

The History Of



THE END OF AN ERA - 1966

As of January 31, 1967, the four communities of Argyle, Salem, Greenwich, and Schuylerville will be without ambulance service, or as new ruling calls it, invalid coach service. Funeral directors from M.B. Kilmer, Argyle, Flynn Bros., Greenwich, John T. Garrett, Greenwich, McClellan Ambulance Service, Salem, J.T. Still, Schuylerville, met to discuss operating an ambulance service under the present rules and regulations of the State Health Department, also, of the Medicare and Medicaid programs. It was at this meeting they made the decision to terminate the service due to their inability to meet new state requirements. In this announcement, they explained that while the State ambulance law passed by the Legislature last spring amended to provide invalid coach service, they would not be able to administer oxygen or give first aid in an emergency, such as an accident, unless the call was from a physician or police officer. In addition to this, they found they could not qualify to take patients who are under either Medicare or Medicaid programs as this includes everyone 65 years of age and over, plus not meeting the regulations of Blue Cross. This would mean a very limited service to the communities.

A proposal in January '67 was made to funeral directors by the Town and Village officials of the communities involved that they continue to provide ambulance service with guaranteed fees so that they could make a reasonable profit but failed to win approval.

It was not the financial aspects of the ambulance service that was the principal reason for discontinuing the service. Rather, it was the present state legislation which they believed made their position legally ambiguous. They cited communities where rescue squads were operated successfully,

and told of others where they are now being formed. Representatives of the Fort Edward Rescue Squad spoke to the Lions Club about their organization.

Supervisor Fullerton and Town officials held several meetings with the funeral directors in an effort to arrange the continuance of ambulance service. Town Attorney James Catalfimo was in contact with the State Department Of Audit and Control and the Health Department in order to comply with the state regulations for the town to subsidize the funeral directors to comply with the state law.

Ambulance service in the Town of Greenwich will be operated on a contract basis between the Town and funeral directors. The Town Board unanimously approved a resolution to contract for invalid coach service with John T. Garrett, Flynn Brothers, and John T. Still of Schuylerville.

The funeral directors agreed to a contract with the Town of Greenwich to provide invalid coach service to persons in the town and be paid for such service on a per call basis. The town feels that a portion of the cost of such service should be paid by the persons actually using this service. The contract period would be from February 1, 1967 to and including January 31, 1968.

Local trips	\$ 15.00
Saratoga	\$ 35.00
Cambridge	\$ 35.00
Glens Falls	\$ 40.00
Capital District	\$ 60.00
Other	\$1.00 (per mile, computed on a one way mileage basis)

CHARTER MEMBERS
of the
EASTON - GREENWICH RESCUE SQUAD

January 25, 1971

Adams, Robert
Goman, Raymond L.
Goman, Patricia
Harsha, David
Hartwell, Carolyn
Holmes, Gerald
Meader, Robert
Morehouse, Beverly
Conover, Wayne
Roberts, Elsie
Roberts, Herbert
Sherin, William
Dixon, Ronald
Shippey, Donald
Spiezio, Harold Sr.
Fullerton, John M.

(Each donated \$1.00 to start the treasury)

MEMBERS
of the
EASTON - GREENWICH RESCUE SQUAD
- 1971 -

Adams, Robert *

Aubin, Charles

Bardwell, Leslie

Buell, Harold

Buell, William

Bordon, Elton

Bradt, Sylvia

Bulger, Wanda

Conover, Wayne *

Connor, Beverly

Connor, Gerald

Dewey, "Bud"

Dixon, Ronald *

Drew, John

Fullerton, John M. *

Fullerton, John

Goman, Raymond L. *

Goman, Patricia *

Harsha, David *

Hartwell, Carolyn *

Holmes, Gerald *

Meador, Robert *

Morehouse, Beverly *

Morehouse, Donald

Phalen, Jacqueline

Roberts, Elsie *

Roberts, Herbert *

Sherin, William *

Shippey, Donald *

Spiezio, Harold Sr. *

VanSchaick, Mary

Worthington, Robert

- *Charter Members*

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A special meeting of the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad was held at Button Hall on January 6. The following officers were elected for one year:

President..... Herbert Roberts
Vice President Donald Shippey
Sec. / Treas..... Carolyn Hartwell
First Aid Captain..... Charles Aubin
First Aid Lt. William Sherin
Directors .. John Fullerton, Harold Spiezio Sr.
Raymond Goman Jr., Wayne Conover

It was decided that the organization would be officially known as the:

"EASTON - GREENWICH RESCUE SQUAD, INC."

The first members of the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad completed their first-aid course, which qualified them to serve as ambulance attendants. This course was taught by members of the Salem Rescue Squad.

An ambulance was donated to the new squad by the Salem Rescue Squad. John Garrett of Greenwich donated oxygen equipment, siren and a flashing light. There was still need for a medical kit and supplies and more legal steps to complete, but it would not be long before the squad would be ready for service.

Herb Roberts believed that in order for the squad to operated successfully on a round-the-clock basis, more members were needed. There were curently 35 members.

A second first aid course was planned in Greenwich for new members. The Salem Squad would also teach this class. Four members of the E-G.R.S. completed a Red Cross Instructors course given in Glens Falls; Herb Roberts, John Phalen, Bill Sherin and Wayne Conover. At the completion of this 15 hour course, they were qualified first aid instructors.

