

Welcome to Mitchell Associates Architects

Dear Friend,

Welcome to Mitchell Associates Architects Public Safety Design News. It has been a busy year for our firm. Read on for details...

\$4.8 Million Philipstown North Highlands Fire Station Breaks Ground

George Lisitakos, Chairman of the Philipstown North Highlands Board of Fire Commissioners recently led a ground breaking ceremony for the Fire District's new 16,364 sq.ft. fire station, located in Putnam County, NY, near Beacon in the Hudson Valley.

Lisitakos said the new facility was really needed: "Our existing structure was built for \$60,000 in 1971 and was meant to last 30 years. This is now year 38. The building was falling apart."

When the first bond vote failed, the Commissioners brought in members of the community to participate in the planning. It was the community who energized the approval process, while the Commissioners reduced, redesigned and returned to the voters for bond approval in August 2007.

Mitchell Associates Architects was hired to both design the fire station and bring the project to the voters. When George Lisitakos was asked, 'What did Philipstown like about working with Mitchell Associates Architects?' he replied, "That's simple. Bob Mitchell knows fire stations." The project has been phased so that the fire station can remain in operation throughout construction.

Meet Mitchell Associates Architects this Summer 2008

Mitchell Associates will be appearing at several events this summer. Below is a listing of 3 upcoming events:

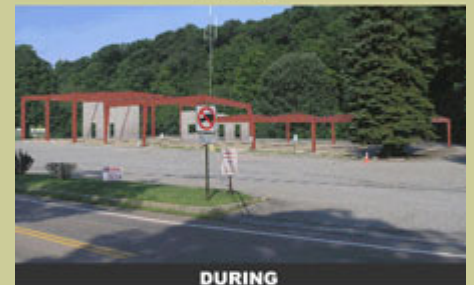
- **The New York State Association of Fire Chiefs, Lake George, NY**

June 12 - 14 Booth #1070

www.nysfirechiefs.com



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The new Philipstown North Highlands Fire Station will reuse all of the existing structural frame and also include decontamination capability, room for the future and a place for training.



Ground Breaking Day - May 19 Holding shovels, left to right: Fire Chief Charlie Nolan with Commissioners Johanna Rapp, John Van Tassel, Chairman George Lisitakos and Hans Moeller.

Presentation: "Your Old Fire Station: Should You Renovate or Knock it Down?" - June 12, 1:00 PM with Robert Mitchell, Mitchell Associates Architects

- **The New England Fire/Rescue/EMS Expo, Springfield, MA**

June 20 - 22 Booth #69
www.newenglandfirechiefs.org

- **The Firehouse Expo, Baltimore, MD**

July 22 - 27 Booth #2600
www.firehouseexpo.com

Presentation: "Programming: The Most Important Step in Creating Your New Fire Station" - July 24, 12:00 PM, with Robert Mitchell, Mitchell Associates Architects

Presentation: "The Bond Vote - Maximizing Your Chances for Success" - July 25, 8:30 AM, with Robert Mitchell, Mitchell Associates Architects