



# Pawling Fire Department Summer 2010 Update

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Find us on the web at [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org)

**Proudly all volunteer since 1895**

**Our Mission:** To, with the utmost due regard to public safety, provide to the best of our ability, the highest level of service to our community. This service shall include, but not be limited to, the protection of the life safety and property of the citizens and visitors of Pawling with regard to fires, accidents, natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and any and all other emergencies, and to provide the highest possible level of education in the form of fire prevention and safety to the citizens of Pawling.

We appreciate the support of the Pawling Chamber of Commerce allowing us to piggyback on this issue of **Pawling Matters**. This insert can easily be removed and saved for future reference! All issues now available on line at [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org). Click on 'Public Info' then 'Community Interest'

## What we've been doing:

**March/April/May 2010**

See our web site [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org) for monthly call information!

## Planning a Party or a business meeting?

### Why not have it at our house?

Pawling FD Station 1 meeting room and kitchen and/or our outside pavilion are available for rental. Complete with dance floor, tables and chairs, loads of parking, even a bar. Everything you need for your next party or business meeting. We've been sprucing the place up... check us out. For information please call 845-855-1144 and leave a message **or** send an email to [pawlingfire@gmail.com](mailto:pawlingfire@gmail.com) **or** see our website: <http://www.pawlingfire.org/content/rental/>  
Rental fees help us maintain the firehouse!

The weather is nice.  
PLEASE share the road!  
Slow down and watch out for  
walkers, joggers, bike riders,  
motorcycles and of course firemen at  
accident scenes.

## It's Carnival Time!

### 2010 Carnival & Community Day

**Save the Dates:** August 6 & 7, 2010

**Where:** Lakeside Park

**Friday, August 6:** 6-10PM we'll have food, live entertainment, 'Battle of the Bands', games of chance, Bingo, mechanical rides as well as inflatables.



We'll have the Fire Safety House again this year  
**Both days at the Carnival & Community Day.**

### Saturday: August 7:

We'll start with the **County Firemen's Parade** in the Village at 3PM. Our largest parade in almost 20 years! Dozens of Fire Apparatus, bands, and hundreds of marchers! Join us as we celebrate our 115<sup>th</sup> anniversary and honor Pawling's Veterans and military personnel.

**2010 Carnival & Community Day** will open at Lakeside Park starting at 3PM. This is a major fund raiser for us, so we'll have our games of chance, mechanical rides, Bingo, and lots to do for kids of all ages. More 'Battle of the Band's' for live entertainment. We'll end the evening with what we hope will be a new tradition: **Fireworks over Green Mountain Lake between 9 and 10pm.**

This is a major undertaking for both the Department and the community. There are many ways **YOU** can assist:

- **Take our on-line survey.** The link is on our carnival website: [www.pawlingcarnival.com](http://www.pawlingcarnival.com)
- Volunteer to help with the planning **or** on August 6<sup>th</sup> or August 7<sup>th</sup>

- If you are part of a not-for-profit organization or youth sports group, consider having a booth to tell the community about what you do, or have a food booth to raise funds (for your group or for us).
- If you are a business owner please consider exhibiting on Saturday. We are projecting several thousand attendees. Exhibit info is available on our website [www.pawlingcarnival.com](http://www.pawlingcarnival.com)
- Mark your calendar and plan to attend.
- Invite your friends and family to join you!
- Check the carnival website for updates and activities [www.pawlingcarnival.com](http://www.pawlingcarnival.com).

Email questions to [pfdcarnival@gmail.com](mailto:pfdcarnival@gmail.com)

## More upcoming Events!

### Blood Mobile at the Carnival & Community Day!

Summer is always a time when blood donations lag due to vacations and many other issues. We are partnering with the NY Blood Center & the Y Leaders Club to host a bloodmobile **on Saturday, August 7** as part of the Community Day. The Blood Center will also have an information booth set up. **Our goal is at least 50 pints.** For information please go to [www.pawlingcarnival.com](http://www.pawlingcarnival.com). To donate send an email to [pawlingfire@gmail.com](mailto:pawlingfire@gmail.com).

