

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES HOLD YEAR END EVENT**

*Written by Tom Kashatus* Emergency services of Newport Township culminated a relatively successful year with a Christmas party held at the Glen Lyon Italian Sporting Club on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Chairpersons for the gala event held during the winter season's first major snowfall were Lee Kowalski, Gina Domashinski, Jason Poremba and Jason Kowalski. Over forty five emergency personnel and their guests were in attendance.

Patrolman James Evans was presented a certificate for "Police Officer of the Year" by Newport Township Police Chief Robert Impaglia. Fire Chief Dan Kowalski presented an award to Fireman of the Year, Jason Poremba, for his "trustworthiness" and "workhorse of the department." He also received a gift certificate to Marty's Blue Room in Sheatown for a well deserved dinner. Michael Makavensky was honored by the Fireman's Ambulance Association for his contribution to the department and the public for his volunteerism regarding emergency calls. A moment of silence tribute was paid to fallen retired firemen who passed on during the past year – Edmund Tarnowski, Arnold Morucci, Alfred Noss, Joseph A. Hillan, and Chester Yaniga.

Fire Chief Kowalski stated that the highlights for the fire department during the past year were (1) the department's participation in the spring carnival with the Newport Township Little League at Holy Child Grove in Sheatown and (2) with the aid of State grant funding, the acquisition of and air compressor to assist in emergency rescue and a number of air packs.

Jason Kowalski, Gina Domashinski, & Mike Makavensky  
Jason Poremba & Fire Chief D. Kowalski  
Chief Impaglia & Patrolman Evans