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## Engle To Lead I.V.F.A.

From the President



This is the start of what I hope will be a successful and progressive year for the I.V.F.A. It may be hard to follow in the footsteps of the most active "bull slinger" in Indiana, but we will do all we can to carry out what seems to have become a tradition.

I would like to take this time to thank each and every one of you who supported me at the convention and I hope and know that I can count on all of our members for their continued fine work for the organization. This year's convention was special in every way and I'm sure that everyone who attended appreciates the many hours our host members put into it. It's dedication like that, that has made the Indiana Volunteers the best organization of its kind.

Through legislation, negotiation and a lot of hard work and elbow grease, I'm hoping that by June 1972 our report to you can show that we are bigger and better in every way. It's really hard to improve on a good thing but I know there are many areas that need to be considered and, as those before me have done, I will do the best I can.

B. J. ENGLE



OFFICERS AND  
MEMBERS IVFA

Gentlemen:  
Let me tell you what, with the work load of trying to make a living and this busy time of  
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### Silver Anniversary Convention Tops All Records

The week of June 6th through the 12th was the beginning of final preparations for what was to be the largest influx of volunteer firemen to a state convention that our association has ever witnessed. It all began some two years prior when Crown Point asked to host the 25th Anniversary Convention on June 10-12 in this Hub City. Plans were laid and an early fund raising project was initiated. This proved to be an outstanding campaign that received support from all over Indiana. With money as a backing, plans were then set in motion for the largest convention yet. Efforts to enthuse the Chamber of Commerce, local merchants and local townspeople met with tremendous success. Many pitched in voluntarily to undertake jobs that freed our own men for other duties. As the convention neared, the town was cleaned by the City — Pennants were hung around the square — the fire station completely decorated and the whole community felt the atmosphere of the impending convention.

Thursday, June 10th

Registration began early on Thursday morning and continued on into the evening. Firemen and their wives came early, for this year the schedule was changed to allow the first session on Thursday evening. The Convention was kicked off with a rousing parade of courtesy cars carrying state officers and dignitaries from the Holiday Inn into Crown Point around the square and back to the fire station. Soon after this arousing welcome the Board of Directors and Officers met for their meeting at St. Mary's School. Following this short meeting a buffet was served to all those present. Howe Fire Apparatus and their salesmen provided the food and refreshment for the evening.

The opening session of the Convention started at 7:30 in the auditorium of St. Mary's. Standing room only provided a large contingent that heard Master of Ceremonies Robert Laney introduce a stage full of dignitaries. Highlighting the evening was a speech presented by Secretary of State, Larry Conrad. Also introduced was John Miller of Crown Point, a blind man, who is an ardent supporter of the local department. He was presented a plaque, honorary membership in the IVFA and a gold badge signifying honorary membership to the Crown Point Department.

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Chief Randolph presents John Miller with Plaque



Secretary of State Larry Conrad Addresses Convention

### East Central Indiana Fire Conference Richmond - October 9-10

The eighth East Central Indiana Fire Conference will be held in the Richmond National Guard Armory at 1200 West Main Street in Richmond, Indiana on Saturday and Sunday, the 9th and 10th of October, 1971. This conference was conceived by the members of Wayne County Firemen, Inc., to bring to their area distinguished speakers and teachers who could assist in upgrading and updating members of local and neighboring departments who could not get to the big conferences in far away places. Through the years, they have sought to bring the very best from the Kansas City Fire Instructors Conference, The Rutgers Arson and Fire Investigation Conference, and the Chicago Seminar conducted by the National Association of Fire Investigators.

This year's conference will be keynoted by Reverend Charles H. Willey who so spellbanded the 1970 conference that his return was demanded by the firemen of this area. Also on the program will be such captivating speakers as Emanuel Fried, the fire chief of Chicago Heights, Illinois, who will be flown back from his third retirement in sunny Florida to speak on, "Teaching Tactics." Charles W. Bahme, A.B., J.D., who wrote the book concerning court findings of firemen's rights, duties, and liabilities entitled, "Firemen's Law Book", an ex-chief, and attorney at law, and now employed by the N.F.P.A. will also be called from the sunny spot in California to address the group on the subject of his book.

Major Phillip Brown of the Royal Canadian Air Force in Ottawa, Canada, will cover the subject of aircraft fire fighting. Captain Bill Troch and Battalion Chief George Schuller of a Chicago Fire Department will again exhibit the arson devices found in the city of Chicago in recent months.

Man among men, and tender of the virtues of all fire fighters, Marshall Howard Boyd of the city of Nashville, Tennessee will not only give the inspirational message for Sunday morning, but will admonish the men of smaller fire departments of the correct and practical way to hold fire inspections in their communities.

Lieutenant William Burgess of Champaign, Illinois Fire Department will relate the harrowing experiences of the Crescent City rail disaster. This disaster is one that could happen to any community that has a railroad in their backyard. The lessons learned by those who were present that day at Crescent City are ones that should be noted and a condition that should be pre-fought by every fire department in the country, regardless of how large or small.

Doctor Joseph C. O'Brien of the Rainbow Emergency Control System of Vandergrift, Pennsylvania, has a message for every fire fighter in the nation. The title of his subject is, "Wake Up or Die." The subject matter included in his presentation is not only unique, but it is so practicable and so workable that every department that wants to throw more water with less effort should hear him. Doctor O'Brien will tell you how to throw water out of every part of a pumper but the hubcaps.

Every volunteer will want to take notes and every other fireman will want to hear Donald R. Ciardelli of Bloomington, Minnesota. Chief Ciardelli will tell you what it feels like to have a small community of about 4000 persons and a volunteer fire department one morning, and wake up a few mornings later with a population of over 100,000 and still have a volunteer fire department. In this day of fast-moving industry, of industrial and commercial buildings and the fluidity of the labor market, this too, could happen to you. Chief Ciardelli has a lot of practical experience and a fine solution that could save you a lot of gray hairs sometime in the future.

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## We Will Be Looking For You in '72

### Wayne Township, Marion County - June 15 - 16 - 17

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**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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the year, my social life is sure taking a beating.

There are lots of places that I would like to go, but the times are busy busy busy. Please keep your meeting notices coming and other functions because I sure think of you and some of these times I will show up when least expected.

The membership is rolling in as usual this year. We are getting new departments and members just about every day. I should say that we will surpass the 12,000 mark with ease this year.

The dues cards of ALL departments have been mailed out as of this writing and if someone has sent in dues and has not heard from me, please contact this office and we should get together and get it straightened out.

For those of you that did not attend the convention, again as usual, we can say you missed the best. Crown Point sure did do all it could to make our stay enjoyable. Sure there were some things that did not go as expected but it happens each year. I would assume that it will happen next year and the next also. Anyway that one is over and we all did have a good time. The next one is in the making and don't sell the boys of the 12th District, headed by the Stofer and Lamb combination short. They are planning the best ever and they mean it, too. Let me assure you that these conventions are a lot of work. The men of the past years have worked their hearts out to do all they could for you at conventions. Just think how bad they feel when some little part of it falls apart and makes people unhappy. They feel worse than those people many times over. Let us be a little more tolerant and start to get ready to sink our teeth into the whopper that Stofer, Lamb and Company are putting together.

The Board of Directors requested this office to furnish a copy of all membership listings. It would be appreciated when making out your dues listings to use another form—2 forms—and then you will have a copy for yourself and an extra copy for me to give to the District Chairmen. Be assured that this is a most consuming job and any help I can get from the outside will be most appreciated.

In closing, I wish to thank you for the privilege of serving again as your Secretary. My only hope is that your faith will not be misplaced and I can live up to at least some or most of the expectations you wish from this office.

Feel free to contact me as you see fit whenever you have a question or a request. I shall be happy to oblige with as prompt dispatch as my time will allow.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack

**PUBLIC RELATIONS NW**

My Fellow Firemen,  
May I take time to thank all of those who expressed their gratitude by electing me to my present office. You will never know how much it means to me. I feel that I must work for you and our Association that much harder.

Our fire school was a success and I have had many express their opinion that they did learn. If each man learned just one thing, this is good and I am sure that many learned much more. Our school was too late to have an article in our

last issue of our paper, so I will try to kill two birds with one stone.

The convention is over and a very successful one. Our hosts at Crown Point are to be complimented on a very fine job. I am sure our future hosts will try and do the same. They may try to beat Crown Point, but how do you do it?

Also, I wish to again thank Rennselaer and their fine men for hosting our fire school, as well as the instructors and District Chairman for a job well done. We must set our goals and aims high to be able to do a bigger job of being firemen and assistance to our neighbors.

Let us all get any resolutions in early. I am sure there are some ideas of what we need. I do not wish to repeat myself, but men, at our annual meeting or any other meetings, let us try a little harder to conduct ourselves as grown men. Lets have a lot of fun in a sensible way. We can do this I know.

In the future, what can I do for you to help with any problems and for the good of our association. If I make mistakes, I will try to correct them.

District Chairmen, if you need help, just give me a call and I will do my best to help you out. If I am informed, I will try to make your district meetings.

The Chaplain and I just returned from paying our last respects to a good friend, Bud Johnson. The Chaplain was asked to take part in the funeral service. Bud will be missed by many firemen.

We also attended the dedica-

tion of the New Long Beach Fire Station which is located in LaPorte County on Lake Michigan. It is a beautiful new station with excellent equipment. These men have something to be very proud of. Chief Kenneth Timm and his men are to be congratulated. The men of the Long Beach department presented Chief Timm with a new white fireman's coat, reflective stripes and all.

Scipio Township, the home of Chaplain Lantz, and P. R. N. W. King, will soon have a new tanker in operation.

I do not wish to slight any one, so if you have any information you want me to mention, get it to me and I will try to do so.

District 9A had their meeting at Wea Township Department and Charles Sutton was elected as District Chairman. District 3 has a new chairman, Gerald McCarty of Noble Township, Union Mills.

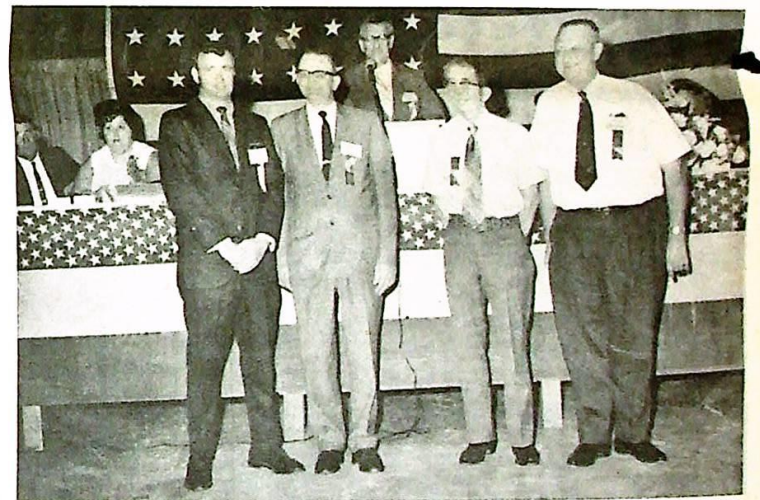
Chairman Sutton introduced Vice President Stofer who presented the Wea Department with their Charter.

The Chaplain and I attended District 4 meeting and picnic. A good meeting and picnic was held in conjunction with their water ball contest. Norman Crocker was elected as District Chairman and Butch Smeltzer, Vice Chairman, with Terry Steinke being chosen for secretary.

Will try and do better next issue.

Harold L. King  
Publication Relations  
North West.

**Public Relations Men 1971-72**



Left to right: Paul Kraft SE, Harold King NW, Garland Kiefer NE, and Carl Davis SW.

**EAST CENTRAL CONFERENCE** (Continued from Page 1)

All this and a noon meal Saturday and a noon meal Sunday for a registration fee that we are still holding at \$5.00. For registration fee and hotel or motel accommodations, contact Don McCullough, Public Relations Officer, Wayne County Firemen, Inc., 50 North Perry Street, Hagerstown, Indiana. - 489-5332

Saturday night the members of the Fire, Arson, Explosion, and Subrogation School that is being sponsored by the Wayne County Firemen, Inc., will have a dinner for the members and their guests. The speaker for the evening will be Captain George Schuller who will show pictures of Chicago's tragic "72-Hour Alarm" and "The Violent Tribute".  
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**MINUTES OF I. V. F. A. OFFICERS' MEETING**

APRIL 18, 1971

MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA

The meeting was called to order by President Goodwin at 10:00 A. M. in the conference room of the Holiday Inn. The meeting opened with the Pledge to the flag and prayer.

Following reports from the president and vice-president the following treasurer's report was submitted: General Fund Balance is \$7,666.10; Funeral Fund Balance is \$43,685.38; Clothing Fund Balance is \$16,561.66 and the Donation Fund Balance is \$14,039.15. The total is \$81,952.29. The treasurer pointed out the drop in the general fund was due to the publishing of by-law books, Mr. Firemen books and high convention expenses.

Chaplain Lantz reported some forty (40) deaths since last convention. He also reported on his activities as chaplain since the last meeting.

Secretary Ford took first roll call. Communications included a letter from the State of Kentucky stating the blue light authorized in Indiana should pose no problems while driving in Kentucky; a note of thanks from the Ivan Bousmans and information on the heart fund memorial. Ford is of the opinion that radio and television coverage is better. He thinks cards of thanks from local departments are in order. He has received three resolutions as of this date.

Sergeant-at-Arms Lester questioned the payment for officer's pictures. Goodwin suggested that the Board take action on this subject.

Following reports from the public relation directors Sutton moved to dispense with the district chairmen reports. The motion was 2nd by McGill and carried.

Editor Laney said May 1st was the deadline for newspaper items and especially asked for information on the four fire schools to be sponsored by the association.

President Goodwin spoke of the trials and tribulations of volunteer firemen and the IVFA. He concluded that the volunteer's story must be told by the volunteers.

