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Legislative Efforts Successful



Governor Orr signing House Bill 1156. Left to right: seated, Rep. Ray Richardson, Gov. Orr, Senator Virginia Blankenbaker. Standing, John Ford, Senator Farrel Duckworth, IVFA President Carl Bruns and Fire Marshal William Goodwin.

At a meeting in Governor Orr's office, the author of House Bill 1156, Representative Ray Richardson, Greenfield, Senate Co-sponsors Senator Virginia Blankenbaker, Indianapolis, Senator Farrel Duckworth, Bloomington, Fire Marshal William Goodwin, IVFA President Carl Bruns and John T. Ford IVFA look on as Governor Orr signs House Bill 1156 into law.

House Bill 1156 took maximum efforts from the Legislators as well as the IVFA with assistance from Governor Orr, in putting it all together so that the end result

would be helpful to the entire Fire Service as well as the General Public.

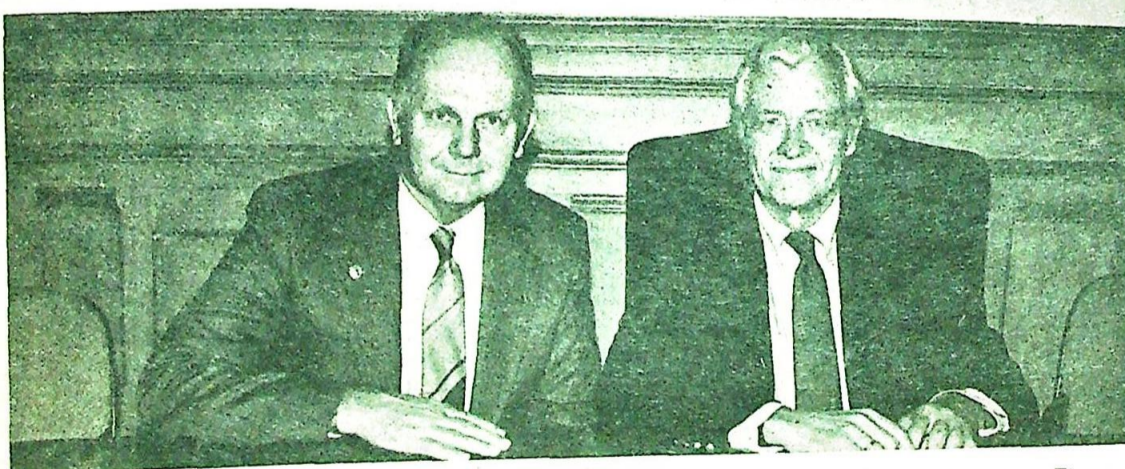
Governor Orr was happy to sign the Bill as it did take care of problems at hand while keeping the present structures and at the same time implementing corrections that will make for stronger Public Safety.

Senator Blankenbaker, Senator Duckworth and Representative Richardson were all very satisfied to see that the hard work that went into this Bill did come to a very satisfactory conclusion and thanked the IVFA for the efforts

and assistance given them to arrive at this conclusion.

Fire Marshal Goodwin was very pleased to have House Bill 1156 signed as it will give his office the tools needed to upgrade the Office as well as the services they provide.

IVFA President Bruns appreciated all the efforts put forth to make this Bill possible, as it will be of great assistance to the Volunteer Fire Service as well as the Education and Certification Program.



Governor Orr (right) and IVFA President Carl Bruns (left) confer as Governor signs the Volunteer Firemen's Week proclamation to begin June 17th, 1984.

Governor Orr signs a Proclamation designating June 17th through June 23rd, 1984, as Volunteer Firemen's Week.

Volunteer Firemen will be recognized by all citizens of Indiana

for the work and dedication they give, not only to the communities they serve but to the State of Indiana, for very little or no compensation whatever.

No entity of Government could

afford the service they provide in any budgetary manner and we are thankful and proud to have dedicated Volunteer Firemen provide this service.

Legislative Report of Bills Passed & Lost

There are many more bills presented each year that in some way affect the Volunteer Fire Service and Public Fire Safety.

Each has to be researched and a decision made as to what course to take and the importance of each if it became law.

Many are just written and left to die on the vine, but one can not figure out which one will die and which will survive and that is where the problems start.

Bills LOST during the Session that affected the Volunteers, due to whatever reason, are in part as

follows:

Volunteer Firemen's Pension
Volunteer Firemen's Income tax reduction

Volunteer Fire Dept. Gas Tax exemption

2 changes in the Blue Light Law 1. Make traffic relinquish right of way and 2. Allow Blue lights on trucks

Add to Volunteer A&H Insurance mental, drug and alcohol abuse coverage.

There were others that did not go any place that had a slight affect and thus died on the vine.

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CONVENTION SCHEDULE June 20, 21, 22, 23, 1984

Wednesday, June 20 1984

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Registration	Adams Mark Hotel

Thursday, June 21, 1984

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Registration	Adams Mark Hotel
8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.	Inside & Outside Displays	Adams Mark Hotel
8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Miss Flame Judging	Adams Mark Hotel
12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Hog Roast Sponsored by Indiana Fire Apparatus	Adams Mark Hotel
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Miss Flame Luncheon Sponsored by Wayne Township	Adams Mark Hotel
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Men's & Ladies Officers Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Hot Dog & Beer Bust, Sponsored by Midwest Fire & Safety	Adams Mark Hotel
7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.	Joint Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.	Entertainment, Sponsored by Convention Host	Adams Mark Hotel
9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.	Fire House Rhythm Band	Adams Mark Hotel

Friday, June 22, 1984

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Registration	Adams Mark Hotel
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Inside & Outside Displays	Adams Mark Hotel
8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.	Auxiliary Coffee Klutch	Adams Mark Hotel
8:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Men's Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
9:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.	Ladies Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	Memorial Services	Lynhurst Baptist Church
12:00 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.	Lunch	Your choice
1:15 p.m. to Close	Men's Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
1:15 p.m. to Close	Ladies Meeting	Adams Mark Hotel
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Banquet	Adams Mark Hotel
9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.	Dance, Sponsored by Host	Adams Mark Hotel
9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.	Dance, Fire House Rhythm Band	Adams Mark Hotel

Saturday June 23, 1984

TIME	EVENT	PLACE
7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.	Registration for Games	Adams Mark Hotel
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Convention Games	Adams Mark Hotel
3:00 p.m.	Parade	West Washington Street

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Quarterly Officer's Meeting.

February 4th and 5th,

Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, Indianapolis.

Chaplain Lantz gave the Invocation followed by the pledge to the flag led by Vice President Sunday.

Dist. 2 Chairman Dale Smith made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. PR Windsor seconded. A discussion was held on the sending of the computer print outs to District Chairmen on delinquent departments. Motion carried by voice vote.

Pres. Burns introduced Jim DeKonick of the Games Committee and Dist. 2 Secretary Tim Reed.

Sec. Bechtel stated that a quorum was present on the roll call. President Bruns in his report stated that he has been doing extensive traveling attending meetings and different functions. However, most of his time has been spent toward the legislative efforts.

Vice President Sunday in his report stated that he has not done the traveling that the President has done but he too has been helping with the legislative efforts. He also stated that the names for the Mid-West awards are to be given to him this weekend.

Treasurer Stofer - Pass at this time.

Secretary Bechtel went over the list of departments that have not paid their dues and some of the problems that have been encountered with the print outs. He also stated that as of today there are 15,262 paid memberships to our association. Sgt.-at-Arms Bush stated that he has done some traveling. Also all orders which he received for supplies have been filled and are here. To get your order contact him and he will get them.

Recording Secretary Nevil - Pass.

Chaplain Lantz has done extensive traveling giving Memorial Services and also helping on the legislative efforts as required by the President.

Past Presidents Parker, Stofer, Engle, and Ford had no report.

PR Dir. Hoobyar stated that he has been attending meetings and he too has been in contact with the legislators from his area.

PR Dir. Kinsey has been attending the District meetings and it has been brought to his attention that the fellows feel a copy of each bill in legislation that affects the fire services be given to them, so they can make their own decision when they call their legislators.

PR Dir. Michl in his report stated that he has been working on Fire Schools and attending as many meetings as he can.

PR Dir. Windsor commented that he too has been attending the meetings and working with all departments on the Miss Flame contest. He also stated that several dates are open for the I.V.F.A. trailer and the E.D.I.T.H. room.

PR Dir. Davis has been attending all meetings and he asked if the association was for or against a bill from the Vincennes area which

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Legislative Report

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BILLS THAT HAVE PASSED.

HOUSE BILL 1148
Author Rep. Schmid, Indianapolis

Sponsor Sen. Corcoran, Seymour

Digest in brief
Broadens definition of hazardous substances emergency; and makes other changes regarding immunity for actions during emergency. (Good Samaritan)

HOUSE BILL 1156

Author Rep. Richardson, Greenfield

Sponsor Sen. Blankenbaker
Digest in brief
Amends numerous Indiana Code provisions to: (1) prevent the termination of certain state agencies under the sunset statute; (2) abolish the administrative building council, fire prevention commission, elevator safety board, and boiler and pressure vessel board; (3) establish a fire prevention and building safety commission; (4) establish a department of fire prevention and building safety consisting of the offices of the state building commissioner, the state fire marshal, and several divisions; and (5) permit the use of the law enforcement academy for the training of firefighters. Repeals numerous code provisions that are replaced by this bill. Partially effective upon passage and partially effective June 30, 1984.

HOUSE BILL 1168

Author Rep. Pool, Crawfordsville

Sponsor Sen. Harrison, Attica
Digest in brief

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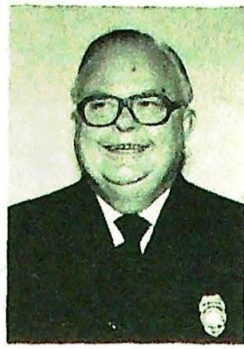
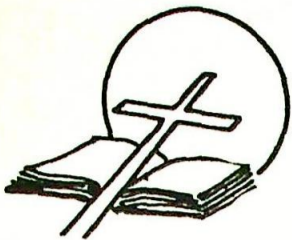
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Your Chaplain, Duane Lantz

From Your Chaplain



LUKE 24: 1-10

Now upon the first day of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.

And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre. And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus. And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments: and as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee, saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

And they remembered his words, and returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them which told these things unto the apostles.



There is still snow on the ground; the temperature is cold, but there are spots of green grass through the snow. This gives us a new hope of spring, a God given hope we will shed the old coat of winter.

There are new seed catalogs of vegetables and beautiful flowers; we are looking forward to a new and glorious spring.

The month of April brings to us the Easter season. Easter is a Christian festival that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the most important holy day of the Christian religion. People attend churches and take part in religious ceremonies. Easter has always been a special time of joy for us, but now the presence of a living Savior has blessed me even deeper. When the kids were small Easter Sunday was a very special day. "Jo" would sit up many nights sewing for the girls so they would look nice in the presence of God; oh, yes, the boys and dad probably had a new tie to help the occasion. May this joy of Easter help us walk more faithfully in His way, as His strengthening presence guides and supports us.

There are many men who gave their lives for the fire service, and to those families our prayers go out to you. Please look to the living Christ for your guidance and direction.

This woman has a story to tell. Before my husband died I thought I had implicit faith and trust in God; but not 'til I found myself trying to make it in my new role did I get the real significance of the word TRUST. I cannot say that because of my trust in the Lord all has not been "honey licking" in our lives as a family, but He has stayed by us.

As your Chaplain and officiating at many memorials, I did not really know until the passing of my wife Jo (by the way it has been eight years), the real significance of the word TRUST.

How I wish and pray for folks who are discouraged and frustrated, perplexed and worried to trust the Lord with their lives and problems. It has been said that experience is a great teacher. Having been taught by that teacher, I know that what the psalmist is saying is nothing but the truth. The Lord is a good God, and I love Him from the very depths of my heart.

For Others
You will find, as you look back
Upon your life, that the moments
That stand out are the moments
when you have done
things for others.

Henry Drummond

PRAYER

Dear God, help those who doubt Thy love to put their full trust in Thee. I thank Thee that Thou are a God who has never failed those whose faith rests in Thee. I pray in Christ's name.

Amen

...THIS SUNDAY GO TO THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE... YOU WILL LIKE IT!

YOUR FAIR SHARE

It's easy to sit in the sunshine
 And talk to the man in the shade;
 It's easy to sit in a well-made boat
 And tell others just where to wade;
 It's easy to tell the toiler how
 Best to carry his pack,
 But you never know the weight of the load
 Until the pack is on YOUR back.

Your Chaplain,
 Duane Lantz

OFFICER'S MEETING

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would allow blue lights on fire trucks. Pres. Bruns stated that he felt the association should be against this bill.

Dist. 1 Howe had some of the same comments as PR Kinsey and also commented on some proposed rule changes that are being considered by the E.M.S. Commission.

Dist. 2 D. Smith stated that he has some departments coming back into the association.

Dist. 3 Kuhnel - absent

Dist. 4 Price also had some comments on legislation and stated that he too is working on the fire school.

Dist. 5 W. Smith said that he has been having poor attendance at meetings but a couple of moves have been made to try and improve it. 5th District Fire School will be on April 21st at Plymouth on High Rise Rescue. He also stated that the attendance is up at the certification schools.

Dist. 6 Poling has been working on fire schools and the Miss Flame contests. He stated that at the last meeting the District voted not to split but leave it as it is.

Dist. 7 Sorg reported three deaths since the last meeting. He also reported that on April 28 at Bluffton, will be the District Fire School. Also on March 4, Decatur will have a dedication of the new addition to their Fire Station.

Dist. 8A Fleener - absent.

Dist. 8B Nickens set the date of May 20 at Hamilton Twp. for his Fire School and that his District has a contestant for the Miss Flame contest this year.

Dist. 9A Sutton said he has been as busy as he is allowed. In October he had a triple by-pass and he was glad to be here.

Dist. 9B Swartz - The only District 100 percent at this time. Fire School will be held on March 26 at Remington on L.P. Gas.

Dist. 10 Macy has been working on his Fire Schools, nothing has been confirmed yet.

Dist. 11A Reed reported two deaths in his district and the Miss Flame contest to be held on February 19. On April 14 & 15 they are having their Fire School.

Dist. 11B Osborne reported that several activities have been going on in the area by departments attempting to raise money.

Dist. 12 Johnson - absent.

D13A Schaeckel has a Miss Flame contest on February 19. He also had a question on material submitted to the newspaper but was not printed.

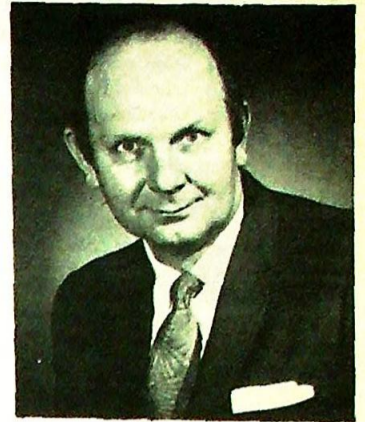
D13B Gabbard - absent.

D14 Sellmer reported four deaths and also some problems in his area in the fire service. He too felt that more information on bills the association is for or against should be distributed to the local departments. A short group discussion followed as to what kind of cost would be involved in sending a copy of each bill to every department. It was felt by some that this would be prohibitive due to cost of printing and mailing. It was also brought out that if an amendment is added which is sometimes done two or three times a day it would just not work.

Dist. 15 Buckman - absent.

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PRES SEZ...



CARL BRUNS

As we think back to the last several months, we are reminded of the severe cold weather we went through in fire suppression. The minus 20 degree temperature that many departments encountered, many fire trucks froze, firefighters had their feet, ears and fingers frozen. I always thought fighting fires in the tremendous heat of summer was the most enduring, I still cling to that theory. I could go on telling many stories I heard around the state of fighting fires in the sub-zero, but I want to commend all of you for performing a most efficient job under adverse conditions. There has been considerable loss of life in residential fires this winter. Every week we read of several individuals that have lost their lives in home fires. Our job is not complete until we execute Fire Prevention and Fire Safety Education. This must be a part of your fire department program, let's start to plan now.

Spring is here, fire schools are in progress, as we report every

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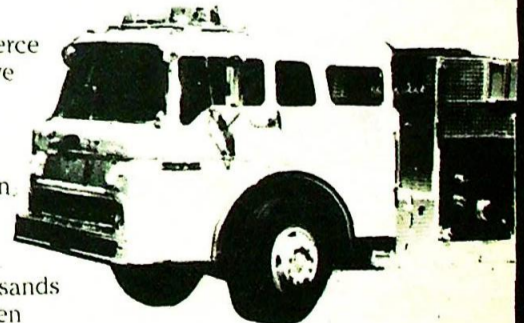
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	Jim Dekonick
	Al Mendel

Parliamentarian

Bill Engle

OFFICER'S MEETING

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Dist. 16 Roberts has contacted all departments in his District which have not paid their dues.

Dist. 17A Engle thanked all who attended their sausage supper. He has a certification school going on at this time. Also he has a new department signed into the association and the District has discussed the Blue Light Law now in legislation. The Fire School is being worked on.

Dist. 17B Lockhart has had two meetings recently. Discussion at these meetings has centered on the lack of funds in our association. They felt that a dues increase should be justified if some justification is given.

Dist. 18 Reinhart - absent.

Dist. 19 Kissel stated that the Fire Schools are all set.

Dist. 20 Culross - absent.

At this time Jack Ford made some comments concerning the different points brought up today by the officers concerning notification on what the association is for or against on legislative bills.

Communications -Sec. Bechtel had information on a sheet on what you get for your \$5 dues.

Pres. Bruns read a letter from the Indiana Fire Instructors Association to Mr. Fred Vilella from F.E.M.A. and State Fire Marshal William Goodwin pertaining to comments made by these gentlemen at the Richmond Fire Conference.

Pres. Bruns read a letter from the attorneys representing the I.V.F.A. concerning the dealings with F & C Publishing. He then brought the officers up to date on how things stand with Mr. Frank Murphy at this time.

At this time Pres. Bruns stated we will recess for dinner and we will reconvene at 7 pm. Recessed at 5:05.

At 7:05 the meeting was reconvened.

Dist. 8A Fleener - no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Games - Bob Surber reported on the cart race. Rules will be put in the next paper. There will be no entry fee and trophies will be awarded for the 1st and 2nd place for men and women.

Safety - Tom Sellmer feels that something should be done on the installation of wood burning stoves in the state. Debate was raised as to whose responsibility it is and what authority or responsibility the fire department has in making inspections on this type of stove installation.

I.N.C.E.R.T. - Toddy Michl reported on a meeting held recently in his area.

Convention - Gene Stofer stated that a report will be given on Sunday.

Computer Service - Jim Parker requested all to make sure that the address is correct on the computer forms.

