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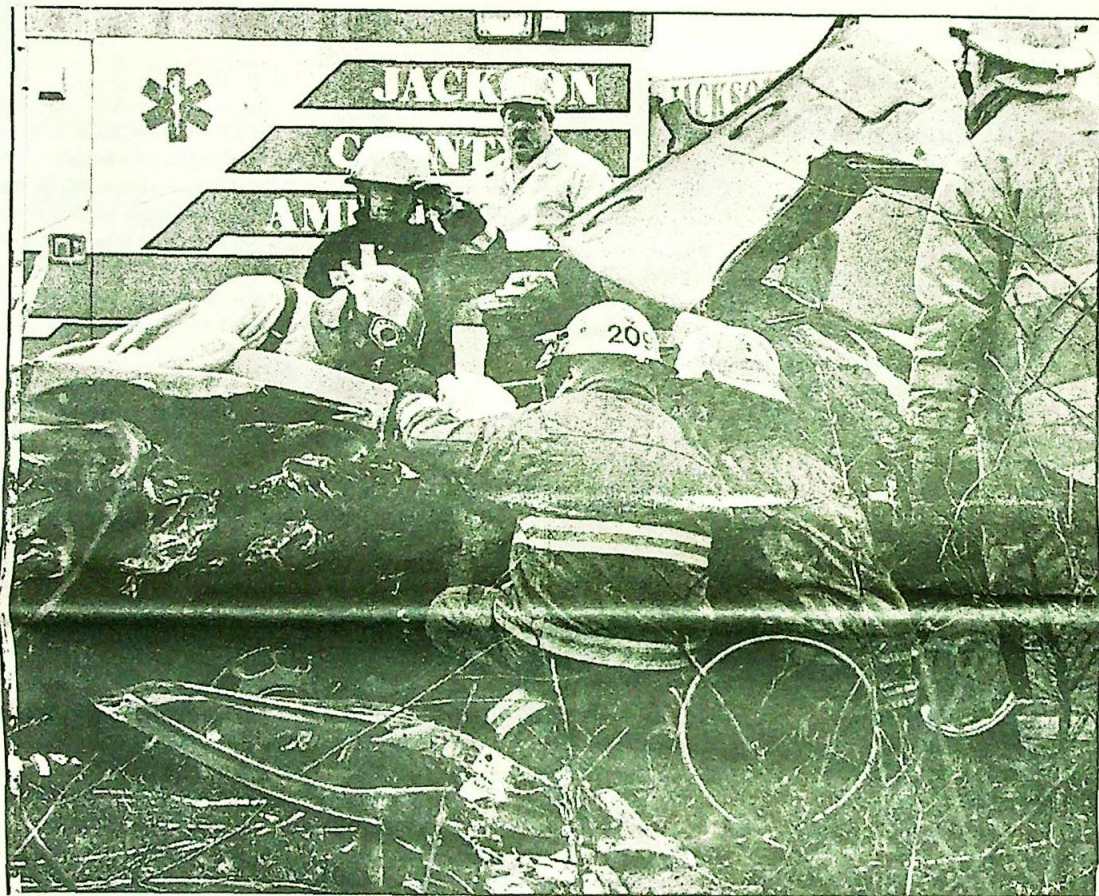
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Two-Vehicle Crash Claims Two Lives

Fire Prevention Week October 5 - 11



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Emergency personnel work to free occupants of one of the vehicles involved in a fatal crash Saturday, April 19, on U.S. 50 in the Medora Knobs, west of Brownstown. Two county residents Judy Blair, 51, of Norman, and Ervin Byarlay, 19, Medora, died of injuries sustained in the collision. Elsie Ryan, 70, of Norman, also was injured in the accident and was listed in stable condition.

sustained broken ribs and a broken wrist and was later transferred to the Bloomington Hospital.

Driver of the other car, Ervin Byarlay, 19, of Medora, was taken to the emergency room at Memorial Hospital, where he died of injuries sustained in the crash.

Officer Downs said the cause of the crash had not been determined, but that the investigation was continuing.

He said family members reported the Byarlay youth had attended the Brownstown Central prom and after-prom, and then he and his date had gone out for breakfast. He had dropped her off at her residence and was on his way home when the crash occurred.

Officer Downs said blood tests showed that neither alcohol nor drugs were involved.

It was the second tragedy in less than a year to strike the Blair family. Mrs. Blair's son Jeffrey, 27, was killed last September in an accident at the county highway garage.

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Today, most people know basic fire safety messages not well understood just a couple of decades ago. For example, while few homes had smoke detectors in the early 1970s, most U.S. homes now have at least one. We can all be proud of that progress.

However, from the millions of fires and thousands of fire deaths that still occur in the U.S. each year, it's clear that the public needs to learn much more about fire safety and prevention.

This year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Know When to Go: React Fast to Fire!" takes the next step to not only reinforce an essential but basic element of fire safety - home escape planning - it also addresses alternate escape measures for other types of occupancies, which until now have not been widely discussed.

We're also urging people to take personal responsibility for their own fire safety, not just at home but in public settings as well. While it's often difficult to communicate new information that is less familiar and comfortable to us, these are messages the public needs to know.

We're confident you're up to this challenge, and that your efforts will heighten public awareness about the importance of escape planning in all locations.

We hope this year's campaign proves informative and successful for you and your community, and that we help you to promote fire safety throughout the year. As always, thank you for supporting Fire Prevention Week.

Sincerely,
George D. Miller, Pres/CEO
Nat'l. Fire Protection Association

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Brownstown, Indiana - A two vehicle collision Saturday morning, April 19, on U.S. 50 west of Brownstown claimed the lives of two Jackson County residents and left a third hospitalized.

The near head-on crash occurred about 6:55 a.m. Saturday in the Medora Knobs, just east of County Road 875 W.

Driver of one vehicle, Judy Blair, 51, of Norman, was pronounced dead at the scene by County Coroner Dwight Wischmeier.

A passenger in her vehicle, Elsie Ryan, 70, also of the Norman area, was taken to Memorial Hospital in Seymour. According to Officer Darin Downs of the Jackson County Sheriff's Department, Ryan

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Charles J. Baker



Prayer For Today

O God, in mercy bless us; let Your face beam with joy as You look down at us. Send us around the world with the news of Your saving power and Your eternal plan for all mankind. How everyone throughout the earth will praise the Lord! How glad the nations will be, singing for joy because You are their King and will give true justice to their people! Praise God, O world! May all the peoples of the earth give thanks to You. For the earth has yielded abundant harvest. God, even our own God, will bless us. And people from remotest land will worship Him.

Psalm 67 (TLB)

Minute Message

Many years ago, I was driving a delivery truck through a part of town that had long before given in to the onslaught of despair. The homes and businesses were in a state of disrepair and near-ruin. It was there that I discovered one of those gems of wisdom from an unknown poet emblazoned in large white letters on a vacant store front window. It read: "The City of Happiness is in the State of Mind."

The message has stayed with me over the decades for it offered hope, counsel, wisdom and a beacon of light in a sometimes dark world.

It tells us not to continue chasing the wind, but to control our thought processes and look inward for divine guidance. The question comes to mind: Can a person, by force of will, create happiness? Not likely.

We must define happiness and to that we look to others. Writer E. Stanley Jones has some thoughtful advice on the subject in a piece called "Joy Is The Christian Word." Please read it (more than once) for meaning

"There is something deeper than happiness, and that is joy. Happiness comes from happenings, but joy may be within in spite of happenings. "Happiness" is the world's word; "Joy" is the Christian's word. The New Testament does not use the word "happiness" or promise it - it uses the word "joy". And for a reason.

Many people are expecting happiness from following the Christian faith - that God will arrange the things that happen to me so they will all add up to happiness. When the things that happen to them do not mean happiness, such people are dismayed and feel God has let them down. Why should this happen to me? They expect to be protected from happenings that make them unhappy. This is a false view and leads to a lot of disillusionment. For the Christian is not necessarily protected from things that make people unhappy. Was Jesus protected from things that make people unhappy? Was Paul? Their Christian faith got them into opposition, into persecution, into death. How could a faith that has a cross at its center promise exemption from happenings that ordinarily bring unhappiness? Then what is the answer? The Christian faith offers joy in the midst of happenings which make people with that faith unhappy. When the Christian doesn't find joy on account of his happenings, he can always find joy in spite of them.