Charles Jones reported on legislative accomplishments. Senate Bill #167 concerning residency, limits for volunteer firemen earnings and car allowance was passed. The revised blue light law calling for no more than two (2) blue lights visible from 360 degrees with a minimum candle power of 50 mounted on top of the vehicle was passed. The spark arrester bill did not pass but will go to the federal railroad board for consideration. The fire training bill and the ambulance bill both failed to pass. The last two (2) bills were opposed by the association.

Stan Konefsky then told how he and many of the volunteer firemen from Districts #1 and 2 were opposed to the blue light. He went to great length to show how convention minutes and certain by-laws were violated in pushing through the blue light legislation. He felt that they should have an opportunity at the convention to express their opinion. President Goodwin and others pointed out some errors in his presentation, gave a history of support for a uniform blue light use and concluded with the statement that he thought the officers acted in good faith in asking for passage of this bill. As a matter of fact, this bill could have saved the blue light for the volunteers. Some good discussion followed on procedures and the system of checks and balances that exist in the association.

Goodwin appointed Bower, Masterson and Price as the Auditing Committee.

The officer's meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A. M. for a Board of Director's meeting.

The Board of Director's meeting was called to order by Chairman Stofer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The changes in the convention schedule were discussed. The 1971 convention will comply with the changes in so far as possible.

The pictures for the convention booklet came up for discussion. Weaver questioned the history of the picture set-up. A motion by Baker, 2nd by McGill, to pay for the pictures on an individual basis was carried.

The picture books for each district were discussed. There are many problems. Most of the districts are having trouble getting 100% participation. A motion by Price, 2nd by Hertle not to support the booklet as an association was carried.

Esserman wants a complete mailing list of meetings, state officers and department members in his district. He was referred to Secretary Ford for such information.

Hertle wanted to know if the identification holders used at convention time could be used for the Northeast fire school. He was told the stick-on type were cheaper. He wondered how they could be purchased and was told a registration fee could solve the problem.

Total liability insurance coverage at all association sponsored events including spectators was discussed. This item will be checked with Ford.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 P. M.

Dinner followed with Laney giving a convention report after the meal. He introduced Mayor Collins of Crown Point who had a few words.

The officer's meeting reconvened at 1:55 P. M.

The new Mr. Fireman's book was available for distribution.

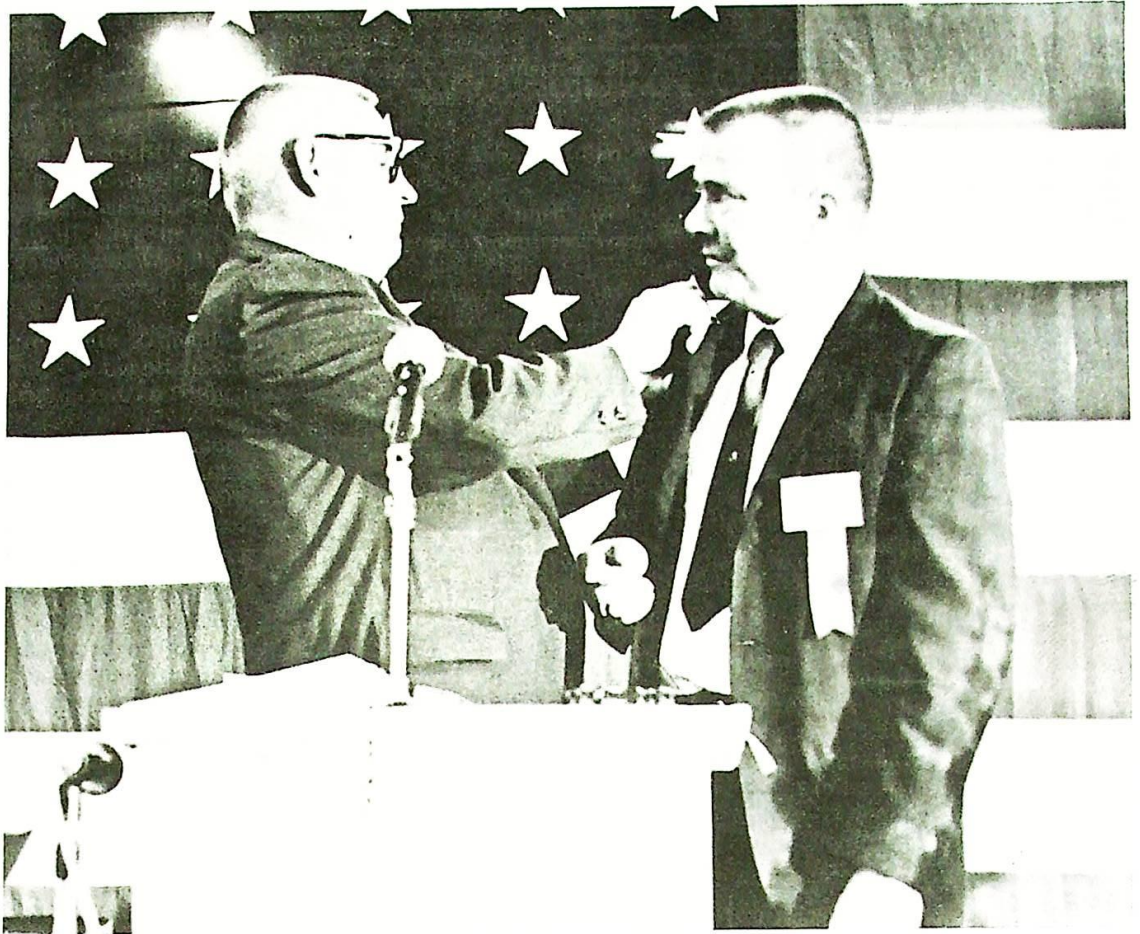
Laney questioned who would be at the buffet supper following the officer's meeting at the convention. In all probability it will include the officers, their wives or husbands and those who came to the convention with them.

Stofer told of the State Board of Health bill for ambulance service. Its passage would have virtually eliminated volunteer ambulance service.

Chairman Stofer told of the Board of Director's meeting. Ford can provide a list of department members for the district chairmen on a monthly basis.

In discussing the four (4) fire schools as recorded in the November 22, 1970 meeting King moved to charge a \$1 registration fee and issue a certificate of attendance was 2nd by Leist and carried. Insurance on participants at the schools who have Nation-

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**Convention Highlights**

Past President Bill Goodman Presenting President's Pin to Bill Engle



President Bill Engle Presenting Vice President's Pin to Harold Stofer



Young and Old Alike Enjoyed Convention

**"I. V. F. A. TRIBUTE"**



Virgil F. (Bud) Johnson, born Feb. 27, 1914 at Peru, died July 1, 1971 at Rochester, will be missed by many of our membership. He represented the "Hoosier Fire Equip. Inc." firm handling American LaFrance Fire Apparatus and all Fire Department supplies.

He was a former chief at and for the Rochester Fire Department for 9 years, 1948-57; a life-long resident of Fulton County; a member of the Moose, Elks and Eagles there. He had many friends throughout Indiana who paid their last respects at his last rites on July 3rd together with our Chaplain, Duane Lantz.

Bud had always co-operated and supported "The Indiana Volunteer Fireman" newspaper and our Annual Conventions showing us every hospitality for which all of us were most grateful. He loved the Fire Service and gave it his all.

All of us wish to extend our most sincere condolences to those surviving; his widow, Meriam Leavell Johnson, Rochester; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Jackie) Eiler, Rochester, and Mrs. Nick (Peggy) Swartz, Valparaiso; his mother, Mrs. Marie Thompson, Rochester; one brother Vernon (Bill) Johnson, Earp, Calif., and seven grandchildren. One daughter, Mrs. Jeanne Anne Lowe, who had preceded in death May 23, 1968. Burial was in the IOOF cemetery, Rev. C. J. Mowrer officiating.

**IN APPRECIATION**

To all the kind friends, relatives and neighbors who so generously gave us comfort and assistance during our recent bereavement, the death of our beloved husband, father, son and brother, Virgil "Bud" Johnson, we wish to say Thank You.

Our special thanks to Reverend Mowrer, Ralph Orr, and Chaplain Duane Lantz for their words of comfort; to Zimmerman Brothers Funeral Home; to the ladies of the Rochester Church of God and others for the gifts of food; for the floral tributes and other memorials, and to all those who, in so many ways, helped to ease the burden of our grief. We can only try to express our deep and heartfelt thanks, and cherish the memory of these acts of kindness. God Bless you all.

- Mrs. Meriam Johnson
- Mr. and Mrs. Nick Swartz and family
- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eiler and family
- Debbie and Bill Lowe
- Mrs. Marie Thompson
- Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson

**Indiana "Good Samaritan" Law**

The 1971 Indiana General Assembly passed a comprehensive "Good Samaritan" law. It protects any individual from civil action growing out of rendering first aid at the scene of an accident, or in any other type of emergency. It was copied from a law in effect in South Carolina.

Here is the exact wording of the Indiana law:

"Any person, who in good faith gratuitously renders emergency care at the scene of an accident or emergency to the victim thereof, shall not be liable for any act or omission by such person in rendering the emergency care or as a result of any act or failure to act to provide or arrange for further medical treatment or care for

the injured person, except acts or omissions amounting to gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct."

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**Fifty Year Award Given To Fireman**



Edward E. Wilson of the Beatty Hospital Fire Department was awarded his gold card for Lifetime membership in the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. Presenting the card shown is State Chaplain Duane Lantz. Wilson has spent over fifty years in the fire service, starting back in 1917 on the LaPorte Department. He then moved on to the Gary Department where he retired and went into the steel mills as Chief of Fire and Safety. Upon leaving the mills he came to Beatty Hospital in 1951, taking charge of the equipment and helped to form our volunteer department.

The members of the department owe Mr. Wilson a debt for the training he gave them in fire and safety. At the meeting, the wives were invited to see the presentation, and cake, ice cream and coffee was enjoyed. The Hospital Department also made Edward a life member of the organization. Many of us will never receive a gold card; they are far and few between, although many deserve recognition for their dedication to the fire service. Let us all support our departments and our firemen. They are one group of men who will not run out on you.

**"Where Can You Get So Much For So Little?"**

In every part of our great State of Indiana today there are men and women whose lives are better because of what this Association has been able to accomplish in the recent past.

**"LETS TAKE A LOOK"**

During our last fiscal year we have returned to our membership over \$13,000 in benefits directly and only because of the low \$3 in annual dues.

We have in the past and will continue to do so in the future—sponsor a great social and entertainment gathering annually for our membership.

Memorials for our deceased members has been greatly enhanced and better appreciated thru encouraged co-operation with one another.

Our services to and in our respective communities is constantly being improved because of the co-operative aid being promoted in the Counties and Districts.

Only to mention a little, much more could be said. But let me ask again "Where can you get so much for so little"?

**STEPS TO TAKE WHEN SENDING IN DUES:**

Name and address of your Department and Name and address of your Chief and Secretary. County and District your Department is located. Print or Type all names in full (avoid nicknames). Don't forget your ZIP CODE in the address. Your renewal dues are due on or before September 30, 1971.

**TO NEWLY ORGANIZED OR NON-MEMBER DEPARTMENTS ASK ONE OF OUR MEMBERS FOR HELP OR DROP US A CARD. WE WILL CO-OPERATE — WE NEED YOU—THANK YOU.**

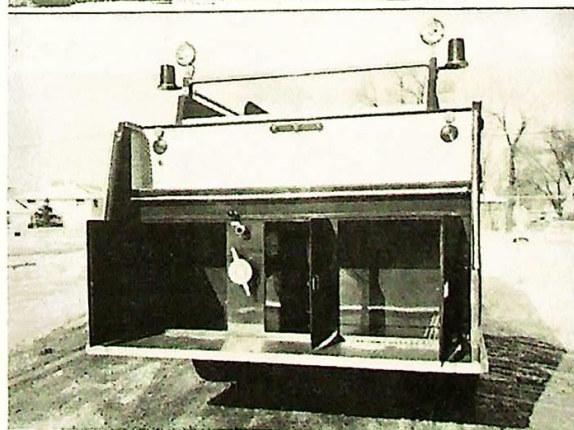
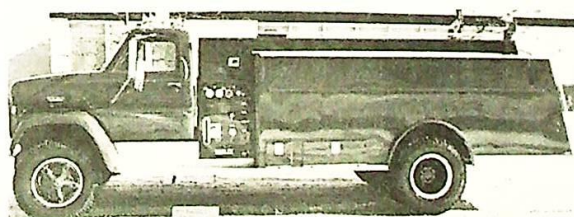
Verne Konopasek, Treas.

**WAYNE TOWNSHIP RESCUE**



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OFFICERS' MINUTES (Continued from Page 3)

wide Accident policy will be carried. Others will not be covered but could be for #1 per person. The question about coverage for spectators was raised. Lump, Stofer and Ford were named as a committee to study liability insurance.

Fairfield dissented to the \$1 registration fee at the fire schools. A motion by King, 2nd by Stofer to charge the \$1 fee and to have the treasurer set up a separate and independent accounting for the fire school expenses and income was carried.

The history book was discussed by Konopasek and Laney.

Konefsky questioned the district picture book. He was informed the association will not sponsor the project.

A generous offer of a buffet breakfast at the Holiday Inn for \$2.30 was rejected by a motion by Baker that was 2nd by Bower and carried.

Adjournment followed.

# Wayne Township Flamettes



### THE MR. I.V.F.A. AWARD FOR THE YEAR 1972

What does it mean? Who is eligible to receive the honor? How do you become eligible? Why? — etc. These and many other questions are being asked about the honor award.

Mr. IVFA means the most outstanding fireman of the year to the committee composed of the last 3 that were chosen and based upon recommendations received from throughout the State in writing.

Any volunteer fireman who lives in Indiana is eligible.

The recommended person must be an active member of The Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association and a volunteer fireman.

All letters stating qualifications of the nominee must be post-marked not later than April 1, 1972 and if handed to a committee member the letter must be handed to him no later than April 1, 1972.

In drafting your recommendation — tell the committee this: What has this particular Volunteer Fireman done for the good of the Association? What has he done for his Fire Department? For the Fire Service in General? For his Community? For his Church? For his School? His voluntary acts of service to his fellow-man? — Any other special efforts toward others who are in need and who are in distress. Mention his district activities.

