

Bay Shore-Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance
would like to wish all members

Season's
Greetings



BSBRA SIGNAL 19

“and the following messages”



"One of the sad things about holidays is that EMS Stations are never able to close down. We've often wished that We could wave a magic wand and make everyone well so they could all spend the holidays at home with their families. And, of course, the EMTs, Paramedics, Probies and other health volunteers could also spend the day with their own families. But this is not a perfect world and We've never found a magic wand. So BSBRA doors never close and the people who volunteer to provide care to the sick remain at or near the ambulances ready to be dispatch to a call. Even on this next holidays.”

The editors of signal19 would like to wish all volunteers and paid members of this great organization a very happy Holiday Season!

A message from the editors of signal19 @ bsbra

Chief Gerald Guzsack # 30



No Report Submitted for the month of December

3-24-30G Gerald Guzsack Chief of Department @ BSBRA

1st Assistant Chief Felix Rodriguez # 31



Thank you to all the members for helping out this month. Holidays are here and I want to wish everyone a very happy holiday. Please remember to do your rig checks and keep them clean, Great work everyone!

Please remember to sign in.

-Felix Rodriguez 1st Assistant Chief @ BSBRA

2nd Assistant Chief Brian Stevens # 32



No Report Submitted for the month of December

-Brian Stevens 2nd Assistant Chief @ BSBRA

3rd Assistant Chief David Kwok # 33



Hello everyone I would like to say keep up the good work on getting the calls out you are doing a great job. Please keep the building clean, if you cook clean the pots and pans that you cook with, if the garbage's are full then take them out to the dumpster. Every little bit helps a lot for the department. With the cold season coming soon please use caution responding to the building. The building will be receiving a new face lift in the upcoming months! EVOC will be held in December, I will be sending an email for the dates and times of the classes. There will be multiple classes in the upcoming months. 81 is now in service for the captain of the day and the medics to use.

Keep up the good work and Happy holidays!

-David Kwok 3rd Assistant Chief @ BSBRA

Captain's Reports



SUNDAY Brian Dufour #50

To membership,

Sunday is doing good, special thanks to the members that continues to help me out month after month, greatly appreciated.

Remember to take out the trash after each tours and have a happy holidays.

Bryan Dufour Captain #50 * bdufour@bsbra.org



MONDAY Robert Dean #51

No Report Submitted for the month of December

Robert Dean Captain #51 * rdean@bsbra.org



TUESDAY William Lutz #52

No Report Submitted for the month of December

William Lutz Captain #52 * wlutz@bsbra.org



WEDNESDAY John Martinez #53

I am very thankful with all the help we are getting on Wednesdays from all the outstanding members that continuously come and devote their time to go on a call and save someone they do not know. YOU GUYS ARE GREAT!

We only ask of you, to please help us keep the building clean, let us not forget that in the past years we implemented new rules and procedures in order to make this organization run like a well oil machine, it does not mean that because we have a new chief's office all those rules and procedures go out the window and we don't have to be responsible any more. "Let's not go backwards in our journey and keep improving our volunteer experience

John Martinez Captain #53 * jmartinez@bsbra.org



THURSDAY Tim Presinger #54

Thank you to everyone who has come down and help me out. I still need help very badly from 6:00-12:00 noon. I have nobody assigned to that slot. So if you are looking for extra ride time, or just want to help out I would greatly appreciate it! I would also like to remind each of you that if you are going to miss your duty slot you must inform your captain of the day and find coverage. The officers rely on you to be there to help out. Also, everyone is expected to do a rig check. These should be done as soon as you start your shift. You don't want to be embarrassed showing up to a scene of someone with respiratory distress and find out your portable oxygen is empty. So please, do your rig checks when you start your shift and replace any equipment you might use throughout your shift.

One last thing is a reminder to clean up after yourselves. If you use a dish, wash it. If you dirty the tables, clean it.

Thank you once again for all your hard work!

P.S. Christmas and New Year's Eve fall on a Thursday this year. I am sure ill be needing help on these days. If anyone is free to come down even for a few hours that would really help!