N.V.F.C. - Norm Crocker - absent.

Photographer - Bruce Neal stated the pictures will be taken on Sunday.

Historical update - Russell Reinhart - absent.

By-Laws - John Buckman - absent.

E.M.S. - Don Weigel - a public hearing will be held on February 13th in Indianapolis concerning some proposed rule and regulation changes affecting the operation of the basic E.M.T., and, ambulance

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Legislative Report

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Requires that the EMS Commission conduct training and public education programs in licensed hospitals, under IC 16-1-10

HOUSE BILL 1210

Author Rep. N. Becker, Logansport

Sponsor Sen. Niemeyer, Lowell

Digest in brief
Clarifies language in IC 36-8-12-3 RE: mandatory Heart Event coverage, and allows co-ordinated benefits.

SENATE BILL 209

Author Sen. Jessup, Summitville

Sponsor Rep. Hoover, Ridgeville

Digest in brief
Specifies conditions under which non-profit organizations may offer food for sale at benefit events and are not subject to the sanitary requirements of a food establishment.

A good 90 percent of the time was spent on House Bill 1156 in order to bring it to a good compromise solution that would be a workable solution for the Volunteer Fire Service and the General Public.

Copies of the Bills passed are in the hands of the State Secretary and I am sure that he will be able to answer any questions you might have.

It has once more been a very successful year in Indianapolis for the Volunteer and it is only with the help of each member in calling, talking and writing each Legislator that turns tears into laughter. The Legislators do need your input and do pay attention to your calls and letters, as once more shown this Legislative Session.

Thank you once more for the opportunity to serve and can only hope that you derive some satisfaction from the results.

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OFFICERS MEETING

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providers. Discussion followed on the proposed changes. The committee made a recommendation that the Medical Director concept be opposed as well as one part of the restructuring of the Basic E.M.T. inservice requirement. The committee is opposed to the changing of the three year to a two year recertification but to better meet the needs of the E.M.T. Bill Howe made a motion that the association support the recommendation of the committee. Tom Sellmer seconded. A discussion was held on some alternatives to the proposal. Motion carried by voice vote. Pres. Bruns then directed Don Weigel to meet with 2 or 3 people tonight and have an alternative to present tomorrow on the proposal.

Clothing - Lawrence Swartz stated that a resolution will be presented on convention floor concerning a change in the eye glass coverage.

Fire Schools - Vice Pres. Sunday stated he needs the dates for fire schools this weekend. The three programs which have been suggested by the Training Committee will have guidelines established and available to anyone who is going to present one of the classes. Also available from the N.F.P.A. is the program on Learn Not To Burn on a high school level. Other things that Vice Pres. Sunday brought out are: The Certified Instructor list is going to be updated as soon as possible; Warren Township, Indianapolis has a Haz. Mat. program and a vehicle equipped for a Haz. Mat. emergency. This year each fire school shall have a certificate of insurance stating, what, where, when, who, and the address of the school. Everyone who attends the schools must fill out the forms for attendance which will be provided. He also encouraged all people putting on the school to find out what the total cost of the instructor will be before the class is set. He also stated that any request for certification from the Fire Marshal's office be directed to the Fire Marshal.

Pres. Bruns stated that records and expenses are foremost at these fire schools.

Resolutions - Bill Kinsey reported that two resolutions have been submitted and accepted by his committee, another was returned for clarification and has not been returned as of yet. A short discussion was held on the two resolutions one of them was that the membership dues could be increased annually from the convention floor and the other was eye glasses and glasses with hearing aids increased to a maximum of \$50 and \$75 respectively.

Pres. Bruns restated the due date of March 1st for resolutions for consideration at the annual convention.

Insurance - Lee Kissell led the discussion on what the present policy covers and does not cover as state officers traveling through out the state on official business. Also was discussed the present policy coverage at fire schools. The committee was charged to write some specifications on what they felt is required for adequate coverage for both and contact some companies for price quotes and enter into an agreement as our present contract expires on April 30.

Public Education - Pete Lockhart recommended that all equipment be located in a central area of state. He felt his committee would have better inventory control if a garage or building was rented and all material stored and also covered by insurance as money is available.

Membership - Carl Davis reported that everything is going real well.

Editor Assistance - Bill Howe commented on an article in the last issue concerning a lawsuit against a Fire Department. Since the paper has come out the suit has been decided in favor of the Fire Department. More on it in the next issue of the paper.

Paper ads - Jack Ford stated that one advertiser in the paper has not paid his account but it is being pursued.

Convention Book - Mort Sorg reported that things are still falling into place.

Pres. Bruns recessed the meeting at 9:22 pm until 9:00 am on February 5.

At 8:55 a.m. on February 5th Pres. Bruns called the meeting to order. Chaplain Lantz gave an opening prayer. Pres. Bruns then turned the meeting over to Jack Ford for the legislative report. Jack spoke of the many bills submitted in the short session but most time effort he explained was extended to HB1156 and SB361. He stated that they were both very similar bills but HB1156 had a better chance to pass. Discussion was held on some of the amendments that should be made to make it a better bill. After the bills had been discussed for a lengthy period PR Kinsey made a motion to discontinue conversation any further on these items. Pres. Bruns stated that he would not accept the motion.

Treasurer Gene Stofer introduced Deputy Chief Larry Curl from Wayne Township, Indianapolis, host for this year's annual convention. Deputy Chief Curl at this time gave a rundown of the convention. Everything will be at the Adams Mark Motel with the exception of the Memorial Service and the parade. Treasurer Stofer commented that all room rates are based on using the forms provided. However, if you want to get a room and not use the forms, no problem, but the rate will be \$85, not \$44 per night.

D18 Russell Reinhart had no report on Historical Update. He had had good attendance at his meetings and the Fire School dates are not set.

Pete Lockhart made a motion to allow Pres. Bruns and Past Pres. Parker to continue with the mailing of the next issue of the paper the same as the last. Seconded by Macy. Carried by voice vote.

Jim Parker, past President, made a motion that our attorney advise Mr. Frank Murphy's attorney that if a plan of action be started immediately. Roberts seconded. Carried by voice vote. A short discussion was held on the dollar amount but it was stated that a policy had been set previously so no further action is required.

Vice Pres. Sunday went over the progress that has been made with the Indiana Farm Bureau on the award program.

Don Weigel briefly went over the proposal that will be sent to all E.M.S. Commission members on the proposed rule changes. Tom Sellmer made a motion that the committee's recommendation be approved. Gene Stofer seconded. Carried by voice vote. Carl Davis brought forth some ideas on continuous membership and how to get all departments to pay the dues when they are due and payable. Stofer made a motion that the membership committee be charged with putting their ideas on paper for the next meeting. Poling seconded. Carried by voice vote. At this time Auxiliary Vice Pres. Nickie Sunday spoke on the "Lucky Doe Doll" tickets and convention Miss Flame. Chairman Lucy Stofer on District Miss Flame pictures and dates.

Old Business

Secretary Bechtel requested permission from the body to dispose of some records pertaining to Nationwide Insurance that are more than seven years old.

Pres. Bruns encouraged all officers to attend committee meetings that you have been named to serve on.

Pres. Bruns also led in a short discussion on a possible dues increase.

New Business

Vice Pres. Sunday wants all Mid-West award names in before you leave today.

Pres. Bruns in his closing remarks reminded all that the Mr. I.V.F.A. names should be gotten in. March 20th is the deadline for the next issue of the paper and separate mailings will be done for payment of dues this year.

Jim Parker made a motion to adjourn. Poling seconded., Meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m. for lunch and the Board of Directors will meet immediately following lunch.

Board Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. Bill Howe made a motion to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes. Max Poling seconded. Carried by voice vote.

Old Business

Chairman Sellmer led the discussion by stating that the A.V.A.A. checking account is closed. He also stated the Bibles were ordered and in possession of Chaplain Lantz.

A short discussion on resolutions was held. No action taken. A short discussion was held on the I.V.F.A. Booklet. Howe made a motion that the booklets be put on a hold indefinitely as far as printing the booklet is concerned. Davis seconded. Carried by voice vote.

Vice Pres. Sunday reported that most material is in for the District Chairman Guide and hopefully will be ready for distribution at the next meeting.

Steve Macy made a motion that envelopes be ordered for the best deal. Dale Smith seconded. Carried by voice vote. Jim Parker made a motion seconded by Price that 1000 expense vouchers be ordered. Carried by voice vote.

New Business

Lee Kissell requested permission to pursue adequate coverage for our association. Jim Parker made a motion to empower the committee to get quotes on a policy they recommended, enter into an agreement, purchase and bring to the May meeting for discussion by this body. Roy Richardson seconded. Carried by voice vote.

Jim Parker made a motion that Jack Ford be allowed to purchase some type of award given to three individuals as a token of our appreciation for what they have done for our association. Pete Lockhart seconded. Carried by voice vote.

Max Poling made a motion that Secretary Bechtel be given permission to destroy any way he sees fit any records seven years and older. Jim Parker seconded. Carried by voice vote.

Poling made a motion to adjourn following the Benediction by Chaplain Lantz. Bechtel seconded. Motion carried by voice vote. Benediction was given by Chaplain Lantz and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
IVAN NEVIL
Recording Secretary

Prez Sez

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year there is much to learn. Vice President Sunday is interested in the classes you want, and he is offering suggestions. Let's give him our support. In the January edition of the IVFA paper, the quarterly officers report revealed the basic guidelines for the Indiana Farm Bureau recognition program. This issue of the paper will have the requirements for this award. It doesn't cost a thing to participate, the contest starts now, with the first award to be given at the 1985 convention in Bloomington.

Wayne Township is getting ready for the 1984 Convention. The facilities are excellent, committees are hard to work Chief Lamb assures everyone you will have an enjoyable time. I would like to point out it is important for you to attend the business sessions at convention. There are several resolutions (published in this paper) that need your attention. The opening session on Thursday night, banquet on Friday night, and the games and parade on Saturday will make your three days at Wayne Township very enjoyable. Bucket brigade will be replaced by a cart race in the Saturday morning games. If you want to camp, there will be accommodations for you. Remember "Wayne Opens the Door in 84."

The most hectic and pressing issue since the last edition of the paper was the Legislative Session. Our Legislative Chairman, Jack Ford, has a report in this issue. Please take time to read it. Starting in August 1983 the IVFA worked on a bill pertaining to the Fire Marshall's office. After much

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In closing be reminded that during this Legislative interim a study committee will be meeting to decide about Training Subjects and Time Elements for same, plus the need for a permanent location for a Fire Academy. Please forward your remarks to the local officers of IVFA on this subject.

Digest in brief - Want a Fire Academy, location in Plainfield, (or some other location) want X number of hours training to be a firefighter, training to be at Academy.

Respectfully
J. T. Ford



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Incident Command	12 hours
Rural Water Supply	6 hours
Inspections and Preplans	12 hours
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Ropes and Knots	6 hours
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**Resolutions To Be Presented At
The 1984 Convention**

This resolution adopted at a regular meeting of District 14 at Scottsburg (Scott County, Indiana) on November 16, 1983 at which five or more fire departments were represented, do hereby present this resolution for your consideration.

Article I, Section 1, be amended to read as Follows:

The officers of this association shall consist of: A President; the immediate Past President; a Vice-President; A Secretary; a Recording Secretary; A Treasurer; A Public Relations Director Northwest; A Public Relations Director Northeast; A Public Relations Director Southwest; a Public Relations Director Southeast; A Public Relations Director East-Central; A Public Relations Director West-Central; A Chaplain; and a Sergeant-at-arms. With the exception of the immediate past president which is automatic, these officers shall be elected annually at the annual meeting of the association. (Any of the elected officers mentioned must be a member of a local volunteer fire department and a member of the I.V.F.A.; also, the local department must be a member of this association as outlined in another section of the constitution and bylaws of this association.) A member shall have served as a District Chairman or other state elected officer for a period of at least two (2) years to be eligible for election to office of: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Chairman of the Board.

The member of the Board of Directors shall consist of the President; Vice-President; Secretary; A Recording Secretary; Treasurer; immediate Past President; A Public Relations Director Northwest; A Public Relations Director Northeast; A Public Relations Director Southwest; A Public Relations Director Southeast; A Public Relations Director East-Central; A Public Relations Director West-Central; a Chaplain; a Sergeant-at-Arms; and all duly elected District Chairmen. At the first officers meeting called by the President after the annual meeting, the immediate Past President shall automatically be Chairman of the Board with the approval of the Board of Directors. These officers shall be entitled to voting privileges at all officers meetings; board meetings; district meetings; special meetings; and the annual meeting of the association.

Thomas Sellmer
Chairman District 14
Stanley Kaskie
Secretary District 14

RESOLUTION

This resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of District 10, at the Glenwood Volunteer Fire Department, on February 15, 1984, at which five (5) or more member fire departments were in attendance.

- Whereas: Inflation has run rampant in the last several years
- Whereas: The reserve fund of the association has been reduced by over \$51,000.00 in the last 4 years
- Whereas: The annual dues have not been increased since 1973 which would have offset the above
- Whereas: The membership in attendance feel that the inadequacies should be rectified.

Therefore be it resolved that:

Article VI, Section 1 (Change)

Active membership dues shall be seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per member per year, payable in June and not later than September 30, fifty cents (.50) shall be allocated to the Clothing Fund; and seven dollars (\$7.00) shall be allocated to the General Fund. All members shall receive the Indiana Volunteer Fireman newspaper.

Steve Macy
Chairman Dist. 10

Brian Talbut
Secretary, Dist. 10

Article VI, Section 3 (Add)

Associate members dues shall be Nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50) per member, per year, payable in June and not later than September 30; Nine dollars and fifty cents (\$9.50) shall be allocated to the General Fund.

Replaces dues statement for Associate Members in Article VII, Section 1.

Steve Macy
Chairman Dist. 10
Brian Talbut,
Secretary, 10th District

Article VI, Section 4

Retired or Resigned Firemen, as outlined in Article VIII, Section 3, dues shall be Six dollars and Fifty cents (\$6.50) per member per year, payable in June and not later than September 30; Six dollars and Fifty cents (\$6.50) shall be allocated to the General Fund.

Replaces dues statement for Retired or Resigned Firemen in Article VIII, Section 3.

Steve Macy, Chairman Dist. 10
Brian Talbut, Secretary, 10th District

Article VI, Section 5 (Addition)

Industrial Fire Departments dues shall be Seven dollars (\$7.00) per member per year, payable in June and not later than September 30; Seven dollars (\$7.00) shall be allocated to the General Fund.

Replaces dues statement for Industrial Fire Departments in Article VIII, Section 3.

Steve Macy, Chairman District 10
Brian Talbut, Secretary 10th District

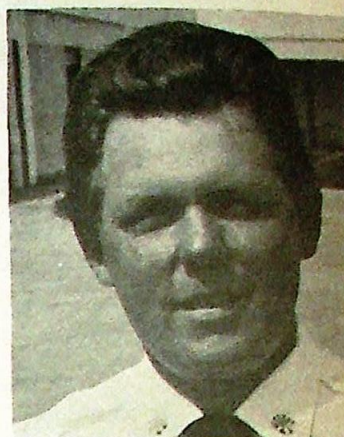
Article VI, Section 6 (Addition)

The Board of Directors shall be empowered to change the annual dues for Active, Associate, Retired or Resigned and Industrial Fire Department members as noted in Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 of this Article. The maximum dollar amount established by the Board of Directors shall not exceed Ten dollars (\$10.00) for Active, Twelve dollars (\$12.00) for Associate, Nine dollars (\$9.00) for Retired or Resigned, Nine dollars (\$9.00) for Industrial Fire Department members. The Board of Directors must have justified to them, by the Budget Committee, all requests for dues increases.

Steve Macy, Chairman District 10
Brian Talbut, Secretary District 10

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**Vice President's
Quarterly Report**



BILL SUNDAY

As I write this report, I have spent my third day home from work because of something called 12 inches of snow and a whole lot of wind. We have been attending some very good district meetings, several Miss Flame contests, and dances. Thanks for all the very special invitations and cards from everyone. I will try to make the districts that I haven't been in, so keep the cards and letters coming.

This year the I.V.F.A. has a new contest to be co-sponsored by the Indiana Farm Bureau. The contest will begin at the Wayne Township convention in June 1984. The award will make your department \$300.00 richer if you are chosen as the winner. Trophies, plaques, and certificates will be awarded to the winners. All the information will be given out at the convention, so get someone down there to find out about this new contest.

The fire school committee has been working on information to be available through your district chairman. This should be ready around convention time, all the more reason for you to attend.

The legislature has ended and one more time the I.V.F.A. through you people, have won a battle for the volunteers as well as the rest of the fire service. I heard someone ask what does my \$5.00 get me? Well, believe me, fellows, for the last two years just the work Jack Ford and the legislative committee has done has been worth a lot more to you than just \$5.00. It sometimes is hard to see all the things that are done, but believe me that's one hell of a job. There will most likely be a report in this paper from Jack and the committee, so please read it, and next time you see Jack and/or his committee tell them, "NICE JOB!"

Convention is just around the corner and it sounds like to me it's going to be a dandy. Dick Lamb and his department have always shown the I.V.F.A. a good convention. Be sure and take advantage of the early registration and get your reservations in soon. It's a big place, but they soon fill up.

If there is anything I might be able to help you with as your Vice President, Fire School Chairman, or just a friend, please call. I love the fire service and I love just as much to be able to help people.

Bill Sunday
Vice President

Appreciation

I wish to thank everyone who gave their respects at the calling hours and funeral for my son, Donald R. Lester in January at Richmond. Also a thank you for all the prayers, cards, flowers, fruit, monetary contributions and kind wishes. His family also expresses their thanks to all firemen and auxiliary who shared their loss.

Thanks.

Thelma Lester
Major Lester and family

Resolutions

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Article VI, Section 7, (addition)

The resolutions for dues changes as passed in Sections 1, 3, 4, and 5 shall become effective at the close of this meeting, June 22, 1984.

Steve Macy, Chairman District 10

Article VIII, Section 3 (Change)

Any fireman who becomes a member of this Association by reason of his active membership in a regular organized Fire Department and subsequently retires or resigns from said Fire Department while in good standing in this Association may continue as an active member of the Association so long as he continues to pay annual dues as specified in Article VI, Section 4.

Members of the Armed Forces, provided that they were members in good standing in this Association at the time of entry into service, will be exempt from paying dues and/or receiving benefits until they return to active status in their department. They may be issued an honorary Military card if requested of the Secretary by their Fire Department.

Members of Industrial Fire Departments annual dues shall be as specified in Article VI, Section 5. The Industrial members may at their option, partake of the Clothing Fund by paying the additional respective fee into this Fund. Industrial members shall not be entitled to voting privileges or mileage allowance.

Places dues in Article VI, Section 5, with other dues of the Association.

