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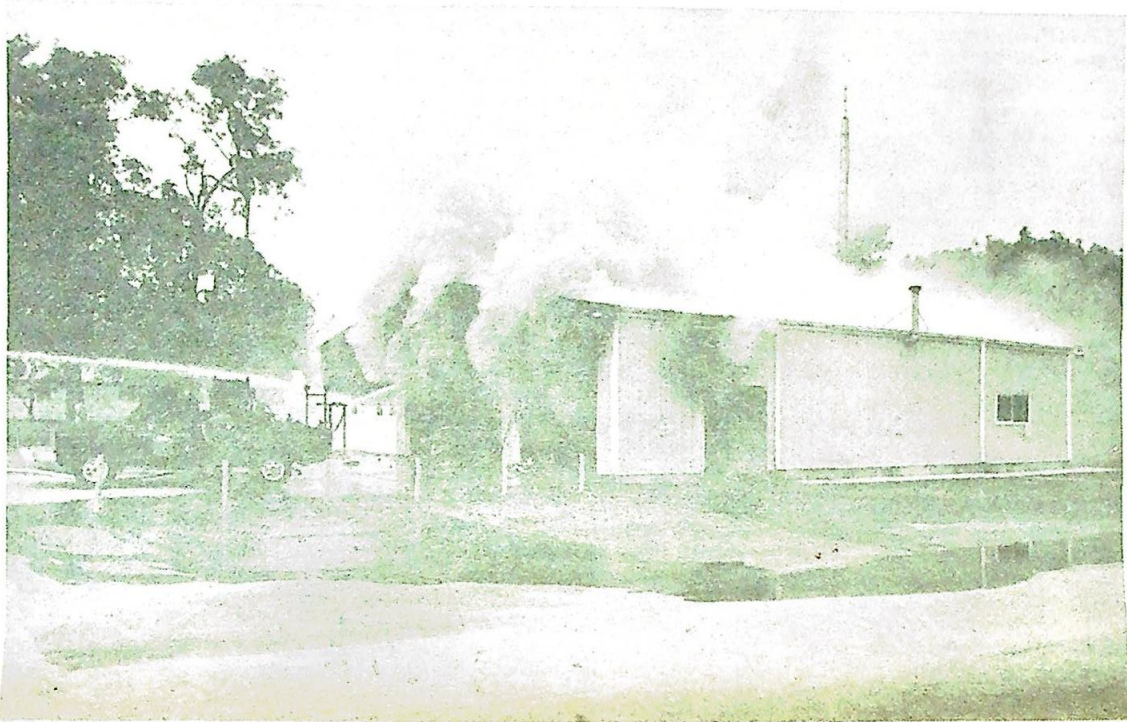
Camden, IN, Jackson Twp. Fire Department Destroyed

On July 16, at 1:50 p.m. a call came in that the Jackson Twp. Fire Dept was on fire. It had been reported by the U.P.S. delivery person.

First on the scene was rookie Mike Randle, veterans Judy Spangle and Keith Grime. As they were unable to get in by the main side entrance, business owners assisted by Dennis Zook & Bob McCain broke a glass on an overhead door to unlock and towed out the grass fighter with a car and two chains. By that time the building was filled with heavy smoke and intense heat and they were unable to save any more equipment.

Upon arrival, mutual aid from Delphi, Flora, Rock Creek and Burlington was called for. They arrived within minutes. The mutual aid in the area is one of the best.

Equipment lost included a tanker, pumper tanker, equipment van, the main pumper and our pride and joy the 1958 Chevy pumper with only 3600 miles on it. Included in the loss of the building the SCBA compressor owned by the county, and the only one in the area. Established loss was nearly 1 million dollars.



The Grass firefighter was the only piece of equipment saved.

Delphi & Flora is lending tanks and air packs. Thanks to Midwest Fire Equipment the department had complete turn out gear by

midnight on the 16th.

The anger and frustration felt by the members was evident as they stood by and watched the

fire being fought by other departments. The firefighters and the community have no idea why anyone would want to destroy the

property of the community.

The State Fire Marshal's Office has posted a reward for information that would lead to the arrest and conviction of the arsonist.

Thanks to all the departments for their help and to everyone for their support.

Jackson Township VFD

lar advertisers in the IVFA paper was beyond our expectations. The fact that it was free may have had a large effect on the crowd. We were expecting 50 to 75 couples to attend and by the way the other events had gone below our estimates, we were pleasantly surprised when we had to set an additional ten tables when over 250 showed up for the event, How in the world do you ever figure this bunch out????

Our convention staff treasurer, Harry Sullivan, must be recognized for the fine job he did. We kept our expenses as low as possible and much to my surprise we came out in the black. Thanks Harry for a good job of keeping the books and helping us to pay ALL of our expenses.

As a reward to those other committee members of our convention staff. We will have had a nice appreciation dinner for those people by the time you read this. As a further surprise, I intend to break with tradition by rewarding the fire companies who had their members involved as committee chairmen for the convention staff. Those companies are Charlestown, Monroe Twp. (Henryville), McCulloch, Rykers Ridge and Sellersburg. I plan to visit those companies in Sept. at their regular monthly meetings and made a presentation on behalf of the convention committee. I hope this will be a pleasant surprise.

It's been a great experience being chairman of the convention. We appreciate your co-operation in helping it to come out so well. Incidentally, when we started to plan for this convention last fall, I agreed to take the responsibility of the transportation to and from the memorial service and supervise the Belle of Louisville cruise and the transportation to and from the wharf. Thank God that I had that work all done when the action came that made me the Convention Chrm. I had really planned to skate through this one with little or no responsibility. However, thanks to all who helped, I think it all came off quite well. I have already made plans to meet with the French Lick Hotel and Convention Chrm. '93 Barry Winger, Fire Chief at French Lick sometime in the next couple of months so we can help them avoid some of the mistakes we made and point out some things we might have done correctly.

It's been nice serving you.

Respectfully,
Bob Stewart

PERF Administers New Volunteer Firefighter's Special Death Benefit Fund.



PERF Director Phillip N. Smith (right) and Ivan Nevil, Immediate Past President of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association, review the enacting legislation.

Under Indiana Public Law 51-1992, the Public Employee's Retirement Fund (PERF) will be administering a new special Death Benefit Fund established for volunteer firefighters.

IC 36-8-12.5-9 specifies that the surviving spouse (or children) of a volunteer firefighter who dies in the line of duty after July 1,

1992 is entitled to a total special death benefit of \$75,000.

The Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association was the driving force in getting this legislation passed with over 17,500 members from over 700 departments. PERF is honored to assist the volunteer firefighters of this great state anyway we can.

Convention '92 in Retrospect

The dates of June 18, 19 and 20, 1992 may not linger long in your memory, but they will bring pleasant memories to '92 staff and myself for years to come. After a sudden and unexpected start as Convention Chairman on March 9th, we worked hard, put in long hours and traveled many miles visiting old friends and making new ones as we prepared for those dates in June.

451 registered firefighters and guests were in attendance. Our Registration Chrm., Tom Hinkle and his wife Vicki, using a computer to register the preregistration members and then those who arrived at the Lake View Hotel without being registered, kept right on top of that most important part of our job. Our hats are off to Tom and Vicki for the performance of "a super job".

The Belle of Louisville cruise that followed our Friday evening banquet was enjoyed by 365 guests. The moonlight atmosphere surely left a bit of romance in a few of your hearts.

The Memorial Service was so impressive under the direction of Father Lantz. We owe him so much for the 29 years he has given the IVFA. It was an honor and a real pleasure to name Duane as our Parade "GRAND MARSHAL".

The flea market was expected to be a real hot item on this year's program. You might say it was a 100% success, if you look at it this way. Only two people showed up with something to sell and a third firefighter bought them both out. We really thought this would go over big. In our planning ses-



Bob Stewart, Convention Chairman

sions, there was a lot of interest and excitement. Evidently we didn't get that message out to all of you.

Although they were not well attended, the "Clinics" were highly praised by those who did attend. We still think these have a lot of promise for the future and could become an important part of the convention.

It is still my belief that we are not doing enough to educate, inform or entertain our membership. Thurs. is an open time for many of the men at the convention if you are not a state officer or involved in the Miss Flame activities. And what about Sat. afternoons. You traveled far enough to get here in one day, surely no one needs more than the day Sun. to get back home,

The dance Sat. night, sponsored by all of our commercial exhibitors and by some of the regu-

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From the President



Willie "Mitch" Parish

I would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve as your President. I am looking forward to visiting as many Districts as I can. I need to be informed of date, time, and place, so I can work it into my schedule.

Mark your calendar for the second annual Indiana Fire and Emergency Service Dinner, Sunday, November 15, 1992 at the Adams Mark Hotel by the Airport at Indianapolis, Ind.

To all Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Officers and Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary Officers, we will be meeting at the Best Western Waterfront Hotel for our quarterly meetings. Dates are as follows; October 31 and November 1, 1992; February 5 and 6, 1993; April 1 and 2 1993; so make the appropriate reservations.

Convention 1993 will be held at French Lick Resort at French Lick, Ind.

1994 Convention will be held in the north eastern part of the state.

We need help on legislature for the coming year.

From the Vice President



Richard Glant

Greetings from the Vice President:

As I have began my travels throughout the state, I have already covered many miles.

I am looking forward to meeting and working with as many of you as I possibly can. My plans are to travel the entire state as many times as I can.

I would like to congratulate the 1992 Convention Committee for a job well done. I feel convention went very smoothly. I know the group from District 5 especially enjoyed the "Belle of Louisville". What a great ride.

I know I shouldn't cast stones because I haven't been very good in the past either, but I'm turning over a new leaf in sending in articles for the newspaper. As many of you know we are trying to save the paper and we need your HELP - SEND NEWS, NOW!!!

Looking forward to meeting you soon.

From Your Chaplain Duane Lantz



Scripture: Romans Chapter 15, Verses 1 thru 13

Even if we believe that it makes no difference to the Lord whether we do these things, still we cannot just go ahead and do them to please ourselves; for we must bear the "burden" of being considerate of the doubts and fears of others - of those who feel these things are wrong. Let's please the other fellow, not ourselves, and do what is for his good and thus build him up in the Lord. Christ didn't please himself. As the Psalmist said, "He came for the very purpose of suffering under the insults of those who were against the Lord." These things that were written in the Scriptures so long ago are to teach us patience and to encourage us, so that we will look forward expectantly to the time when God will conquer sin and death.

May God who gives patience, steadiness, and encouragement help you to live in complete harmony with each other - each with the attitude of Christ toward the other. And then all of us can praise the Lord together with one voice, giving glory to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

So, warmly welcome each other into the church, just as Christ has warmly welcomed you; then God will be glorified. Remember that Jesus Christ came to show that God is true to his promises and to help the Jews. And remember that he came also that the Gentiles might be saved and give glory to God for his mercies to them. That is what the Psalmist meant when he wrote; "I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."

And in another place, "Be glad, O you Gentiles, along with his people the Jews."

And yet again, "Praise the Lord, O Gentiles, let everyone praise him."

And the prophet Isaiah said, "There shall be an Heir in the house of Jesus, and he will be King over the Gentiles; they will pin their hopes on him alone."

So I pray for you Gentiles that God who gives you hope will keep you happy and full of peace as you believe in him. I pray that God will help you overflow with hope in him through the Holy Spirit's power within you.

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Convention is over and a big thank you to Bob and the Sellersberg Fire Department for a job well done. Your Chaplain would also like to thank everyone that took part in the Memorial Service. I was very proud of everyone who helped in any way, and also to all who attended.

We are on the threshold of a new year - 1992-93. Congratulations to the newly elected officers. I am sure they are not without a plan for the new year. We are in a changing world, so it behooves each of us to do our part in making their dreams, plans, goals come true for the oncoming year. I am sure at the next State Officers meeting we will get an outline of these plans.

We as Volunteer Firemen have a big job to do. Some think it makes no difference if we do all the work cut out for us because we are Volunteer Firemen. The scripture tells us we are not a Volunteer Fireman just to please ourself, but we must bear the burdens of being considerate of the doubts and fears of others. In each of our communities there are human needs, the one we are most interested in is the fire service. As Volunteer Firemen and being involved in many facets of our work we may feel at a time and point that we are drained, the job is too much, the state and federal regulations are too much, the criticism - it's not worth it. But the scripture tells us Christ didn't please himself and many others. This year let each one of us give of our all, making each of our departments a bigger and better department that will show in the overall pattern of the IVFA.

The roots of the IVFA have grown deeper each year throughout our fair state, and now nationally. These roots have born much fruit. This fruit did not come from poor workmanship, it came from men with dedication to the fire service, and more than that, the families who have supported their beloved dads and brothers, and I didn't forget the wives and daughters.

In the fire service there is much to learn. The quality of learning and the quantity of the learning is a never-ending challenge. As we stand up to these challenges, maybe there will be a reward, but who cares, as long as we have done our job well.

Whose job is it????? There is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done at the firehouse and Everybody was asked to do it. Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

Silence is especially valuable to you when you have nothing to say. Let each of us come out with something valuable to say, make this a bigger, more valuable IVFA Today God has opened a new chapter in the life of the IVFA Yesterday is history. Today is yours NOW.

Your Chaplain Duane Lantz

P.S. The most important thing in life is to love someone. The second most important thing is to have someone love you. The third most important thing is to have the first two happen at the same time. This Sunday go to the Church of your choice - you'll like it.

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PREPARED FOR:
INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
718 SOUTH INGOMAR STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46241
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1992

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JUNE 12, 1992

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JUNE 12, 1992
AUDITORS' REPORT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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WE HAVE AUDITED THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (MODIFIED CASH BASIS) OF THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC., AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1992, AS LISTED IN THE TABLE OF CONTENTS. THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. OUR RESPONSIBILITY IS TO EXPRESS AN OPINION ON THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BASED ON OUR AUDITS.

WE CONDUCTED OUR AUDITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED AUDITING STANDARDS. THESE STANDARDS REQUIRE THAT WE PLAN AND PERFORM THE AUDIT TO OBTAIN REASONABLE ASSURANCE ABOUT WHETHER THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE FREE OF MATERIAL MISSTATEMENT. AN AUDIT INCLUDES EXAMINING, ON A TEST BASIS, EVIDENCE SUPPORTING THE AMOUNTS AND DISCLOSURES IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. AN AUDIT ALSO INCLUDES ASSESSING THE ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES USED AND SIGNIFICANT ESTIMATES MADE BY MANAGEMENT, AS WELL AS EVALUATING THE OVERALL FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION. WE BELIEVE THAT OUR AUDITS PROVIDE A REASONABLE BASIS FOR OUR OPINION.

AS DESCRIBED IN NOTE 1, THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WERE PREPARED ON THE BASIS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, WHICH IS A COMPREHENSIVE BASIS OF ACCOUNTING OTHER THAN GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

IN OUR OPINION, THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE PRESENT FAIRLY, IN ALL MATERIAL RESPECTS, THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS OF INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. AS OF MAY 31, 1992, AND ITS STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR THEN ENDED, ON THE BASIS OF ACCOUNTING DESCRIBED IN NOTE 1.

ROBERT L. STEWART
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 1992

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:	
CASH IN BANK-GENERAL OPERATING CHECKING (UNRESTRICTED FUND)	\$69,915.44
CASH IN SAVINGS-CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT-INB (UNRESTRICTED FUND)	75,000.00
CASH IN SAVINGS-CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT-BANK ONE (UNRESTRICTED FUND)	50,000.00
CASH IN BANK BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)	7,054.45
CASH IN SAVINGS-BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND (RESTRICTED FUND)	80,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS:	<u>\$281,969.89</u>
FIXED ASSETS:	
FURNITURE	\$9,813.21
EQUIPMENT	13,710.43
LESS: ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	(21,123.64)
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS:	<u>\$2,400.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:	<u>\$284,369.89</u>

THE ACCOMPANYING "NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS" ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 1992

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

LIABILITIES:	
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	<u>\$0.00</u>
FUND BALANCE:	
UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	197,315.44
RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	87,054.45
TOTAL FUND BALANCE:	<u>\$284,369.89</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:	<u>\$284,369.89</u>

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INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1992

REVENUES:	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED
DUES	\$130,970.80	
CONVENTION	1,192.21	
PROGRAM BOOKS	9,234.65	
PAPER ADVERTISING	11,714.30	
OTHER INCOME	4,355.22	86.67
INSURANCE	27,724.80	
INTEREST ON SAVINGS ACCOUNTS	3,643.71	122.70
INTEREST FROM CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS	8,648.39	7,953.26
TOTAL REVENUES:	<u>\$197,484.08</u>	<u>\$8,162.63</u>

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INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1992

EXPENDITURES:	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED
ADD TAKER FOR PAPER	\$2,122.71	
ADVERTISING INSURANCE	2,500.00	
BANK SERVICE CHARGES		150.70
CLOTHING REPLACEMENT FOR FIREFIGHTER'S	977.94	
COMMITTEE EXPENSE	2,541.46	
CONVENTION EXPENSE	4,373.10	
COPIER EXPENSE	782.00	
DEATH FUND		3,000.00
DELEGATES EXPENSE	7,206.46	
DISTRICT EXPENSE	8,805.49	
DISTRICT SECRETARY EXPENSE	375.00	
FIRE SCHOOL EXPENSE	14,690.00	
FUNERAL FUND	6,178.11	
INSURANCE-GENERAL	8,259.00	
LEGAL EXPENSE	3,176.18	
LEGISLATURE EXPENSE	47,221.00	
OTHER EXPENSE	4,177.40	
OFFICERS ALLOWANCE	11,452.65	
OFFICERS EXPENSES-REIMBURSED	12,874.01	
OFFICERS MEETING EXPENSE	28,505.18	
PAPER EXPENSE	23,044.01	
POSTAGE	8,600.00	
PRINTING	2,273.04	
PUBLIC EDUCATION	11,750.96	
PUBLIC RELATIONS	3,176.00	
SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS		3,000.00
SECRETARY'S OFFICE EXPENSE	4,573.84	
FICA TAX EXPENSE	2,240.51	
DEPRECIATION EXPENSE	600.00	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	<u>222,476.05</u>	<u>6,150.70</u>
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)	0.00	0.00

REVENUES IN EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES (\$24,991.97) \$2,011.93

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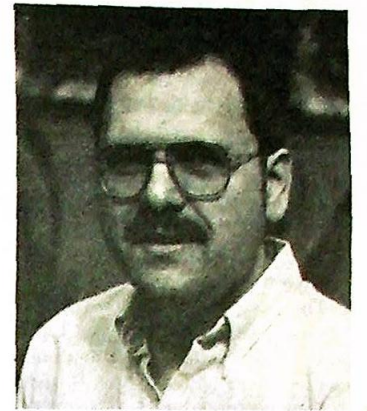
INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 1992

FUND BALANCE:	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 1991	\$222,307.41	\$85,042.52
REVENUES IN EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES		2,011.93
EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF REVENUES	(24,991.97)	
FUND BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 1992	<u>\$197,315.44</u>	<u>\$87,054.45</u>

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State Secretary's Report



Lee Kissell

Hello everyone! The 1992 Convention at Clarksville was a great success under the direction of Bob Stewart of Sellersburg. Bob did an excellent job after getting the job on very short notice. I hope you all had a good time. I know Mary and I did. It's always great to be with many of our best friends in the Indiana fire service. Thanks also to District 14 Chairman Bob and Vivian Woodfill and all the people who helped make the convention a success.

Congratulations go out to our new officers, President Mitch Parish and Vice-President Richard Glant. I know they are all ready to get the new year's business started off right.

Speaking of business! I need to remind everyone again that new members being added on to your roster MUST pay the usual dues of \$7.50 Active or \$6.50 Inactive. I receive many new forms with no money. This causes me more work and costs the IVFA more postage because I send the forms right back to you. PLEASE see that the proper amount is included with new membership applications.

The IVFA set a new record for membership in 1992 with a total of 17,700 members. I hope we can round that off to 18,000 for 1993. With the long session of the legislature coming up again this winter we will again be calling on our members to voice your opinion on the bills at hand. Our membership can get the job done when we want to! Let's be ready with 18,000 members for 1993.

Bridgeport Scholarships

Now is the time to begin making preparations for applying for the Bridgeport Scholarships.

There are two (2) \$1,500 dollar scholarships given annually at the IVFA Convention. The applications are available thru your District Chairman or any elected officer of the association.

Membership in the association is critical. Your parent, guardian or yourself must have been a member of the association for the past three (3) years and have your dues paid by July 31, of the year you apply.

The program rewarded two very fine applicants this past year. Jodi Lyn Buettner of Galveston and Mary Ellen Reidenback of Monroeville. We wish them both the best for the coming years and are pleased to be able to help them achieve their goals.

We advise all potential applicants to get your applications now so you are prepared to cope with the future.

Lawrence Swartz,
Chairman, Bridgeport Scholarship Program
250 South Rachel Street
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District Meetings

DISTRICTS 1, 2

July 15, 1992

Crown Point Fire Dept.

The Meeting was called to order by District 2 Chairman Larry Stott. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Mitch Parish.

Guests introduced, Fire Marshal and Mrs. Gene Goddard; President, Mitch Parish; Caplain, Duane Lantz; N.W.P.R., Bill Howe; Past President, Lawrence Swartz; Mr. Everything, Bob Esserman; Duane Gettler, Chief, Crown Point Fire Dept.; Dale Lanham, E.M.S. Commissioner and Joe Komoscar of the Firemen's Store.

Fire Marshal Gene Goddard talked about the recent shootings of firefighters and that we should be extra careful. He said his office is up-dating the records of each fire department and needs a current list from each department. This information should be in by September 1 or your department will no longer get mailings. It is important to send fire reports in for presenting information to the legislators.

He asked each fire department to contact their legislator to get involved in the Fire Service Caucus. Since this is an election year we can make them accountable.

President Mitch Parish said the 1993 Convention will be at French Lick. He said N.F.P.A. 1500 has voted out the requirement for each engine needing 4 firefighters. Next newspaper news due by July 20. The new law requires Trustee or Town Boards to pay for life insurance on each firefighter. We should send them the number of members we have so they can budget for it.

Past President Lawrence Schartz reminds us that our dues should be in by July 31.

Chaplain Duane Lantz suggested we give a little more to the fire service.

Roll call was answered by 69 members from 20 departments.

E.M.S. Commissioner Dale Lanham says E.M.Ts shall be trained on the proper use of de-

fibulators by 1993 and First Responders by 1994. He can be contacted at St. Anthony's Hospital in Crown Point for Training and information about grants for equipment.

The minutes of the May meeting were read.

Bill Howe reports that dates and places for State Master and Special Classes will soon be announced. With election coming this fall it is important that we register and vote.

Treasurer's report was given.

Districts 1 & 2 will give away Fire Service Caucus tickets at the August and September district meetings.

Lake County Fire Chief's meeting July 16 at Lowell.

Schererville F.D. softball tournament Sept. 19 & 20.

State Fire Chief's Conference July 22-23-24.

Chairman Larry Stott turned the meeting over to P.R. Bill Howe for election of officers. District 2, Larry Stott was the only candidate for Chairman and was relected. Joe Komoscar was elected Chairman for District 1 with Jerome P. Schmitt Secretary. Larry Stott was also relected as Treasurer with Jerome P. Schmitt assistant.

The next district meeting will be at Beverly Shores.

50/50 of \$52.00 was won by Cathy Larson of Shelby.

Tom Fredricks from Midwest Fire and Safety Equipment Company presented Midwest Awards to James Branham of Liberty Township, for District 1 and Ralph Knapp, Sr. of Lincoln Township for District 2.

Attendance Trophy winners; District 1, Dyer, District 2, Lake Dale.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Larry Stott

DISTRICT 5

Members of the 5th district met July 9, at Bremen Fire Department with 24 men representing 7 departments. Guests included William Kinsie N.E.P.R.,

Vice President Richard Glant, Kenny Johnson and Tim Swartz from Hoosier Fire Equipment, who after the meeting had a hands-on demonstration of Amkus Extrication Equipment.

Election of officers was also held with the new District 5 Chairman being Jerry Lanning, Chief of Bremen Fire Dept. Secretary is Lenny Berkey of Bourbon Fire Department. Anyone in the district needing assistance, Jerry's information:

Jerry Lanning
P.O.Box 273
Bremen, Indiana 46506
219-546-3201

DISTRICT 8A

Greetings from District 8A once again. The last meeting was Wed. July 8, at Greentown's new fire station. For those who did not make the meeting, the new station is north from the stop light, past the old station to the railroad.

Notice - - - It was announced that Greentown would have an open house at the new station September 13, from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. That is not the date first announced. The first date was going to be rushing things too much and they have changed to Sept. 13. Everyone is welcome.

I wish to thank Fire Marshal Goddard, Ivan Nevil, and Willie "Mitch" Parish for attending the meeting. Most of you now know Willie is the new president of IVFA and Ivan is Deputy Fire Marshal, training and volunteer affairs.

Marshal Goddard presented his position on the need for departments to send fire reports to his office. 571 departments are now sending reports. There are approximately 960 departments in Indiana. If your department is not reporting, it should be. Information on fire frequency, types, fire works related, and various other related facts, are not accurate without everyone reporting.

It is too bad there were not

more members present to get the good word.

Ivan gave his views on the fire training direction and said he will be available for help with department problems. The correct address for the Marshal's Office is - - Indiana Department of Fire & Building Services, Indiana Government Center South, 402 W. Washington St., Rm. 241, Indianapolis, IN 46204, Telephone (317) 232-2222.

Willie "Mitch" Parish gave a short report on the convention and the site of the 1993 convention is French Lick. Willie reported he will have some plans to improve communications within the IVFA.

Bill Pape is the 8A Secretary and Treasurer for another year and I am the 8A Chairman for another year. It was another hotly contested election with Bill and I being the only candidates, the only ones nominated for office, and the only ones getting any votes.

Next 8A meeting will be at Jonesboro on September 9 at 7:30. Go east on State Road #35 from stop light on State Road #9 and when the highway curves north, take a right and continue on east on what was the old state road. Jonesboro Fire Station is a mile and one-half or so, on the south side.

If anyone asks, we in Elwood and north Madison County have had enough rain for a while.

Robert E. Fleenor

DISTRICT 9-B

The regular meeting of District 9-B of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association, Inc. was called to order by Chairman Buz Koehler at 8:22 P.M. at the Morocco Fire Station.

There were 8 guests present. Total firefighters present numbered 25 with 80 alarms among the 7 departments answering roll call.

Items discussed were Fire Marshal's Office Adjunct Instructors, Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education Annual Northern Business Meeting May 16, at 10:00 A.M. at the Central Fire Station in Logansport, IN, Legislation affecting the fire service, 1992 IVFA Convention, suggestions needed on how to improve the paper, the Indiana Fire Alliance, vote by N.F.P.A. 1500, Good-year Tire & Rubber discount to volunteer fire dept., Bridgeport Scholarship fund, Sprinkler trailer to be in Medaryville in August and possibly in Remington for the next District meeting.

Program on Hazardous Chemicals was presented by Jeff Appel from Monsanto and Dale Dawson from Dawson Farm Center.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M. Next meeting is July 9 at the Remington Fire Station at 7:30 P.M. with Election of Officers.

The regular meeting of District 9-B of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association, Inc. was called to order by Chairman Buz Koehler at 8:15 P.M. at the Remington Fire Station.

There were 10 guests present. Total firefighters present numbered 41 with 109 alarms among the 10 departments answering roll call.

Items discussed were Master Management Course Oct. 24, 25, 31, Nov. 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 in Marion; Ivy Tech to dedicate Fire Simulator Lab to fallen firefighters on July 14 at Indy; the 1992 IVFA Convention and the new IVFA Officers; 1993 IVFA Convention to be at French Lick; \$75,000 death benefit as of July 1st and need to notify governmental entity that

this will cost them \$1 per person per month; 2nd Annual Fire & Emergency Services Dinner on Nov. 15; Reynolds Special Persons Day on Aug.16 at Reynolds fair grounds; News for paper due in by July 20; I.V.F.A. dues are due now; District 9-B needs Miss Flame Contestant for 1993; Bridgeport scholarship fund and death benefit.

State Fire Marshal Gene Goddard gave a short talk about the State Fire Marshal's Office and Staff, the need to update your records at Fire Marshal's Office, the need to send reports in monthly, to get your legislator to back the fire service thru the Fire Caucus.

Election of Officers for District 9-B was held and Buz Koehler was relected as Chairman, Dennis Risner was relected as Secretary/ Treasurer for 1992-1993 year.

Good of the Order:

Potato Fest Aug.14-16 in Medaryville, Spirit Day-Town wide garage sales July 11 in Francesville, Francesville Fall Festival Sept. 18-20.

Program on Fire Service Liability was presented by Ken Long from Downey Insurance Inc.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M. Next meeting is Sept. 10 at the Rensselaer Fire Station at 7:30 P.M.

Secretary/Treasurer

Dennis J. Risner

DISTRICT 11A

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the winners of the awards given at the recent convention and also to the officers who were elected for the ensuing year. Best wishes go to Carl Davis who retired as South West Public Relations Director. I believe Carl will be missed by many, as he always did such a fine job on the state and local level.

The District 11-A picnic, this year, will be held, Sept, 13th at Fairbanks Park in Terre Haute. The park is on the east side of the Wabash River and about 4 blocks south of the new U.S. 40 bridge. Plan to attend as there is always plenty of good food and fellowship.

July's meeting is to be held at Hymera. A water safety and rescue course will be presented by the DNR. Recently, two local Volunteer Fire Depts. Honey Creek and West Terre Haute, were involved in a rescue of several people whose boat had capsized in the Wabash River at night. Luckily there were no serious injuries.

Bob Meyers

July 14, 1992

Chmn Cox opened the meeting at 7:35 pm at the Everton Fire Dept with the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call was taken with 21 men representing 5 depts. and 2 guests. They were Larry Jackson from the IVFA Public Relations Dept. and a member from the Laurel Fire Dept. The minutes from the last meeting were read and approved.

Items discussed were:

IVFA Dues are up in July. If you are late it will effect your application for the Bridgeport Scholarship Fund.

IVFA plates are available only through your Dist. Chairman. Some plates were distributed improperly and are being recalled.

EXPO 93 was canceled due to MFGs not supporting the event. It still is a possibility for 94 or 95.

Jack warned the membership about companies renting mini-warehouses for the purpose of mfg radioactive material. They do

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this to escape safety regulations. This happened in the northern part of the state.

Next year's IVFA Convention to be held in French Lick IN. Jack encouraged members to attend.

Mitch Parrish was elected IVFA President.

The Volunteer Firefighter death benefit went into effect JULY 1st. Jack read the entire bill for the membership and a discussion was held.

Jack then turned the meeting over to Larry Jackson. He discussed with us the need for articles for the IVFA Paper. He stressed the importance of it and the fact that it is a benefit of being a member. He also discussed what type of schooling we would like to have, with the general consensus being the type with hands on training.

Jack then asked for any concerns during the state legislative session. The main concern was for funding to meet the new regulations imposed on the Fire Service.

Jack then turned the meeting back to Larry for the election of officers. Jack Cox was re-elected to the position of Dist. Chmn and Wil Stoflet was re-elected Dist. Secretary.

The 50/50 drawing was then held with \$10.50 being given to the winner. A small spanner wrench courtesy of Koorsen Protection Services was also given away.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned, with a tour of Everton's E.D.I.T.H house. Refreshments were also served.