Tim Presinger Captain #54 * chevyxll@aol.com



FRIDAY John Messing #55

Thank you to everyone who comes out to help me and all of the other captains each and every week. I would like to ask that all of the crews from every day step it up a little on the rig checks and also with building clean up all to often we are forgetting to take out the garbage and clean up after ourselves. Also we need to remember in order to stay a great organization we need to stay on top of rig checks to ensure that we are always ready for the next call no matter who gets on that rig next it should be ready to go. We all belong to an amazing organization we need to continue to work as a team. The officers cannot continue to do the job we do without the members each and every one of you are very important to

this organization so please every one keep up the great work.

John Messing Captain #55 * busarider75@clearwire.net



SATURDAY Joseph Frisina #56

I would first like to wish all of you and your families a happy and safe thanksgiving. Thank you to the people who consistently come down and help me out on Saturdays, it makes my job a lot easier as captain and I truly appreciate it. Just a couple of things; when you are parking at fire scenes please make sure that you have some means of egress. Don't allow yourself to get blocked in, multiple agencies will be responding to working fires and before you know it you won't be able to leave.

Also, when food is in the refrigerator/freezer and is clearly labeled, do not touch it. Even if you perceive it to be "no good".

I know it sounds petty, but let's have some respect for each other.

For the crews that cook, washing the dishes and putting them on the drying rack for the next crew to put away is unacceptable. Dry them and put them away. Don't leave your mess or work for the next crew.

That's all I have for this month. As always, if you need anything feel free to reach out to me.

Joe Frisina Captain #56 * Jfrisina@bsbra.org

Common courtesy call to your captain of the day

We are seeing a rash of last minute call in's, no show-no calls, and members who consistently run late to their duty tours without any notifications to the Captain of the Day. We would like to remind the membership that a call just to give the Captain a heads up would be appreciated as they would be able to help cover that portion of the tour.

For the last minute call in's, it would be common courtesy to give your Captain an ample amount of time to assist in finding coverage. You might be asking yourselves, "What is an ample amount of time?" We are asking that you give a minimum of SIX (6) hours notice. Most people know (in the working world) that they will be calling in within at least that amount of time whether they be sick or just need a mental health day. We feel that the same applies for the volunteer world. We understand that things happen, however, calling in 15-20 minutes after your tour does not help us. We can't even find paid coverage in that time, let alone volunteer coverage. Please have the common courtesy to help the organization.

As far as no show-no calls, we can advise that this is totally unacceptable and it is spoken about way to often in meetings.

Members are also reminded that if you have a regular duty slot and you cannot make it, you are to contact the Captain and try to fill your spot. (as per the SOP's). You are responsible for your duty slot, regardless if you are a probationary member, dispatcher, EMT or Driver.

These situations apply to all members, probationary and badge, call-in to interim. When you commit to a slot or to help out someone, please do it. You are giving your word that you will help them out. Should you have any questions in regard's to these requests, please see a Chief.

On behalf of the Chiefs Office, Bill Froehlich Chief @ bsbra

BSBRA BOD

A few reminders from the Board of Directors:

- 1. As of Jan 1 st. 2015 Bay Shore - Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance will be smoke free. Please be mindful of this action!***
- 2. The meeting room rental fee has been changed to \$300.00/fee and \$200.00/deposit. In addition, there is now a cleaning option for an additional \$75.00. To utilize this option, it must be requested in advance.***
- 3. Please review and update if needed your Beneficiary Forms. There will be forms made available at the next general meeting.***
- 4. Pancake breakfast... May. 2015. Be there!***

The Board of Directors would like to wish you and your family a happy and safe upcoming Holiday Season. Thank you for all that you do for both our organization and our community. Your dedication and hard work does not go unnoticed!

Board of Directors @ bsbra

BSBRA December 2014 Calendar

<u>12/01/14 GENERAL MEETING All Members</u>	HQ	2000 hours	Monday	1	December	Dec. 1st	2014
<u>12/04/14 OFFICERS and BOD MEETING</u>	TBA	1900 hours	Thursday	4	December	Dec. 4th	2014
<u>12/13/14 SANTA'S RUN</u>	BS	TBA	Saturday	13	December	Dec. 13th	2014
<u>12/13/14 CHILDREN CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>	HQ	TBA	Saturday	13	December	Dec. 13th	2014
<u>12/13/14 ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>	HQ	TBA	Saturday	13	December	Dec. 13th	2014
<u>12/13/14 YOUTH SQUAD CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>	CFH	1900 hours	Saturday	13	December	Dec. 13th	2014
<u>12/24/14 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY TOUR</u>	HQ	1800- 2400 hours next day	Wednesday	24	December	Dec. 24th	2014
<u>12/31/14 NEW YEARS HOLIDAY TOUR</u>	HQ	1800-2400 Next day	Wednesday	31	December	Dec. 31st	2014