The Christian is taught not merely to accept limitations, but to use them. Take what you have and make something out of it. You must learn to live in spite of. Carlyle once said; "You may hear it said of me that I am cross-grained and disagreeable. Don't believe it. Only let me have my own way exactly in everything with all about me precisely as I wish, and a sunnier or pleasanter creature does not exist." But Carlyle was being satirical here. We must make our happiness not dependent upon happenings. We can make everything into something else. Use everything."

It becomes clear that the author distinguishes between happiness and Christian joy, but also makes a connection between the words. Jesus told us about joy in this manner,

If you keep my commandments you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be complete. My commandment is this: Love one another as I have loved you.

John 15, Verses 10 - 12

It is the nature of this life that good and bad things happen to good and bad people. A perpetual state of happiness cannot exist, nor should it. The storms of life beat against each of us from time to time. Christians are aware that these are only temporary because the Joy of our lives, Jesus the Son of God, constantly reminds us that our state of joy, when connected to his presence, is the true source of happiness.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS —
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Two very happy people were the recipients of the \$1,500.00 scholarships awarded at our convention in Wayne Township.

Miss Trina Helderman of Marshall, Indiana and Mr. Nicholas Hauptli of Medaryville, Indiana were the winners of the Bridgeport Scholarships this year.

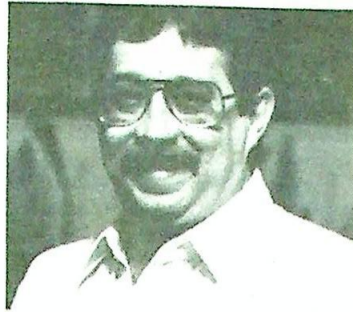
The program is still in effect for the coming years, if you or your children could use financial help on furthering their education, be sure to use the application system for next year.

A little reminder to let you know that one dollar (\$1.00) of every license plate fee is now being dedicated to the Scholarship Fund.

Applications are available from your District Chairmen, as well as all other elected officers of the Association.

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**From the
President**



Jack Zeeks

Hello Fellow Firefighters and Friends,

I hope everyone who attended the 1997 IVFA Convention had a wonderful time. I believe we owe Wayne Township Fire Department and all the committees for a spectacular convention.

Also, a thank you to all vendors for a great show and the hotel and staff who were very accommodating.

My congratulations to Mr. IVFA, Jack Kerney, Sr.; Lois Boaz

Award winner, Mary Mackin (hope you are feeling better, Mary); The Ollie Sandberg Award winner, Jack McFarland; the Governor's Award winner, Brian Alkire; the President's Award winner, Richard Glant; and to all the Midwest Award winners. You were all very deserving of these awards.

A special congratulations to our new Miss Flame, Angela Lister.

A special Thank You to Governor Frank O'Bannon for taking time out of his busy schedule to attend the opening meeting.

Now is the time to start planning for the 1998 IVFA Convention in Terre Haute. "It'll Be Great In '98". Believe me, if Bill Bush has anything to do with it, it will be great.

Until we meet again, Carolyn and I wish everyone health and happiness.

**50th
Wedding
Anniversary**

Congratulations to JoAnn & Bob Hays and Lucy & Gene Stofer on celebrating their 50th wedding anniversaries.

An Open House was held for each couple on June 28, 1997.

**NFPA 1200
Committee
Sends Draft
Back to the
Drawing Board**

On June 11 the NFPA 1200 Committee on Fire Service Organization & Deployment met in Baltimore, MD to revise the NFPA 1200 draft document. Shortly into the meeting the Committee decided to have the document referred back to the NFPA Standards Council and taken out of the fall 1997 Standards Cycle. They cited an irreconcilable "divergence of opinion" on several key elements as their reason for not moving forward with the standard.

The 30 member committee had come to Baltimore in order to address the more than 20,000 comments that had been submitted to NFPA recommending revisions to the 1200 standard. They had been charged with the responsibility for considering and voting on each of the 1, 693 com-

ments that were determined by NFPA to be "unique and individual" in nature. Instead, the committee questioned whether or not it would be possible to develop a standard on fire service organization and deployment that would be equitable to all of the many diverse fire departments in America. Ultimately, the committee agreed to disagree and will look to the NFPA Standards Council to review the mission of the committee and determine how and if the process of developing this standard will proceed.

Perhaps the most significant differences of opinion among the 1200 committee members centered around the minimum response times that were outlined in the NFPA 1200 draft proposal. Several committee members argued that it would be impossible to impose a national minimum response time for fire and emergency departments due to the fact that different departments serve geographically diverse areas. This concern was echoed in many of the comments that were submitted to the committee by the public.

Representatives of the IAFF had championed inclusion of the minimum response times in the draft document. Ultimately it was the IAFF representative, David McCormack who made the motion to refer the standard back to the Standards Council saying that, "It would be impossible for this committee to reach a consensus or a compromise," and that continuing the meeting would be a "waste of time".

NFPA had scheduled the committee meeting to last four days but the committee disbanded in less than four hours.

The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) has been following the development of this standard since the beginning and has worked to ensure that any standard produced by this committee reflects the concerns of America's volunteer fire service. The NVFC convened a meeting of fire service officials to review the NFPA 1200 draft proposal in Feb. of this year and facilitated the comment submission period by making sample comments available on the NVFC homepage (www.nvfc.org). The NVFC will continue to monitor the development of the NFPA 1200 standard and will be reporting on developments in its newsletter, *the Dispatch*.

For more information, contact Bruce Beardmore 1-888-ASK-NVFC.

Fallen Heroes

The American Legion, Department of Indiana hosted the Annual Fallen Heroes program at 1300 hours on Sun., June 29 in the Rotunda of the State Capital.

This program honors fire-fighters, law enforcement & emergency medical personnel who have made the supreme sacrifice in the performance of their duties.

At this service, each person had their name read and a bronze plaque with their name engraved on it permanently placed where all visitors to the Capital can view and reminisce.

The following names were honored this year:

David A. Harness, Hanna, LaPorte Co.; Donald M. Raibley, Pigeon Twp., Warrick Co.; John W. Swan, II, Lagro, Wabash Co.; Laura L. Halsey, Stroh, LaGrange Co.; Bryan W. Allred, LaGrange EMS, LaGrange Co.; Officer Robert Black, Indianapolis, Marion Co.; Officer Bryan Northern, Indianapolis, Marion Co.; and Indiana State Trooper Andrew P. Winzenread, Shelbyville, Shelby Co.

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District 5

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Miss Flame nominations for the 1998 convention should be turned in at the November meeting with the contestant being chosen at the January meeting.

IVFA dues are considered past due on July 31, 1997.

The next meeting will be Sept. 9, 1997 at Aubbeenaubbee Fire Dept. The Nov. 13, 1997 meeting will be at North Manchester FD.

The meeting was adjourned at 2015 hours. Refreshments were served by the host department.

DISTRICT 6

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 7

NO REPORT

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DISTRICT 9A

The May 22, 1997, meeting at Harrison Township Volunteer Fire Department at Lucerne, Indiana, was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by District Chairman Charlie Cline. The Invocation was given by State Chaplain, Charlie Baker. Don Smith, Burlington Fire Chief, led the Pledge to the flag.

Roll Call was answered by twelve departments with thirty members present. They had responded to 100 alarms since the last meeting.

The minutes were read and approved.

There were fourteen guests present, including, Linda and Charlie Baker, Mitch Parish, Bill Howe, Buz Koehler, Clarence Moss, Larry Stott, Jim Casalini, Bill Cox, Kevin Lacoco, Chris Cover, Bob Zimmerman, Brian Graf and Dave Tucek.

Old Business: Mitch Parish said that the IVFA historical book is on hold until the convention. He encouraged all to attend the picnic at Wayne Township grounds off 465 in Indy on July 13th.

Charlie Baker reported that 27,500 communications were sent in regarding NFPA proposal 1200 which was more than ever

before. This was more of a response on any one proposal than on anything ever before. Therefore, that committee will make changes on portions of 1200 that would now make most of us liable for lawsuits for being unable to meet the standard.

New Business: Bill Howe, PRNW, gave the dates of June 28 & 29 for Indiana Weekend at the National Fire Academy at Emmitsburg, MD.

The Public Service Safety Conference will be at the Adams Mark Hotel, Sept. 12-14.

The American Legion will host the Fallen Heroes program Sunday, June 29th, in the rotunda of the state capital honoring firefighters, police officers and emergency personnel who have made the supreme sacrifice in the performance of their duties.

Legislation: In the state budget, \$5,000,000 was appropriated for a loan fund to be available to communities and fire departments for up to 75% of the cost to purchase equipment and the borrower would have to repay only 50% of the loan.