Will Stoflet
Secretary

DISTRICT 11B

Hello from District 11B

We held our annual picnic July 12, 1992 at Fairview Park with a lot of good food. We had 8 departments present and several guests.

After lunch we recognized Mr. IVFA Bill Bush from our District, the Lois Boaz winner, Joann Hays from District 11-A and presented our Districts Midwest Award to Larry Bartlow of the Montezuma Fire Department.

Guests present were Fire Marshal Gene Goddard, Asst. Fire Marshal Dan Lee, IVFA Vice President Richard Glant.

West Central Toddy Michl and District 11-A Chairman Robert Meyers.

Our business meeting was short as we discussed the dangers of unmarked Mini-Warehouses that have hazardous chemicals stored in them, the need to report any fireworks injuries or incidents to the Fire Marshal's office, and the need to get your physicals and hepatitis-B shots.

We held our election of of-

ficers for 92-93. They are; Chairman Larry Bartlow; Vice Chairman Lewis D. Osborne; Sec/Treas. Steve Lane; Sergeant-at-Arms Brent Bush; Chaplin Jack Wilburn

Our next meeting is Sept. 13, 1992 at Roachdale starting at 1:00 P.M. Plan to attend to meet your new officers and let us meet you. We want to work for you, but we have to have input from you as to your needs.

Meeting adjourned.
Larry Bartlow
District Chairman

DISTRICT 15

On Sunday, June 21st, District 15 held their annual Waterball Tournament with Mt. Vernon Fire Rescue being our host. Ten teams participated, each hoping to take home the traveling trophy. Mt. Vernon Fire & Rescue took first place with Ft. Branch taking second and third, and Mays Township taking fourth place.

It was a great afternoon for fun and fellowship between the teams that were present. Since Mt. Vernon won the traveling trophy again this year, they will play host again next year. They scheduled this year's event to begin their week of fun at their annual Mt. Vernon Summer Street Festival.

We want to thank Anita Schlensker, our Miss Flame candidate for representing District 15. She will be attending various events during the coming year at the District level.

Congratulations also to Jack Kerney, our District Secretary and Treasurer for being elected to Public Relations Director Southwest at the IVFA Convention. Jack is a very dedicated person to the fire service and we are sure he will do a fine job in his new position.

DISTRICT 19

District 19 Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association meeting was held at Miller York Volunteer Fire Department on May 28, 1992. Meeting called to order by President Paul Covington.

Pledge to the flag.

Prayer led by Bill Klusman.

First roll taken with 43 men from 13 departments reporting 54 runs.

Guests: Jim Gilmore from Koorsen Fire Protection; Dennis DeRolf from Hoosier Fire Equipment; Miss Flame, Jennifer Hambrink from Manchester. Also two gentlemen from Public Service Indiana to put on a demonstration after meeting.

Waive minutes of last meeting due to time restraints.

Paul Covington represented Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association at National Fire Institute in Washington D.C. Few laws that are going to effect fire service, In-

diana Volunteer Firemen's Association is keeping eye on.

State Officers meeting in May, first guest Bill Seagraves from Indiana Fire Service Institute that has been proposed by Governor Bayh. Trying to determine where and what they are going to do. Try to do training at Master level or special topics, indicated interest in, including EMS. Still saying 24 hour and first and second class will be at our level, watch it close.

Second guest speaker at State Officers meeting was Mike Grimes, EMS commission they expanded defibrillation certification to First Responder. Be part of First Responder course by December 31, 1994. Grant money available thru EMS for defibrillation equipment information from Paul Covington.

Goodyear tire has agreed to sell Goodyear products to fire service at 70% over their factory cost.

Illinois fire service burn camp for people burned, between ages of 8 - 17 yrs. regardless of when burned. Camp August 16 - 23. Staff with medical personnel trained in caring for burn patients.

Stan Gibson talked about NFPA 1500. NFPA 1500 originally required 4 people per apparatus before responding from station. Counter proposal stating 4 members on scene before interior attack is made. Paul Covington needs your input.

Death benefit passed state \$75,000 death benefit. \$12.00 per man per year paid to fund by town trustee.

GMC trucks made in last 5 years, steering problems. Check with GMC dealer.

Federal death benefit \$119,894 plus.

Firefighters lost in line of duty 1990 - 105 and 1991 - 66.

Some problems with insurance covering heart attacks. Check wording with policies. Also check how it covers AIDs exposure.

1993 convention set for June 18, 19 and 20 at Indianapolis. Hoosier Dome used for displays.

No old business.

New Business:

Need nominating committee for July meeting to elect new officers. Need Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Secretary Treasurer.

Volunteer fire departments not exempt \$25.00 fee to have bingo. Second roll taken.

\$25.00 half the pot.

Meeting adjourned.

Public Service Indiana demonstration.

Mark Wirth
Secretary / Treasurer

DISTRICT 8B

On Sunday June 28, 1992, the Montpiler Volunteer Fire Dept. held its annual family picnic. Over 100 people enjoyed the afternoon of good food and lots of fun. Games were held for the kids with the first, second and third place finishers getting prizes. Volleyball, horseshoes and water ball were enjoyed by the big kids as well as the onlookers. Musical entertainment was provided by "Styles Productions." Cotton Candy and sno cones were provided by Huffman concessions for those wanting them. All who attended had a great time and are looking forward to next year.

DISTRICT 13A

July 16, 1992

Fellow Firefighters:

We had a good turn-out for the July meeting at New Palestine -- an excellent way to show off a

new E-One pumper.

East Central P.R. Larry Jackson and Vice President Richard Glant talked on ideas for changing the paper. They discussed different schools for the district to sponsor. Three ideas were contributed for Larry's consideration.

The District's Midwest Award was presented to Steve Stanley. It was a definite surprise! Congratulations, Steve!

Held election of officers for 1992-93:

District Chairman, Don Cushman II; Vice Chairman, Steve Stanley; Secretary/Treasurer, Linda Fowler.

The train can pass really fast through 13A - doesn't it Linda!

Don Cushman

District Chairman 13A

DISTRICT 14

The 1992 Convention is over and I hope everyone had a good time. I wish to thank the volunteers of District 14 who helped put the Convention on and say it was a job well done. You all deserve a big hand of applause.

I would like to congratulate the raffle winners.

1st prize was won by Mr. Roland Schleibaum of Spencer Township Fire Department. Mr. Schleibaum is 72 years old and has been with the department for 32 years. He is a Charter Member and the 1st president of the department. He was active for 30 years and the last 2 years he no longer makes fire runs but goes to the fire house and does what he can to help. Mr. Schleibaum took the \$500.00 instead of the Turn-out Gear. The 2nd place winner of the vacation was Jeff White and 3rd place winner of the television was Troy Armstrong.

I would like to congratulate Harry Sullivan of Monroe Township Fire Department at Henryville on receiving the Midwest Award. Harry has long been deserving of it and thanks to the Midwest Company for providing these awards to the many deserving Firefighters like Harry.

King's Daughters' Hospital donated a dark blue utility van it has used to carry extra equipment on emergency runs to the Clifty Volunteer Fire Department No. 6 Friday. The van will be used by the fire department to haul high angle rescue and hazardous materials response equipment. Troy Morgan, director of emergency medical services at KDH and Bill Wolfschlag, Clifty Fire Chief, accepting the keys and title to the van along with several members of the fire department.

(The Madison Courier)

Robert G. Woodfill

June 18, '92, I.V.F.A. Convention, Clarksville, IN

Vice President Parish escorted the '91 Miss Flame, Dawn Ragland into the room followed by the '92 Miss Flame Contestants escorted by their respective District Chairman or a representative from that district

The IVFAA Pres., Nancy Neal, IVFA President Ivan Nevil and his wife, Joyce were introduced.

President Nevil called the 46th Annual meeting of the IVFA to order and asked that the IVFAA Sgt-at-Arms Miriam Schaekel and the IVFA Sgt-at-Arms Bill Bush post the colors followed by Vice President Parish leading us in the Pledge to the flag. IVFA Chaplain Lantz gave the Invocation.

President Nevil introduced the guests including Vice President

Parish and his wife, Jean; Convention Chairman Bob Stewart and his wife, Linda; Host Division Chief Tom Hinkle of the Sellersburg Vol. Fire Dept; IVFAA President Nancy Neal and her husband, Bruce; IVFAA Vice President Maxine Davies and her husband, John; State Fire Marshal Gene Goddard and his wife, Betty.

President Nevil introduced the officers of the association. Aux. President Neal introduced the aux officers and all past presidents who were in attendance.

IVFAA Pres. Neal introduced the Lois Boaz Committee Chairman Maxine Davies and her committee who read the past winners.

The winner selected for 1992 is Joann Hays.

Barbara Parker, Chairman of the Miss Flame Committee and the committee members were introduced. Eula Bush introduced the judges. At this time, the '91 Miss Flame, Dawn Ragland addressed the audience. This year's winners were announced, the runner-up is Felissa Robowski from Dist. 3 and the '92 Miss Flame is Jennifer Hambrick from Dist. 19.

President Nevil called on Vice President Parish to read the names of the previous Mr. IVFA winners. The committee's selection to receive the 1992 award is Bill Bush.

After making several announcements concerning the convention, the meeting was recessed until the following day.

JUNE 19, 1992

Prior to a well prepared buffet awaiting the guests, President Nevil asked the Auxiliary Chaplain, Judy Hildebrand to return thanks. The evening musical selections were provided by Linda Baker on the piano followed by a humorous song given by Charles Baker accompanied by his wife, Linda.

President Nevil introduced his wife, Joyce; Vice President Mitch Parish and his wife, Jean; the IVFAA President Nancy Neal and her husband, Bruce; District 14 Chairman Bob Woodfill and his wife, Vivian; Fire Marshal Gene Goddard and his wife Betty; this year's Convention Chairman Bob Stewart and his wife, Linda and other special guests in attendance.

Aux. President Nancy Neal introduced the '92 Miss Flame, Jennifer Hambrick and the runner-up Felissa Robowski and the rest of the court along with the Miss Flame committee.

Aux. President Neal then introduced the '92-'93 aux. officers.

President Nevil recognized the 1992 Mr. IVFA award recipient, Mr. Bill Bush from Dana.

At this time, Vice President Mitch Parish presented the Midwest Awards to the dist. winners. Then he presented the Ollie Sandberg Award to Frank Martin of the Morris Fire Dept. Lawrence Swartz and Gene Stofer presented the Bridgeport Fund Scholarships to Jody Lyn Beuttner and Mary Ellen Reidenbach.

President Nevil called on Convention Chairman Bob Stewart to receive the Convention host Plaque. President Nevil then presented the President's Award to Tim Downey.

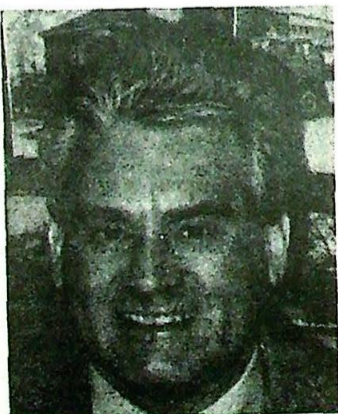
Elected officers of the IVFA were sworn in to their respective offices by former State Fire Marshal Bill Goodwin.

President Nevil passed on to Mitch Parish the President's pin along with the President's License Plate.

Vice Pres. Parish passed on the Vice President's pin and license plate to Richard Glant. Aux. Pres. Neal presented Pres. Nevil with his Past President's pin.

Chairman Bob Stewart conducted the raffle for the prizes they were giving away.

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Sheffield VFD Puts New Pumper in Service



Sheffield 201 with firefighters (Left to Right): Gene Smith, Pat Grimes, Todd Crum, and Chief, Jerry Arvin.

The Sheffield Township Volunteer Fire Department of Dayton entered a new pumper into service in July, 1991. The new unit, designated "201", serves as the primary vehicle dispatched to structure fires in the township and has already responded to several house fires.

The new 201 is a 1991 Pierce 1250-gpm diesel pumper on an International Chassis with a 1,000-gallon tank. The township purchased the vehicle fully equipped with a positive-pressure fan, generator, eight MAST air packs, three Task Force Tip hose nozzles, 1500 ft of 3-inch hose and 800 feet of 1-3/4-inch hose for approximately \$140,000. The vehicle also features an automatic transmission, a top-mount pump panel, a deck gun, air brakes, power steering and an air-ride driver's seat.

The unit replaces a Midwest/Universal 750-gpm pumper with a 750-gallon tank. The Midwest pumper, purchased new by the township in 1962, remains the principal unit responding to vehicle fires, and now serves as the backup unit for structure fires. The former backup pumper, a 1956 Ford open-top 750-gpm unit with a 500-gallon tank had been donated to the department by the local ALCOA facility in 1980 and was sold at auction at the department's annual fundraising fish fry in August.

Department training officer Todd Crum is pleased with the new vehicle. "The new truck is more convenient for the pump operator." He also finds, "It's easier to train (firefighters) how to operate (the new truck) than old 201. Perry Martin anticipates that the vehicle will serve the township for about 20 years. "But who knows?" he says. "The way things are growing around here..."

Officer's Meeting Convention

June 18, 1992

Quality Inn Hotel, Clarksville

The meeting was called to order by President Nevil. The Pledge to the flag was led by Vice President Parish. The invocation was given by Chaplain Lantz. The roll call was taken by Secretary Kissell with a quorum present. President Nevil called for the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion by Virgil Heneisen to suspend with the reading of the minutes and to accept them as printed. Seconded by Bill Howe. Motion carried by a voice vote. President Nevil introduced the guests present.

OFFICER'S REPORT

President Nevil reported his travels related to his new job. He thanked those who worked with him during the past year. Vice President Parish reported traveling 13,000 during the last year.

Secretary Kissell passed.

Chaplain Lantz reported conducting 5 memorial services since

the last meeting and is ready for the memorial service on Friday.

Recording Secretary Davies thanked all who had worked with him during the past year.

Sgt-at-Arms Bush reported having the new association flag.

Treasurer Stofer gave his financial report.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

All past presidents in attendance passed.

PUBLIC RELATION DIRECTORS:

WC Michl passed.

SW Davis reported he gave a plaque to the Eastern Fire Dept. at their new fire station.

SE Hildebrand passed.

EC Jackson read a Thank You card he had received.

NW Howe passed.

NW Kinsey passed.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORT:

D21 Martin passed.

D20 Palmiero passed.

D19 Covington stated his feelings and concerns on a certain bill that passed effecting fund raisers for fire departments in the state. A very strong question and answer session followed.

D18 Heneisen passed.

D17B Zeeks passed.

D17A Engle passed.
D16 Hickman passed.
D15 Seitz passed.
D14 Woodfill reported 1 death in the district.
D13B Cox passed.
D13A Cushman passed.
D12 Johnson passed.
D11B Osborne passed.
D11A Meyers passed.
D10 Neal passed.
D9B Koehler passed.
D9A Sutton passed.
D8B Petro reported a new department joining in the district.
D8A Fleenor passed.
D7 Sorg passed.
D6 Engle passed.
D5 Glant announced he is a candidate for the office of Vice President.

D4 Ferro passed.

D3 Bentley passed.

D2 Stott reported 1 death in the district.

D1 Kephshire passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Al Mendel reported that he had 8 waterball, 1 hose replacement and 1 cart race team, all men, entered for the contests.

At this time, President Nevil read the committee assignments for the convention.

OLD BUSINESS

Gene Stofer commented about the license plate fraud that had happened where approximately 30 of the association license plates were distributed illegally and the action that has been taken. District 4 Chairman Ferro also commented on this problem.

Lee Kissell reported additional studies of the newspaper are needed before a final decision is made regarding this situation.

NEW BUSINESS

President Nevil reported on a HazMat Response Team in Warsaw and the problem they encountered. A mini warehouse where radioactive material was stored without identification.

At this time, the Midwest awards that were not to be presented at the banquet were distributed to the district chairmen by Vice President Parish.

Vice President Parish announced the new membership packets are finished and he requested the old packets be turned in.

President Nevil announced that the Expo for 1993 had been cancelled. At this time, President Nevil introduced Fire Marshal Goddard, who spoke to those in attendance.

A motion by Jacks Zeeks to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Richard Glant. Motion carried by a voice vote.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glant. A motion was made by Bill Howe to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Seconded by Dwayne Osborne. Motion carried by a voice vote.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jack Cox. Seconded by Larry Jackson. Motion carried by a voice vote.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Lantz.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davies
Recording Secretary

News from Hazelwood Volunteer Fire Department

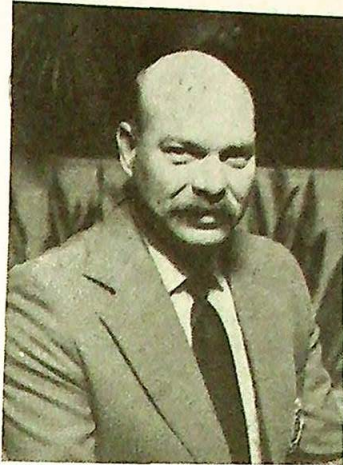
On June 26, the Hazelwood Volunteer Fire Department responded to a residence fire on St. Rd. 39. Upon arrival we found a fully involved structure fire. With the help of Liberty Districts 1, 2, & 3, Plainfield, Monroe Township

and Stilesville the fire was under control in 51 minutes. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

The HVFD held its annual 3-day fish fry on June 25, 26, & 27. We would like to thank all those who contributed to our event and helped make it a success.

We also appreciate our community support as well as the support of surrounding departments.

Public Relations Southeast



Paul Hildebrand

Greetings from the Southeast and congratulations to Sellersburg Volunteer Fire Department and the entire 14th District on a job well done with the Convention in Clarksville. I believe Bob and his group of loyal committee members did a fantastic job in pulling it off.

I sincerely believe that there really was more to do in '92. I feel that the mini seminars were an excellent idea and feel that they should have been a big success. The only thing that these mini seminars lacked was people to attend them. They were almost as bare as the last batch of Public Relations Area Fire Schools that we put on as an Association.

What has happened to the Volunteer Fire Service? What has happened to this dedicated breed that has vowed to protect and serve their communities and risk their lives out of generosity and the love of the job?

I have heard over and over in fire houses all over the State that the Governmental Powers are wanting to do away with the Volunteers. Are we ready to give up the fight and allow this to happen? How are we going to pay for this protection if we give up our Right to volunteer? And what makes these Governmental Powers so damned sure that we can be replaced? Are you ready to give up your volunteer department? I think not. So why aren't you participating in what this Association has to offer?

I hear that part of you are tired of this Association being operated by a select few individuals. This may be true, but ask yourself why this is. Is it because a select few have been around for ever and are irreplaceable? I think not. There is not a single officer of this Association who cannot be replaced. As an officer of this Association I feel that we are attempting to do what is best for the Volunteer Fire Service. We don't always get it done and we don't always keep the bad things from happening. But at least we are still putting forth an effort. We haven't given up and I don't think that you are ready to either.

So let's get off our duffs and come together as the powerful Association we can be and quit finding excuses for the end result. Let's all show up for this Association's functions and make a change in the right direction. It's up to all of you.

Blue Light Law

36-8-12-11

Blue lights on private vehicles; authorization; violations

Sec. 11. (a) Members of volunteer fire companies may display blue lights on their privately owned vehicles while en route to scenes of fires or other emergencies in the line of duty, subject to the following conditions:

(1) A light must have a light source of at least fifty (50) candlepower.

(2) All lights must be placed on the top of the vehicle. In addition, lights may be placed on the front of the vehicle upon the bumper or at bumper level.

(3) No more than four (4) blue lights may be displayed on one (1) vehicle, and each blue light must be of the flashing or revolving type and visible for three hundred sixty (360) degrees, except for lights that are placed on the front of the vehicle.

(4) A blue light must consist of a lamp with a blue lens, not of an uncolored lens with a blue bulb. However, a revolving light may contain multiple bulbs.

(5) A blue light may not be a part of the regular head lamps displayed on the vehicles.

(b) In order for a volunteer firefighter to display a blue light on his vehicle, he must secure a written permit from the chief of the volunteer fire company to use the blue light and must carry the permit at all times when the blue light is displayed.

(c) A person who is not a member of a volunteer fire company may not display a blue light of any size or shape on a motor vehicle, except a school bus used to transport children to or from a public or private school.

(d) A permittee of the owner of a vehicle lawfully equipped with a blue light may operate the vehicle only if the blue light is not illuminated.

(e) A person who violates subsection (a), (b), (c), or (d) commits a Class C infraction. If the violator is a member of a volunteer fire company, the chief of the company shall dismiss him from membership in the company.

(f) This section does not grant a vehicle displaying blue lights the right-of-way under IC 9-21-8-35 or exemption from traffic rules under IC 9-21-1-8. A driver of a vehicle displaying a blue light shall obey all traffic rules. As added by Acts 1981, P.L.309, SEC.64. Amended by P.L.88-1990, SEC.4; P.L.2-1991, SEC.108; P.L.99-1991, SEC.4.

DISTRICT 17B

Meeting of District 17-B was called to order by District Chairman Jack Zeeks at 7:45 p.m. at the Pleasant Run Fire Dept.

Mike Cornman made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Scott Allen. Minutes were approved.

Representatives from six departments were present.

PR SW Carl Davis reported on the state meeting news and that the Death Benefit had gone up. Carl also stated that Ivan Nevil had accepted a job with the State Fire Marshal's office and would no longer be IVFA president.

Election was held. Jack Zeeks, Jr. was re-elected as Dist. Chairman. Luke Kluender was elected Sec./Treas. Mike Cornman was voted in for P.R.

50/50 drawing was won by David Burton.

Scott Allen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Willard Stiles. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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IVFAA President



Maxine Davies

Greetings to All! I want to thank all of you for your confidence in electing me to lead this great organization for the coming year. I will count on a lot of support!

To finish my tenure as Vice President, let me make a report on the Doe Doll. Thanks to all of you, 2,410 tickets were sold. First prize winner of the doll, cradle and \$100 was Dianna Stevenson of Angola; 2nd prize of \$50 went to Larry Capron of Bremen; and third prize recipient of \$25 was Steve Elencik, Jr. of Valparaiso. I am also proud to say that Miss Flame and her Court sold 433 tickets! Those gals worked their hearts out!

The recipient of the Lois Boaz award was Joann Hays of Honey Creek (Terre Haute). Ask anyone who knows Joann and they will tell you what a most deserving recipient she is. We had a large number of letters supporting several worthy candidates. Unfortunately only one can be named each year. Keep on sending those letters next year, ladies!

Now for the upcoming year. I hope to visit as many districts as I can. Keep me informed of your activities. If you need assistance contact me and I will do the best I can. You can reach me evenings and weekends at 317-246-6220. For urgent calls during the weekdays phone me at 317-658-4206.

My husband recently told me I have had a lot of practice being a leader. He noticed on our narrow country roads I always have a long line of vehicles driving behind me.

A young boy locked himself in the bathroom and wouldn't come out. Within minutes a firefighter (volunteer, of course) came running up the stairs with an ax. After determining from the anxious mother the child's sex, the fireman yelled through the door, "Come out of there right now, little girl." Immediately the door opened and the young boy confronted the fireman who said, "Works every time!"

We have a big year ahead of us, ladies, let's work hard together and make it seem like fun! God bless all of you.

DISTRICT 10

The 10th District I.V.F.A.A. meeting was held on May 20, 1992 at Burney Fire Dept.

Chairman Barb Parker called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm.

Barb lead the group in the Pledge to the flag.

Barb introduced 1992 District 13 Miss Flame, Brandy Jackson.

Chaplain Miriam Hickman read devotions, a poem for Mother's Day, "What is a Mother."

Roll call with 16 members and 2 guests representing 5 aux.

Minutes were read of the Feb. 19th meeting and approved.

Barb thanked Burney for hosting and the hog roast.

Treasurer's report was given and approved with subject to audit. Quilt Raffle brought in a total of \$310.00. Winner was Sharon Osborne of Indianapolis.

Old Business:

Barb described the favors for convention that will be given at the Friday afternoon ladies meeting.

New Business:

The 1992 Inez Jefferies winner is Nancy Neal. Letters for the 1994 Inez Jefferies Award are to be sent to Nancy Neal, Lois Taylor or Barb Parker.

Nancy Neal donated back the \$75.00 from the district for Autumn's expenses at Convention.

Barb read minutes from last State Officers meeting in May.

Barb read by-law changes that were submitted for changes at Convention.

Convention charms and tie tack were shown the cost is \$3.00 each.

50/50 was won by Bessy Kolstermeyer of \$7.00 Silver collection was \$5.76.

Fairland will be host of the August 19th meeting. November will be at Waldron.

Barb gave schedule for the Miss Flame contestants at convention.

Upcoming events given by the aux.

Chaplain's report - Miriam sent 3 get well cards.

Meeting was closed by saying the Lord's Prayer.

Cozette Neal

DISTRICT 11A

I will add my congratulations to the award winners and officers for the coming year. Special congratulations goes to Joann Hays, Lois Boaz winner from our own district. You are very deserving of it, Joann. There are also, many more ladies deserving of this honor, so please get your letters ready for next years winner. I extend congratulations to Maxine Davies for a job well done on the Doe Doll Raffle this year also, her nomination as I.V.F.A.A. President, Good Luck, Maxine.

District 11-A's July meeting will be at Hymera V.F.A. and our Sept. 13th meeting will be a picnic at Fairbanks Park by the Wabash River. This is a meeting with lots of fun and good food along with our meeting. We welcome everyone who can attend.

Janet Meyers, Chairman

DISTRICT 11B

Dear Auxiliary Members & Friends,

Another wonderful convention has ended. Hope everyone had a good time, I know we did. My husband (Dwayne) still hasn't quit talking about the boat ride we took. He really, really enjoyed it. Thank you Clarksville for hosting this year's convention. You put in a lot of time and effort.

District 11B picnic was July 12th at Fairview Park. We enjoyed carry in picnic baskets of specially prepared food. It seems as though all the women that attended were very good cooks. I don't think anyone went home hungry. Thank you Fairview for hosting this year's picnic again. Your hospitality can't be beat. We had several special guests attend this event: Betty & Gene Goddard, State Fire Marshal; Mr. & Mrs. Dan Lee, Assistant Fire Marshal; Susan & Richard Glant, IVFA Vice President; John Davies, IVFA Recording Secretary; Bill Bush, IVFA Sgt-at-Arms & 1992 Mr IVFA; Maxine Davies, IVFAA President; Lou Bartlow, IVFAA

Recording Secretary; Joann Hayes, Lois Boaz recipient; Toddy Michl, SW PR.

Our District is very proud to have the 1992-93 IVFAA President and Recording Secretary in our District. We only hope that we can live up to their expectations. Good luck ladies, we are all behind you.

We had a short meeting during the picnic to hold election of officers and make some presentations. The Cayuga Auxiliary won the Traveling Trophy Award this year for best attendance. Perryville didn't attend to receive their IVFAA 15 years continuous membership certificate that I brought back from convention. Congratulations to both Auxiliaries. Our 1992-93 District officers are; President, Betty Osborne, Vice President, Eula Bush, Secretary-Treasurer, Lou Bartlow and Co-Chaplains, Maxine Davies and Brenda Harvey.

Our September 13, 1992 District meeting will be hosted by Roachdale. Try to put this on your calendar so you can attend. Anyone needing directions, please give me a call. See you in September if not before.

Betty Osborne, Chairman

DISTRICT 12

The 12th District meeting was called to order by Don Johnson 7:07 p.m. at Decatur Fire Dept. #1.

Pledge was said by all followed by prayer.

Roll call was answered by 21 members representing 11 depts. and 4 guests.

Don introduced our guests. They were Toddy & Helen Michl and Bob & Joan Hayes. It was announced that Bob and Joan are the new Chairpersons from Dist. 11A. Congratulations!! We all were invited to their picnic Sept. 13 at Fairview Park on the river near Terre Haute. Ham & Beans on the menu.

Broke for refreshments, re-convened at 7:42.

Minutes approved as read. Treas. report filed for audit.

There being no old business Don turned meeting over to Toddy for Elections.

Results were:

Chairman, Don Johnson; Vice-Chairman, James A. Bruner; Sec. -Treas., Rosie Johnson; Sgt-at-Arms, Jack Jones; Chaplain, James R. Bruner.

Don then announced several schools coming up in the area. Toddy said dues are due July 31, 1992.

State Fire Marshal wants names of current Chief and Pres. of each Dept., so he can update his files.

If you belong to more than one dept., the cost of the new state levy will be shared between depts.

James A. Bruner told of a church in Hazelwood that had a recognition day for the local fire volunteers, including lots of good food. It was appreciated by all of the volunteers.

Next meeting Brownsburg Sept. 21, 1992 & Coatsville Nov. 16, 1992.

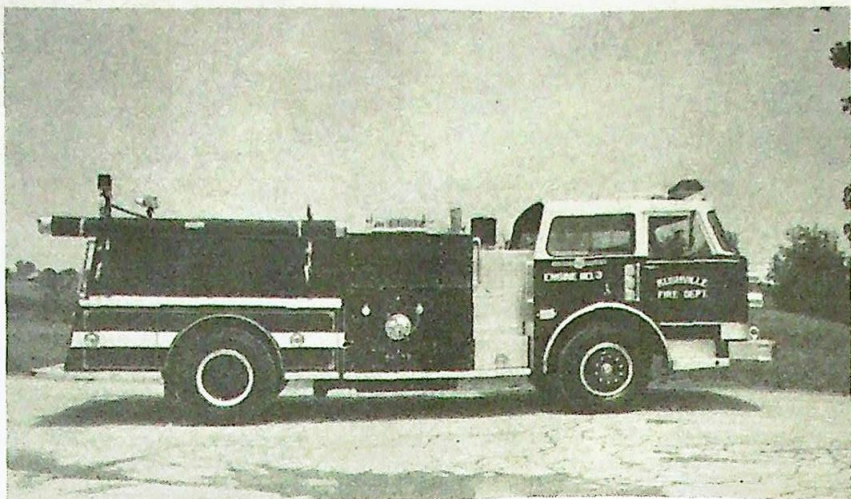
Adjourned 8:40 p.m.