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All letters of recommendation of the past for this award have been destroyed. Write your new letter of recommendation to the following Committee:

Chairman: Verne Konopasek, 145 West Elm St., Griffith, Ind. 46319

Member: Edgar Nigg, Haysville Rural Sta., Jasper, Ind. 47546

Member: Paul Fairfield, 5128 N. Bend Drive, Fort Wayne, Ind. 46804.

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO DO SOMETHING FOR SOMEBODY ELSE. THANK YOU.



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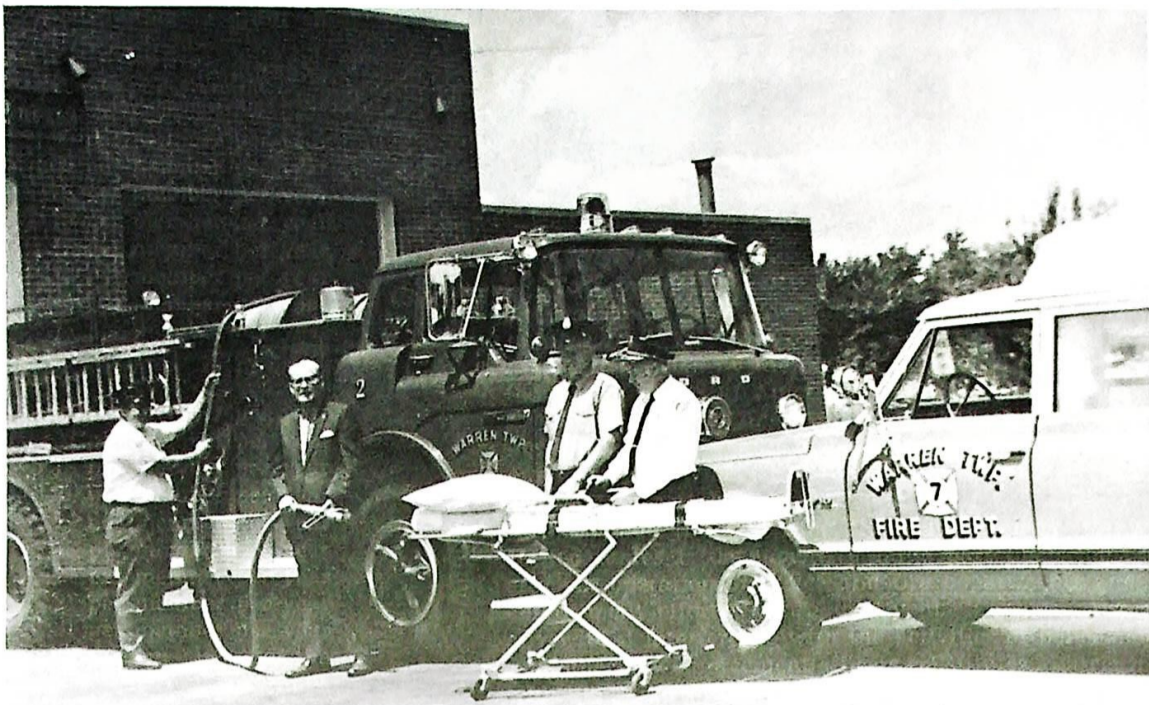


MISS FLAME FLOAT



BILL GOODMAN ACCEPTS 25th ANNIVERSARY CAKE

# Warren Twp. Fire Department Adds New Equipment



Left to right: Company No. 2, Lt. Perry Carter, Warren Township Trustee; Gerald Frazier, Ambulance Fund Chairman; William Sewell, Chief, and George Spivey.

The Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department serving the east side of Marion County, recently placed into service two new pieces of equipment. Added to the firefighting force was a 1000 gallon per minute, Ward LaFrance Pumper assembled by Midwest Fire and Safety Corp. of Indianapolis costing \$34,046.06. The new vehicle was added to the equipment already stationed at House No. 2, 1302

So. Franklin Rd. Also added to the 100 man department was a 1971 Chevrolet Sentinel Ambulance constructed by The Butler Coach Co. of Indianapolis at a cost of \$8,200.00. Known as Ambulance No. 7 and purchased by donations from township residents and business firms, the rescue vehicle will be housed at Station No. 3, 7604 E. 10th Street.

The Warren Township Fire Department currently operates out of 3 stations with 12 pieces of apparatus including 3 ambulances providing free service to the County East Side. Future plans of the volunteer department call for construction of another new station and purchase of additional apparatus to meet the rising needs of suburban residents.

## CLOTHING FUND DEPARTMENT

The following chart records the clothing fund department of our Association for the nine (9) years preceding and for the nine (9) years after the adoption of our self-sustaining program on July 1, 1962:

Year	Members	Ins. Co. Perm. Pd.	No. Claims	Amount Ret'd to Membership	Cost of department to the membership
1954	3148	\$3148.00	44	\$ 631.74	\$1.00 per member per year
1955	3175	3175.00	62	879.23	1.00 per member per year
1956	3892	2919.00	97	1602.41	.75 per member per year
1957	4216	3162.00	86	1395.00	.75 per member per year
1958	4874	3655.50	75	1185.66	.75 per member per year
1959	5612	4209.00	85	1283.33	.75 per member per year
1960	5879	4409.25	81	1244.32	.75 per member per year
1961	6495	4871.25	93	2046.02	.75 per member per year
1962	7236	5427.00			

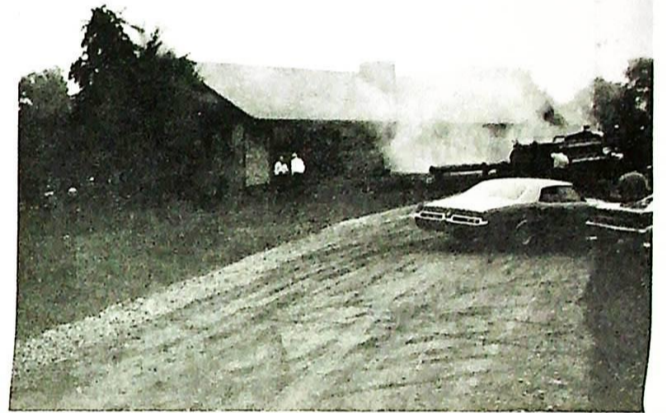
## OUR SELF-SUSTAINING COST CHART FOLLOWS:

1963	7642	121	1702.18	.23 per member per year
1964	7932	179	2992.77	.37 per member per year
1965	8267	105	1435.72	.18 per member per year
1966	8469	103	1780.68	.21 per member per year
1967	8642	100	1853.13	.22 per member per year
1968	9714	104	1766.39	.18 per member per year
1969	9285	122	2464.60	.27 per member per year
1970	10939	108	2248.63	.21 per member per year
1971	10787	145	3370.30	.31 per member per year

Note: During the past six (6) years 18 percent (18%) of the losses were due to the loss of eye-glasses which could not have been claimed under previous All-Risk Insurance.

VERNE KONOPASEK, Treasurer

# Fire Guts Exclusive Club Near Fremont



The Eaton Springs Trout Club, a mile southwest of Fremont, was damaged to the extent of at least \$150,000.00 Thursday morning, July 29. The Fremont Firemen received the call at 7:20 a. m., when Herb Kiser, who is employed there, discovered the fire when he arrived for work.

Upon arrival of the firemen, it was discovered that the fire at that time was confined primarily to the basement area, near the heating furnace. Smoke, however, soon filled the main dining room area and the pressure of the heated air blew out a window in that room and a hole was burned through the floor, allowing a number of the tables, chairs, dishes and other pieces of equipment to fall into the basement. Also destroyed

was much of the furnace and storage area for golf carts, clubs and greens keeping equipment, liquor and foods.

Joe Mikolsko was the operator and owner of the club, having just purchased it last September, and was in the process of making a number of improvements.

The Fremont Firemen had 3 trucks, the Angola Firemen each had two trucks on the scene and were ably assisted by a number of Firemen from the Pleasant Lake Department. Water was pumped from a nearby pond through a 2½ inch hose for over three hours. The firemen were at the scene until almost noon. Plans are to rebuild the Trout Club as soon as arrangements can be completed.

# SPEEDWAY PLANS BIG IMPROVEMENTS

A multi-million dollar improvement program is planned by the town of Speedway to meet an expected increase of 10,000 residents for a total population of 25,000 by 1990.

During the last two years additions to the water facilities and fire department and major road improvements have been made, town board president Bruce D. Sherman explained after signing contracts Friday for \$3.5 million expansion of the wastewater treatment plant.

Since 1969 almost \$715,000 has been invested in new fire equipment, water work facilities and the widening to four lanes of High School and Georgetown roads.

Sherman classifies the improvements into four categories: road improvements, the sewage treatment plant, water works plant and the police and fire departments.

Although most of the major road work is completed, \$200,000 will be spent to widen and resurface Cunningham Road about two years from now.

Friday's signing of the sewage treatment contracts marks the first time Federal funds have been used in Speedway to finance the projects, Sherman said.

Through the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Speedway received a grant of \$1,746,000 while an additional \$873,000 was provided last week by the state.

The town has sold \$945,000 in revenue bonds to finance its share.

The expanded facilities, due to be completed in August, 1972, will increase the plant's capacity from four million gallons a day to 7.5 million.

"It should give us the most modern sewage treatment plant in the state," Sherman said, noting it will be the first plant in Indiana to use an oxygenation system developed by Union Carbide Corporation.

Town Engineers expect the new facilities will remove at least 90 percent of polluting materials and disinfect the effluent.

The project, to start about July 1, is the first major expansion of the plant at 4251 West Vermont Street in 16 years.

In the third category the town will spend \$1.3 million to expand the water treatment plant.

Sherman anticipates groundbreaking in August with completion in about seven months.

The improvements will increase water capacity from 3 million gallons a day to 11 million.

In the fourth area, which Sherman said they are a little ahead of schedule, plans and budget call for building a combined police and fire station near the present fire building at 1450 North Lynhurst Drive.

Work is expected to start July 1 and be finished about February, 1972.

The sale of \$337,500 in general obligation bonds, Sherman added, also will finance the construction of a fire department substation behind the Speedway Public Library.

The combined station not only will double the size of the current building facilities, it will house a second aerial ladder fire truck, an addition which will double the pieces of equipment used 1½ years ago when the department had two trucks.

Since then the town has purchased its first \$65,000 aerial ladder pumper.

Sherman explained all the improvements, which seen to be occurring all at once, have been in the planning stages for years.

"The plans were already started when this board took office about 3½ years ago," he said.

"It just takes a long time, except for the roads" before the projects get this far, he said.

Since the present five town board members assumed office, the town has grown by 3,000, Sherman added.

He admitted that Speedway is "almost out of room" to expand. But Sherman foresees the anticipated growth in the trend toward apartment and town-house living.

Plus, he said, the older sections to town one day might be converted to multiple family dwellings.

Because the town boundaries are not at their natural limits, growth could possibly be accommodated by annexation, Sherman said.

Switching to the topic of Uni-Gov and Speedway, Sherman said, "I'm not aware of any major differences with them."

The current feeling is to stay separate, he emphasized, "but we'll continue to co-operate with the Uni-Gov agencies."

"The town has had independent government from Day One and they would prefer to remain that way," he said.



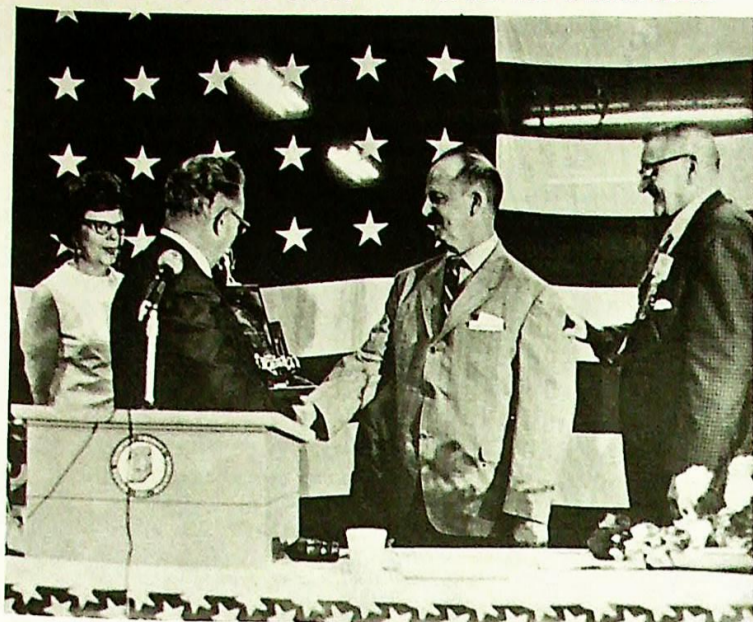
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**MR. I. V. F. A. 1971 — PAUL W. FAIRFIELD**



Left to right: Mrs. Paul Fairfield, Edmund Weaver, Chairman of Mr. IVFA Committee; Paul Fairfield, and Verne Konopasek, member of committee.

His service with the fire company began in 1954 when he worked with a steering committee to study fire protection in our West Suburban area. Later, as Building Chairman, he saw our station develop, along with personnel and equipment. Over the years, he filled the offices of Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Captain, and Assistant Chief. Along with this, he served as Director, Secretary and President of the Allen County Firefighter's Association. With this affiliation in the County Association, he helped set up and sponsor a Fire School. During his term as President of the County group, the 1967 convention was held in New Haven, and our County Departments were very much involved with convention planning. As a member of the Ft. Wayne Chamber of Commerce Fire Prevention Committee, he worked on the Fire Prevention Week Program and the Jr. Fire Marshal's Program. He has been an active member of the Red Cross team for almost 15 years, serving as a First Aid Instructor, maintaining his car as mobile First Aid Unit, and manning the Red Cross Mobile Unit at various community activities. He is presently serving as Sixth District Chairman, an office he has held since 1967. On the State level he has worked on the legislative committee, was appointed to serve as Recording Secretary for a year, functioned on the nominating committee, and has been Chairman of the Grave Marker committee for six years.