The annexation bill to provide more control for residents did not make it and will be tried again next year.

On jury selection, a bill to allow volunteer firefighters to be excused did not make it to a vote.

On May 24th, Governor O'Bannon will sign the bill allowing units of local government to allow open burning of leaves under certain circumstances between October and November as well as April before January 1, 1999.

On the revolving loan fund, the forms will be out this October with the money available by the first of the year.

Emily's Bill regarding control of amusement park rides passed after compromises were made.

Use of public safety agencies' names or language that implies connections with that agency for solicitation of money from the public cannot be done unless that agency gives permission was also legislation signed by the Governor. Anyone soliciting without this permission must stop when notified by that agency that they are acting negatively against the agency.

Jack Kerney has been added to the Board of Standards and Personnel as of the last State Officer's meeting.

The Good Samaritan Act passed the House of Representatives in Washington, DC. This federal act will cover

the country with a uniform standard. Government bodies must carry life insurance on firefighters and next year there will be legislation that those entities must pay legal fees of firefighters or their families if they have to take it to court to collect.

Bill Howe announced that he will not be running for PR again this year at the convention. Buz Koehler has accepted the nomination.

Chairman Cline asked that all departments please notify him whenever there is a death of a member so that the State Chaplain and State President can be notified and no memorials are missed.

Charlie Baker said that Stan Gibson and instructor in the state is leaving to take a fire chief job in Oregon.

He discussed the recent changes in the Instructor's Association with new leadership. He stressed that the bookstore revenue is necessary to help fund the seven fire schools around the state for the reason that some classes are conducted with low attendance. There may be some delay in obtaining materials from the lending library as there is a volunteer librarian now. The IVFA gives \$12,000 a year to the Instructors Association.

All were invited to a SIDS class to be given at the Galveston Volunteer Fire Department on May 29 at 7 p.m.

On the question of the \$5.00 increase on the license plates, Mitch Parish said that the expense of the needed forms to be printed and mailed out makes this necessary. Buz Koehler said that legislation is needed and will be tried again next year to eliminate this extra cost and then the 1998 \$5.00 fee would go directly to the IVFA. From now on, if members lose their license form, they must send in \$5.00 with a form in the "Indiana Fireman" newspaper, August '97 edition. The form is also in each department's dues packet and is copyable. Dues must be in by July 31. It was suggested that the meeting flier could also contain information on classes offered by department, coming events, fire equipment for sale or wanted, etc.

Harrison Township Fire Chief, Jim Musselman, introduced Joe Casalini, Fire Chief of the Logansport Fire Department and Bill Cox, training officer, who showed their Cairns IRIS helmet with the infrared camera for enhancing search and rescue efforts in low visibility.

The Cass County EMA Hazmat team of Kevin Lacoco, Chris Cover, Bob Zimmerman and Brian Graf talked about their hazmat truck that is being fitted out to also include air and lighting. They are seeking volunteers from awareness to technician.

Dave Tucek from the National Weather Service in Indianapolis presented a program on weather spotters training.

The host department served a delicious meal.

The next meeting is July 24th at Howard County Civil Defense on Berkely Road, Kokomo, Indiana at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dee Mauntel, Secretary

DISTRICT 9B

May 8, 1997

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Koehler at 8:00 p.m. at the Brookston Fire Station in Brookston, Indiana.

A moment of silence was given for the passing of Past President Pete Lockhart and then Chairman Koehler opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Refreshments were served prior to the meeting.

Roll Call was answered by the following fire departments: Brookston, 13; Fowler, 2; Francesville, 2; Goodland, 1; Monon, 1; Remington, 2; Rensselaer, 4; Reynolds, 2; and Wolcott, 2. There was a total of twenty-nine firefighters present representing nine departments and answering seventy-five alarms.

Among the guests present were: Bill Howe, PRNW; Linda Baker, Midwest Fire & Safety; Richard Lesage, Field Supervisor, TERRA, Milton, Illinois; Steve Kenyon, TERRA, Brookston, Indiana; and Bruce Yonker.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Items of discussion that opened up the meeting were as follows:

The cost of the National Fire Academy in Maryland will be \$120.

The Indiana Fire Services Institute picnic will be July 13, 1997 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Wayne Township Fire Complex.

The Public Safety Training Institute, in association with the Marion County Hazardous Material Task Force, and Amoco Oil, will be sponsoring a Cargo Tank School on June 24-26, 1997.

Old Business - There were 27,500 letters sent to the NFPA concerning NFPA 1200.

Convention reservations need to be in by this week if at all possible.

Chairman Koehler attended the National Fire Caucus Dinner and he noted that the government is working on allowing volunteer fire departments purchase excess government equipment on a first come basis.

Also, a bill was brought up to keep firefighters and departments from getting sued.

New Business - The IVFA 50 Years History book will cost \$25 to keep the IVFA from taking a loss.

IVFA Officers will now receive \$50 a room, \$25 for meals & 50¢ per mile for officers meetings.

A new license plate form will now be filled out and sent to the Central Office with \$5 in order to receive an IVFA form that needs to go to the license branch with \$10. This fee is being used to increase IVFA funding. Kenny Burns stated that the dues should be raised so that the increased funding can be paid by everyone equally instead of only those buying license plates.

Bill Howe stated that he is not going to run for PRNW next term. Chairman Koehler said he was going to run for the PRNW position and needs interested people to run for the Chairman of District 9B to replace him should he be elected PRNW.

The program for the evening was given by TERRA and covered the dangers and procedures to handle hazardous agricultural chemicals.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at the Buffalo Fire Department on July 10, 1997 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Don Skinner, Secretary

DISTRICT 10

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 11A

First off, I would like to acknowledge and thank my wife for the support and willingness for my attempting to do the job of district chairman for the past year. As most of you know, she has gone with me and let me go a lot of places when she may well have rather been doing other things.

Also to the members of the IVFA in this district, you have been very helpful and, with a lot of willingness, welcomed me and helped make the job a lot easier.

The officers that have served with me have also been quite helpful and have aided in getting the job done for you.

If you will recall, we will be meeting with District 11B for our picnic on September 14, 1997, in Raccoon State Park at 1:00 p.m.

We need to furnish the picnic committee with how many kids will be attending with us. This information can be passed through your district chairman. The drinks will be furnished. Bring a filled basket, including your service, and enjoy the afternoon.

We hope you are planning on attending the Wabash Valley Fire School which is set for October 25 & 26, 1997. It is an honor to have a fire school of this nature in our own back yard; a tip of the fire helmet to those on the committee who are working so hard on behalf of all firefighters.

Your attendance will help insure we will be able to continue having the school here in our area.

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Scripture - Psalm 100 Verse 2

Serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing.

Psalm 100 speaks to your heart. An invitation is extended for us to participate in joyful, jubilant praise and service.

The Psalmist calls for positive service, regular service, continuous service, and wholehearted service.

Service motivated by glad, joyful hearts is what the world needs, what the Church needs, what God needs and it is something which you can render.

We have seen this in our own little church. Last week was our Bible School week. The two young women who ran it are very dedicated, family-oriented school teachers. Out of our usual attendance of less than 100 on Sunday, they had 76 children attend Bible School for the week. They have really reached out and touched a lot of young lives.

While everyone is busy, the big question is "busy doing what?" One of the great tragedies of our age is that men are giving first-rate loyalty to third-rate causes. Serious thought should be given to that which should have top priority in both our interests and our investments.

Where does God's will and God's work figure into your plans? If you are not working for God in some way, you are giving yourself in something which is unworthy of your best.

I am sure all the people who helped at Bible School feel a deep satisfaction that they have given their best to this worthy cause, and it's the children who benefit.

A deep commitment to the Lord and a life of unselfish service motivated by His love is the most satisfying achievement that one can experience.

Jesus possessed a beauty in His personality which served as a magnetic power drawing multitudes to hear His message.

Only as our life is characterized by gladness and joy can we hope to attract others to the Christian way of life.

We have quite a few older people in our church who really try to serve the Lord in doing something that they can handle. They bake cookies for different events, furnish food for special occasions, help at our food booth at our local fair and many of them help at our local paper putting advertising in the daily paper to make extra money for the church. They are serving the Lord in their own way.

God loves you, God is able to give you victory in life. God can use you to bless others if you are willing and available, Your life can take on new beauty and new meaning, if you are willing to respond to God's purpose for your life with gladness and joy.