The duty roster was set up in 12 hours shifts from 6 AM to 6 PM with two member teams. The decision to go into operation on March 11, 1971 was made.

A report was made on the necessary first aid equipment for the ambulance. Pat Goman made the immobilization bags; Robert Worthington made the wood splints. The orthopedic stretcher, aspirator and first aid equipment were purchased thru Marty Kazmaier. These were only the bare necessities needed to get the squad on the road. Dispatching the duly crew was done by telephone, requiring the crew to stay by their phones.

In April 1971, the Rescue Squad started to receive donations. Mr. Roberts was presented a check of \$1,000 from the Greenwich Council 1239 Knights Of Columbus, \$1,000 from the Lions Club and \$1,000 from the Ashlar Lodge, F & A.M. An intensive house to house canvass was planned in May in the two towns.

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In April '71, a second vehicle, a red 1965 Pontiac was purchased from Superior Coach & Equipment Co., Rochester, N.Y. Having the second ambulance enabled the squad to maintain faster, more efficient service.

Dr. William Young of Greenwich, adviser to the squad, placed himself on-call for emergencies. The first E.M.T. course would begin later in the year in Glens Falls.

Plans are under way to erect a building to house the ambulances. In the meantime, the ambulances were kept at Herb Roberts' house. In June, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bertsch, owners of a popcorn wagon, donated the receipts of one day to the squad, starting a yearly Rescue Squad Day. The squad appealed to the Town of Easton and Greenwich for appropriation of \$3,250. The inclusion of the amount in each town's budget for the coming year verified equal support on the part of the officials. The town boards of Easton and Greenwich included in their preliminary budget for 1972 the above appropriations.

In November '71, the Stevens & Thompson Paper Company of Middle Falls, donated nearly an acre of land (150' x 217') on Route 29 in the Town of Easton. The Rescue Squad's new property was midway between the intersection of Route 40 and the Washington County Fair Grounds.

With the help of members and Larry Ashcroft's volunteering to use his bulldozer to clear the land, it was ready for footings. Bids were advertised and awarded to Martin

Rogers for the electrical work for \$1,100. Ralph Briggs constructed the building and received the bid for the furnace contract for \$2,469. The building was planned to be a one-story structure - 50'x60'. Space was allowed for four vehicles, as well as a meeting room, kitchen, two bathrooms, and an area for bunks for use of \$15,000 which was borrowed from the First National Bank of Greenwich.

Contributions by local people were used for the installation of electrical, plumbing, and heating equipment. The squad had also received the donation of a stove and refrigerator from Nelson Petteys. It was expected the building would be erected by the first of December. The wiring, plumbing, and the heat would subsequently be installed. There also would be some furnishings required. When the building was completed the Rescue Squad planned to hold an open house.

At that point, the Rescue Squad had been in existence less than a year. It had been entirely supported by the gifts from individuals, organizations, and businesses in the two towns. It now had three ambulances, which were equipped with all necessary first aid items. It had 70 volunteers members all of whom were qualified as ambulance attendants providing round-the-clock ambulance service to anyone in Easton and Greenwich.

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As a non-profit organization the Rescue Squad had charged nothing for its services. It was supported entirely by contributions. A house-to-house drive in the spring had provided sufficient funds to cover operating expenses. Many people gave to the Squad after the use of its service or as memorial gifts.

A standard first aid course was planned to be offered for the community. Wm Sherin and Herbert Roberts were instructors.

A 13-week course, Advance Emergency Techniques, was taught by Glens Falls doctors and given under the direction of the State Department of Health.

At a regular meeting of the squad, President Herbert Roberts reported the ambulances would be housed in the new building beginning February 9th 1972.

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Officers Elected:

President..... Herbert Roberts
Vice President John T. Garrett
Secretary Carolyn Hartwell
Treasurer Ronald Dixon.
First Aid Captain..... Herman Dandrow
Director for 3 Yrs..... Robert Adamson
Director for 2 Yrs..... Wanda Bulger

During the first year of operation, the squad had put in a total of 1,244 hours, logged 11,771 miles and made 239 calls.

A fund raising campaign for the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad, under the direction of J. Walter Fitzpatrick, was scheduled to begin. Mr. Fitzpatrick announced the campaign could be done by mail this year and anticipated a generous response from the people of the area who had enjoyed the service of the volunteer organization.

The new building on Route 29 was completed. An office desk and chair were presented by the Greenwich Volunteer Fire Department. An open house was held during the week of May 20. This was an opportunity to meet the squad members, inspect the new building and equipment and learn how the service operates.

Three second-hand ambulances were purchased to date. Each is equipped with an orthopedic chair, stretcher, oxygen tanks, splints of various designs and first aid kits which contain hundreds of items needed in emergencies. Standard and advance first aid courses were given by the instructors of the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad.

J. Walter Fitzpatrick, who had been a guiding spirit in the Squad since it was organized, was honored by the members at a surprise dinner held at the Rescue Squad building on August 11. Herb Roberts, President, was also honored as a prime mover in the organization.

A note for \$13,000 for money loaned by the First National Bank, to help pay for construction of the building, was burned at this dinner, the money having been repaid. Walt had fun setting the fire to the note as Herb held it. It was appropriate for Walt to set the fire, for it was through his efforts that the money was raised in the two towns to pay off the note that spring had headed the successful fund-raising campaign which made it possible to clear the squad of debt.

