

GREEN VALLEY-MORGAN FIRE DEPARTMENT

The department has been very busy the last few months responding to a high volume of calls and a revised training program. The department is working with a training program that was designed to train our members on the latest techniques and practices to better serve the municipalities we are responsible to protect. Our monthly training meetings are led by a certified fire instructor from a company call Public Safety Training Center from Green Bay.

Last fall the department completed the application to submit to for review to improve the insurance rating for the townships we serve. The department was successful in lowering our rating from a 9 to a 7. This is a significant improvement. We encourage you to reach out to your insurance agent to ensure that your company is aware of the improved rating. With coverage premiums increasing you may not see a reduction in your premium but the saving could be there just absorbed by inflation.

The department will be holding our annual fireman's picnic the second Saturday in August just like in years past. The parade will begin at 11:00 and music will start at noon. If you want to enter a float in the parade text Joel Nischke @ 715-584-2095. So, save the date of **August 9, 2025** to come to the fire station in Green Valley and enjoy the day with friends and family. There will be a car show, three bands, a gun raffle, bucket raffles and of course food and refreshments. Activities for the kids include a peddle pull, a bounce house, and a free bike giveaway. Watch for posters advertising the events of the picnic around the various businesses in the area and the postings on Facebook. The event takes a lot of planning and volunteers to make it run smoothly, if you would like to help make the day a success and give a little of your time the department is always looking for some extra help, contact one of the fire fighters and let them know. See you on August 9th.

This spring the department responded to many calls for trees down on powerlines due to the accumulation of ice. The area saw a lot of tree damage, if you have limbs and branches to dispose of by burning, please use caution when burning, the wind conditions can change quickly and the fire can get out of control even with the green vegetation. If you are going to have a controlled burn please call the Oconto Sheriffs non-emergency number (920) 834-6900 and Fire Chief Leonard Wahl at (920) 373-3308 to report your controlled burn.

The Green Valley Morgan Fire Company is looking for young volunteer minded individuals to join our department. For more information on becoming a member of the department and to see what we are all about contact any member or Chief Wahl at (920) 373-3308 to set up a time to meet.

On April 1, 2025 the department put into service a new pickup truck command vehicle out fitted with a wildfire skid unit. This skid unit was ordered through Reliant Fire Apparatus and with a custom fabricated slide made by Hatley Welding, it is designed to slide into the bed of our 1832 command vehicle. This will allow us to make it easy to remove and store during the off season for wildland fires. The purchase of this skid unit was made possible with the generous community support we receive at our annual firefighter's picnic and a grant from the Wisconsin DNR. The command unit 1832 and our six-wheeler wildfire units are housed at Station 3 in the Town of Morgan. Enjoy all your summer activities and stay safe.