This Sunday to to the church of your choice and get involved. You'll like it.

District 11A

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Convention '97 is now behind us and we are focusing on making Convention '98 a happening we will long enjoy remembering. The committee has been meeting at least monthly and everything seems to be taking shape.

There are "Terre Haute is Great '98" shirts and caps now available for purchase. Please consider buying one and wearing it to advertise the convention.

Also, several bodies could still find a place to work and help make things a little easier and better for everyone. Contact Bob Meyers at 812-466-2826, if you think you will be able to serve.

Respectfully submitted by, Red Morris, Chairman

DISTRICT 11B

Greetings from District 11B. Our July meeting was held at the Lyford Volunteer Fire Department on the 9th at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by Sgt-At-Arms Brent Bush and prayer by Chaplain Con Mankin.

Guests included PRWC Don Johnson.

At this time we presented the Bridgeport Scholarship Award to Miss Trina Helderman from Marshall. Congratulations to her and all the award winners at Convention. You are very deserving winners.

A special thank you to our district Miss Flame Olivia Hess for a job well done.

Roll Call was answered by nine departments with seventeen members. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as was the Treasurer's report.

At this time we held a general discussion on the legislative results of the last session, the 1997 IVFA Convention and the State Officer's Meeting.

Bill Bush talked of the 1998 convention being held at Terre Haute and hosted by Districts 11A and 11B.

Election of officers for the next year was held at this time and they are: Larry Bartlow, Chairman; Jack McFarland, Vice Chairman; Steve Lane, Sec/Treas; Brent Bush, Sgt-At-Arms; and Con Mankin, Chaplain. If any of us can be of help to your department, give us a call.

The next meeting will be our picnic on September 14, 1997 at Raccoon Lake State Park. We will eat at 1:00 p.m. This will be a joint picnic with District 11-A. Bring a well-filled picnic basket, your lawn chairs and plan on a fun day with old friends. Drinks will be provided.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Upcoming events are: Fish Fry at Lyford July 19; Mud Bog Race at Fillmore July 23; Ernie Pyle Days at Dana July 24-26; Car Show at Clinton August 3; and Car Show at St. Bernice August 15 & 16 with a fish fry August 16.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Bartlow, Chairman

DISTRICT 12

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 13A

Since the last publication of the newspaper, we have had only one meeting. Our May meeting was held at Spiceland Volunteer Fire Department in Henry County.

Guests included IVFA Vice President Jack Cox, PREC Don

Cushman and 13B Chairman Dennis Spear.

Roll Call showed five departments were represented.

Among the items discussed were: Legislation, reduced rate for fire schools, NFPA 1200, and license plates.

Convention was discussed, but I'm sorry, I missed the convention, so you will have to hear about it from someone else.

On July 10, 1997, the Midwest Award was presented to Wayne Brooks of Greenfield Fire Department in Hancock County. Wayne received this award for his years of valuable service. If you know Wayne and see him, give him a big 'thumbs up' for his fine service.

Our next meeting will be July 17, 1997 at McCordsville Fire Department.

Up coming events will include a Farm Safety Awareness class in Greenfield August 21, 1997, after the regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted by, Tim Martin, Chairman

DISTRICT 13B

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 14

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 15

The May 20, 1997 District 15 meeting was held at Scott Township Fire Department.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Barr at 19:38 hours.

Chaplin Barbara Kerney gave the prayer.

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Chairman Barr.

Guests Ken Bowes from Sternburgh E-1, and Ellen Biehler District 15 Miss Flame.

Roll call was answered by 6 departments and 15 members.

Secretary Jack Kerney distributed the minutes of the March 18 meeting at Mt. Vernon Fire & Rescue. A motion was made by Barbara Kerney and Seconded by Harry Logan to accept the minutes as distributed.

Treasurer Kerney distributed the Treasurer's Report with a balance of \$2,357.50. A motion was made by Less Lantaff and seconded by Don Montgomery to accept the Treasurer's report as

distributed.

Chairman Barr asked Steve Anderson if he would make arrangements to have some type of presentation or training at each meeting. Steve said he would be able to accomplish this. Chief Roberts of Scott Township will have the presentation following this meeting.

There was no old business.

New Business - The District 15 Waterball Contest will be held at Owensville as part of their Watermelon Festival. Don Montgomery will be the Chairman.

Chairman Barr gave legislative report and update of the NFPA 1200.

Next meeting will be held on July 15, 1997 at Elberfeld Fire Department.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 20:38 hours.

September 16 meeting will be held at Patoka Township Fire Department in Princeton.

DISTRICT 16

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 17A

District 17A held its district meeting May 13, 1997 at the Union Community Fire Station. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jack Harker. Pledge to the Flag was led by Harker.

Secretary Pete Carter gave the Treasurer's and Secretary's Report.

Roll Call was answered by nineteen firefighters representing five departments.

Our guests for the evening were Jack Kerney, PRSW, and his wife Barbara. Also present was Kenneth Lau, District 18A Secretary.

A discussion was held about the new historical book "The Last 25 Years of the IVFA". The book will cost about \$20.00.

A new set of By-Laws should be out by the August meeting.

Chairman Harker said he would like to have an updated list of firefighters and their ranks from each department. This list could be sent to him through the mail.

A discussion was held about the awards the IVFA has to offer

and also about the NFPA 1200 Standard which was defeated again for the second year. Everyone was thanked for their response to the NFPA 1200.

The annual Emergency Services Picnic has been cancelled due to lack of interest from other associations.

All departments need to check and make sure the firefighters have the correct beneficiaries on their insurance.

Thanks again to the Union Community Fire Department for hosting this meeting and providing refreshments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Jack Harker, Chairman

DISTRICT 17B

The regular meeting of District 17B was held on June 25, 1997 at the new fire station at Shoals. (see pictures on page 24)

Roll Call was answered by five departments.

District Chairman Luke Kluender reported on the events of the 1997 convention in Indianapolis, hosted by Wayne Township.

The next two conventions will be held in Terre Haute and Columbus, Indiana respectively.

A report was given on this year's legislative results.

IVFA members benefits were also discussed.

District elections were then held and Luke Kluender was re-elected our District Chairman.

Upcoming events were discussed and refreshments were served.

DISTRICT 18

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 19

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IVFAA President



Lou Bartlow

Hi Ladies,

It can get summer in Indiana can't it? As I write this the thermometer is registering 97 degrees. Plenty warm for me.

We had a good convention and accomplished some things that were needing to be done.

The members passed the new State By-Laws and the Board of Directors had already passed the Standard Operating Guidelines. The membership also passed a new membership By-Law.

We hope to have all of the new By-Laws put together and out to the members in as short a period of time as possible.

We thank Wayne Township for hosting the convention. They worked hard on it and I know they ran into problems but it was a good convention and I enjoyed it immensely.

I and the rest of the line officers thank you for entrusting us with the offices again this year and we will try our best to serve you and the organization to the best of our ability. There are still some areas we feel need updating and will work toward that goal.

One point we want to stress to you, when you send your membership dues in to Barbara Kerney, please be sure you have the correct address for each member. This helps our book-keeping system and also lets us reach you if we should need to.

Until fall and cooler weather, take care and God bless each of you.

DISTRICTS 1,2

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 3

Our Auxiliary met at the LaPorte County Union Mills Branch.

Departments present were: Coolspring, LaCrosse, Michiana, Noble, Scipio, and Springfield.

Guests included our district Miss Flame, Heather Garwood.

Chairman Leona Uryga read the poem, "Why Be A Volunteer" - Anonymous.

Reported department activities were: Coolspring - Fireman's Ball, July; LaCrosse - Fall Pancake Breakfast; Lincoln - Craft Show, August 16; and Springfield - Fall Fish Fry.

Grace Lantz (Scipio) was the Miss Flame Benefit Award winner.

Shirley Hall (LaCrosse), Joyce Dean (Coolspring) & Grace Lantz (Scipio) won the door prizes.

Debbie Simpson (Scipio) won the special award and Scipio Department won the Attendance Award.

Jim Dislippo (Union Mills), recent heart transplant recipient, was the program speaker. He stressed the importance of organ donations. One person can help fifty other people.

Respectfully submitted by
Lucille Cohen, Sec/Treas

DISTRICT 4

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 6

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 7

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 10

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 11A

Our last meeting was June 30, 1997 at Otter Creek Station One for 1998 convention meeting.

We are planning to have a great singer Wednesday night at the Bar-B-Q. Things are really looking up, we have a lot of plans. We already have our church for the Memorial Service. We are having a lot of meetings at South High School.

