

BETHLEHEM TWP. VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.

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new members

welcome to the family

Sharla Kurtz

interested in EMS
active member

Dana Borkowski

interested in EMS and fire
active member

Pocono Raceway

Sunoco Red Cross Pennsylvania 500

On August 3rd EMS crews stood by at the raceway to respond to an emergency if needed. The race was originally slated for August 2nd but a nearly all-day rain forced a postponement to Monday.

Our ambulance pictured below was stationed at turn 3 and even had a chance to offer emergency assistance during the race to one of the drivers.

birthdays

another year older

August 11, **Phil Bigg**

August 15, **Brian Albert**

August 16, **Damiano Mella**

August 21, **Jim Hill**

August 22, **Don Lasso**

August 27, **Jeff Borger**

Sept. 2, **Ron Ford**

Sept. 5, **Robert Wodzocki**

Sept. 7, **Randy Rotondo**



anniversaries

yesterday, today, tomorrow

5 Year, **Brian Kelly**

34 Years, **Tim Brady**

43 Years, **Fred Mory**

29 Years, **Kathy Power**

32 Years, **Rob Wodzicki**

15 Years, **Ken Miller**

trivia

did you know

What major fire occurred in August 1975?

July A: 1982

high-angle rescue knots, ropes, and riggings

Members from BTVFC Station 17 meet over two consecutive weekends in July to train and become certified in high-angle rescue. The course is aimed at providing the knowledge and training firefighters may need when called upon to render aid to those unable to help themselves out of areas difficult to access by routine maneuvers. The class focused on an advanced knowledge of knots, ropes, riggings, and other equipment essential to have a working understanding of. Participants faced various obstacles they may one day encounter during an actual rescue, such as passing a knot through their rigging or hoisting an injured person safely up a steep angle. Station 17 has all of the necessary equipment to perform such rescues and is very appreciative of all those who took the time to challenge themselves both physically and mentally.