Mr. Roberts spoke of the invaluable help Mr. Fitzpatrick had given the squad and presented him with an engraved plaque in appreciation of his leadership and assistance. In replying, Mr. Fitzpatrick said that many people had cooperated in making the fund drive a success. He also pointed out that while out of debt, we may have to go back in debt again to purchase a new ambulance and equipment.

Mr. Fitzpatrick and Roberts were given miniature ambulances and Mr. Roberts received an engraved plaque with an original poem attesting his services. The turkey-dinner was prepared by members with Mrs. Brophy in charge.

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The squad in less than two years had been able to purchase two second-hand ambulances, constructed a building to house them, held first aid classes and was now faced with the necessity of purchasing a new ambulance. The maintenance of its used equipment was becoming very costly. To be certain of having road worthy vehicles, the squad committee investigated the cost of a new ambulance.

Faced with this expense, the squad sold candy at the Washington County Fair and held a chicken barbecue with Gilbert Buckley of Easton, 350 dinners were sold. A beverage booth was operated at the barbecue for the benefit of the Greenwich Little League.

The squad was now making plans to install kitchen equipment in the building allowing public dinners and other fund raising projects to be held. The members had been working on the grounds so it could be used for a picnic area.

Dr. Edward Hughes of the Mary McClellan Hospital spoke at the regular meeting on the symptoms of heart disease that squad members might encounter.

On October 19, 1972, the squad purchased a 1972 Pontiac Superior coach.

In February 1973, at a special meeting, Dr. Jeffery Mast, a staff member of the Los Angeles General Hospital, spoke on hospital emergency room procedure. Dr. Mast had been visiting in the Easton area.

The squad had a gift from its members of a porta-power, multipurpose equipment, to be used at the scene of an automobile accident in extricating an injured person.

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Officers Elected:

President..... John T. Garrett
Vice President Robert Worthington
Secretary Helen Brophy
Treasurer Ronald Dixon
Director Eleanor MacNeil
Director David Harsha
Director Jack Bradt
First Aid Captain..... Jack Bradt

During 1972 the squad made 332 calls, a total of 12,070 miles logged and 1789 hours in service with 60 active members.

Mr. Garrett presented plaques to Mr. Roberts and Mrs. Hartwell. Mr. Roberts' was inscribed in part "In recognition and grateful appreciation for his initiative as one of the original founders of the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad and for his dedicated service to the welfare of the community as its first President 1971 - 1973". Mrs. Hartwell's plaque was similarly worded in her efforts in founding the squad and her service as its first secretary.

Plans were underway for a bazaar to be held in November featuring handcrafts. Members would also make wreaths for Christmas.

Active members continued to serve 12 hour shifts, maintaining 24 hour service.

In April 1973 members reviewed the correct procedure for treating and evacuating persons injured in an automobile accident as well as the correct way to treat pulmonary edema. Dr. Young supervised a

mock rescue operation involving two ambulances. He discussed how to administer first aid and answered questions.

Operating a modern up-to-date ambulance service had proven to be very costly. Ambulance and equipment needed to be replaced, insurance premiums, repairs, and general overhead all added up to a substantial burden. A statement was made by one of the founders, "When this squad was organized two years ago, I doubt very much that we would have had the courage to start it. The folks of our two townships are to be commended for their splendid support and financial assistance. Accepting it places a great responsibility on every one of our members to provide the kind of free first aid that our community deserves. All our contributors can be sure that we will meet that responsibility".

"We all are aware of the constant appeals for funds that plague us, but we do hope that the local folks will find some way to include the appeal of the Rescue Squad in their budgets. This is entirely a local project, operated for the benefit of all, by local people who are willing to give their time and talents, as a public service."

A mailing list of 2,200 letters appealing for financial aid was mailed in April. The letters reached every family and business in the two towns. Within three weeks, contributions totaling \$6,320 had been received from 520 donors. John J. Hughes, Past Grand Knight of the Greenwich Council 1239 Knights Of Columbus presented check of \$1,000. Frank A. Bowles, Master of the

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Ashar Lodge F. & A.M. presented a check for \$200.

The present objective was to pay off the bank loan of \$8,000 borrowed when the new \$18,000 ambulance was purchased. When paid, the squad planned to purchase another new ambulance putting it in the forefront as the best equipped squad in the area.

The new Junior Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad, made up of young people between the ages of 15 - 17. Those who wished to join must have the first aid instructions required by the parent organization.

Junior Officers:

President..... Brenda Bounds
Vice President..... Greg Doriski
Sec. & Treas. Laurie Fletcher
Delegate to Senior Squad . Laurie Harsha

Other members were Jay Wilkinson, Joe Elsworth, Nancy Clayton, Bonnie Pfeiffer and Diane Bailey.

The by-laws of the new group formed included "to prove that the youth of the Easton-Greenwich area can accept responsibility to mankind". As regulations required persons serving as ambulance crew members to be 18 years old, the young people would serve this squad by helping at sport events and the Washington County Fair Grounds.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	John T. Garrett
Vice President.....	Leo Garso
Secretary	Helen Brophy
Treasurer	Douglas Burr
Director	John Bailey
Director	Eleanor MacNeil
Captain	William Roberts
Lieutenant	William Sherrin
Lieutenant	John Bailey
First Aid Captain.....	Barbara Bailey

During 1973 the squad made 330 calls, a total of 13,325 miles logged and had 2,125 hours in service, 63 active members.