The convention hotel is the Holiday Inn. We have people working on the parade, which looks like a great success.

We are now selling shirts and hats, which are a big hit.

Hope we will have a lot of people attend the convention next year. The theme is "Terre Haute Will Be Great In '98".

Respectfully submitted by,
Jane Lingenfelter, Chairman

DISTRICT 12

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 13A

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 13B

I can't believe the convention is past and it's already July. Time sure goes by fast! Thanks to this year's convention committee for a wonderful time. For those of you who want to attend next year's convention, I have registration forms. Next year's convention will be held in Terre Haute, and will be a great one, I'm sure.

Congratulations to three ladies from District 13B who received 25 Year Certificates from the IVFAA. They are Thelma Lester, Kathleen Gordon and Mary Waggoner, all from Raleigh.

Next year, I am hoping our district will be sponsoring a Miss Flame contestant. Details will be discussed at our meeting in August.

Reminder, anyone who has not paid dues needs to do so no later than September 30, 1997. If you have any questions regarding your dues, please call me.

Centerville Fire Department and Auxiliary will be participating in the annual Archway Days Festival in Centerville. They will be serving supper at the park on Friday evening, August 22, from 4-7 p.m. They will also have a food booth set up on Saturday,

August 23, from 11-7 p.m. Other plans include a chance to show off their refurbished tanker, and possibly checking blood pressures and giving out information. Come join them for a good time!

Also, on October 18, 1997, the Centerville Fire Department and Auxiliary is having a Sweetest Day Dance. Tickets will be available from any fire department or auxiliary member, or can be purchased at the door. The dance will be held at the Y.M.I. on South 5th Street in Richmond

If anyone has any news for our district, please let me know by the 1st of the month before the paper is due out. The next issue is November, so I must have items no later than October 1, 1997.

Our next meeting is August 11, 1997, at 7:00 p.m., place to be announced. Please try to attend this meeting as it is our officer elections, plus we need to discuss the Miss Flame contest. Also, bring ideas to this meeting of things you would like to see accomplished next year.

Respectfully submitted by:
Leslie Spears, Chairman

DISTRICT 14

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 15

NO REPORT

DISTRICT 19

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LOIS BOAZ AWARD

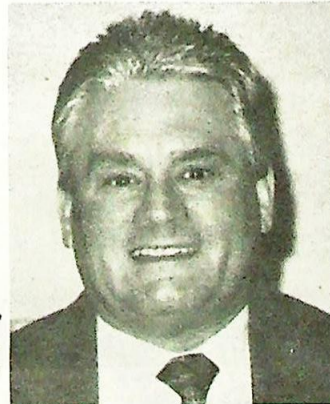


Mary Mackin

The 1997 recipient of the Lois Boaz Award is Mary Mackin of District 6.

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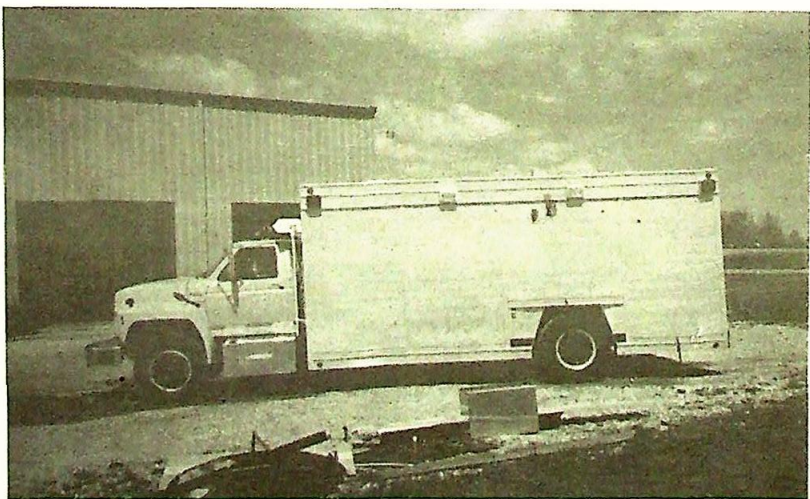
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IVFAA STATE OFFICERS MEETING

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The meeting of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by President Lou Bartlow asking Chaplain Joann Hays to have a word of prayer. Joann first read a story entitled "Mean Mother", then had prayer.

The Pledge to the Flag was read by Vi Bruns in the absence of Sgt.-at-Arms, Miriam Schaeckel. Miriam's husband Cal had emergency gall bladder surgery while they were vacationing this past Friday and they are still there. Hope he is getting along fine!!

Roll Call was given by Barbara Kerney. There were twenty-two members and seven guests present.

Membership was reported as ninety-one auxiliaries, fifty-nine individuals, eighteen life members and 1136 members, with a total of 1213. We are up four auxiliaries, two individuals and thirty-three members since the last meeting. Good work!! We really need to keep working on the enrollment.

Minutes of the last meeting were read by Barbara Kerney, Recording Secretary. Mary Mackin made a motion to dismiss from reading the district reports and Dolly Komoscar seconded it. Motion carried. There were two corrections to the minutes. One was the Treasurer's Report; it should have read \$8294.95. The other was that Ann Moss is the Historian and not Phyllis Vargo as stated. I am sorry for the mistakes. The minutes were then approved as read.

Treasurer, Dorothy Reiter gave her report.

Corresponding Secretary Diana Gray read a Thank You card from Toni Sorg. Other report of illness was from Leona Uryga, saying her husband was still in therapy, but doing better. Ann Moss also reported that her husband was doing O.K. He really appreciated all the cards he got. They really made him happy!!

Chaplain, Joann Hays said she appreciates everyone letting her know when something happens. She also said she was very low on Bibles. Leona Uryga made a motion to purchase Bibles and Ann Moss seconded it. They will purchase twelve new Protestant Bibles. Motion carried.

Joann then read the names of the deceased she has for the Memorial Service at convention. Joann said the flower fund was depleted and so Lou ask for a collection to be taken up.

Lou said since we have no Games Committee, Al asked if she would announce that he needs volunteers to help at the games on Saturday at convention. If you would like to help, please let him know.

Miss Flame, Eula Bush said she has fifteen girls this year. She is trying to come up with some ways to entice the girls to run. The committee went to the men's meeting to see if they would like to help in some way. Eula said they were going to have a skit again this year. This really gets all the girls involved and puts them in the limelight.

Doe Doll, Faye Sallee, said all the tickets have been distributed to those that ask for them. She has approximately \$200.00 turned in so far. So she said to get busy and SELL-SELL-SELL!!!

By-Laws, Dollie Komoscar, said she had checked into the price of the new books, but needed more information before they would commit to a price. She has three By-Laws to submit for convention. Two of them are the same. Lou said the new books should be 3 x 5 and they will contain just the By-Laws, nothing else. The guidelines will be printed separate. The guidelines have already been approved.

Jewelry, Mary Mackin said she has everything. She will need some help at convention. She has eight past-presidents pins, two are set with rubies, and she has also found the district chairman pins.

Nominating, Beth Caudill, said they will be ready.

Historian, Ann Moss, said she has not had time to look for book #1, but she still thinks she knows where it might be.

Lou asked if anyone knew exactly when the auxiliary started?? Toni said, according to the book that Marjorie Brames had, it was 1952. She was trying to figure when we would have 50 years. She thought it would be nice to do something special.

Auditing, Phyllis Vargo said everything was O.K. Just a reminder to have all their books ready for audit at the August meeting.

Installation, Barbara Parker said she was ready.

Financial, Phyllis Vargo said maybe we need to think of another project to earn some money. It was discussed, but decided that with the Doe Doll and the Chinese Auction, we could take from one or the other.

People are only going to spend x amount of dollars.

Presidents Advisory, Barbara Parker said everything is O.K.

Lois Boaz, Phyllis said everything is fine. The lucky lady has been chosen. We are ready for convention.

Old Business: Barbara Parker asked that everything be brought to convention on Wednesday afternoon, for the Chinese Auction. She would like to set up, as a lot of people come in on Wednesday. She said she will need help at the table. Also District 15 donated decorated tubs with lids for the tickets. She will also be responsible for them afterward. Barbara is moving and does not have the room to store them. She would also like to get rid of the big red decorated boxes from last year.

John Shanks came into our meeting to give us some recommendations on what we could offer the Miss Flames to help recruit girls. You can give a participant a money gift, but then it may hinder them from other pageants, as well as causing them problems with the IRS. He suggested a plaque of some sort, anything for recognition.

