

The Barren Hill Bulletin

A Quarterly Snapshot of the Barren Hill Volunteer Fire Company
New Tower Ladder



Fire Officers Achieve Credentialing

The fire brigade officers, from our Fire Chief to our Captains, achieved Pennsylvania state Fire Officer Credentialing. Our officers were evaluated on core leadership competencies, management skills, team-building skills, interpersonal skills, professional leadership expectations, mentorship, and personal growth. A steadfast commitment to growth and professionalism in service to our Community.



On the Horizon

The 2026 spring training semester has BHVFC primed for a new generation of firefighters to join the fire company. Over the last several months, nine members have committed significant hours of volunteer time, in their pursuit of being certified to the Firefighter I level. From the youngest members still in high school, to the most senior of the group who are retired professionals, each has shown incredible dedication, commitment, and determination to learn, to hone their skills, and to be the next volunteers at BHVFC.

Their last training module, interior firefighting, is set to begin in the near future. Each is ready for the challenge. We look forward to presenting them with their red firefighter helmets; a reward of certification.

The physical build process for our new tower ladder has begun at the Dublin plant of the Sutphen Corporation, in Ohio. Our truck committee expects to travel to Ohio for a cab inspection in late May 2026, followed by a final inspection trip in September 2026. There is light at the end of the tunnel of this nearly 40 month process.



2025 Annual Report

The members and officers are pleased to share our 2025 annual report; a comprehensive review of service in 2025 to Whitmarsh Township. The numbers tell the story:

- ◆ 15,069.5 hours of volunteer service (627.9 days)
- ◆ 783 unique requests for service (2.15 times per day)

The full report is available on our Facebook page or our website: www.barrenhill.com.



Twp Fire & EMS Study

In November 2024, Township Administration convened a Fire & EMS study to determine the current status of service, and create a vision for the future. From May 2025 through February 2026, an outside vendor evaluated the Fire & EMS companies in the Township. Our leadership team is reviewing the report and having intimate discussions. Stay tuned to our social media pages and our website, as we work through the study report and share key components that affect our number one priority: OUR RESIDENTS.

1st Quarter Activity

Calls for Service	152
Training Exercises	13
Special Services	16
Fire Police Calls	10

Year to Date 3/31/2026

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Officer Investigations	10



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VOLUNTEER WITH US

3 Ways To Volunteer

- 1) JUST SAY YES - TO VOLUNTEERING
- 2) Check out www.barrenhill.com/volunteer for a FREE APPLICATION
- 3) Stop by the Firehouse anytime to pickup a FREE APPLICATION



BENEFITS OF BEING A VOLUNTEER AT BHVFC

- ◆ FREE Training
- ◆ FREE Gear
- ◆ FREE Friends & Family
- ◆ PROPERTY TAX CREDITS
- ◆ Positive Relationships
- ◆ Life Insurance
- ◆ Physical and Mental Health Wellness Initiatives

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General Donations

General donations are accepted through cash, check, Venmo, and PayPal

Check out www.barrenhill.com/donation for more information. No donation is too small and every dollar helps US provide service to YOU.

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A Quarterly Snapshot of the Barren Hill Volunteer Fire Company Reaching New Heights Campaign



Hall for RENT

Looking for a place for your next event. Look no further than the Barren Hill Volunteer Fire Company.

www.barrenhill.com/hallrental

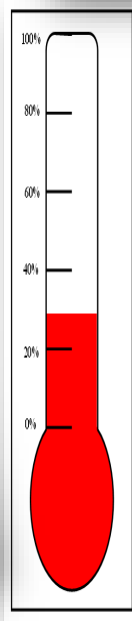
Barren Hill Gift Card BINGO

Don't miss the spring Gift Card Bingo fundraiser. Scan the QR code or email fundraising@barrenhill.com for more information



Our Reaching New Heights Campaign is an effort to raise funds for a portion of the overall cost of a new Tower Ladder.

Checkout the progress below.



- ◆ 3 Year Campaign
 - ◆ \$600,000 Goal
 - \$175,000 Donated
 - ◆ @6000 solicitations/year
 - ◆ \$100/Residence total for 3yr Campaign Term
 - Extra \$33.33/year
- THANK YOU to those Supporting our Campaign to Better Serve You



TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE

Eligible active volunteers may qualify for property tax credits, simply by serving your neighbors.

Active Volunteers may receive up to 100% credit on their Township and County Property Taxes, along with \$500 on School District Taxes.

Stop by the Station for more information!



Upcoming Events

April 19, 2026

Barren Hill Gift Card BINGO

April 25, 2026

Whitemarsh Township Day

July 4, 2026

Whitemarsh Township July 4th Parade

REMINDER to our friends with fireworks concerns

Fireworks season is upon us and our schedule is filling. Follow the BHVFC & Township social media for scheduling reminders



Membership

- ◆ Junior Program for volunteers aged 14-17
- ◆ Volunteer opportunities for all ages and abilities.
- ◆ Available Volunteer Roles:

Firefighter

Fire Police

Administration

Fundraising

JOIN US TODAY!