

November 2009



Dear Neighbor:

The Rumson First Aid Squad is conducting our annual fund drive and we are asking for your support for the year ahead. First Aid Squad members are Rumson residents who volunteer their time and talents and are on call twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, every day of the year. Annually we respond to roughly 400 requests for medical help around our community. Currently, the squad has 35 members actively responding to emergency calls, including over 20 who have completed advanced training and are certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs).

2009 has been a very sad and difficult year for the First Aid Squad. In July, our Captain and dear friend Bob Kelleher unexpectedly passed away with many of us at his side. Bob had been volunteering with the squad since 2003, was elected an officer in 2005 and Captain in 2008. Bob was a great captain and dear friend to all and we try to honor him every day with our continued first aid efforts.

2009 Highlights:

- In May, we helped deliver a beautiful baby girl in her parents' dining room at a home in Rumson. The baby and proud parents are all doing well.
- This fall we installed a back-up generator at our building to ensure that our ambulances can remain operational during prolonged power outages.

We rely most heavily on donations from you, our neighbors, to raise money for our annual operating budget. All donations go directly to upgrading equipment, maintaining supplies for our ambulances, and providing the most advanced training for our squad members. We look forward to continuing our volunteer efforts serving the great residents of Rumson during 2010. Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Edward Moran
President, Rumson First Aid Squad

To make a tax-deductible donation to the First Aid Squad:

- Send a check in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope included with this letter.
- Visit our website, www.rumsonems.org, and make an on-line donation via PayPal.
- If you are 70.5 years of age or older, donate up to \$100,000 tax free from your Individual Retirement Account [IRA] or anyone can donate appreciated securities [investments]. Please fill in the information below and mail back this letter in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope. A squad member will then contact you.

Name _____ Address _____
 Telephone _____ Name of Security _____

Rumson First Aid Squad 2009 Officers

<u>Field Officers</u>		<u>Executive Officers</u>	
Captain*	Jennifer Wargo	President	Edward Moran
1 st Lieutenant	Joseph Truex	Vice President	Jennifer Wargo
2 nd Lieutenant	Frank Davis	Treasurer	John Wibbelsman
Sergeant	Thomas Daly	Secretary	Pam Gehret

*July 21 – December 31, 2009. Bob Kelleher served from January 1 – July 20, 2009