The BSBRA Youth Squad Food Drive Committee



This year the Youth Squad successfully delivered food to 22 families in need for the annual Thanksgiving food drive. The Youth Squad owes much of this success to the members who aided in the accumulation of supplies and food to give to the families. The Youth Squad extends its gratitude to those members who participated in the drive by either assisting in the execution of the drive or by donating food. We would also like to thank the department for its efforts to allocate funds to the cause and allow it to happen. This

has been the third consecutive annual Thanksgiving food drive, all of which have shown wonderful success. In the name of the Youth Squad, I invite you all to take comfort in the fact that a smile was placed on the families faces thanks to you and your efforts. The families were grateful for their gift and very happily celebrated a Thanksgiving dinner thanks to you.

We also wish you safe and happy upcoming holidays.

BSBRA Announcements

ATTENTION "EBOLA RESPONSE"

Update on our Ebola response guidelines. Medcom will be scanning all calls for a possible Ebola response when they take the call. If they feel it is an Ebola case they will activate our department as an "ID response". Should we be activated for a response of this type, we have two designated ambulance with the appropriate PPE. These two ambulance are 3-24-18 and 3-24-19. One of the above ambulances are to respond to these alarms and PPE should be donned prior to making patient contact. The PPE is located in the drivers side, outside middle compartment. Trainings will be conducted starting this week as far as how to don the PPE. Should you have any questions feel free to contact any chief. Also, we continue to receive new information everyday and the response plan is subject to change. Thanks

Brian Stevens 2nd Assistant Chief @ BSBRA _____

HOSPITAL RADIO PRESENTATION

We want to remind everyone that the hospitals must be notified when we are bringing in patients. It does not matter if the patient is stable or unstable. If the EMT in charge is busy taking care of a critical patient, please have someone call the hospital and give them a heads up on what's coming in.

If the staff gives you an issue because you did not call in ahead, don't expect the Chiefs office to take action. However, if you did call in and they are being unprofessional then we will address it.

It all comes down to professional courtesy...

Keep up the good work.

Felix Rodriguez 1st Assistant Chief @ BSBRA _____

PROBATIONARY GEAR

We have recently put out a set of OSHA gear for the probationary members. There are 2 sets of each size small, medium, and large each set is labeled and together. When you are done with your shift they should be put back together with the corresponding jacket and pants on the rack in the back of the bay. If the gear is left out and the Chiefs find it I will take away the new gear and back to the old globe gear.

David Kwok 3rd Assistant Chief @ BSBRA _____

*Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center's
Division of Trauma Services cordially invites you
to attend a Reception and Lecture*

Adult & Pediatric Trauma Update
Presented by

John Francfort, MD
Chairman of the Department of Surgery

Vinci Jones, MD
Division Chief of Pediatric Surgery

Steven Blau, MD
Medical Director of Trauma & Surgical Critical Care

Monday, December 8, 2014
Reception and Buffet 6:00 pm
Lecture 7:00 pm

Captain Bill's Restaurant
122 Ocean Avenue
Bay Shore, NY

*RSVP to Public & External Affairs at
(631) 376-4104 by Wednesday, December 3, 2014.*



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NYC REMAC Exam New Format

As of January 1, 2015 all NYC REMAC paramedics seeking original or recertification credentialing will be required to take a 120 question multiple choice exam. Those seeking recertification must have or obtain the required 72 hours of CME in order to be re-credentialed.

The exam is based on NYC REMAC GOP, BLS protocols, ALS protocols and appendices. This is a timed test. The first 100 questions are multiple choice based on the following breakdown”

- 35% Adult medical emergencies**
- 15% Adult trauma**
- 15% Pediatrics**
- 15% General operating procedures**
- 10% BLS protocols**
- 10% Adult Arrest**

The last 20 questions will be based on two scenarios (1 adult medical and 1 pediatric). You will be required answer questions based on the scenario on patient assessment, physical exam, EKG interpretation, diagnosis and appropriate treatment based on the NYC REMAC protocols.

