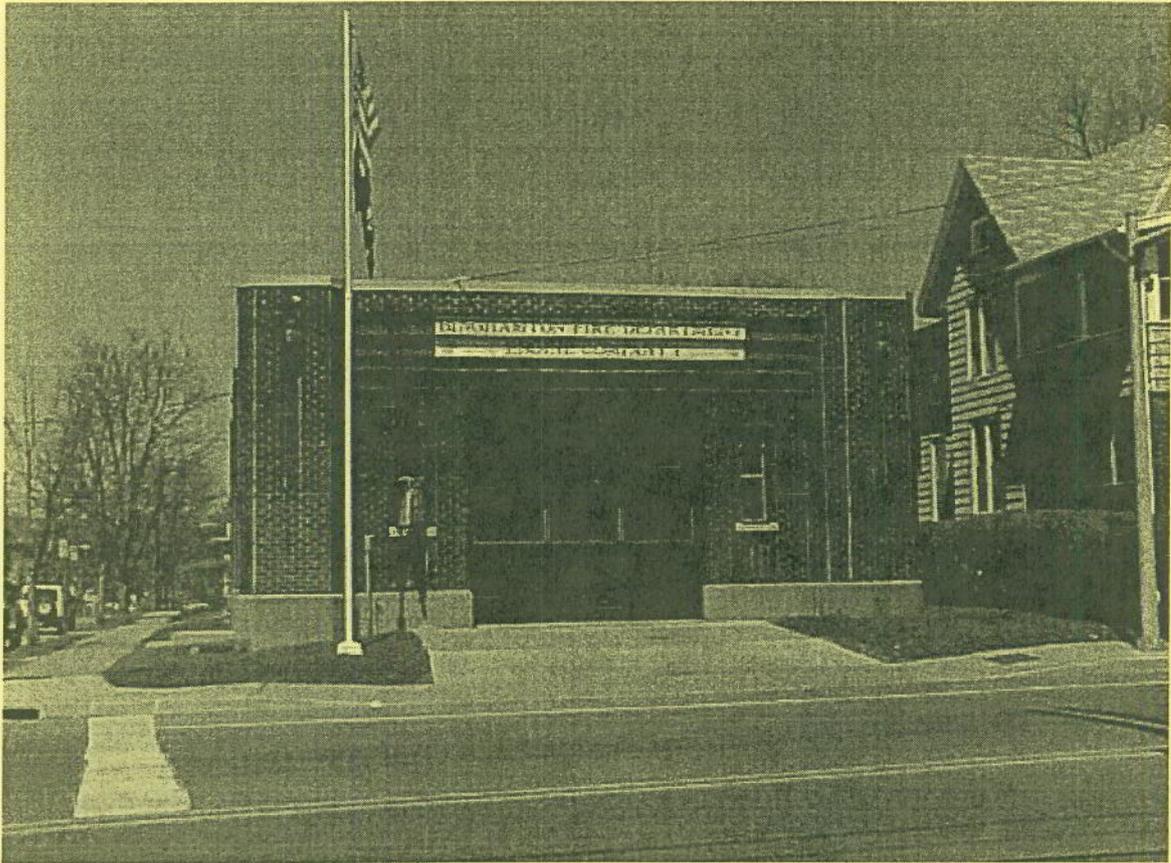
REVENUE



<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
AMBULANCE TRANSPORT	\$ 764,136.08
FIRE PROTECTION FOR BOCES	26,000.00
B.A.E. SYSTEMS FOR PROVIDING REQUIRED OSHA CONFINED SPACE RESCUE AVAILABILITY SERVICE	2,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><b>792,136.08</b></u>

# SECTION NINE

# SPECIAL REQUESTS



**ENGINE #1**  
**259 CONKLIN AVENUE**

**THIS SECTION IS A LIST OF NON-EMERGENCY SPECIAL REQUESTS FOR  
FIRE BUREAU SERVICE/SUPPORT NOT ROUTINELY PROVIDED BY  
EITHER THE OPERATIONS DIVISION FOR THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.**