The annual fund appeal began April 15 according to J. Walter Fitzpatrick. The appeal pointed up the need to pay off a bank loan of \$9,000 allowing the purchase of a new ambulance to replace one which was demolished in an accident.

John J. Hughes, Finance Officer of the Greenwich Council 1239 Knights of Columbus, presented a check of \$500 to Walt Fitzpatrick, fund chairman. A check of \$100 was given by the students who were members of S.T.O.P. (Students To Oppose Pollution). Within three weeks, 392 returns had been received, totaling \$6,245, an average of more than \$15 per return.

Ronald Dixon, Manager of the Chemical Bank N.E. of Greenwich, presented a check of \$500. In presenting the bank's contribution, Mr. Dixon said "The Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad is to be commended for the excellent service and first aid services it has provided to the

people in the area the past three years. Those who maintain the program deserve the financial support of all of us as an expression of appreciation".

Mr. Eldridge added, "This gift of \$500 indicates to all our our friends that the Chemical Bank intends to maintain the same interest and participation in worthwhile community projects that was the policy of the First National Bank for many years."

Terry Waite, President of the F.F.A., presented a check. Wm J. Lyttle, of the Home Savings Bank gave a \$ 250 check and certificate recognizing the squad for its service to the community.

A new ambulance was put in service August 1. The Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad was now the best equipped emergency organization in the area. The primary purpose of the new vehicle was transfers of patients, but it could also be used for any emergency.

Investigator T.O. Rehr of the N Y State Police spoke on drug abuse. Relm worked undercover in New York City investigating drug traffic and controlled substances and told of his experiences.

The "Spirit of 1776" was the theme of the annual Bazaar held at the Rescue Squad building. Wreaths were also made for Christmas orders.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	William T. Sherin
Vice President	Donald McLeod
Secretary	Herbert Vedder
Treasurer	Helen Woods
Director	Eleanor MacNeil
Director	David Harsha
Director	Tom Butler
Director	John Bailey
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Lieutenant	John Bailey
Vehicle Safety Officer	Herb Roberts
Building & Gnds Officer ..	Charles Woods

During 1974 the squad made 328 calls, a total of 13,357 miles and 2,012 hours in service.

Sheriff Clyde Cook, Deputy Sheriff James McMorris and Greenwich Police Chief George Phinney discussed communications with the squad members.

In April the fifth annual fund appeal began under the direction of J. Walter Fitzpatrick, Chairman. The squad had now acquired three modern ambulances and a headquarters building on Route 29. As the squad developed, so did the demand for services increase. For the first time in its five year history, the squad asked the residents of the area to consider serving with them. "The Rescue Squad is dedicated to a never-ending commitment" explained Chairperson Hughes. The squad's commitment has not been a minor one. "Such a responsibility begins to weigh heavy on the needs of those who serve the squad," said Mrs. Hughes. "As members retire, drop out

of active service, or quit, others have to take on more of the duty".

Norman J. Smith, representative of H & V donated a 2-ton come-a-long winch. John D. Pemrick, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus presented a check of \$500. In making the presentation, Mr. Pemrick stated "a contribution to the Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad is an investment in the welfare of the entire community. Unlike most appeals, the money donated to the squad is used locally for the aid and assistance to local people."

Jack G. Whelden presented a check of \$500 on behalf of the Greenwich Elk's Lodge 2223. The squad presented choke savers to the three cafeterias in the Greenwich Central School District and restaurants in the area. Wm Sherin showed each facility how to use it.

Lola Kirk made and raffled a afghan giving the squad \$127 for her efforts. A flag pole was installed and a flag donated by Congressman Ned Patterson. The pole was dedicated to Robert Adamson, deceased member of the squad and a pioneer in its founding. His number, #1, was retired from the membership roster.

The annual bazaar was held in November, with a food sale and hand-crafted gifts. Mrs. William Faile made an afghan and presented it to the squad in memory of her mother, Mrs. Josephine Witzel. The members made Christmas wreaths.

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Officers Elected:

President..... William T. Sherin
Vice President Donald McLeod
Secretary Arthur Adams
Treasurer Helen Woods
Director - 3 Years..... Joseph Miller
Historian..... Meg Hughes
Honorary Member J. Walter Fitzpatrick
Honorary Member Herbert Roberts
Honorary Member Elsie Roberts

During 1975 the squad made 318 calls, a total of 14,969 miles logged and had 1,683 hours in service.

Each year had shown growth in the use of the squad by residents with over 14,000 miles traveled in 1975. Trips included runs to New York City, Buffalo and Boston.

Wm Sherin accepted a check of \$28.62 from the VFW Post and Auxiliary #7291 which was profit from a roast beef dinner.

Planned for operation in the spring were radio monitors. Members were previously alerted by telephone from the Washington County Sheriff's Office in Salem. With the new system, each member on duty would hear a tone and message from the dispatcher simultaneously. The cost of the system was over \$4,000.

Jackets were ordered and the members required to put a \$10 deposit to be refunded if they quit.

