

H A P P Y

*Thanksgiving*



# BSBRA SIGNAL 19

“and the following messages”



## *Thankfulness...*

*Gratitude is our most direct line to God and the angels. If we take the time, no matter how crazy and troubled we feel, we can find something to be thankful for. The more we seek gratitude, the more reason the angels will give us for gratitude and joy to exist in our lives.*

*Have a Happy Thanksgiving.*

## Chief Felix Rodriguez # 30



Fist I want to welcome and the returning officers and board of directors and I want to welcome all of those coming in. Needless to say we had a very busy October and we appreciate everyone's help.

Happy Bay Shore's New Year. Let's keep going how we left off , with a positive note. I would also like to congratulate the youth squad for wining the state Championship, their hard work and dedication paid off. A big thank you to Pablo Martinez and John Martinez for their dedication to the Youth Squad. Thank you to Nora Klein for taking the time to chaperone during the competition . It was also humbling being able to receive the NYS EMS Award on behalf of the organization. This awards are a direct reflection of the dedication of our members at all levels.  
Thank you

Felix Rodriguez  
Chief of Department  
Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance

# 1st Assistant Chief Joseph Frisina # 31



Thank you again to the membership for another successful month. This past year has brought many challenges to the department and each and every time we have leaped over the hurdles that have confronted us. The hurdles are what makes this TEAM the best in the county and New York State. I would also like to extend my thanks to the Captains who have hit the ground running this past month. Keep up the great work!

With that being said, there is always room for improvement. We as a department can never stop improving. The captains need your help. If they reach out to you, please answer. All days can use additional help especially during the daytime hours when crews are light. If a member of your family called 911, you would want the help to arrive in a timely matter. Lets give our community the service they deserve. Within the next couple of weeks Medcom should have our mutual aid statistics back up and running. They have been non existent for a long time due to upgrades on the county side. The Chief's will be monitoring these numbers and report them to you as necessary.

The Installation Dinner is November 5th. If you plan on drinking please designate a driver or get a room. I would also like to send a big thank you to dinner dance committee, they have worked extremely hard over the past year to put this event together.

In closing, I would like to remind the membership that the Chief's Office has and will always have an open door policy. Please feel free to come and talk to us about any issues or questions that you need help with. Regardless of what you may have heard or what you may think, we have all of our members best interests in mind at all times regardless of there membership status within the department. If you have a problem or issue that needs to be corrected, please let us know. The Chief's Office and Board of Directors strive to create a safe and welcoming environment for all of our members.

Be Safe and Stay warm!

Joseph Frisina  
1st Assistant Chief of Department  
Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance

## 2nd Assistant Chief April Kunz # 32



### **OSHA Blood borne Pathogens Training**

Sunday 11/13/16 1430

Thursday 11/17/16 1930

Wednesday 11/30/16 1930

### **Check and Inject for new EMT's**

Friday 11/18/16 1930

I would like to be able to present new kinds of trainings, but I would like to present something that everyone would be interested in. Please email me with any training ideas that you have.

April Kunz  
2nd Assistant Chief of Department  
Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance

## 3rd Assistant Chief Charles Chapman # 33

Hello All,



Thank you all for having placed your confidence in me. I will always have an open door policy regarding ideas, questions, comments and concerns. I just wanted to reiterate that You guys are the reason this department continues to run and the reasons those trucks roll on every J. Just take a second and give yourself a pat on the back. I for one think you guys are rocking the house down and it shows county and state wide. Keep up the great work for your town. Thank you again for your confidence and for the opportunity to be your 33! My core phone has been having some issues so please call my personal cellphone anytime at 16317489467 thank you!!

Charles Chapman  
3rd Assistant Chief  
Bay Shore Brightwaters Rescue Ambulance

# 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 can't 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, Felix Rodriguez Chief @ bsbra

# Captain's Reports



## SUNDAY Bryan Dufour #50

To membership

I would like to start off by giving my thanks to members that have been helping me off throughout the years as captain and continue you show their dedication to this department.

I also want to thanks my crews for handling the day appropriately as we have been hit with multiple jobs this month.