### Senior Safety Initiative Reminder:

If you are, or know, a senior citizen (someone over the age of 65), please call us at 855-1144 and leave your name, phone # and that you would like to discuss the Senior Safety Program. We'll call you back to answer questions and set up an appointment.

#### What we'll be doing:

- Offer a **free**, basic "home safety inspection" and provide a comprehensive home inspection guide and safety literature to each participant.
- Offer and install as requested: free smoke detector, CO detector and long-life lithium batteries to those who are income qualified. Standard batteries require replacement at least once per year. Long-life lithium batteries have a 4-6 year minimum life in a smoke detector or carbon monoxide detector thereby increasing the likelihood that the detector will be working.
- We can use your help! We are looking for a few community volunteers willing to discuss the program with seniors and to arrange home visit appointments.

### The raffle tickets are on their way!

Winners will be announced on the last evening of the Carnival. You do not need to be present to win. In addition to purchasing raffle tickets, we hope you will dig a little deeper this year and make a donation to the Fire Department as well. As an added incentive to make your donation as generous and as early as possible, **Elm Street Partners**, the folks working on 'The Pawling Gateway' project, have made a very generous offer.

They will **match dollar-for-dollar** up to **\$7,500** of your donations (independent of raffle ticket purchases) received by July 30, 2010. Your early donation could be worth double! (Example: you donate \$20, they match it with \$20, we get \$40.) **Thank you Pawling Gateway!**

### Fall Barbecue:

**September/October:** Back by popular demand. Watch our website for date and time!

### Sportsman's Dinner 2011

Mark your calendar! Saturday, February 5, 2010

### Fire Prevention & Safety:

Last issue we discussed having and practicing an exit plan in case of an emergency, as well as the importance of Carbon Monoxide Detectors. Summer should be a time for fun, memory making and outdoor activities, so this time we'll cover some summer safety issues:

- General fire safety
- Barbecue safety
- Fire pit and outdoor fireplace safety
- Summer sun safety tips
- Pool and water safety
- Helmet safety

#### According to the US Fire Administration:

"Annually just under 10,000 Americans are injured by fireworks and almost 5,000 are injured by charcoal/wood-burning and propane grill fires."

#### General Fire Safety

These tips apply anytime you are using flame or fire in any format:

- Do not wear loose clothing around flames or open heat sources.
- Make sure everyone knows to 'Stop, Drop and Roll' in case a piece of clothing catches fire. Call 911 if a burn warrants serious medical attention.
- Supervise children.
- Keep all matches and lighters away from children. Teach your children to report any loose matches or lighters to an adult immediately.
- Always have a bucket of water (except for use on ceramic fire pits) and/or a fire extinguisher nearby. Know how to operate the fire extinguisher properly. More info available on our website [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org) under 'Public Info'!
- Be careful when using lighter fluid. Do not add fluid to an already lit fire because the flame can flashback up into the container and explode.
- Ensure all embers are extinguished and cold to the touch after each use and prior to disposal
- Never dispose of ashes in a combustible container
- Never keep ashes in a building or vehicle.

## Corporate Sponsors:

Our **Corporate Sponsors** are very important to us and our community. They provide donations, either cash, or in-kind support (gift certificates, product or services at no or reduced cost), that allow us to carry out our important missions and to support our membership. Complete Sponsor information is listed on our website [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org). When you need something, please consider one of our Sponsors (and let them know you appreciate their support of your Fire Department!).

### Would you like to see your company name here?

Go to [www.pawlingfire.org/content/sponsors/](http://www.pawlingfire.org/content/sponsors/) or contact Bob Davis at 845-242-1541.

**Diamond Sponsor:** \$10,000 or more

- Reserved for your company!

