

# Rescue *Fanwood Rescue Squad*

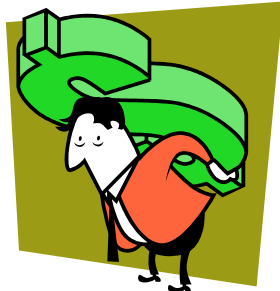
## News

Spring 2008

### YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES IT HAPPEN

Fanwood is blessed with the most caring citizens in New Jersey, as you have shown year after year with your support of the Rescue Squad. We are looking forward to your generosity once again in 2008.

Having an independent, volunteer squad to respond to 911 calls saves our taxpayers thousands of dollars a year. While we get some grants to help pay for big-ticket items, all of our day-to-day expenses are paid for by your donations. We buy bandages, backboards, uniforms, oxygen and computer supplies with money from our annual fundraising drive.



Soon you'll be getting our appeal letter in the mail. Please send back the donation card with a check. You may also make a secure on-line donation using a credit card at [visitfanwood.com/rescue](http://visitfanwood.com/rescue).



**ALWAYS CALL 911 IN AN  
EMERGENCY!**

### LEARN CPR AND FIRST AID FOR FREE

The Rescue Squad will be sponsoring free CPR and first aid classes for our community this spring during EMS Week, May 18-24.

CPR and first aid skills travel with you and can literally make the difference between life and death.

Anyone from age 13 and up can learn. The classes take about three hours and are given at the Rescue Squad building



on Watson Road by our own certified instructors. You will receive certification cards good for two years.

To sign up for a class, fill out and mail us the registration form on the back page of this newsletter. Or log on to our website, [visitfanwood.com/rescue](http://visitfanwood.com/rescue), and click the LEARN CPR/FIRST AID link on the home page.

**BE A CPR SPONSOR!**

Local businesses are needed to underwrite the cost of CPR classes.

More info inside→



## MEMBER NEWS

## OFFICERS FOR 2008:

*President: John Oatis*  
*Vice President: Steve Siegal*  
*Treasurer/Chaplain: Bob Kruthers*  
*Recording Secretary: Nancy Mustachio*  
*Correspond. Secretary: Patty Buckridee*  
*Historian: Tom Kranz*  
*Delegates: Jim Baxter, Jeff Carr, John Oatis*  
*Alt. Delegates: Patty Buckridee, Bob Hoyer, Nancy Mustachio*

*Captain: Melissa Padulsky*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Lt: Jeff Downing*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Lt: Tom FitzGibbon*  
*Sergeant: Robert Levine*  
*Training Officer: Jim Baxter*



**Bob Hoyer** (left) was recognized by the Fanwood Borough Council and the Knights of Columbus for his extraordinary volunteer service to the Rescue Squad. He responded to almost 80% of our 2007 calls (530 out of 692).

Welcome to our newest EMT's, **Andrew Khazanovich, Joe Law, Ian Lewis** and **Dennis Munchel** and good luck to new members **Krystina Baxter, Alyssa Karis, Andrew Manns** and **Dan Strachman**.

## A WORD ABOUT BEQUESTS

A donation on behalf of a departed loved one is a thoughtful way of remembering someone in perpetuity, and helping the Rescue Squad today. Thank you.

## MEET OUR CAPTAIN



**Melissa Padulsky's** volunteerism is a family affair. Her father is a volunteer fireman and chief in Piscataway. She is married to Bruce Padulsky, a

Fanwood volunteer fireman. She joined us in August of 2001 and has been knee-deep in the Fanwood rescue/fire community ever since.

Melissa makes a living teaching life saving skills-- CPR, first aid and occupational safety. She is also an EMT instructor, teaching the next generation of New Jersey's emergency medical responders.

## CPR AND FIRST AID CLASS SCHEDULE

The Fanwood Rescue Squad is hosting free CPR and First Aid Classes in May. These courses are being sponsored by generous members of the Fanwood business community. Use the registration form on the back page. Class size is limited. Here are the dates:

**Sunday, May 18**

**9am: CPR for adults/children/infants**

**1pm: First Aid**

**Tuesday, May 20**

**7pm: CPR for adults/children/infants**

**Thursday, May 22**

**7pm: CPR for adults/children/infants**

## WE NEED NEW MEMBERS

The Fanwood Rescue Squad is looking for new volunteers.

As a 24/7 service, we need people to respond to calls at all hours of the day and night. There is no minimum weekly



duty requirement, although members have to stay active over the course of a year by responding to calls, attending regular business meetings and

participating in training drills.

All clothing (dress uniform, all-weather jacket, etc.) is provided for active members. Training to become an Emergency Medical Technician is free. Active members become eligible for a pension.

Riding with the Fanwood Rescue Squad is a great way to meet new friends and serve your neighbors. We're a small town, so after a while, it'll seem like you know almost everyone!



Please consider joining. Call 908-322-9000. Leave a message and someone will get back to you quickly. Or, log on to [visitfanwood.com/rescue](http://visitfanwood.com/rescue) and send an email.

Our members include people in sales, law enforcement, students, teachers and retirees. They are men and women from all walks of life.

**You can do it, too!**

## BE A CPR SPONSOR

We are looking for a few good businesses to help underwrite CPR and first aid training for the community. A pledge of \$100 will pay for CPR for five people when we offer classes during EMS Week in May.

The Fanwood business community has been a good friend of the Rescue Squad for decades. We are reaching out again for help in supporting this valuable service to our residents.

If your business can be a sponsor, please drop an email to [fanwoodrescue@yahoo.com](mailto:fanwoodrescue@yahoo.com) or call 908-322-9000 and leave a message. Your business will be recognized as a sponsor in the materials distributed to our CPR students and on our web site.

## WHY CPR?

The more people who know how to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), the more chance that someone suffering from cardiac arrest will survive.

When the heart stops working, chest compressions and rescue breathing can buy time for the victim, providing oxygen to the brain



until EMS arrives. When CPR is begun within the first three to five minutes of a collapse, the victim has a better chance of surviving without brain damage.

Applying a shock using a portable defibrillator increases those chances.

It is important CPR is done correctly to maximize the victim's chances. So, classes are given by certified instructors who guide students through the steps.

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## FANWOOD RESCUE SQUAD FREE CPR/FIRST AID REGISTRATION

Fill out this form to reserve your spot. CPR students will earn Heartsaver certification from the American Heart Association. First Aid students will earn certification from the American Safety & Health Institute. Minimum age is 13. Volunteers are making time to teach the classes, so if you register, we expect you to show up. Class size is limited, first come first served.

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CPR class desired: Sun, May 18, 9am\_\_\_ Tuesday, May 20, 7pm\_\_\_ Thurs, May 22, 7pm\_\_\_  
First Aid class desired: Sun, May 18, 1pm\_\_\_

We'll confirm by email or phone. Each class takes about three hours.

**Cut out and send form to:**

Registration  
Fanwood Rescue Squad  
123 Watson Road  
Fanwood, NJ 07023

Fanwood Rescue Squad, Inc.  
123 Watson Road  
Fanwood, NJ 07023

Non-Profit Organization  
Permit No. 10  
Fanwood, NJ 07023