SPECIAL REQUESTS

<u>REQUESTING AGENCY</u>	<u>6/28/1905</u>	<u>GROUP &amp; STATION</u>
FRONT STREET DOG SHELTER	3 SESSIONS	E3 & E4 GR B & C
STATIONS USED FOR POLLING	E3, E4	GR C
UHS REQUEST FOR LANDING	4/1/2006	E6 GR C
FIRE APPARATUS & TRAILER	4/7/2006	CAPT. R ALLEN
BOSCOV'S ANNUAL SPRING	4/8/2006	FIRE ADMINISTRATION
FAIRVIEW METHODIST CHURCH	4/8/2006	E4 GR B
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	4/27/2006	HQ GR A
SUNY SCHOOL OF NURSING	4/29/2006	E3 & MED 3 GR C
BROOME CO STOP DWI PROGRAM	5/7/2006	GR C
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL	5/12/2006	D. HOLLERAN
CUB SCOUTS	5/16/2006	HQ GR D
HORACE MANN SCHOOL	5/11/2006	Q2 GR B
LOURDES HOSPITAL	5/17/2006	GR A
MANLEY'S MIGHTY MART	5/20/2006	E6 GRD
RIVERSIDE DAY NURSERY	05-24 & 05-25	Q2 GR D & A
BGM HIGH SCHOOL—PRE K	5/26/2006	HQ GR B
AMERICAN LEGION PARADE	5/29/2006	Q2 & M2 GR A
BROOME COUNTY BICENTENNIAL	6/3/2006	Q2 GR B
BEN FRANKLIN SCHOOL –	6/9/2006	E1 GR D
CALVIN COOLIDGE SCHOOL	6/19/2006	E4 GR C
HORIZON'S CREDIT UNION	8/4/2006	Q2 GR D
TEACHER	7/17/2006	E3 GR C
URBAN LEAGUE SUMMER	7/24/2006	FIRE ADMIN
HANDS OF HOPE CHURCH	08/01/2006	GR A
HANDS OF HOPE CHURCH	8/1/2006	RIG
NEIGHBORS AGAINST CRIME	8/1/2006	T1 GR A
HORIZONS CREDIT UNION	8/4/2006	Q2 GR D
TEACHER	8/7/2006	E3 GR C
JAMES MAY – CHRIS THAMMACHART	8/26 & 27/2006	GR B & C
CONKLIN FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH	9/9/2006	E1 GR D
FRITO LAY –FAMILY NIGHT	09/16/2006	GR C
BOCES - FIRE PREVENTION	10/4/2006	Q2 GR A
NBT BANK -COLUMBUS DAVIDSON	10/9/2006	RG GR B
T. ROOSEVELT SCHOOL	10/12/2006	RIG GR D
T. ROOSEVELT SCHOOL	10/18/2006	Q3 GR C
BEN FRANKLIN SCHOOL	10/18/2006	HQ GR D
BEN FRANKLIN SCHOOL	10/23/2006	GR D
T. ROOSEVELT SCHOOL	10/19/2006	Q3 GR D
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH-HOSPITAL	10/27/2006	E6 GR D
EAST SIDE YOUTH ASSOCIATION	10/29/2006	
BROOME COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS	11/7/2007	Q2, E3, E4
ST THOMAS AQUINAS SCHOOL	11/9/2006	Q2 GR A
AMERICAN LEGION POST	11/11/2006	Q2 GR C
BOSCOV'S HOLIDAY PARADE	11/18/2006	RIG GR B
MICHAEL RAY	12/21/2006	Q2 GR C
FIRST NIGHT	12/31/2006	EMS , FIRE PREV.,RIGS

# BUREAU OF FIRE BUREAU CITY OF BINGHAMTON

2006

## FIRE STATION TOURS FOR COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL GROUPS

STATION	NUMBER OF TOURS	NUMBER OF ATTENDENCE
ENGINE #1 259 CONKLIN AVE	10	200
QUINT #2 180 MAIN ST.	5	111
ENGINE 3 39 W. STATE ST.	3	60
ENGINE 4 176 ROBINSON ST.	4	63
HEADQUARTERS GOVERNMENT PLAZA	23	300
TOTAL	45	734