**Sapphire Sponsors:** \$7,500-\$9,999



**Dr. Thomas Bloom, DDS.** President of the Dutchess County Dental Association and a Pawling resident, provides comprehensive dental services from cleanings to oral cancer screenings at his Old Rte 22, Pawling state-of-the-art location.

For appointments, please call (845) 855-3807

or go to [www.pawlingdental.com](http://www.pawlingdental.com)

“Good health begins with good teeth”.



### The Pawling Gateway:

situated along Pawling's Rte 22 commercial corridor, The Pawling Gateway is a visible and unique area for residents and visitors to work, shop,

dine, sleep and play in Pawling - all without leaving the Town. Matching your donations to the Fire Department. See article this issue for more information!

Email: [outreach@elmstreetpartners.com](mailto:outreach@elmstreetpartners.com).

**Platinum Sponsor:** \$5,000 - \$7,499

- Reserved for your company!

**Gold Sponsors:** \$2,500 - \$4,999

- **K.M.C. Services**, Building cleaning and maintenance. 845-855-5460 [kmcsveclean@aol.com](mailto:kmcsveclean@aol.com)
- **Pisano Designs - Window Fashions & Interiors:** 845-855-0322, [pisano.designs@verizon.net](mailto:pisano.designs@verizon.net)  
Redecorated our Station 1 meeting room!

**Silver Sponsors:** \$1,000 - \$2,499

- **Castagna Realty Co., Inc.**, 2110 Northern Blvd Manhasset, NY 11030, 516-627-6700
- **Clancy Moving Systems, Inc.**, 2963 Rte 22, Patterson, NY 12563. [www.clancymoving.com](http://www.clancymoving.com)
- **Edge Technology Partners**, Pawling, NY, 914-391-6502 [doug@edgetechnologypartners.com](mailto:doug@edgetechnologypartners.com)  
Web designer of our Carnival & Community Day site: [www.pawlingcarnival.com](http://www.pawlingcarnival.com)

- **Garrison Fire & Rescue Corp.**, 518-678-2281 [www.garrisonfire.com](http://www.garrisonfire.com)
- **The Pawling Press**, PO Box 412, Pawling, NY 845-855-7014
- **Total Party Tent:** Mike Kelly, 845-494-1556 [MK29PE5@aol.com](mailto:MK29PE5@aol.com) Providing the tents for the Carnival! Thank you Mike.
- **Trinity-Pawling School**, 700 Rte 22, Pawling, NY [www.trinitypawling.org](http://www.trinitypawling.org)

**Bronze Sponsors:** \$500 - \$999

- **Anna Ryan with Edward Jones Investments**, 695 Dutchess Turnpike (Rte 44), Ste 101, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 845-454-6056.
- **Denton & McLaughlin, PC**, One Memorial Ave. Pawling, NY, 845-855-1230
- **Mamas Pizza II**, 46 Charles Colman Blvd, Pawling, NY, 845-855-9270
- **Millennium Printing & Graphics:** Mt Ebo Corporate Park, Brewster, NY. 845-279-4605
- **SVPS, LLC.**, PO Box 289, Millbrook, NY 12545 845-625-3034. Providing the stage for our Carnival!
- **The Annex Florist;** Ed and Mary Mahaffey, 28 Charles Colman Blvd., Pawling, NY, 845-855-9612
- **Village Medical, PLLC**, Dr. Michael Grill, 7 Chapin Lane, Pawling, NY, 845-855-0084  
email: [villagemedical@verizon.net](mailto:villagemedical@verizon.net)

**Brass Sponsors:** \$250 - \$499

See our website [www.pawlingfire.org](http://www.pawlingfire.org) for listing of Brass Sponsors.

## See a Blue Light... Move to the Right

### Barbecue Safety:

- Never grill/barbecue in enclosed areas – deadly carbon monoxide will be produced.
- Before using a gas or propane grill, check:
  - That there are no flammable liquids nearby.
  - The connections between the propane tank and the fuel line and the grill. Use soapy water to make sure there are no leaks.
  - That the venturi tubes - where the air and gas mix - are not blocked. Spiders love to build nests in the tubes!
  - That no hoses are cracked, cut or kinked
- Keep the grill clean to avoid grease flare-ups
- Do not overfill the propane tank.