Rosie Johnson

DISTRICT 19

The last District meeting held on May 12 at the Morris Fire Department. There were 30 members and 4 guests present. The ladies from Morris served a buffet lunch. A film on fashion and makeup with Dee-Dee Kaiser giving a seminar and discussion

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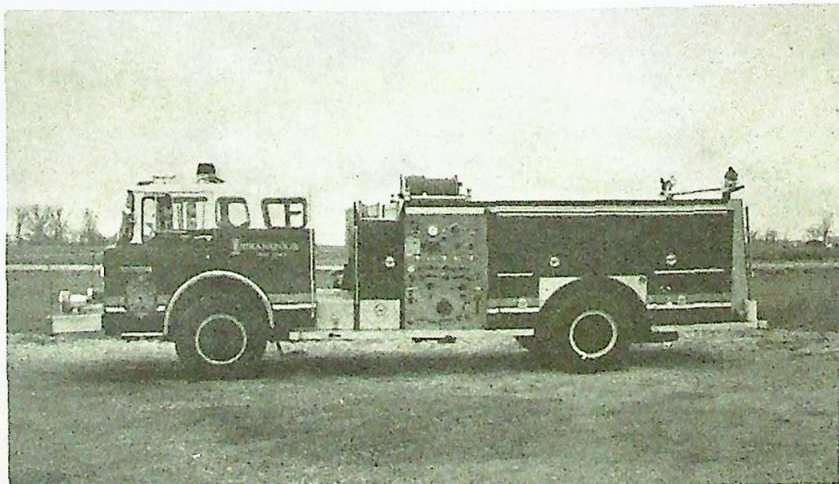
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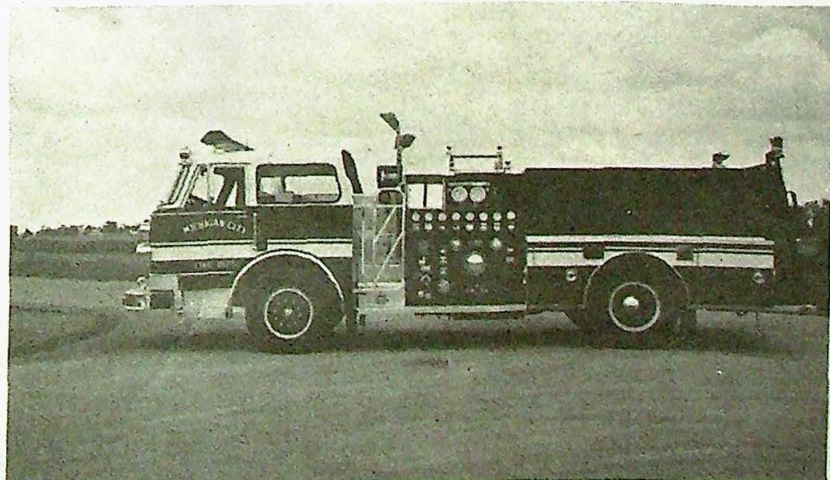
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District 19

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followed. One of our guests was Jennifer Hambrick, chosen to be District 19 Miss Flame from Manchester Fire Dept. Jennifer is a 1992 graduate of South Dearborn High School. She is also valedictorian of her class. She is planning on attending Purdue University in the fall. Best of luck at the convention!

The next Dist. meeting will be Aug. 11 at the Brookville Fire Department.

District 19 was well represented at the IVFA CONVENTION in Clarksville in June.

GOOD NEWS! JENNIFER HAMBRICK was chosen Miss Flame of Indiana. CONGRATULATIONS JENNIFER and best of luck in the future.

More good news, one of Morris' Fire Dept. finest was given the Oillie Sandberg award. CONGRATULATIONS FRANK for being such a great guy.

Edith Zimmer, Morris Aux.

Convention Report Auxiliary

Lakeview Hotel

Thursday, June 18, 1992

Jeffersonville, Indiana

President Nancy Neal called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. by welcoming everyone. Chaplain Judy Hildebrand opened the meeting by reading the "Firemen's Prayer." Sgt.-at-arms Miriam Schaeckel led the group in the Pledge to the flag.

Roll call was answered by 30 officers and committee members and 5 guests.

Each past president in attendance introduced themselves.

Recording Secretary Phyllis Vargo read the minutes of the previous meeting. Barbara Parker made a motion to do away with the reading of District reports. Faye Sallee seconded. Motion

carried. The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's report was given. Approved as read and subject to audit.

CORRESPONDENCE - Judy Hildebrand - Had a letter from Thelma Lester. She had taken quite a fall but luckily was not seriously injured. We will sign a card to send to her. Eula Bush announced that their daughter, Becky, is getting married July 18 in the Dana Methodist Church.

Nancy showed the meeting the Dalmations that Phyllis Vargo had made for each line officer.

CHAPLAIN - Judy Hildebrand - Have sent 22 get well cards, 9 sympathy cards, 1 grandparent card, 2 flower arrangements, and 1 thank you card. Have 35 Catholic Bibles at home. There are 11 Protestant Bibles all in the field. Eula Bush made a motion to purchase Protestant Bibles. Janet Meyers seconded. Motion carried. Mary Mackin made a motion to purchase 24 Protestant Bibles and the 25th is free. Carolyn McCarty seconded. Motion carried. Judy said she could purchase double red roses for \$2.00 each to use in our memorial service. Barbara Parker made a motion to purchase the roses. Ruth Ford seconded. Motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP - Phyllis Vargo - We have 110 Auxiliaries, 1,341 members, 62 individuals for a total of 1,403. For 1992-1993, we have 4 Auxiliaries, 35 members and 5 individuals.

DOE DOLL - Maxine Davies - Will you come back to me?

MISS FLAME - Barbara Parker - We're done. We have 17 beautiful girls this year. The winner will be announced tonight. The girls names and districts were read.

GAMES - Virginia Wilson District 7 - Everything is going fine.

BY-LAWS - Wanda Johnson - Two changes were turned in on time but were not read at the last meeting so she read them.

AUDITING - Toni Sorg - The treasurer's books were audited and found to be in order.

FINANCIAL STUDY - Toni Sorg - The new typewriter for the Recording Secretary will be here to-

morrow. The word processor for the Corresponding Secretary is on back order.

NOMINATING - Faye Sallee - Have a slate of officers.

LOIS BOAZ - Maxine Davies - Ready for tonight.

DOE DOLL - Maxine Davies - Total to now - 1,630. Tickets and money need to be turned in at this meeting to get credit for the district prize.

JEWELRY - Jane Ferro - Have \$129 turned in. Sold \$117 today. \$246 total sold. Have 100 tie tacks and charms left.

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY - Loretta Nulliner - No report.

INSTALLATION - Ruth Fairfield - We're ready.

HISTORIAN - Carolyn McCarty - Nothing to report but will be happy to receive anything you have to add to the history.

PARLIAMENTARIAN - Ruth Ford - No Report.

This evening, all officers, past presidents and Lois Boaz winners are to sit up front. Wear red and white for the parade Saturday. The parade will start here at the hotel and end here.

We are celebrating our 40th anniversary this year. Toni Sorg said that Poe has gotten a new truck from Starr Stainless and that they are giving us a \$100 donation to help with our 40th anniversary celebration. Lou will send them a thank you note.

Phyllis Vargo has the new by-law books so be sure to pick yours up.

Nancy called Toni Sorg up to receive her convention hostess corsage. Toni then presented Nancy with her president's corsage. Each past president was introduced and presented a corsage.

A question involving paying dues and a memorial service was asked and a discussion was held. Dist. Chm. please stress that the entire membership form is to be sent to the Recording Secretary.

Past President Mary Stafford came forward and presented a box of 40th anniversary favors to Nancy Neal. These will be given to each lady as she registers for the meeting tomorrow. Nancy in

turn gave them to Toni Sorg to pass out tomorrow. Barbara Parker and her daughter Lynn made these.

Barbara Parker made a motion to do away with reading the district reports and turn them in instead. Ann Moss seconded. Motion carried.

Nancy thanked everyone who has helped her during her two years as president. She read a poem entitled "You're a Winner."

Maxine announced total sales by the districts for the Doe Doll tickets-- District 3-317 and District 11B-316.

Toni Sorg called for a Board of Directors meeting following this meeting.

Judy Hildebrand closed with prayer. Cookies and punch were served to all in attendance.

JUNE 19, 1992

President Nancy Neal called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Chaplain Judy Hildebrand opened the meeting with prayer. Sgt.-at-arms Miriam Schaeckel led the group in the Pledge to the flag.

Nancy thanked the ladies from District 14 for the Koffee Klutch.

CHAPLAIN - Judy Hildebrand - Have sent 22 get well cards, 9 sympathy cards, 1 grandparent card, 1 thank you card and 2 flower arrangements. There have been 10 deaths this year.

ROLL CALL - 30 officers and committee members.

DEPARTMENT ROLL CALL - 71 members.

Eula Bush presented the new Miss Flame and her court. 1992 Miss Flame is Jennifer Hambrick from District 19. Runner-up is Felissa Robowski from District 3.

Recording Secretary Phyllis Vargo read the minutes from last years convention meeting. They were approved as read.

Treasurer's report was given. **MEMBERSHIP** - Phyllis Vargo - 110 auxiliaries, 1,341 members, 62 individuals for a total of 1,403. 1992-1993 membership so far - 4 auxiliaries, 35 members, 5 individuals for a total of 40 members.

VOTING MEMBERS - 71 members, 30 officers for a total of 101 voting members. 8 guests in attendance.

District 10 provided the 40th anniversary pins. Barbara Parker and her daughter Lynn made them.

GAMES - Virginia Wilson Dist. 7 - There are no women's games this year. We need to know if there will be any women's teams next year or if we should do away with them entirely. Dist. Chm. take this back to your districts and see what their feelings are.

DOE DOLL - Maxine Davies - Velva Crosby made the doll, Joe and Dollie Komoscar from the Firemens Store donated the tickets, Larry and Lou Bartlow made and painted the cradle, Helen Michls made the mattress and pillow. We have sold 1839 tickets so far. The Miss Flames have 400 tickets with them.

MISS FLAME - Barbara Parker - The girls were fantastic. She asked the mothers of the Miss Flames to stand and be recognized.

NOMINATING - Faye Sallee - We will be ready.

LOIS BOAZ - Maxine Davies - Very proud to introduce Joan Hays from Horley Creek in Terre Haute. Girls, when you send in your letters, duplicated letters cannot be used. Joan said a few words thanking everyone and encouraging everyone to write.

Mr. Bob Stewart joined our meeting to explain some things that needed to be taken care of. He thanked everyone for their patience and for attending.

JEWELRY - Jane Ferro - \$246.00 turned in. There are

still several charms and tie tacks in inventory.

HISTORIAN - Carolyn McCarty - Would appreciate any pictures you might have and would like to contribute.

INSTALLATION - Ruth Fairfield - We will be ready. Table will be up front.

FINANCIAL STUDY - Toni Sorg - Pending changes in the by-laws, it is recommended that we NOT give the men \$2,000.00.

AUDITING - Toni Sorg - Books are audited and all in order.

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY - Loretta Nulliner - No report.

PARLIAMENTARIAN - Ruth Ford - No report.

BY-LAWS - Mary Kissell - There are five changes this year. Mary Kissell read the proposed by-law changes. Mary Mackin explained the reason Dist. 6 was recommending the change in Article VI Section 8. Dist. chairmen polled their members and it passed. Mary Mackin explained the reason Dist. 6 was recommending the change in Article VI Section 7. Dist. chairmen polled their members and it passed. Diana Gray explained the reason Dist. 7 was recommending that Article I be changed back to its original wording. Quite a discussion followed. Dist. chairmen polled their members and it passed. Betty Osborne explained the reason Dist. 11B was recommending the change in Article VII Section 1. Dist. chm polled their members and it died for a lack of majority. Betty Osborne explained the reason Dist. 11B was recommending the change in Article VI Section 3. Dist. chm polled their members and it passed. Nancy thanked the by-law committee for their hard work.

Nancy introduced Eula Bush, wife of Mr. IVFA Bill Bush.

Recess was taken to attend the memorial service. Be back here at 1:30 p.m.

Nancy called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

Roll Call was answered by 30 officers and committee members.

DEPARTMENT ROLL CALL - 71 members.

FINANCIAL STUDY - Toni Sorg - We feel at this time no gift can be given to the men.

DOE DOLL - Maxine Davies - Miss Flames are busy selling. We will go over 2,000.

Nancy gave 15 year continuous membership certificates to Batesville District 19; Frankton - District 8A; Perrysville-District 11B; Adams Twp. New Haven #3 -District 3; Cedar Lake - District 2; Michiana Shores - District 3.

Nancy turned the meeting over to the nominating committee chairman. She presented the committee's slate of officers. President, Maxine Davies; Vice-President, Phyllis Vargo; Recording Secretary, Lou Bartlow; Corresponding Secretary, Diana Gray; Treasurer, Dorothy Reiter; Chaplain, Judy Hildebrand; Sgt.-at-arms, Miriam Schaeckel. A unanimous ballot was cast for each name.

Lou brought the old typewriter. If anyone wants it, they can have it.

Chaplain Judy Hildebrand needs a count of the Bibles so she can have them for you at the August meeting.

Installation Chairman Ruth Fairfield conducted an impressive installation service for the new officers.

Immediate Past President Toni Sorg presented Nancy Neal with her President's bar, pin and lifetime membership card.

Barbara Parker thanked everyone for the past president corsage.

The banquet is at 6:00 p.m. tonight.

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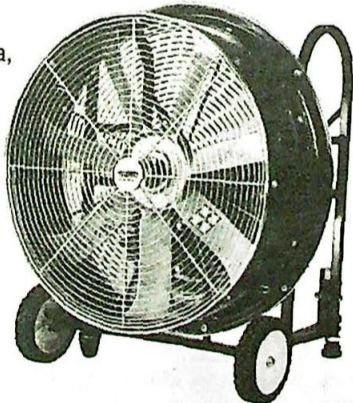
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Convention Aux.

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Fortieth anniversary cake was served by the past presidents to all that were in attendance.

Chaplain Judy Hildebrand closed the meeting by reading a poem entitled "Hugs" and everyone repeating the "Lord's Prayer."

Lou Bartlow
Corresponding Sec.

District Reports

Districts 1 & 2 - Was held May 7 at Cedar Lake Fire Station with 38 members and 2 guests present. District 2 Miss Flame Tracy Sheehy was presented to the members. A letter from IVFAA President was read along with a reading of the proposed by-law changes. A plaque for outstanding member award was given to Doris Wilson of Independence Hill Fire Auxiliary Winner for attendance for 1991-1992 was given to Lake Dale Auxiliary Convention and Doe Doll tickets were discussed. Next meeting September 3 at South Haven.

District 6 - Met at Albion in Noble County May 21 with 14 members from 5 departments and two Past Presidents. Convention was discussed and by-law changes were read and discussed. A money making project was discussed. Motion made to sell Firemen's candy bars. The July 16 meeting will be at Larwell with election of officers.

District 7 - Held at Poe Volunteer Fire Department May 18. Roll call was answered by 14 members representing 6 depts. Doe Doll tickets and money was turned in. We presented Bev Sorg with a \$200.00 check for convention expenses. The minutes from the last state officers meeting and the new by-law changes were read and discussed. Up coming event June 13 & 18 Mud Bog at Preble.

District 10 - Held May 20 at Burney Fire Department Roll call with 16 members and 2 guests representing 5 auxiliaries. Barb thanked Burney for hosting and the hog roast. The 1992 Inez Jeffries winner is Nancy Neal. Barb read by-law changes that were submitted for changes at convention. Fairland will be host of the August 19th meeting.

District 12 - Held at Decatur Township Station #1 May 11. Roll call was answered by 9 members and 2 guests. Doe Doll tickets were turned in. Miss Flame, Christy Boggs was introduced to the group. The by-law changes to be voted on at convention were read and discussed. Granny Harker picnic will be September 12 at the Marion County Fair Grounds 4-H building. Next meeting will be held August 10, Lawrence Township.

District 13 - Met May 21 at Bush Creek Volunteer Fire Department in Mt. Comfort. Six were in attendance. By-law proposals were discussed and announcements of convention plans. Next meeting will be August 20 at Pendleton with the men with a supper at 7:00 p.m. Will be election of officers.

District 3 - Met at Kingsford Union on May 20. Guest was Felissa Robowski - Dist. 3 Miss Flame. She showed us her dress for convention. Two ladies were appointed to audit the treasurer's books at the next meeting. The next meeting is July 15 at Michiana Shores. Election is to be held.

Aux. Chaplain



Judy Hildebrand

Hello to all readers of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman. Our best wishes go out to all who received awards at the convention. I do believe everyone had a pleasant time at convention. I also hope our encouragement and support go out to the newly elected officers too!

Best wishes for all department functions. Hope all are very fun and safe.

Are you handling the heat and thunderstorms okay? I never know which is worse having our guys fighting fires in sub zero temperatures of winter or the hot hazy humid stormy days of summer. No matter when they are called out let us see their need to be warmed up or cooled down with refreshment for "Our Guys".

I hope you will enjoy this prayer I am learning to say daily. I am hoping it will help someone if they need the help.

Seeing the Need

Lord make me an instrument of your peace,

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;

Grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love;
For it is in giving that we receive;

For it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen
Have a very safe summer
A friend in Jesus

1992 Winner of the Lois Boaz Award

Surprised! You bet, I still can't believe that this has happened to me.

I can't even begin to say enough Thank You's to those who took time out to write letters for me to receive this beautiful Lois Boaz Award.

It is with great pride and pleasure that I accept this award.

I know there are a lot of lovely ladies out there that are very worthy and deserving of this award. So all of you get real busy and write those letters for next years recipient.

It is also with great pleasure that I wear the beautiful white jacket with the state emblem and silver bar with my name on it.

Thanks also for the beautiful red rose corsage. I was glad it was silk, so I can keep it.

To the Lois Boaz family. Thank you for making this award possible. I know you have put a lot of love and pride in all of the past recipients as you have mine.

I would also like to take this time to congratulate all of the oth-

er winners Bill Bush, Mr. I.V.F.A.; Ollie Sandburg winner, President Award winner; all of the Midwest Award winners; Bridgeport Scholarship winners; State Miss Flame and the Runner up, and to all the Miss Flames who represented their districts.

I would also like to extend my congratulations to Maxine Davies the new IVFAA President and to Mitch Parrish IVFA President and to all of their officers.

Another congratulations goes to Father Lance, Grand Marshal of the Parade.

To the Convention Committee, Thank you for a nice Convention. I know it was hard work.

Last, but not least, to our traveling buddies Toddy and Helen Michl of Prairieton V.F.D. Thanks, Bay! Helen you sure do know how to keep a secret.

If I have forgotten someone and not said thank you, I'm saying it now to all of those districts and friends who were behind me. Thank you again. Love you all.

Love and Prayers
Joann Hays, Honey Creek Vol. Fire Dept. Aux.

Dearborn yields Miss Flame

By Stephanie Beck
Staff Writer

The last thing Jennifer Hambrick expected to do at the Miss Flame state level pageant was win.

But Hambrick, 18, was crowned Miss Flame Thursday, June 18, in Clarksville at the Indiana Volunteer Fire Department Association's state convention.

Miss Flame is a pageant for the daughters of members of either the volunteer fire department or ladies auxiliary. Hambrick is the daughter of Eric and Tonie Hambrick, 9820 Ind. 48. Her father is a volunteer firefighter for the Manchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Hambrick said the whole thing started when Glen Brandt, Manchester Fire Chief asked her to enter the pageant, and it was off to the November district competition in Mooresville.

"I'm very delighted about it," said Brandt, referring to Hambrick's crowning. "It is nice to have someone from Southern Indiana recognized in a statewide event. I think it's a great example of seeing someone use natural abilities to achieve great things."

Hambrick's qualified for the state event after winning the November district competition, which was held in a firehouse far removed from the hotel ball room, where the state pageant was held, she said.

Hambrick said Miss Flame is supposed to represent all the positive qualities and good nature of volunteer firefighters. She is expected to attend parades around the state and other functions as a representative. She may even do some speaking.

Pageant judging was based on appearance, community involvement, ability to speak in front of large groups, personality and poise and involvement in the fire department.

Hambrick said contest organizers asked the contestants questions about the environment, Christianity and whether they liked their schools.

She said the questions for the semi-final round were fairly easy ones, like the importance of goals and who the contestant most admires.

However, she said her question was the most difficult. She said she was asked "If you had all

three presidential candidates in a room, what would you ask them?"

Hambrick said the question stumped her for a second, but she said she started off by saying the country was in a rut and would the candidates be able to put America's needs before their own political views when it came down to it.

A lot of help was offered by the community to get Hambrick to the contest, she said. The fire department helped raise money to pay for the pageant expenses and some women offered to sew dresses, she said.

In fact, Judy Hildebrand, a member of the ladies auxiliary helped Hambrick prepare for the pageant.

Hambrick met a lot of great girls through the contest and formed friendships she would have otherwise missed.

Now that she's graduated from South Dearborn High School, Hambrick will attend Purdue University in the fall majoring in chemical engineering.

The Journal-Press
June 30, 1992

Fire Depts. Raise Record \$23,786 for Crusade

Volunteer fire departments in Scott County made a record contribution to the 1992 WHAS Crusade for Children.

The six participating departments provided a total contribution of \$23,786.66 to the Crusade's record \$3.2 million collected to benefit disabled youngsters.

Jennings Township provided the largest amount this year.

Fire Chief Raleigh Campbell said his department collected a whopping \$6,200, \$1,400 more than in 1991.

Both Jennings and Johnson Townships conducted special bin-

go games to benefit the Crusade. Johnson Township donated \$5,725, also an increase over the previous year.

Some of that money was collected at the Austin Festival in the Park, noted Chief Todd Stark.

Coming in second in total contributions in the county was a combined effort by Scottsburg and Vienna Fire Departments.

Volunteers received a record \$6,033.05 through their annual roadblock in downtown Scottsburg.

"People were very generous this year. We also received a \$600 donation from Holm Industries, which we appreciated," said fireman Joe Thomas.

Several fire chiefs credited residents' willingness to give because of the Crusade's promise to keep all funds within the county they were collected.

"We think the increase might have something to do with everyone seeing how local children have benefited in the past. Besides, most people like to see their charity dollars stay close to home," observed Lexington volunteer Bryan Renschler.

As with all of the fire departments, Lexington's total increased \$800 over 1991.

Lexington collected \$3,016, again an all-time high.

Underwood's contribution increased by 33 percent over last year's donation. The amount collected in that small community was \$2,812.51.

Both school districts have benefited from the Crusade in past years as has Kids Place, a New Hope Services institution which provides instruction and other assistance for mentally- and physically-challenged children.

Kids Place has requested funds again this year. The Englishton Park Children's Center, operated during the summer months, has also requested money from this year's Crusade.

The Crusade's panel of ministers will decide who will receive grants within the next two months.

THE GIVEAWAY,
Wed., June 10, 1992

Pershing Twp. Fire Department "Woman of the Year"



(Left to Right) Pershing Twp. VFD Ladies Auxiliary President Patty Cooper presents Mrs. Goldie Sutton 1992 "Woman of the Year" Award.

Pershing Township Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has named Mrs. Goldie Sutton of Freetown as 1992 Woman of the Year. Mrs. Sutton is an active leader in her local church and works with Larry Jones Ministries and Feed the Children.

"Goldie is exactly the example that we need to hold up for our youngsters to emulate," said Auxiliary President Patricia Cooper. "We are proud to recognize her outstanding personal efforts to make her world a better place to live in."

Sutton was selected from letters submitted to the Auxiliary by members of the community nominating local ladies for recognition of their accomplishments.

Game winners and participants Convention '92 Clarksville, IN

Waterball

- 1 Penn South #1
- 2 NHAT #1
- 3 Indy Rebels #1
- 4 NHAT #2

- Fairview Park #1
Fairview Park #2
Indy Rebels #2
Indy Rebels #3
Kingsford Union
Lake Hills
Lake Station
New Chicago

Hose Replacement

- 1 Lake Hills 37.4 sec.
- 2 Kingsford Union 39.7sec.
- 3 NHAT 43.9 sec.
- 4 Penn South 53.2 sec.

Cart Race

- 1 Penn South 44.0 sec.
- 2 Lake Hills 45.8 sec.
- 3 Kingsford Union 48.6 sec.

I would like to thank all of the people who helped with the games at convention this year. Without their help, it would not have been possible to have such a smooth and orderly day of fun.

The Games Committee is in need of a new trailer to haul the games equipment to convention and also to be used as a center for announcing and keeping scores for the games.

In the past I have supplied the material and built the trailer to carry the equipment. I would like to design and build a larger trail-

er with a tandum axle. If any one has, or knows of someone that has a tandum axle trailer that they would like to donate to the IVFA to be used for games equipment, please contact me at the address and phone listed below.

Al Mendel
748 Winters Rd.
Plainfield IN 46168
(317)272-7932

Dear Members of the Fireservice Community:

The Benjamin Franklin Fire Service Bill of Rights (H.R. 2448), authorizes the Department of Treasury to mint and sell, in 1993, gold and silver coins commemorating Benjamin Franklin. Proceeds from the coin sales would be distributed among several fire service groups (including the NVFC Foundation). The bill has regained momentum, and recently cleared a subcommittee of the House Banking Committee.

Its' companion bill in the Senate (S. 1451) currently has 27 cosponsors. It is estimated that the Senate will need forty cosponsors to provide adequate support. In building support for this bill, NVFC has been asked to help enlist other Senators.

The following Senator's have currently cosponsored S. 1451:

- Senator Akaka (HI)
- Senator Harkin (IA)
- Senator Packwood (OR)
- Senator Biden (DE)
- Senator Hatfield (OR)
- Senator Pell (RI)
- Senator Bradley (NJ)

- Senator Kerry (MA)
- Senator Riegle (MI)
- Senator Brown (CO)
- Senator Lautenberg (NJ)
- Senator Roth (DE)
- Senator Bryan (NV)
- Senator Leahy (VT)
- Senator Seymour (CA)
- Senator Cohen (ME)
- Senator Levin (MI)
- Senator Specter (PA)
- Senator D'Amato (NY)
- Senator Lugar (IN)
- Senator Stevens (AK)
- Senator Dixon (IL)
- Senator McCain (AZ)
- Senator Wafford (PA)
- Senator Domenici (NM)
- Senator Mikulski (MD)
- Senator Warner (VA)

The following letter provides a sample draft which could be used in contacting your Senator. Please take the time to show your support of S. 1451. The entire service community has much to benefit!

June -, 1992

The Honorable [Member]
[Washington Office]

Dear Senator:

I am writing you today requesting your support and co-sponsorship to the Benjamin Franklin Memorial Fire Service Bill of Rights Act (S. 1451). This bill is currently pending in the Senate Commerce Committee.

I have been a [firefighter, chief, etc] in [location] for [#] years. I find it truly meaningful that Congress has taken a special interest in the American Fire Service, and recognizes some of its most pressing needs. Firefighter health and safety, burn injury research, public education programs, continuing education and fire train-

ing courses, and support for the children and surviving spouses of fallen firefighters are not just national issues— these are concerns which affect us in [location].

This legislation benefits not only the American Fire Service, but effects each one of us living within the community. It also provides this necessary funding without reaching into the taxpayer's pocketbook. Moreover, Congress does not have to worry about administrative costs defeating the purpose of this legislation.

The American Fire Service asks for something we offer every day - - help. Only with your help will we see this legislation enacted into law.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,
[Name]
[Position]

Sincerely,
Robert McKeon
NVFC Chairman

DeMotte fire ruled accidental

By JANET MAUCK
Post-News staff writer

DeMOTTE—The cause of the early Wednesday fire that destroyed six downtown DeMotte businesses and resulted in over \$500,000 damage has been ruled as accidental.

However, in describing how the fire originated, Indiana State

Fire Marshal's Office investigator Brad Sandberg termed the cause of the blaze as a "rare" one.

At the Indiana Pride Furniture Manufacturing shop, where the fire began, "they were using linseed oil to finish some of their wood projects," said Sandberg. "Linseed oil is notorious for spontaneous combustion if not stored properly."

Toweling soaked with linseed oil was being stored in 32-gallon plastic containers that were not airtight. "This allowed the linseed oil and rags to spontaneously ignite," Sandberg said.

Sandberg, three other officials from the Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office and representatives of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms all agreed that the fire had started in this manner after conducting an investigation Thursday.

Insurance investigators also supported the determination regarding the fire's cause, which was announced late Thursday afternoon.

To back up the investigators' conclusions, "remains of the plastic containers and toweling are being sent to the lab to confirm, yes, there was linseed oil on the rags," Sandberg said.

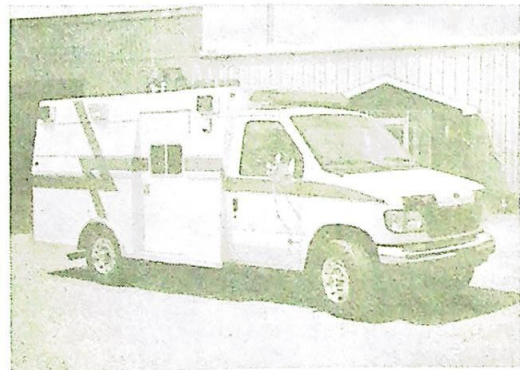
The fire, which started at around 2:30 a.m. Wednesday, destroyed the wood shop, the Country Catch All store, Brenda's Bridal and Evening Wear, Consolidated Insurance, Tiki's Hair Salon, and the Second Time Around clothing resale shop.

Fagen Pharmacy's general offices received heat and smoke damage and DeMotte Floral was damaged by smoke.

All of these businesses are located on the west side of the 800 block of Halleck Street.

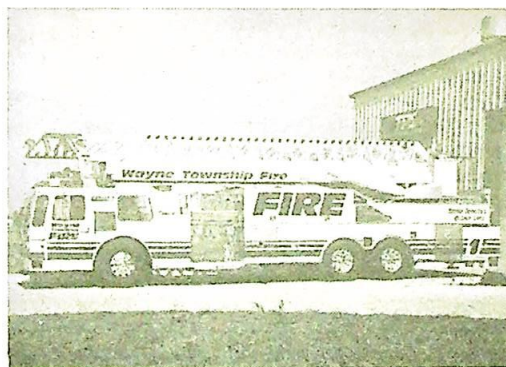
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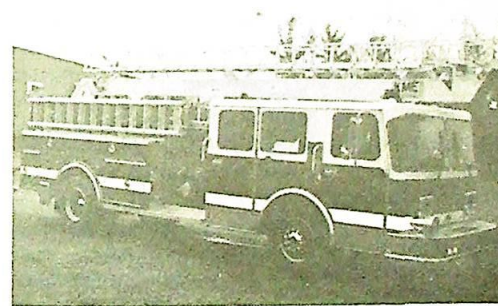
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Public Relations Northeast



Bill Kinsey

Comments from the Northeast: 1992 IVFA convention is over and we now look for aggressive leadership from our new President, Mitch Parish and our new Vice-president, Dick Glant. I wish them good luck and look forward to this year's activities.

Hopefully our organization will take the lead in not only protecting life and property in Indiana, but take a dominant role in protecting the rights of volunteer firefighters in this state by supporting only programs that are achievable and realistic in safety, training, equipment, minimum response requirements and funding. I hope our association will lead the fight against NFPA standards that cannot be complied with by most volunteer fire departments, as well as moves on the part of State certifying agencies to make it more difficult to obtain Master Certification except at a "Brick & Mortar" Safety Training academy.

We have so many qualified fire instructors in individual departments and the Indiana Fire Instructors Assoc. making training available at local and regional locations that it would be a horrible waste of talent and accessibility as well as a disservice to the firefighters of Indiana if the current proposed trends toward centralization of all master certification as well as specialized training continues. Volunteer members should attend their district meetings and voice their opinion in large numbers that will serve as a mandate to our association officers that enough is enough and now it's time to become the leader in the State of Indiana in voicing the concerns and needs of Indiana's volunteer fire service. Active participation in the IVFA and Indiana's Fire Institute is absolutely necessary if we are to lead our politicians in the state & federal government. They need to know that what is good for the volunteer fire service is good for the residents of Indiana.

The Secretary of State is enforcing all of the laws & rules pertaining to Not-For-Profit corporations and is sending letters dissolving corporations for non-compliance. Once dissolved it takes about four months or more to be re-instated. Information Bul-

letin #17 provides the requirements effective October 1986. If you don't have a copy, you need to get one so your departments don't have to go thru the "___" of re-instatement. It's a long and time consuming experience, I know.