As far as we know, the Koffee Klutch will be paid for by the host hotel, but Barbara Parker said we should go ahead and allow for it now, since it has to be voted on at this meeting, and then if we do need it, there will be no problem. Toni Sorg made a motion to such and Phyllis Vargo seconded it. Motion carried.

Lou asked, if there was a reason that the Installation ceremony could not be shortened? She said she has had a lot of questions pertaining to such and said it was boring for those sitting and watching. Wondered if maybe it could not be a group installation, especially when it is the second term. If there happens to be someone new, they could go ahead and do the complete ceremony for her. We took a district poll and it was voted to shorten the ceremony, part of the time. It will depend on those that are to be installed. Eula Bush made the motion to shorten installation and Vivian Woodfill Stone seconded it. Motion carried. Barbara will decide on what to say and how she will do it.

Speaking of convention, Toni made a motion to also shorten the Roll Call. Just have the district chairmen count the members voting and guests. Phyllis Vargo seconded it. Motion carried. This will take less time from the meetings.

Lou said she was trying to get the dates when each person joined the state and wanted to present them with a 25 year pin, but the records are so incomplete, it is too hard to do, so she will just drop it for now. She wanted to drop the 15 year certificates and give to the individual, instead. So she is not sure what she will do now. It was made a motion by Wanda Johnson, not to read the district reports and it was seconded by Barbara Parker. Motion carried.

With no further business, Lou asked Joann to close with a word of prayer.

SEE ALL OF YOU AT CONVENTION!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Gray, Corresponding Secretary

DISTRICTS REPORTS

District 3

Meeting was held at the Springfield Volunteer Fire Department on March 19, 1997. Minutes were read and Treasurer's report given.

The proposed By-Law was read.

The program speaker for the evening was attorney Perry Stump. He spoke on having living wills, trust wills and the differences between them. He stressed the importance of having your affairs in order.

The next meeting will be at Noble Township on May 21st.

A delicious salad bar was served by the Springfield Auxiliary.

District 6

The March meeting was held at Steuben Township with nine members from four departments present.

Recipes were received for the District cookbook.

The drawing for the fire afghan will be at the May 14th meeting.

District 7

The meeting was held at the Bluffton Fire Station. We had twenty ladies present.

Minutes were read and Treasurer's report given. After the meeting we held our annual bake sale. We had a great turn out and we netted \$429.50.

Our Miss Flame assessed each person a quarter, that was not wearing green, since it was St. Patrick's Day.

Next meeting will be May 19th at Chester Township, Keystone.

District 10

Meeting was held at Shoney's Restaurant, Shelbyville. There were seven members present.

Most of the meeting was reading the new By-Laws and Standard Operating Procedures.

Encouraged ladies to attend the convention.

District 11B

Meeting was held at Madison Township.

Most of the meeting evolved around the success of the Miss Flame dance.

The next meeting will be at Fairview on May 8th.

District 12

Meeting was held at Ponderosa Restaurant on March 24th. There were nine members present.

Miss Flame Pageant was discussed. Also discussed was the ditty bags and door prizes for the women's meeting at convention.

Next meeting is May 20th at the Ryan's Steak House on US 31 South.

District 13B

Meeting was held at Centerville Fire Department. There were six members and two guests present.

Three new auxiliaries have expressed interest in joining and have been contacted.

Our next meeting will be at Liberty Volunteer Fire Department on May 12th.

IVFAA Vice President



Faye Sallee

DISTRICT 11B

Here we are right in the middle of summer. As I write this, it has been a hot one today. Just what I waited for all winter.

The 1997 IVFA Convention is now history and I want to congratulate Larry Curl and his department for their fine hospitality. You did a great job!

Congratulations to all of the award winners this year, they were very good choices. We are now looking forward to and making the plans for everyone to come to Terre Haute in 1998.

It seems as though every fire department in the district has or is having fund raisers this summer. About every Friday and Saturday night one can go eat somewhere in the district. I love it, but I have trouble keeping my cooking range dusted, though.

It is great to see fire depts and auxiliaries working at fund raisers. It's important to get community support and when they see depts working hard the community support usually happens.

A committee made up from Districts 11A & 11B is working really hard planning the 98 Convention in Terre Haute.

We are asking anyone in the two districts who is interested in helping, contact Bill Bush @ 765-665-3213 or Bob Meyers @ 812-466-2826.

Information about motel reservations and registration forms are located on page 22 of this paper. We hope to have a good attendance and would like to see the numbers increase every year starting with us.

District 11A is hosting the joint 11A & 11B picnic this year at 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 14 at Raccoon State Park. In addition to all the members of the districts, a special invitation is being extended to all award winners in the districts (Mr. IVFA, Lois Boaz, Miss Flames, Ollie Sandburg, Midwest Awards, President's Award). The invitation is also extended to any other interested persons. All one has to do to attend is to bring a well filled picnic basket and lawn chairs and plan to have a good time of renewing old friendships and visiting. If you have any memorabilia, photographs or something that you would like to share, bring it. You may also bring your fishing poles if you like.

Attention auxiliaries, if you haven't sent in your dues, it is time. They were due July 1 and delinquent September 30.

Now is a good time for new auxiliaries to join since it's the beginning of the fiscal year. If you have questions or need help organizing, call me at 765-665-3213.

My "thinker" and my fingers are getting tired and I imagine you are tired of reading. So have a great summer and we will do this again in November's paper.

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Pershing Township Fire Department June Jamboree



1997 Woman of the Year
Kathleen Cornett has been named Pershing Township Woman of the Year by the Ladies Auxilliary of Pershing Twp. VFD. The award was bestowed by Auxilliary President Debbie Rouse during the opening exercises of the June Jamboree.



Jackson County LEPC Chairman and Vice Chairman take part in the parade.

Pershing Township VFD held their June Jamboree on June 26-28, 1997, in Freetown, Indiana.

Patrick Ralston, Executive Director of the State Emergency Management Agency, served as Grand Marshal for Pershing

Township Fire Department's June Jamboree Parade.

"We are grateful to Mr. Ralston for taking time out of his busy schedule to come to Freetown," said Pershing Deputy Chief Rebecca D. Scott. "He showed his caring and active concern for the Indiana Fire Service on the grass roots level."

Jackson county Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) also took part in the parade. Several Jackson County firefighters are active with the committee.

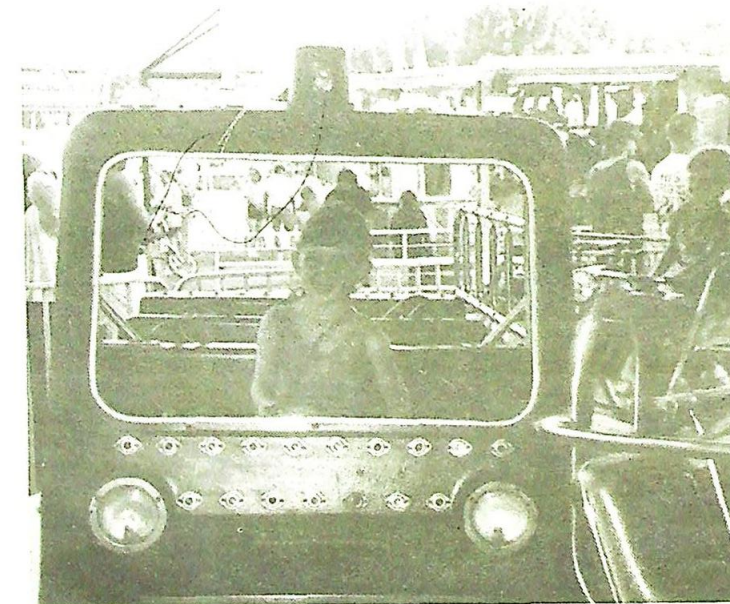
"Our parade always wants to draw public attention to all emergency service agencies", said Scott. "The participation of our county providers is appreciated because it shows their concern for us and for what we do here. Of course we welcome the participation of all Indiana police, EMS and fire/rescue units, which could make a really big parade!"

The women of Freetown United Methodist Church lent a hand to help Pershing Township VFD by selling hand crafts and great baked goods at the Jamboree.

