



## VALLEY TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

7 Indian Run Rd.

Danville, PA 17821

1. Fire Co. organized Nov. 1973
2. First Officers. President - Lee Cook, Vice President - Chester Teletovich, Treasure - Calvin Megargel, Secretary - Dale Schooley
3. Voted to purchase a mini – pumper Feb. 28, 1974  
Note: A loan of \$400.00 was made by Dale Schooley so that the Co. could make a \$1,000.00 down payment for new truck.  
Note: Using the practical nursing center for meetings on the last Thursday night of the month @ 7:30 PM. Old Valley School.
4. March 28, 1974, Final Approval of the constitution & By-Laws.
5. April 25, 1974 James Bookmiller became the first Fire Chief.
6. Officer For 1975: President - Lee Cook, Vice President - Wayne Eister, Secretary - Wilber Kelly, Treasurer - Calvin Megargel, Fire Chief - James Bookmiller  
Note: The next meeting Thomas Coleman replaced Kelly as Secretary
7. Brought American Lafrance from Heritage Motors For \$900.00.  
Brought a 1975 Mini – Pumper  
Brought a Tank Truck September 25, 1974 amount ??
8. October 11, 1975 Borrowed \$18,000.00 from Fidelity National Bank, Danville
9. Officer For 1976: President - Wayne Eister, Vice President - Darwin Ditty, Secretary - Ronald Swank, Treasurer - Lee Cook, Fire Chief- Jame Bookmiller , Assistant Fire Chief- Jeff Gum, Truck Formen- Darwin Ditty
10. March 17, 1976 Allen A Kasher sold land to the Fire Company for \$1.00 and 4 lifetime memberships.
11. May 17, 1976 Elmer Folk Sr. sold us land along Indian Run Road For \$1.00 and 3 lifetime memberships. NOTE: The land from Mr. Kasher would not pass building ordiances.
12. Officers for 1977: President- Wayne Eister, Vice President- John Breck, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Jerry Dennen, Fire Chief- Myron eister, Assistant Chief- Jeff Gum
13. January 1977, Began looking into firemen’s relief.
14. June 1977, Moved into new township building, that the township build on the ground the Fire Company signed over to the township.

15. Agreement between Fire Company and supervisor was signed at TRW Plant August 2, 1977 @ 7:30 PM.
16. Officers from 1978: President- Wayne Eister, Vice President- John Brech, Treasurer- Jerry Dennen, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Myron Eister.
17. May 1978, First Post Offices Box. Box 132, Danville, Pa 17821
18. September 28, 1978, meeting was interrupted by Fire alarm on top of Kaseville Road.
19. September 1978, Got first door keys made for all Fire Fighters.
20. October 1978, Betty Sassaman and Anna Mae Gum donated their prize money from Halloween Parade to the Fire Company.
21. December 20, 1987, Purchased a 1955 International tanker from Stonington Fire Company for \$1,000.00.
22. Officers for 1979: President- Wayne Eister, Vice President- John Brecht, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Jerry Dennen, Fire Chief- Myron Eister.
23. December 28, 1979, Formed home Association.
24. Ordered the first Fire Company jackets.
25. May 31, 1979, House rule approved.
26. May 1979, Wayne and others built a hose drying rack.
27. July 1979, The first chicken BB-Q.
28. August 30, 1979, Re-Named all township roads.
29. November 10, 1979, Held a spaghetti supper at Straub's Church.
30. January 25, 1979, Held first hoagie sale.
31. Officers for 1980: President- Wayne Eister, Vice President- Richard Digiaco, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Myron Eister.
32. At Fire Company's request the November's election was moved from the practical nursing school to Valley Township Fire Company.
33. February 28, 1980, The pledge of allegiance was used to open the meeting.
34. February 28, 1980, A fire resistant file cabinet was purchased.
35. May 1, 1980, The bar in social hall was donated by Frank Maciejewski.
36. May 1, 1980, The fireman's relief was incorporated.
37. May 1980, The old blue international chassis was traded for the new engine in the 1955 tanker even up.
38. Officers for 1981: President- Richard Digiaco, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief Myron Eister.
39. December 18, 1980, By- Law and construction was amended in order to form a Junior Firemen corporation.
40. February 26, 1981, Decided to make special cards for life members.
41. February 1981, Replacement truck fund was opened with \$100.00.
42. March 26, 1981, Purchased two roof ladders for \$157.25 each.
43. May 28, 1981, purchased a 1952 4x4, dodge from civil register.
44. July 30, 1981, Leonar Killian donated a cash register.
45. August 27, 1981, Dwight Messersmith used his backhoe to work on the dam.