REMAC Exam Study Tips

1. Study/memorize the NYC REMAC GOP, protocols and appendices
2. Follow the pre-hospital approach
3. There are no discretionary decisions on the protocols exam
4. Be able to calculate drug doses based on patient weight
5. Be able to interpret 3 and 12 lead EKG
6. There is a correct answer for each question based on NYC REMAC GOP, BLS, ALS or appendices

REMAC candidates have difficulty with:

- * Epinephrine use for pediatric patients
- * 12-lead EKG interpretation
- * Ventilation rates for pediatric & neonates

CME Requirement

All refresher students must have the required CME hours in order to re-credential.

36 hours - Physician Directed Call Review

- *ACR Review*

- *QA/I Session*

- *Emergency Department Teaching Rounds* - **Maximum of 18 hours**

36 hours - Alternative Source CME - **Maximum of 12 hours per venue**

- *Online CME*

- *Clinical rotations*

- *Lectures / Symposiums / Conferences*

- *Associated Certifications:*

- *Journal CME*

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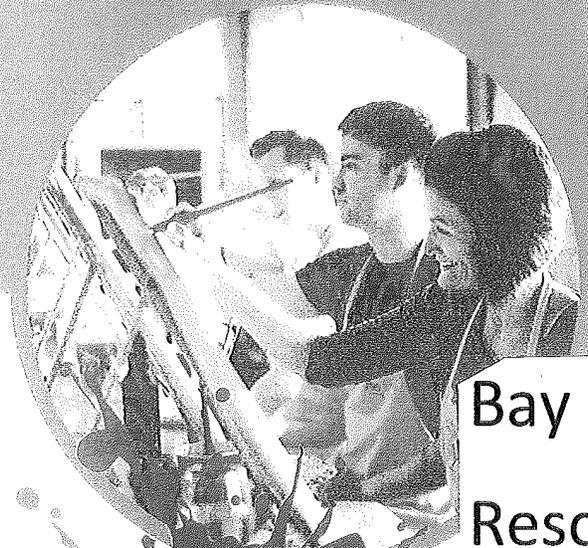
From 11-01-14 until 04-30-15 you will be allowed to take the credentialing exam without having the required CME but you will receive a six month temporary credential and must complete the 72 hour requirement within that six month time in order to get the full 3 year credential.

Beginning 05-01-15 you must have a minimum ½ the required hours of CME in order to sit for the exam. Upon passing the exam you will be issued a 6 month temporary credential and you will have six months in order to get the remaining hours and remain credentialed.

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or contact:

Jackie Doherty

631-666-0635

Sign up early .No tickets will be sold at the door !

SC 2140320 *All students MUST attend the first day of class. No exceptions, no accommodations!*

COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, EMS DIVISION

Emergency Medical Technician – Basic Original Course

LOCATION: Centereach Fire Dept., 9 South Washington Ave., Centereach, NY 11720 INSTRUCTOR: Rally Semeraro

DATES: 10/14/14 to 5/21/15 SKILLS FINAL: *Approx. Saturday 5/2/15 8am* SC EMS Division, Yaphank

DAYS/TIMES: Tuesday's and Thursday's 7pm to 10pm-11pm WRITTEN FINAL: 5/21/15 (Thurs.7 pm)

STUDENTS MUST BE 18 YRS OLD BY THE MONTH OF THE NYS WRITTEN EXAMINATION.

FEE: \$130.00 for EMS Personnel \$905.00 for NON EMS (\$20 additional charge for printed paperwork, read below)

Students must have their own b/p cuff, stethoscope, notepads and writing tools. **** No walk in students will be allowed****

Pre-requisites: FEMA NIMS 100, NIMS 700 and HazMat Awareness – OSHA Compliant minimum 3 hours. (FEMA links will be emailed to students with the confirmation email, if students haven't already taken those classes.) Firefighter 1 **AFTER** 2003 will count for HazMat Awareness, must show proof. (All HazMat Awareness classes **MUST** have been taken after 9 11 to count.) Copies of certificates must be handed in to the instructor within the first month of the course.