He has attended eight fire schools, and has been awarded certificates for participating in the following seminars:

- PURDUE UNIVERSITY
  - Fire Instructors Training Course
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS
  - The Emergency Aid and Transportation Institute
- INDIANA STATE FIRE MARSHAL DEPT. AND INDIANA RATING BUREAU
  - Fire Fighting Techniques
- INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL DEFENSE
  - Civil Defense Radiological Monitoring Course
- FIFTH UNITED STATES ARMY—543rd. Ordinance Detachment
  - Explosives Ordinance Reconnaissance and Bomb and Sabotage Courses
- DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
  - Natural Disasters (Survival and Recovery)
- THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS
  - Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding service to the activities of the First Aid, Water Safety, and Small Craft Safety programs

His association outside the fire service has included membership in our neighborhood Civic Association in which he served as Director and President. The Association's efforts, our area received house numbers. As a member of the Citizen's Council, he worked for our community. He worked with the Boy Scouts, Band Parents, and served as an Elder in our church for six years. As a charter member of Glacier Ridge Lions Club, he held almost every office in the club until he had to resign to give more attention to our fire station. At the present time he is Precinct Committeeman, a job held for three terms

This covers some of the qualifications as nearly as he can remember them. I might add that he attended his first convention at LaPorte in 1959, and has not missed once since that time. Being a part of this great organization has been something both he and his wife will cherish. The friends they have made, and the good times and the hard work involved have helped to make their lives full of meaning and very worthwhile.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one who helped me attain this marvelous IVFA trophy. I shall cherish this for the rest of my life. I am very proud to have been selected for this coveted award.

PAUL FAIRFIELD

**LaCrosse Volunteer Fireman Hurt in Accident**

A LaCrosse man was in serious condition at Porter Memorial Hospital following a two-truck accident on Indiana 8 and County Road 500-East.

Hospitalized with a skull fracture is Lewis Lord, 48, who is town marshal and volunteer fireman of LaCrosse.

The driver of the second truck involved in that accident, Edward Wienke, 57, of Kouts, was

listed in satisfactory condition at Porter Memorial.

According to state police reports, Lord was traveling east on Indiana 8 and slowed down for another vehicle which was making a turn.

Lord lost control of his car on the slippery pavement, swerved into the other lane of traffic and struck the Wienke truck head-on, police said.

**Wayne Twp. Celebrates Anniversary**

On July 20, members of the Wayne Township No. 2 station celebrated the Fifteenth Anniversary of their department. Guests for the evening event included the wives of the members, Township Advisory Board

members, and E. L. Schultz from Howe Fire Apparatus Company. After a short business meeting, the guests viewed the showing of the 1971 convention film.



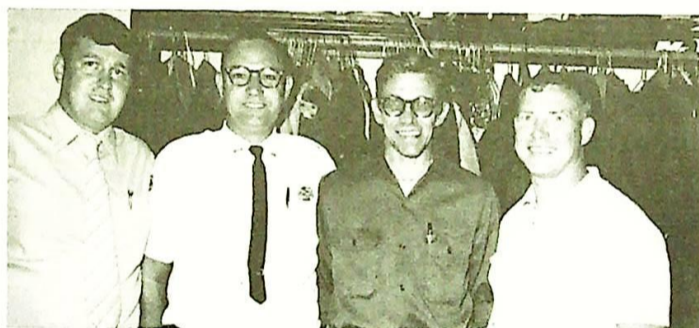
An added feature of the evening included the awarding of service stars to those members who had completed five, ten and fifteen years with the department. Charter members with 15 years included John Root, Harry Kessel, Dick Meese, Harold Moyer and Paul Fairfield. Ten year members were Frank Pettit, Rex Watters, Stanford Thompson, Roy Saylor,

Wm. Stauffer, Edward Crismore, George Morningstar, and Norman Keller. Those completing five years included Richard Bollenbacher, Wm. Griffith and Jon Walker.

The evening concluded with refreshments that included a beautiful anniversary cake baked by Mrs. Harry Kessel, one of our auxiliary members.



Left to right: John Root, Harry Kessel, Dick Meese, Paul Fairfield—15 year charter members.



Left to right: Jon Walker, Roy Saylor, Ed Crismore, Norman Keller—5 and 10 year members.

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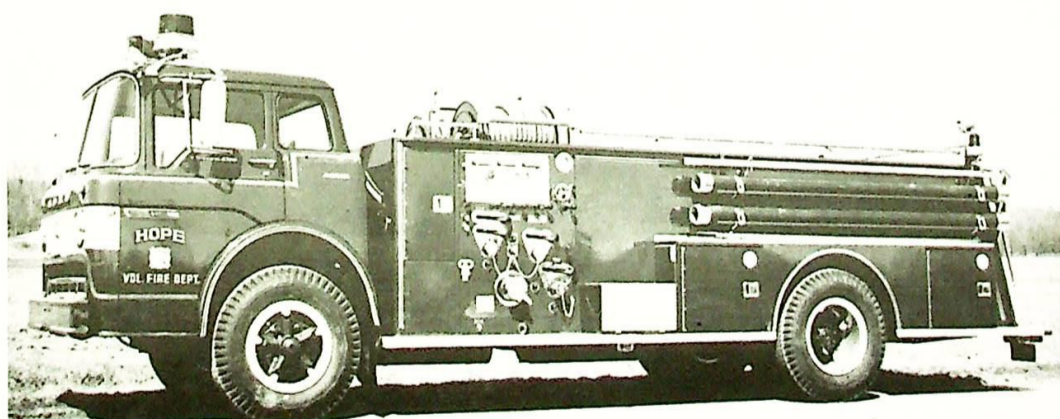
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**"FIRE STATION GARAGE SALE"**

Company No. 3 of the Warren Twp. Fire Department sponsored what is believed to be a first of its kind event, "a fire station garage sale." The garage sale was held at Station No. 3, 7604 E. 10th Street, August 7-8, both Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until ??? It featured some unusual items to browse over. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase air conditioning for the living quarters at the station.

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**Silver Anniversary Convention**

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**EARLY ORGANIZERS HONORED**

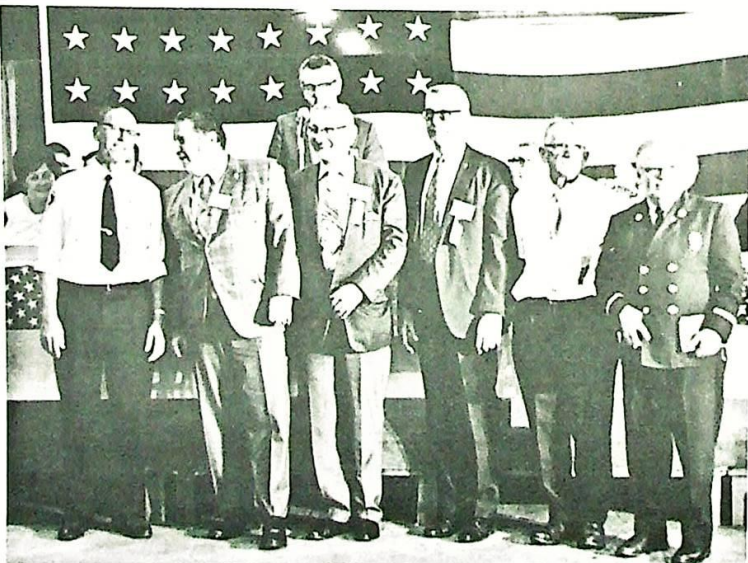
The most heartwarming part of the evening's activities was the honoring of the early organizers of the IVFA and to listen to them reminisce. Those honored were: Left to right: Hank Brummel, Verne Konopasek, Cornelius Vander Vaart, Sam Ordean, Roy Kitredge, Alvin Guske and Harold "Bus" Brownell. Following introduction of all dignitaries, Rosella Bousman, president of the State Ladies Auxiliary, presented travel checks to all the men officers. A mixer dance followed with free refreshments. Many journeyed to the Holiday Inn where at 1:00 A. M. the walls nearly popped out. But fun was had by all.

**Friday, June 11**

A steady stream of firemen filed through registration headquarters beginning at 7:00 A. M. The second session was conducted by President William Goodwin at the 4-H Building, Lake County Fairgrounds. Presentation of colors was followed by introduction of dignitaries and guests that were not present Thursday evening. This session was adjourned at 11:00 A. M. for the memorial service conducted by Chaplain Lantz at the First Methodist Church. A brief thunder shower greeted the conventioners as they scurried inside the church, but all went well as Chaplain Lantz turned off the rain and conducted an outstanding service. Believe it or not — there were no sirens blown during the service.

Friday afternoon the third session was again conducted by President Goodwin. Resolutions were presented and voted upon and the election of officers fol-

**New State Officers 1971-72**



Left to right: John Ford, Secretary; Harold Stofer, Vice President; Verne Konopasek, Treasurer; Don Mason, Recording Secretary; Ray Lester, Sargent-at-Arms; and Duane Lantz, Chaplain.

**CHAIRMEN FOR 1972 WAYNE CONVENTION**



**PAUL BECKER AWARD  
TO ROBERT LANEY**



lowed. Bill Engle was elected president unopposed. The big race shaped up for vice-president where Jim Baker and Harold Stofer were nominated. Stofer was elected.

Following the election a brief welcome to Wayne Township for the '72 Convention was presented by Harold Stofer and Chief Richard Lamb. It was voted to go to Jeffersonville in 1973. The meeting was adjourned. A three hour break before the banquet allowed the firemen and wives to enjoy the beer wagon and return to their motels for a break.

The banquet was served at 6:30 in the Industrial Building. The impending thunderstorm provided some tense moments in trying to get everyone inside before the rain came. Master of Ceremonies, Patt Patterson hosted the evening's introductions. President Goodwin presented the Paul Becker award to Robert Laney, Editor of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman and Convention Chairman, and Edmund Weaver, Chairman of the Mr. IVFA Committee presented Mr. IVFA award to Paul Fairfield, District 6 Chairman, of Fort Wayne. The entertainment was provided by U. S. Steel's Voquestra, who received a standing ovation upon completion of their program. The evening was topped off by the installation of new officers conducted by Crown Point Mayor Richard Collins. Concluding the banquet, a drawing for numerous gifts were presented by Midwest Fire Apparatus Company. A large dance wound up the long day's activities.



**Saturday, June 12**

Promptly at 8:00 A. M. the waterball contests for both men and women were held at Taft school. Again the turnout of teams for waterball, bucket brigade and hose replacement far exceeded all expectations. Winners in these events are listed elsewhere in this paper. Due to the extreme heat and number of teams entered in the contests the hose replacement was postponed until the finish of the parade.

At 2:10 the silver anniversary parade began (and what a parade). Bands, drum and bugle corps, color guards, antique cars, floats, clown units and, of course, loads of fire trucks. For over 2 hours unit after unit paraded in front of the judges stand. Chairman Jim Warner and his committee put together one of the largest parades ever seen in this area.

The Crown Point Department would like to thank the men and ladies of the Lake County Fire Service, Munster and Griffith and surrounding departments for all of their special help. A personal thank you to Stan Konefsky, who assisted in co-ordinating the convention and to all members and officers of the IVFA who contributed and attended this largest of all conventions.

**WELCOME VISITING  
FIREMEN**

(Gary Post Tribune June 11, 1971)

Crown Point developed its fine reputation for handling "visiting firemen" through its hospitality to overseas visitors, but this week it has the real thing on its hands.

We feel sure you members of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association, who began your statewide Hub sessions yesterday, will afford plenty of entertainment for yourselves and for your hosts, primarily with tomorrow's water ball events and parade.

However, because of the way one foreign group kept following another to the Lake County seat we are sure the hosts also will do themselves proud. That particularly includes last night's performance of the "Sing-Out Crown Point" youth vocal group.

And while you firemen are in our midst, we would like to take the opportunity to add our thanks to that you so richly deserve from your neighbors for your vital service at times of emergency.

A convention such as that now in progress can be fun as well as work. That's also true of a great many fund-raising and other events you volunteer firemen stage in your own communities.

When fire strikes, though, your work is vitally serious. We're convinced you part-time firemen did well to choose Crown Point for your convention, and we know the whole state is better off for the devotion to duty you demonstrate when situations demand.

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**Firemen and Neighbors**

(Gary Post Tribune June 17, 1971)

Your warm words of praise in your editorial of the Volunteer Firemen meeting in convention in Crown Point made delightful reading. It gave evidence of your own appreciation of men who deserve the gratitude of all of us. They are men who at the instant of the siren's call drop whatever they are doing and rush to the aid of their fellow men, whether they can be that of fire or a physical emergency. At times they must risk their lives to help their neighbor, whoever he may be. They have no favorites. To be of help is their purpose.

In our times when we read of the lack of willingness of people to come to the aid of those in distress, it is refreshing to know that a group such as the Volunteer Firemen will be at my call when needed. It gives one faith in his neighbor and prompts one to do likewise. This is being a Christian. "What you do to the least of my brethren you do to Me."

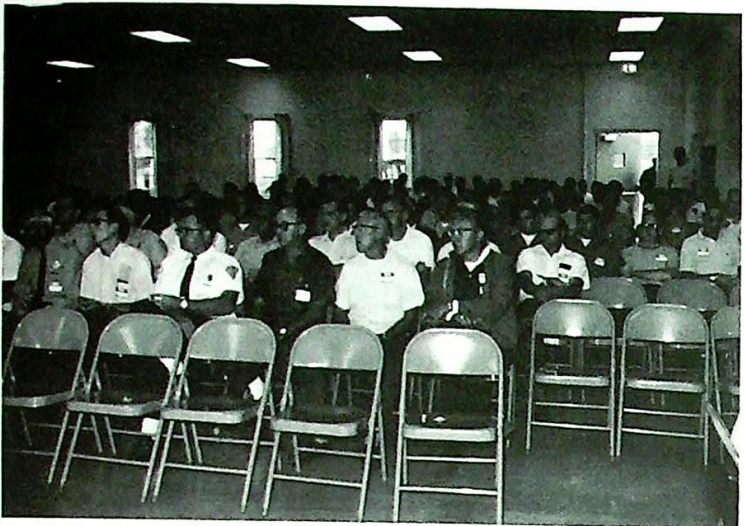
All Crown Point was highly pleased that it could host such an organization. The whole city had wholesome fun with the Volunteers. They sure enjoyed blowing their sirens in fun. Usually it's a grim business. Crown Point enjoyed having them. Volunteers, come back soon.