Congratulations to Don Ness of the Union Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. of Whitley County District 6 for his award of the Midwest Award. It is well deserved.

GET ACTIVE - - - Not reactive. Let's be Indiana's fire service leaders. There's already too many followers. See you at the next district meeting.

Information Bulletin #17
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Calendar Year	LOW RATE	
	Tax	Rate of
1983		.3250%
1984		.3250%
1985		.3125%
1986		.3000%
1987		.2875%
1988		.2875%
1989		.2625%

For each calendar year following 1985, the low rate of tax shall be reduced .0125% from the rate of the preceding year.

Unrelated Business Income

All not-for-profit organizations are subject to Indiana Gross Income Tax, adjusted gross income tax and supplemental net income tax on their unrelated business income.

Unrelated business income is defined as the conduct of any trade or business activity regularly carried on, but not substantially related to the accomplishment of the purpose for which the organization was granted tax-exempt status. A trade or business activity is regularly carried on when it manifests a frequency and continuity and is pursued in a manner generally similar to comparable, commercial activities of nonexempt organizations. It is not substantially related to an organization's exempt purpose when it does not contribute importantly to the achievement of that purpose other than by mere production of income.

Examples giving rise to unrelated business income include an exempt, religious organization operating a book store, getting a variety of religious books and materials; an exempt, education organization regularly selling membership mailing lists to colleges and business firms; an exempt, labor organization holding semi-weekly bingo games. These types of activities are profit-making enterprises that are not directly related to the exempt purpose of each organization.

An exempt organization receiving unrelated business income will compute its taxable income in the same manner as that of any other taxpayer receiving business income, except that business deductions may be taken only in so far as they are directly related to the production of taxable income.

Filing Requirements

In addition to filing an Application to file as a Not-For-Profit Organization, Form IT-35A, the organization must file an annual report, Form IT-35AR, with the Department on or before the fifteenth day of the fifth month following the close of the taxable year. If the organization fails to file the annual report the Department will notify the organization of such failure. If, within sixty days after receiving such notice, the organization does not file the annual report, the organization's exempt status will be cancelled. The department may decide to reinstate the organization's exempt status if the organization shows by petition that the failure was due to excusable neglect.

Wholly exempt organizations with unrelated business income and partially exempt organizations are also required to file annually a Not-For-Profit Organization Return, Form IT-20NP, and pay tax on nonexempt income and on unrelated business income.

Forms relating to not-for-profit organizations and their due dates are as follows:

FORM IT-6 Indiana Corporation Quarterly Income Tax Return - Required if the not-for-profit organization's income tax liability in any quarter exceeds \$250.
FILING DATE: Due 30 days after the end of the quarter.

IT-20NP Not-For-Profit Organizations Return - Tax return for partially exempt organizations and for wholly exempt organizations reporting unrelated business income
FILING DATE: Due 15th day of the 5th month following the close of the tax year (accounting year of the not-for-profit organization).

IT-35A Application to File as a Not-For-Profit Organization.
FILING DATE: Within 120 days after the not-for-profit organization is formed.

IT-35AR Return of Not-For-Profit Organization Exempt from Indiana Gross Income Tax - Required by all not-for-profit organizations.
FILING DATE: Due 15th day of the 5th month following the close of the tax year (accounting year of the not-for-profit organization).

IT-35E Not-For-Profit Tax Registration Certificate.
FILING DATE: Issued by the Department upon approval of application.

The Department will allow not-for-profit organizations to attach copies of their annual federal reports and returns to the Indiana annual report, Form IT-35AR. Form IT-35AR will serve as a cover document. Forms 990, 4720, 990PF or 990T can serve as attachments.

Other Taxes
Registration of a not-for-profit organization as an organization exempt from Indiana Gross Income Tax does not relieve the organization from liability for other taxes or from other reporting requirements.

Three killed in I-70 truck collision

18 miles of highway shut by wreckage

By JOANNE ZUHL
Banner-Graphic Staff Writer
A massive head-on collision on Interstate 70 Thursday evening

has left three people dead and an 18 mile section of the highway closed as firefighters and Indiana State Police clean up the wreckage.

Even at noon Friday, authorities were not releasing much information about the incident, but according to early state police reports, two semi-tractor trailers, one a tanker, collided head-on at the 31-mile marker of I-70 near the Putnam-Clay county line.

The accident reportedly happened at approximately 8:30 p.m. during the severe electrical storm that passed through the area.

Reports indicate that the driver of an eastbound North American Van Lines semi lost control of his vehicle, sending the semi across the median into the oncoming westbound traffic, where it collided with the tanker.

The driver of the North American vehicle reportedly lost control of the semi when it swerved to avoid a collision with a passenger vehicle in the same lane.

Police reports indicate the driver of the passenger car was not involved in the accident and was unharmed.

Both vehicles reportedly caught fire as a result of the accident.

The names of the three people killed in the accident had not been released as of noon Friday. The victims were believed to be from out of state.

Fire departments from across the county, including Greencastle, Bainbridge, Fillmore, Coatesville, Indiana State Farm, Jefferson, Washington, and Madison townships were dispatched to the scene to assist the Cloverdale Volunteer Fire Department in battling the flames after both semis caught fire.

The Greencastle Fire Department reportedly brought in approximately 150 gallons of foam to extinguish any possible liquid fires, none of which were reported.

Cloverdale units were still at the scene of the accident Friday morning. The Greencastle units returned to the station at approximately 11:00 p.m.

As a result of the collision, an 18 - mile section of the interstate was closed as the wreckage was being cleared.

That produced major traffic tie-ups as Fourth of July holiday

travelers were forced off the interstate.

Traffic was rerouted on the U.S. 231 North to U.S. 40, then south on State Road 59 back to the interstate. The detour caused considerable congestion at the U.S. 40 and 231 intersection where Putnam County Sheriff's deputies were called in to direct traffic.

Banner Graphic
July 3, 1992

PRESTIGIOUS MR. IVFA AWARD



Bill Bush

Photo by: The Daily Clintonian, Clinton, Indiana

Bill Bush of the Dana Volunteer Fire Department was presented the prestigious Mr. IVFA Award at this year's convention hosted by Sellersburg.

Bill has been in the Fire Service for 31 years with 2 on Fillmore and the remainder in the Dana Department. He served as Chairman of District 11-B for five years (1977-1982).

In 1982, he was appointed IVFA Sgt-at-Arms and still holds the office.

Bill and Wife, Eula, reside in Bono (Suburb of Dana). They have three children Brent, Brenda and Becky.

Eula and the kids say that Bill's feet still have not touched the ground because he is so proud to have received this special award.

1992 MIDWEST AWARD WINNERS

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|------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| D1 | James Branham | Liberty Twp. Vol. Fire, Porter |
| D2 | Ralph Knapp, Sr. | Lincoln Twp. Vol. Fire, Thayer |
| D3 | Tom Tharp | Kingsford-Union Vol. Fire |
| D4 | Rick Vendegrift | Wakarusa Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D5 | Elmer Dowel | Lapaz |
| D6 | Donald Ness | Union Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D7 | James "Jim" Byer | Adams Co. |
| D8A | James R. Boyland | Pipecreek Twp. Vol. Fire |
| D8B | Ernie Gierhart | Portland Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D9A | Charles G. Ancil | Harrison Twp. (Alto) |
| D9B | Harold Laken | Rensselaer Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D10 | Nadine Craig | Hope Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D11A | Clay Shidler | Hymera Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D11B | Larry Bartlow | Montezuma Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D12 | Joseph "Joe" Mendenhall | Brown Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D13A | Steve Stanley | Fortville Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D13B | Jack L. Cox | Centerville Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D14 | Harry Sullivan | Monroe Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D15 | Lawrence France | McCutchanville Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D16 | Irvin J. Aemmer | Floyd Knobs Lafayette Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D17A | James L. Utt | Palmyra Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D17B | William A. Brown | Fruit Dale Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D18 | Darvin "Pud" Groves | Chrisney Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D19 | Lawrence M. Hafenbridle | Aurora Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D20 | Andrew K. Houk | Jamestown Vol. Fire Dept. |
| D21 | George Kingery | Clark Hill Vol. Fire Dept. |

I would like to thank Mr. Mike Cassee for these awards and hope everyone who has received one appreciates it like I do. Thanks again Mr. Cassee.

Willie M. Parish, Vice President IVFA

1st Annual - Winamac Volunteer
Fire Department

GERMANFEST "92"

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1992

3:00 p.m. Till Midnight
Winamac Volunteer Fire Station

BAVARIAN BAND - 7:00 TIL 11:00

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Tribby Noted For Years Of Service



HONORED CHIEF - Jasonville Volunteer Fire Department Chief Don Tribby, left of center, was honored by fellow firemen yesterday for his 40 years of service. Tribby has been chief since 1968. Shown above, with Tribby are firemen Mike Duckworth, Jeff Eccles, Gib Buskirk, Darren Sluder, Dave Burger, Russell Keller, and Harold Keller.

By DALE GODDARD
Daily Citizen Reporter

JASONVILLE—A local fire chief was honored for years of service at a surprise party Sunday afternoon. As of June 1, Don Tribby has been with the Jasonville Volunteer Fire Department for 40 years.

before 2 p.m., and admits to not expecting what he found. When he walked into the fire station to see what was going on, he was welcomed by friends, fellow firemen, and town officials who gathered to honor him.

"It was quite a surprise," Tribby said when asked if he expected being honored for the anniversary of his service. "No sir; I had no

idea in the world. It was a total shock and surprise to me."

Tribby, now 58, started as a fireman in 1952 at the age of 18. He was appointed Chief in 1968. Tribby's father was also fire chief, from 1923 to 1946.

When asked what has given him the most satisfaction over the past 40 years, especially since he has become Chief, Tribby said

"Serving the community is one of the most important things, as well as keeping the department in shape and upgrading the department."

Tribby has been married for 34 years and has one daughter, Pam, who married fireman David Burger.

When asked why Burger and his fellow firemen decided to honor their chief, he said "Forty years, that's quite a number of yrs, even for a vol. organization."

"We feel it was worth him being recognized for," Burger added.

Jasonville Mayor Bruce Borders, who was at the open-house party along with other city personnel, said of Tribby "He does a fine job. I've had the good fortune to work with him for the past four-and-a-half years now."

Borders said he has known the Tribby family for "a lot of years," and went to school with the Chief's daughter, Pam.

Borders noted the good job the Jasonville Vol. Fire Dept. has done. "Jasonville has the same (insurance) rating as if we had a full time fire dept."

devastating impact it has on the quality of life." The increases in the number of fires, fire injuries, and related property damage all point to the need for improvement, he says. "The United States continues to experience among the highest rates of death, injury and property loss from fire in the world. We still have a long, long way to go in improving the fire loss picture in our country." Mr. Miller points to the need for all homes to be equipped with enough smoke detectors to provide full protection, increased use of automatic fire sprinklers in homes, and wider-reaching public fire safety education programs.

Overview of NFPA Journal Article:

•Every 15 seconds a fire department responds to a fire somewhere in the U.S.

•A residential fire occurs every 66 seconds.

•There is one civilian fire death every 118 minutes.

•There is one civilian fire injury every 18 minutes.

While fire deaths dropped last year, the number of fires - 2,041,500 actually increased slightly (1.1%) from the previous year. Of those, 640,500 fires occurred in structures, up 2.6% from 1990. There were an estimated 363,000 fires in one- and two-family dwellings, up 1.1%, and 101,500 fires in apartments, an increase of 6.3%. Showing virtually no change from the previous year, vehicle fires totaled 428,500 and outside property fires were up a slight 1.5% to 972,500 fires in 1991. The report also shows that the total number of fire and non-fire incidents responded to by fire departments in the U.S. was up 6.2% to 14,556,500 in 1991. The South and the Northeast shared the highest fire incident rate with 9.6 fires per thousand population each.

Civilian fire injuries increased by 2.7% in 1991, with the Northeast experiencing the highest regional rate (148.3 injuries per million population). There were an estimated 29,375 fire injuries, but the article points out that injury estimates are on the low side due to underreporting of civilian injuries to the fire service. Nearly 75% of all the injuries occurred in residential properties (21,850).

There were 98,000 incendiary and suspicious fires (those fires deliberately set or thought to have been set) in structures last year, resulting in 490 civilian deaths a highly significant decrease (35.4%) from the previous year. Property damage from these fires was up 9.8% to \$1,531,000,000. There were 49,000 vehicle fires of incendiary or suspicious origin in 1991, down 3.9% from 1990.

An estimated \$9,467,000,000 in property damage occurred as a result of fire in 1991, up significantly by 21.1%. This increase is due almost entirely to the Oakland Hills fire in California which caused an estimated loss of \$1,500,000,000.

Approaching its 100th anniversary, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has led the way to global fire safety since 1896. The mission of the international nonprofit organization is protecting people, their property, and the environment from the effects of fire and related hazards through education, codes and standards, research, and technical advisory services. NFPA's Fire Analysis and Research Division produces numerous annual reports and special studies on the U.S. fire problem. The Association also publishes the *National Fire Codes*® and the *Learn Not to Burn*® Curriculum. NFPA headquarters is in Quincy, Massachusetts.

Significant Drop In U.S. Fire Deaths In 1991

New report by the National Fire Protection Association shows fire deaths fell more than 14% last year.

The number of fire deaths in the United States has decreased for the third consecutive year, according to a new report slated to be published in the September/October 1992 issue of NFPA Journal. The article details the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) annual report, "Fire Loss in the United States," which shows an estimated 4,465 civilians (non-fire fighters) died in 1991 as a result of fire. That number is a significant 14.1% lower than the previous year. Deaths in home fires also decreased substantially (down 13.6%), with some 3,500 fatalities last year. The Northcentral region had the highest rate with 22.7 civilian fire deaths per million population.

Because home fires account for 78.3% of all fire deaths in the U.S., "fire safety initiatives targeted at the home are the key to any reductions in the overall fire death toll," says Michael J. Karter, Jr., NFPA senior statistician and the report's author. Among other strategies, Mr. Karter says in his report "the special fire protection needs of high-risk groups, e.g., the young, older adults, and the poor, need to be addressed."

While NFPA's report cannot point definitively to what may have caused reductions in fatalities, the trend seems to indicate that people are doing some things right in preventing fire deaths. Public education efforts, adoption and enforcement of fire safety codes and standards, improvements in fire-safe design of products, such as fire-resistant fabrics, the use of fire detection and protection equipment, and people practicing escape plans are all known to contribute to reduced fire deaths and may be playing a role.

George Miller, president of the 60,000-member nonprofit organization, urges caution in responding to the trend. "The decrease in civilian fire deaths over the past three years is encouraging, and I'm cautiously optimistic," says Mr. Miller. "However, we must not let down our guard. We must always keep in mind the big picture of fire: the

July 16, 1992

Jackson Township Vol. Fire Dept. Camden, Indiana

- 1:50 PM The call comes in, Fire Station fully involved in fire. Neighboring fire departments fight valiantly to put out the fire.
- 5:00 PM Fire out! - Appears to be total loss of equipment & apparatus.
- 5:10 PM Linda Baker, Midwest Sales Representative notified by pager that she is needed in Camden.
- 5:15 PM The Midwest *Action Team* goes to work! Linda calls Charlie Baker and Dan Jackson on her cellular phone while driving from Hartford City to Camden. She tells them she will need them as soon as she arrives in Camden and learns what they need in order to put this department back into service.
- 7:50 PM Linda arrives on the scene, meets with Chief Max Rude, obtains items, quantities, sizes and calls Dan with list of emergency items needed.
- 8:00 PM Linda calls Charlie and he proceeds to the Midwest warehouse to load the equipment that Dan is getting ready. Then, drives an hour and a half to Camden.
- 10:30 PM Arriving in Camden, the boxes of equipment unloaded, Linda dispenses 20 sets of turnout gear to anxious firefighters.
- MIDNITE Jackson Township Fire Dept. back in service with two loaner pieces of apparatus from Delphi and Flora and full turnout gear for all of their volunteers.

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**INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1992**

	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS:		
REVENUES IN EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES (EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF REVENUES)	(\$24,991.97)	\$2,011.93
ADJUSTMENTS TO RECONCILE REVENUES IN EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
DEPRECIATION	600.00	
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	(24,391.97)	2,011.93
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
INVESTMENT IN EQUIPMENT	3,000.00	
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	3,000.00	0.00
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
NET CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES:	0.00	0.00
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	(27,391.97)	2,011.93
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR:	222,307.41	85,042.52
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR:	\$194,915.44	\$87,054.45

THE ACCOMPANYING "NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS" ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF THESE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1992

NOTE 1:

BOOKS OF RECORD ARE MAINTAINED ON A MODIFIED CASH BASIS USUAL TO THIS TYPE OF OPERATION. THERE IS NO UNUSUAL TREATMENT OF ITEMS CONTAINED IN THE RECORDS. THE ACCOUNTING THEORY OF RECORDING THE TRANSACTIONS ARE CONSISTENT WITH OTHER ASSOCIATIONS OF THIS TYPE. ASSETS ARE PRESENTED AT HISTORICAL COST WITH DEPRECIATION BEING ACCRUED ON A STRAIGHT LINE BASIS ACCORDING TO USEFUL LIFE OF THE ASSET. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES ARE RECOGNIZED AT THE TIME THEY ARE PAID CONSISTENT WITH THE MODIFIED CASH BASIS THEORY.

NOTE 2:

THE CORPORATION IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ENTITY AND AS SUCH IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXES ON NOT-FOR-PROFIT ACTIVITIES; THEREFORE NO PROVISION FOR TAXES IS REQUIRED.

NOTE 3:

THE CORPORATE BANK OF RECORD IS BANK ONE OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FOR THE GENERAL ACCOUNT. THE ACCOUNT CONSIST OF A GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT EARNING INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 3.75%.

NOTE 4:

CASH IN SAVINGS-CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS-BANK ONE REPRESENTS UNRESTRICTED FUNDS IN THE FORM OF CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS WITH BANK ONE OF INDIANAPOLIS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 EARNING INTEREST AT THE RATE OF 6.1%, WITH A MATURITY DATE OF FEBRUARY 8, 1993.

NOTE 5:

CASH IN SAVINGS-CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT-INB. REPRESENTS UNRESTRICTED FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH INDIANA NATIONAL BANK OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA. THE ACCOUNT CONSISTED OF TWO CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSITS IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$25,000.00 EARNING 8.4% WITH A MATURITY DATE OF JULY 31, 1992 AND ANOTHER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 EARNING 7.9% WITH A MATURITY DATE OF JULY 26, 1992.

NOTE 6:

CASH IN BANK-BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND. REPRESENTS RESTRICTED FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH BANK ONE OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA IN THE FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS. THE ACCOUNT CONSISTS OF TWO CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSITS IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$30,000.00 EARNING 5.95% WITH A MATURITY DATE OF MARCH 1, 1993 AND ANOTHER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000.00 EARNING 5.75% WITH A MATURITY DATE OF JULY 3, 1992.

NOTE 7:

CASH IN SAVINGS-BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND. REPRESENTS RESTRICTED FUNDS MAINTAINED IN AN INTEREST BEARING CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH BANK ONE OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA EARNING 3.75%.

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NOTE 8:

THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC. IS ACTING AS TRUSTEE FOR THE BRIDGEPORT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND. THE FUND IS A RESTRICTIVE FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND VOLUNTEER FIREMEN FUNERAL FUNDS.

NEW TANK CONSTRUCTION



Since the last article I sent you to be put in the paper we have been working on our tanker truck.

A group of members sat down and made a list of material that they needed to start and then had a company deliver the steel to the fire station.

After the steel arrived, they started laying out the tank, as the first photo shows.

We then started welding with a mige-welder that we borrowed from one of our dept. member's father.

With the tank off, another group started working on the frame sanding and getting ready for it to be painted with a rust sealer to help keep it from rusting too bad.

After the tank was done we then painted the inside with a sealer that will not make people sick if they were to drink the water.

With all this done to the trucks, we now have things looking good for the dept.

The cost for these two projects are far less than if we were to have them done by a commercial company.

Our dept has a membership of about 25 covering all of Southern Wayne Township in Barth County. Thank you very much.

Earl Cha. teen
Training Officer
Jonesville Vol Fire Dept.

Convention Raffle Winner



1st Place winner of Convention Raffle. District 14 Chairman Robert Woodfill. Winner Rolland Schleibaum \$500.00 Spencer Twp. V.F.D. Convention Chrm, Robert Stewart. Convention Treas., Harry Sullivan

National Firefighter's Day Announced

Congressman Curt Weldon (R-Pa.) recently invited his colleagues in the House of Representatives to join as original co-sponsors of a House Joint Resolution designating October 8, 1992 as National Firefighter's Day. In his letter, Congressman Weldon states, "It seems more than appropriate to set aside one day to remind all American's about the daily contributions of firefighters."

This bill coincides with our nation's observance of National Fire Prevention Week.

"Firefighter Health And Safety: A Report To Congress"

Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services, Inc. (VFIS) announces the availability of the May 20, 1992 teleconference which they co-sponsored on "FIREFIGHTER HEALTH AND SAFETY: A Report to Congress." The Congressional Fire Services Institute was co-sponsor of the teleconference.

The Congressional Fire Services Institute hosted October 14 and 15, 1991, a National Firefighter Health and Safety Forum. The Forum was made possible by a grant from the Foundation for the Health and Safety of American Firefighters. The Forum was designed to bring the current issues in first responder's health and safety to the attention of Congress. A White Paper Report was presented to Congress on March 5, 1992.

The information contained in the White Paper Report was meant to inform and educate Congress. The basis for this teleconference was to inform the fire, EMS and emergency service organizations around the nation of the White Paper and its content.

Guest Speakers for the teleconference included: Dee Armstrong, Women In The Fire Service; Dr. Paul Davis, ARA/Human Factors; Fred "Wes" Dolezal, Chesterfield County Fire Department, Virginia; Roger McGary, Silver Spring Volunteer Fire Department, Maryland; Greg Noll, Hildebrand & Noll Associates; Gordon Sachs, United States Fire Administration; Attorney Philip Stittleburg, National Volunteer Fire Council Foundation; Congressman Steny Hoyer, 5th District, Maryland; and Don Conley, Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services, Inc. Serving as Moderator for the teleconference was John McNichol, Congressional Fire Services Institute.

The two-hour teleconference tape will be available after August 1, 1992, for the low cost of twenty-five dollars (\$25), this includes shipping. VFIS can accept only mail orders accompanied by either a check or money order, made payable to "VFIS." A limited number of previous VFIS telecasts are also available.

For order forms or additional information, please contact Tamela Monroe at: VFIS, P.O. Box 2726, York, PA 17405 or phone 1-800-233-1957.

SEA 422 - Volunteer Firefighters' Death Benefits

The following report outlines volunteer firefighters' death benefits.

Death Benefit

A volunteer firefighter who dies in the line of duty is entitled to receive a \$75,000.00 death benefit payable to his surviving spouse or surviving children. This amount is not payable to the estate, if there is no wife or children. If there are not sufficient monies in the death benefit fund to pay all outstanding claims, then a partial benefit is paid with the remainder to be paid when there are sufficient monies.

Who Qualifies?

A fund is provided for volunteer firefighters' who: 1) Assist without compensation/nominal compensation within the boundaries of the unit to which the firefighter is assigned; 2) Have made application in writing for membership as a volunteer; 3) Have been accepted due to application for membership as a volunteer; 4) Appear on the volunteer firefighter roster of the assigned unit; and 5) Have signed a pledge to comply with orders as a volunteer firefighter. The volunteer firefighter's death must result from service in the line of duty as a volunteer firefighter, in other words, the death must be as a direct result of injury or illness from volunteer firefighting activities (emergency run and to and from the scene).

Special Provisions

- 1) The death benefit is in addition to any other benefits provided by state or federal law.
- 2) The death benefit may not be considered in the computation of nominal compensation (\$10,000 annually) provided for volunteer fire companies in IC 36-8-12.
- 3) A volunteer firefighter covered by the death benefit fund does not, because of this coverage, become eligible for membership in the public employees' retirement fund.

Fund Administration

The fund is administered by the board of trustees of the public employees' retirement fund (P.E.R.F.) who will:

- 1) Administer the volunteer death benefit fund.
 - 2) Pay expenses of administration out of the volunteer death benefit fund.
 - 3) Invest the money in the volunteer death benefit fund in the same manner as the board's other funds may be invested..
 - 4) Deposit interest from investment of the money into the volunteer death benefit fund.
 - 5) Pay a special death benefit from the volunteer death benefit fund in the lump sum amount of \$75,000, when a firefighter dies in the line of duty.
- Money in the volunteer death benefit fund at the end of a fiscal year does not go into the state general fund.
- If payment in full of all claims that become final in any month reduces the fund below \$100,000, the board shall suspend payment of claims that become final that month and the following two months. At the end of the suspension period, the board will pay all suspended claims. If payment in full of the suspended claims exhausts the fund, the board shall prorate the payments based on the number of claimants. Any claimant receiving prorated payments shall continue as a part of the pool of claimants until the full \$75,000.00 has been paid.

Collection of Funds

All government units served by the fire company contribute a collective total of one dollar (\$1.00) per firefighter per month to be contributed to the volunteer firefighters' special death benefit fund. The contributions are paid to the auditor of state by each January 15 and July 15 for the preceding six month period. The payment is based on the number of members in the fire company on July 1, preceding the January 15 payment, and on January 1, preceding the July 15 payment. (For example, the payment to be made on January 15, 1993 will be based on the number of volunteers in the fire company on July 1, 1992.) This requirement to contribute to the fund expires December 31, 2003.

Only a government unit can pay a contribution, and if a contract exists between the unit and a volunteer fire company, the contract must provide for the contribution as an additional amount to the cost for services. If a volunteer fire company serves more than one government unit under a contract, each unit shall share equally in the payment of the contribution. Thus, each fire company should, prior to January 15 and July 15 payment dates, notify each government unit it serves of the number of volunteers in the company on the prior July 1 or January 1, whichever applies, and the number of government units the volunteer fire company serves.

Volunteer Firefighter Death Benefit

July 9, 1992

All Indiana Volunteer Fire Companies
State Fire Marshal's Office

Below is a sample of the Volunteer Fire Company Report Form for Volunteer Firefighters' Death Benefit which is to be filed by each volunteer fire company with the office of the State Fire Marshal by July 31st. and January 31st. of each year. This form should be sent to:

Office of the State Fire Marshal, 402 West Washington Street, Room 24, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204, ATTN: Volunteer Firefighter Death Benefit

This filing which is for the six month period beginning July 1, 1992 should be returned to this office and should be sent to each unit for which the fire company provides fire service by contract or agreement as soon as possible but in any event, by no later than July 31, 1992. It is important to get this form to the local units of government as quickly as possible so that they may incorporate the information in their budgeting for calendar year 1993. It is suggested that since the payment to the State Auditor which are based on this form will be

made by the local units of government on January 13, 1993, you might want to retain a copy of the form to give those local units a friendly reminder in December to ensure that they make the proper payments.

Any questions with regard to the process of filling out the form may be directed to this office.

VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY REPORT FORM FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS DEATH BENEFIT

This form should be prepared by each Volunteer Fire Company with copies being filed with the Office of the State Fire Marshal and with each unit to which the fire company provides fire services by contract or agreement as of the reporting date. The reporting dates are each July 1 for the period covering July 1 through December 31, and each January 1, for the period covering January 1 through June 30. These reports should be filed within 30 days after the reporting date.

- 1. Name of Fire Company - _____
- 2. Reporting Date - ____, 199__ (either January 1, or July 1)
- 3. Number of volunteer firefighters who belong to your fire company on the reporting date _____
- 4. Names and addresses of each unit for which you provide fire service as of the reporting date: _____

Name	Address
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I hereby affirm under the penalties of perjury that the foregoing statements are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Sincerely _____

Committee Appointments

RESOLUTIONS: ALL P.R. DIRECTORS ELECT YOUR CHAIRMAN

LEGISLATIVE: STOFER AND PRESIDENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT ADVISORY: PARISH, GLANT, NEVIL, LOCKHART, SWARTZ STOFER, PARKER, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

EDITOR: R. LANEY
EDITOR ASSISTANT: B. HOWE, L. STOTT, J. FERRO

NEWSPAPER AD SOLICITOR: J. FORD

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL: STOFER AL-

TERNATE
PUBLIC ED AND EQUIPMENT: PARKER, BARTLOW, PETRO, ZEEKS, CUSHMAN

JOINT SERVICE LEADERSHIP: STOFER, PARISH, GLANT

E.M.S.: D. JOHNSON, L. STOTT, J. KOMOSCAR, J. KERNEY

MEMBERSHIP: C. BRUNS, L. KISSELL, L. SWARTZ, V. HENEISEN, HILDERBRAND

BRIDGEPORT FUND: SWARTZ, PARISH, GLANT, STOFER, LANTZ, NEVIL, LOCKHART, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD

FIRE SCHOOL AND TRAINING: GLANT ALL P.R. DIRECTORS

HISTORICAL: FIVE YEARS COMMITTEE: PARISH, DAVIES, LANTZ, PARKER SUTTON, SWARTZ BRUNS

INSURANCE: STOFER, KINSEY, SORG, BENTLY, B. ENGLE

AWARDS: GLANT, D. ENGLE, T. MICHL, B. HAYES

PHOTOGRAPHERS: B. NEAL, AND T. PALMERIO

CLOTHING: MARTIN, FLEENOR, JACKSON, WOODFILL, HICKMAN AND STOFER

SAFETY: COVINGTON, SEITZ, KOEHLER, AND COX

GAMES: A. MENDEL AND HIS PEOPLE

PARLIAMENTARIAN: B. HOWE

FIRE EXPO: LOCKHART, STOFER, NEVIL, PARISH, GLANT

FIRE SERVICE INST AND CAUCUS: PARISH, STOFER, GLANT

These committee's will stand thru convention 1993. Other committee's will be appointed as necessary. First name is committee chairman. Committee will hold meeting prior to Saturday meeting. 1992 and 1993 Committees.

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Delivery to Fortville Fire Department



At left, the 1957 Ford Universal pumper to be sold October 13, 1992. At right, Fortville's new KME pumper. (Photo by Cushman II).



Members of Fortville Fire Department with the new KME 1250 G.P.M. Custom Renegade pumper

On Feb. 28, 1992 the Fortville Fire Department took delivery of a KME 1250 G.P.M. Custom Renegade Pumper from Hoosier Fire Apparatus of Valparaiso.

This was the culmination of over 2 years effort on the part of the members of the Department serving on the Apparatus Committee. They were charged with the duty of reviewing state of the art pumpers and writing specifications to best meet the needs of the department and community it serves.

The engine replaces a 1957 Ford Universal 750 G.P.M. pumper purchased in 1957. It is first out engine among the Departments 3 - pumper - 2000 Gal. tanker - rescue squad and grass truck compliment.

Ironically the engine was not yet in service on March 3, 1992, when the Department battled a 3.5 Million Dollar loss fire in a Brake Manufacturing plant, 2 miles from the town water system at which approximately 400,000 gallons of water was shuttled, with the aid of 14 Mutualaid Departments. A large warehouse full of finished inventory was saved thru these efforts and the business was able to remain in operation and is rebuilding.

A brief history of the retired engine, written by Don Cushman Sr. follows. Don is the department's oldest member and has served for close to 40 years with the department.