Unscheduled and emergency childbirth was the topic for a first aid session and a State Department of Health film was shown.

The film is used to train Emergency Medical Technicians.

An open house and bazaar was held November. The public was invited to inspect the equipment, ask questions and purchase baked goods and handcrafted gift items.

In January 1977, a new ambulance had been put into service. The vehicle was built by the Star-Line Enterprises of Sanford, Fla. on a 1971 Dodge Maxivan chassis to the specifications drawn up by the squad. Incorporated in the new vehicle were such options as built-in suction, humidified oxygen, high visibility cabinetry, air conditioning and 110 volt current. The total cost of the vehicle was \$16,413.

Retired from service was the 1972 Pontiac Superior ambulance, sold privately to the Stony Creek Fire Department & Rescue Squad Inc.

A new county radio system was placed in service. Made by General Electric, they had the ability to transmit with 120 watts, more than double the power of the old units. The radio could continually search, transmit or receive on several frequencies used in medical emergencies. By touch-tone encoders, it could provide instant communication with any ambulance or hospital so equipped.

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Officers Elected:

President..... Walter Roberson
Vice President Raymond MacNeil
Secretary Carolyn Hartwell
Treasurer William Sherin
First Aid Captain..... Barbara Bailey
Director Ruth Stewart
Director Gerry Brown

During 1976 the squad make 405 calls, a total of 17,474 miles logged and 2,464 hours in service with 50 active members.

In April, the annual fund appeal was under way. Mr. Fitzpatrick, chairman, mailed letters to businesses, organization and residents. First aid training was made available to people in the community by instructors of the squad.

Barbara Bailey, Captain, was honored with the presentation of a plaque at the conclusion of an Emergency Medical Technician course for which she was the co-ordinator. The 81 hour course was given to certify rescue squad members as E.M.T's.

Mrs. Bailey instructed a first aid course in basic life saving techniques, treatment of poisoning, shock, fractures, breathing problems, body mechanics, and the lifting and moving of injured persons.

The plectrons purchased proved invaluable in their use to alert the crew members in an emergency. Six calls in an 18 hour period were handled effectively. Helen Woods was named to the post of Treasurer. She filled the unexpired term of William Sherin who resigned due to ill health.

The squad planned a Red Cross Bloodmobile in August. The goal was 104 pints of blood.

The annual harvest bazaar and open house were planned to be held in November. A roast beef dinner was sponsored by the VFW Post 7291 and Auxiliary. The proceeds of which were donated to the rescue squad. Commander Al Cororan and Aux. President Ada Bailey presented a check of \$407 to President Walt Roberson.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	Walter Roberson
Vice President	Raymond MacNeil
Secretary	Carolyn Hartwell
Treasurer	Helen Woods
Assistant Treasurer	Tom Butler
Director	Edward Whiteside
Director	Ruth Stewart
Director	Gerry Brown
Director	Pat Goman
First Aid Captain.....	Barbara Bailey
Ass't First Aid Captain	John Bailey
Vehicle Maintenance.....	Herb Vedder
Building Maintenance	Charles Woods

During 1977 the squad made 426 calls, a total of 17,489 miles were logged, and 2,466 hours of service, duty served and first aid training.

The annual fund appeal was held in April under the direction of Walt Fitzpatrick. Although the squad had been supported partially by the towns, more than 60% of the costs were financed from donations and memorials.

Blacktop paving was completed around the building and the parking lot. Automatic door openers were installed on the overhead doors.

In April a new ambulance was put in service. It replaced M91, which was purchased by Ray and Pat Goman for \$4,000. The new vehicle cost \$18,000 and specifications are the same as M71, a 1977 Dodge Maxivan.

A disaster box was made and filled with basic first aid supplies. Various equipment articles were purchased as needed including a chair stretcher, built-a-board, hare splints, frac straps, two SS CPR bags, suction units, and a Resusci Annie to be used in first aid training. Three new first aid boxes were placed in the ambulances.

The week of October 22-28 was proclaimed as Volunteer Ambulance Week in honor of Washington County's Emergency and Rescue Squads. The squad used the week to inform the public about their service while seeking new members and funds to continue as well as expand ambulance service.

The annual bazaar was scheduled for the first Saturday in November. On sale were hand made crafts, baked goods and to take orders for Christmas wreaths made by the members.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	Raymond MacNeil
Vice President	Clarissa Hughes
Secretary	Micki Thomas
Treasurer	Helen Woods
Assistant Treasurer	Tom Butler
Director	Ruth Stewart
Director	Charles Woods
Director	Alice Osberg
Director	Edward Whiteside
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Assistant Captain	John Bailey
Assistant Captain	Ruth Stewart
Historian.....	Kay Collins

During the past year 1978, the squad made 449 calls, logged a total of 17,252 miles, and served 2,434 hours in service and training with 54 active members.

The eighth annual fund appeal was under way in April. Walter Fitzpatrick was chairman with a committee of Arnold VanFossen, Steve Morse and Robert Wright.

The squad offered several Red Cross standard first aid courses each year and played a central role in the local disaster plan. Without depreciation or anticipated replacement of rolling stock vehicles, the squad was faced with an annual budget of about \$16,000. This amount was reduced by \$4,500 received from the tax rolls of the two townships. For the balance, the squad was entirely dependant on free-will contributions and memorials. There were no administrative expenses as all personnel were volunteers.