*Steve Macy, Chairman District 10
Brian Talbut, Secretary District 10*

Article VII, Section 1 (Change)

Any person dealing in firefighting equipment and supplies and/or any other citizen who is friendly to the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association's cause may become Associate members of this Association, provided that the membership is approved by the officers of the Association and provided further that such Associate Member shall pay annual dues as specified in Article VI, Section 3. Associate Members shall not be entitled to voting privileges or mileage allowance.

Places dues in Article VI, Section 3, with other dues of the Association.

*Steve Macy, Chairman District 10
Brian Talbut, Secretary District 10*

BY-LAW CHANGE RESOLUTION

We, the members of various fire departments of District 9B of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association of Indiana, Inc., in a meeting duly assembled at the Fowler-Center Township Fire Department in Fowler, County of Benton, State of Indiana on January 12, 1984, and there being present firefighters from at least five (5) different fire departments in good standing, present the following resolution to the convention floor and urge the passage of said resolution after our vote for adoption.

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Sgt.-at-Arms Reports

Brother Firemen:

As I write this in late March, Old Man Winter is still showing his authority as it is snowing again. Hopefully, by the time this gets into print we will be enjoying a warm and beautiful spring. With this in mind, fire departments are beginning to plan their warm weather fund raisers. I am beginning to receive a few notices of coming events. Please keep me advised.

While planning your future activities, don't forget to include fire schools. We never get too much training and there are plenty of good schools you can attend. Also don't forget to attend the IVFA Convention, June 21, 22, and 23. Wayne Township has been working a couple of years on this event and I urge you to enjoy their hospitality.

District 11B held their annual Sweetheart Dance in February. At that time, Jill Ketchem of Montezuma was selected Miss Flame to represent the district at the convention. You may remember that Jill's sister, Jody, was the State Miss Flame in 1982. We congratulate Jill and hope she can follow in her sister's footsteps. We wish to thank all the state officers who attended the dance. We really appreciate their interest as they traveled a lot of miles to attend.

*Bill Bush
State Sgt. at Arms*



CONVENTION CAMPING

The campgrounds selected for the 1984 IVFA Convention is again the "Kamper Korner" campgrounds. This campground is located on State Road 37, 0.9 miles south of I-465. It is approximately 12 miles from the campgrounds to convention headquarters, via 4 lane State Highway and I-465.

The following rates are applicable for 1984.

Water, Electric, Sewers	\$12.00	Each night for up to 2 people
Water, Electric	11.00	Each night for up to 2 people
Tent Sites (No hookups)	10.00	Each night for up to 2 people
Air conditioning	2.00	Each night
Each Additional Person		
Age 3-11	.75	Each night
11-15	1.50	Each night
16-Adult	2.75	Each night
Available Sites		
Water, Electric	66	
Water, Electric, Sewers	42	
Tent Sites	50	

In an attempt to prevent the over booking that occurred in 1978 all reservations are to be returned to the camp ground chairman, David Owens c/o Wayne Township Fire Headquarters 6456 W. Ohio St. Indianapolis, Indiana 46224.

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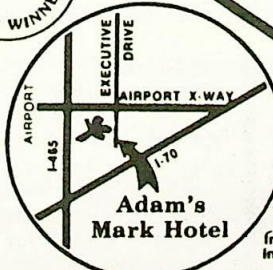
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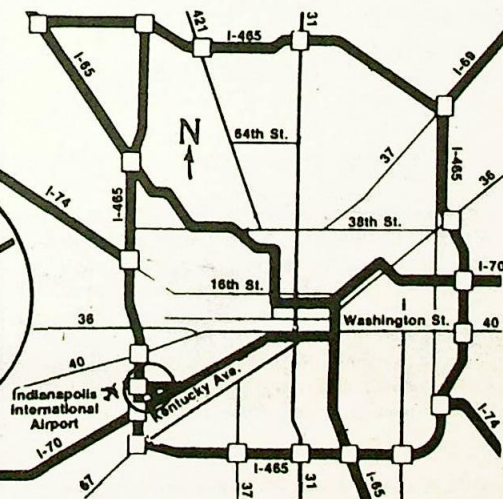


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PREZ SEZ . . .

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deliberation, hearings, and personal contacts, HB 1156 was amended and agreed on by everyone concerned. I ask the firefighters in the field to contact your legislative people, and once again you got the job done. On behalf of the IVFA officers we thank you. Your response now and in the past has been very fruitful; your actions will retain and improve the fire service, of which we all can be proud.

At the annual convention in Wayne Township, I will have completed one year as your President. There have been long hours, tough decisions, and many traveled miles. It has been very educational and a great learning experience. The meeting of new friends and the renewing of old friends

will never be forgotten. I wish to thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve this great association. I will be running for reelection at the convention in Wayne Township. Your consideration on my behalf will be appreciated.

Look forward to seeing you in Wayne Township.

Carl

Decatur Ex-Chief's Name on Addition

Sunday, March 4, 1984, was the dedication of the Decatur Fire Department's new addition; it was also "Cedreic Fisher Day," as the retired chief was honored with the addition being dedicated in his name.

Mr. Fisher, whose career spanned 38 years, joined the department in 1937, and became chief

in 1948. He retired in 1975.

As chief, Mr. Fisher operated the department sternly, efficiently, and with a tremendous sense of responsibility. He always had great concern and compassion for those firemen for whom he was responsible and received the loyalty and respect of each who served the department.

The original fire station building, present location, was constructed in 1932. It consisted of a living room, bedroom, kitchen, bath, and two bays. As the town grew and the ever greater need for fire protection increased, a new two and a half bay addition was completed, on the North side, in 1963. The prime need or responsibility of the new addition was to house a new American LaFrance, 75 ft. ladder truck, that was soon to be added. This ladder truck was to complement a 750 GPM Maxim pumper (1953), a Ford chassis-1200 gallon water wagon (1963), and a now retired Mack 750 GPM pumper. As time passed, the City of Decatur purchased a four wheel drive grass truck (1968), a 750 GPM pumper with John Bean high pressure (1972), and a 1000 GPM pumper with John Bean high pressure (1980) and a five ton chassis truck with a 1800 gallon water tank. Space soon became inadequate not only to house equipment, but to clean and make ready equipment after each fire run.

Chief Gene Moser, Mayor Harold Miller, and Decatur City Council set forth to solve the problem by making more space available. Two options were available, a second station or an addition to the present station. With consideration of prevailing elements, plans for an addition were made. The new addition of 4,400 sq. ft. was constructed on the South side of existing building, a sleeping quarters for on duty firemen was included.

The department's manpower consists of a full time chief, six paid drivers, (always two men on duty) and twenty volunteers. The department runs are received through 911 and dispatched by the Sheriff's Department. All firemen are issued a pager for quick response from work or home to the fire scene.

The Decatur Fire Department not only responds to fires within the corporate city limits, but also protects four townships, of which Decatur rests in two. Decatur Fire Department shares the responsibility of fire protection of two townships with neighboring Monroe and Preble Volunteer Fire Departments.

The quality of leadership and constant updating of fire suppression equipment are reasons enough for an department and community to be proud of their past and present chiefs and city administrations.

District 13B Fire School

On Sunday, March 18, the Milton-Washington Township Fire Department hosted the 13-B fire school. The topic was Hazardous Material in a Rural Environment.

Assistant Chief John Murley and Capt. Roy Roettger, both of the Milton Volunteer Fire Department, were the instructors. They explained the proper procedure of how and when to call Chemtrec and the information they will need. The demonstrated how to set up a Hazardous Material Response kit for about \$25.00 that would cost about \$400.00 to buy.

In the afternoon there was hands-on training with the students making repair to propane cylinders and 55 gallon drums using a Hazardous Material Response kit and making simulated calls to Chemtrec.

Jeff Gabbard
Chairman 13-B

Resolutions, Cont.

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Therefore, be it resolved that under Article X - Clothing Fund, Section, be changed to better benefit our members to read as follows:

1. Maximum Allowance for eyeglasses or contact lens be changed from \$30.00 to \$50.00; except in the case of a hearing aid in connection with eyeglasses, where a maximum allowance is limited to (change from \$50.00 to \$75.00).

Lawrence Swartz, Chairman District 9B
Willie Parrish, Secretary District 9B

RESOLUTION

At the Dec. 21, 1983 meeting of District 17B held at Perry Township, Monroe County, where more than 5 member departments were present, a motion carried by majority vote to make the following recommendation.

That the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association that action be taken to correct the inadequacy in funding of the Association, by increasing the membership dues to a level equal to that amount necessary for the proper operation of the Association and to increase the services of the IVFA to its membership.

It is suggested that the Board of Directors be allowed to set the Dues annually subject to the approval of the members on convention floor, providing also that the board must properly document and justify each increase by specifying what benefit the members will gain from the increased funds.

Marvin Lockhart, District 17B Chairman
Donald Trester, District 17B Secretary

RESOLUTION

That the Officers and Board of Directors of the Association take action to correct the inadequacy in funding of the Association, by increasing the membership dues to a level equal to that amount necessary for the proper operation of the Association and to increase the services of the IVFA to its membership.

It is suggested that the Board of Directors be allowed to set the Dues annually subject to the approval of the members on convention floor, providing also that the board must properly document and justify each increase by specifying what benefit the members will gain from the increased funds.

Corrected wording Feb. 15, 1984, M.E.L.

Marvin Lockhart, District 17B Chairman
Donald Trester, 17B District Secretary

RESOLUTION

This resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of District 17B held at Eastern Volunteer Fire Dept. on Feb. 15, 1984, there being more than five member departments in attendance.

Whereas: It is our desire to keep the Association strong and,
Whereas: there has not been a dues increase since 1973 even though inflation and increased expenses have reduced the reserve funds of the IVFA to dangerously low levels.

Be It Resolved

that Article VII Section 1 be changed to read;
Associate members dues shall be Ten dollars (\$10.00) per member per year payable in June and not later than Sept. 30, Ten dollars shall be allocated to the General Fund.

Any person dealing in firefighting equipment and supplies and/or any other citizen who is friendly to the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association's cause may become Associate members provided that the membership is approved by the Board of Directors.

Marvin Lockhart, 17B District Chairman
Donald Trester, District 17B Secretary

RESOLUTION

Whereas: it is our desire to keep the Association strong and,
Whereas: there has not been a dues increase since 1973 even though inflation and increased expenses have reduced the reserve funds of the IVFA to dangerously low levels.

Be it resolved:

that Article VIII, Section 3 shall be changed to read
Any person who becomes a member of this Association as an active member of a regularly organized Fire Department and subsequently retires or resigns from that Fire Department while in good standing in this association may continue as an active member of the Association so long as they continue to pay annual dues of six dollars (\$6.00) all of which shall be allocated to the General Fund. Members of the Armed Forces, provided they were members in good standing at the time of their entry into service will be exempt from paying dues and/or receiving benefits until they return to active status in their department. They may be issued an honorary Military card if requested of the Secretary by their Fire Department.

Members of Industrial Fire Departments dues shall be seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per member per year payable in June and not later than September 30. All such dues shall be allocated to the General Fund.

Marvin Lockhart, Chairman District 17B
Donald Trester, District 17B Secretary

RESOLUTION

Whereas: it is our desire to keep the Association strong and,
Whereas: there has not been a dues increase since 1973 even though inflation and increased expenses have reduced the reserve funds of the IVFA to dangerously low levels

Be it resolved:

that Article VI, Section 1 be changed to read:
Active membership dues shall be seven dollars and fifty cents (\$7.50) per member per year, payable in June and not later than September 30; fifty cents (.50) shall be allocated to the clothing fund, and seven dollars (\$7.00) shall be allocated to the General Fund. All members shall receive the Indiana Volunteer Fireman newspaper.

Marvin Lockhart, Chairman District 17B
Donald Trester, Secretary District 17B

CART RACE

**New Game for IVFA Convention
No Entry Fee**

Registration for the Cart Race will be on
Saturday ONLY
CART RACE RULES

1. A team consists of six (6) people.
2. There will be four (4) runners and two (2) riders.
3. All six (6) people must wear helmets at all times during the race.
4. All six (6) participants start from a predetermined point away from the cart.
5. Time starts when signal is given for contest to begin.
6. Contest:
 - A. All contestants proceed to cart from their predetermined position. (Four will pull the cart, and one will ride on the front, and one will ride on the rear.)
 - B. Runners pull cart and riders (100 ft.) one hundred feet to a stand which contains (6) six cups of beverage.
 - C. Front rider must ring bell and crank siren while cart is in motion. (Both Ways.)
 - D. Each of the contestants must drink one full cup (Approx. 10 oz.) of beverage completely. (Drinks will be previously poured.)
 - E. Each person returns to his position at or on the cart. The four runners pull the cart another one hundred feet (100 ft.) to a fire pumper.
 - F. The rider on the rear removes fifty (50) feet of 1 1/2" hose from the reel on the cart and connects the hose to a discharge from the pumper.
 - G. The front rider removes a straight bore nozzle from the storage box on the cart, connects the nozzle to the previously laid hose, stretches it to its full length, and using pumper water pressure (preset at 70 PSI) knocks a target ball off of a stand 25 ft. from the nozzle.
 - H. On ladies teams prefer to have two (2) nozzlepersons on hose for safety precaution. (Extra pressure person will be a runner.)
7. Contest and time stops when ball strikes ground after being knocked off with water pressure.
8. Penalties:
 - A. A five second penalty will be added to the elapsed time if the front rider does not ring the bell or crank the hand siren while cart is in motion.
 - B. A five second penalty will be added to the elapsed time if all the beverage is not drank from each of the six cups.

CONTESTANT ENTRY BLANK

Hose replacing Contest Water Ball Contest

Fire Department will have a team to compete in one or more of the following contests: Water Ball or Hose Replacement, Wayne Twp., Indianapolis, Indiana, on Saturday, June 23, 1984. An entry fee of \$8.00 for entry in each contest. The \$8.00 entry fee will be kept by the State Association to help defray expenses. Please check in each square the contests entered by your department.

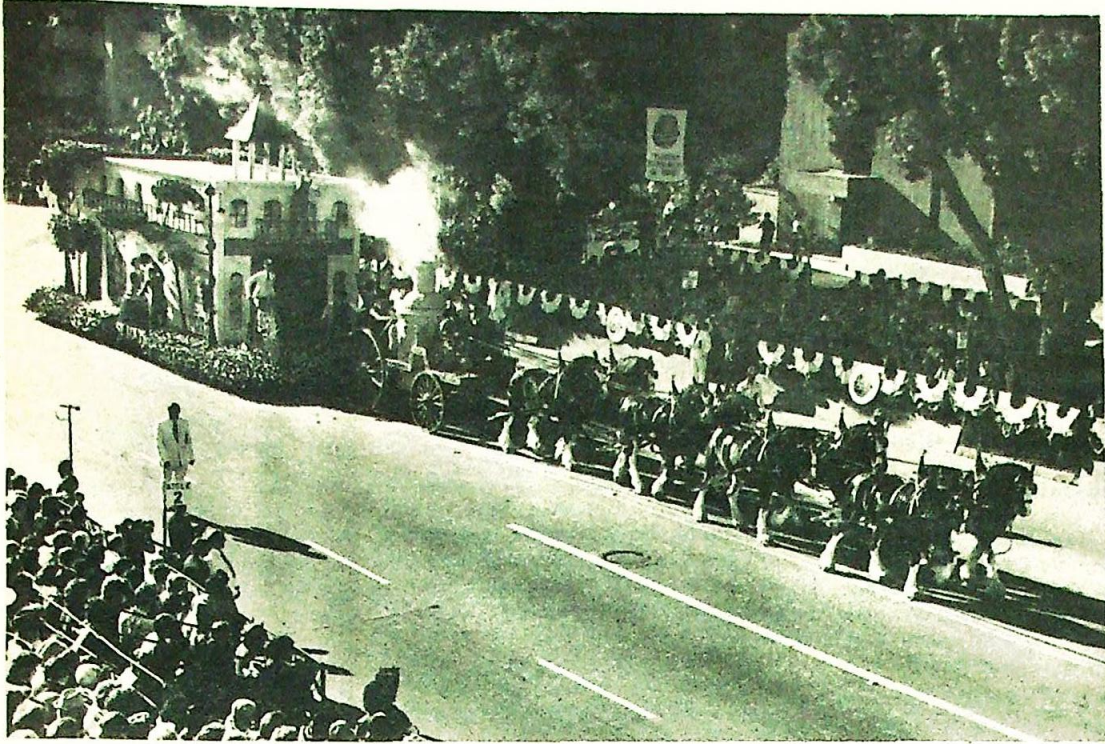
Signed _____
Chief or Secretary

NOTICE

All contest entry blanks must be in or postmarked on or before June 10, 1984 to be eligible. All departments that plan to enter should fill out entry blanks and accompany same with \$8.00 entry fee for each contest entered. Send entries to Robert Surber, 11053 McGregor Rd., Acton, 46259 - (317) 862-6527. Please bring your own rain gear for each event. Trophies for Water Ball and Hose Replacement. Safety measures to be enforced at contest. Drawing for position Thursday night, June 21 at Officers' meeting.

Each participant in Games must be registered at the Convention. Those coming on Saturday must also register at a fee of \$5.00 in order for participation. All team captains must assure themselves that all participating team members are IVFA members. Any team not conforming to the rules and regulations shall be disqualified.

Volunteer Firemen . . . This One is For You !!!



City of St. Louis float, Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade 1984. A salute to Volunteer Firemen, pulled by the world famous Clydesdale Team. Tournament of Roses member and N.V.F.C. California Director Marc Mueller is shown walking beside the float in a white suit.



Carlotta "Lotsie" Busch Gierch, Anheuser-Busch Corporation Sponsor, is shown receiving commendation from the Honorable Fred Vilella, Executive Deputy Director F.E.M.A.

The City of St. Louis this year used its Tournament of Roses float entry as a singular pat on the back for the Volunteer Firefighters of America, some one and one-half million in number, and the National Volunteer Fire Council.

The float, led by the world famous Clydesdale team with members such as "Budweiser," "Mich" (short for Michelob), "Draft" and "Six-Pack" and driven by professional Clydesdale drivers was sponsored by the Anheuser-Busch companies as a tribute to all of us in the fire service.

We should extend our thanks and support for their tribute and recognition. The float was 65 feet long, 18 feet wide, and 22 feet high and featured a replica Silsby Steam Engine and turn of the century fire house complete with bell and steam for the engine, all pulled down the five and a half mile parade route by the Clydesdale team.

Volunteer Firemen of America, this one's for you.

Judgement Exonerates Indian Heights Volunteer Fire Department in Lawsuit

As published in the January 1984 issue of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman, a suit was filed against the Indian Heights Fire Department and the Taylor Township Trustee for failing to provide reasonable and safe fire protection with respect to a truck fire that destroyed a garage on January 20, 1983.

