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# GENERAL DISPATCH

*General Insurance Agency Inc. is an Independent Agent & Broker established in 1948. We proudly provide insurance for hundreds of Volunteer Fire Departments and Emergency Squads in PA, DE and NJ. Our experienced staff is available day or night to meet all of your insurance needs.*

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*616 (we ate a few..oops)*

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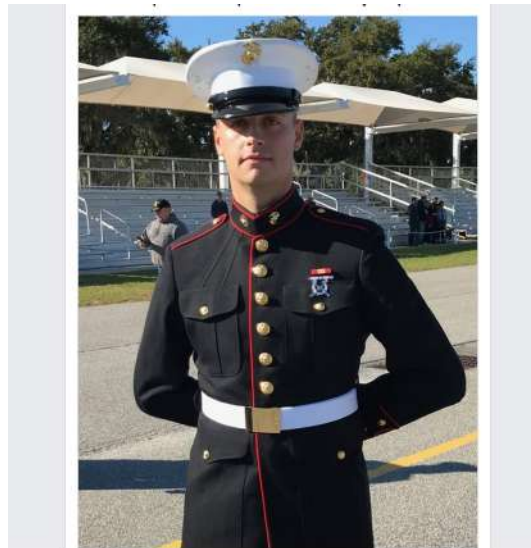
## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE



On Saturday, November 24, 2018, Dennis Scholtis of the Whitehall Fire Department was honored for 50 years of service. Dennis was one of the original Hazmat members and a current participant of LCSO. Congratulations to Dennis and our sincere thanks to you for your commitment and service!

A BIG congratulations to Firefighter Spencer Imhoff of the Forks Township Fire Department on his recent United States Marine Corps boot camp graduation.

On behalf of GIA, we wish you all the best, stay safe and we thank you for your service!



**Welcome Stafford Twp VFC (Station 47) and Pennsburg FC to the GIA Family! We look forward to being of service to you!**

## GIA'S 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS



On the first day of Christmas at the General Agency

Linda baked some more cookies

On the second day of Christmas at the General Agency

Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies

On the third day of Christmas at the General Agency

Three underwriters writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies

On the fourth day of Christmas at the General Agency

Four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the fifth day of Christmas at the General Agency

WES IS STILL TALKING!!

Four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the sixth day of Christmas at the General Agency

Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING

four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the seventh day of Christmas at the General Agency,

The dogs started barking, Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriters writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the eighth day of Christmas at General Agency

Caryn mailed your invoice, The dogs started barking, Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the ninth day of Christmas at General Agency

Nine inches of water, Caryn mailed your invoice, the dogs started barking, Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the tenth day of Christmas at the General Agency,

Amye planned another party, nine inches of water, Caryn mailed your invoice, the dogs started barking, Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the eleventh day of Christmas at General Agency

Eleven pagers paging, Amye planned a party, nine inches of water, Caryn mailed your invoice, the dogs started barking, Kevin wrote an upgrade, WES IS STILL TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Steve filed a claim and Linda made some more cookies.

On the twelfth day of Christmas at General Agency,

Twelve sirens roaring, eleven pagers paging, Amye needs a bigger budget, why are we always flooded, Caryn liked teaching better, make the dogs STOP barking, Kevin's an overachiever, WES PLEASE STOP TALKING, four clients calling, three underwriter's writing, Really another claim? And Linda's sick of baking cookies!



## DESK OF KEVIN

Have you considered giving your members additional benefits?

Recruitment and retention has always been a big topic in the volunteer fire service. Many departments already offer some of the benefits that Provident offers like the 24 hour accidental death and disability plan and also a group life insurance benefit. These are excellent ways of rewarding your members who have consistently been a valuable asset to your department and community.

Did you know that Provident also offers a Critical illness insurance policy? What does it cover?

- The policy will give you an additional \$10,000 in 24 ADD coverage
- **Heart Attack:** If a member has a heart attack more than 90 days after the policy becomes effective he/she will receive the benefit amount of the policy
- **Invasive Cancer:** If after 90 days of the policy becoming effective the member is first diagnosed with an invasive cancer the full benefit will be paid.
- **Kidney (Renal) Failure:** If a member is first diagnosed with end stage kidney failure more than 90 days after the effective date of the policy a full benefit will be paid.
- **Stroke:** If a member is first diagnosed with having a stroke more than 90 days after the policy becomes effective a full benefit will be paid out

Provident offers excellent ways to keep the good members you have and offers incentives for new members to join.

Since it's the end of the year it's a good time to make sure all your beneficiary forms are up to date. Have your members review to make sure everything is correct and current. Contact us anytime if you need a new form mailed or if you want to discuss any of the benefits Provident has to offer.

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!



## DESK OF WES

It sure is getting cold out there! I know many of you have already seen some snow and some winter weather in your areas. It gets me thinking that first responders really can't and don't take snow days. Unfortunately, emergencies that require Fire or EMS don't take a break for bad weather.

For those of you who know me, you know that I am very good at worrying. My kids and grandkids often tease me about it but I suppose its just in my nature. Though I am always concerned for all of you, I tend to worry a bit more about during the winter months. After all, you are my friends.

In reading a recent article (I know me reading...it was short) published by an EVOG instructor from NY, I found some great tips that we should be reminded of this time of year.

1. Check tire treads
2. Check antifreeze and windshield wiper fluid levels
3. Keep lights free of snow
4. Periodically check siren cones are clear of snow and ice so that the siren is audible
5. Leave at least 10 seconds of following distance on the road so you can safely stop

Yes, these are some common sense reminders I know, but sometimes I think its best to be proactive rather than reactive. No matter what the next few winter months throw your way, please be safe.

On behalf of the GIA Family, I wish you and your families a wonderful holiday and a happy and healthy 2019! Don't forget to save the date for our 10th Annual GIA Party!!

### SAVE THE DATE!!!

General Insurance Agency will be hosting our  
**10th Annual Emergency Responder  
Appreciation Picnic**

on

**Sunday, June 9, 2019  
(yes it's on a SUNDAY)**

**NEW LOCATION: Haven Beach Club on LBI!**  
Pool, bay beach, playground, boat trips,  
live band and more!

## DECEMBER EVENTS

December 1st	Ship Bottom's 39th Annual Christmas Parade. Start time is 1:00.
December 9th	Radnor FC & Auxiliary Breakfast with Santa 9 am-12 pm
December 14th	Weisenberg VFD Santa & Mrs. Claus visits the Firehouse! 6-8pm, December 15th 1-3 pm. Candy canes, hot cocoa, and cookies. Soup and baked goods for sale. Pets welcome too!
December 16th	Upper Milford Western District's Breakfast with Santa. 8 am- 12 pm. Pancakes, sausage, OJ, milk, coffee & tea. Crafts, toy raffle, Secret Shopping for kids with gifts under \$10.00 and photos with Santa. Contact Lynette @484-358-5789 for more info.

To add an event for next month, please email [Amye@GIA911.com](mailto:Amye@GIA911.com)

## BUY SELL TRADE

### **1989 GMC/Frontline Medium Duty Rescue Truck**

\*GMC conventional chassis, Detroit Diesel 210 HP engine, Allison Automatic transmission, air brakes, 17, 300 miles, Frontline walk-in aluminum 12' rescue body with bench seat, 15 KW PTO driven generator, 8,000 lb winch on front bumper, large compartments, quartz lights, stainless steel wheel covers.

\*Good condition. Height 10'5", Length 26'7"

\*Newly manufactured engine at 16,000 miles (2014),  
a/c and instant chains not working, rear heater box removed.

**\$19,500 OBO**

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