To you, The Post-Tribune, we are grateful for the words of praise both for the firemen and for Crown Point. It is some town!

—FR. JOSEPH HAMMES,  
Pastor, St. Mary Rectory,  
Crown Point



### Northeast I. V. F. A. Fire School



Northeast area had a very successful fire school on July 17 and 18 at the St. Joe Township fire station in Fort Wayne. There was a total of fourteen (14) different classroom sessions with demonstrations included. Classroom attendance reached the 250 mark for the two day seminar. Co-chairmen for this event included Conrad (Cooney) Tucker, Fort Wayne Civil Defense Director, and Huntertown's Fire Chief along with "Shorty" Kiefer, Northeast Public Relations Director.

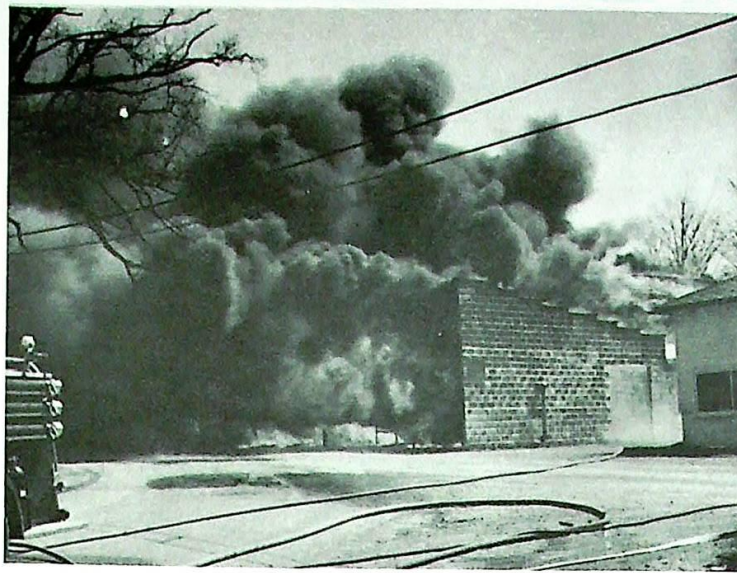
### THORNCREEK TOWNSHIP LOSES GROUP OF BUILDINGS

On April 14th fire destroyed a tavern and two houses on the east end of Shriner Lake, Thorncreek Township, Whitley County.

Less than half an hour before this call, truck 14 was being repaired from a problem that developed at a fire the previous night.



The fire started in a dwelling very close to the tavern on the east which had been vacated the previous week and all service had been disconnected. It had gained great headway before it was discovered and the fire department was alerted.



The tavern on one side and the house on the other side were engulfed in flames.

At its height embers crossed a large parking lot and fell against the L & M Hardware and many small roof fires were started as well as small grass fires between some of the cottages in the area.

The Thorncreek Township Fire Department wants to thank the Columbia Township, Smith Township, Noble Township and all others who helped keep this from being even a greater disaster.

We would, however, wish to ask the public to keep emergency numbers handy near the phone and use them promptly. Whenever fire is even suspected any delay only adds to the possible loss. As an example: This tavern was very close to a public beach. Usually when no fire

call has come in and the siren goes off it means someone at the beach is in trouble. Not knowing where phones are or emergency numbers, they head for the station. When this fire was reported by use of the button on front of the station, Chief Engineer Onan Laughman responded, expecting a resuscitator call.

Passing the fire on the way to the station, he turned out to be the only fireman and truck at the scene before the dispatcher alerted the other thirty-nine men and three trucks by radio. Had this fire been reported by phone, the whole department would have been on the job approximately five minutes sooner. That five minutes usually is the difference between saving the structure and a complete loss.

### District 1 and 2 Auxiliary Holds Election of Officers

District 1 and 2 held their regular meeting August 9th at Ainsworth-Deep River, with the installation of new officers.

Installed as new officers by Clara Shank were: Chairman, Bernice Esserman, of Liberty Township Fire Department, and Secretary, Betsy Howe, New Elliott Fire Department.

The meeting was called to order by the new Chairman, Mrs. Barbara Meyers, president of the host auxiliary, gave the prayer and lead the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll call was made and answered by 11 departments with 47 members present.

A discussion on district pins was held. Questions were asked on the kind of pin, and the price of it. One was chosen and some of the ladies paid for them.

The District 1 and 2 Picnic will be held on August 22nd at Black Oak Picnic Grove.

The next meeting will be held in October at Black Oak Fire Station.

Each lady received a Happy Eating Cook Book, made up by the Ainsworth-Deep River auxiliary. Refreshments and Airplane Bunco was enjoyed by all present.

Chairman District 1 and 2  
Bernice Esserman

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# Parade Terminates Convention

Three exciting days of flashing red lights, sirens and firemen in uniform came to an end Saturday afternoon, June 12 when the Indiana Volunteer Fireman Association's parade brought praise from the residents of Hub City and surrounding areas.

Approximately 30,000 persons viewed the parade that lasted more than three hours. The hot sun and high humidity did not keep the people in-doors. Children laid on blankets, the trees around the court house provided shade for many and others brought their chairs and stools so they would be comfortable as they watched the variety of entries pass by. People gathered all along the parade route from Taft School up South Main Street, around the square and down South Court to the Fairgrounds.

Parade chairman, James Warner, said there were 160 entries in the parade including old fire equipment that had been hauled by semi-trucks to be exhibited during the parade, 30 floats, six bands and six veteran's organizations.

The following final results have been released by the Crown Point Volunteer Fire Department who were host for the convention.

Outstanding Department—Parade Participation—Independence Hill Volunteer Fire Department.

Band Participation—(1) Crown Point High School, (2) Merrillville High School, (3) Chesteron High School, (4) Taft Junior High School, (5) Lowell High School, (6) Laville High School, (7) Lake Central High School.

Drum and Bugle Corps Participation — (1) White Tornadoes, (2) Kankakee Blackhawks.

New Fire Equipment — (1) Munster, (2) East Gary, (3) Black Oak.

Antique Fire Department—(1) Westville Fire Department, (2) Winona Lake Fire Department, (3) Hamilton Fire Department.

Antique Cars — (1) Howard Hollingsworth, 1929 Lincoln; (2) Wally Sakowicz, 1929 Hupmobile; (3) Charles Marsh, 1929 "A" Ford.

Horse Units — (1) 151 - Lake Co. 4-H Drill Team, (2) 79 - Los Rebelodes, (3) 46 - Lake County Sheriff's Posse.

Commercial Floats — (1) City of Bremen, (2) Carroll Chevrolet, (3) City of Crown Point.

Best Float—Non Commercial —(1) Patricia's School of Dance, (2) Psi Iota Xi Sorority, (3) Crown Point Republicans.

Best Float by a V. F. D. — Independence Hill V. F. D.

Best Float by a V. F. D. Auxiliary—Adams Twp. V.F.D. Aux—"Up, Up and Away".

Outstanding Decorated Car — Unit #90 Adams Twp. V. F. D. #1.

Outstanding Novelty Entry — Arrowhead 4-H Club.

Uniformed Ladies Marching Units — (1) Adams Twp. Aux. #1, (2) Wayne Twp. Aux. #2, (3) McCulloch V. F. D. Aux.

Youth Marching Unit — (1) Buskes Blue Jackets, (2) Pat Bakers Twirling Cadets, (3) Patricia's School of Dance.

Clown Units—(1) New Haven VFD, (2) C. McGill Clown Unit, (3) Lincoln 4-H Club.

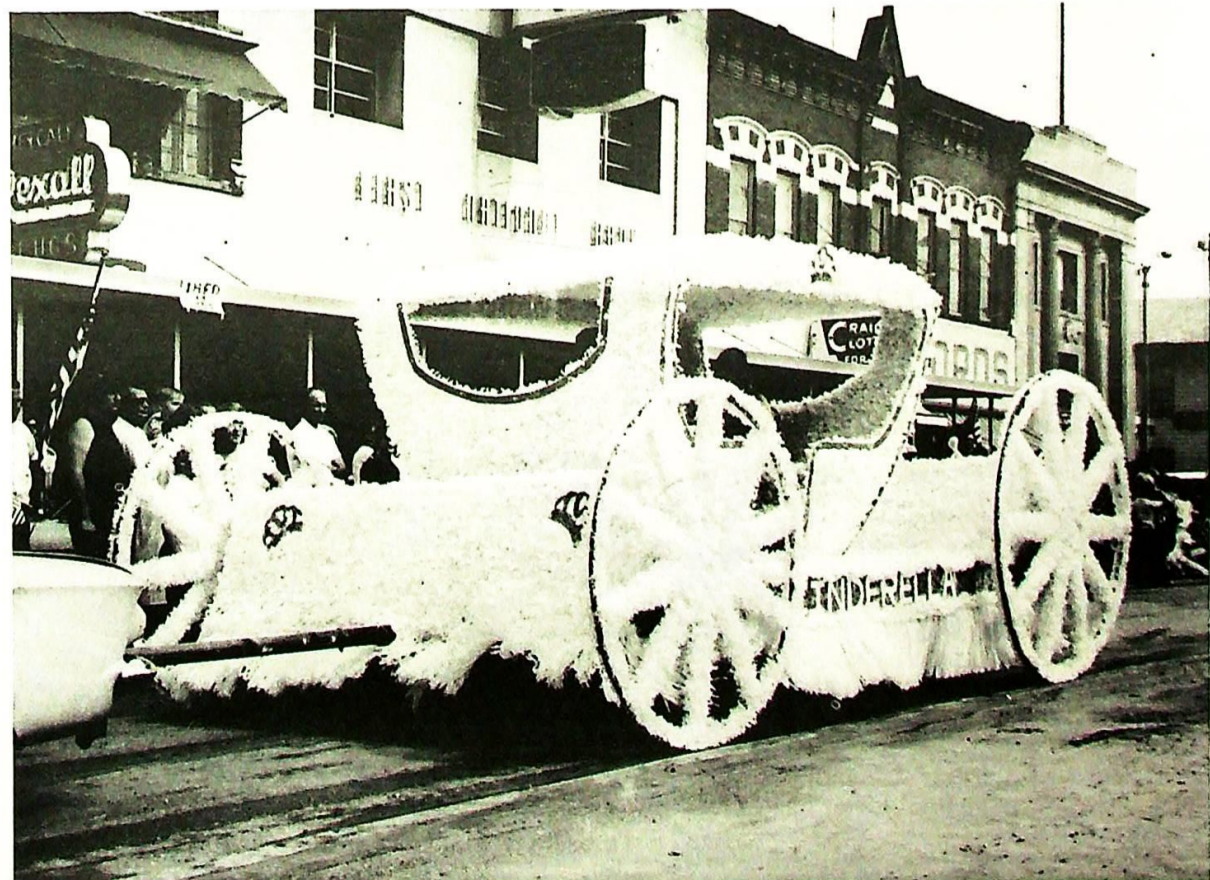
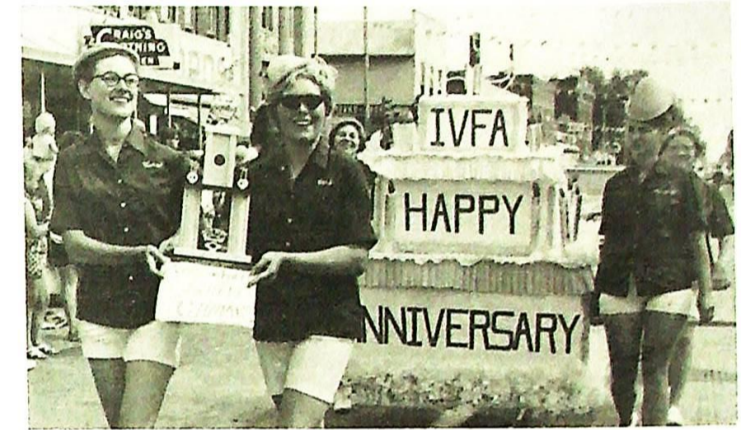
Outstanding Non-School Marching Musical Organization—Lowell V. F. W. Post #6841—

Color Guard and Band. Marching Uniform Firemen— (1) New Haven VFD, (2) Independence Hill VFD, (3) Port-

age Twp. VFD. Bill Goodwin of Angola, outgoing IVFA president, labeled the overall convention the "big-

gest and best ever held by IVFA". Former Justice of the Peace Harvey Minas said the parade was the biggest Crown

Point had ever had. Next year's convention will be hosted by Wayne Township Volunteer Firemen.



# A Bill To Provide Penalty For Assault On Firemen and Policemen

92nd CONGRESS 1st Session

H. R. 195

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 22, 1971

Mr. Jacobs introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

### A BILL

To provide a penalty for unlawful assault upon policemen, firemen, and other law enforcement personnel, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Section 1. The Congress finds that there has been an increasing incidence of assault upon policemen, firemen, and other law enforcement officials while they have been engaged in the conduct of their law enforcement and public safety duties. The Congress further finds that the free flow of commerce throughout the United States is dependent in large part upon the orderly and efficient operation of police and fire departments and other law enforcement efforts. Consequently, the Congress also finds that any willful interference with the activities of policemen, firemen, and other law enforcement officers constitutes a direct interference with interstate and foreign commerce. Therefore, it is the purpose of this Act to make unlawful willful assaults upon policemen, firemen, and other law enforcement officials for the purpose of outlawing certain conduct which has a deleterious effect on the free flow of interstate and foreign commerce.