The following article was published in the Kokomo Tribune on January 27, 1984 as the result of this suit.

JUDGE RULES FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Indian Heights Volunteer Fire Department and Taylor Township

Trustee Billy D. Myers provided reasonable and safe fire protection in a fire Jan. 20, 1983, a judge has ruled.

Thomas and Helen Ayres, 5206 Algonquin Trail, had sought \$95,000 in damages from Myers and the fire department as the result of a truck fire which destroyed their garage.

Howard Superior Court 1 Judge Dennis Perry ruled that no material issues of fact could be found in the case, therefore it became a matter for summary judgment under the Indiana Rules of Trial Procedure.

A clause in Section C of Rule 56 states a judgment sought shall be

rendered if pleadings, depositions, answers to interrogatories and admissions on file, together with any affidavits and testimonies, show there is no genuine issue as to any material fact.

The party filing a motion for dismissal is entitled to a judgment as a matter of law, the clause states. Motions for dismissal were filed Dec. 15 in the case.

The Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association would like to congratulate the Indian Heights Fire Department and the Township Trustee for an apparent job well done.

Carl Bruns, President IVFA

Warren Township Offers Haz. Mat. Assistance

The IVFA Fire School Committee has picked Hazardous Material as one of its recommended subjects this year. The following letter will give you a very good source of information to start working on this subject in your department.

IVFA Training Committee,
Bill Sunday

Warren Township Fire Department, Inc.

This letter is to inform you that the Warren Township Fire Department has placed into service a Hazardous Material Response Vehicle (Warren Chemical 44) and a trained Hazardous Material Re-

sponse Team.

We are very interested in visiting departments or district meetings to display our equipment and vehicle, as well as to inform departments of its use and functions. We have put together a 45-50 minute program dealing with this subject. We also have a new film dealing with fire department responses to Hazardous Material incidents that we would loan any department on request.

Thank you very much for your time and assistance. If you would like this program presented, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you very much,
Don Abbot
Warren Twp. F.D.
P.O. Box 19036
Indianapolis, IN
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Phone: 899-3303

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November 10, 1984

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Adams Township Fire Departments
Stations 2 and 3

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Happy Hour 6 - 7 p.m.

Meal Time 7 p.m.

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November 1, 1984
For Pre-registration

FIRE GROUND COMMANDER SEMINAR

The Indiana Fire Instructors Association, in conjunction with the Fort Wayne Fire Department, has scheduled the Fire Ground Command Seminar for July 14-15, 1984 to be held at the I.P.F.W. Campus. This seminar is given by Chief Alan Brunacini of Phoenix, Arizona. Chief Brunacini and his department are recognized as one of the most progressive departments in the nation.

The seminar demonstrates the application of modern management concepts to the fireground, discusses fire ground safety practices, communications considerations, strategic priorities and much more. The material covered in this seminar has direct application for volunteer, career, and industrial firefighting brigades.

This may be the last Fire Ground Command Seminar to be presented in Indiana. So, plan on attending now.

For those who would like to make this a family weekend in Fort Wayne, it is the weekend which ends the Three Rivers Festival and offers many activities for the family to enjoy.

Please use the application form below to register. Information regarding hotels and other seminar details will be returned to you upon receipt of the registration. The cost of the seminar is \$79 which includes lunch for both Saturday and Sunday. See you in Fort Wayne.

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July 14 & 15, 1984

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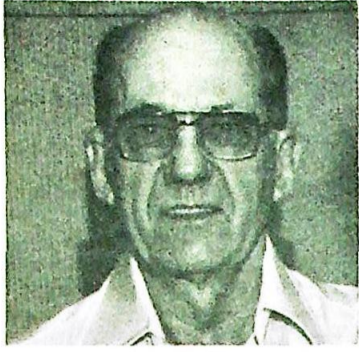
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L. J. MICHL

Hi Everyone,

I have been busy making District meetings and hope I can make the fire schools. Sorry I completely forgot about District 11B's fire school. I apologize. Dwayne had 30 participate and everything went fine.

Attended the crowning of our Miss Flame from District 11A. It was held at Jackson Township Fire Department. Attended 11B dance to select and honor their Miss Flame. After this dance Bloomingdale Fire Department served pancakes and sausage to a lot of firemen and their wives. District 11A had a St. Patrick's Day dance. It was held in Sandfords new firehouse. The building is 50'x60', having facilities for dances, fish fries, etc. A lot of hard work by the firemen went into building their firehouse. Their community should be proud of them.

Our legislative committee has been busy and accomplished something.

Convention time is getting close. I hope everyone planning to go has sent in their reservation and registrations.

Make sure you have selected names and sent them in for the Midwest Awards. Hope you got

your selection for Mr. I.V.F.A. in the mail already. See you at Convention!

Toddy Michl
P.R. West Central

Secretary's Report

DOUG BECHTEL

The winter is hopefully over and Spring is just around the corner. I know I am ready for some nice warm weather and a little fun in the sun.

The guys and gals in Wayne Township are working hard to put together a great convention in June at Adams Mark, June 21, 22, 23 of '84.

This has been a big year again for New Departments in the Association. The PR and District Chairmen have been a big help in doing this. Things have slowed down and departments not paid are about 80 in number. We now have 16,300 paid members in the association. The new departments have helped to get us there. We still need the guys that have not paid dues for 83-84. We have several departments that have not been members for years that have just come back into the association this year. I would like to welcome all departments back that weren't members and now are. Thanks a lot for being members of

one of the finest organizations in the State. I have enjoyed working with the different departments this past year, and I am looking forward to working with you next year.

To the members please check and see if you have an orange 83-84 sticker on your cards. If you do not, please try to get your department to pay their dues. Thank you.

Because you have not paid, you should not receive the paper or any IVFA benefits. **Please check and see of your dues are paid.**

Talking of dues, they will be due July 1, 1984 through Sept. 30, 1984. Please try to get them paid on time. The new stickers will be green with 84-85 on them. Some departments have already paid their dues.

The dues notice will be out to the departments by the first part of May. Please try to help us help you by following the instructions which will be enclosed with dues notice. Thank you.

A few things you can help us with in keeping the records straight:

1. If a man is dropped or resigned from your department, please let me know.
2. If a man changes address or beneficiary please be sure to fill out the small I.V.F.A. membership Computer Forms or the old A & H Membership Computer Forms and send to me. This will get the I.V.F.A. Newspaper to each of your members.
3. Please let us know if he was a member of another department and the name of the department he belonged to. If at all possible his I.V.F.A. number.

Thank you,
DOUG.

**Public Relations
East Central**

BILL WINDSOR

Twenty-five years ago this article was in the Knightstown Banner: of Jan. 29, 1959

"The Volunteer Fire Department of Knightstown gave a dinner honoring Lowell Hague for his 34 years of service with the department. Mr. Hague will now act as a Reserve Fireman."

Mr. Hague is a lifetime member of the Knightstown Fire Department, as well as the I.V.F.A. Lowell has served as chief, as well as many of the other offices of the department. Mr. Hague is now the Building Commissioner for the town of Knightstown.

We believe that Mr. Hague may be the oldest with the most years of service, life member of the I.V.F.A. with 59 years of service. Can you imagine all the changes he has seen in the Fire Service?

Mr. Hague, we are proud to have you as a Life Member in the I.V.F.A., from out East Central Public Relations area.

We still have some dates left for the I.V.F.A. trailer and the E.D.I.T.H. room.

Keep up the training; see you at your District meeting.

Bill Windsor
E.C.R.R.

**District 10
Notes**

Hi there!

District 10 is here and at it. We have a new Miss Flame, Miss Deborah Nebel from Morristown. Congratulations Deborah and good luck at Convention.

We had our Fire School April 3, at Morristown High School with classes on Safety by Wayne Smith, Chief of Plymouth Fire Department. EMS training by Dave Betzner, Lt., Washington Township Fire Department (Marion Co.), and Hazardous Materials presented by a representative from Elanco Productions, Division of Eli Lilly Co.

At our February meeting we had quite a long discussion on the subject of what good the IVFA is to the rank and file firefighter. During the discussion there were many things brought up, such as: the District Meetings bringing people from all parts of the area together to discuss different and common problems and to find some answers. The IVFA gives us a voice and an ear in the State Legislature, they provide us with an excellent paper that lets us know what's going on in all parts of the state. And some very good training at the IVFA sponsored and supported schools. These are only a few things our organization does for us and when the officers ask, let's all give 100% of our support.

We would like to wish Phil Cronk a speedy and complete recovery from his recent accident. Again we would like to congratulate Deborah, our new District 10 Miss Flame. See Ya!

Brian Talbot
10th District Secretary

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News From District 8A

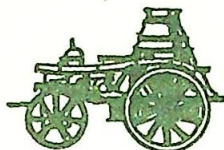
The March meeting was held in Greentown with 12 departments in attendance. The District Mid-West Award was picked with the winner being in attendance at this meeting. The next 8A meeting will be in May 9, 1984 in Jonesboro.

The District A Fire School will be held on Sat., May 12 at the 4-H Grounds in Marion. Tentative schedule for this school consists of Air Pack School, Defensive Driving, Rural Fire Fighting. This date is in contradiction to what was stated in the recent schedule put out by the State Fire Marshall's office. Please mark your calendar for this date, May 12th, 8:30 a.m. Registration fee \$3.00.
District 8A

Anhydrous Ammonia Control Classes Given

A class on how to handle problems with Anhydrous Ammonia spills and leaks was given by Bob Wyse of the Indiana Farm Bureau

Co-operative Assn., Inc. of Indianapolis on March 8th at the Dillsboro Fire House. The class was co-ordinated by the Dearborn County Farm Bureau Co-op Assn. and the Dillsboro Fire Chief, Robert Heitmeyer. This school was sponsored by District 19 of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Assn. and certificates were given to those who attended by Chairman Lee Kissel, Fire Chief of the Moores Hill-Sparta Township Volunteer Fire Department. Those attending included members of the Indiana State Police, the Dillsboro Police Dept., Hogan Twp. Fire Dept., Lawrenceburg Fire Dept., Greendale Fire Dept., Napoleon Fire Dept., Miller-York Fire Dept., Friendship Fire Dept., Moores Hill-Sparta Twp. Fire Department, Sunman Rural Fire Dept., Osgood Fire Dept., Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Dept., Inc., and the Dillsboro Emergency Unit.



HB 1156 claimed all the time at this Indiana General Assembly. This bill combined the Fire Marshal and the Building Commissioner offices. As it was originally written most of the authority for inspections and code enforcement went to the Building Commissioner. Plans review, a most important feature for public safety, was left to the Building Commissioner.

In addition, the bill also stated the office of Fire Marshal would be sunsetted June 30, 1984 unless the bill passed both houses and was signed by the Governor.

Representative Ray Richardson, Greenfield, was the author of the bill. Many hours of talking, discussing and questioning the bill with Representative Richardson led to nothing that was not agreed upon during the Sunset Hearings. Not wanting to kill the bill, thus sunsetting the office of Fire Marshal, we gave passive resistance to the bill and it passed the House on a 69 to 26 vote. Representative Richardson did state that we had

the Senate to go through and it could be amended there.

HB 1156 did arrive in the Senate under the sponsorship of Senator Blankenbaker, Indianapolis, with Senator Duckworth, Bloomington, as co-sponsor. It was assigned to the Education Committee for hearings, Senator John Sinks, Fort Wayne, Chairman. There was a Senate Bill 361 presented by Senator Butcher, Kokomo, that was the same as HB 1156, only it did contain the compromises that we could live with. This bill also was assigned to Senator Sink's committee for hearings. Senator Sink refused to hear Senate Bill 361 because it contained much the same material that HB 1156 did and he saw no reason to take up time in duplicated efforts. Now we live or die with HB 1156. Once more talking, questioning and discussing the workable amendments to HB 1156 that would make it a workable solution and compromise with the Speaker of the House, President Pro-Tem of the Senate, lead-

ership positions of both parties, Governors Office, Insurance and Petroleum Industry and any and all others too numerous to mention that would listen. IVFA Officers have made many trips to Indianapolis plus many other meetings. Untold hours have been spent by them in trying to coordinate efforts and procedures. Needless to say with all this shuffling things had a way of changing by the hour, what was good at 11 a.m. was out at noon, sometimes it did not last that long.

At Senator Sink's request I was asked to work with Senator Mills, Indianapolis, to work out the compromise, to present to the Senate hearing for HB 1156. From that time on things just kept getting better and better. People started to listen and act. The final stroke of fortune was at the Senate hearing when Representative Richardson presented the amendments to the Committee that made HB 1156 a good workable compromise. This version passed the Senate with a 45 to 0 vote. It then went back to the House for concurrence to the amendments. Representative Richardson presented the amendments and concurred with them, the House then concurred with a unanimous vote. All that was left is the Governor's signature of which also came in time.

This effort could be summed up in a few words. It was a concentrated effort by Administrative Building Council and the Building Industry to make it easier for them. They did have some support from the Governor's office to do so. However, it is my estimation that no one even thought that a dedicated stand would be brought against such a take over. The IVFA standing alone in the Fire Service did make this effort and did make it possible to have a strong viable and workable Fire Marshal's Office, not only for the good of all the Fire Service of Indiana but the general public as well. You may ask what did we do that made this happen. I can only answer by asking, "Which tooth on the buzz saw got you when your hand got caught?" So many things were done that no answer can be given, but one thing for sure came to light. Once more your calls and letters to the Legislators made them listen and think. Without your help this could not have been accomplished and it again proves that your Legislator does need your input and will listen when the time comes.

As I reported in the last issue of the paper about the meeting of the Chief's Association, IFA and the Union Firefighters along with the IVFA coming up with a solid front against HB 1156 as written. This meeting took place in November or early December of last year, way before the General Assembly met. After the Legislators reconvened in January the Fire Service organizations, again as they have a habit of doing, seemed to drift apart and have different views. This was the situation and made it more difficult to amend a bill that would improve the Fire Marshal's Office and promote Fire Safety for the citizens of Indiana. IVFA did continue to pursue these amendments, without any support, and were successful in getting it amended into a workable compromise. It seems the IVFA has created an image, if there's a possibility of getting something accomplished, they will get it done. It's high time the Fire Service starts to protect its turf together, not bits and pieces by the various sections of the Fire Service.

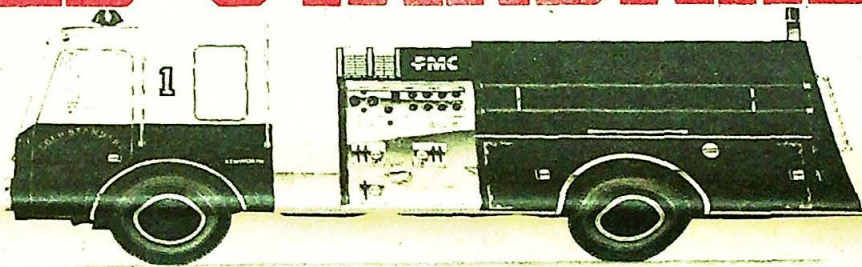
Thank you for your support and giving me the opportunity to be in the right place at the right time to serve the IVFA and the people of Indiana.

Legislative Representative John T. 'Jack' Ford

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District 12

12th District I.V.F.A. meeting, Danville Volunteer Fire Department, Danville, Indiana, January 16th, 1984.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Don Johnson, at 7:30 p.m. with 19 members present representing 6 departments, low attendance due to nasty weather. Pledge to Flag was led by our chairman and opening prayer by our Chaplain, James Bruner.

Introduction of guests — They were as follows: Carl Bruns, I.V.F.A. President; Jack Ford, our Legislative Chairman, and Bill Goodwin, Fire Marshall of Indiana.

Communications — Chairman Johnson read letters from Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department and from Wayne Township Station No. 2 asking if they can display their vehicles at our district meetings. Don is setting up a date for them.

Minutes of previous meeting was read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report given. This was approved.

Committee Report — Rosie Johnson gave report regarding the Miss Flame entry forms. These must be in the Chairman's hands on or before Jan. 20th. Also she gave a report regarding the Afghan Raffle that was donated by Mary Brooks. Sales are not doing too good. This money will go for Miss Flame expenses. The drawing will be held Feb. 12th.

Unfinished Business — None.

New Business — Chairman Johnson asked the members present what kind of Fire School they would like to have? After a few pros and cons it was decided to put on "Defensive Driving" class. Our district school will be June 9th and 10th.

There will be a State Fire

School April 14th and 15th. Chairman Johnson reminded the members about the Farm Bureau Awards which will begin June 1st. These awards will be given out in 1985. He also stated not to forget the name for the Midwest, and Mr. I.V.F.A. awards.

Comments were made regarding departments who have not paid their annual membership dues.

Second Roll Call —

Good of the Order — None.

Chairman Johnson introduced our I.V.F.A. President Carl Bruns, stated that Farm Bureau asked the association for permission to give out their awards. Carl stated there will be some changes made regarding our paper and please send newsworthy articles, death notices of our members and other information soon as possible. Also membership dues and convention notices will be sent separately.

Jack Ford, our Legislative Chairman, gave out with a few remarks regarding legislation for fire service. Jack also stated what would happen to the Fire Marshall's office if HB1156 passes. (The date for the sunset law is June 30th.) Also HB1036 must be defeated. He stated that HB1034 lists all other emergency agencies. SB361 will make the Fire Marshall and A.B.C. equal. There will be a reading on this bill tomorrow, Jan., 17th. HB1034 is connected with the Fire Academy in Plainfield being built by the State. We should oppose this bill the way it is written.

Fire Marshall Goodwin gave out with a few remarks regarding Sunset, the Fire Marshall's office and what will happen if this comes about from passage. Bill also stated that there will be a Fire School Feb. 11th and 12th at the Holiday Inn (South East) Emerson and 465th Beech Grove exit. The classes will consist of office staff

and command school. Cost \$15.00 per person.

Bob Sutton of Danville introduced his host department. Refreshments followed.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

Charles Bogden
12th District Sec.

District 12

12th District I.V.F.A. meeting was held March 19th, 1984, at Decatur Township Volunteer Fire Station No. 2 (West Newton).

Meeting called to order by Chairman Don Johnson at 7:30 p.m., with 20 members present representing 6 departments, low attendance because of bad weather.

Pledge to flag was led by our Chairman and opening prayer by our Chaplain James Bruner.

First Roll Call — Introduction of guests — they were as follows: Toddi Michle, P.R.W.C. and our 12th District Miss Flame, Amy Robinson.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Treasurer's report given, and this was accepted, although our funds are low.

Committee Report, Rosie Johnson, Chairman of the Miss Flame Committee gave report on ticket sale for the Afghan less than \$100.00. This was won by Barbara Durber.

Unfinished Business — None.