Overall, Sunday is going well and it will continue like this until the end of my term, hopefully.

I do want to address certain issues which it has become annoyance.

First, for those who come down on other days beside their duty slot, please respect the duty crew members during their ride time. They have first priority of alarms when serving their duty hours. Please, if you coming down to either ride or hangout, let the crew chief or captain know. Also remember that crew, crew chief, or captain are not responsible for your garbage and dishes. Please clean up after yourself.

Blue blankets are in stock, so make sure when doing your rig check that there is at least two blankets, one in cabinet "L" and the other behind the stretcher. Remember to bring the blanket back unless it's cover in blood or extremely dirty.

Finally, I notice a lot of the OSHA gear be flowing around the building and especially in bay on the floor. If it your personal OSHA gear, please remember to put away at the end of your tour. To the probationary member, hang the gear to their designated spot.

Like I said, I'm no one maid, so please clean up after yourself.

I hope everyone have a safe Halloween and happy early thanksgiving.

Don't forget to vote.

Bryan Dufour Sunday Captain 3-24-50



## MONDAY Dana Dequatro #51

Hey everyone, it's November. Thanksgiving a time to give thanks and that's exactly what I'm going to do. I would like to thank the Chief's office for their leadership,dedication and passion for keeping the core values of this department intact. I know they have each and every member's best interest at heart. I would like to thank the revised Board of Directors in advance for their wisdom, integrity and for working hand in hand with the Chiefs office to make decisions for the department to run smoothly.

I thank the Captains and Crew Chiefs for their devotion, vigilance and attention to their crews. I know how much time and energy you spend here. You are true soldiers.

I would like to thank all ALS and BLS personnel. Your skills never cease to amaze me. No matter how challenging the call, you always manage to get the job done. The word "can't" is not in your vocabulary.To all the drivers, thank you for getting the crew and patients safely to their destination and for your ability to maneuver the ambulance through the multitude of asshole drivers on the road.

Thank you dispatch for keeping cool when multiple calls come in and for your patience in navigating the new scanning system. Last but not least, I would like to thank all the probies. What an enthusiastic, hard-working, eager to learn group of individuals. You are the future of this department, that's why I know it's in good hands.

I thank each and every member for their tireless dedication and service to the communities of Bay Shore and Brightwaters.  
Stay Safe

Dana DeQuatro Monday Captain 51



## TUESDAY Daniel Rollero #52

Hi everyone

I would like to thank everyone that came down to help out when I was short handed. I wish I could be there for the whole 24 .

Any way I need a driver or EMT for the overnight if anybody could help out it would be great, it doesn't even have a permanent thing once every other week or once a month would be fine.

I would like to restart the informal training that we used to do on Tuesday. With paramedic Minschke willing to take the time to teach us , classes are fun and educational. Rig checks . Do them please , if you're no a call and something is missing , things can go bad fast.

Daniel Rollero Tuesday Captain 52



## WEDNESDAY Edward Trevino #53

I want to start by first thanking the members who put their trust in me to lead them for another year. Furthermore, I'd like to personally thank each and every single member who has helped me out this past month. Even if it was a simple "do you need help?" question, it means the world to know that the membership cares about serving the community.

As mentioned by the Chiefs, October brings a clean slate for all members. Remember to stay in good standing you must adhere to a few requirements. The first is duty hours. You must log in 24 hours a month minimum of duty time. Secondly, you must attend the monthly training's. Should you not be able to attend, you must do the make-up and fill out an excuse form by the end of the following month. Third, you must attend the monthly general meeting. Again, should you not be able to, an excuse form must be submitted by the end of the month. Lastly, each member has to sign up for one holiday duty tour during the year. All of these requirements are taken into consideration for probationary members who request badge status and for the eligibility of badge members to vote. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask any officer.

Lastly, as the weather changes please leave the rigs on high idle while on and parked. The rigs will run smoother and it'll help prolong the longevity of them if we keep them running nice and warm while the weather is cold. If you have any questions on how to leave a certain rig on high idle (I.E. 18) please let me know.

