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New Faces and Old Friends

We are pleased to introduce Peninsula Ambulance Corps' (PAC's) new manager, Alan W. Henschke. Alan comes to us from Whitehouse Station, NJ and joined us on June 1st bringing an impressive combination of skills and background.



Alan has worked in the field of emergency medicine for 33 years, including 27 years as a Paramedic. His extensive experience as an educator and administrator will be a valuable addition to our dedicated team. He and his family are excited about joining the Blue Hill peninsula community and we encourage everyone to welcome Alan and his family to our area.

We are very grateful to our outgoing manager, Geoff Miller for more than 3 decades with PAC – first as a paramedic, and then as manager for 28 years. In May Geoff was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by Maine EMS. Geoff will remain in the Blue Hill area, devoting his time to his pottery business, Lowell Hill Pottery.

PAC also welcomes Dr. David Saquet, who is a doctor of osteopathic medicine, as our new medical director. Dr. Saquet is a board-certified emergency medicine physician and has been affiliated with Eastern Maine Medical Center since 2014. He has expertise in treating trauma, injury and accidents. He replaces Dr. Jane Garfield as medical director. Dr. Garfield has been serving PAC since 2007 and continues to do so as director emerita.

A Fresh New Ambulance

Also, in the news and noteworthy department, PAC has a new ambulance! It was delivered in early March and is identical to the one acquired in 2014. It was built by PL Custom of New Jersey and purchased through Sugarloaf Rescue Vehicles of Wilton, Maine, a company with a long record of service to ambulance companies in Maine and New Hampshire. This is the third truck PAC has purchased from them.

Because ambulances operate every day of the year, 24 hours per day, they rack up many miles quickly. On average they have a seven to ten-year span of useful ser-

vices, and the wear and tear caused by driving on country roads can further shorten their lives. Recognizing that regular ambulance replacement could not be sustained by an ongoing cycle of capital campaigns, several years ago PAC's board of directors, in cooperation with local town governments, created a reserve fund for ambulance replacement. PAC's seven service communities—Blue Hill, Sedgwick, Brooklin, Brooksville, Penobscot, Surry, and Castine—each support this fund on a per-capita basis.

PAC in the Community

PAC continually reaches out to the Blue Hill Peninsula community. Recently, several of our employees, along with members of the Blue Hill Fire Department, Hancock County Sheriff's department, and other community organizations and businesses, participated in a dramatic and moving program called Every 15 Minutes at George Stevens Academy. The program, which we have participated in before, highlights in dramatic fashion the danger and consequences of drunk and distracted driving.

On a lighter note, PAC will be visible at other summer events, including the Blue Hill Congregational Church's Blueberry Festival and the Jared Grindle softball tournament in Brooksville. We are also working on other community-wide activities and educational opportunities. Our mission is to keep our community healthy and safe, and with your support we'll continue to do so.

Letter from the President

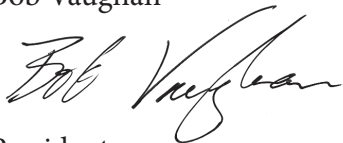
When I was getting started in business, an old friend told me in conversation that one of the great keys to success was being able to tell the difference between temptation and opportunity. At the end of that rambling conversation he turned to go back to his boat on the mooring. As he stepped into his dinghy, I asked him "So, Farnham, how do you tell the difference?" Not even phrasing the whole question. He smiled slightly and said, "That's the challenge, but at least you have the question."

That deceptively simple advice was an eloquent variation on the principle that every change brings with it opportunity. When PAC was faced with replacing our manager of 28 years, our board of directors wrestled with the combination of qualifications and abilities that we should seek. We settled on the model ... Then the search.

I am compelled to give a huge credit to Barry Acker and his search committee that brought forth 30 applicants from across the country and even overseas. The sorting process that followed was, in a word, professional.

We will, in the fullness of time, find out how well this board and its new operations manager meet Farnham's simple challenge. I am very optimistic.

Bob Vaughan



President

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