New Business — Chairman Johnson stated that our State I.V.F.A. officers wrote a letter to their Director of State E.M.S., asking for a clarification on the renewal of Certification. He also stated that there will be a fire school June 9th. Location will be announced at later date, and will

be "Defensive Driving" and laws of Indiana. Cost per person will be \$2.00. Classes will be from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Chairman Johnson also stated that if you receive a speeding ticket driving emergency vehicle you will be dismissed from the department.

All articles for our newspaper has been updated.

Chairman Johnson stated that no names were submitted for Midwest Award in the 12th District and pleaded with members present to come up with someone.

Toddi Michl of Public Relations West Central gave a few remarks. He stated that the HB1156 was passed unanimously with the amendment we worked for and was well planned.

Toddi also stated that there will be several resolutions to be presented at our convention, some regarding increase in dues, etc.

Deadline for articles and news for our paper is March 20th.

Chairman Johnson gave a few remarks regarding the Mr. I.V.F.A. Award and suggested that the name of Bill Goodwin should be submitted to the Mr. I.V.F.A. Committee as soon as possible.

There were some remarks regarding our former ad solicitor, owes over \$24,000.

Second Roll Call —

Good of the order — Amy Robinson, our Miss Flame, gave a few remarks. Good luck, Amy.

Captain Bert Rosen of the host department introduced his members including Chief Joe Millon.

Next district meeting will be May 21st at Hazelwood Volunteer Fire Department (Hendricks County). Motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. with refreshments served.

Charles Bogden
12th District
Secretary.

Dispatcher Fired for Delaying Ambulance Call

DALLAS (UPI) — An ambulance dispatcher, who argued over the telephone with a man for several minutes before sending aid to his dying stepmother, has been fired, officials said.

Nurse Billye Myrick, 42, was fired Friday by Fire Chief Dodd Miller for violating department regulations in not sending an ambulance to aid Lillian Boff, 60, on Jan. 5.

She died of a heart attack before paramedics arrived at her home. Her stepson, Larry Boff, has filed a \$315,000 claim against the city.

Myrick's supervisor, Don Greene, who also participated in the conversation, was demoted from captain to lieutenant, Miller said.

Miller would not give details of the action because Myrick, who had been a dispatcher for 10 months, is allowed to appeal the firing.

Boff said he was not sure the disciplinary action was stringent enough.

"I think they both should have been fired," he said. "I am grateful in one respect in terms that the system will be corrected."

In tape recordings of the call, Myrick demanded to speak to Lillian Boff, whom Boff described as "incoherent."

After a three-minute conversation, Boff hung up. His roommate called back. During that conversation, Boff told his roommate that Lillian had died.

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We have a full list of events for the weekend, starting with an auction sale on Friday night, of new and old merchandise. On Saturday morning, the registration for the games will open at 9:00 a.m., at the arena. The games will start at approximately 11:00 a.m. In the afternoon, there will be a comical fashion show. To round off the day's events, there will be a dance in the arena with live entertainment. Starting first thing Sunday, there will be a pancake breakfast. The second round of the competitions will follow, in the a.m. For an added feature this year, there will be a firefighters cart race. In the arena, there will be live entertainment, all afternoon.

Immediately following the competitions, trophies will be presented.

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Yours truly,
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Smokers Should Be Held Responsible Says Evansville Writer

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"...inspectors said the fire was apparently started by a child playing with a cigarette lighter..."

For what seems like the umpteenth time in recent weeks I read that statement in a story about a tragic fire.

In this case it was in an East Coast metropolis. Several children and a couple of adults had died, a score of people were homeless and weary firefighters spent most of the night putting their lives on the line to snuff out the flames in near-zero-degree weather. A couple had been injured, one seriously.

I don't know if the child who started the fire perished. I don't know whose cigarette lighter it was. But I do know that it is time for all smokers — particularly those who live with young children — to take full responsibility for their smoking materials.

And if they let those materials fall into the hands of youngsters who start a fire — whether anyone is killed or injured or not — they should be charged with some sort of felony. I don't pretend to know what existing charges might apply

or whether something new might have to be put on the books. But I am convinced that if a death occurs the person responsible for providing the flammable materials should be charged with murder.

I'm sure a person so charged would counter that it was unintentional or that the kid climbed onto the dresser to get the matches. The point is, the kid got hold of the stuff and set the place on fire.

I know it is difficult to keep children away from something as provocative as a fire-producing lighter or matches. But it is the responsibility of every smoker whose paraphernalia might be within reach of a child to see that it is not.

All the education in the world won't cure some youngsters of the fascination fire holds for them. And if they are the children of smokers they know Mommy and/or Daddy handle the lighter all the time and nothing bad happens and they expect they can do the same.

I suppose kids really do know better. All the slogans and parental and classroom warnings about playing with fire make an impression. Often times we read that the

guilty child set the fire in a closet—or in his own bedroom. Obviously he knew he could only play with the matches/lighter out of the sight of his parents.

Then doesn't that indicate that the only alternative is to be absolutely certain that a child has no access to matches or lighters? There are probably few households where at least one book of matches isn't somewhere in the home. But when there are no smokers in residence, chances are the fire-makers are pretty well hidden most of the time. Not so in

smokers' homes.

Until some tough prosecutor recognizes the need for such action and makes an example of somebody many smokers won't give the issue a second thought. They'll continue to leave their lighters lying around the house. They'll probably warn the kids away from it and even threaten a spanking if the warning is ignored. But the preponderance of the responsibility is upon the smoker. And it is high time he/she recognizes and accepts that responsibility or pays a severe penalty.

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Public Relations Southeast



ROY E. RICHARDSON

Things are beginning to move in Southern Indiana. 19th District Fire School at Batesville, March 25th put on by Lee Kissell, 19th District Chairman and his committee. Plan on a good program.

Congratulations to Wanda Weber, 19th District Miss Flame from Sunman. Also congratulations go to Pamela Becht, Lafayette Township, New Albany, 16th District Miss Flame. Good luck to both of these girls at the State Convention.

We are planning on an Instructors School at Clarksville sometime in July. This will be a 32 hour course. Anyone interested in this course please contact me.

The Indiana State Fire School will be at IUPUI in Indianapolis on April 14-15 and 28-29, 1984. We are also working on a fire school at IUS in September.

I am personally working with the Clark County Building Department and the County Commissioners to get an ordinance passed on the installation of wood burning stoves. They gave me the green light to proceed with this ordinance.

The Clark County Chiefs Association and Civil Defense are planning a disaster program involving the Board of Education, hospital, police, ambulance, volunteer fire

departments and other local agencies.

I am working with the local officials, volunteer fire departments, and the Belle of Louisville in getting the State Convention back in Southern Indiana in 1986. They have given me their approval.

Roy E. Richardson Public Relations Director, Southeast

District 4 Holds Meeting

On Thursday, Jan. 26th, we held the 4th district meeting at the Osceola Vol. Fire Station. Among our guests were Past Pres. Jim Parker, PRNE Bill Kinsey, and Dist. 13A Chairman Calvin F. Schaeckel.

During our meeting Past Pres. Jim Parker gave a talk on the bills now in the House and Senate.

We in the 4th District are planning two Fire Schools this year, No. 1, will be on Volunteer Fire Dept. administration and management. This will be at Jimtown Junior High School, Jimtown, Ind., County Rd. 3 south of Mishawaka Rd. (Co. Rd. 20).

John Ferro of Baugo is heading up this school, let's all get behind him and make this a big school as every department needs this.

School No. 2 will be sometime in August (the 25th?) and it will be on Hazardous Materials. This school is being headed up by Chuck Schosker, Chief of German Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. More details later.

We closed our meeting with the 4th District Miss Flame Contest, which was won by Janet Robbins of Penn South Vol. Fire Dept. Other girls in the contest were Christy Ramer (Wakarusa) Tammy Eash (Osceola) Christy McGovern (Walkerton) and Lisa Fitz (Warren Twp.)

I would like to thank the Osceola firemen and Aux. for a very fine evening and meal that followed.

Harold Price 4th District Chm.

P.S. The May District 4 meeting will be a camp-out at Elkhart County Campgrounds on County Road 4 East. The camp-out is for the weekend of May 26, 27, and 28th with the District meeting being Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

We chose to have the camp-out close so as persons wishing to attend parades on Monday, Memorial Day, may do so.

From The Southwest



CARL O. DAVIS

Just a few lines to let everyone know that we are getting a good attendance at the fire schools. Sixty-three at the Huntington school and was a very good program.

The Crane Naval Weapons Support Center is having an open house on May 19, 1984. Gates will open at 10:00 a.m. and a parade is planned. They are wanting anyone with old fire equipment to bring it down and be in the parade. Contact Larry Wools or Jim Wires at 812-854-1235 or write to them at Crane Naval Weapons Support Center, Crane, Ind. 47522.

The IVFA will have their house there and put on the program that they had at the state fair. Any IVFA officer that would like to work with us please contact myself or Billy Sunday.

From the last report the annual meeting at Indianapolis is going to be a good one. Let's all send our delegates to the meeting. There is several resolutions to be voted on at this meeting. If you don't send your delegates to vote the feelings of your department, then don't cry about the outcome of the resolutions and business of the meeting.

There have been several deaths due to fires in the last few months. From the report of papers and radio, many would be living if they had invested a few dollars in a good smoke alarm. If you don't have one make that your next buy, and the life you save may be yours.

There have been several reports of fires started by gasoline. Gasoline is very dangerous to have around. When pouring or draining gasoline be sure and stay away from any pilot lights or open flames as the vapors will travel a long ways and ignite.

There are several fire schools coming up and would like for anyone that can attend. You never go to a school that something new is not learned.

Thanks to the Ferdinand Fire Department for the fine turtle soup supper. Don't forget the interest that some of you will owe me next year.

That's it for this time, see you at the Convention.

Carl O.

Car Stolen, Burned

a rural Aurora man was arrested in connection with an alleged vehicle theft and arson case which culminated in Sparta Township Friday evening, Dec. 9.

Dave E. Jackson, 20, R.R. 2, Aurora, was cited on several charges following his arrest in connection with the incident, which began about 9:15 p.m. Friday.

John W. Lee, R.R. 1, Bennington, filed a stolen vehicle report with Aurora Police about that time. His blue 1973 Volvo automobile had been parked in front of the Public Services Indiana electric company office, 502 Second St., when the theft occurred.

A short time later, Dearborn County Sheriff's Department received a report from a man identified as Dale Anderson which led to the subsequent arrest.

Anderson reported that he was driving west on Ind. 350 when a vehicle, which matched the description of the stolen car, passed him at a high rate of speed. Driver of the speeding auto then apparently lost control, and the vehicle ran off the highway near Latimer Road and became stuck. The driver fled on foot.

Aurora Patrolman Donald Bohn then drove to the Latimer Road site with vehicle owner Lee. When the pair arrived, they found that the abandoned car had been set afire.

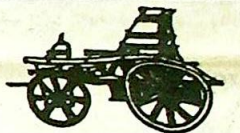
A Ripley County Sheriff's Department officer already at the scene was able to extinguish the fire with a hand extinguisher.

In the meantime, Dearborn Sheriff's Department received another report from the Miller residence, near the site of the abandoned car. Someone reportedly was trying to enter the residence through the garage.

Officers searched the area, and Patrolman Bohn apprehended Jackson inside the Miller garage and made the arrest.

Formal charges against Jackson were filed Thursday, Dec. 22 with the Dearborn County Prosecutor's office. An arson charge was included, according to Aurora Police.

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BILL KINSEY

Greetings from the Northeast. Northern Indiana narrowly averted another tragedy when a pumper responding to assist their ambulance at a personal injury auto accident overturned to avoid slamming into cars and ambulances stopped at the accident scene. No one was seriously injured, although approximately \$30,000 damage was done to the pumper. Fog and slick roads contributed to the accident and again it must be said "Emergency equipment and manpower must arrive at the emergency scene safely and ready to perform the duties required." We should all learn a lesson from this and other tragedies and near tragedies hopefully preventing a re-occurrence.

The Insurance Committee for Arson Control is completing its fifth year and reports good and bad news. It reports significant progress in Insurance Industry involvement in arson prevention, investigation and removing the profit from arson. This organization can help fight arson. If you are interested in finding out more about how they can help, write Insurance Committee for Arson Control, 85 John St., New York, NY 10038.

The National Firehawk Foundation, P.O. Box 27488, San Francisco, CA 94127 is successfully expanding its program to solve the juvenile firesetter problem. Contact them for information.

The district contests for Miss Flame have been very competitive and we should have a fine contest this year at convention.

The IVFA Convention should be a great time and it will be here before we realize. Get your reservations in so you can be a part of it. The District Chairmen are doing a great job and activity is growing. This participation makes a strong, effective state association. I look forward to being with all of you at this year's convention. There is important business regarding dues to be handled by the delegates this year, so Be There!

Keep the Heat on Arson!

Bill Kensey
Public Relations Northeast

District 11B

Hi, Firemen and Auxiliary On Feb. 18, 1984 we had the Dist. 11-B Miss Flame Dance. Jill Ketchem of Montezuma was chosen as District Miss Flame. Other Miss Flame candidates were runner-ups are Melissa Brown of Bridgelon, Jayanne Ruple of Dana Volunteer Fire Department and Tina Montague of Perrysville Department.

District meeting in January was at Dana Department. Charlie Baker gave a talk on OSHI approved clothing for the Fire Service.

District meeting in March was at Clinton Township Department. Mark Pupilli is the chief of the department and his men are enrolled in a second class fire school now. A good job, Mark!

District 11-B Fire School was March 17th at PSI Cayuga Plant. The school was on Fireman Law and Management. Thanks go to

12 Departments of which 9 chiefs and 3 assistant chiefs attended. The Cayuga Auxiliary fixed a very fine dinner for the fire school, that all appreciated and a thank you goes to the instructor, Jim W. Price Sr. for a job well done.

A Friend
Dwayne Osborne

P.S. People cannot change truth — but truth can change people.

**PCB Scare
In Daylight**

By ROD SPAW
Courier Staff Writer

Oil spilled from old electrical transformers at a Daylight, Ind., business threw a scare into local health officials until tests showed the oil did not contain toxic PCB chemicals.

Sam Elder, director of the City-County Health Department, said the spill occurred when several large transformers being stored at the Daughtery Machine Shop tipped over while being moved on a flatbed truck.

Oil from the transformers flowed down the driveway and into a drainage ditch along Indiana 57.

Elder said company employees

and firefighters from the Scott Township Volunteer Fire Department blocked the ditch to contain the spill. Oil on the driveway was covered with sand. Elder estimated that no more than 10 gallons of oil reached the ditch.

A sample of the oil was taken to a lab in Mount Vernon, Ill., according to Elder, who said analysis showed no presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

PCBs were used in electrical transformers as a fire retardant until manufacture of the chemical was banned in 1979 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Long-term health effects of exposure to PCBs include skin and liver disorders and possibly cancer.

Elder said the large transformers were built for outside use in 1922. A check with the manufacturer indicated that outside transformers of the period normally would not contain the chemical, he said.

The spill was reported to the Evansville EPA by an employee of a neighboring business. The EEPA notified the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department and the Health Department. Guy Greeson, a chemist with the city's sewage treatment division, also was called to the scene.

The Scott firefighters were dispatched by the sheriff's office to help contain the spill.

**Firemen Commended
for Ford Rescue**

By JIM BUCHBURGER
Register Staff Writer

Aurora Fire Chief Lawrence Haffenbride and fireman Jay Stewart were officially commended by city council for their rescue of motorists trapped in Hartford Ford at the Monday, Feb. 6 council session.

Mayor Paul O. Alford followed Haffenbride's regular departmental report by acknowledging the firemen's "act of bravery" which occurred Friday evening, Feb. 3.

A car driven by Tony Henry, 302 N. Walnut St., Rising Sun, became trapped in the Laughery Creek ford in approximately two feet of water that night. Fourteen men of Aurora Fire Company 2 responded to the call.

Haffenbride and Stewart, both secured by ropes, waded through the current to the car and helped Henry and a passenger to safety.

The controversial dry ford between Dearborn and Ohio Counties was the scene of the drowning of Mrs. Joan Gaddis and 10-year-old son William in 1981.

Alford read a written account of the incident before council Monday, and city officials answered with a round of applause.

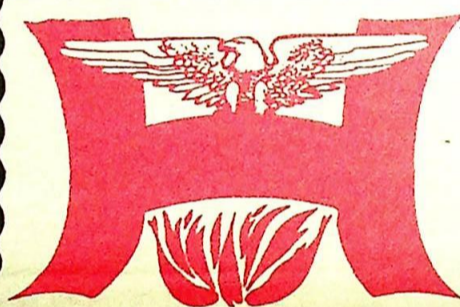
Courtesy Lawrenceburg Register

**Congratulations to
Ward Suter, Colfax
VFD, District 21**



Mr. Delbert Mathews (left), Treasurer of the Colfax VFD, presents a plaque for 25 years of service on the fire department to Mr. Ward Suter, Chief of the Colfax VFD. Ward has been fire chief 20 years of his 25 years on the department.

Fred Culross
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MIKA HONORED



The Lowell Volunteer Fire Department bid farewell to a 30-year veteran this month, but gave him his favorite red boots as a retirement gift just in case he wants to climb back aboard.

Joseph Mika, who not only served as a firefighter for 30 years but held the office of corporate president for all 12 of the years since the department was incorporated, was feted at an Open House Jan. 8. A specialist in auto extrication and first aid, Mika has also been an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) since 1975, and is a lifetime member of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association.

Elmer Kender, fire chief, presented Mika with a plaque adorned with a gavel to signify his leadership of the department as its president and chairman of the Board of Directors. "Because of him," Kender said of Mika, "we have the department we have and our new station."

Assistant Fire Chief Jim Purkey, who succeeded Mika as president, gave Mika a gold badge and presented his wife, Vi, with a framed certificate, and Town Board President William, Marshall gave Mika an award saluting him as an Outstanding Citizen of Lowell.

With about 100 people on hand at the fire station, Corporate Vice President Randy Konkol unveiled a large plaque which contains the names of every firefighter who has served at least 10 years and retired since the department was established in 1897. Now containing 46 names from Grant L. Trump, who served from 1897 to 1918, to John Bartholomew, who began service in 1966 and retired in 1980, the plaque will hang in the fire station.

"Your retirement finally prompted us to get this made up, and it was by Greg Pratt," said Konkol. "We think it is a fine tribute to the men who have served."

Jack Eskridge, past fire chief, told a few humorous stories about his association with Mika, who had a habit of missing the fire truck while getting everyone organized for a call. Eskridge said Mika will always be welcome at the fire station as a lifetime member of the department, and gave him a worn out pair of red boots and a helmet with a red flashing light on top to keep handy. He also gave Mika a framed photo of himself in uniform.