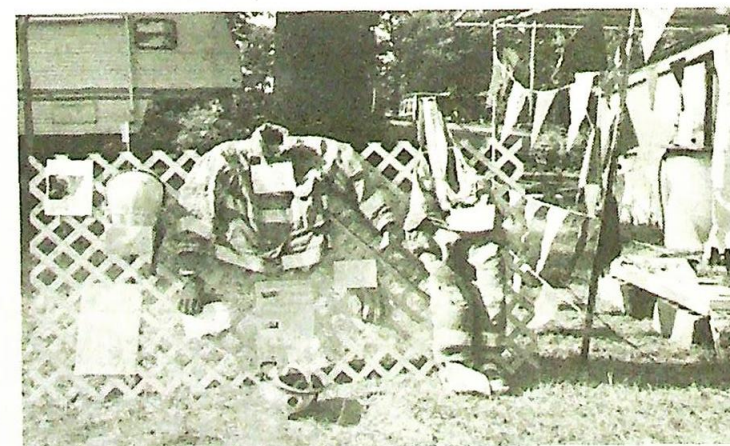
The Pershing Township VFD Ladies Auxilliary also conducted their annual contest to name the Queen of the Jamboree. This year's winner was Amanda Reichenbacher.



Cooking up a storm a crew of Pershing firefighters and volunteers from Selgan, Inc. in Seymour feed the masses.



Perhaps a future fire chief enjoys a ride



A display of turn-out gear with price tags tell just how expensive firefighting is.

Centre Township Fire Dept.

Members of the Centre Township Fire Department in St. Joseph County were on station for their regular Monday night meeting May 5, 1997, when they received a call for an injury accident on the far southeast side of the department's boundary.

The car had rolled over several times into a field and ejected the driver, who was transported to the hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

The rescue and engine company crews were just getting back into their apparatus when they heard another Centre unit on the radio calling in a possible commercial fire at a strip mall on U.S. 31, just across the street from the fire station!

The mall contained a restaurant, a sports bar and several other businesses. Most stores in the strip mall were closed, with the exception of the sports bar and some cleaning people in a business a few doors down who were evacuated by firefighters on the first engine to the scene.

Smoke was pouring from the vents when the first engine

arrived and spread rapidly before firefighters could pull all their lines.

Chief Tom Hertel, who was aboard the rescue and en route from the accident scene, immediately requested a second alarm.

As the rescue approached within a mile of the fire, Chief Hertel could see the thick, black smoke billowing across U.S. 31, prompting him to request a third alarm.

Once on the scene, Chief Hertel ordered his men to enter the business adjacent to the sports bar, which was now nearly fully involved as the fire spread south from the restaurant.

He ordered the next in mutual aid company from Penn South Fire Department to trench-cut the roof directly above the business.

The tactic effectively saved the business and the rest of the stores in the strip mall, and contained the fire damage to the restaurant and the sports bar.

In all, it took a couple of hours to completely knock down the fire, and several firefighters remained at the scene overnight to aid in the investigation.

In addition to Penn South, crews and equipment from Lakeville and Madison, Portage, German and Clay Townships assisted in fighting the blaze.

The Centre Township fire Department would like to thank all those who helped that night.

It was a great team effort!

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Fire Prevention Week

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Know When to Go - React Fast to Fire

Most people are at least somewhat familiar with basic home fire escape messages. For example, most of us know to "get out and stay out" of a burning building, or to call the fire department immediately for assistance if there's a fire. However, people don't always know - or even consider - how to respond if a fire breaks out in other types of occupancies, such as a restaurant or a high-rise building. Or, they may not believe that a fire alarm sounding in a public setting needs to be taken seriously.

The truth is, it's essential to know how to protect yourself no matter what type of occupancy you're in. And because a quick, decisive response often makes the difference between life and death in a fire, it's crucial to take early warning signs seriously, and know how to react to them immediately.

Since approximately 80% of all fire deaths still occur in homes in the U.S., home escape planning remains a primary concern. But because not all recommendations for home escape planning apply to every type of occupancy, it's important to recognize alternate steps for various types of structures and situations.

Why is early escape so important?

Fire's power is often underestimated or misunderstood. If more people fully understood fire's intense heat, the high speed at which it spreads, and the toxic power of smoke, they'd no doubt take early signs of fire much more seriously.

The Power of Fire

Smoke and Poisonous Gases - Smoke and poisonous gases are the leading causes of death in fires, and can kill you long before the flames reach you. A sleeping person who inhales smoke and poisonous gases may never wake up, or may pass out as soon as he or she stands up to escape. Inhaling smoke can cause rapid and severe lung damage. In addition, the particles contained in smoke obscure light and vision, and severely irritate the eyes.

Suffocation - A fire consumes the oxygen essential to human sur-

vival. During a fire, the normal level of oxygen in the air (about 21%) drops rapidly. If the level drops below 17%, clear thinking and muscle control become difficult. When the oxygen level in the air drops between 6% and 10%, breathing stops, and after four to six minutes without oxygen, brain death occurs.

Heat - Heat from fire, which can quickly exceed 1000 degrees Fahrenheit, can cause unconsciousness in minutes, as well as severely burning exposed tissue and damaging the body by overall heat stress.

How can people prepare for fire?

Once a fire occurs, it's too late to start developing a plan. In order to take full advantage of the short time you have to safely escape, you need to already have a plan of action in place, wherever you are.

If you live in a one- or two-family dwelling, or housing up to four stories high, the following are escape measures to help prepare you and all members of your household to snap into action if a fire occurs:

One- & Two-Family Dwellings
 • Develop a step-by-step escape plan with all members of your household. Make sure it includes doors, windows and outdoor features, such as a porch

roof or balcony which could be used for escape.

• Know at least two ways out of each room, and make sure these escape routes are working properly. (Doors unlock easily, windows aren't painted shut, etc.) If there are security bars on any windows, make sure they feature quick-release devices that everyone in the household can use.

• Establish an outdoor location in front of your home where everyone will meet upon exiting.

• Memorize the emergency number of the local fire department. Call that number immediately from a nearby phone once outside.

• Practice your escape plan at least twice a year, and make sure to update it as circumstances in your home change, such as the arrival of a new baby or an elderly family member

• Install at least one smoke detector on every level of your home, as well as in or near all sleeping areas. Test your smoke detectors once a month and change the batteries annually.

Apartment Buildings
 (Up to Four Stories and Dormitories)

• Check to make sure your housing is protected by building-wide fire detection and alarm systems.

• Find out who is responsible for maintaining the fire protection systems in your building, and check with your apartment manager to make sure those systems are working.

• Practice a fire drill with all building residents at least twice a year.

• In a fire emergency, always use the stairs, never elevators.

• If the fire alarm sounds, don't investigate - evacuate.

High-Rise Buildings
 Evacuation procedures for high-rise buildings are similar to those for other buildings, but with large numbers of people evacuating at the same time, cooperation and precision are extremely important. Whether you live in a high-rise building, or you're staying at a hotel, the following are steps to help best protect you in case of fire:

• Count the number of doors between your apartment or hotel room and the two nearest building exits.

• If you discover a fire, sound the fire alarm and call the fire department.

• Leave the fire area quickly, closing all doors behind you to slow the spread of fire and smoke.

IVFAA Chaplain



Joann Hays

Hope you all had a great time at the convention. Hats off to all of those who worked so very hard to give us a good time.

As your Chaplain for another year, please feel free to call me at any time, if it is nothing but just talk as a friend one to another.

Romans 8:28

We know that in everything God works for good with those who love Him.

GOD'S GARDEN

God looked around His garden
 And found an empty place
 He then looked down upon the earth

And saw your tired face.
 He put His arms around you
 And lifted you to rest.
 God's garden must be beautiful

He always takes the best.
 He saw the road was getting rough

And the hills were hard to climb
 So He closed your weary eye lids

And whispered "Peace be thine"
 It broke our hearts to lose you
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Love & prayers

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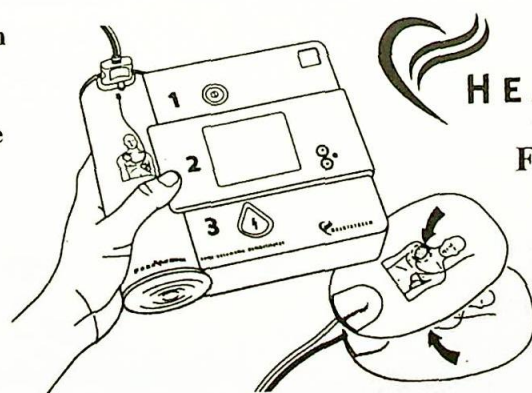
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IVFA STATE OFFICERS MEETING

The May 3, 1997 IVFA Officers Meeting was held at the Ramada Inn North East, Indianapolis. The meeting was called to order by President Zeeks with the invocation given by Chaplin Baker. Vice President Cox led the Pledge to the Flag.