1957 Ford F-750 Fire Truck
In May of 1957 the Fortville Fire Dept. took delivery of a new Fire Truck. At that time it was the latest in modern equipment.

This truck was to have several firsts during its time in service. It was the first expansion truck in our department, it did not replace another piece of equipment. That way we could take two pieces of equipment to a fire.

It was the first 750 G.P.M. pump. It had our first generator, portable lights, smoke masks, smoke fan and portable pump. It was also to have our first two-way radio installed in the 60's.

This truck had several interesting runs during its time in service. Two elevator fires within a 24 hour span. More house and

barn fires than you care to remember.

The 1957 truck was the end of an era. The last RED engine for our station and the last tail board rider.

The truck was taken out of service on January 29, 1992.

The 1957 Ford Pumper will be sold on October 13, 1992, at 7:30 pm by sealed bids at the Fortville Town Council Meeting. For details write or contact Fortville Fire Dept. or Town Manager, 714 E. Broadway, Fortville, Ind 46040 317-485-4044 or 317-485-4712.

Kit Arnold
Fortville Fire Chief

MEMO:

Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Members,

The main reason for this memo is that a special speaker can be made available for any future Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association meeting.

The topic would be "Fire Protective Clothing". This would cover all types of fabrics (Nomex, Flamex, FR Cotton, etc.), applications for the fabrics and the National Fire Protection Association standards on this issue.

If you are interested in having this speaker at a future Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association or Department meeting, please call me personally. If it is a toll call, use our toll free 800 number.

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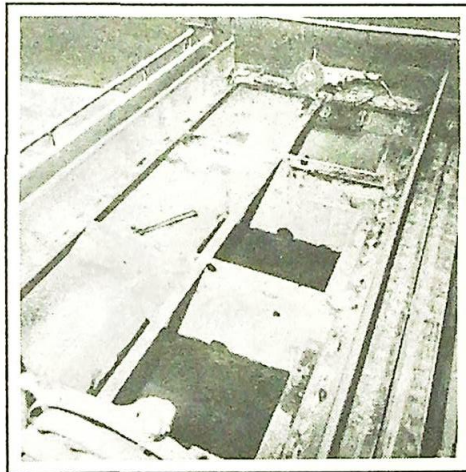
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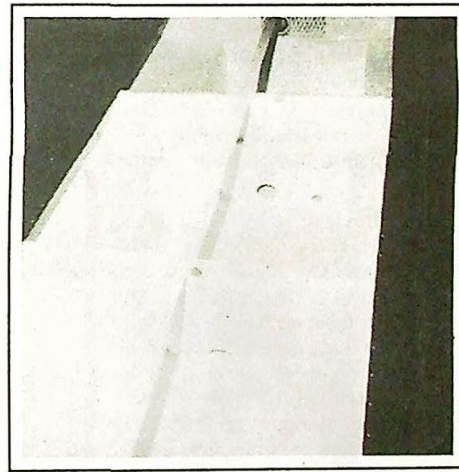
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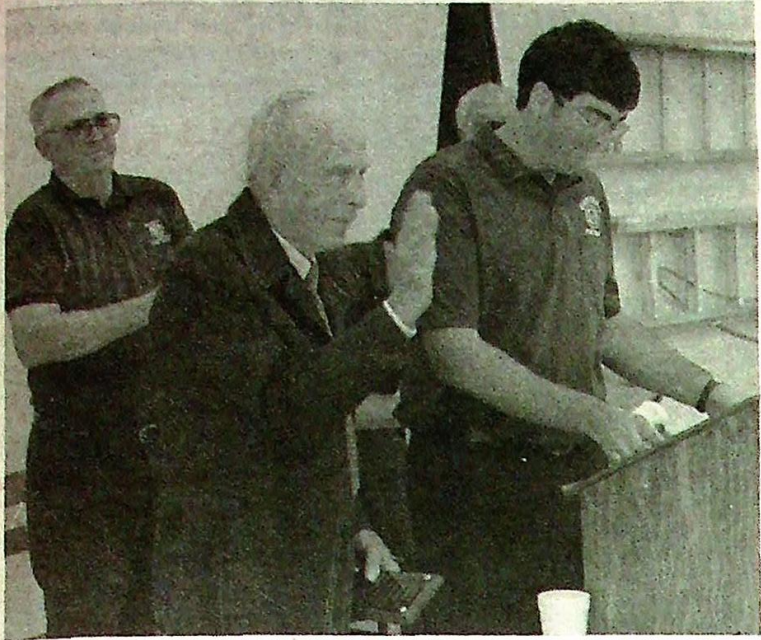
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Eastern Greene County Vol. Fire Dept. Open House



First Fire Chief Dwight Yoho, center, with members John Doane, rear left, and Tim Deckard, right, presenting Yoho a plaque recognizing his service to EVFD.

An Open House Celebration was held Sunday, June 7, 1992 at 2 pm by the Eastern Greene County Volunteer Fire Department in Solsberry.

The event was held to mark the completion of their new fire station - built on the same site the old station occupied for 28 years. Carl Davis, IVFA representative, presented the department with a clock for use in the meeting/community room of the new station.

Planning for the new station was a spin-off from a 5-year planning committee formed in 1984 to define the needs of the department from 1985 thru 1990. The major results of that effort dictated and demonstrated the need for a new facility.

A building project committee was appointed by the fire department board of directors in 1986 comprised of active members of the dept. This group began gathering design criteria and

developing cost projections, talking with architects and financial institutions.

The department is a non-profit organization and was unable to qualify for any available grants, as Solsberry is an unincorporated town. Financing was acquired thru a mortgage with the Bloomfield State Bank.

During demolition of the old building, and construction of the new, the department operated out of a private building owned by an active member. The department conducts, and will continue to conduct, monthly fund raising activities to help pay the mortgage payment.

A roll call was conducted of past members, with those in attendance recognized by people at the event. Several photo displays were on hand for viewing depicting various stages of the department from its beginning in 1963 thru today.

Deceased former members were remembered by a moment of silence during the program.

In the dedication speech by Chief Larry L. Shute, several milestones in the life of EVFD were reviewed.

The department was formed in April, 1963 with one pumper truck, eleven members, and three sets of used turnout gear, answering 14 alarms in its first year of service.

The department has grown continually each year with the most recent event, before the building, being the addition of a rescue/EMA mini pumper unit. The department now has 4 units, 31 members and will respond to a projected 160 alarms during 1992.

The department serves Beech Creek Township of Greene County and has working mutual aid agreements with several neighboring departments in Greene and Monroe Counties.

Chief Shute said the success of the EVFD was attributed to the good people resource and support it has enjoyed over the years, and with that stated that "This new facility is now dedicated to those who have served before us, those serving now, and those who will serve after us, and to the community that supports us."

Larry L. Shute

Blaze strikes downtown DeMotte Six businesses destroyed by fire

By JANET MAUCK
Post-News staff writer
DeMOTTE—An early Wednesday morning fire that started in a furniture manufacturing shop destroyed this business and five others in downtown DeMotte.

The blaze began at about 2:30 a.m. at Indiana Pride Furniture Manufacturing, located in the rear of the same building occupied by Country Catch All at 822 S. Halleck.

As the fire spread south, it destroyed Benda's Bridal and Evening Wear, Consolidated Insurance, Tiki's Hair Salon, and the Second Time Around clothing resale shop in addition to the wood shop and crafts store.

Another building on the south side occupied by Fagen Pharmacy's general offices received heat and smoke damage. DeMotte Floral on the north side of

Country Catch All was damaged by smoke.

Keener Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief Mike Orsburn said the fire spread so quickly due to the lack of fire walls between the businesses. Although plywood partitions do separate the businesses, they were not able to contain the blaze.

Keener Township was assisted by 12 other volunteer fire departments from Jasper, Newton, and Porter counties. These included Wheatfield, Lincoln Township, Rensselaer, Hebron, Kouts, Porter Township, Washington Township, Boone Grove, Lowell, Morgan Township, Lake Eliza, and Lake of the Four Seasons.

Commenting on the contributions made by these fire departments, Orsburn said this was "mutual aid to the full extent. This is what it's all about."

Keener Township, Wheatfield, and Porter Memorial ambulance services also sent personnel and vehicles to the fire scene.

Ambulance crews provided firemen with moist towels when needed. "There was one (fireman) we kept an eye on pretty close," said Sue Allen of the Wheatfield Ambulance Service.

Although no one was injured, a Kouts fireman was nearly struck by a window that blew out. However, Mrs. Allen said he "saw it coming, so he didn't get hurt."

The massive quantities of water needed to fight the blaze came from various sources, including from the assisting fire departments. Lincoln Township First Assistant Fire Chief Ralph Knapp Sr. said this was the "longest our pumpers ever pumped."

The backwash holding tank at the town's sewer plant, which holds up to 35,000 gallons of water, was pumped dry. Sewer plant manager Dick Higgins said he alone made seven trips out to the sewer plant, bringing about 1,500 gallons of water to the fire scene each time.

Boone Grove firemen traveled back and forth to the Hodge Ditch north of town to collect water. Bill Davis of the Wheatfield Volunteer Fire Department noted that local farmer Carey Hamstra also assisted by bringing around 10,000 gallons of water to the fire scene.

The collected water was emptied into portable tanks that were set up in the middle of Halleck Street and behind the burning businesses "so the trucks can roll back again" to obtain more, Davis said.

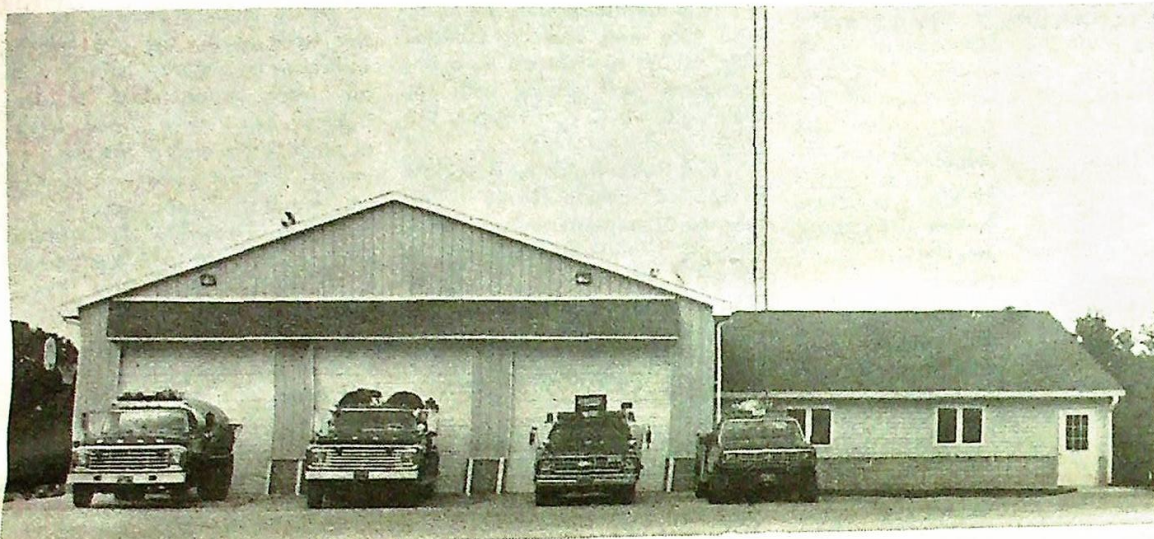
When the Keener Township Volunteer Fire Department first arrived at the scene, Orsburn said the flames were shooting up so high that he became worried that the fire would get into the electrical lines through a transformer on a utility pole in front of the buildings.

As a precaution, electrical service on that side of the Halleck Street was shut down. The electricity also was shut off for a time later on the other side of the street.

At around 9 a.m. Wednesday, the firemen had extinguished the flames, but the fire was still smoldering and was expected to continue to smoulder for about two more hours.

The cause of the fire is still undetermined. The Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office is expected to conduct an investigation.

Kankakee Valley Post News
June 18, 1992



New Station with apparatus. Truck Bay area is 3 wide, 2 trucks deep, with meeting, rest rooms, kitchen, day room and communications room in the area to right of bay area.



Current and former members in attendance at the Open House.



Chief Larry L. Shute, left, receiving a clock for the station, from Carl O. Davis, Public Relations Director, Southwest, IVFA.



Public Relations Northwest



Bill Howe

As we start another year, the IVFA has some new officers. I feel that everyone should get behind them and let's make this the best year ever with this association.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the fire department in dist. 14 that assisted in showing their hospitality for a good convention. It is also fitting to thank Linda Baker for her time to supply the appropriate music for our assemblies. The area seminars will most likely be offered this year. If you have a topic that would be of interest to the membership, please contact your Dist. Chairman or Public Relations Director with your input. The programs will be set later this year. These programs are paid for with your dues and there will be no added charge to you or your department. Since they are of no charge we need your attendance to make them worthwhile. Please plan to attend.

This association owes a little person from Scipio Twp. a big "Thank you" for his 30 years as Chaplain. This man is probably the best Public Relations person any association could have. Therefore I would like to express on behalf of the Northwest, thanks to Duane Lantz for being a great person and our Chaplain.

We will have several new Dist. Chairmen this year. It will be to their benefit for you to attend the district meetings and support their efforts as well as letting them know what you want from the association. It would be to your department's advantage to designate a couple of people to attend these meetings and bring back the information.

In closing again let's support the officers. Have a safe summer.

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Class		
A	Rural Firefighting Operations (6 hours)	Sunday
B	Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (6 hours)	Saturday
C	Search and Rescue (6 hours)	Sunday
D	Forcible Entry (6 hours)	Sunday
E	Electrical Hazards of the Emergency Service (6 hours)	Saturday
F	Foam Uses & Application (Class B) (6 hours)	Saturday
G	NFPA 1901 Apparatus Specifications (6 hours)	Saturday
H	Salvage & Overhaul (6 hours)	Saturday
	Underground Storage Tanks (6 hours)	Sunday
J	Fire Hose and Appliances (6 hours)	Saturday
K	Fire Streams (6 hours)	Sunday
L	Farm Accident Rescue (6 hours)	Saturday
M	Water Rescue Techniques (6 hours)	Sunday
N	Youth Fire Prevention (6 hours)	Sunday
O	Driver/Operator (6 hours)	Sunday
P	Ventilation (6 hours)	Saturday
Q	EMS/Lifeline Workshop (6 hours)	Saturday
XA	Firefighter Safety Officer (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XB	Vehicle Rescue, Theory & Techinques (16 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XC	Fire Behavior and Personal Safety (6 hours)	Saturday or Sunday
XD	Wildland Fire Suppression (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XE	Critical Incident Stress Workshop (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XF	Fire/Arson Detection (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XG	Sprinklers & Standpipes (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XH	Fire Chief's Responsibilities (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XI	Fire Officer 1 (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XJ	The Incident Command System (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XK	A Tactical Approach to Residential Firefighting (6 hrs.)	Saturday or Sunday
XL	Instructional Techniques for Co. Officer (16 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XM	Legal Tips, Tricks, and Traps for Arson Invest (12 hrs)	Saturday & Sunday
XN	Advanced Search and Rescue (12 hours)	Saturday & Sunday
XO	Instructor 1 (Oct 10, 11, 17, 18) (32 hours)	Saturday & Sunday

Infection Control for Emergency Response Personnel and The Supervisor's Role and Responsibilities

12 Hours
Thurs & Fri. or Sat & Sun.

Instructor: Battalion Chief Dennis L. Rubin, Chesterfield County, Virginia

About the Instructor:

Mr. Rubin is a Battalion Chief with the Chesterfield County Virginia Fire Department, serving as the Chief of Training and Safety. His responsibilities include the development, delivery and management of fire and EMS training and safety programs. Chief Rubin is a field instructor with the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute Chief Rubin has served as a line firefighter and officer with the Washington D.C. and Fairfax, Virginia Fire Departments.

Chief Rubin holds an Associate in Applied Science degree in Fire Science Management from North Virginia Community College, a Bachelor of Science degree in Fire Administration from the University of Maryland and a graduate of the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program.

Chief Rubin has authored over fifty fire service magazine articles relating to safety, operations and training. Chief Rubin serves as a Firehouse Magazine Contributing Editor and has lectured at the local, state, and national levels.

Chief Rubin is an adjunct member of the National Fire Academy. He teaches courses in Firefighter Health and Safety, Incident Command, Supervision, Infection Control, Hazardous Materials and Fireground Tactics. Chief Rubin has served on four course development teams at the National Emergency Training Center including this course.

OBJECTIVE: To enable supervisory fire and EMS as well as line personnel to assure infection control in the work environment by providing the knowledge and skills required to conduct training, monitor compliance with OSHA(CFR SS1910.1030 and serve as a role model for positive behaviors and attitudes.

DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to meet the needs of Fire Service officers and the Emergency Medical Services, in order to improve the knowledge

and protection of new individuals and department station personnel from the full range of infectious diseases spread through occupational or other exposure.

Pinola grain elevator destroyed in blaze

TOM DOMINGUEZ
THE LAPORTE HERALD-ARGUS
PINOLA - Fire investigators remained at the scene this morning of a spectacular Sunday night fire that destroyed the former Pinola grain elevator in Scipio Township along CR-500W.

Less than 15 minutes before the initial fire call was made at about 8:45 p.m., Scipio Township volunteer firefighters found themselves faced with a blaze that was burning out of control.

Flying embers created by the fire periodically set two nearby warehouses ablaze, before they too were extinguished by firefighters. The Pinola Saloon, several yards to the east of the grain elevator, did not appear to sustain very much structural damage.

Scipio Township firefighters, who received aid from firefighters in Westville, Center Twp, Cool-spring Twp and Springfield Township, were able to knock down most of the blaze within the first half hour. However, the fire continued to burn well into the night.

One Scipio Township firefighter was pulled from the scene momentarily after inhaling some of the thick, black smoke that poured from the burning building. He was administered oxygen by a LaPorte County EMS crew.

The blaze could be seen from as far away as the western edge of LaPorte, attracting dozens of nearby residents who lined the berms of Ind. 2 and CR-500W to witness the action.

At the most intense moments of the fire, aerial units were brought in to battle flames from above. This morning, the building was unrecognizable except for one or two standing beams that once supported the two-story elevator.

Scipio Township Fire Chief Walter Sass was at the scene of the blaze this morning in an attempt to locate a cause.

Neighboring residents at the scene said the warehouse had been empty for the past 10 years and contained only a few materials that were to be used to renovate the outdated building.

The building was sold off, piece by piece, during an auction at the elevator site in March 1990.

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Meritorious Service Award Presented



Fire Marshal Gene Goddard presents the Meritorious Service Award to Lyle Ault of Pershing Twp. Fire Dept.

Jackson County Emergency Responders were honored by the Surprise Christian Church on Sunday evening July 19th with a special appreciation service. Representatives from Brownstown Fire Department, Hamilton Township Volunteer Fire Department, Pershing Township Volunteer Fire Department, and Jackson County Ambulance were recognized for their outstanding personal contributions to the residents of Jackson County.

"These people are the finest in the world," said Larry Morris, minister of Surprise Christian Church. "They give us so much and never ask for anything in return. They are the actual "Good Samaritans" who quietly go about their business of doing for others and fulfilling the love that

so many people only talk about."

A special surprise came to Pershing Township Firefighter Lyle Ault when Fire Marshal Gene Goddard arrived to present him with the Meritorious Service Award for his 33 years of active duty.

"We are so proud of Lyle and for all that he has done over the years," said Pershing President Greg Sutton. "He deserves this award and so much more."

Ault's father and other family members sneaked into the rear of the church to witness his special recognition without ruining the surprise. Pershing Township Fire fighters and Ladies Auxiliary hosted a reception for Mr. Ault following the program.

Pershing Twp. Fire Dept.

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THIRD PLACE:

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A Letter from Miss Flame

Dear friends,

First of all, I want to tell you all how excited I am to be the 1992-1993 Miss Flame. It's really an honor.

I can't thank everyone enough for their help and encouragement. I'd especially like to thank my parents, Judy Hildebrand, Paul Covington, Barbara Parker, Manchester Fire Dept. and Ladies Auxiliary, and the girls who were with me at convention,

you guys are great!

I'm really looking forward to this year and I hope to get a lot of opportunities to come see you all. I'll try to make it to any special events I'm invited to. So be sure to write if you're having one where you live. This fall I'll be attending Purdue to study chemical engineering, so even if I'm gone, I'll get that letter somehow.

Again, thank you for honoring me with the title of Miss Flame. I hope I can represent the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association as well as it deserves to be.

Thank you,

Jennifer Hambrick
9820 SR 48
Aurora, Indiana 47001

New Squad Put In Service



Paradise Fire Dept. and the vehicles housed at their station.

Paradise recently put a 4 door 1 ton Chevy Crew Cab Rescue Squad in service. This Squad will replace an older squad that has reached its peak of service. The new squad was ordered and put in service by dept. members, with all work being done by firefighters. The department now houses 2 pumpers, 2 rescue squads, 1 brushtruck, 2 tankers and 1 parade truck to serve, Ohio Township. Through hard work and ded-

ication Paradise Fire has grown since its formation in 1979 into a top notch department dedicated to the conservation of life and property. If you have any questions concerning Paradise Fire Dept., you can write to:

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OFFICER'S MEETING

May 2, 1992, Best Western Waterfront Plaza Hotel, Indianapolis. The meeting was called to order by President Nevil. The Pledge to the flag was led by Vice President Parish. The Invocation was given by Chaplain Lantz. The roll call was taken by Secretary Kissell with a quorum present. President Nevil called for the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Richard Glant made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes and to accept them as printed. Seconded by Larry Petro. President Nevil introduced William Seagraves, Executive Director, Public Safety Training Institute.

OFFICER'S REPORT

President Nevil stated he attended several leadership conference meetings, stress management seminars and caucus meetings. He also announced that he had accepted a position in the Fire Marshal's office. He will serve out his term as president this year. An election will be held at this year's convention. He stated that he will be resigning from the EMS Commission on May 22nd.

Vice President Parish attended seven district meetings, went to Cooney Tucker's funeral, attended all six stress management schools, went to Washington, D.C. and to the National Fire Academy.

Secretary Kissell announced that the membership is now 17,700. He has received dues for two new departments and stated that the dues billing was sent out on April 20th.

Treasurer Stofer gave his financial report as of April 30, 1992.

Chaplain Lantz stated he had 4 memorial services, 2 funerals, had attended 4 district meetings, the stress management class, went to Washington, D.C. and attended Carl Davis' 50th wedding anniversary.

Recording Secretary Davies reported he had attended 5 district meetings, 2 Miss Flame Contests, 1 Ind Fire Serv. Inst. meeting in Indianapolis, 1 IVFA '92 Convention meeting in Clarksville, the stress management class in Greencastle, 4 department meetings and went to Washington, D.C.

Sgt-at-Arms Bush reported he has attended 4 district meetings, the stress management class. He also announced that the new flag poles have arrived.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

L. Swartz reported attending 2 district meetings. All other past presidents in attendance passed.

At this time, President Nevil introduced Bill Seagraves, Exec. Dir. for the Public Safety Training Inst. who spoke about the program and gave an updated report on the Institute including the visitations of potential sites for the institute.

PUBLIC RELATION DIRECTORS

NE Kinsey stated that the attendance at the stress management class was fair. He spoke on Cooney Tucker's funeral.

At this time, President Nevil also spoke on Cooney Tucker's funeral. Chaplain Lantz read a poem about Cooney Tucker.

EC Jackson was absent.

SE Hildebrand was absent.

SW Davis mentioned his stress management class was well attended. He also spoke of a dedication of a new fire station.

NW Howe reported attending all district meetings in his area and also attended the funeral of Cooney Tucker.

WC Michl reported making all district meetings and that the stress management class attendance in his area was good.

President Nevil introduced Mike Garvey from the EMS Commission who spoke on the EMT/First Responder defib program and also the equipment grant program available to EMS units. A question and answer session followed this presentation.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORTS

D1 Kepshire reported he also went to Washington, D.C. and that a gold card member had died in his district.

D2 Stott mentioned his district meeting attendance was good. He also went to Washington, D.C.

D3 Bentley reported that his EDITH house is active again. More than 8,000 kids have now been through the house.

D4 Ferro reported the district meeting attendance was good and there had been 1 death in the district.

D5 Glant reported the license plate program running well in his district.

D6 Engle reported 2 deaths in the district, the attendance at the district meetings had been good.

D7 Sorg reported good attendance at district meetings, 2 deaths in the district and the license plate applications going good.

D8A Flenor stated the license plate applications going well.

D8B Petro reported license plate sales good, district meeting attendance had been good, attendance at the stress management class was poor.

D9A Sutton reported the district meetings were going well.

D9B Hoehler reported attendance at the stress management class was poor. There had been 1 death in the district.

D10 Neal stated that the attendance at the stress management class was poor. License plate sales going well.

D11A Meyers reported that he went to Washington, D.C., attended the stress management class and the '92 convention chairman was at his last district meeting.

D11B Osborne reported he attended Cooney Tucker's funeral and had 1 department back after several years absence.

D12 Johnson was absent.

D13A Cushman reported district activities were slow.

D13B Cox reported district attendance at meeting was down.

D14 Woodfill stated attendance at stress management class was poor. There had been 3 deaths in the district and the license plate sales going well.

D15 Seitz reported going after 2 new departments to join. There are 2 new stations under construction in his district.

D16 Hickman reported attendance at district meeting was up. New departments will join in the future.

D17A Engle commented on his district activities.

D17B Zeeks was absent.

D18 Heneisen reported attendance at district meeting was good, the attendance at the stress management class was poor.

The meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:30 p.m. and at this time President Nevil introduced Phil Griffith, Chief of the Valparaiso Fire Department who spoke on the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance Burn Camp. This camp is in our state for burned children plus a fire education and fire prevention programs for public awareness within the state.

President Nevil announced that the Ollie Sandburg Award committee will meet in the Vice President's room immediately following this meeting.

D19 Covington stated he went to Washington, D.C., the attendance at his district meeting has been good.

D20 Palmiero reported 1 death in the district.

D21 Martin reported the attendance at district meetings had been good, the license plates going well and the attendance at the stress management class was not good.

D17B Zeeks reported he attended the stress management class. At this time, Chaplain Lantz requested all district chairmen turn the names of deceased members from their districts into Secretary Kissell.

President Nevil introduced Stan Gibson who spoke on the State Fire Schools and the good attendance at this school. NFPA 1500 is up for re-adoption. Gene Stofer expanded on this subject from a meeting he attended in Tennessee.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolutions - Lee Kissell announced there would be no resolutions to be presented at this year's convention floor.

Legislative - Stofer reported that 2 bills went through this year for us. S.B. 422 Vol Firefighter Special Death Benefit, Public Law 51-1992, the Natl Vol. Fire Council is pushing for passage of bill H.R. 3360 Federal Fire Safety Act of 1992. SB 1698, The Natl. Fallen Firefighters Foundation Act. NVFC is pushing for federal funding for this bill. Benj. Franklin Fire Service Bill of Rights (HR 2448) needs to be pushed for passage. HR 3601 Local Partnership Act of 1992.

Editor's Assistant - Howe announced that articles are still needed. The paper will be in the mail by May 18th.

Natl. Vol. Fire Council - Stofer commented that courses are still available at the Natl. Fire Academy. No one has attended in the past two years. In 1990 there were 105 firefighter deaths, in 1991 there were 66, the death benefit has been increased to \$119,894.

Public Education - Parker stated that a new TV spot is finished. The public education trailer is out of circulation. It will be redone and used only at the convention site.

EMS - Nevil for Johnson reported that the standard run form is now being worked on.

Membership - Bruns reported that the membership numbers are going up due mainly to the license plate program.

Bridgeport Scholarship - Swartz announced that he had received 38 applications for this year.

Fire Schools & Training - Parish reported that all schools are over. There were 6 stress management schools. 154 people attended these schools. The release forms from all PR areas have not been received. Also, the Emergency Call List is not functioning properly. There are too many cracks in the floor. The information is not being relayed to the proper people and this list needs to be used.

Historical - Parish asked how many books are to be printed? The committee needs numbers and costs so that work may proceed. The membership packets have been made and are ready for disbursement at the August meeting.

At this time, President Nevil announced the convention committee assignments.

Insurance - Stofer spoke on the problems in this area. The mandated programs relate to the existing problems. A question and answer session followed his presentation.

Safety - Covington announced that there will be an article in the latest paper and he is still looking for more input in this area.

Games - Mandel reported everything is ready as of right now.

President's Advisory - Nevil stated they will accept names from the northern part of the state for the EMS Commission.

Fire Expo - Stofer stated the expo will be held on June 18-19-20, 1993 at the Convention Center located in Indianapolis. The contract has been signed. The displays will be at the Hoosier Dome. The Indiana Fire Services Institute banquet will be held at the Adams Mark on November 15, 1992.

Awards - Parish reported he needed to know if the Midwest Awards recipients names were to be read or not at the banquet at the convention. All district chairmen present were polled.

President Nevil announced the convention schedule of events. This is a tentative schedule and is subject to change.

The meeting recessed at 9:00 p.m. until the following day at 9:00 a.m.

SUNDAY MAY 3, 1992

The meeting was called to order by President Nevil with the Invocation given by Chaplain Lantz.

OFFICER'S REPORT CONT

EC Jackson stated that he had made all of his district meetings.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Past President Lockhart is recovering from surgery nicely. He had a triple by-pass operation.

COMMITTEE REPORT'S CONT

Ad Solicitor - Ford made his ad report and stated there were no problems at this time. He spoke about three companies who no longer have ads in the newspaper.

OLD BUSINESS

President Nevil announced that the 1992 Convention Chairman Bob Stewart would address the joint session at the luncheon today. Pete Lockhart commented on the convention booklet for this year. The cost of this booklet was discussed along with what items would appear.

At this time, President Nevil announced that the floor was open for discussion about the paper.

Bill Kinsey commented on the amount of readers there were that were actually reading the paper. He asked what is the real purpose for the paper?

Gene Stofer remarked, 1. Were we getting our money's worth? 2. The paper is not getting out on schedule due to the lack of news not being received by the editor. John Kepshire remarked the paper is a good tool for jobs or projects that have been completed. Pete Lockhart stated news concerning the organization should be placed on the front page for viewing and to catch the eye of the reader. He also remarked about a monthly newsletter as a possibility of resolving the problem.

Bill Kinsey read the By-Law articles governing the newspaper.

Pete Lockhart made a motion to reduce the size of the newspaper to 8 X 11 and mail them to the departments rather than to the individual members. Motion seconded by Larry Jackson. After a floor discussion Pete Lockhart withdrew his motion.

A motion by Larry Jackson to have the president appoint a committee to study this problem. Seconded by Richard Glant. Motion carried by a voice vote.

President Nevil appointed to this committee: Lee Kissell, Chairman, Larry Jackson, Gene Stofer, Paul Covington and Pete Lockhart. They will report at the June meeting.

At this time, a question and answer session regarding the expo for 1993 was held. Just about every subject and topic available was discussed.

A motion was made by Carl Davis to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Paul Covington. Motion carried by a voice vote.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glant. A motion was made by Dwayne Osborne to suspend with the reading of the minutes. Seconded by Larry Petro. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Chairman Glant advised that Sgt-at-Arms had two briefcases and they would be distributed to those who needed them.

NEW BUSINESS

Paul Covington requests a person with a journalism background and who would be willing to assist the committee. It was stated by Chairman Glant that the committee chairman has the authority to do this automatically.