The firefighters, their families and Mika's family, as well as other townspeople, enjoyed refreshments after the presentations.

OVER 75 YEARS OF SERVICE



Jr. Wright (left) and Doc Helmsing display plaques honoring their combined 75 years of service.

Two Milton Washington Township volunteer firemen retired recently ending over 75 years of service.

Winfield Wright Jr., assistant chief retired after over thirty-five years. And Donald "Doc" Helmsing ended forty years.

Both men received plaques honoring their various years of service, and also a plaque with their department badges attached.

John Murley Jr. replaces Mr. Wright as assistant chief while Fred Huddleston takes Mr. Helmsing's Lieutenant position.

District 8B

The January meeting of the District 8-B was held at the Liberty Township Station. There were 8 departments and 16 men present. Guests at the meeting were Carl Bruns, President; Jim Parker, Past President; Bill Windsor, P.R., and Stan Gibson from the State Fire Marshall's office.

Carol talked to the men about the many different bills that were in the legislature at the present time and urged all departments to call their legislators.

Bill Windsor talked about the Midwest Award and stated that if you would like to nominate someone, send it to the district chairman.

Meeting was adjourned for the Miss Flame contest. The new Miss Flame for District 8-B is Sandra Curtis of Gaston Fire Department. Also the first runner-up was Tammy Farmer of Ward Township. Good luck Sandra in the Miss Flame contest at the convention. And thanks to all who tried for the District 8-B Miss Flame.

District 8-B Secretary
Michael Osgood

March Meeting

The March meeting of the District 8-B was held at the Daleville Fire Station. There were 10 departments and 18 men present. Guest at the meeting was Stan Gibson.

It was brought up that the House Bill 1156 dealing with the State Fire Marshall's office was amended and it will be stronger than before.

The E.D.I.T.H. house and the I.V.F.A. trailer are both not being used at this time but anybody wanting them in the district for this summer or fall should contact Bill Windsor and get your name down on them.

No nominations have yet been made or sent in for the Mr. I.V.F.A. to Jim, and they are due in by the end of March.

Just a few things going on in the district. The District 8-B School, May 20, Hamilton Township Fire Department. April 7, Parker Fire Department is having a Fish, Tenderloin Fry. Blaintsvill is also having a basketball game with WMDH on either April 17-18. So if you can, let's get around to some of these things and support each other.

Stan Gibson had training on Structural Fire Fighting with Hose Stream Operations. The film was very informative and was well put together. He also stated the producers and the NFPA were wanting to shoot footage of anybody who was planning on burning any houses or buildings. If you would be interested in this let the State Fire Marshall's Office know so they could set up a date.

The next District 8-B meeting will be held at the Union City Fire Department May 8.

District 8-B Secretary
Michael Osgood

McCombs Succumbs to Illness

Arnold W. McCombs, widely known Hartford City resident, died at 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, 1983, on his 74th birthday in Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie.

Mr. McCombs was a member of the Odd Fellows Lodge, a 48-year member of the F&AM and attended the Trinity United Methodist Church. He was a member and photographer for the Hartford City Volunteer Fire Department, a representative of the Indiana State Police Press and for the past five years had been the official photographer for the Blackfor County coroner's office.

The family requested that memorials be made to the Equipment Fund of the Hartford City Volunteer Fire Department.

CAMBRIDGE CITY CHIEF RETIRES



New Cambridge Chief Ed Longnecker (left) is shown with retiring Chief Bill Ervin, Sr.

After 31 years of service as a firefighter and 5 years as chief, Billy Ervin, Sr. retired.

Chief Ervin was replaced by Edward Longnecker, an experienced firefighter and E.M.T. with 27 years of service to the Cambridge City Department.

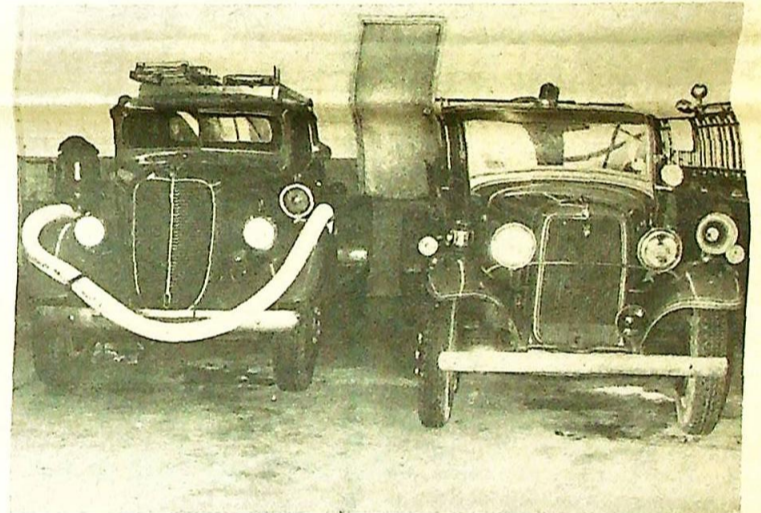
John Rauthe, Jr. was promoted to asst. chief and Billy Ervin, Jr. replaced Mr. Rauthe as a captain.

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By: Rodger J. Birchfield

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PAIR OF HOWE PISTONS

The Silver Lake Volunteer fire department has two old Howe Piston Pumpers in its fire house.

The pumper at left is on a 1938 Ford chassis. the other is on a 1934 Ford.

Fire fighters at Silver Lake said the Howe three-piston pump and body on the 1938 Ford was originally on a Model T. When they went to buy a new pumper, they had the apparatus moved to a new chassis.

Piston pumpers like these are expected at the Howe Fire Apparatus reunion set for Aug. 25 at Anderson.

Howe Fire Apparatus began business in 1872, the year of the great Chicago fire, at Indianapolis. The firm built hand operated piston pumps and later gas powered, but hand drawn piston pumpers.

Howe built its first motorized apparatus in 1908. Howe moved to Anderson in 1917 where it used the Lambert truck chassis for its motorized equipment. The Lambert truck was built by the Buckeye Co. It ceased operation in 1922.

Howe was in four different plants in Anderson. One was

destroyed by a fire in 1936. The last plant was located on north Madison Avenue.

The firm and its two subsidiaries, Oren and Coast Apparatus, were purchased by the Grumman Corp. several years ago and moved to Vinton, VA

A number of antique Howe pumpers, ladder trucks and hand and horse drawn equipment are in museums or are owned by fire apparatus buffs and fire departments throughout the world.

One unusual horse drawn piston pumper is displayed in the Anderson Library. The apparatus was designed so that the horses walking around the apparatus in circles turned the pump. Water was usually drafted from street cisterns.

Despite the trend toward the centrifical pumps, Howe delivered piston pumps until the 1970s along with apparatus equipped with the centrifical pump.

Ron Leatz, the Howe reunion general chairman, said all antique apparatus are invited to the muster in Anderson's Athletic Park.

Leatz can be contacted a 1613 Sherwood Dr. in Anderson, (46012) Ph. (317) 643-4810.

The Anderson/Madison County Visitors & Convention Bureau is assisting Leatz with the reunion. The Holiday Inn at Ind. 9 and I-65 is the reunion headquarters.

\$35,000 Loss Set in Blaze

Utica volunteer firefighters were called to the Robert Perkins residence, 401 Louann Court when fire broke out in the basement of the home and resulted in a total loss of \$35,000.

McCulloch volunteers were called on a second alarm to the residence when the blaze spread to the attic of the one-story home.

Utica volunteers say damage was estimated at \$25,000 to the building and \$10,000 to its contents.

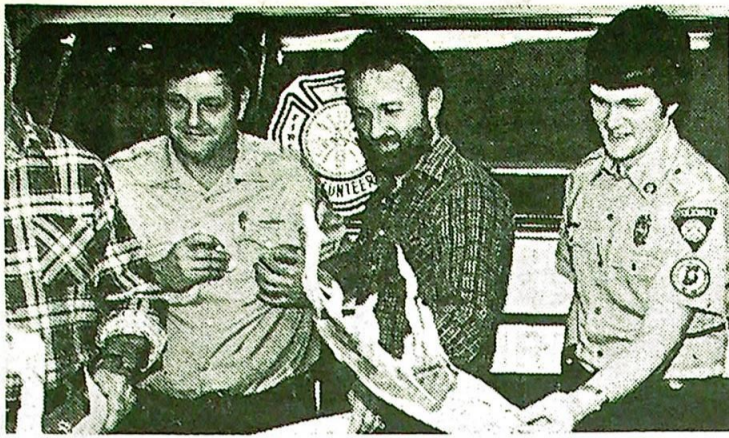
The blaze started in the basement when wiring to the furnace shorted. A Utica department spokesman said the fire spread up the vent pipe to the roof.

Initial response units from Utica extinguished the fire in the vicinity of the furnace but did not detect the spread of the flames into the attic. When black smoke began to issue out of the attic vents, they called for assistance from McCulloch volunteers, realizing that the fire had spread throughout the entire attic.

Firefighter Mike Lewis sustained injuries to his left forearm and hand in gaining entry to the residence, officials said.

Responding McCullough units attacked the fire in the attic by ventilating the roof. While doing so, Lt. Todd Wallingford fell thought a section of roof which collapsed beneath him. He managed to catch himself as he fell between the rafters, and was assisted back onto the roof by fellow firefighters. He was not injured in the mishap.

Courtesy Jefferson Evening News



FIRE BUGS: Stockwell Volunteer Firemen hosted a fire in their stationhouse. The department celebrated the final payment of a 10-year note on the station by burning copies of the mortgage. From left, Bill Ziekert, Roger McIntyre and Richard Lofland burn the mortgage following a free ham and bean supper to thank the citizens of Lauramie Township for paying off the 10-year mortgage in seven and a half years.

Photo courtesy the Journal and Courier, Lafayette



From left to right: David Mikel, Clifford Seely, Jack Miller (Township Trustee), Atwood Kidder, Andrew Nemes, and Maurice Battles. Charles Smith, Donald Bowers and Clarence Wallis were in Florida when the Award Dinner was held on February 12, 1984.

'Citizen of the Year' Honored Vander Vaart helped organize the Munster fire department in 1925

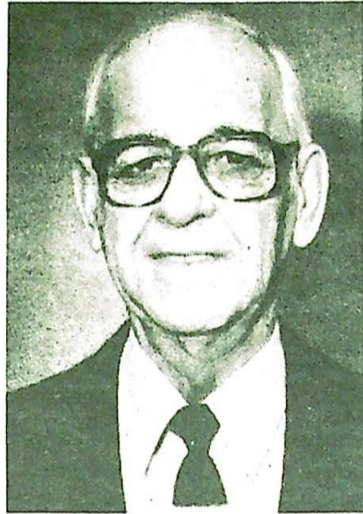
MUNSTER — A longtime Munster fire department volunteer was named "Citizen of the Year" by the Munster Chamber of Commerce at its annual banquet.

Cornelius VanderVaart, 75, was honored for his 60 years of service to the town's volunteer fire department. He helped organize the Department when he moved to Munster at age 16.

He also helped establish the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association in 1952. VanderVaart carries Card No. 2 in the 16,000-member organization.

Frank Fehring, a member of the chamber's selection committee, said VanderVaart has saved "many, many lives" while a member of the ambulance crew. VanderVaart still drives the ambulance on a daily basis.

The chamber has presented the Citizen of the Year award for the past 13 years for "outstanding service for the town of Munster."



Cornelius Vander Vaart

HAIRY ISSUE Firefighters Vow Fight To Keep Their Beards

Reprinted from the Cincinnati Enquirer

AURORA—Three volunteer firefighters here are sizzling hot over new regulations which require them to shave their beards for safety's sake.

The three, Bobby Beach, Mike Luke and Steve Dilts, say they're going to fight the new rule even though their refusal to comply may result in dismissal.

About 20 volunteer firefighters and their wives appeared before city council Monday night to object to a rule Fire Chief Lawrence "Red" Hafenbride instituted last month which requires volunteers to be clean shaven so the masks of their self-contained breathing devices will fit properly.

Hafenbride said Tuesday that Aurora's firefighters have been warned about safety relating to beards interfering with the sealing qualities of breathing equipment.

Eighty percent of all firefighters killed in the line of duty are victims of toxic gas or smoke inhalation, the chief said. "I issued the rule based on several guidelines, and I stand on the order."

Hafenbride said that while no federal rules require firefighters to be clean-shaven, fire safety organizations, such as the International Fire Service Training Association, recommend it.

The chief's order, effective Feb. 28, gave Aurora volunteers 24 hours to comply. Those not complying were asked to turn in their personal firefighter's equipment last weekend.

"Those who fail to comply have the choice of resigning," Hafenbride said Tuesday.

The chief said 13 volunteers have agreed to abide by the order and have shaved off their beards.

Aurora's two fire companies are equipped with four Scott-Pak self-contained breathing devices which firefighters use when entering smoke-filled buildings, the chief said.

The device contains 25 to 30 minutes of air, he said. Improper sealing of the plastic face mask, which can be caused by beards, can cut that time in half. "That's just long enough for a fireman to get into a building and get into trouble," Hafenbride said.

Firefighters charged at the meeting Monday that Hafenbride's rule was influenced by the city's recently adopted Code of Professional Ethics, which requires, among other things, that all male city employees be clean-shaven.

Hafenbride admitted that the code had some influence on his decision but that his main concern is for the firefighter's safety.

Firefighter Bige Couch, who is clean-shaven, spoke out against the rule, saying, "I'm out there to save someone's life any way I can. They're not going to worry whether a fireman who saves them has a beard or not."

Beach, 39, who has been a volunteer four years, claims the new rule violates his constitutional rights.

"I'm not going to quit," Beach said Tuesday. "I'm going to fight this as long as I can. If the chief had come out and asked us to shave, we would have done it, but no one likes a direct order put to them saying you've got to shave within 24 hours."

Dilts, 27, who has been a fire-

fighter about three years, said he agrees with Beach.

"If a guy risks his life everytime the fire alarm goes off, he risks it whether he's got a beard or not," Dilts said.

Luke, 31, is a probationary firefighter since December, who previously had been a member of the Vevay Volunteer Fire Department.

"I don't think it's right that any man should be asked to shave his beard off," Luke said. "If a fireman comes on the scene with a beard are you going to ask him to stand aside for a man without a beard?"

"Jesus Christ had a beard and He saved souls. We are firemen and we save lives and property. The only difference is that God didn't have a fire truck."

City Attorney Pat Doenges said the firefighters' civil rights have not been violated.

"Your rights to wear a beard doesn't supercede the fire department's right to protect your safety and the safety of the citizens you protect. I don't see how you can balance the two," he said.

Council member Ronald Nocks told the firefighters Monday that he stands behind the chief and his policies. But Nocks suggested that council meet with fire officials to discuss the issue.

Nocks said the committee's findings will be reported at the next council meeting on March 19.

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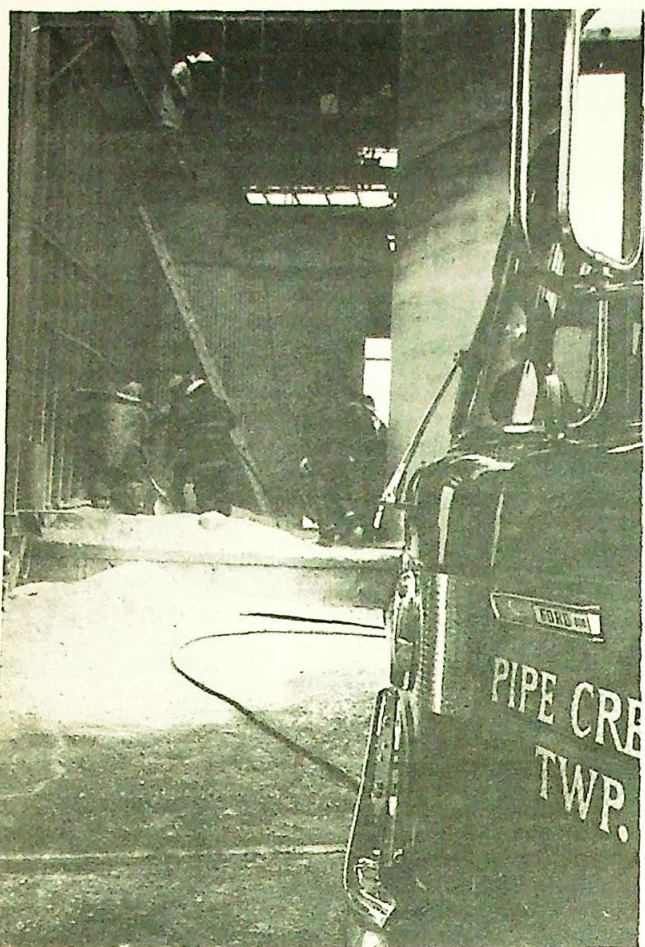


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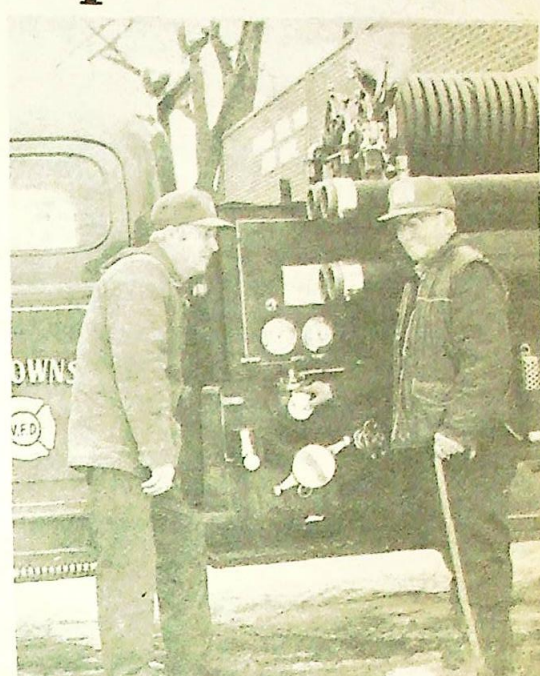
CO-OP FIRE —



CO-OP FIRE — Members of the Pipe Creek Township Fire Department, assisted by Elwood firemen, were called to the Madison County Farm Bureau Co-Op Tuesday at 1 p.m. According to reports, a belt overheated on a motor of a holding bin resulting in grain smoking. No significant damages were reported.

(Call-Leader Photo by Stipp)

FAYETTE FIRE FIGHTERS Rachel, Cecil Keep The Watch



Rachel Smith announces on fire radio. Dick Belcher (left), Cecil Smith check pump

By RODGER BIRCHFELD
Indianapolis News Staff Reporter

FAYETTE, Ind. — "This is the Perry Township Boone County Volunteer Fire Department making a test for all home receivers. Repeat. This is only a test. Time 7:15 p.m. KXO 6653."