Please stay safe out there. Watch each others backs. Remember, the safety of you and your crew is the top priority.

Edward Trivino Wednesday Captain 53



## THURSDAY Kerri Paoletti #54

I would like to thank those of you who take time out of your day to come down and help out on Thursday's. I would love to see the day build up more people. We have preceptor's available for both EMT's and for drivers.

I do need a driver for the overnight. Also needed are crews throughout the day. I know it is not easy during the week to donate your time due to school and/or work, however, anything you could spare is much appreciated. If you need to run errands around district, you can always combine a crew and take an ambulance. If you are a cleared driver, you can take a responder. Or, you can take a radio.

Please keep in mind that we are all here for the same reason. We are not here to put each other down, nor are we here to make anyone feel uncomfortable. Remember there was a time in where you were new to EMS yourself. I have seen many people lose sight of this, and it is a shame. We all have something we can learn from each other. I challenge you to treat our fellow volunteers the way you would want someone to treat someone you care about. I challenge you to rise above the pettiness.

My phone is always on, and I am always willing to help anyone who needs it.

I appreciate everything every single one of you do for this organization. It is a pleasure to volunteer and ride amongst the best providers EMS has to offer.

Kerri Paoletti Wednesday Captain 55



## FRIDAY Steven Cameron #55

Good evening membership,

I would like to thank you all for electing me captain and giving me this opportunity in the organization, I will do my best and give it my all. As far as coverage goes I am well staffed from 1800-0000 but I can use some help on the overnight. I had one tech who had to switch their slot and another who may need to miss some time due to their work schedule so it would leave only myself and the paid medic. I'm light from 0600-1800 with just a paid crew and one volly crew so anyone looking to come down and get precepts or some additional ride time please feel free. Lastly just as a reminder that after a call please remember to restock your ambulance as soon as you get back to base, if we leave it for later there is a chance something is forgotten. Let's have a great year everyone.

Steven Cameron Wednesday Captain 55



## SATURDAY ANTHONY GARCIA #56

Good day everyone,

A special thank you to our departments Saturday Crew for a flawless first month. As we all know the Northwell Health Run was October 1st and the turnout was fantastic. The day ran effortlessly with every piece of apparatus staffed as well as no Mutual aid assistance for any part of the events which took place or the alarms that we were dispatched to. Congratulations to the Bay Shore High School Football Team for winning on homecoming.

Now with the cooler weather approaching I'd like to be the first to remind crews to place the blue blankets on our trucks. If used, return them to quarters because they are washed, then reused. These blankets can be found in the open BLS room on the top shelf. If there are none please contact the BLS Committee.

For anyone that is not aware, an EMT-B course has been scheduled to take place at our headquarters. It is two days a week: Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. If interested please ask anyone on how to sign up! Then for additional resources don't be afraid to come down on a Saturday to ask questions, ride with our crews and down the road get Precepted. All of Saturday's EMTs are preceptors are more than willing to lend a helping hand to further your EMS careers. I've said it before and I'll say it again; Saturdays is an extension of my family and the effort and dedication they put into the day and organization is that of excellence. Thank you to them for all that they do and their will to do more.

Anthony Garcia 56

# BSBRA November Calendar

<b>11/05/16</b> <b>INSTALLATION DINER</b> Invitation Only	<b>saturday / Nov. 5th / 2016</b>	<b>@: Hyatt Hotel</b>	<b>@ 1800 hours</b>
<b>11/07/16</b> <b>GENERAL MEETING</b>	<b>Monday / Nov. 7th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 2000 hours</b>
<b>11/19/16</b> <b>2HAND TOUCH FOOTBALL</b>	<b>Saturday / Nov. 11th / 2016</b>	<b>@: TBA</b>	<b>@ 1200 hours</b>
<b>11/13/16</b> <b>OSHA TRAINING</b> Blood borne Pathogens Training	<b>Sunday / Sun. 13th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 1430 hours</b>
<b>11/17/16</b> <b>OSHA TRAINING</b> Blood borne Pathogens Training	<b>Thursday / Thu. 17th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 1930 hours</b>
<b>11/18/16</b> <b>CHECK INJECT NEW EMTs</b>	<b>Friday / Nov. 18th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 1930 hours</b>
<b>11/19/16</b> <b>COMMUNITY CPR</b> Free Classes Space limited	<b>Saturday / Nov. 19th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 1000 hours</b>
<b>11/26/16</b> <b>ANNUAL TURKEY BALL vs</b> <b>EXCHANGE AMBULANCE</b>	<b>Saturday / Nov. 26th / 2016</b>	<b>@: TBS</b>	<b>@ 1230 hours</b>
<b>11/30/16</b> <b>OSHA TRAINING</b> Blood borne Pathogens Training	<b>Wednesday / Nov. 30th / 2016</b>	<b>@: HQ</b>	<b>@ 1930 hours</b>