Small first aid boxes were purchased and filled with basic first aid supplies. Each member was given one to carry in their car to be used in an emergency situation.

A three-man crew was initiated into service. It would put two attendants in the back of the ambulance and leaving one to drive, providing more patient care.

In November, the squad held the annual bazaar and made Christmas wreaths to sell.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	Raymond MacNeil
Vice President.....	Clarissa Hughes
Secretary	Micki Thomas
Treasurer	Janet Lauder
Assistant Treasurer	Dorothy Neely
Director	Edward Whiteside
Director	Alice Osherg
Director	Ernest Stewart
Director	Charles Woods
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Vehicle Maintenance.....	Ernest Stewart
Bldg. & Grounds	Charles Woods

During the past year 1979, the squad made 432 calls, logged a total of 17,447 miles, and served 2,284 hours in service and training.

In February the squad with other organizations honored Walter Fitzpatrick with a testimonial dinner held at the V.F.W in Greenwich. Walter Fitzpatrick was chairman of the annual fund appeal, with Steve Morse and Bob Wright as co-chairman.

Walt Roberson made six airplane splints for the squad, putting two in each ambulance. A photo copier and stand were purchased from Bud Lacy Equipment at a cost of \$950. A one-man cot was also purchased.

Dr. Young requested Drs. kits be put in each ambulance. By law the kits were to be locked and only opened by a physician. A projector and screen were purchased with money donated by Walt Fitzpatrick (\$175) and the Jendick family (\$65).

In September, 20 Minitors with chargers made by Motorola were purchased for \$5529. Being a smaller unit they made mobility possible and, could be hooked to a belt or waistband.

The squad furnished the Boy Scouts with a first aid box after they had lost everything in a fire. A food sale was held in November. Orders for Christmas wreaths were taken.

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Officers Elected:

President.....	Clarissa Hughes
Vice President.....	Paula Sawyer
Secretary	Sharon Kruger
Treasurer	Margaret Simmons
Assistant Treasurer	Dorothy Neely
Director	Alice Osberg
Director	Ernest Stewart
Director	Charles Woods
Director	Terry Kelly
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Vehicle Maintenance.....	Ernest Stewart
Bldg & Grounds	Charles Woods

During the year 1980, the squad made 505 calls, logged 21,753 miles and served 2,247 hours in service and training with 61 members.

In March the squad was invited with other organizations to attend an Open House in honor of Dr. Skinner's retirement held at the Elks building.

This year's annual fund appeal was under the direction of Walter Fitzpatrick, Ruth Stewart, Micki Thomas, and Alice Osberg.

A ten year anniversary dinner was held at the squad building. Past, present, charter, and ten year members were honored. Dr. Skinner was presented with a plaque and made an Honorary Member.

Over the last ten years there were 3,764 calls, 156,907 miles logged on the ambulances, and 20,748 hours in service and training.

The squad officially changed over to County Control in Ft. Edward for dispatching. Previous to that, it had been done from the Sheriff's office in Salem.

In April the members presented to Captain Barbara Bailey Captain's bars and Lieutenant bars to John Bailey and Ruth Stewart for their years of instructing first aid.

The squad donated \$100 to the Moreau Rescue Squad to help finance a new ambulance after they lost one in a fire.

The Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad covered the first aid station at the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Rally, held at the Washington County Fair Grounds in July.

A new 1981 Ford ambulance was purchased for \$25,950 to replace the 72 Pontiac which could not pass the D.O.T. requirements.

Purchased for the new ambulance was a portable resuscitator, a set of cervical collars, frac straps, chair stretcher, Drs. kit, hire splint, and flowmeter. In November the Greenwich Fire Department gave a demonstration of extrication from a wrecked vehicle at the squad building.

The annual bazaar was held in November with handcrafts, white elephant table, and a raffle from an afgan and pillow made by Lola Kirk, a ceramic Christmas tree from Veretta Wilette, and a ceramic pitcher & bowl set from Linda Roe. Wreath orders were taken.

1982 - Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President.....	Ernest Stewart
Vice President.....	Paula Sawyer
Secretary	Sharon Kruger
Treasurer	Dorothy Neely
Assistant Treasurer	Margaret Simmons
Director	Charles Woods
Director	Terry Kelly
Director	Pat Goman
Director	Betty White
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Vehicle Maintenance.....	Ernest Stewart
Bldg & Grounds	Charles Woods
Memorials	Pat Goman
Jackets	Ruth Stewart
Sunshine	Elsie Whiteside
Roster Tallies.....	Beverly Barbur
Mailings Of Roster	Ray MacNeil
Plectron & Minitors	Helen Woods
Historian.....	Carolyn Hartwell

During the year 1981, the squad made 517 calls, logged 21,503 miles and served 2,918 hours in service and training. The squad had 60 members of which 55 were active. To date the squad has 36 certified Emergency Medical Technicians, 2 Advanced First Aiders and 22 Standard First Aiders.

The annual fund appeal was under the direction of Walter Fitzpatrick, Dr. Skinner, Ruth Stewart, and Micki Thomas.

The Mary McCellen Hospital Emergency Room installed a radio in the E.R. to communicate direct with ambulances. Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad was put on automatic stand-by for all structure fires in

the Greenwich, Easton, and Cossayuna areas.