### Fire Pits and Campfires:

- Keep fires 15 to 20 feet from buildings
- Clear 15-20 feet around of leaves and dry grass
- NEVER leave the pit unattended
- Never use flammable liquids to start a fire
- Screen mesh tops help reduce flying embers
- Always watch for floating embers, they can start house, grass and forest fires
- DO NOT apply water on ceramic fire pits

Sources: US Fire Administration and the Centers for Disease Control

## Summer sun safety tips from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP):

### There is no such thing as a Good Sunburn!

- The first, and best, line of defense against the sun is covering up. Wear a hat with a three-inch brim or a bill facing forward, sunglasses (look for sunglasses that block 99-100% of ultraviolet rays), and cotton clothing with a tight weave.
- Apply sunscreen at least 30 minutes before going outside, and use sunscreen even on cloudy days. The SPF should be at least 15 and protect against UVA and UVB rays.
- Be sure to apply enough sunscreen - about one ounce per sitting for a young adult.
- Reapply sunscreen every two hours, or after swimming or sweating.
- Stay in the shade whenever possible, and limit sun exposure during the peak intensity hours - between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Use extra caution near water, snow, and sand as they reflect UV rays & may result in quicker sunburn.

See this site for more information including tips for dealing with babies and kids:

Source: <http://www.aap.org/advocacy/releases/summertips.cfm>

## Pool and Water Safety:

- Follow all local and state laws for pool installations.
- **Never** leave children alone in or near the pool, even for a moment.
- Whenever infants or toddlers are in or around water, an adult should be within arm's length, providing "touch supervision."
- Keep rescue equipment (a shepherd's hook - a long pole with a hook on the end - and life preserver) and a portable telephone near the pool.
- Avoid inflatable swimming aids such as "floaties." They are not a substitute for approved life vests and can give children a false sense of security.

Source: <http://www.aap.org/family/tippool.htm>

## Helmets Save lives

Head injuries are deadly, costly and when not deadly can lead to lifelong disability. **MOST are preventable!** If you engage in any of the following activities, please wear an appropriate helmet:

- Bike riding (helmets are required for riders under the age of 14 and passengers under the age of 5). Teens and adults; please be a good example and wear a helmet!
- Horseback riding
- Rollerblading and skateboarding
- Snowboarding or skiing
- ATV riding and off road 4 wheeling
- Motorcycle, snowmobile or scooter riding

- Playing football, hockey, boxing, lacrosse or other contact sport
  - Batting or running bases in baseball or softball
- Helmets should be designed for the activity, properly sized and worn properly. For more information search "prevent head injuries" or go to [http://www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/injury\\_prevention/traumatic\\_brain\\_injury.htm](http://www.health.state.ny.us/prevention/injury_prevention/traumatic_brain_injury.htm)

## Please consider Joining!

Neighbors helping Neighbors. That's what we are all about. **We need Volunteers.**

### Volunteer Opportunities:

1. Join the Fire Department!  
Are you over the age of 18, sound mind & body? We're looking for:
  - a. Firefighters: interior and exterior
  - b. Drivers and apparatus operators
  - c. Fire Police
  - d. Rescue Squad members
  - e. Behind the scene assistance
2. 2010 Pawling Fire Department Carnival & Community Day Planning & Day of Event Volunteers.
3. Senior Safety Initiative Assistants  
Calling seniors to explain the program and set appointments. Training Provided!
4. Join the Auxiliary

### To volunteer call 845-855-1144

or stop in any Monday night at Station 1.

or send an email to [pawlingfire@gmail.com](mailto:pawlingfire@gmail.com)

We will also have an information booth at the Carnival & Community! Stop by and we can discuss volunteer opportunities.



**Will we see you August 6 & 7  
at Lakeside Park?**