## BSBRA Annual Youth Squad 2016 Thanksgiving Food Drive

**FEEDING FAMILIES IN NEED IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY  
PLEASE DONATE ANY CAN GOODS  
OR NONPERISHABLE ITEMS**

**WE WILL BE COLLECTING ITEMS IN THE YOUTH SQUAD TRAINING ROOM  
STARTING NOW UNTIL NOV, 19th 2016**

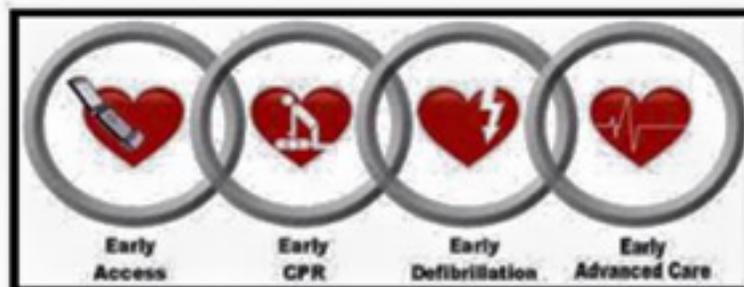
**Thank you!!**

For any information, please call John Martinez (631)418-6053

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Bay Shore - Brighwaters Rescue Ambulance, Inc.

# 2016 Community CPR Program



This FREE course offers Adult, Child and Infant CPR and AED Use. No experience is necessary and this course is intended for individuals with limited or no medical background. Space is limited and all classes will be held at 10 am, at our HQ located at: 911 Aletta Place, Bay Shore NY 11706.

· **January 30th** · **March 26th** · **May 21th** · **July 30th** · **September 24th** · **November 19th** ·

Please pre-register on our website: <http://www.bsbra.org> or via email: [CPR@BSBRA.org](mailto:CPR@BSBRA.org)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



Co-ed Annual Turkey Bowl!  
Saturday, November 19th, 1200hours

Holiday Decorating Party  
Friday, November 25th, 1900, building  
(food & beverage to be determined)

Co-ed Annual Turkey Bowl!  
Saturday, November 26th. 1230 hours

Come help us defeat Exchange Ambulance!  
(At HS)  
Happy Thanksgiving!

# BIRTHDAYS



## **BAY SHORE- BRIGHTWATERS RESCUE AMBULANCE**

911 Aletta Place. Bay Shore, NY 11706

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

*Please email us at [signal19@bsbra.org](mailto:signal19@bsbra.org)*

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 11/02.....Annalise Slack
- 11/02.....Brianna Scotti
- 11/02.....Jesi Hart
- 11/05.....Karyn Haynes
- 11/06.....George Mayott
- 11/09.....Emily Morgan
- 11/12.....Kelvin Sosa
- 11/15.....Tania Harrington
- 11/17.....Bill Abrams
- 11/19.....Michelle Jean
- 11/20.....Katherine Weller
- 11/22.....Anna Brennan
- 11/25.....Diane Tierney
- 11/26.....Amanda Evans
- 11/26.....Bryant Ortiz
- 11/27.....Holly Maiforth
- 11/27.....William Wiedermann
- 11/30.....Jaycee Gunn
- 11/30.....John Martinez

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

*-John Martinez, editors of Signal19 @ BSBRA*