A farm accident training course was held at the Allen-Waite Farm in Easton for rescue squads and fire departments. The old resusci-ane was donated to the Greenwich School to be used in C.P.R. and first aid training. In April the squad purchased a black & white 12" television for the squad room.

A disaster drill was held at the Greenwich Central School bus garage parking lot. A mock accident between a bus load of children and a car there involved. The Easton-Greenwich Rescue Squad was assisted by the Greenwich Fire Department and the General Schuyler Rescue Squad. Patients were taken to the Mary McClellan Hospital Emergency Room and the Greenwich Fire House.

The squad members presented Dr. Young with a scroll on his retirement and leaving the area. Another twenty minitors were purchased as the maintenance on the plectrons was costly.

The annual fall bazaar was held and wreath orders were taken. Ruffled was an afghan made by Lola Kirk, materials donated by Bill Roe, proceeds to the squad.

County Control went on 24 hour time.

1983 - Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President.....	Helen Woods
Vice President.....	Larry Harrington
Secretary	Doris Loy
Treasurer	Joyce Kelly
Assistant Treasurer	Margaret Simmons
Director	Terry Kelly
Director	Pat Goman
Director	Betty White
Director	Mary Doriski
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Vehicle Maintenance.....	Mike Forter
Bldg & Grounds	Mike Porter
Memorials	Pat Goman
Jackets	Ruth Stewart
Sunshine	Ann Lyons
Roster Tallies.....	Beverly Barbur
Roster Mailings.....	Ray MacNeil
Minitors	Helen Woods
Patches	Larry Harrington
Historian.....	Nellie Beadle

During the year 1982 the squad make 502 calls, logged 20,801 miles and served 2,861 hours in service and training with 56 members.

The annual fund appeal with Walter Fitzpatrick, Dr. R. Leith Skinner, Dorothy Neeely, and Nellie Beadle was started and letters mailed out on April 21, to residents of Easton and Greenwich.

An appeal from Walter Fitzpatrick to the Towns of Easton and Greenwich to raise the assessment from \$2,250 to \$2,750 was achieved. It was the first raise in the twelve years of service to the two towns. In March, at the McDonald's Grand Opening, the

Squad was presented with 100 Susan B. Anthony silver dollars.

On May 1 a disaster drill took place in the village of Greenwich. Involved was a train with anhydrous ammonia which collided with a car and school bus with children. Participating were the Greenwich Fire Dept., the County Control Disaster Unit, Easton-Greenwich, Cambridge, Fort Ann and General Schuyler Rescue Squads.

New revisions were made in the By-Laws and membership applications. Bill Sherin completed the Past Presidents plaque and was installed in the conference room. M.A.S.T. (Military Anti-Shock Trousers) training was a requirement for E.M.T. training.

The squad participated in the Whipple City Days with a raffle, in the parade line and a free blood pressures booth. Several dinners were put on to raise money for needed equipment. Blood pressure cuffs and ambu-bags were replaced. The annual squad picnic was held as well as the Christmas bazaar and food sale.

In October the squad was presented with a New York State Certification. John Claire, E.M.C. of the Dept. of Health, presented the Certification to Captain Barbara Bailey and the members. Easton-Greenwich was the first squad in Washington County to be certified.

1984 - Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President..... Helen Woods
Vice President..... Larry Harrington
Secretary Dawn Kirk
Treasurer Joyce Kelly
Assistant Treasurer Dorothy Neely
Director Jurgen Kruger
Director Pat Goman
Director Mary Doriski
Captain Barbara Bailey

During the year 1983, the squad made 529 calls, logged 23,966 miles and served 2,979 hours in service and training. This year the membership included 54 active members with 28 EMTs.

1983 saw an increase in the number of younger volunteers, many of whom attended the EMT course. These new members bring fresh ideas and viewpoints.

Our responsibilities were expanded as three homes for the developmentally were added to our area and 10% of our calls were mutual aids.

The problems of telephone delays involving County Control were resolved due to the efforts of Ron Derway. An MCI (Mass Casualty Incident) kit was received from NY State. The building itself was tightened around its foundation thru the generosity of Bob Morehouse and Peckham Materials Corp. Three "two man cots", KEDs, stiff neck collars, a microwave oven and a roof over the back door were acquired.

A TV-VCR combination plus stand were purchased in memory of life member, Peggy

Simmons. This equipment has facilitated medical training and equipment thru taped programs. The squad met as a group in Ft. Edward to pay their respects to life member Art Adams who died in Jan. of 1987.

Squad related activities included the Washington County Fair, the annual Blood Mobile Drive (61 units collected), serving the Pony Assn. dinner and the fall bazaar which brought in \$780.

The year closed with the annual squad dinner at the Middle Falls Fire Dept. rooms. Al and Kathy Bain provided music for round and square dancing.

Not to be forgotten was the Annual Fund Appeal so ably and successfully chaired by Dr. Leith Skinner and Edgar Snyder.