Sec. 2. (a) Chapter 7 of title 18 of the United States Code is amended by inserting after section 114 the following new section: **§115. Assaulting firemen and law enforcement officers**

"(a) Whoever forcibly assaults, strikes, wounds, discharges a firearm or other explosive at, or otherwise offers violence to, any fireman or law enforcement officer on account of the performance of the official duties of such fireman or law enforcement officer shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than ten years or a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both; and if personal injury results shall be subject to imprisonment for not more than twenty years or a fine of not more than \$20,000, or both; and if death results shall suffer the death penalty unless the jury qualifies its verdict by adding thereto "without capital punishment", or unless the court, in the case of a plea of guilty, or a plea of not guilty where the defendant has waived a trial by jury in its discretion shall order the sentence to be imprisonment for life.

"(b) Whoever transports, causes to be transported, or aids or abets another in transporting, or receives, causes to be received, or aids or abets another in receiving, in interstate commerce or through the use of any instrumentality of or facility for interstate commerce, any dangerous or deadly weapon with knowledge that it will be used or with intent that it be used to assault, injure, or kill any fireman or law enforcement officer, because of his official position as a fireman or law enforcement officer, shall be punished as provided in subsection (a).

"(c) If two or more persons conspire to violate this section and one or more of such persons do any overt act to effect the object of the conspiracy, each shall be punished as provided in subsection (a).

"(d) For the purposes of this section—

"(1) the term 'firemen' means any member of a fire department (including a volunteer fire department) of any State, any political subdivision of a State, or the District of Columbia;

"(2) the term 'law enforcement officer' means any officer or employee of the United States, any State, any political subdivision of a State, or the District of Columbia, who engages in the enforcement or prosecution of any of the criminal laws of the United States, a State, any political subdivision of a State, or the District of Columbia; and such term shall specifically include, but shall not be limited to, any judge of any court of the United States, any State, any political subdivision of a State, or the District of Columbia, members of the National Guard, as defined in section 101 (9) of title 10, United States Code, members of the organized militia of any State, or territory of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia, not included within the definition of National Guard as defined by such section 101 (9), and members of the Armed Forces of the United States, while engaged in suppressing acts of violence or restoring law and order during a civil disorder.

"(3) 'dangerous or deadly weapon' includes any object, item, or device which, when used as a weapon, is capable of causing physical injury or death; and

"(4) 'interstate commerce' means commerce (A) between any State or the District of Columbia and any place outside thereof; (B) between points within any State or the District of Columbia, but through any place outside thereof; or (C) wholly within the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or any territory or possession of the United States."

(b) The chapter analysis of such chapter 7 is amended by inserting immediately below the item relating to section 114 the following:

"115. Assaulting firemen and law enforcement officers."

## TO THE PEOPLE OF CROWN POINT

This past week we the Volunteer Firemen of Indiana held our 25th annual convention in your city. In every way it was the biggest convention we have ever had.

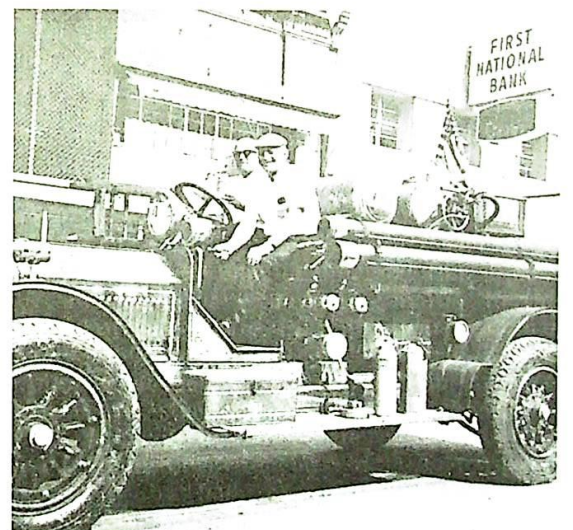
We want to thank you for the warm hospitality you the citizens extended to the visiting firemen, it was greatly appreci-

ated by all.

To Mayor Collins, Chief Bill Adler and all his men, the Chamber of Commerce and others that were closely associated with this endeavor, your cooperation was the greatest.

I have been very close to your great Crown Point Volunteer

# Convention Parade



ranging this convention. After seeing Chief Randolph, Chairman Laney and all the rest of the firemen tackle this great

responsibility I can see why you are so proud of them and support them like you do. On behalf of our 12,000 members let me give you a great

big Thank You, and say I hope we left Crown Point a better place because we were there. Sincerely Yours, Bill Goodwin

# District Meetings

## CARTHAGE VOLUNTEERS HOST 10TH DISTRICT MEETING

The April meeting of the 10th District Indiana Volunteer Fireman Association was called to order by Chairman Bill Carman.

The Pledge of allegiance was given to the flag and a prayer was recited by the district.

Minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Guests for the evening were Capt. Peterson, formerly employed by Delco Remi, and Phil Cronk of Cronk Fire and Safety Co., and the members of the Arlington Volunteer Fire Dept

### FIRST ROLL CALL:

There were 61 firemen present, representing 12 departments, reporting 145 fires, first aid, or emergency runs during the past month.

An announcement that a new department in the 10th district, Gatesville, has joined.

The Pictorial Directory was discussed. Those departments voting were as follows:

- Acton—yes
- Burney—no
- Carthage—no
- Clarksburg—no
- Glenwood—no
- Hope—no
- St. Paul—yes
- Waldron—yes
- Wanamaker—yes
- Greensburg—no

Bill Carman will check to see if the departments interested can go ahead and take part in this project.

### SECOND ROLL CALL:

- Acton—grass fire
- Clarksburg — grass fire and old school lot
- Hope — received new truck Ford 8000 cab over
- St. Paul—house fire at Moscow (Waldron and Milroy departments assisted.)
- Waldron—called to Manilla for LP gas leak

### COMING EVENTS:

- District meetings to be held:
  - August—Letts
  - September—St. Paul
  - October—Batesville
  - November—Waldron
- Chief George Myers apologized for not being able to attend the Greensburg meeting.
- President Bill Windsor gave

the history of the Carthage Fire Department.

Phil Cronk gave door prizes away, going to Waldron and Clarksburg departments.

Meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served and were enjoyed by all.

The May meeting of the 10th District Indiana Volunteer Fireman Association was called to order by Chairman Bill Carman, Warren Township served as hosts.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag and a prayer was recited by the district.

Guests of the evening were Jim Baker, Chairman of District 13; Ray Lester, State Sergeant-at-Arms; Norbert Charleswood of Midwest Fire and Safety; Lowell Schntrop, Chief Dispatcher of Rural Fires of Marion County; and Station Captain Bob Winters and Public Relations Gene Battaly and Carlos Jeffries, Past IVFA State President.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

### FIRST ROLL CALL:

There were 35 firemen present, representing 9 departments, reporting 128 fires, first aid or emergency runs during the past month.

- Fire schools to be held in:
  - NW Rensselaer, May 15-16
  - NW St. Joe Twp., July 17-18
  - SW To be announced
  - SE Clarksburg High School Sept. 11-12

District 13 will hold its next meeting at New Palestine.

A Nominating Committee was appointed. Chairman Jack Knoll of Waldron, Fred McDonald of St. Paul, Charles Oliphant of Burney, and Carlos Jeffries of Fountaintown.

Next district meeting will be held June 17 at the Adams Volunteer Fire Department.

The project of the Pictorial Directory is to be tabled until after the convention.

### NEW EQUIPMENT:

St. Paul Fire Department purchased a new radio for the tanker.

### SECOND ROLL CALL:

- Burney—House trailer and Corn Crib
- Clarksburg — Assisted Glenwood Fire Dept.

- St. Paul—Truck fire on I-74 (Adams Assisted)
- Waldron—Barn Fire \$25,000 (St. Paul Assisted)
- Greensburg—Fire at B. C. A. Corp. \$100,000+
- Norbert Charleswood of Midwest Co. gave two door prizes, one going to Waldron and one to St. Paul.

Gene Batterly gave the history of the department.

The meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were served and enjoyed by all.

The Adams Volunteer Fire Department hosted the June meeting of the 10th District Indiana Volunteer Firemen Association. The group was called to order by Chairman, Bill Carman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given to the flag and a prayer was recited by the district.

Guests of the evening were George Myers, of the Greensburg Fire Dept., Carlos Jeffries, and Decatur County Sheriff Ed Schwendenmann.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

### FIRST ROLL CALL:

There were 44 firemen present representing 10 departments, reporting 52 fires, first aid or emergency runs during the past month.

Bob Laney of IVFA Newspaper needs information.

Jack Ford would like all dues sent early as possible.

### CONVENTION REPORT:

The 10th District was represented by 6 departments.

Three bills were introduced but only one was passed.

The Memorial Service was one of the most outstanding parts of the convention. The 10th District had 4 deaths the past year.

Convention site for 1972 is Wayne Twp. Marion County, and 1973 is Jeffersonville.

Mr. IVFA was Paul Fairfield. Bob Laney received the Paul Becker Award.

### SECOND ROLL CALL:

- Acton—Suicide at Pleasant View
- I-74 and London Rd. accident.
- Fountaintown — Man shot with 32 caliber
- St. Paul—House trailer fire and Auto fire
- Greensburg—Kitchen fire and Garage Door fire.

### COMING EVENTS:

- Acton—Waterball contest — August 8
- Wayne Co.—Fire Conference —October 9 and 10
- Columbus — Fire Seminar — July 24-25
- Indiana Good Samaritan Law was passed by the Indiana General Assembly.
- District meeting for July is at Eagle Fire Dept. at Oldenburg on the 21st at 8:00 P. M.
- The August meeting is at Letts.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Nominating committee nominated Bill Carman of Acton for Chairman, Jim Schneider of St. Paul for Secretary and Gene Suding of Burney for Chaplain. The above were elected to serve for 1971-72.

Decatur Co. Sheriff Ed Schwendemann spoke on drugs. Meeting was adjourned.

Adam's Auxilliary was host of a style show. 1st prize was won by Helen Garwood and 2nd prize went to Marjorie Zinser. (Picture)

Door prizes were given away by Midwest, going to Leslie Baker and Charlie Oliphant, both of Burney Fire Dept.

Refreshments were served and enjoyed by all.

### 12TH DISTRICT MEETING

The 12th district meeting was held at Zionsville Volunteer Fire Department on July 26th.

There were 54 members present and 2 State Officers, John Ford and Harold Stofer. It was stated that district 12 has several new departments which I would like to welcome. They are as follows: Cloverdale, Hazelwood, Clayton and Washington Township.

After a S\*\*h\*\*o\*\*r\*\*t speech by Mr. John Ford we had election of officers for the coming year. Charlie Jones was elected Chairman, Robert Gentry as vice Chairman and Charles Bogden as district secretary.

The speaker of the evening was Chief Don Bolinger, who is in charge of the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Indianapolis Fire Department. After a very interesting talk we were adjourned by the new chairman, Charles Jones.

Refreshments were served and a good time was had by all. Good luck to Charlie and his new officers.

### DISTRICT 1 & 2

The May meeting was hosted by the East Gary Firemen. The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag, led by Verne Konopasek. District 1 Secretary Vernon Jones called roll which was answered by 105 members and guests from 22 departments.

We were honored to have with us President William Goodwin who explained why the bill changing the Blue Lite Law was brought before the State Legislature. A financial report of the association was given by Treasurer Konopasek.

Chaplain Duane Lantz conducted a memorial for those that had passed away.

Editor Bob Laney reported on

the newspaper and the convention preparations.

A discussion was held and a vote was taken to have a District 1 & 2 picnic this year. Kenneth Lunghober of the Liverpool-Oregon Department was appointed chairman for the picnic committee.

A history of the Host Department was read and Chief George Clark was called upon to introduce his men and show off their pumper which they had just received.

Refreshments were served by the Ladies Auxilliary.

The July meeting was held at the New Elliott Station. The meeting was opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

Roll call was taken by District 2 Secretary Hank Utermack with 20 departments represented by 82 men.

Picnic Chairman Ken Lunghofer reported all was go for the picnic on August 22nd at Black Oak Grove. Pot luck dinner with water ball to start at 10:00 a.m. Children's games and bingo will be held in the afternoon.

Election of district officers for the coming year was conducted by Harold King. Robert Esserman and Vernon Jones were reelected as Chairman and Secretary. No election was held for District 2, there were not enough departments represented.

Two deaths were reported since the May meeting: James Johnson from the Beverly Shores Department and Harold Miller of the Griffith Department. The day after this meeting, Ed Miller, Harold's father, passed away. Both Millers were on the inactive list with the Griffith department.

Host Chief Bernie Jostes and his men were recognized after a history of their department was read.

Refreshments were served by the Ladies Auxilliary and the 1971 Convention film was shown.

The August meeting will be at the Lakes of The Four Seasons Lodge.

September meeting at Portage Township South Haven with a program on Electrical Safety.

The October meeting will be at the Liberty Township Station with National Cylinder Gas presenting a program on Cryogenic Gases.

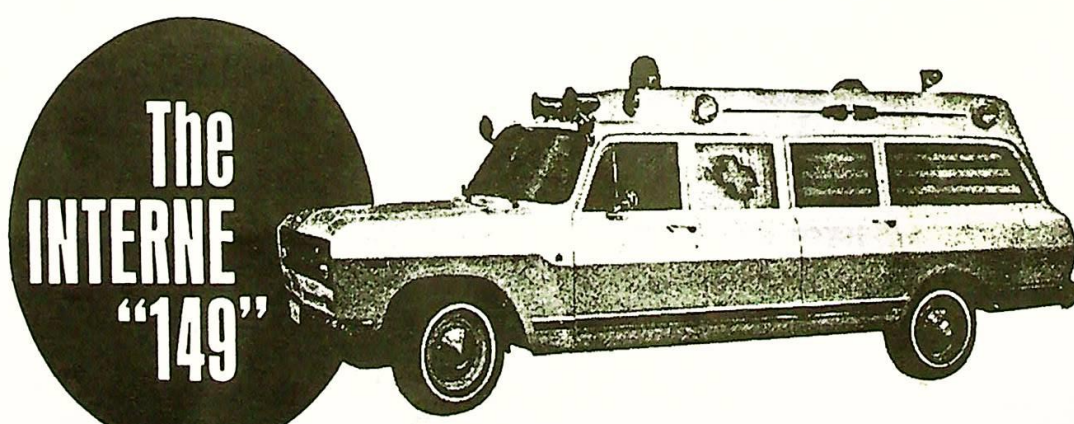
All area firemen are urged to attend the September and October meetings. As the Electrical and Gas programs will show some of the hazards involved, and how to handle them.