Bill Howe asked if the organization was going to support the burn camp.

Larry Petro made a motion to have the association secretary send a letter to Chief Phil Griffith for moral support. Seconded by Dwayne Osborne. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Ivan Nevil reminded those in attendance about making reservations for the August meeting here at the Waterfront.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Larry Stott. Seconded by Larry Petro. Motion carried by a voice vote.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Lantz.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davies

Recording Secretary

Paradise Fire Department Reserve Program

A Reserve Program has been established for those wishing to be involved in the fire service who for other reasons can't be full-time members. The Reserves will be trained to assist firefighters in non hazardous duties.

Paradise Reserve Program will join the list of volunteers that make Paradise Fire strong in its services.

Already active for the past 5 years is the firefighters Auxiliary. The Auxiliary works with firefighters on fundraisers and various events and projects and holds events on their own to raise money for projects such as families who have lost their home or belongings due to a disaster. The Auxiliary also assists firefighters on fireground scenes with rehab.

Paradise Fire and its members is very proud of the wives, husbands, and family members who vol. and support the department.

Mark Frederick, Dist. 3

Districts 1 & 2

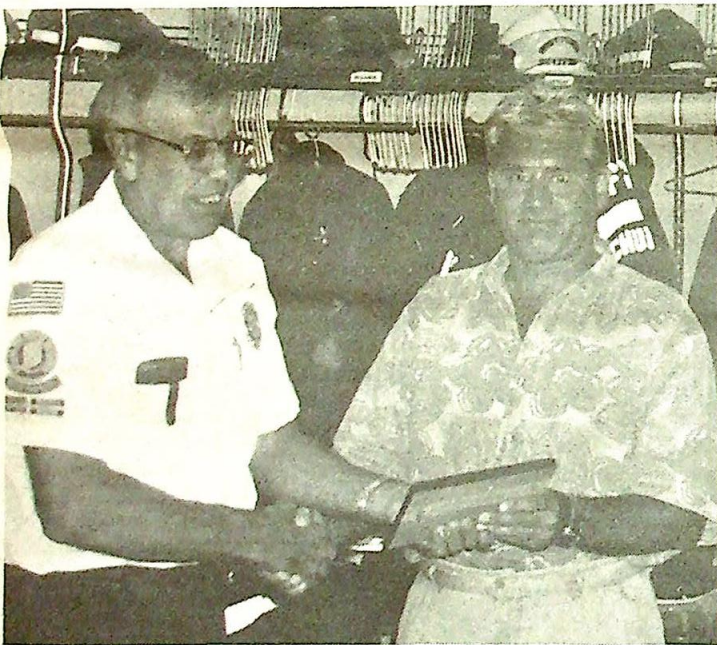
District Meeting on Page 4



Left to right: State Fire Marshal, Gene Goddard and his wife Betty; IVFA President, Mitch Parish; IVFA Chaplain, Duane Lantz; IVFA Past President, Lawrence Swartz.



District 2 - Tom Frederick presenting Midwest award to Ralph Knapp, Sr.



District 1 - Tom Frederick presenting Midwest award to Bob Esserman.



St. Anthony's Director EMS - Dale Lanham, EMS Commission.

Question to the State Ethics Commission

GENERAL INFORMATION
Indiana law provides at 40 IAC 2-2-1(h), "Any opinion rendered by the commission, until amended or revoked, is binding on the commission in any subsequent al-

legations concerning the person who requested the opinion and who acted on it in good faith, unless material facts were omitted or misstated by the person in the request for the opinion or testimony before the commission." If this opinion misstates or omits a material fact or fails to respond adequately to your inquiry, please write or call the State Ethics Commission to request a supplemental opinion.

The State Ethics Commission will publish a summary of this opinion after the Commission has altered it to remove your name.

QUESTION
Your request was understood to be that you wanted the State Ethics Commission to determine if a fire inspector in the State Fire Marshal's office is permitted to serve as a volunteer fire chief of a local fire dept.

FACTS
The information that the Commission received is that you are the Director of the State Emergency Management Agency and Dept. of Fire and Building Services. As such, you were re-

questing a formal Ethics Commission opinion concerning moonlighting by certain employees of the State Fire Marshal's office. John Buckman, fire inspector, is a state fire inspector and a local fire chief. The current policy of the State Fire Marshal's office prohibits fire inspectors from holding a second job pertaining to what they do, but specifically permits an inspector to be on a local volunteer fire dept. The question is whether that policy should be changed.

John Buckman is a field inspector in six counties in the Evansville area. Inspectors duties include inspections of new or renovated construction and existing buildings for compliance with applicable fire codes and building safety rules, state and federal law, rules and regulations of other state agencies (i. e., the dept of Public Welfare, State Board of Health, and Dept. of Mental Health), and accepted plans and specifications. These duties may call for an inspector to investigate, prepare reports, conduct follow-up inspections, and serve as a witness in court on fire and safety code issues.

Mr. Buckman is also chief of the German Twp. Fire Dept. The twp. is forty-nine square miles and is within the six counties he serves as fire inspector. The German Twp. Fire Dept. is set up under statute as a volunteer fire dept and non-profit corporation governed by a board of directors who must be residents of the twp. The board is currently made up of members of the fire dept. The budget for the German Twp. Fire Dept. is \$140,000 of which \$110,000 comes from taxing authority. The balance was raised through a fund drive. As chief, Mr. Buckman is responsible for directing operations of the fire dept including prevention, fire investigation, and personnel education. He directs operations at emergencies, insures proper management and discipline of members, carries out the policies approved by the board of directors, reports to the board, develops a budget sufficient to operate the dept, approves expenditures of money budgeted, and ensures that accurate records are kept. A fire chief must file monthly run activities, fire investigations, and fatalities reports with the State Fire Marshal's office. He is also responsible for inspecting all industrial and commercial property within the township's first response district. Mr. Buckman is paid on a point system and receives a clothing allowance. Last year he earned \$392.

According to IC 36-8-17-5, the fire chief in every fire dept. is an assistant to the State Fire Marshal and shall comply with the order issued by the Fire Marshal's office directing the fire dept. to assist the Fire Marshal's office.

Areas of potential overlapping in responsibilities in the two offices include inspections, investigations, training, and dealings as a state employee with the fire dept. of which he is chief. Local fire dept training programs do not have to be approved by nor is a fire dept certified by the State Fire Marshal's office. The German Twp. Fire Dept. had applied for certification as a rescue squad through SEMA another state agency under the same director.

Mr. Buckman as a fire inspector for the state inspected three schools and one nursing home in German Twp. When another fire dept. calls Mr. Buckman for assistance in a fire investigation as to the cause and origin of a fire, Mr. Buckman asks if the fire dept. wants him to do an official investigation as a State Fire Marshal or help as a fire chief.

The current Fire Marshal testified that it was beneficial to the agency to have employees willing to volunteer time to their community as vol. firefighters. He felt that it was an asset to state government to have employees who are trained to do a number of things. It is extremely difficult to find people willing to serve as vol. firefighters, partly due to a growing number of federal regulations.

RELEVANT LAW

The relevant statute is on conflict of interest, IC 4-2-6-9(a). "A state officer or employee may not participate in any decision or vote of any kind in which the state officer or the employee or that individual's spouse or unemancipated children has a financial interest."

The relevant rule is 40 IAC 2-1-8 on moonlighting. "A state employee shall not engage in outside employment or other outside activity not compatible with agency rules or the full and proper discharge of public duties and responsibilities. This outside employment or other outside activity must not impair independence of judgment as to official responsibilities, pose a likelihood of conflict of interest, or require or create an incentive for the employee to disclose confidential information acquired as a result of official duties."

The Dept. of Fire and Building Services Policy, 1989 edition, says, "Officers and other agency employees that hold or wish to hold a second job outside the

dept. shall report such employment to the appropriate appointing authority. However, employees may not directly or indirectly work for an activity which is in any way connected with the several missions of this agency. As a matter of dept. policy, an agency employee shall not directly or indirectly work for an organization which is in any way supported, linked, or regulated by any activity of the dept."

DISCUSSION

Although there are areas of overlap of authority and possible legal complications in serving in the two positions, the State Ethics Commission felt that, rather than constituting violations of the conflict of interest statute or the moonlighting rule, these posed management problems. In weighing the benefits, the Commission thought there was a large overriding public policy consideration in favor of allowing employees to serve as a vol. firefighter and fire chief.

ADVISORY OPINION

Following the discussion, the Commission, based upon the information received made the following motion:

The Commission finds it is not a conflict of interest for an inspector of the State Fire Marshal's office to serve as chief of a vol. fire dept. The State Fire Marshal's office is to screen an employee serving on a vol. fire dept from investigations and decisions relating to that fire dept.

Carol Kirk, Director

V.F.W. Post 8972 donates to Bremen V.F.D.



Pictured above from left to right in front row are Jay Stoneburner, Pres., BVFD; Rick Hardy, Comdr. VFW 8972; Jr. Parker, House Comm. VFW; Kent Koontz, Treas. BVFD; Ron Kline, VFW House Comm.; Roger Holmes, House Comm, VFW. Back row, Left to right, Jerry Lanning Chief BVFD; Tim Kukzar, Lt. BVFD; Dick Glant, Secretary BVFD & Vice President IVFA; Glen Kile, Assit Chief BVFD; Earl Kulczar, Mechanic & Member BVFD. In the background is Bremen's rescue truck that carries the new pump & jaws.

At a recent ceremony in Bremen, IN Bremen V.F.W. Post 8972 donated \$4,000.00 to the Bremen Vol. Fire Dept. towards the purchase of an electrical pump for the jaws of life. The pump is much quieter than the conventional gasoline pump.

Only a few days after the presentation the Fire Dept. put the pump to use at a collision sight and it worked great!!
Fred Cook, Public Relations Officer, Bremen Vol. Fire Dept.



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Convention

All convention pictures sent in by Bruce Neal

Honored Speakers & Award Winners



Father Duane Lantz honors fallen IVFA firefighters and auxiliary members during the Memorial Service at Convention.



Ivan Nevil 1991-92 President of the IVFA.



Bob Stewart Chairman of Convention '92. Bob and his committee did a super job. Thumbs up - Bob!

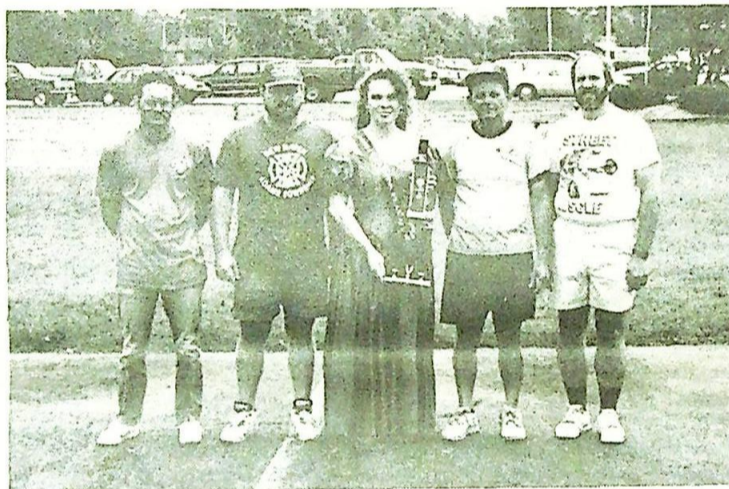


Nancy Neal 1992 - 92 President of the IVFAA.

Waterball Contest Winners



1st Place - Penn South
Bob Elkins, Bryon Aldrich, Rock Kryshi, Ora Lane, and Miss Flame - Jennifer Hambrick.



2nd Place - New Haven - Adams Twp. Team #1
Mike Mackin, Steve Mason, Dave Mason, Jean Smith and Miss Flame.



3rd Place - Indy Rebels
Mark Collins, Jim Cameron, Karl (Hess) Bewley, Miss Flame and Mike Cole, not shown.

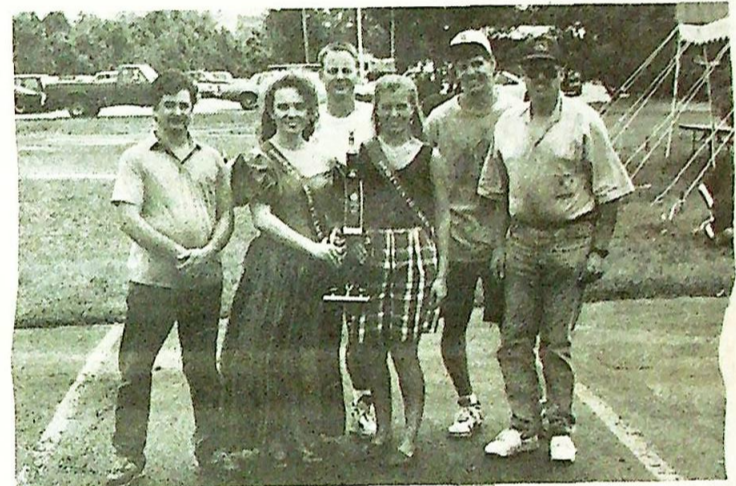


4th Place - New Haven - Adams Twp. Team #2
Dennis Stoll, Porter Teter, Jim Gallmeyer, Mike Engle, and Miss Flame.

Hose Replacement Winners



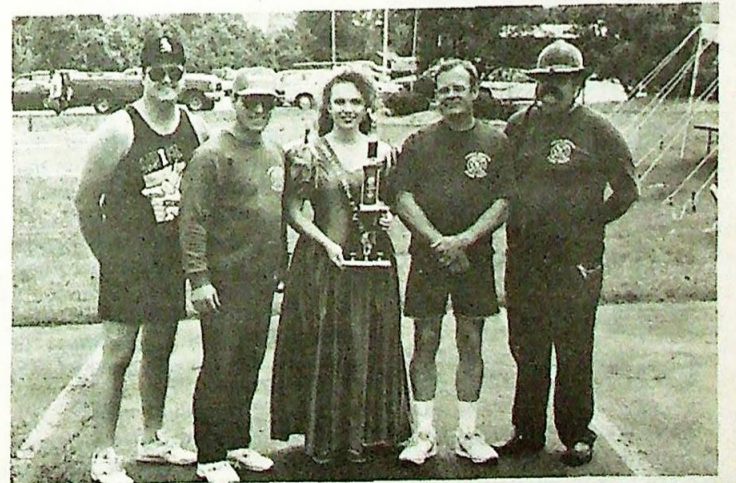
1st Place - Lake Hills
Douglas Atchley, Duane Banter, Brett Sidenbender, Jolen Farmer and Miss Flame.



2nd Place - Kingsford Union
Bob Bentley, Spencer Walker, Chase Robowski, Bob Harris, Miss Flame and Runner-up - Felissia Robowski.



3rd Place - New Haven - Adams Twp. Fire Dept.
Jim Gallmeyer, Porter Teter, Steve Mason, Dave Mason and Miss Flame.



4th Place - Penn South
Rock Kryshi, Bryon Aldrich, Ora Lane, Bob Elkins, and Miss Flame.

Highlights



1992 Miss Flame Contest



1992 Miss Flame - Jennifer Hambrick
Runner-up - Felissa Robowski

Cart Race Winners



1st Place - Penn - Adams
Rock Kyyski, Jim Gallmeyer, Byron Aldrich, Porter Teter, Ora Lane and Steve Mason.

Meritorious Service Award



State Fire Marshal Gene Goddard with Carl Davis, the recipient of the Fire Marshal's Meritorious Service Award.

Mr. IVFA Award



Bill Bush - 1992 Mr. IVFA and Joan Hayes - 1992 Lois Boaz recipient. Congratulations to Bill & Joan.



2nd Place - Lake Hills
Roy Adams, Mark Adams, Calvin Wheeler, Douglas Atchley, John Farmer, Brett Sidenbender and Miss Flame.

One Response to Changing the Newspaper

Dear Mr. Kissell:

We, the members of the Fort Branch Union Township Volunteer Fire Department, are concerned about the possibility of discontinuing the IVFA sponsored newspaper. Of the 21 members on our department, all have stated that they may not read every article, but do find articles that interest them.

At the last IVFA District 15 meeting held at the the Scott Township Fire Department in Daylight, it was brought to our attention that due to not having enough literature to print a 24 page paper and due to the cost of publishing, discontinuing the paper is being considered. We encourage you in the writing of this letter, that of all the many Volunteer Fire Departments there are in Indiana, there is more than ample information that could be published. Some examples of this could be the reporting of structure fires, along with pictures, the purchasing of new fire apparatus, emergency equipment, and any new members a department may have.

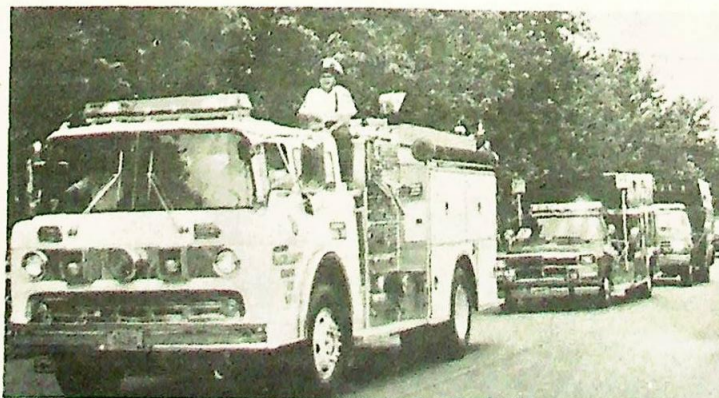
We ask that you publish this letter in the next edition of The Volunteer Fireman in an attempt to create more interest.

Sincerely,
Fort Branch Vol. Fire Dept.



3rd Place - Kingsford Union
Bob Bendley, Dan Timm, Spencer Walker, Chase Robowski, Bob Harris, Miss Flame 1992 - Jennifer Hambrick and Runner-up - Felissa Robowski.

1992 Convention Parade



The Convention Parade always has a lot of fire apparatus. This year was no exception.



1992 Miss Flame contestants.
17 Beauties.

District 10 Awards



District 10 Midwest Award winner Pam Graham of German Twp. Fire Dept. is surrounded by previous Midwest award winners. Left to right: David Israel, John Ray, Pam Graham, Jim Parker and Tom Foist.



District 10 Greensburg Asst. Chief John Tumilty presents the 1992 Ray Bentley Award to David Israel of Clay Twp. Fire Dept.

Concord Twp. Ratings Improve

By ROD ROWE

Concord Township residents may reap a substantial fire insurance savings this year, as the insurance rating has been upgraded for homes protected by the Concord Fire Department.

As of March 1, the Insurance Services Office (ISO) fire risk rating for buildings in the township was upgraded to a Class 6 from previous ratings of Class 8 or 9. This could reduce insurance rates by 25 percent in areas more than 1,000 feet from a fire hydrant, according to township fire officials.

This will not affect areas within 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant, as a Class 6 rating became effective in those areas Jan. 1, 1990.

According to the ISO, areas without fire hydrants have a slim chance of reducing its ratings below class 9. According to Public Protection Classification and Territory (an ISO publication) only three other fire depts. have under a class 9.

The savings will be "substantial," said Jerry Brewton, owner of Brewton Insurance. He said he just learned of the upgrade last weekend and has asked the insurance companies he represents to send him print-outs of everyone who may be affected.

He said the savings may be about \$100 per year for owners of homes worth \$75,000 and as much as \$250 for coverage of \$150,000 homes.

"I think the people of Concord

Township owe a debt of gratitude to the Concord Fire Department," said Brewton, a Concord resident. "I think it's tremendous. It says a

lot for the guys on the department."

"It speaks very highly for the Concord Fire Department," said Fred Teall, an owner of the King-Teall Agency in Goshen. "Congratulations," he said of the department's news. He said the change indicates the fire department operates much like a city department, to obtain this new rating.

The city of Goshen, which has a paid, full-time fire department and fire hydrants throughout the city, has an ISO rating of 5.

Teall said homeowners should contact their insurance agents immediately, as the insurance companies themselves may not know that a certain home qualifies for the change.

Because of the upgrade in rating, Teall said an "average" home valued at \$65,000 in Concord Township could have a premium reduction of up to 40 percent.

NEW TRUCKS, TRAINING

Concord officials have worked, trained and purchased \$300,000 worth of fire equipment over the past four years to earn the higher fire protection rating.

Through the funding assistance of the township trustee and advisory board, the fire department purchased a new fire engine in 1990. The truck holds 2,500 gallons of water and has a pump capacity of 1,500 gallons per minute.

Also that year, the department purchased 2,200 feet of new five-inch fire hose and altered tanker hookups for faster water handling capabilities. Two portable folding dump tanks were purchased, with capacities of 3,000 and 4,000 gallons.

The fire equipment purchases are possible because of a 10-cent fire protection tax rate in property taxes. The tax will raise about \$120,000 on Concord property out side the city of Elkhart this year.

The taxes raised and spent on fire equipment is far less than the savings in insurance premiums, explained Nyla Moore, Concord Township trustee. She said she recently computed the taxes on a friend's home and figured that the

10-cent rate on a home valued at \$80,000 is equal to about \$22.

"The credit for the savings goes absolutely to these men (firefighters). They know they are also taxpayers. They kept that in mind when writing specifications for new equipment," Moore said. "Everything they did, they did to save the taxpayers money" in insurance premiums.

Forty percent of the rating is water handling capability," said Concord Fire Chief Pete Rheinheimer.

Nevertheless, through ingenuity, enthusiasm, and the support of our firefighters and help from Twp. Trustee and Board, the CFD lowered the rating to a class 6.

1988-Met with Chief Lindsey of Clay Township St. Joe County. He explained procedures that they went through to obtain a class 6.

1989-7 dept. drill was held at Concord High School to evaluate tanker shuttle operations. Participating departments were Baugo, Harrison, Wakarusa, Cleveland, Osolo and Elkhart Township. Flowed nearly 2000 gallons per minute for over an hour. Learned that significant improvements needed to be made in our procedures and equipment.

1989-On ISO's first visit they spent three days evaluating fire department. January 1, 1990 received new class 6 for area's within 1000 ft. of the fire hydrant. Previously a class 8. We explained our desire to be rated beyond a hydranted area and that new equipment was on order for that purpose. They stated that they only do ratings every 10 to 15 years but could possibly return in 91 due to the above.

1990-Early in 90 new equipment arrives consisting of Engine 3 Pumper/Tanker with 2500 gallons of water, and a 1500 gallon a minute pump. A new brush fire truck. A new chassis and refurbishment of Rescue Truck Squad 7. 2200 feet of 5 inch large diameter hose.

Also same year modified to improved loading and unloading of water on existing 4000 gallon tanker (Tanker 9). Improved ef-

iciency 11%. Improved pumping capacity of engine 4 (pumper/tanker).

Purchased 2 portable folding dump tanks 3000 and 4000 gallons. Used at the scene of the fire tankers are able to discharge their water into the tanks and able to leave and refill trucks. Typically our tankers can dump water at a rate of 2000 gpm, and fill using 5" hose at 1,500 gpm.

Also in the 1990 learned that ISO will only recognize mutual aid if it's automatically dispatched on the first alarm basis. On reported business fires set up automatic aid with Baugo and Harrison Fire Departments. This provided us with one additional pumper and three tankers. Baugo Fire Department also responds to approximately 2 square miles in the west part of Concord Township on all fires and serious medical calls.

Concord Fire Dept. also provides the same service to them.

As soon as new trucks and equipment arrived began extensive training and experimentation with different procedures to be more efficient. Many tanker shuttle drills were held at Concord High School Parking lot. Several including mutual aid departments.

The most extensive training and the one item that had the most influence on the new rating class was the 5 inch hose. This size hose was new to the department and many new procedures had to be developed. 5 inch hose can flow 6 times as much as the traditional 2 1/2 inch fire hose. In our drills using the new pumper and the hose we were able to flow 1500 gallons a minute 1000 feet from the fire hydrant. This previously would have taken 3 pumpers and all of their hose to do. We've been able to lay out 2000 ft. and flow 1300 gallons a minute in less than 6 minutes using only 4 firefighters. This procedure would have required at least 6 pumpers and a lot of time and manpower.

Spent over 2000 man hours in the last three years drilling to improve water supply alone.

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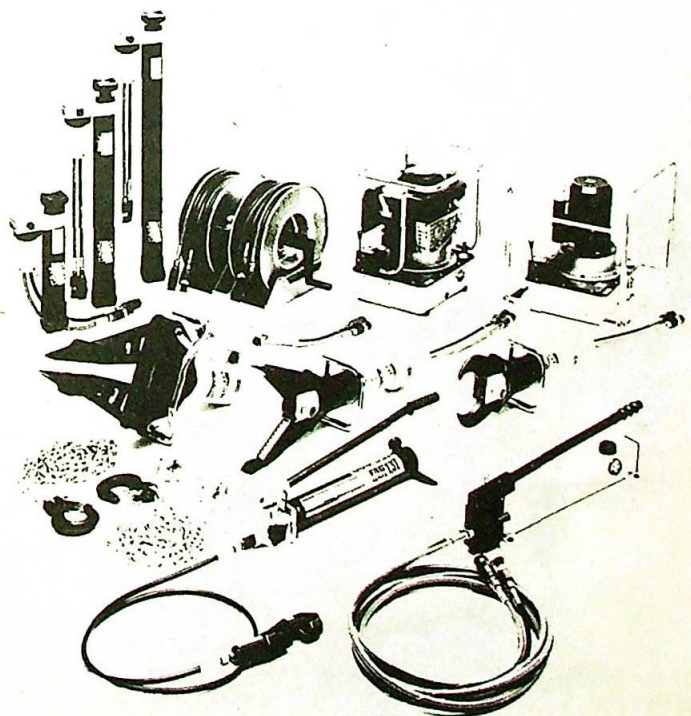
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DUMPSTERS AND TRASH COMPACTORS

WARREN TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

It's a nuisance fire, yet it seems routine, and recently we have learned just how dangerous they can be. Too many of us have become complacent concerning fires involving dumpsters/compactors, for such fires, while seemingly routine, may prove to cause quite a disturbing and embarrassing situation for us. Dumpsters/compactors and trash fires are where Americans discard much of their waste, and it's well known that our society can throw away just about everything and anything. In the "good old days," the dumpster fires were routine or nuisance fires, with content not too exotic. However, today, these waste containers may hold a wide variety of discarded materials ranging from ordinary combustible to hazardous materials. One can never tell what one might find in a dumpster/compactor and, for this reason, the fire service's approach to handling such fires has to be readapted.

First, we must define the terms "dumpster" and "trash compactor." A dumpster shall be defined as a large metal container, either covered or uncovered, that's main function is to contain waste materials. Dumpsters also have no mechanical or hydraulic assistance devices and are classified by volume containers (5 cubic yards, 7 cubic yards, etc.) A trash compactor is defined as a dumpster equipped with a mechanical or hydraulic device that compacts or crushes the waste materials into the dumpster so that more trash can be placed into it. Another item that can be found in the rear of many restaurants are called "grease pits", a metal container that cooking oil or grease may be put in and later disposed of or recycled.

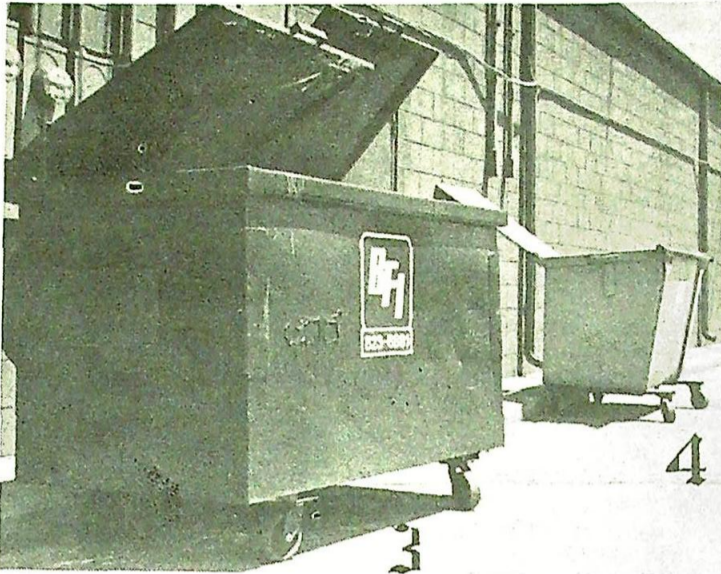
One of the problems with large dumpster/compactor fires lies in the determination of the nature of the contents. This rarely can be done without actually removing and examining them. However, many times a general idea concerning the type of contents may be obtained by determining the occupancy(ies) using the dumpster. For example, a dumpster serving a fast food eating establishment will likely contain discarded food boxes, and other combustible. But a dumpster serving a paint shop, body repair shop, chemical or industrial type business might just contain flammables, caustics, or other hazardous materials in addition to ordinary combustibles. In fact businesses that can be classified as light industry will quite often be involved in unusual processes and have a wide variety of waste materials. Of course, some businesses may find it cheaper to illegally dispose of hazardous waste via their dumpster service, thus adding to the confusion and danger. Since it is helpful to have some idea as to what materials are burning, knowing the occupancy type of the structure(s) using the dumpster will provide some insight into the problem.

Dumpster fires are, for the most part, small fires which are relatively minor and easily extinguished. There is however, a growing percentage of these fires that have caused mayhem, confusion, the evacuation of 5,000 people, and, all too often, embarrassment to firefighters. Trash compactor systems which are interconnected with a structure's trash room and/or shafts are the hardest to deal with and one that most often gets firefighters in trouble, especially when they get tunnel vision. These systems will rapidly spread smoke and sometimes fire throughout a building before some fireground officers can get a handle on the situation. It is very important that any time a fire occurs in such a compactor system, a crew must be sent to check the interior of the building for any smoke or heat conditions. This is especially true with any systems that use a drop shaft trash feed that will act like a chimney or wind tunnel feeding heat, smoke and fire throughout an area that you cannot see. It will be important to get into these areas as soon as possible to check for any possible extension. The delay, if any, in getting such a crew in side must be very little, for extension occurs quite rapidly. It is true that many modern buildings have their trash removal systems sprinkler protection, but it's only a few. The majority have no protection. If there has been a single engine respond to a trash or dumpster fire and you arrive finding it is a trash compactor connected to the building with trash drop shaft, it is important to reevaluate the equipment and manpower assignments.

The number one problem with dumpster fires located on the exterior of a building is the chance of extension into the building. Many businesses and residences like to keep their dumpsters handy, thus place them very close to or up against the building. Of course, they are never planning for it to catch fire, so why should they worry where they place it. This is an important point to remember during your preplan and fire prevention inspections. Just a simple reminder of the dangers the dumpster fire can create: when placed too close to the building a simple trash dumpster fire (\$100/\$300) is now a building and content fire (\$50,000 to 250,000). If a dumpster fire occurs next to a structure and there is any question of possible extension, then by all means check it out. Don't show up in court a year later explaining why the man's building burned down.

Now let's examine some of the different types of dumpster/trash compactors you may encounter during your inspection or fire fighting activities. Remember, that there are several different types and styles of trash dumpsters and compactors. Some even specially designed for a company or operation.

pany and telephone number should appear somewhere on the dumpster. Recently most of these companies have engraved their names, telephone number, and dumpster serial number on the sides of the units. There will be cases where some companies or businesses own their own dumpster and only use a service to remove the trash. This is not very common but with larger companies, like Hooks, it is easier, less expensive and allows special scheduling when required.