1985 / 1987 / 1988 / 1989 - Officers Elected

1985 Officers Elected:

President..... Betty White
Vice President..... George Pfeiffer
Treasurer Dave Williams
Secretary Ron Derway
Director Harold Burch
Director Dorothy Neely
Director Mary Doriski
Director Jurgen Kruger
Captain Barbara Bailey
Assistant Captain Ruth Stewart
Assistant Captain John Bailey

1987 Officers Elected:

President George Pfeiffer
Vice President..... Sharon Kruger
Treasurer Ed Whiteside
Asst. Treasurer Dave Williams
Secretary Frieda Grimes
Director Harold Burch
Director Larry Harrington
Director Ellen Ketchum
Captain Barbara Bailey
Assistant Captain..... Ruth Stewart
Assistant Captain..... John Bailey

1988 Officers Elected:

President..... Carol Williams
Vice President..... Sharon Kruger
Treasurer Gerry Brown
Secretary Dorothy Neely
Asst. Treasurer Dave Williams
Director Frieda Grimes
Director Larry Harrington
Director Dave Williams
Director Ron Derway
Captain Barb Bailey
Assistant Captain Ruth Stewart

1989 Officers Elected:

President Sharon Kruger
Vice President..... Carol Williams
Treasurer Helen Woods
Secretary Dorothy Neely
Director David Harsha
Director Gary Andrus
Director Barbara Bailey
Director George Pfeiffer
Director Frieda Grimes
Captain Barbara Bailey
Assistant Captain..... Ruth Stewart

1990 Officers Elected:

President Ernie Stewart
Vice President..... Larry Harrington
Treasurer Dave Williams
Secretary Sarah Nott
Director Ruth Stewart
Director Garry Andrus
Director Dave Harsha
Director Frieda Grimes
Captain Barb Bailey
Assistant Captain..... Ruth Stewart

1991 - Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President.....	Ernie Stewart
Vice President	Ron Derway
Secretary	Bonnie Nesbitt
Treasurer	Dave Williams
Director	Pat Goman
Director	Roy Greenquist
Director	Ruth Stewart
Director	Joyce Kelly
Captain	Barbara Bailey
Asst. Captain.....	Ruth Stewart

During the year 1990, the squad made 537 calls, logged 21,485 miles and served 2,576 hours in service and training. This year the membership included 35 active members with 19 EMTs.

Highlights of 1990 included the annual picnic held at the Kruger's pool, a successful Bloodmobile in July, the bazaar in November and the annual dinner at the Elks Club in January. In addition to these annual events and the usual activities of serving the community, the squad: purchased a new ambulance, revised the by-laws, erected a plaque in memory of Walt Fitzpatrick and conducted a member medical benefit raffle for Tim Booth's family during his illness.

The plaque in honor of J. Walter Fitzpatrick was affixed to the front of the squad building shortly after his death in 1990.

A raffle of fuel oil and groceries raised about \$4,000 to help the Booth family during the time Tim was in the hospital in NYC before his death in February. Tim had been active on the squad for almost 12 years.

1992 – Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President..... Harold Burch
Vice President Fieda Grimes
Treasurer Dave Williams
Secretary Camille Ludlow
Director Pat Goman
Director Randy Moy
Director Ruth Stewart
Director Joyce Kelly
Captain Barbara Bailey
Assistant Captain Ruth Stewart

In 1991 the squad answered 544 calls, drove 22,840 miles and utilized 2,780 volunteer hours with 34 members, 20 of whom are EMTs.

In 1991 the summer picnic at Kruger's was cancelled. In January the Williams' hosted a squad party with 61 people attending.

The blacktop was repaired and given two coats of sealer at a cost of \$5,012 (w/ 2Yr warranty).

All squad members received hepatitis shots. The squad received a loaner defibrillator from the state. Most squad members were instructed in the use the defibrillator.

The squad purchased spider straps for the ambulances.

1993 – Annual Report

Officers Elected:

President..... Buddy Burch
Vice President Frieda Grimes
Treasurer Betty White
Secretary Mal Lambert
Director Dave Williams
Director Joyce Kelly
Director Don Miller
Director Randy Moy
Captain Gary Cossey
Assistant Captain Ron Derway
Assistant Captain Barb Bailey

In 1992 the squad answered 516 calls, drove 22,243 miles and utilized 975 volunteer hours with 34 members, 20 of whom are EMTs.

In July the membership approved funding to allow three members to receive advanced training to become AEMT-Critical Care's; Kevin Karp, Stephanie Conkey & Don Schob.

In October Dr. Peter Gray, a native of Greenwich and Cardiologist in Glens Falls, spoke to the membership on our monthly first aid meeting. Dr. Gray discussed the pre-hospital care of cardiac patients and well as general emergency care.

1994 - Officers Elected

Officers Elected:

President.....
Vice President.....
Treasurer.....
Secretary.....
Director..... Dave Williams
Director..... Joyce Kelly
Director..... Don Miller
Director..... Randy Moy
Captain.....
Assistant Captain.....
Assistant Captain.....

YEARLY CALLS, MILES AND HOURS

Year	Calls	Miles	Hours
March'71 - February'72	239	11,771	1,244
March'72 - February'73	332	12,070	1,789
March'73 - February'74	330	13,325	2,125
March'74 - February'75	328	13,357	2,012
March'75 - February'76	318	14,969	1,683
March'76 - February'77	405	17,474	2,464
March'77 - February'78	426	17,489	2,466
March'78 - February'79	449	17,252	2,434
March'79 - February'80	432	17,447	2,284
March'80 - February'81	505	21,753	2,247
March'81 - February'82	517	21,503	2,918
March'82 - February'83	502	20,801	2,861