District 1 Chairman Bob Esserman.

### CARD OF THANKS

Our sincere thanks to you all for the lovely gifts, cards and contributions toward the purse at Crown Point Convention time for our 50th Wedding Anniversary. Everything was truly appreciated and will never be forgotten.

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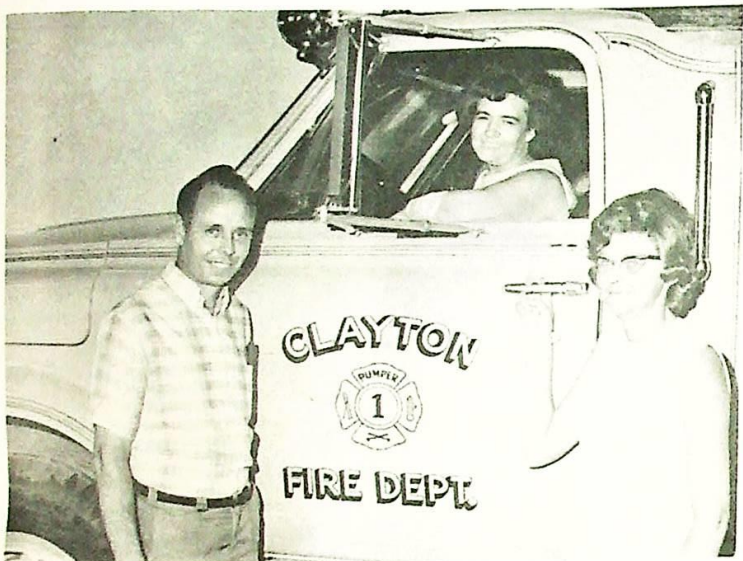
IMPORTANT REFERENCE AND HISTORICAL — CONVENTION DATA — DURING THE PAST TWELVE YEARS — INFORMATION SHOWN IS AT CLOSE OF EACH FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH

Fiscal Con'y Year	Attained Paid Membership	President Elected	Convention City	Con'y Banquet Plates Served	Mr. IVFA Award	Paul Becker Award	\$ From Registration	\$ From Nets* Program Book	\$ Con'y Cost	\$ Ret'd Claims To Membership	No. Deaths
1960	6140	John Ford	Clinton	650	Robt. Hutson	**	1716	510	8003	3886	25
1961	6867	B. Jostes	Warsaw	703	Bert Moser	**	2226	981	7917	3553	32
1962	7594	B. Jostes	Greenfield	675	Ralph Israel	**	2124	1834	8836	5235	46
1963	8009	Jim Glaub	Angola	737	C. A. Henderson	**	3661	1957	7903	6050	43
1964	8393	Jim Glaub	New Albany	680	G. Kiefer	**	3480	1135	8902	6380	42
1965	8719	W. Steiger	Rensselaer	638	A. Van Winkle	**	3065	2030	8522	7900	53
1966	8928	W. Steiger	Vincennes	704	R. Hertle	**	3078	1832	8393	6949	52
1967	9128	C. Jeffries	New Haven	620	D. Lantz	**	3115	1113	8710	7432	59
1968	9704	C. Jeffries	Jeffersonville	731	E. Weaver	**	3755	1087	8778	8517	75
1969	10394	W. Goodwin	Warsaw	775	V. Konopasek	**	3517	3245	7996	9254	54
1970	10865	W. Goodwin	Shelbyville	860	E. Nigg	**	4045	2887	9285	7961	53
1971	11745	Bill Engle	Crown Point	938	P. Fairfield	**	4537	9343	13878	13188	80

Respectfully submitted,  
VERNE KONOPASEK, Treasurer

This chart and that of the itemized convention cost summary of past conventions are important strategic guidelines for Convention Cities of the future to follow in making their plans.

CLAYTON AUXILIARY ESTABLISHES KIDNEY FUND



Which is the artificial kidney patient? That's the \$18,000 question—for that in round figures is what it costs for the first year—an amount far beyond the reach of the average family.

The answer to the question is —Mrs. Lloyd Miller, sitting in the cab of the Clayton, Indiana volunteer fire department.

Some time ago, The Indiana Volunteer Fireman carried a complete account of Evelyn Miller and her artificial kidney necessary to keep her alive since her own kidneys have failed totally and permanently to function. Without one, three small children would have been left motherless due to uremic poisoning.

But the Millers' problems aren't totally solved. Even though she and her husband, Lloyd, a member of the Clayton Volunteer Fire Department, underwent intensive training in the use of an artificial kidney so that she could be dialyzed at home, they still have the financial burden of the first year of dialysis as well as suc-

ceeding years although the Indianapolis Methodist Hospital's home dialysis program cuts the cost substantially after the first year.

Recognizing the need to help the Millers share their medical financial burden the Auxiliary of the Clayton Fire Department established the Evelyn Miller Artificial Kidney Fund. They have done real well, but are far short of the cost.

Several auxiliaries throughout the state have contributed —and it has helped.

Other auxiliaries or individuals are urged to help keep Evelyn Miller alive by the use of the machine by sending contributions to the Evelyn Miller Artificial Kidney Fund, care of the Danville State Bank, Danville, Indiana, 46112.

The first year costs between \$15,000 and \$18,000. Expensive? Yes—very! But then—who can set a price on a human life!

(Others in the picture are Evelyn's husband, Lloyd, and Mrs. Walter Harris, president of the auxiliary and chairman of the fund drive.)

Nappanee Honors 25 Year Veteran



Fireman Dan Coppes was recently presented a gold watch honoring his twenty five years of service to the Nappanee Volunteer Fire Department. The Nappanee Department currently has 22 members of which the five pictured above have a total of 142 years of service. As they appear in the picture, left to right: Ralph Fink (27 years), Chief Harold Sechrist (27 years), Fred Culp (37 years), Dan Coppes (25 years) and Ward Walters (26 years).

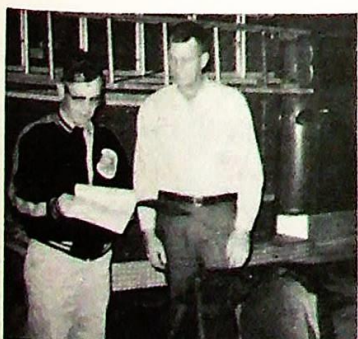
The Nappanee "Smoky Stovers" recently moved into their new home at the Municipal Center and will celebrate with a grand opening on Sunday, August 22. The Department recently held their Jonah Fish Fry in their new quarters.

Bill Holman, cartoonist for "Smoky Stover," was born in Nappanee and the local fire department has Bill's approval to use his cartoon character for their official insignia and the name of "Nappanee Smokey Stovers."

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Steuben County Volunteers Honored



Left to right—John Burch, Jr. and Don Anstett.

The Steuben County Volunteer Firemen have been awarded a citation from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 7205 of which John Burch, Jr. of Fremont, is Commander and Frederick Vincent I of Angola, Adjutant.

The citation reads:  
Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Certificate of Appreciation awarded to Volunteer Fire Departments Steuben County, Indiana

In special recognition and highest praise for alertness, personal courage, and ever efficient guardianship of life and prop-

erty. In witness we have hereunto set our hands and official seal of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, this 1st day of May, 1971.

John Burch, Jr.  
Commander, Post No. 7205  
Frederick Vincent  
Adjutant

The Steuben County Volunteer Firemen are very appreciative of this citation and it will be taken from one Fire Barn to another to be on display. Don Anstett of the Pleasant Lake Fire Department is president of the group.

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 Catherine Mason, 2414 Alma, Fort Wayne, Ind. 46807  
 Ruth Ford, 3005 Lincolndale, Fort Wayne 46808  
 Pauline Glaub, Manilla, Ind. 46150  
 Loretta Kustron, withdrawn  
 Vida Bare, moved to Michigan

#### Committees

Waterball .....	Donna Brown
1202 Canel St., New Haven 46774	
Phone: 219-749-1833	
By-Laws .....	Janet Goodwin, Chr.
300 W. Maumee, Angola, Ind. 46703	
Dorothy Anstett .....	
Pleasant Lake, Ind. 46779	
Ruth Fairfield .....	
5128 No. Bend Dr., Ft. Wayne 46804	
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Men's Lapel and Auxiliary Pins .....	Lucy Stofer
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## Auxiliary Officers' Meeting

St. Mary's School, Crown Point, June 10, 1971

Rosella opened the meeting with a welcome to all. Prayer was given by Thelma and Pledge to the Flag was led by Catherine. Mary Stafford ask to approach the front. She presented Rosella with a beautiful red rose corsage with silver ribbon.

Jo read the minutes of the April meeting at Crown Point.

Barbara reported the treasurers balance of \$1,118.47.

Rosella showed the mens gift which Inez Jeffries took care of. They are travel alarm clocks.

Mary Stafford reported on the auditing. She said everything was in very good order.

Joan read letters from Mrs. Harvey Hacker and Donna Halterman in response to our invitation to them to attend our Convention.

Thelma reported she has sent 16 sympathy cards, 9 get well, 2 birth congratulations, and 1 anniversary card since the April meeting. Also, there has been 1 more death, Evelyn Curl of Mickleysville, Wayne #5, Marion County. She read a letter from Catherine Fries.

Lucy Stofer had no report on jewelry except that she has a lot of jewelry to sell.

Jo reported we now have 2,003 members. Rosella will present the 2000th member with a charm at tomorrows meeting.

#### DISTRICT REPORTS:

1 & 2—Clara Shonk

The May meeting was held at Pine Township Fire Dept. with 35 members representing 10 auxiliaries and 5 guests present. We were honored with the presence of Jo Lantz and Carolyn McCarty, state officers. Jo Lantz talked about IVFA auxiliary membership.

Election of officers was held with Mrs. Bernice Esserman, R. R. 1, Chesterton elected District Chairman and Mrs. Betsy Howe, 1912 Edison, Griffith re-elected District Secretary.

The August meeting will be held at Ainsworth-Deep River Fire Dept.

We were entertained by a wig fashion show. Afterwards a drawing was held with Mrs. Millie Payne winning a wig.

We were then served from a delicious Salad Bar.

3—Valerie Pulliam

Meeting was held at Michiana Shores. The Girl Scouts gave a wonderful Style Show ranging from the 1900's thru our grandmothers days up to today's mode of dress. The dress styles were

the real originals.

There were 30 members from 5 depts.

Discussion on convention, Lucky Dough Doll, Water Ball, and Bucket Brigade. Our traveling doll was won by Michiana Shores.

Refreshments were served with door prizes given. Next meeting on June 28 at Scipio Township. There will be potluck supper at 6 p. m. Also, election of officers.

6—Dorothy Anstett

We met May 20th at Washington Township, Allen County. We first met with the men for a show put on by Sheriff's Dept. and their K-9 Dogs. Our meeting found 31 members present. Everyone was urged to attend Convention. Discussed our Sept. picnic. Hope to have it at Ashley, if they will have us. July meeting to be held at Corunna with election of officers. We played a few games of Bingo and then joined the men for refreshments.

7—Marjorie Brames

Meeting was held on May 18th at Warren with 7 members from 4 departments. Doll tickets passed out. Convention was discussed. We then joined the men for entertainment and lunch.

10—Barbara Parker

Met at Fountaintown with 73 members and 3 guests representing 11 auxiliaries. Election of Officers was held and Pauline Glaub installed the following: Chairman, Barbara Parker; Secretary, Pam Springmeier; Chaplain, Donna Beyer. Entertainment was by Bob & Re Bob and The Green Mountain Boys. Next meeting August 16th at St. Paul.

11—Vica McGill

Meeting was held May 16th at Burnett Firehouse. After enjoying a chicken dinner with the men we adjourned to our meeting. Edna Roach conducted our election of officers for the coming year. We had a discussion on forming an auxiliary for we have several ladies interested. Doll tickets were turned in. Our next meeting will be July 18th at the Pimento Firehouse.

12—Catherine VanArsdale

Met April 29th and 19 present representing 4 auxiliaries. Bucket Brigade and waterball for convention was discussed. News items from various auxiliaries was given. Next meeting July 15th at Ben Davis Fire Station with election of officers.

16—Lois Boaz

Met at Lanesville May 16th with 11 present from 5 departments. Convention was discussed. Several local events were announced. We joined the men for film and refreshments. Next meeting July 6th at New Albany Twp. with election of officers.

Rosella asked all officers to sit down front for the evening meeting which starts at 8:00 p. m. Meeting was adjourned and prayer was given by Thelma.

## Convention - Crown Point

Friday, June 11, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Rosella Bousman with a hearty welcome to all. She greeted us with this little verse, "Nature couldn't make us perfect, so she did the next best thing, she made us blind to our faults."

The Crown Point ladies served us lots of delicious rolls and coffee during our meeting.

Prayer was given by Thelma Lester and Catherine Mason led us in the Pledge to the Flag.

Thelma reported 8 deaths in the state this year:

Merebeth Wells, Fillmore.  
 Helen Boyd, Bridgeport, Wayne No. 7, Marian Co.

Irene Martin, Harris Twp., Granger.

Clema Bradley, Fountaintown.  
 Grace Hanauer, Washington Twp., Allen Co.

Margaret Gibson, Selma.

Margaret Curl, Mickleysville, Wayne No. 5, Marion Co.

Vivian E. McGreath, Montpelier.