As mentioned earlier there are several companies supplying dumpsters in our area. They will vary in shape, size and cost. Some will have a side arm lift, others may be lifted from the bottom. NOTE: Several companies have replaced their top metal hinged flip lids with a rubber/PVC lid. When these burn it does two things; 1. melts away allowing more air inside the dumpster, 2. it puts off a very black smoke, that is toxic. Four or five breaths of this smoke can make you very ill for some time. So take the time to protect yourself and use safe and effective tactics. These are no longer just simple dumpster fires. In the above photo are two different types of dumpsters. Pictured above, Dumpster 3 - is a general business size dumpster, twenty-four cubic feet, side arm lift, with wheels making it portable and more mobile. NOTE: The location of this dumpster to the electrical power and meters could create some major problems. Dumpster 4, also pictured above, is a single lid, bottom lift, eighteen cubic foot unit.

There are also several different types of containers found around many businesses that you may mistake for trash dumpsters. Size-up the situation. What you may mistake for a dumpster may turn out to be a metal shaving bin, grease/cooking oil bin, or a solid waste recycling container. First, try to establish the type of business where the container is located. It may be your first lead into what might be burning. Second, establish the type of container you are dealing with and any exposures that should be considered. Third, do you have the right respond for the situation. Last, but not least, protect yourself. Wear your full protective clothing and when necessary wear your SCBA. Pull the pre-connect (1-3/4), not a booster line in fighting a dumpster fire. It is the unseen and the unexpected that gets you into TROUBLE every-time. That often leads to getting people hurt.

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Television Coverage Of The Fallen Firefighters' National Memorial Service

On Sunday, October 11, 1992, 105 career and volunteer firefighters, who lost their lives in the line of duty during 1991, will be honored at the "National Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Service" in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services, Inc., in cooperation with the United States Fire Administration and the National Fire Academy of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), will provide live television coverage of the service. The broadcast will be aired from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time.

Announcers for the program will be Rich Adams from FEMA's EENET and U. S. Fire Administration Deputy Administrator, Edward Wall.

The service will be broadcast over C-Band, Galaxy 2, Channel/Transponder 2, Downlink Frequency 3740 MHz or KU-Band, ASC-1, Transponder 20 (H), Downlink Frequency 11820 MHz.

Anyone wishing to view this honorable memorial service must have a satellite dish to receive this program. Videotapes of the service will be available at a modest cost following the program. Local taping and distribution are permitted and encouraged.

Organizations without access to a satellite dish should contact their local public broadcasting station or local cable company and ask that the program be carried. The local cable companies should have channels available for local programs or local government access channels.

For more information contact Linda Hurlley of the National Fire Academy at (301) 447-1357 or Tameia Monroe of Vol. Firemen's Ins. Services at (800) 233-1957.



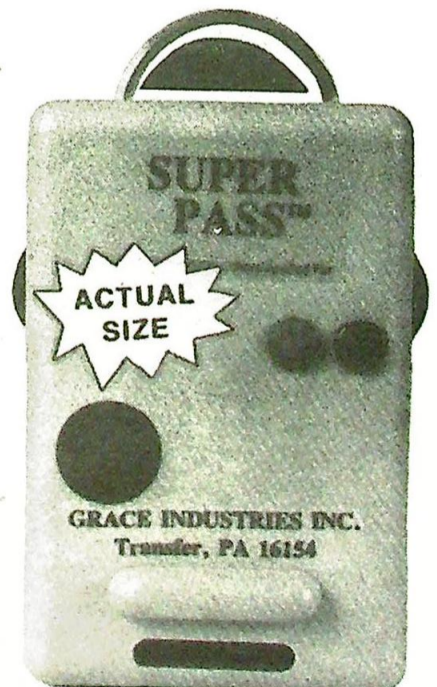
GROUND DUMPSTERS:

Shown above are two ground dumpsters, these are dumpsters that are intended to remain in place and not to be moved around. Most often found in apartment complex, small businesses or areas with large amounts of trash that might require daily removal. Dumpster 1 - is a sixty-four cubic foot dumpster with sliding doors on the side of the lift

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YOU . . . HEALTH AND SAFETY

Don Abbott, Chief, Warren Twp. Fire Dept., Marion County

In the last issue my first article spoke to the problem of creosote. In this issue I will feature the second article on You . . . Health and Safety. This problem is one that we all have faced, but too often fail to recognize the seriousness of its hazards.

ASBESTOS

WHAT IS ASBESTOS?

Asbestos is a mineral that appears in a fibrous and fluffy form when separated from rock in the asbestos mining process. As a result of the process, asbestos is separated into fibers of different length. These fibers are so soft and flexible that they can be made into thread and woven as fibers of cotton or flax.

Asbestos has many unique features besides its spinnability. The fibers are extremely fine and at the same time have high tensile strength. The fibers are resistant to heat, acid, corrosion and elements, and they possess great powers to absorb and to filter. Because of these properties, asbestos is in use in many thousands of products today.

WHERE MIGHT YOU ENCOUNTER ASBESTOS AS A FIRE-FIGHTER?

Asbestos is used in shingles for roofing and siding, in accoustical ceiling tiles, some linoleums and vinyl floor tiles, in sheets for exterior and interior walls, as insulation in walls behind stoves and furnaces, in insulation board, clapboard, and pipes that carry water, sewage, gas, and numerous other products, in lagging and other insulating wrapping (for example, in the wrapping around stove pipes,) as insulation in oven doors and walls, and in brakes, clutches and other mechanical parts needing protection from heat caused by friction.

Fire, by destroying surrounding material in which asbestos fibers may be embedded, releases these fibers into the air. The fibers themselves do not burn. During overhaul, firefighters tear apart burned structures looking for smouldering embers. This releases asbestos fibers from torn insulation and construction materials into the air. Smoke ejectors used to ventilate the fire site during overhaul may spread these fibers around even more. Asbestos may not be present at all fire sites, but it is not safe to assume that it is NOT present.

WHAT ARE THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF ASBESTOS EXPOSURE?

Asbestos is dangerous when the fibers are released into the air and inhaled and/or swallowed. In many products containing asbestos, the fibers are embedded into other materials such as cement, or glued into boards. This contained asbestos is not dangerous unless the material in which it is embedded is cut, torn, or sawed, releasing fibers into the air.

Asbestos fibers are microscopically small; each fiber is hundreds of times smaller than a human hair. The fibers are so fine that they can float in the air indefinitely without settling. Larger fibers may be trapped by mucous or nose hairs and blown out when you blow your nose. Smaller fibers may not be trapped and therefore can easily enter the lungs. Once in the lungs, asbestos fibers may lodge there and remain for life.

Two types of disease may result from breathing asbestos fibers into the lungs and/or swallowing them: asbestosis and cancer.

ASBESTOSIS: Asbestosis is an incurable scarring of the lungs caused by asbestos fibers lodging in the lung tissue. The fibers, if they enter the lungs, irritate them, causing an inflammation. As the inflammation heals, it leaves scar tissue. Over time, if millions of these fibers continue to accumulate in your lungs, there is a possibility that scar tissue can form to such an extent that it stops the air in your lungs from getting into your bloodstream. It also decreases the elasticity of your lungs, making it harder for them to expand and contract. Breathing capacity is then lessened and routine activities become more and more difficult. Eventually, if the disease continues to progress, heart failure can occur.

CANCER: No one knows for sure how cancer develops or why some people get it and others do not. It is known that asbestos exposure is related to increased occurrences of lung and esophageal cancer, cancer of the large intestine, and mesothelioma (a rare cancer of the lining of the chest or the abdominal lining). It is also known that the risk of getting cancer is increased considerably in persons who work around asbestos and are smokers.

ARE ALL TYPES OF ASBESTOS HARMFUL?

YES.

Every type of asbestos can cause asbestosis and/or cancer. There are four major types of asbestos used in the United States, although by and large, chrysotile is the most commonly used in this country.

AMOSITE

Color of Fiber: primarily brown, but also may be grey, green, or yellow.

Common Use: asbestos cement pipe, asbestos cement sheet, roofing products, thermal insulation.

ANTHOPHYLLITE

Color of Fiber: brown, green, or yellow.

Common Uses: asbestos cement pipe, packing and gaskets,

plastics, and paper.

CHRYSOTILE:

Color of Fiber: known as "white asbestos"

Common Uses: asbestos cement pipes, asbestos cement sheet, flooring products, roofing products, packing and gaskets, thermal insulation, electrical insulation, friction products, coating and compounds, plastics and paper.

CROCIDOLITE:

Color of Fiber: blue

Common Uses: asbestos cement pipe, packing and gaskets, plastics, paper

WILL ALL PERSON EXPOSED TO ASBESTOS GET CANCER?

NO.

It is still unknown why different toxic materials affect people differently. In the case of asbestos exposure, persons may be working side by side with almost identical exposures, some will get sick and some will not. It is known that persons exposed to asbestos have an increased risk of getting lung cancer as the length of exposure to asbestos continues-ESPECIALLY IF THEY SMOKE.

ARE SHORT TERM EXPOSURES TO ASBESTOS RISKY?

YES.

Until adequate studies are made to establish safe exposure levels, any exposure should be considered risky. Mesothelioma can develop as a result of a relatively short exposure to asbestos.

DOES EXPOSURE TO ASBESTOS CAUSE AN IMMEDIATE ILLNESS?

NO.

Most people working around asbestos will not suffer any immediate notable symptoms of asbestosis or cancer. Symptoms and/or disease may not occur for as long as 10-30 years after exposure (this time lag is called a "latency period"). People who have been exposed to heavy concentrations of asbestos have developed asbestosis within ten years or cancer within twenty years. However, as mentioned earlier, mesothelioma can develop as a result of a relatively short exposure.

WHAT ARE THE FIRST SIGNS OF ASBESTOS RELATED DISEASE? ASBESTOSIS:

The most obvious symptom a person with asbestosis will notice is shortness of breath. Activities that were always routine or simple to accomplish, such as climbing stairs, lifting or moving objects will cause severe shortness of breath and become extremely difficult to perform without intermittent rest. Also victims may develop pain in the upper back and chest.

LUNG CANCER:

The symptoms would parallel those of lung cancer from any source. A persistent cough or change in the cough habit would be the most common early symptom. The second most common symptom would be chest pain in the form of an aggravating ache. The ache would commonly be felt in the area of the body nearest the tumor and would not normally be related to the cough. Further, sputum streaked with blood and coughed up from the lungs is sometimes an early symptom of lung cancer. However, this can also be a symptom of pneumonia. In any case, if you see red streaks or spots in the material you cough, you should see a doctor.

HOW DO DOCTORS DIAGNOSE ASBESTOSIS OR LUNG CANCER?

Chest X-rays are the first diagnostic procedure used. Included in follow-up tests for confirmation of lung cancer are sputum samples that are viewed under the microscope and special X-rays.

DOES LUNG CANCER FOLLOW ASBESTOSIS?

Although both asbestosis and lung cancer are common among persons exposed to asbestos, it is not thought that one necessarily follows the other.

DOES MY EXPOSURE TO ASBESTOS ENDANGER MY FAMILY?

YES, it can, if you don't take some simple precautions. The real danger to families is through those who work with asbestos on a regular basis. Asbestos fibers can be carried home or even cling to hair on the arms, leg, head or in the nose. Then these fibers are released into the home environment.

It is especially important to hose your protective clothing off after each structure fire. You should shower and wash your personal clothing separate from that of any other clothing to be washed.

WHAT ARE THE STANDARDS FOR ASBESTOS EXPOSURE?

The Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) for asbestos is 2 fibers/cc of air, averaged over an 8-hour day. These "2 fibers" must be 5 microns in length or longer.

To give you an idea of what this means, it would take about 27,000 fibers of this size, laid end to end, to fit on a toothpick.

However, don't think it can't be that bad. Three fire departments have been in a year long study with the NOISH over the potential exposure at structure fires. In three out of five fires the average exposure was 5 fibers/cc of air to 29 fibers/cc of air, a potential re-occurring health hazard that we all must be aware of.

One department has seen the seriousness of the problem and has established a very compressive program. The New York City Fire Department has established a Reclamation Unit to develop and use a laundry for asbestos decontamination. They have built a 17 foot by 14 foot mobile unit that will travel to the scene and perform decon on personal protective equipment. It is truly a state of the art system. But, you might ask why go to this length. It's simple. This department was tired of the illness and down time, early pensions and firefighters dying of cancer at a very young age. It took these actions based on these problems in an attempt to remove one potential health and safety problem from a firefighter's mind and fears.

WHAT CAN I DO TO PROTECT MYSELF (AND OTHERS)?

Simply follows some general fireground safety practices.

1. ALWAYS WEAR A SCBA DURING A FIRE ATTACK (vehicle, structure, haz mat) AND OVERHAUL. THIS IS THE BEST MEANS OF PERSONAL PROTECTION AGAINST ASBESTOS EXPOSURE.

2. If you use fans during overhaul to ventilate the structure, aim them toward unoccupied areas. Keep personnel from standing down-

wind from the fans.

3. Wet down walls, ceiling, roof and pipes, BEFORE tearing them apart during overhaul. Fibers are then less likely to be released into the air.

4. Hose down and decon all personal protective equipment worn at the scene before leaving the site. Run off should not be a problem unless the fire occurred at an established asbestos removal site. Make sure SCBA's are washed and clean thoroughly.

5. Wash personal clothing separate from family wash (if possible it should be commercially cleaned). If the emergency occurred at a established asbestos clean-up site you should not wear any article of outer clothing home. Seal clothing in a plastic bag and wash separately, however, it is recommended it be commercially cleaned. This will protect both you and your family from further potential exposure.

6. If possible, shower and wash your hair before returning home. If not, after showering rinse the soap and tub thoroughly and wash wash cloths and towels separately.

Because of all the potential health problems that we face because of firefighting activities, it is very important to follow the established general guidelines of OSHA 1910.156 and 1910.134 in regards to medical physicals at least every two or three years. This will help allow for continuing medical surveillance to help discover potential problems and treat them early.

Several studies are under way presently examining the potential exposures of firefighters to asbestos, however these studies will take time because our approach to fire fighting has changed in the last twenty to thirty years. We are now using respiratory protection and have better personal protective clothing.

Remember THINK SAFETY and ACT IN A SAFE MANNER, this way it won't be your last thought or act.....BE SAFE.

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New Recruit at Pershing Twp. Fire Dept.



Robert J. Anderson
Pershing Twp. Fire Dept.

Robert Anderson has become the newest recruit to join Pershing Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. Anderson is graduate of Columbus North High School and is employed as an Electrician with Gaylor Electric. He lives with his wife Missy and son Scottie in Spraytown, Indiana.

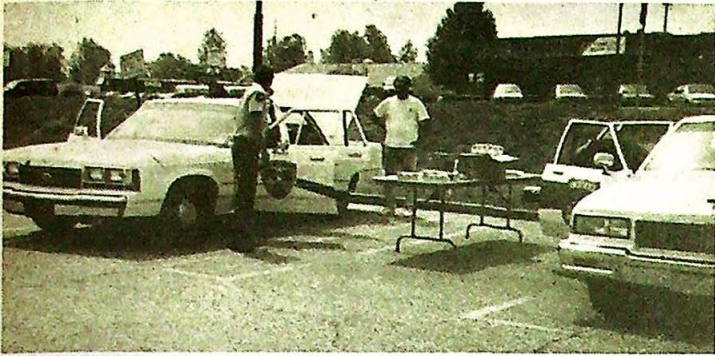
Anderson is currently enrolled in the required 24hr training program at Pershing Township and will enter the next session of the Jackson County Fire Academy.

"Bob certainly is not afraid of hard work and he already knows that hard work is all we can offer him," said Assistant Fire Chief Rebecca Scott. "Bob will be a big asset to our department."

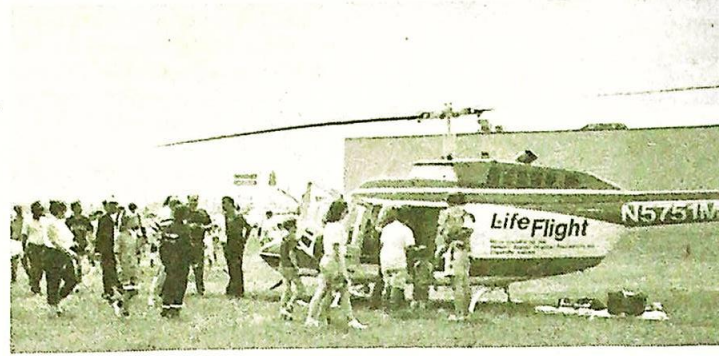
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New Programs and Equipment in Paradise Fire Department



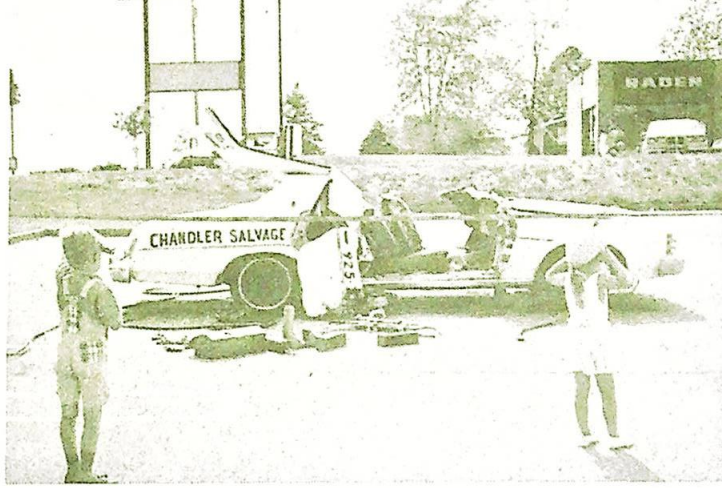
Newburgh Police and the Indiana State Police prepare to set up on Passenger Public Safety Day '92.



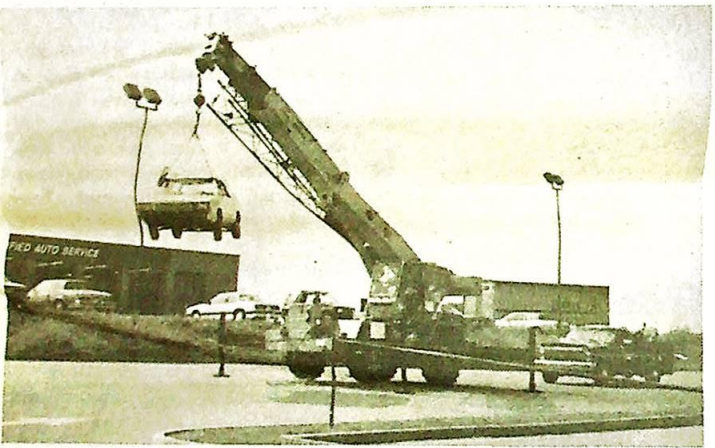
The Public gets an up-close look of Welborn Hospital's Lifeflight Helicopter.



Skelton Township, Paradise Fire, and Booneville Fire Dept. display vehicles.



The remains of a car used earlier to demonstrate extrication technique.



A crane lifts a car with just 1 car seat belt.



This youngster practices for the day when he'll be chief engineer.

events was Passenger - Public Safety day 92. The event was held at Kmart Parking lot Highway 66 Newburgh, IN.

With the help of Paradise Fire Dept., Paradise Firefighters Auxiliary, Newburgh Fire Dept., Skelton Township Fire Dept., Booneville Fire Dept., Knight Township Drive Rescue Team, Alcoa Warwick Operations Fire Dept., Newburgh Police Dept., Indiana State Police Dept. and Welborn Lifeflight Passenger Public Safety Day 92 proved to be a great success.

Each department participating displayed vehicles and equipment used in emergency services. Many safety topics were covered but an added push was given in the area of passenger safety. McDonalds Newburgh supplied pizzas and drinks in exchange for recalled safety seats and unsafe seats. 15 seats in all were collected and 40 safety seats were checked for proper use. Free lunch was provided by Alcoa's Off The Job Safety Committee and Welborn Lifeflight landed their helicopter in the parking lot. Cars provided by Chandler Auto Salvage were used for extrication demonstration.

But the main event was the lifting of a station wagon with 1 car seat belt by a crane provided by Sterling Boiler Mechanical. The message of seat belts save lives was accepted by many when they saw a large gathering of Fire and Rescue Personal Backing the message.

From Your Safety Committee

Paul E. Covington, Jr.
LeMoyné "Buz" Koehler
Jack Cox
Michael Seitz, Sr.

Does your department have a serious preventive maintenance and inspection program for your breathing air filling system? Could this happen to you? Do you have

proper liability coverage if it does?

Compressed air cylinder fails Jackson Fire Station, Jackson - Teton County Fire Dept., Jackson, Wyoming damaged by compressed air cylinder explosion.

On Sept. 17, '91 at approximately 0545, the Sheriff dispatch received a 911 call reporting that there was an explosion with no fire at the Jackson fire station. Preliminary investigation revealed one of the DOT cascade air cylinders had failed causing a chain of events that was very destructive to the fire house, two pieces of apparatus, and various equip. located inside, station.

Background The cascade system has seven DOT 3,600 psi bottles. Five were manufactured in 1982 and purchased by us in 1988. They were hydrostatic tested to 6,000 psi in August of 1988 and placed into service later that fall. In July of 1990, we purchased a new compressor and accessories and two more (new) DOT 3,600 psi bottles. It was early 1991 when the system was up and running. The compressor had an auto fill system on it. The shutoff regulator was set at 3,400 psi. The compressor was in the auto fill position prior to the explosion.

Rusty Palmer, Fire Marshal, was the first at the scene. The compressor was cool to the touch and the gauge was stuck on 3,400 psi, indicating the compressor had not been operating for some time and it apparently had not overfilled the bottles. All the bottles in the cascade system were within the requirements for hydrostatic testing. Each bottle is tested to 6,000 psi and each have a pop off valve that is set at 5,000 to 5,400 psi in case of overfill; none had activated.

The bottles were chained to an inside wall running east and west, that separated the apparatus floor from the kitchen. They were within one foot of the west exterior wall of the station. These walls were constructed of masonry block. The bottles were lined up in two rows: four next to the wall, three in front of them.

The bottle that failed was in the front row in the middle. Five bottles were silver in color, two were green. This came in handy for tracing which bottle caused what damage. When the bottle failed, the wall which they were chained to was blown 19 feet to the north through the next block wall, which knocked the sink and toilet half way across the bathroom. It completely destroyed the kitchen area. Two bottles came to rest in the kitchen. The west exterior wall had a 6 foot wide by 4 foot high hole blown through it and sent blocks 50 feet to the west. Two bottles ended up in the neighbor's yard some 20 feet away from the station. The valve on one of these bottles was broken off before ending up outside; it went straight up and put a perfectly round hole through the prestressed concrete roof 14 feet high. The bottle directly to the east of the failed bottle was thrown vertically to the east and hit our Reo 6x6 on the duels and crushed them and bent the rear end, also putting a V shape in the water tank. Another bottle valve broke off, it traveled through a coke machine to the east and hit the dual wheels of the Aerial 30 feet away, turned south between several other apparatus 46 feet, totaled out a Hotsy steam cleaner machine, then turned east 12 feet and came to rest amongst our stacked folding chairs.

The pressure in the station was so great that it blew windows out all over the station. Also, it blew three 12 foot sectional doors to the south so badly that we used a backhoe to pull them back so we could open them.

The preliminary report from a metallurgist in Denver says the bottle had a defect in it and failed at the bottom. Although we had no control over the defect in the bottle and all our bottles were within the hydrostatic requirements, this incident certainly emphasizes the need to keep up your bottle maintenance and regularly hydrostatic test your bottles. If we had not, this incident would have been paid for by us, not the insurance company.

Total damage is estimated at \$65,000: \$40,000 for structure and \$7,000 for vehicles and the rest, \$18,000 is for contents.

Info taken from Wyoming Fire Academy November 1991 bulletin report by Kenneth B. Sutton, Administrative Chief.

The best way to protect your department is to follow a strict inspection program that includes a pre-fill visual inspection of the complete system to be filled, a hammer test of the cylinders, and the hydrostatic test of the cylinders at required intervals. This should be documented and kept on file as permanent records.

To assist you in this it would be of considerable help to obtain a copy of the following publications from the Compressed Gas Association, Inc. 1235 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202: Pamphlet C-1 Methods for Hydrostatic Testing of Compressed Gas Cylinders, CGA P-15 - 1985 Filling of Industrial and Medical Nonflammable Compressed Gas Cylinders, CGA C-6 - 1984 Standards For Visual Inspection of Steel Compressed Gas Cylinders.

The law regarding the use and handling of these systems may be obtained by written request to Code of Fed. Regulations, Titled 49 CFR Parts 170 - 179 (Transportation), U.S. Dept. of Transportation. Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

Protecting our lives and property as we do in protecting the lives and property of the ones we serve. In protecting ourselves we will be better prepared to protect all of our communities.

1992 has already proved to be a most successful year for Paradise Fire Dept. located in Ohio township in Warrick County. The new year started off with the formation of a Passenger Safety Committee dedicated to preventing deaths and injuries in automobile accidents. The committee's four members Mark Frederick, Teresa Cron, Brenda Still and Kenny Keith mobilized it's department and resources to take on the task.

Coloring contests were held in area Kindergarten and Pre-school classes. Winners received a Pizza Party courtesy of Show-Biz pizza in Evansville.

Also during child passenger safety week area merchants displayed passenger safety messages on their billboards. Posters and various handouts were distributed to 3 area schools with over 2800 students. Please Drive Carefully and Buckle Up signs were installed in key locations along with signs marking Fire Dept. exits. Area newspapers were supplied key information on child safety seat use and recalls. Area residents were signed up by Dept. members into the Saved By The Belt Club, and other residents are in process of being signed up.

The highlight of this year's

FIREFIGHTERS SAFETY (I) OSHA, NFPA AND YOU

Don Abbott, Division Chief, Warren Twp. Fire Dept.
Marion County

Continued from May Issue of the Newspaper

(5) Head, Eye and Face Protection

(i) Head, eye and face protection. (i) Head protection shall consist of a protective head device with ear flaps and chin strap which meet the performance, construction, and testing requirements of the National Fire Safety and Research Office of the National Fire Prevention and Control Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce (now known as the U.S. Fire Administration), which are contained in "Model Performance Criteria for Structural Firefighters' Helmets" (August 1977) (See appendix D to subpart L).

(ii) Protective eye and face devices which comply with 1910.133 shall be used by fire brigade members when performing operations where the hazards of flying or falling materials which may cause eye and face injuries are present. Protective eye and face devices provided as accessories to protective head devices (face shields) are permitted when such devices meet the requirements of 1910.133.

(iii) Full facepieces, helmets, or hoods of breathing apparatus which meet the requirements of 1910.134 and paragraph (f) of this section, shall be acceptable as meeting the eye and face protection requirements of paragraph (e)(5)(ii) of this section.

(f) Respiratory Protection Devices

(i) Respiratory protection devices. (i) General requirements. (i) The employer shall provide at no cost to the employee and assure the use of respirators which comply with the requirements of this paragraph. The employer shall assure that respiratory protective devices worn by fire brigade members meet the requirements contained in 1910.134 and the requirements contained in this paragraph, and are certified under 30 CFR part 11.

(ii) Approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full-facepiece, or with approved helmet or hood configuration, shall be provided to and worn by fire brigade members while working inside buildings or confined spaces where toxic products of combustion or an oxygen deficiency may be present.

Such apparatus shall also be worn during emergency situations involving toxic substances.

(iii) Approved self-contained breathing apparatus may be equipped with either a "buddy-breathing" device or a quick disconnect valve, even if these devices are not certified by NIOSH. If these accessories are used, they shall not cause damage to the apparatus, or restrict the air flow of the apparatus or obstruct the normal operation of the apparatus.

(iv) Approved self-contained compressed air breathing apparatus may be used with approved cylinders from other approved self contained compressed air breathing apparatus provided that such cylinders are of the same capacity and pressure rating. All compressed air cylinders used with self-contained breathing apparatus shall meet DOT and NIOSH criteria. (v) Self-contained breathing apparatus shall have a minimum service life rating of 30 minutes in accordance with the methods and requirements of the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSEA) and NIOSH, except for escape self-contained breathing apparatus (ESCBA) used only for emergency escape purposes.

(vi) Self-contained breathing apparatus shall be provided with an indicator which automatically sounds an audible alarm when the remaining service life of the apparatus is reduced to within a

The OSHA regulations define head protection consisting of a protective head device with earflaps and a chin strap which meets the criteria contained in "Model Performance Criteria For Structural Firefighters Helmets-1977) by the U.S. Fire Administration.

These are technical standards, design, testing and construction requirements.

Helmets constructed from ferrous materials (i.e. steel, aluminum) DO NOT meet OSHA regulations or NFPA standards.

NFPA 1972 Helmets for Structural Fire Fighting (1987) provides two major areas; Chapter 3 - Performance Requirements and Chapter 4-Testing procedures.

It is important to inspect helmet for wear and damage. It should be adjusted for proper fit and wear with the earflaps used as part of its protective system.

Eye protection intergated into the helmet shall provide total full face protection from the helmet front edge to not less than 4.2 inches and not less than 45 degrees from each side.

Any other used eye protection besides that set with the helmet shall meet or exceed 29 CFR 1910. 133.

OSHA regulations require that approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece with approved helmet shall be worn while working inside buildings or confined spaces where toxic products of combustion or an oxygen deficiency may be present. A written policy shall be in affect, in regards to department policy and SCBA usage and operations. 29 CFR 1910.134 is the OSHA regulation dealing with SCBA, medical/physical requirements and general usage, most of this information was presented in the last issue.

The NFPA 1981 (Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for Firefighters (1987) is divided into several parts, Chapter 2 General requirements (design, labeling and manufacturers instruction. Chapter 3 - Performance requirements including air flow, heat and shock performance, corrosion, facepieces and communications. The changes made in 1987 to NFPA 1981 are shown below.

NFPA 1500 (Fire Department Occupational Safety & Health Programs) (1987) Chapter 5 that include training, care, use and maintenance of SCBA. Medical certification, facepiece qualitative fit test, like OSHA, prohibits beards and any other facial hair judged to interfere with the face piece seal.

be able to withstand the shock from vibrations similar to those found when the SCBA is transported in a vehicle.

4. CORROSION RESISTANCE: The new standard requires that all SCBA components resist corrosion that could interfere with the function of the apparatus.
5. PARTICULATE EXPOSURE: The new standard addresses taking SCBA units into dust laden atmospheres, with the SCBA continuing to perform as required
6. SCRATCH RESISTANCE: The new standard requires that the facepiece provide for scratch resistance of the lens, so that the user's visibility will not become diminished.
7. COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY: With this new standard, the user is required to be able to speak with no significant voice reduction. This will eliminate the habit of pulling the mask off or breaking the face/facepiece seal in order to communicate.
8. FIRE RESISTANCE: This requirement is predominately for firefighters. It requires that all straps on the harness be of fire resistive material such as NOMEX®.

Thanks to all of you who had questions and comments on my first article in the last issue. It is easy to see that firefighters safety means alot to us all. We were able to help twenty-three fire departments in meeting their general physical/medical requirements under the OSHA regulations.

Tips from youths help solve arsons

By JOHN SCHEIBEL
Morocco Courier editor
MOROCCO — Coming forward with valuable information paid off for two local youths.