46. September 24, 1981, Marvin Sassaman purchased a rubber stamp with fire Company's address on it.
47. October 29, 1981, First CD with truck fund monies.
48. October 29, 1981, Received title for 1952 dodge truck 4x4.
49. Officers for 1982 were: President- Richard Digiacomio, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Jack Ikeler
50. February 25, 1982, Purchasing letters for front of building.
51. April 29, 1982, Purchased meat slicer.
52. July 29, 1982, Ladies Auxiliary donated a vacuum cleaner.
53. Keys to file cabinet, Marvin Sassaman, Richard Digiacomio, Lee Cooke.
54. December 30, 1982, Jack Ikler resigned as Fire Chief and Dale Hollenbach took over as Chief.
55. November Degreen's store in Washingtonville burned.
56. Officers for 1983 were: President- Richard Digiacomio, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
57. February 24, 1983, Pump on the Lafrance was rebuilt by members and the machine work was done at the MSES Power Plant.
58. 10 foot ladder donated by MSES Power Plant.
59. February 3, 1983, Decided to purchase a 1974 twin axle long wheel base and build a tanker with a S.S. tank of 4000 gallons.
60. July 1983, We purchased a company seal.
61. July 1983, New tanker went into service.
62. Permission granted to hold the elections in the social hall.
63. October 27, 1990, Three portable pumps were purchased from Camon Erb at the cost of \$10.00 all needed repairs.
64. December 4, A by- law and construction change was completed.
65. Officers for 1984 were as following: President- Richard Digiacomio, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
66. January 1984, A fine of \$1.00 will be charged for anyone not showing up at fire scene in full turn out gear.
67. February telephone changed from pay phone to the new wall phone.
68. NO meeting in March because of snow.
69. Meeting room stools were donated by Goodwill Fire Company.
70. October Held dinner for tractor pull association.
71. October 1984, Purchased 6 new tires for engine 95.
72. October 1984, Dan Strasner volunteered to make a cake wheel.
73. Officers for 1985 were as follows: President- Richard Digiacomio, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
74. January 1985, Purchased a battery charger.
75. Purchased a 3 inch trash pump model 3203 cost of \$900.00.
76. Rental of Hall \$80.00.
77. April 1985, installed a new engine and clutch in tanker 96.
78. June, Siren was repaired and installed by PP&L's Ladder Truck.

79. All the tables and chairs have been decorated by the Ladies Auxiliary over the pass years.
80. December 1985, Building shelves truck bay.
81. Officers for 1986 were as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Wayne Eister, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
82. By- law change on article VIII section 6(10 mile radius)
83. March 9, 1986, Replaced engine in tanker 96 again.
84. Electric company now building on budget.
85. Received table and chair carts.
86. Purchased new refrigerator for social room.
87. April 1986, Asked for 2 mile fire tax increase.
88. June 1886, built fair stand.
89. July 1986, Ran a pizza sale.
90. July 1986, Had a stand at Richard Donohoe's sale.
91. 1988, Started selling 6 county fireman's cup for convention.
92. November 1986, Got liability and medical insurance on the hall.
93. Officers for 1987 were as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Harry Stieess, Treasure- Lee Cooke, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
94. December 1986, L.R. routes changed to S.R. routes.
95. February 1987, Bought engine 64 from East End Fire Company Danville, The truck came with a 750 gallon tank, 750 gallon pumper, ladders, siren, hard suction, light bar, water thief, radio, couplings, and mounts for air packs. Paid \$12,000.00.
96. March 1987, Replaced the ring gear and spider gear in engine 95.
97. May 1, 1987, The 1967 international was put into service (engine 93).
98. June 1987, Agreement not to loan the tables and chairs out accept for the active members.
99. June 1987, Air bottle rack and electrical cord wheel was installed in engine93.
100. July 1987, Dorothy McCracken passed away.(township secretary)
101. August 1987, Engine 93 was re-lettered.
102. August 1987, Emma J. Kumer (Folk) was Killed in Germany while serving in the U.S. Army. Memorial fund was set up.
103. November 1987, Purchased a chain saw with 16 inch blade. (cost \$310)
104. Officers for 1988 were as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Harry Stieess, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
105. April 1988, Brush truck was declared in service.
106. June 1988, 6 county fireman's convention in Danville, we had a clam bake and band on Friday June 24<sup>th</sup>.
107. Meeting night changed to Wednesday nights on a temporary basic.
108. June 1988, Ladies Auxiliary paid for the social room air conditioning.
109. Purchased a new refrigerator from Sears for storing meats (\$500.00)
110. November 1988, Raised dues to \$5.00 per year.
111. Officers for 1989 were as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Harry Stieess, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.

112. November 1988, Amened the construction, giving the trustee, Chief driver, authority to spend up to \$250.00 in one month.
113. December 1988, New generator and lights installed on engine 93.
114. December 1988, Parts of the truck bay was paneled and insulated.
115. December 1988, Fireman's relief raise death benefits to \$50.00.
116. February 1989, All SCBA's are now Scott's
117. February 1989, purchased a smoke ejector.
118. February 1989, Purchased a VCR for playing training films.(\$299.00)
119. March 1989, Engine 93 front end was repaired after accident (\$614).
120. April 12, 1989, Sold the American Lafrance to Chris Scheer of Maryland for the sum of \$750.00 without ladder.
121. July 1989, Applied for small game of chance license.
122. June 26, 1989, Driveway in front of bays was blacktopped.
123. August 1989, Applied for Liqueur License.
124. August 1989, Replaced engine in brush truck.
125. September 1989, Sold long Aluminum ladder to Tome Bastian for \$200.00.
126. November 1989, Myron Eister donated a used chain saw.
127. Officers for 1990 are as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Harry Stieess, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
128. December 1989, Ceiling tile was replaced in meeting room.
129. January 1990, Liqueur license was refused.
130. February 1990, Fred Sheppell was appointed chairman for the truck fun committee.(would like to have truck in 5 years)
131. April 10, 1990, Installed floor tiles in meeting room.
132. May 1990, Decided to send bill to Freight Company for chemical spills.
133. July 1990, Received new P.A. and US. Flags from Merrel Phillips.
134. September 1990, sold brush truck for the sum of \$2,000.00.
135. November 1990, Installed new phone in meeting room.
136. Officers for 1991 are as follows: President- Richard Digiacome, Vice President- Harry Stieess, Treasurer- Lee Cooke, Secretary- Marvin Sassaman, Fire Chief- Dale Hollenbach.
137. December 1990, Decided to buy a Echo Quik vent roof ventilating saw for the sum of \$1,100.00.