Speaking is Rachel Smith, wife of Perry Township Fire Chief Cecil Smith. She is heard on monitor radios in Boone County and nearby Marion County tuned to fire frequency.

Mrs. Smith, 75, and her husband, 78, operate Smith's Super Service, a service station and general store, in Fayette, just north of the Hendricks County line on Ind. 267. They also are the founders of the fire department in this community south of Lebanon.

"I can't tell you off hand how long I have been dispatching for the fire department," said Mrs. Smith. "We've been with the fire department since it started in 1936. I can't remember when we got the radios. It was quite a bit after that."

Mrs. Smith keeps her ears tuned to the fire radio and the fire phone. She has a dispatch unit and phone at the store and in her nearby home. The main radio transmitter and fire phone is at the fire house across Ind. 267.

Radios for the Perry Township Fire Department are a recent innovation. Smith and his wife re-

call the days when the fire department consisted of buckets and strong backs.

Married in 1927

The Smiths graduated from the former Perry Township School in 1926. They were married the following year.

The two started their feed business about a half mile south of Fayette on a farm. The location is now a golf course.

"We had five or six men working here (at the mill) back then," said Smith. "That was when the mill was running. We finally got out of the mill business because of all the government red tape. We still operate the grocery and feed store."

"When there was a fire in the area someone would come here because we had the manpower," he said. "We would gather up all the buckets we could find and head out to the fire. Rachel would call all the men in the area on the telephone and fire trucks were called at Lebanon or Whites-town."

"We lost a few houses and other buildings," said Smith. "But surprisingly we saved a few with what we had."

In 1958 Smith heard the Center Township Trustee was planning to sell an old International-Luverne pumper. He personally bought the little red pumper and equipment, paying about \$2,500. The engine is still parked in the firehouse.

Several years later Smith and the volunteers built a tanker on another truck. The pumper and tanker were stored in the mill garages behind the grocery and feed store. A mini pumper also built by the fire fighters is located at the station.

Incorporated

"We finally incorporated the fire

department in 1961," Smith said. "It was getting so I couldn't afford the insurance on the men and equipment."

In 1968, the volunteers got together and constructed a three bay fire house on the west side of Ind. 267. The building has a kitchen and meeting room.

Assistant Chief Dick Belcher, an employee of Smith's Super Service, said several organizations such as the local 4-H and church groups use the meeting room. Although younger, Belcher has been on the department as long as Smith.

Hanging on the walls are class pictures. On long walks, he uses two canes. At night he sleeps in the fire house.

"I don't get around like I used to," he said. "By the time I got across the road to the fire house at night, the trucks would be gone. So, I stay over here at night. Those younger guys are quick. They get out of the station in two minutes."

Too Slippery

"We got a rescue run the other evening," he said. "I stayed in my car when I got there. It was just too slippery for me to walk around."

The Smiths have one son, Gerald, a teacher at Bethesda Christian Church near Grownsburg, and four grandchildren. Numerous items hang on the store walls. On top of two old filing cabinets is a poster board with a picture of their son's family. The board is also covered with pictures brought in by area children.

"Really, I'm retired," Smith said. "They (the fire fighters) won't let me quit."

"I'll retire when the Lord retires me," said Mrs. Smith.

Courtesy The Indianapolis News

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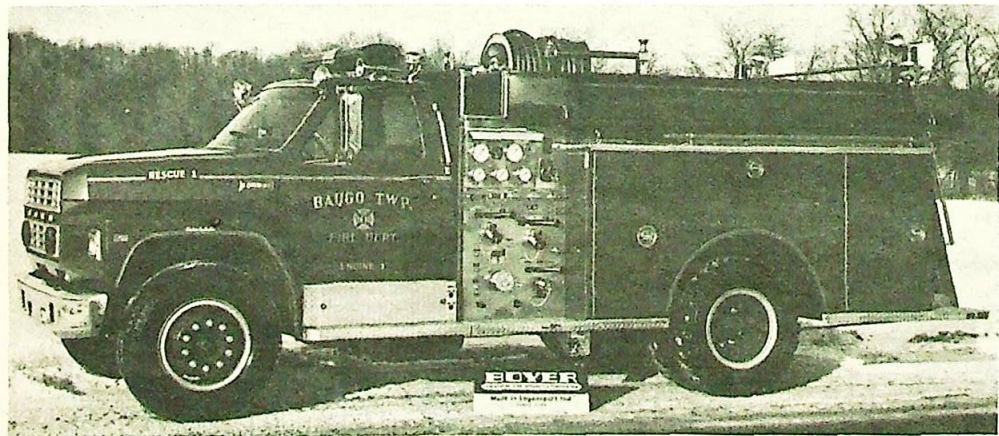
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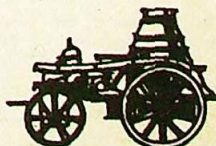
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Dublin Suffers Loss In

Excess of
\$100,000.

On the afternoon of Sunday, March 11th Dublin's mainline and reserve pumper along with the 1085 gallon tanker and Rescue truck responded to a residence fire in the 2100 block of West Delaware, Dublin. Upon arrival, the first pumper found the entire southwest corner of the bi-level home engulfed in flames. 3 attach lines were pulled (two 1½ and one 2½). With the arrival of the second pumper, which secured water to the scene, the chief, Dan Wicker, a 21 year veteran of the department, called for assistance from Cambridge and Milton, neighboring towns. It took 3 hours to achieve 90% of the flame

knockdown. Firefighters were hampered by extreme low level heat and flame of which was believed to reach near 1200 degrees at floor level, a very rare occurrence. The conflagration is still under investigation by the department investigator and state officials but a possible cause being checked out is pyroforic-carbonization due to a hot water heating system's installation. Total damage is estimated to be around \$120,000. This was one of the biggest fire losses in town history.



Burlington Department Has Annual Meeting



Left to right: Fire Marshall William Goodwin; IVFA President Carl Bruns; 25-year members Max Ehrmon, Fred Michael, Robert Zook; Dist. 9A Chairman Chas. "Tug" Sulton.

Annual meeting of the Burlington Volunteer Fire Department was held Jan. 8, 1984. Honored guests were: State Fire Marshall William Goodwin, Pres. I.V.F.A. Carl Bruns, Burlington Township Trustee Marion Huffer and Advisory Board Members Richard Schuler and Kathy Northcutt.

Fire Responses 1983

House	10
Vehicle	15
Barns	4
Grass	12
Other	4
Total	45

Former Years

Year	Fires
1974	66
1975	51
1976	67
1977	52
1978	57
1979	48
1980	62
1981	51
1982	58
1983	45

We are decreasing.

Training in 1983

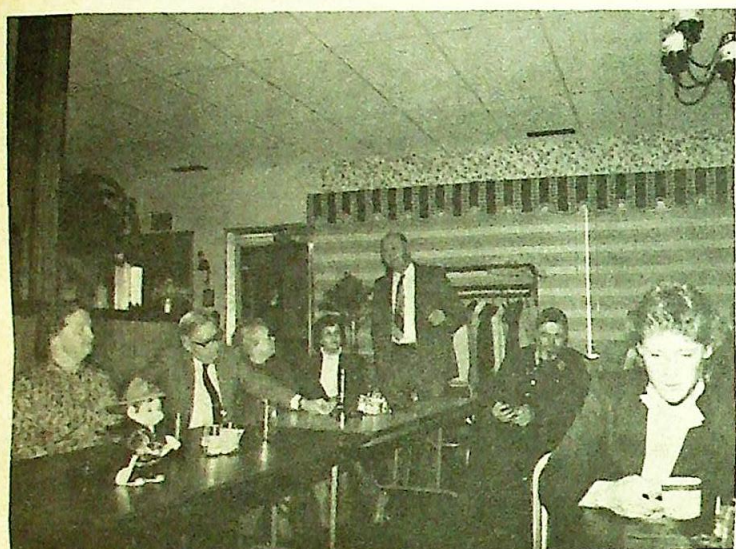
January 6 to February 17, 40 hours — First Responder Course.
 February 22, 3 hours — Forcible Entry.
 March 8, 2 hours — Ventilation.
 March 12, 6 hours — Salvage and Overhaul.
 March 19, 6 hours — Ropes and Ladders.
 March 20, 6 hours — Fire Hazard Properties of Flammable and Combustible Liquids.
 October 8, 5 hours — Water Supply.
 October 15, 4 hours — Sprinklers and Standpipes.
 October 19, 4 hours — Sprinklers and Standpipes.
 October 22, 4 hours — Automotive / Maneuvering Fire Apparatus.
 October 26, 4 hours — Automotive / Maneuvering Fire Apparatus.
 November 19, 4 hours — Protective Breathing Equipment.
 November 26, 4 hours — Structural Fire Fighting.

Altogether, 93 hours of instruction was given with approximately 960 man hours involved.

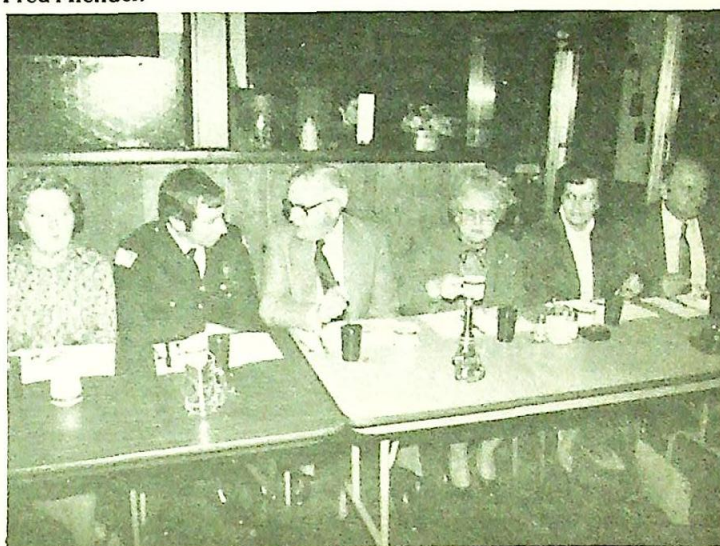
Purchases in 1983: Attack truck, projector camera for training, helmets and coats, 4 nozzles.



Fireman Marshall Goodwin swears in new officers. Left to right: Secretary Byron Gilbert, Assistant Chief Robert Zook, Deputy Chief Duane Henery, Chief John Bogue, Max Ehrman, Treasurer Mike Scott, Fred Michael.



President Carl Bruns giving to the Department the Good Word from I.V.F.A.



Chief Zook and Fire Marshall Goodwin discuss the evils of fires.



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 A tower of flames,
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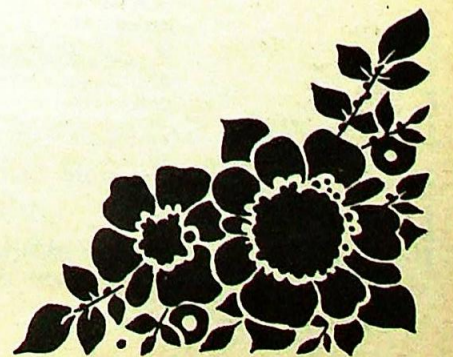
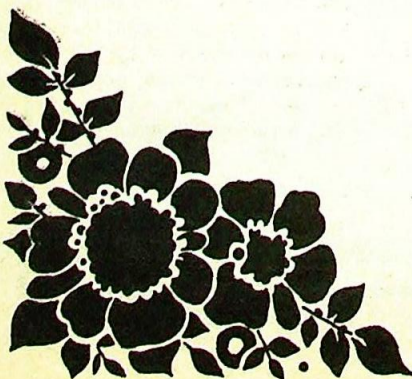
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Auxiliary Officers Meeting February 5, 1984 Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, Indianapolis, Indiana

President Barbara Parker called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Sgt.-at-arms Miriam Schaeckel, led us in the pledge to the flag. Opening prayer was offered by Chaplain Bette Sellmer. Roll call answered by 25 officers, 4 committee people and 8 guests.

Minutes of the November 13, 1983 officers meeting read and corrected. Correction being 30 officers answered roll call instead of 29. Approved as corrected. A motion by Barbara Surber that district reports not be read. Seconded by Ruth Ford.

Recording secretary Loretta Nulliner reported membership for 1983-84 as 2378 members, representing 153 auxiliaries, with 67 individuals. New Auxiliaries since November report are: Plymouth - District 5, Bloomington Township - District 17B.

Chaplain Bette Sellmer reported she has again sent over 40 cards to the men's association. To the auxiliary, 15 get well and 1 sympathy. WE have had one death, Stella Clark, Lake Station, District 1. Treasurer Toni Sorg reported:

Balance Forward November 6, 1983		\$ 3998.57
Income: Dues	\$ 320.00	
Interest	71.12	
Jewelry	93.50	
Miscellaneous	217.25	
Total Income	\$ 701.87	701.87
		\$ 4700.44
Expenses: Officers*	\$ 86.96	
Miscellaneous		
Officers		
Mileage	185.20	
Overpaid Dues	49.00	
Miscellaneous	4.45	
Total Disbursements	\$ 325.61	
		325.61
Balance as of February 1, 1984		\$ 4374.83

*Postage \$78.80 and printing of checks \$8.16. Treasurers report approved, subject to audit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Doe Doll - Vice President Nickie Sunday. If you didn't get your tickets please do so today. To date we have sold 21 tickets. Nicki will have a schedule made up so her committee will know when they are to sell tickets during convention. Sell, Sell, Sell, go with green.

Miss Flame - Lucy Stofer. Lucy reminded everyone of the date changes. If you need any of the rules or judging sheets, she has them. She received confirmation from some of the convention judges.

Games - Ruth Sanders. We are going ahead with the Kart Race. There are a couple of changes, 2 women on hose and nozzle and a 10 oz. cup will be used. There will be no entry fee for this event, this year. Rules and entry forms for games will be in the next paper.

Nominating - Janet Goodwin. No report.

By-laws - Carolyn McCarty. No report.

Jewelry - Marlene Poling. Marlene reported she has made up a list of good seller and not so good sellers. One of the not so good is the belt buckle, she has on hand 24 silver and 7 gold. She made her recommended cuts on the jewelry. Marlene will meet with the financial committee to decide on what to order. President Barbara asked Marlene to make up a schedule, for her committee during convention.

Parliamentarian - Ruth Ford. Ruth asked Chaplain Bette would she please stand when giving her report, for she can't be heard.

Installation - Ruth Fairfield. No report.

President Advisory - Vica McGill. No report.

Historian - Thelma Lester. No report.

Lois Boaz - Catherine Mason. Vice-President Nicki read a letter from Catherine. Please remember that the deadline for letters is April 1st.

Auditing - Barbara Surber. Barbara asked that all jewelry be turned in on Saturday of the May officers meeting, for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

Lois Boaz jackets. Mary Brooks reported that she and Barbara had gone to Lazarus in Greenwood. They spoke to a lady in the Levi Strauss department. She is to let Mary know February 6th if they can get white jackets. If they can, they will be about \$50.00 each. We will need to get the winner's sizes by May.

Insurance. Ruth Sanders questioned the insurance President Barbara told us about last meeting. In the case of a death, we have never signed anything for a beneficiary. Barbara will check with Tim Downey on this matter.

Toni Sorg. At the last meeting we reorganized, but we did not name officers of same. A motion to retain the main line officers of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association Auxiliary as the officers of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Auxiliary Association was made by Faye Salee, seconded by Debbie Reed. Question. Vote. Passed.

We have two guests, Larry Curl and Bill Sunday. Larry invited all to convention at Wayne Township, Indianapolis. He gave a rundown of convention as follows:

Convention Headquarters: Adam's Mark (formerly Sheraton West)
Other Area Motels: Quality Inn, Ramada Inn, Roadway Inn
Campgrounds: Campers Corner - no price yet
Convention Activities: All activities will be at the Adams Mark except Memorial Service and the parade.

Registration: Advance registration is \$13.00 till May 15th and registration at the door will be \$15.00.

Apparatus Display: The apparatus display will be in the rear parking lot.

Beer Bust: Will be in the rear parking lot.

Games: Will be set up in the back parking lot.

Registration: In the rear of the motel. (Convention Entrance)

Inside Display: Convention Corridors (Back Lobby)

After Banquet function: Dance at the motel with live band

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Your President Barbara



BARBARA PARKER

"Wayne Opens the Door in '84"
Wayne Twp., Indianapolis, opens the door for all of you to attend convention. Convention is just around the corner. Have you sent in your registration and your room reservations? Now is the time to do so. All of the meetings, banquet etc. will be held at the Adams Mark Hotel, the Memorial Service will be at a near-by church. There will be buses to transport you to the church. I urge all of you to attend this lovely service. The games will be in the parking lot of the Hotel. Remember we have a new game this year, "Cart Race." The tentative convention schedule is in this issue, also registration forms, with the deadline for early registration being May 15, register early and save \$2.00. Room reservation forms are also in this issue, mail them directly (with 1 night deposit) to the hotel.

AUXILIARY MEMBERS, FIREMENS WIVES and GUESTS, Please Join Us, at our Friday morning (8 a.m.) coffee klutch, meeting 9 a.m., and the Memorial Service. The afternoon meeting will be at 1:15. We have some by-law changes this year and we need YOU there to vote on them.

Greet that new friend you made in Elkhart last year, and meet another new friend this year.

Are you selling your Lucky Doe tickets? If you have not received your green tickets to sell for the Doe Doll, contact your district chairman or your Vice President Nickie Sunday. They will be glad to send you some tickets. Remember the district selling the most tickets makes \$25.00 for their district.

The Miss Flame contests are over and again we have a beautiful group of girls to represent the districts. I want to congratulate all of the girls on becoming Miss Flame from your district. You will be getting a letter from the Miss Flame chairman, Lucy Stofer, on your schedule for convention. I will see all of you Thursday morning before the judging. Good Luck to all of you. If you and your parents are staying in the motel, you must make your own room reservations and state you are a Miss Flame. We have a block of rooms set aside for you. When you arrive to register for convention, let the girls in registration know you are a Miss Flame.

We have 2 Auxiliaries who have joined the State, Plymouth and Bloomington Township. Welcome, Ladies: Unfortunately we do not have district for these auxiliaries to attend. If you have an auxiliary around these departments and would like to help start a district, please contact me. We would like to get districts going in 8A, 5, 17B and 18. If your husband is a member of one of these districts, then you would be also. If you and your auxiliary are interested in starting these districts for

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AUXILIARY MEETING

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Convention Meetings: Will be held the third Thursday of each month from now until June at Wayne Township Training Academy.

Carol Curl showed convention items: hats at \$5.00, shirts at \$7.00, Mason jars at \$3.00, mugs at \$5.50, deck of cards at \$2.00, or \$2.50, ash trays at \$2.50. There will also be an ice bucket selling for \$35.00, it is leather covered and comes with bar tools.