Two Lincoln Township youngsters each received \$1,000 checks last week as rewards for information regarding arson and vandalism at the Lincoln Elementary School over the summer.

Brad Sandberg, an investigator with the Indiana State Fire Marshal's office presented two \$1,000 checks to the Newton County Prosecutor, William Sammons, and the chief of the Lincoln Twp. Vol. Fire Dept., Capp Wann at a ceremony Tuesday.

Wann passed on the money to the two youths, who wished to remain anonymous.

The rewards were provided by the Indiana Arson and Crime Association in cooperation with the Indiana State Fire Marshal and the Property Insurance Companies in Indiana.

The two Lincoln Township youths were rewarded for coming forward with information about a fire and vandalism that caused \$16,000 damage to the school and softball facilities on Saturday, July 13.

People involved with the Lincoln Township Little League discovered the damage at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 14.

Wann said the fire in the school building was set on Sat. in one of the entrance areas.

When the individuals who set the fire left the building they closed the doors behind them which cut off the fire's supply of oxygen and caused the fire to burn itself out, Wann said.

In addition to setting the fire the three youths responsible for the damage spray painted school property and stole a public address system, money, baseball cards, baseballs and bats from the concession stands at the softball fields.

Two 13 year olds and on 15 year old were charged with the arson and thefts at the school.

The stolen property was recovered and returned to the Little League.

Sandberg credits the two anonymous youths with providing the information necessary to solve this case.

He also gave credit to the local law enforcement agencies for working well together to resolve the case quickly.

By Wednesday of the week following the fire the case was resolved, Wann said.

"It came together because of a team effort of the fire departments, the sheriff's dept., the Fire Marshal's office and the prosecutor's office and it takes that team effort to have a successful investigation," Sandberg said.

The two rewards are the first rewards of their kind presented to residents of the Newton County, Sandberg said.

Wann said, however, that the two youths that provided the information came forward with the information before knowing reward money was being offered.

The Indiana Arson and Crime Association offers up to \$1,000 to people who provide information leading to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for arsons or major crimes.

People who provide the information can remain anonymous.

People who wish to contact the IACA can call (800) 382-1628 or write P.O. Box 2282, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

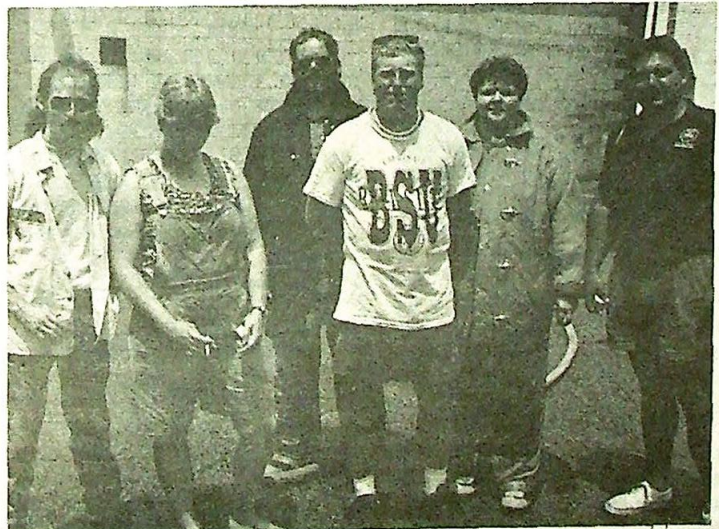
Waterball Contest Held at Knightstown



Cambridge City - First Place



Selma - Second Place



Liberty Twp. Selma - Third Place

Knightstown hosted a waterball contest on June 13, 1992. 11 teams entered the contest. Cambridge City won 1st Place, Selma 2nd Place, Liberty Twp. Selma 3rd Place. The waterball was held in conjunction with Knightstown Jubilee Days.

Thank you,
Bill Windsor, Chief, K.V.F.D.

The requirements for SCBA units found in standard 1981 include:

1. INCREASED AIR FLOW: Presently, NIOSH requires an air flow volume of 40 liters of air per minute. The new standard requires 100 liters of air per minute or a 150% air flow increase. Air flow is considered to be the minimum volume of air to the facepiece, while maintaining positive pressure in the facepiece.
2. THERMAL SHOCK: It has been found that taking a SCBA unit from one extreme temperature to another (from an air cooled office to a hot car trunk) can cause an expansion of "O" rings and other regulator components, to a point where the required air flow is interfered with.
3. VIBRATION SHOCK: The new standard requires that SCBA units

Concord Twp. Ratings improve

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evaluations of our non-hydranted areas upon request from the township trustee and board members. Spent 3 days going over records and observing demonstrations.

RECORDS - - received records of a three year period. Included were training, fire runs reponse times, property damage loss, number of trucks and firefighters per call.

Training - dept. and individual. Maintenance records, complete inventory of all apparatus and stations weights of all trucks, pump tests on all equipment, and hose test records for nearly 10,000 ft. of hose are just some of the data required.

With automatic mutual aid on a business, a first alarm brings 9 pieces of apparatus carrying 19,000 gallons of water in area's not served by fire hydrants.

We wish to thank all of the area fire departments who gave us much assistance. Also the Concord Township Trustee and Board members for their contributing support. Without the purchase of the new equipment this would not have been possible. And a special thanks to all the members of the Concord Vol. Fire Dept. for all the hours spent in training and research. Not one dollar was paid in compensation This was done strictly on a volunteer basis.

What's in the plans for the CFD? We are presently looking into the purchase of a semi-automatic defibrilate. Additional 100 ft. of 5 inch hose. Refurbishing of a 1973 pumper. Starting April 1, for a quicker response time the station will be manned by 2 volunteer firefighter/EMTs. All firefighters will be required to send 1 night a month at the station. Previously the station was unnamed during the night. Sleeping quarters will have to be constructed.

Concord Township is located between the cities of Elkhart and Goshen with a population of approximately 15,000 in a 18 sq. mile area.

The Department has 36 firefighters of which 15 are EMTs with three full time firefighter/EMTs working week days. The department responds to approximately 600 fire and EMS calls a year. Equipment consists of two 1,500 engines, two pumper/tankers, (1,750 gpm pump / 1,200 tank the other 1,500 gpm pump / 2,500 tank with 2, 200 feet of 5 inch.LDH) one 4,000 tanker, one brush truck, one heavy and one light rescue truck.

We went from a class 9 to a class 6 in areas without fire hydrants and saved twp. property owners hundreds of thousands of dollars a year on insurance premiums. We hope other depts. throughout the state will be inspired by our achievement.

Goshen News, Additional material; By Peter Rheinheimer

school, to discuss your ideas.

Balance of 1992 meeting schedule for Board.....Monday, August 3rd; Monday, October 26; Monday, December 7. These meetings are at Indianapolis, in the Indiana Government Center-South conference center room 4, 10 a.m. E.S.T.

Hazardous Materials Task Force.....has met two times in recent weeks and has another scheduled prior to the Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education August 3rd meeting. The task force's recommendation presently is that firefighters with extensive hazmat training be tested-out by written and practical skills for Master Firefighter certification. The task force will also write the instructor guide for future courses in Indiana according to NFPA 472. We'll keep you advised.

Sterilization of turn-out gear.....from disease contacts (hepatitis B and others) has been established by OSHA by laundering the gear in 140°F water with detergent such as Tide, Cheer, and a disinfectant. However, there is no known disinfectant that will not destroy the turn-out

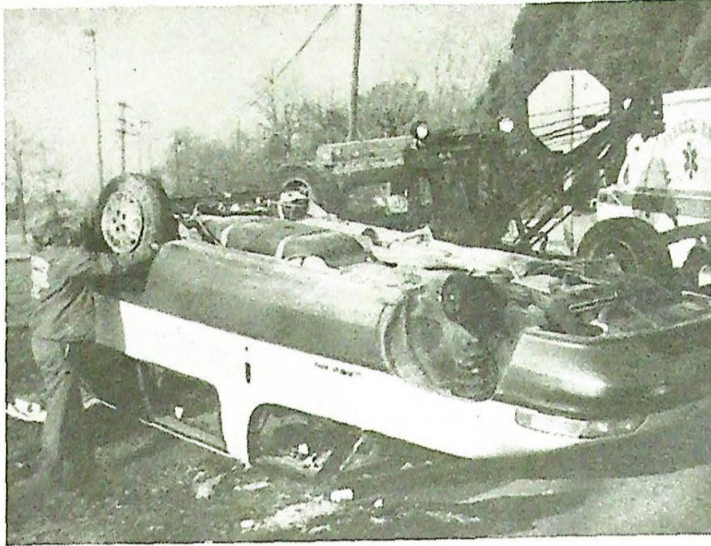
gear. Hot water temperature of 180°F will decon the gear but will shrink it. For stains, products such as Shout or liquid Clorox

can be used. Janesville Equipment Co. will sterilize the gear if double-bagged and sealed for shipping according to postal regu-

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Take on the challenge and educate your community. To learn more you can call 1-800-KID-N-CAR or write Paradise Fire Department at 2400 Old Plank Road, Newburgh, IN.

Mark R. Frederick, Dist. 3 IN. Highway Safety Leaders

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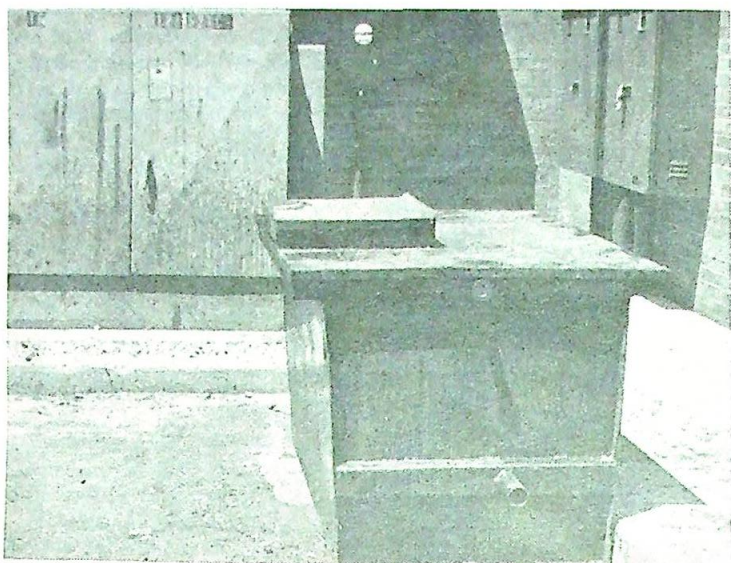
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Clearing The Smoke

Board of FFPS&E September meeting.....is in conjunction with the 812 State Fire School on Saturday, September 12, 1992, in the Ramada Inn off I-65 along the beautiful Ohio River. The regular business meeting will convene at 4:30 p.m. Louisville E.D.T. time. All firefighters in southern Indiana are urged to attend, whether or not registered for the fire

Dumpsters and trash compactors

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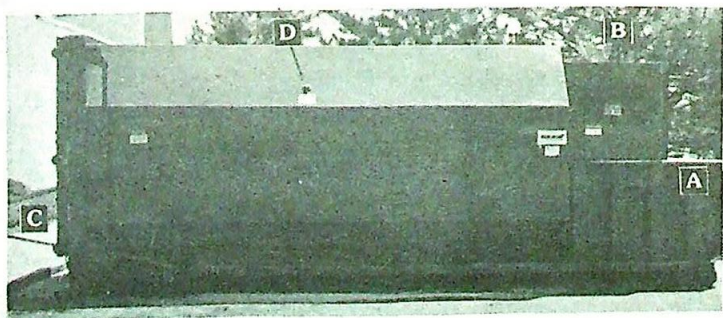
The container shown is referred to as a grease/cooking oil dump bin, found in the rear of most restaurants. The lid on top is where the grease is poured in. The small hollow rods found on each end are used in the truck/lifting process. Be very careful in handling these containers if involved in fire or exposed. In most cases closing the lid and cooling the container will handle the problem. NOTE: In this photo that at one time the grease bin was located near the electrical power boxes shown by the grease build-up and splattering on front and doors of the box. Again, an unexpected material on the box that would normally be just a simple electrical fire.

Now lets examine the trash compactor. These are found in several locations around the township. The trash compactor shown below in the photo is a drop compactor. The material/trash is loaded in "A" and compressed by a hydraulic ram "B" and pushed into dumpster. In a case where you have a fire in the dumpster: first, turn-off the electrical power; second, lift and pull the dumpster release handles "C", disengaging the dump/hydraulic unit from the dumpster. The dumpster should then be pulled away from the compacting unit. The compacting unit may contain up to five-seven gallons of hydraulic fluid. Use caution during this process. You may be allowing more oxygen in and that could increase the burning or allow for more smoke, vapors, or gases to be released. This unit is valued at \$ 7,500.00.



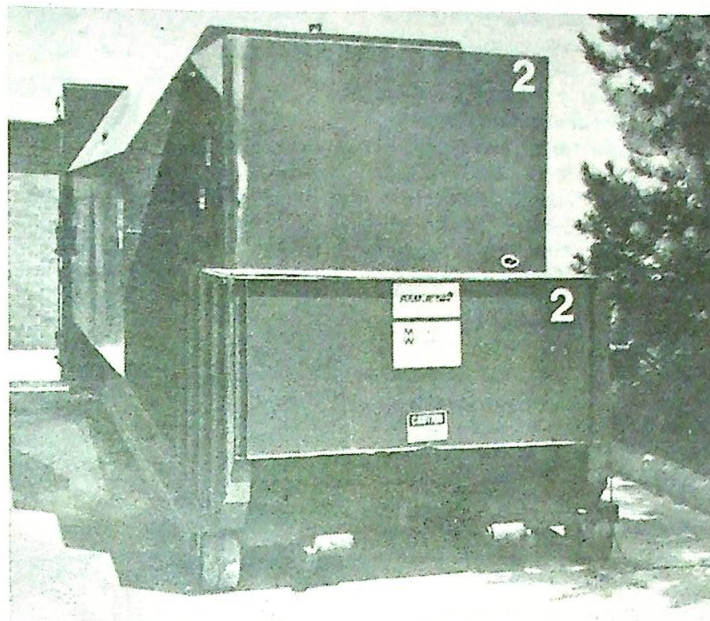
NOTE: CAUTION... The job of fighting a fire or handling an emergency often requires that one must take an acceptable risk to complete a task. While it is true fire fighting is not the safest profession around, it is also true that unnecessary risk can be avoided which will reduce the chance of injury. What I am trying to say is that a dumpster fire is still a nuisance call and yes, dumpster fires have changed over the years. Full protective clothing, use of SCBA when smoke, toxic fumes, or gases are present. Dumpsters contain all types of waste materials, many of them quite toxic when oxidized and this process occurs quite often in a dumpster.

The picture below is a trash compactor, referred to as a Ram-Jet System. This is a high pressure hydraulic system that is portable, with the trash dump "A" dropping into the compactor unit "B". The doorway "C" can be used in a emergency to dump the trash if necessary. However, you should remember in order to get it all out, you will have to lift it or have personnel pull it out from the inside. The handle for the door release "C" is also shown. With some models you will find a fire/water port "D". This is a threaded plug that can be removed to put water inside the compactor. There is a small metal shield behind this hole that acts to fog or fan out the water over the top area of the Compactor. If the compactor is not full this may help, but it's not the total answer. The pressure on the nozzle will need to be reduced to under one hundred pounds in order to handle it and put more water in the compactor than on the ground. It was originally designed for the booster nozzle to be removed and the hose to be screw into the port. This won't work in most cases and will lead to other problems later.

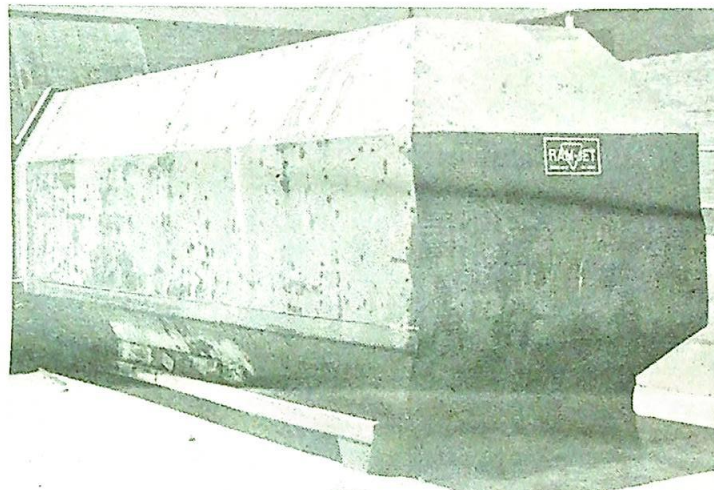


The next picture is another view of this dump compactor, that shows the truck lifting and hookup connections. Also shown "E" is the

power control box and the primary electrical system for the Ram-Jet dump contractor. Note the several "CAUTION" / "WARNING" signs/labels that appear on the container. These note hydraulic unit use, electrical power, operations, and that the container may have a pressure built-up inside, as well as the procedures for operation and general hauling. This type of RAM-JET System is valued at \$ 9,000.00.



The RAM-JET System shown below is a drop shaft/chute compactor. It is similar to the compactor shown, except that this system is attached to the building and as mentioned earlier, this allows for smoke travel and fire extension into the building. So early and correct size-up will be very important in handling this as a dumpster fire or as a building fire.



Remember, during your preplan and fire prevention inspections, look for proper placement of the dumpster, too close to the structure, overloading, and no door closures. THINK. . . Dumpster/compactor fires can play havoc on the fireground personnel, calling for a removal vehicle, equipment, and overhaul time and procedures. Many times unknown contents explode or produce highly toxic gases providing for a more hazardous emergency scene. Compactors which are connected to a building can often spread heat, smoke and fire throughout the building via shaft or chutes. It is vital that the interior of any structure be checked for extension, whether it's a compactor system or a dumpster next to the building. Dumpster/compactor fires rarely cause a threat to life...therefore, injury to firefighters is totally uncalled for and should not happen. Instead, the fire should be quickly controlled with no extension.

THINK SAFETY . . . YOU CAN BE SAFE NOW. . . OR SORRY LATER . . .



It is very important that when you have the opportunity during pre-plan and fire prevention inspection that you check-out the location, use, and materials that may be found in dumpsters or compactors. Pictured above is the most common of problems with the portable dumpster. That is, it is placed close to the building for easy use, but as

you can see the door is dented. When the door is open it strikes the dumpster. This means the exit is restricted from opening and could cause a major problem during an emergency.

After the incident is over, make sure the dumpster is properly located so as not to create a situation as shown above or in an area blocking access to other doors or gas meters/electrical power boxes/meters.

It is every firefighters job to promote and practice fire prevention. Lead by example, it could be important for everyone especially you in the event of an emergency.

Don Abbott, Chief

Dallas Is Host City For 1992 NFPA Fall Meeting

November 15-18

"Innovation '92 - Progress Through Creativity" is the theme for this important meeting.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is holding its 1992 Fall Meeting in Dallas, TX, November 15-18, at the Loews Anatole Hotel.

Thirty-two NFPA codes and standards will be presented to the membership for vote, including NFPA 14, Standard for the Installation of Standpipe and Hose Systems, and NFPA 99, Standard for Health Care Facilities. In addition, Speaker Sessions will be featured during the meeting, with presentations from acclaimed experts who will address the fire safety challenges faced in this progressive industry.

Topics to be covered during the Speaker Sessions include upgrading life safety in buildings, limited water supply sprinklers, fire protection for hazardous and toxic areas, PC computer use in fire protection, and a report by NFPA staff on a recent major fire incident.

Single-day or full conference registration is available at all NFPA meetings. For more information, contact the NFPA Conference Services Department at 617-984-7310.

Established in 1896, the NFPA is an international, nonprofit, voluntary membership association with more than 60,000 members worldwide. Publisher of the *National Fire Codes*® and the *Learn Not to Burn*® public fire safety education program, the NFPA also prepares many statistical reports on fire prevention and protection. NFPA headquarters is in Quincy, Massachusetts.

Swayzee V.F.D. Forms Rescue Squad

As of June 1st, Swayzee Volunteer Fire Department expanded its services to include auto extrication and rescue.

The new rescue equipment was made possible through community support of three fund raisers that raised \$11,000.

Modifications were made to the Dept's. Pierce 4 x 4 mini-pumper, to carry the new rescue equipment.

Prior to June 1st, the nearest rescue squad was approximately thirty minutes response time away. Now, residents of Swayzee and southwestern Grant County can rely on much quicker service, if needed.

Pershing Township Fourth of July Celebration



Pershing Township VFD Chief Richard Blaker welcomes Parade Marshal Lt. Gov. Frank O'Bannon



1992 July 4th Parade Judges Scott Chasteen, Earl Chasteen, Tom Hinkle, and Assistant Matthew Kinkle.



Brownstown Fire Chief Jim Renaker Accepts a plaque in appreciation for his department's "Mutual Aid" to help with Pershing Township's July 4th Parade.



July 4th Queen Joyce Adams and her court reign at Pershing Township VFD's July 4th Celebration.

Pershing Township Firefighters have something to be happy about-another successful July 4th Celebration. Thousands of guests filled the Freetown Park during the four day festival July 1-4th. Crowds enjoyed plenty of food, carnival rides, free stage entertainment, auctions, fireworks and a parade!

The celebration is the primary fund raising project of the all volunteer department.

Training Key To Success

On the training front, Paradise Fire has added 8 new Master Certified Firefighters to its ranks. The Master Class taught by John Buckman was open to area Depts. Training officers Wendal Cron, Kenny Keith, Tony Hutchcraft and Richard Langhorst are in charge of maintaining training for Paradise Fire.

Paradise Fire now has 12 Master Firefighters holding certificates in Instructors, Tactics, Arson Investigation, Harardous Materials and Air Crash Rescue. The department has 6 (soon to be 10) First Class Firefighters, 8 Second Class Firefighters, 13 Basic Firefighters and of those 5 are Haz-Mat Technicians, 1 Advanced EMT, 6 EMT's and firefighters trained in Rope Rescue.

Paradise Fire is proud of its newly formed Cadet Program for teenagers ages 15-18. Cadets are being trained for future positions on the Dept. All Cadets will receive firefighters training and will assist in non-hazardous duties until becoming full fledged members. Cadet officers Kevin Marx feels both the Cadet and the community will benefit from the program by providing a solid foundation for young adults.

3 department members Chief James Bealmear, Charlie Kirsch and Kevin Marx have joined the newly formed Southern Indiana Heavy Rescue Team. The team, which Chief James Bealmear was

instrumental in forming, trains on weekends with other area departments in a variety of skills that can be used in many different environments and disasters. By pooling area departments many can benefit from the knowledge gained from each other.

Mark Frederick
District 3

Former Wheatfield Town Council member sentenced

He pleaded guilty to two counts of arson

By JANET BOLINGER
Republican Staff Writer
RENSELAER — A former Wheatfield Town Council member pleaded guilty to two counts of criminal mischief in a plea agreement before Judge Pat Riley in Superior Court II Thursday.

Alan Irvine, 23, was arrested February 5 and charged with six counts of arson. The plea agreement reduced the six Class D felony charges to two Class A misdemeanors.

Irvine was sentenced to 30 days in Jasper County Jail for each count, to be served concurrently and suspended. He will also serve six months informal probation, pay resitution to the two parties whose property he damaged in the amount of \$929.75, and a \$10.00 fine for each charge plus court costs.

Irvine was convicted of setting fire to bales of straw belonging to Ray Stumpe of County Road 300 East on January 11 at 1:45 a.m. In addition, he set five separate fires in 1991 at the Creative Marble Inc. plant near Wheatfield on Ind.49.

All five fires at the marble company were set in garbage dumpsters with flares.

Irvine served as Wheatfield Town Council member from August to December in 1991.

"OPEN YOUR HEART"

Admit your shortcomings

"Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?"

Matthew 7:3 (RSV)

By Linda D. Baker
IFIA Chaplain

It is Monday following Easter and I have just received a stressing phone call. One of the members of our church was accidentally left out of the Memorial Flower List that I typed, which was to be included in the church bulletin. She called me very upset and sternly proceeded to criticize me, chastizing me for forgetting her name saying, "This is it!!! No more flowers - I am quitting the church too!!!"

I apologized! I offered to put her name in the bulletin the following Sunday. Not good enough! I am a volunteer just like everyone else in our church. No one gets paid for the jobs they do. I do the best I can, but obviously I'm just human.

The moral of this story is: Maybe, before we come unglued and chastize a volunteer for not doing his or her job the way we felt it should have been done, we should check our own deeds and actions and "when a friend makes a mistake, don't rub it in - rub it out!" And, forgive those who trespass against us!

Greentown VFD Dedication & Open House

The Greentown Vol. Fire Co., Inc. is proud to announce the dedication and open house of their new fire station. The date and time is Sept. 13, 1992 - 2-5 p.m.

The eight bay station was put into service the first week of June. A few of the other items in the station include a kitchen, communications rooms, utility room, offices, and a hose drying tower.

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Public Relations Southwest

This is my first article as your new Public Relations Director for the Southwest. I am going to have some big shoes to fill. I would like to thank Carl Davis for all of his time, efforts, and all the work he has given to IVFA and the fire service. Thank you Carl for a job well done.

One of my first assignments was to assist Carl with the dedication of the new fire station at Cannelburg. The weather man gave us a beautiful day for the dedication. I appreciate the hospitality that was shown to my wife and me by the ladies and gentlemen of Cannelburg. Their new station is certainly one that they can be proud of. There was a lot of hard work and a great deal of time spent by these families to make this new station a reality for their community.

I am looking forward to visiting as many departments as I can. If at any time you have a special event or would like for me to attend your meetings at your departments or district meetings, please call me or drop me a note. I am looking forward to meeting all of you. I appreciate you giving me the opportunity to serve as your PR Director.

Jack Kerney

LOCAL FIREFIGHTER WINS STATE AWARD

Frank Martin, Morris Firefighter and local businessman, was last night named winner of the prestigious OLLIE SANDBURG AWARD at the State Convention of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association (IVFA) meeting in Sellersburg, Indiana.

This award, created in 1983 by the family of Ollie Sandberg as a means of honoring the work of the volunteer firefighter, is presented to one individual in the state each year and is selected by a committee named by the President of the IVFA from nominations submitted from all over the state by volunteer fire depts. or members of the IVFA. The criteria for selection is based on the amount of the community involvement as relates to the fire service and the results of that service and dedication.

Frank has long been a very active member of the Morris department. He helped reorganize the mostly defunct department in 1950, building a new firehouse and purchasing some equipment and getting the fire service re-started in the community after the tough times of the 30's and the war years of the 40's. Frank, then a young man with a new trenching business, was interested in the fire safety of his community.

At that time men mostly started showing up for meetings and informal training while the community in general worked together as the best they could at scenes of fire and disaster. A fireman was really mostly a maintenance man of buildings and equipment.

Frank worked with his comrades, attending the various training sessions on weekends and assisting at emergency scenes, gaining the solid reputation of "being there" when needed. While seldom taking a leadership role in these early years, he could always be counted on for support in any

reasonable project. When training later became mandated, Frank was qualified as a First Class firefighter under a grandfather clause. He later reinforced that rating with active training and expanded it to Master Firefighter in tactics and fire service management. He continued to expand his reputation be it fire call, fund raiser, training, or party, he was "there." Furthermore, he was more or less expected at the neighboring departments activities as well.

In 1980, at the retirement of Chief Harvey Wissel, the board approached Frank, and won his approval to be their new chief. During his tenure the department improved from a rather ordinary department to a smooth, well trained group of younger, dedicated firefighters, respected by their community and the neighboring departments as well. The previously purchased equipment van was outfitted and put into service. A pickup was purchased, outfitted as a brush truck and put into service. A used pumper was purchased as a backup and finally in 1988 a brand new pumper was purchased, while the necessary fund drive successfully raised sufficient funding to pay for it in full upon delivery. In addition, turnout gear was upgraded and breathing apparatus improved for the safety of his men.

Frank has retained memberships in various fire organizations including IVFA, Ohio and Indiana Firefighters, Indiana Fire Chiefs Assn., Indiana Sheriffs Assn., and others, expanding the IFVA memberships over the years to where it now includes the entire force.

In January 1991, Frank retired as Chief, remaining on the force as an active member. His advice and council continues to be respected and sought. He can be counted upon to be "there" this weekend at the annual festival of the Morris Fire Department. We CONGRATULATE FRANK ON WINNING THE MUCH DESERVED AWARD.

Anthony J. Moster
Chief, Morris VFD

Fire destroys ambulance responding to emergency

By STEVE WHITE
Indiana News Editor

An ambulance responding to an emergency in the Canaan area late yesterday caught fire and burned on U.S. 421.

Both emergency medical technicians in the ambulance from King's Daughters' Hospital escaped without injury, and there was no patient in the vehicle at the time of the blaze.

Flames from the fire shot several feet into the air, and a thick column of black smoke rising from the ambulance was visible for miles.

According to Troy Morgan, director of Emergency Medical Services at KDH, EMTs Mark Storm and Kim Boyd were traveling north on U.S. 421 shortly before 7 p.m. when they heard a popping sound, smoke started filling the cab of the vehicle, and they saw flames shooting from under the hood.

The EMTs pulled the vehicle over just north of the highway's intersection with old State Road 62 and as they opened the ambulance doors flames engulfed the cab.

A backup ambulance following the first one stopped long enough to use three extinguishers from

both ambulances on the fire, but it wasn't enough the put out the raging fire. It then continued on the emergency run to the Canaan area.

Robert Black, Fire Chief of Madison Township Fire Company said they received the call of the fire about 6:57 p.m. When firefighters arrived, Black said they found the front part of the ambulance fully involved in fire.

Black said firemen made sure everyone was out of the ambulance, and he noticed the side door of the vehicle was open. He was able to pull out advanced life support equipment valued about \$8,000. One of the pieces of equipment saved was an expensive monitor used on heart patients, according to Betsey Vonderheide, KDH community relations director.

Firefighters were suited up as if they were fighting a structure fire because of the fiberglass in the top of the ambulance. Black said it took about 1,500 gallons of water to extinguish the blaze, partially because of the smoldering fiberglass.

The EMTs had pulled one portable oxygen tank from the ambulance, but there was still one on board. Because of that tank and the possibility of an explosion from the oxygen and gas tanks, the EMTs began directing traffic away from the scene and set up a perimeter around the fire to keep the public away from it, according to Morgan.

Black said he kept the fire trucks at a farther distance than normal because of the danger. Madison Township and Rykers Ridge volunteer fire companies responded to the fire, and Western Fire Company No. 3, which was traveling down 421 after responding to a car fire on Green Road, stopped to provide extra water for the fire, according to Black.

The cause of the fire has not been determined. Black said this morning he was on his way to continue the investigation but added that it would probably be difficult to determine the cause because the wiring had been


burned so badly.

Morgan said the ambulance was valued about \$50,000, including the equipment. The loss was estimated at about \$42,000 because of the equipment Black was able to save.

Morgan left for Illinois this morning to get an ambulance the hospital had leased so it would have a full fleet of emergency vehicles for the regatta weekend. The hospital normally has six ambulances as well as a support vehicle.

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Pumps Rebuilt	M.C. Products
Sheet Metal Work	Fire Research
Complete Paint Work	Red Head Brass
Refurbishing	A.H. Strock Co.
Wrecks Repaired	(Newton Kwik Dump Valve)

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