She reported mailing 40 get well, 10 birth congratulations, 2 anniversary, and 114 sympathy cards during the year. She has 2-8 cent stamps, 1 birth, 3 sympathy, 5 get well cards left. 4 Catholic Bibles and 4 empty Protestant Cedar Boxes left.

Treasurer report by Barbara Surber showed a balance on hand of \$1,118.47.

Mary Stafford explained the State Pictorial Directory and asked each department to help all they can when the photographer comes to their department.

Carolyn reported she had \$276.00 turned in on the Doll.

Donna Brown, Waterball Chairman, reported 14 waterball teams and 8 bucket brigade teams. She urged all waterball teams to use an assistant on the back up hose. She reported some of the requirements for winning the Sportsmanship Trophy.

1. All must wear tags
2. friendliness
3. take hose back to starting line
4. no dropping of hose
5. assistant coach doesn't touch nozzle
6. shake hands before and after each heat

Crown Point ladies had drawings for beautiful floral candles which adorned each table. They announced there would be more

drawings in the afternoon.

Ray Lester introduced Jack Gulick from Nationwide Insurance who gave a short talk on insurance and answered all questions.

Mary Stafford reported 245 registered. Last year we registered 237.

Dismissed for Memorial Service and lunch.

Resumed after lunch with Prayer by Thelma. Roll call was given.

Jo Lantz announced we have 25 new auxiliaries. She read the minutes of the 1970 Convention at Shelbyville.

Rosella announced that Crown Point ladies have joined the State and she passed out their cards. Pat Ward of Crown Point was the 2000th member and she will receive a charm with her initials on the back. It will be presented to her at the Banquet.

Carolyn reported we now have \$601.00 on our doll.

Crown Point ladies had more drawings. They then presented a beautiful floral centerpiece to Rosella.

Thelma showed everyone the Bibles which are presented to families of deceased members.

Rosella turned the election of officers over to Inez Jeffries. There was discussion as to how the ballots were to be counted.

Jean Camp made a motion the ballots be counted secretly. Mrs. Ethel Hibner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President — Carolyn McCarty  
 Vice President — Joan Shanabarger

Recording Secretary—Jo Lantz  
 Corresponding Sec. — Mary Boyd

Chaplain — Thelma Lester  
 Treasurer — Barbara Surber  
 Sgt.-at-Arms — Lucy Stofer  
 Immediate Past President — Rosella Bousman

All officers were installed by Pauline Glaub with the assistance of Verta Engle.

Respectively submitted,  
 Rosella Bousman, President  
 Jo Lantz, Recording St.  
 Joan Shanabarger,  
 Corresponding Sec.



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### Ladies' Waterball

Congratulations to all teams that won at convention. We had the largest number of teams to compete at any convention. Lets keep our teams together for next year.

You ladies that play bucket brigade certainly have to be in good shape to do all that running. Keep it up. I don't know of any events for you in the near future.

The coming waterball events I know of are as follows:

- Aug. 7—Butler, 1:00 p. m.
- Aug. 8—Acton, 12:00 p. m.
- Aug. 21—Ashley, 6:00 p. m.
- Aug. 28—Poe, 1:00 p. m.
- Aug. 29—Waynedale, 12:30 p. m.

All are open to both men and women's teams.

Poe is having Bucket Brigade for men after their waterball.

September 11th and 12th is Nationals at Angola. There is an entry fee of \$10.00 for each team. It is double elimination (you must be beaten by two teams before you are out). All entries **must** be sent registered or by certified mail and be in by September 1, 1971. A meeting will be held at 11:00 a. m. September 11 for all teams at the Angola Fire Station. From there a parade to the contest site at Angola Park. Waterball starts at 1:00 p. m. A social hour to follow Saturday night at the Fire Station. The starting time Sunday will be announced on Saturday. Send fee to: Bill Goodwin, Angola Fire Dept., Angola, Ind. 46703.

Let's bring all teams to Angola. Good luck to all of you.  
Donna Brown

### 10th District Auxiliary Meets

The regular meeting of the 10th District met on May 17, 1971 at Fountaintown with 73 members and 3 guests present.

Devotions were given by Donna Beyer before a picnic supper was served.

The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

Lucky Doe Doll tickets were turned in.

New Palestine announced they were celebrating their centennial starting May 22nd with proceeds going to the Fire Dept.

Taylorville announced they were having a kids day on July 5th.

Waldron also is having a kids day July 5th.

Hartsville is having a Fish Fry on July 19th.

Acton will be having a 4th of July day celebration with fireworks in the evening.

Meeting was turned over to Catherine Puble who conducted election of officers for the coming year. They were Barbara Parker, Chairman; Pam Springmeier, Secretary; Donna Beyer, Chaplain.

These officers were installed by Pauline Glaub.

The meeting was closed with everyone repeating the Lord's Prayer.

It was announced that St. Paul would host the August meeting.

Entertainment was furnished by Bob and Re-Bob and the Green Mountain Boys.

Bingo was played and enjoyed by everyone.

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### COMPARISON OF CONVENTION EXPENSES PAST NINE YEARS

	Angola 1963	New Albany 1964	Rensselaer 1965	Vincennes 1966	N. Haven 1967	Jeffersonville 1968	Warsaw 1969	Shelbyville 1970	Crown Point 1971
Delegate mileage .....	\$1905.75	\$2291.28	\$1543.95	\$2482.21	\$1473.15	\$2756.90	\$1663.80	\$1844.05	\$1853.05
Officers mileage .....	486.37	719.90	597.50	841.10	859.55	982.50	581.59	541.35	835.25
Fireworks .....	9.02	9.15	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Decorations .....	157.50	555.00	208.04	21.00	None	128.89	54.24	127.48	658.00
Banquet .....	1842.50	2106.00	1467.40	1679.40	2470.95	1491.24	1743.49	2868.00*	1580.69
Prtg. Convention minutes ....	100.00	None	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	300.00
Prtg. Convention book .....	858.35	700.23	1281.83	1056.00	836.75	818.50	715.00	987.50	244.39
Prtg. Convention tickets .....	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	50.70	244.39
Prtg. signs, resolutions, etc.	140.45	234.40	138.45	89.64	255.97	96.73	426.57	255.66	378.50
Entertainment .....	425.00	716.00	705.00	172.50	375.00	707.50	325.00	275.00	395.00
Sound, Conv. cleanup, misc.	459.90	82.22	427.19	91.09	270.82	71.58*	756.09	269.94	600.00
Postage and phone exp. ....	82.32	183.03	112.97	175.16	146.67	108.15	229.35	185.86	291.15
Registration desk, exp. ....	125.00	125.00	145.00	150.00	154.00	26.65	100.00	70.00	128.71
Donations, cash prizes .....	305.00	None	None	None	None	None	None	None	None
Conv. Badges, del. & vis. ....	180.77	103.48	107.95	103.51	112.20	46.68	123.35	84.10	74.81
Prizes donated, conv. tickets	None	None	None	None	None	98.90	None	None	1100.00
Trophies donated for prizes	374.75	554.57	581.90	334.80	312.26	258.65	201.48	391.00	652.00
Other Plaques & Trophies ..				87.07	30.36	29.69	25.50	24.05	58.55
Parade judging exp. ....	38.10			None	None	38.70	100.00	25.83	1476.49
Movies, Film, Camera, etc...	208.29	261.24	519.24	580.00	365.00	485.00	485.00	515.00	640.00
Flowers, Memorial Serv. ....	34.33	40.29	45.60	28.05	103.33	61.07	40.80	68.19	223.90
Conv. Ins. Premium .....	35.00	30.00	None	None	None	None	None	161.00	226.00
Rent & Janitor Ser. ....			300.00	176.50	557.08*	247.63	95.00	190.00	1077.50
Court Reporter .....	135.00	190.00	90.12	75.00	137.00	74.50	175.00	100.00	175.00
Advertising expense .....									194.10
Camper and Courtesy Cars - Expense .....									133.96
Misc. Clean-up expense .....									336.23
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>\$7903.40</b>	<b>\$8901.79</b>	<b>\$8522.14</b>	<b>\$8393.03</b>	<b>\$8710.09</b>	<b>\$8778.46*</b>	<b>\$8096.26</b>	<b>\$9284.71</b>	<b>\$13,877.67</b>

Cash donations at Convention - credited 353.67\* 275.27\* 572.00\*

While Crown Point has now recorded the highest expense, they were the first to raise the entire Convention cost. There was an additional expense at Crown Point of \$572.00 covering Officers' Buffet, reimbursed by HOWE.

Respectfully submitted,  
VERNE KONOPASEK, Treasurer

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# Mickleyville Volunteers Receive Recognition



At the left, District No. 5 Chief Cecil VanArsdale is shown receiving certificate from Lt. Col. Frederick Heaviland. At the right, front row left to right: Lowell Pruett, Harold Short, Richard Page. Back row: Roger Bligan, Danny Marshall, Gary Poteet and Paul Walker.

The Mickleyville Volunteer Fire Department Co. No. 5 of Wayne Township, Marion County, was presented a certificate of appreciation at their last meeting by Lt. Col. Frederick Heaviland Group 5 commander of the Civil Air Patrol. The cer-

tificate was presented in appreciation of the cooperation given C. A. P. during the civil defense exercise.

Company 5's pumper was made available for wash down of aircraft and vehicles during the simulated radio active mis-

sion.

The C. A. P. works with civil authorities and civil defense in disaster work as well as conducting search and rescue missions for lost or missing aircraft.

(Continued from Col. 1) Liberty Twp., and Porter De- and Pine Twp. fire depart- ments arrived at 4:50 a.m.

At 4:55 a.m. units from Ches- erton took position. The Bev- erty Shores Department put out a general alarm for all avail- able assistance at that time. Departments from all over northern Porter and LaPorte counties responded. They in- cluded: Michiana, Long Beach, Center Twp., Coolspring Twp.,

Liberty Twp., and Porter De- partments.

The blaze left the community totally without fire protection and its firemen with little hope for the future. Chief Stanley placed the loss at \$300,000 for building and equipment.

"Our men have worked for 25 years to build a good fire com- pany and now it is all wiped out," Stanley said. "If only we had been called in time."

# Beverly Shores Disaster



Remains of Beverly Shores Fire Station

# Tragedy Strikes at Beverly Shores

The jokes and cartoons are numerous about fire stations burning. Many times the volun- teers of Beverly Shores gathered at their station to share such levity. Now the rings of laugh- ter have died and the shadow of tragedy hangs over the small Lake Michigan community.

The nightmare began at 10:55 p.m. July 15, 1971.

Chief Bill Stanley was at his station painting signs for their fund raising campaign. The alarm rings, "Hotel fire, Mount Vernon Lodge." The hotel was a three story frame replica of George Washington's Virginia mansion. It was hauled to its Beverly Shores site by barge from Chicago's 1933 World Ex- position.

The fire fighting operation was doomed in its early stages when a tanker broke down blocking the entrance road to the fire. After 3½ hours of futile effort, the Beverly Shores firemen returned to their station to repair and prepare for the next emergency. 3:30 a.m. July 16th, all is secure, the fire- men go home to a well earned rest.

Very short nights are not un- usual to volunteer firemen.

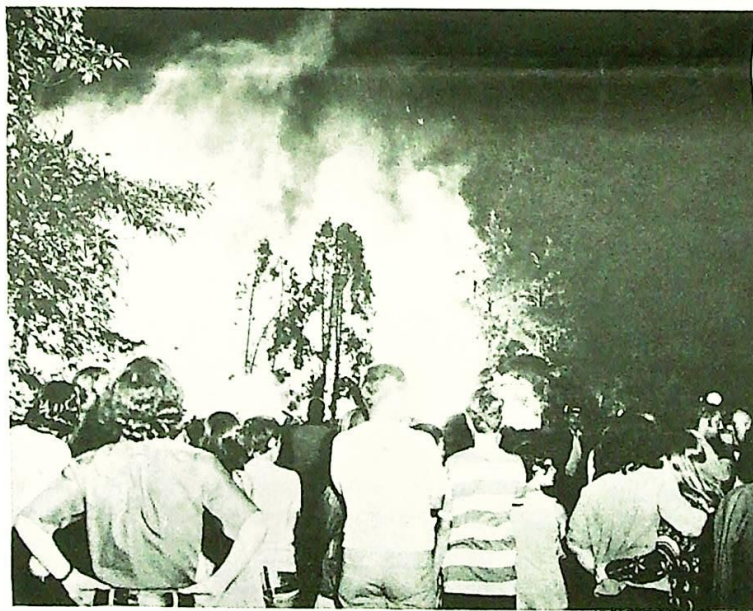
"There is a fire near the fire station."

"I'll get right on it." Chief Stanley checks his bedroom clock, 4:35 a.m. "That wasn't the usual operator honey that was your mother." "Its probably a sick joke but your Dad is on his way to the station so I'd better check it out."

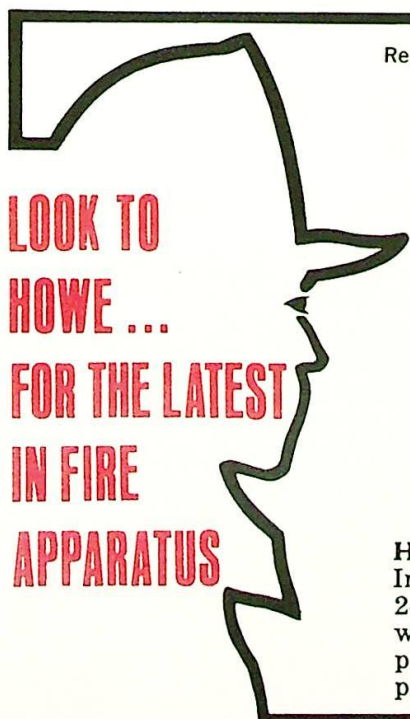
Chief Stanley and fireman Herman Bud arrived to join Chief Park Ranger Rod Royce at the burning station. The in- ferno prevented the men from saving any equipment. They could only stand and watch un- til units from Michigan City

(Continued in Col. 4)

# Hotel Fire, Mt. Vernon Lodge



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