Mary Brooks would like to know what district Lizton is in. They have had a Miss Flame the last two years, but have never received any information on the contest. Could we please let them know. Lizton is in District 20. Lucy will contact Charlie Jones.

By-laws - Lorette has received 5 by-law changes in regards to raising dues, from districts, 1 and 2, 19, 10, 12, and 6. If there are any more remember they must be in 60 days before convention. One copy to Lorette then one copy to the by-laws committee.

Lucy passed out the remaining Miss Flame pictures from Convention 83.

Guest Jack Ford - Getting things done in Indianapolis. Jack brought us greetings from Marshal and Mrs. Goodwin. He spoke again on House Bill 1156 and Senate bill 361. Make your calls, let your representatives and senators know what you want. Jack concluded by saying Trust Me.

NEW BUSINESS

President Barbara asked all chairmen of this year's committees, please make up a list of what your committee does and an outline if its duties. Officers will meet with all chairmen at May officers meeting.

Lorette asked that only 1983-84 dues be sent in. Don't send in 1984-85.

Some of the districts are going to change their Miss Flame judging to November. This could eliminate the problems with a date deadline and bad weather. Also it would give the district winner a chance to speak locally and feel more at ease when she arrives at convention.

Nicki and Lucy are going down to the men's meeting to talk about selling Doe Doll tickets and the Miss Flame deadlines.

Barbara Surber brought up that she felt that the women's past presidents pictures should be in the convention book. President Barbara will talk with Carl Bruns on this matter.

Guest IVFA President Carl Bruns just came up to say hello and again thank the ladies for their help and support.

May officers meeting will be May 5 and 6, Howard Johnson Motor Lodge. No activities, due to so many committee meetings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Decatur - dedication March 4 at 2:00 p.m.
- District 11A - spring dance, March 17th, Sanford Fire House, 9-1
- District 11B - Sweetheart Dance, February 18, Rockville Armory, 9-1, Bloomingdale serving breakfast 1 to 3:30 after dance.
- Poe - Pancake and Sausage, April 2, 10 - 2
- German Township - dance February 11
- Osceola - dance April 14, 9 to 1
- District 16 - March 8, Miss Flame and pitch in dinner, Lafayette Township.
- Galveston - selling cookbooks at \$5.00

Questions

Marlene Poling - Is District judging done the same as state judging? President Barbara stated it has not been stated as such, but really it should be, so the girls will know what to expect at convention.

Mary Kissell - What is formal attire? This would be a long dress or gown. Lucy will add the words long gown to Miss Flame Rules.

What about convention Coffee Klutch? The price at motels prohibits having rolls, approximate cost for coffee and rolls is \$1100.00 to \$1500.00. President Barbara said that the purpose of this coffee klutch was for meeting friends and making new ones, not the eating.

DISTRICT REPORTS

District 1 and 2 Phyllis Vargo and Pat Wisniewski - No meeting since last officers meeting. We had one death in District 1, Lake Station, Stella Clark. We have 4 Miss Flame entries from District 1 and 3 entries from District 2, judging will be at district meeting March 1st at 8:00 p.m. at Lake Hills Fire Station.

District 3 Marilyn Kessler - Meeting was held January 18 at the

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NICKIE'S NOTES



NICKIE SUNDAY

With all the snow, who would believe convention is just around the corner. I'm sure Wayne Township realizes how quickly it will be here as they are hard at work getting everything ready for us to enjoy. You still have the opportunity to take advantage of the advance registration of \$13.00 until May 15th. Also, this will help Wayne Township out and reduce the work of the registration women at convention. Please let's all do our part to help them! Don't forget your room reservations, the necessary forms are available from your district chairman and also from this copy of the paper.

My family and I have been attending a lot of meetings, contests, dinners, dances, and breakfasts. We enjoy seeing our old friends and meeting so many new friends as we attend the different activities. The Miss Flame contestants have all been so lovely and I'm just thankful I don't have to pick the district winners. I would like to wish each one of the individual winners congratulations and good luck at the state contest. A reminder to all, let's make our girls feel welcome. Each one is representing a district, don't forget to support your girl.

Last year at convention, we heard a lot about raising dues for next year. Well, girls, let me be honest, we have **not** raised the dues for the present year 83-84, so we need to sell our lucky doe doll raffle tickets. "Go with Green" needs your help! To date we have less than 100 tickets sold. Let's all

work real hard to sell all the tickets we can before convention. I have confidence you can and will get the job done, the volunteers always come through.

There are many fire schools coming up in the next few weeks, girls, encourage your fire fighters to attend. Better yet, you attend the school with him! Information on dates and places can be obtained from your district chairman.

We at the Sunday house on Main Street in Farmland, Indiana are anxiously awaiting a little spring weather and just as anxiously we are looking forward to convention. Don't get discouraged and give up hope, just plan ahead for the future, and I know the sun will come out shining soon.

Keep the cards and information coming. I am trying to get to each district at least once if at all possible. Hope to see a good attendance at convention.

Your Vice-President
Nickie

President Barb

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the women, please contact one of the State Officers.

Ladies, as my two years of having the honor of being your President is coming to an end, let me thank you for those wonderful two years. I will always cherish the friendships and memories of these years. May the years to come be growing ones and if I can help your auxiliary in any way, I will be there.

Again I want to thank all of you for being so good and kind to Jim and I as we visited your districts.

Hope to see all of you at convention.

Until we meet again, my Auxiliary friends, God Bless.

Your President
Barb.



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The 4th District Aux. Holds Meeting

The 4th District Ladies Aux. met Jan. 26th at Osceola Fire Dept. Our State Pres. Barbara Parker and Sgt.-at-Arms Miriam Schaeckel were present. We had 24 members and 12 guests which included the newly formed Penn South Fire Dept. Aux. and five contestants for our Miss Flame Contest which was held after our business meeting.

The 4th District's new Miss Flame, Janet Robbins from Penn South Fire Dept., was crowned by the State Miss Flame, Mary Loucks. Other contestants were Christy Ramer, Wakarusa; Tammy Eash, Osceola; Christy McGovern, Walkerton; and Lisa Fitz, Warren Twp. Thanks girls for participating.

The next meeting will be at Jim Town Jr. High School hosted by Baugo Fire Dept. and Aux. on Mar. 22.

We have set the date for the May meeting. This will be Sun. May 27th at Elkhart Campground. We will have a camp-out weekend, May 25-26-27-28. If you don't camp, come join us sometime over the long weekend. Many activities are being planned by the host families. We will have election of officers for the District at this meeting.

Hope to see you there.
Alice Price
4th District Chm.

District 11B

Auxiliary and Firemen,
We wish to say "Thank You" for supporting our District 11-B Miss Flame Sweetheart Dance. Attendance was down, as well as profits, but I hope everyone had a good time. We are open for suggestions to improve our dance and encourage your response.

We, as a district, are proud to submit Jill Ketchem as our candidate for the State Miss Flame contest. Congratulations Jill and Good Luck.

Participation of all candidates for the district contest was greatly appreciated. I hope it was enjoyable and a learning experience for all. Next year's contest is not that far away. I hope you've put it on your calendar and are getting your candidates prepared.

March 17th was District 11-B fire school, on Firemen and the Law and Management at the Cayuga Generating Station. Thirty attended the all day class. It was very interesting. I attended and am beginning to understand there is more to fighting a fire and belong-

DISTRICT REPORTS

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Coolspring Township Fire Department. Roll call taken with 26 members and 2 guests. District cookbooks are in. Miss Flame judging will be February 15 at Koontz Lake. Attendance Award won by Kingsford Union. Next meeting will be February 15 at Koontz Lake Fire Department.

District 4 Alice Price - Met December 1st at Center Township Fire Dept., with 18 members and 4 guests. Doe Doll tickets passed out. Lois Boaz award was explained and noted that entries should be sent in by April 1st. After meeting we joined our men for games and door prizes as this was our Christmas Party. Met January 26 at Osceola Fire Dept. with 24 members and 12 guests. Happy to see Penn South Auxiliary. They have just formed. State President Barbara Parker and Sgt.-at-Arms Miriam Schaeckel were in attendance. Miss Flame contest held. Last year's district Miss Flame Mary Loucks from Concord Fire Dept. crowned our new District Miss Flame Janet Robbins, from Penn South Fire Dept. Other contestants: Runner up Christy Ramer - Wakarusa, Tammy Eash - Osceola, Christy McGovern - Walkerton, and Lisa Fitz - Warren Township.

District 6 Ruth Sanders - Meeting held January 19th at Kendallville Fire Station. Miss Flame was held. Our contestants were Jane Gallmeyer - Adams #3 and Julie Poling - Adams #2. After our meeting and the judging our Miss Flame Jane Gallmeyer was announced. There were 11 present at our meeting, the weather being very bad. Next meeting March 15, we will have a Bake Sale Auction, as a money making project for our Miss Flame.

District 7 Virginia Wilson - Meeting was held at Warren on January 16 with roll call answered by 7 ladies from 4 departments. Ladies were asked to get their Lois Boaz letters written and in the mail. March meeting will be at Andrews on March 19 with Bake Sale.

District 8B Betty Nickens - Met January 11 at Spring Water Park, with Liberty Township as our host. Guests introduced were President Barbara Parker, Vice-President Nicki Sunday and Vi Bruns. Doe doll tickets passed out. Joined the men for the Miss Flame contest. We had five contestants this year. They were: Miss Liberty Township, Sandy Stanley, Miss Gaston - Sandra Curtis, Miss Pennville - Sherry McEwen, Miss Ward Township - Tamie Farmer, Miss White River - Amy Jennings. The winner is Miss Gaston, Sandra Curtis, runner-up was Miss Ward Township, Tamie Farmer. Next meeting March 14 at Salem Township, Daleville.

District 9A and District 21 Faye Salee and Connie Suter - Met at Colfax Fire Dept. on November 9. Minutes of the State Officers meeting

were read and discussed. Salad bar was enjoyed by all. Next meeting Galveston Fire Dept. on February 8 at 7:30.

District 10 Nancy Neal - Miss Flame on March 4 at Morristown, dinner at 4:00 p.m. Next meeting February 20 at Taylorville. Wear an apron for judging.

District 11A Debbie Reed - Held their meeting on January 15. District Miss Flame on February 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township fire house. Our annual Spring dance on March 17 at the Sandford firehouse. Next meeting March 18 at Sandford.

District 11B Betty Osborne - Last meeting hosted by the Dana Volunteer Firemen and Aux. They served chili for lunch that just hit the spot. Sweetheart Dance February 18, Rockville National Guard Armory. After dance Bloomingdale have agreed to cook Pancakes and Sausage for those attending the dance. District 11B is having a fire school on March 17 at the Public Service Generating Station at Cayuga.

District 12 Mary Brooks - Meeting held November 14 at Washington Township. Roll call answered by 16 members and 5 guests from 5 departments. Mary introduced our guests, Barb Surber IVFAA past president, Loretta Nulliner, state recording secretary, Vivian Thomas 10th District Chaplain, Debbie Nulliner, jewelry committee member and her daughter Jennifer. Miss Flame contest will be at Wayne Township Academy on February 12th. Officers meeting minutes were discussed.

District 13 Virginia Wilson - Met November 16 at Mac's Steak House. Thirty members with 3 guests from Pendleton Auxiliary. Greenfield the host department entertained with some games and a Christmas exchange. Next meeting will be February 16 at Buck Creek Fire Station, Mt. Comfort at 6:30 p.m. with a pitch in.

District 14 Nancy Richardson - Meeting held at Scottsburg, November 16. 1984 convention was discussed. Doe Doll tickets passed out. January meeting cancelled due to the weather.

District 19 Mary Kissell - Meeting was held November 15 at Aurora Co. #1, with a complete Turkey dinner and meeting followed. There were 45 ladies in attendance and our District Miss Flame was our guest. Next meeting will be February 14 at 7:30 at the Moores Hill Vol. Fire Dept. Dinner will be served.

Being no further business, a motion to adjourn by Debbie Reed, seconded by Phyllis Vargo. Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Betsy Howe
Corresponding Secretary

25 Years of Service And More!

Listed below are the names of the men of the Centre Township Volunteer Fire Department who have given 25 years or more service to this department.

Charles Smith, 19806 Yoder Street, Charter Member, 1948 to 1975 - 27 years.

Donald Bowers, lives in Florida, Charter Member, 1948 to 1974 - 26 years.

Clarence Wallis, 19674 Rolling Acres, Charter Member, 1948 to 1984 - 36 years.

Atwood Kidder, 60236 St. Joseph Street, 1948 to 1976 - 28 years.

Clifford Seely, 60226 St. Joseph Street, 1948 to 1984 - 36 years.

Betty Osborne
Dist. Chairman

ing to a fire department than I thought. I encourage you as auxiliary members to take some interest in these schools. The knowledge we get will help us to help our fire fighters more. The one item I seem to hear most is training. Which makes sense. Fires today are more dangerous than those of the past. Look at the toxic gases and fumes from furniture, curtains, rugs, etc. that are emitted during a fire. With proper training, our men are careful and know what to do. But take those firemen that don't know what to do or look for; what happens to them? We as wives are going to have to give them up to get this training if we want them to be safe.
Our next district meeting is April 29th at Fillmore. We had to change our regular date because it conflicted with Mothers Day and graduations. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Maurice Battles, 18225 Kern Road, 1957 to 1984 - 27 years.

Andres Nemes, 19796 Detroit Street, Charter Member, 1948 to 1984 - 36 years.

David Mikel, 20150 Kern Road, 1948 to 1984 - 35 years.

These eight men have served a combined total of 251 years in the fire services. These eight men have responded to over 7,600 emergency calls in Centre and Greene Townships between them. Their individual totals range from 600 to over 1,700.

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Installing Your Stove.

First check to see if you must comply with local fire codes. A centralized location is usually best, where the stove can be supervised during operation. Remember: Heat rises. Do not
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Good Old Days

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place your stove near a stairwell or the heat will be lost to the floor above. Place your stove at least 36 inches away from any wall. Place an asbestos pad, covered with sheet metal, under your stove.

Your Stove Pipe.

Must be of corrosive-resistant steel of suitable gauge for the diameter of the pipe. Must be straight and short as possible with no more than two 90 degree elbows. Never pass a stove pipe through a combustible wall, to hook up to a chimney, unless you have properly prepared it.

The Chimney.

The chimney flue should be 25% bigger in circumference than your stove pipe. Install a spark-arresting screen on top of the stove's chimney. Keep it and the chimney clean. Have a mason check the chimney for missing flue tiles, cracks in the masonry, etc. Make any needed repairs, and have it cleaned before use. Do not extend the stove pipe beyond the inner face of the wall of a masonry chimney. Use high temperature cement to fasten the stove pipe to the masonry. A factory-built chimney or metal smokestack may be used (UL TESTED), if you have no suitable masonry chimney.

The Dampers.

A manually operated solid damper should be installed on the vertical pipe near the stove. A second damper, placed higher up on the vertical section of the stove pipe, is to remain open to use only in an emergency chimney fire.

District 16

The 16th District Auxiliary was held on March 8. We had a pitch-in dinner which was hosted by Lafayette Township Fire Department.

Our Miss Flame contestant Pamela Becht of Lafayette Township Fire Department was crowned and given a trophy by Bud Harbsmeier of Louisville (chairman of Kosair's Crusade for Crippled Children).

We had a very enjoyable meeting and a delicious meal. The ladies of Lafayette Township Auxiliary have done a beautiful job of coordinating the Miss Flame contest and the dinner. Thanks again.

Next meeting May 10 at Ramsey Fire Department.

Bonnie Roberts
16th District Chairperson

Dear Editor:

The Utica Township Volunteer Fire Department held its Second Annual Old Fashion Bean Supper and Country Music Show Saturday, April 7 at the Utica Fire House. Approximately \$1,000.00 was raised for the W.H.A.S. Crusade for Children, an area fund raiser for the handicapped, it was well attended. The home cooked food and home spun music was enjoyed.

We will be holding our 32nd Annual Festival Sat., Aug. 4th, which is always a day of fun. It consists of good food, music and games.

Everyone is invited to attend.

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Terry Curtis
Fire Crew Sec.
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Your Wood.

Keep woodpiles a safe distance away from the stove. Select hard wood that has been seasoned for a year, or at least for six months. Split wood before storing it to season. It dries in less time, and burns more evenly. Dry and well-seasoned wood will give you the safest and most effective fire. NEVER burn green unseasoned wood in your stove. It causes an accumulation of an oily substance called CREOSOTE, to form on the chimney flue lining. A spark can ignite CREOSOTE and cause a very dangerous hot fire.

Starting Your Fire.

First, open the draft and damper wide. Build the fire on a shallow bed of ashes. Use a small amount of crumpled paper. Cover it with a few small sticks of wood. When a draft starts up the chim-

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DIST. 10 AUX. REPORTS

10th District I.V. Fireman's Auxiliary Association, Inc. met at Taylorsville Feb. 20 with 31 members and 19 guests attending.

Colonial Kitchen was the theme for the meeting which consisted of an apron contest. Prettiest: Janet Coffey and Audrey Baker. Most original: Diana Skaggs. Funniest: Vivian Thomas. Ugliest: Loretta Nullner.

Nancy Neal, President, called the meeting to order, prayer and devotions were by the chaplain, Vivian Thomas.

The Senior Citizens kitchen band provided the entertainment for the evening.

Next meeting will be May 21, at Morristown. A race theme to be carried out with a cook out. Black and white sport clothes to be worn.

Inez Jefferies Award names to be submitted to committee of Marietta Aux.

Lois Boaz award names to be sent to Eula Bush.
See ya in May.

Mrs. Charles Hickman

"Shorty" Will Be Missed By Us All!

"Shorty" Brames died Christmas eve of 1983. He will be missed greatly. He was very active on the Hoagland Volunteer Fire Department, since joining in 1957. He began playing waterball in 1959 and was active until his death. When waterball playing got too rough for him, Shortie began coaching in 1970. Then, he began announcing at state conventions and helping keep things straight at internationals.

He was District 7 chairman from 1967 until 1972 and was a recipient of the Midwest Award.

Shortie played an important role in getting bucket brigade started in Northeast Indiana. He owned the scaffolding and would

set it up whenever a team would call. He and his son, Jimmy, helped to get new teams formed. After Jimmy's death, the Jim Brames traveling trophy began in 1976 at internationals. Shortie designed the overflow on the barrel to better gauge the winners.

Ironically, last year at state convention it was decided to have bucket brigade in 1984. With Shortie and bucket brigade missing this year, the Saturday games will not be the same.

Shortie's active role in helping so many people in so many ways will be missed by many.

Editor's Note

Thank you for your response and participation. The material that you have sent but do not see in this issue will be used in the next edition.

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