To reserve seating for this course: Complete this form with check(s)/money order(s) payable to the Suffolk County EMS Division (please postdate check(s)/money order(s) to the start date of the course). Please mail to: Suffolk County EMS Division, 360 Yaphank Ave., Suite 1B, Yaphank, NY 11980, Attn: EMT Courses. Per County Resolution #968-1997, there will be an additional \$25 fee added to the cost of the course for any checks returned with notice of "insufficient funds." **NO SEATS WILL BE HELD UNLESS FULL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED.**

Please note: Forms will be returned if incomplete, illegible, or if the course is full or canceled. No seats will be held unless the registration process is complete. You will receive a confirmation email. Please make sure you include your email address in the box below. If you do not have an email address, please make sure your mailing address is listed on the check. You will receive a confirmation letter in the mail. Enrollment is first come, first served.

Please be advised, the Suffolk County EMS Division will be handing out CDs with all of the New York State and Suffolk County policies, protocols and various other vital information. If you do not have computer access, please notify the Suffolk County EMS Division in advance by stating "NO" in the box below next to your name so that the Division may give you a copy of the information mentioned above. **There will be an extra charge of \$20 for the printed paperwork. If you do not fill in "NO" in the box next to your name then the Suffolk County EMS Division will assume you have computer access. If you fill in "NO" and you do not include the additional \$20 for the printed paperwork, the Division will then cross off the "NO" and write "YES."**

SC 2140320 *All students MUST attend the first day of class. No exceptions, no accommodations!*

EMT-Basic Original Course
Centereach Fire Department

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Program	Term	Days	Times	NYS Course#	Reg. End	Orie.	Start	State Date
EMT Original 2015-1	Spring	M,T,W	6-10pm	185035	01/16/15	02/02/15	02/04/15	05/21/15
EMT Original 2015-2	Summer	M,T,W,T	6-10pm	185036	05/06/15	05/20/15	05/27/15	08/20/15
EMT Original 2015-3	Fall	M,T,W	6-10pm	185037	08/12/15	08/26/15	09/02/15	12/17/15

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Program	Term	Days	Times	NYS Course#	Reg. End	Start	State Date
EMTR 2015-1	Spring	Saturday	9a-5p	185041	12/22/14	01/03/15	03/19/15
EMTR 2015-2	Summer	Saturday	9a-5p	185045	05/26/15	06/06/15	08/20/15
EMTR 2015-3	Fall	Saturday	9a-5p	185044	08/17/15	08/29/15	11/19/15

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Program	Term	Days	Times	NYS Course#	Reg. End	Start	State Date
MR 2015-1 Core CME	Spring	Monday	9a-5p	185042 Pending	12/22/14	01/05/15	04/16/15
MR 2015-2 Core CME	Summer	Tuesday	9a-5p	185043 Pending	03/31/15	04/14/14	07/16/15
MR 2015-3 Core CME	Fall	Saturday	9a-5p	185046 Pending	08/03/15	08/15/15	11/19/15

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Program	Term	Days	Times	NYS Course#	Reg. End	Orie.	Start	State Date
POC 17 Paramedic Basic	Fall, Spring, Summer	Mon/Wed	9a-5p	186000	02/18/15	03/04/15 & 03/18/15	04/08/15	03/17/16

BIRTHDAYS



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- ▶ 12/01 Artie De Jess
- ▶ 12/06 Devon Bordies
- ▶ 12/10 Noah Fisch
- ▶ 12/10 Stanley Haber
- ▶ 12/16 Laurie Hughes
- ▶ 12/18 Elizabeth Haubrich
- ▶ 12/20 Michelle Virga
- ▶ 12/20 Raymi Smith
- ▶ 12/21 Peter Klopsis
- ▶ 12/24 Pablo Martinez
- ▶ 12/25 Cleo Brown
- ▶ 12/25 Courtney Haubrich
- ▶ 12/30 Gary Young

May you enjoy it,
from all of us here at
BSBRA

BAY SHORE-BRIGHTWATERS RESCUE AMBULANCE

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"If any officer wants to add any information in the next edition of "Signal19"

Please email us at signal19@bsbra.org



-John & Julie Martinez, editors of Signal19 @ BSBRA