President Zeeks announced he received a telephone call from Secretary Hinkle that he was investigating a fire and would not be able to attend the meeting. A motion was made by Richard Glant and seconded by Jack Cox to appoint Jack Kerney as acting Secretary for the May meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote.

President Zeeks asked for the reading of the minutes of the February meeting. A motion was made by Don Cushman and seconded by Duane Lantz that we dispense of the reading of the minutes and accept them as printed and distributed. Motion carried by a show of hands vote.

President Zeeks read a thank you card from Clarence Moss.

Officer's Reports:

President Jack Zeeks stated that since the last meeting he has traveled over 2,000 miles. Zeeks stated he attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner in Indianapolis, and the Fire Caucus dinner in Washington, D.C.

Vice President Jack Cox stated he has traveled over 1,000 miles since the last meeting. Cox stated he also attended the dinners in Indianapolis and Washington, D.C.

Chaplain Charlie Baker had several memorials and fire house dedications.

President Zeeks introduced Tammy Sedwick from the central office. Tammy distributed membership lists to all District and PR Chairmen. The membership mailing is ready to be mailed.

Assistant Chaplain Duane Lantz announced he had attended two memorial services.

Sergeant-At-Arms Bill Bush reported he has supplies if anyone needs them.

Treasurer Bill Kinsey reported we have a balance of \$376,618.00. Bridgeport Fund has a balance of \$78,520.00.

Kinsey gave a report on the mix-up on the payment of the last death benefit. A committee was appointed by President Zeeks to rewrite the guidelines for the Bridgeport Fund Death Benefit. The committee will consist of Charlie Baker, Jack Kerney, Mitch Parish, Jim Parker, Bill Kinsey, Lawrence Swartz and Buz Koehler. The committee will meet at the Convention in June, and try to have a program set up for review at the August meeting.

Public Relations Director's Reports:

NW Bill Howe reported he attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner and all of his District meetings. Bill also stated he will not be a candidate for PRNW at Convention.

NE Richard Glant reported he attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner and most of his District meetings.

EC Don Cushman reported he attended the District meetings he knew about and the Fire Services Institute Dinner.

WC Don Johnson reported he attended FDIC.

SW Jack Kerney reported he traveled 1,814 miles, attended three District meetings, three county meetings, one fund raiser, the Fire Services Institute Dinner, FDIC, the Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C., sponsored the PRSW instructor cross over class at Vincennes, attended two Board of Firefighter Personnel Standards and Education meetings, and one IVFA committee meeting.

President Zeeks congratulated Jack Kerney for his appointment by Governor O'Bannon to the Board of Firefighter Personnel Standards and Education. The IVFA now has two members on this board, Paul Covington being the other member.

SE Joe Caudill passed.

District Chairmen Reports:

District 21, Perry Martin reported he attended the Fire Service Institute Dinner, FDIC, and he awarded one Gold Card.

District 20, Tony Palmiero was absent. A discussion was held on finding a new District Chairman for District 20.

District 19, Paul Covington reported he has had good attendance at his district meetings. Paul also reported the Board of Personnel Standards and Education was looking at the new NFPA 1041 Standard. Sonya Miller of the Indianapolis Fire Department will represent the Board on the public educators task force of the NFPA panel.

District 18, Frank Daunhauer reported he attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner, the Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C., and all of his District meetings.

District 17-B, Luke Kluender was absent.

District 17-A, Jack Harker attended all of his district meetings, one death in the district, he will present one Gold Card, and attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner.

District 16, Danny Hickman was absent.

District 15, John Barr attended all of his district meetings.

District 14, Nelson Ehlers attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner, FDIC and all of his district meetings.

District 13-B, Dennis Spears attended the Fire Services Institute Dinner, attended his district meetings with average turn outs.

District 13-A, Tim Martin attended the Fire Service Institute Dinner, attended his district meetings, one fire house dedication, and the IVFA officers schools at Ben Davis.

District 12, John Ross attended the Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C. and his district meetings. A discussion was held on officer shirts. John Ross and Red Morris have obtained quotes. Frank Daunhauer will check on a price from the vendor who provides the patches for District 18. All quotes will be for three colors and will be discussed at the next meeting.

District 11-B, Larry Bartlow attended his district meetings with fair attendance, had an Instructors Crossover Class at Fairview, and had one death in the district.

District 11-A, Red Morris attended all of the district meetings and had one death in the district. District 11-A sent a planter, in the name of the IVFA, to the widow of Ollie Sandburgh who passed away.

District 10, David Israel attended FDIC, Fire and Emergency Services Dinner, dedicated two fire houses, attendance at District meetings have been good. There were two deaths in the district.

District 9-B, Buz Koehler attended the Fire and Emergency Services Dinner, Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C., and all district meetings. There were two deaths in the District.

District 9-A, Charlie Cline reported that attendance has been good

at the district meetings.

District 8-B, Larry Petro attended the Fire and Emergency Services Dinner. There was one death in the district.

District 8-A, Robert Fleener passed out NFPA letters at the last district meeting.

District 7, Mort Sorg passed out the NFPA letters at the last District meeting, attended the Fire and Emergency Service Dinner, National Volunteer Fire Council Meeting and the Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C. There were three deaths in the district.

District 6, Doug Baker was absent.

District 5, Don Kissinger reported that attendance has been fair at the district meetings. Attended the Fire and Emergency Services Dinner and the Fire Caucus Dinner in Washington, D.C.

District 4, Greg Freed reported that attendance has been up at the District meetings.

District 3, Bob Uryga passed out NFPA letters at the last meeting and attendance has been good.

District 2, Larry Stott reported attendance has been good at the District meetings.

District 1, Bill Howe was absent.

Past President's Report:

Richard Glant Passed.

Mitch Parish attended the Fire and Emergency Services Dinner.

Lawrence Swartz passed.

Carl Bruns passed.

Jim Parker passed.

Gene Stofer passed.

Bill Engle passed.

Committee Reports:

National Legislation - Gene Stofer gave reports on the Firefighter Liability Bill, LOSAP, Fair Labor Standards Act, the Tarists Bill and the Curt Weldon Bill.

Fire School & Training - Jack Cox gave a report on the two meetings his committee has had with the Indiana Fire Instructors Association. The committees recommendation will be to allow a \$5.00 discount to all IVFA members at the fire schools. This will allow an IVFA member to get one discount per fire school. A membership list, without addresses will have to be provided to IFIA. The discount would not take effect until January 1998.

Editor's Assistant - Bill Howe reported the paper is ready to go to press this week, and will be mailed by May 10. Articles for the Convention Book are needed ASAP.

By-Laws, Jim Parker passed.

Public Education - Jim Parker passed.

EMS - Larry Stott passed.

Membership - Carl Bruns stated we need to keep working on increasing our membership.

Bridgeport Committee - Lawrence Swartz stated that the committee reviewed forty-two applicants and made their two selections.

Historical - Mitch Parish reported that the historical book is ready for print. He only has 160 requests for the books. It is the recommendation of the committee to table the book due to lack of interest.

Insurance - Gene Stofer reported on the Hancock County, Greene Township firefighter death. Since the township did not have the insurance coverage, the court ruled that the township is liable for the \$150,000.00.

Games - Al Mendel reported that the Convention games will be held at the Wayne Township Training Center.

Awards - Jack Cox stated all awards have been selected.

Fire Service Institute - Mitch Parish reported that there will be a firefighter picnic in 1997. The picnic will be held at Westlake Park on July 13.

Convention - Gene Stofer reported everything is going well. There will be a cook out on Wednesday at Wayne Township.

Board of Firefighter Personnel Standards and Education - Jack Kerney reported that a work session was held to start cleaning up the language in the standard.

Ad Taker - Lawrence Swartz reported he had 30 ads for the May issue of the paper, with a projected income of \$4,189.05. The February ads have income to date of \$4,561.95. We have nine outstanding accounts for a total of \$1,715.00. This year's program book has 15 advertisers.

Joint Convention - Jack Kerney passed.

The Auxiliary Miss Flame Committee of Eula Bush, Barbara Kerney, and Barbara Ketcham addressed the board for funds to help reward the Miss Flame contestants. This was tabled for board action.

NEW BUSINESS

Legislative Report - John Shanks reported that a special session will be held. The revolving loan fund, administered by the Fire Marshal's Office will take effect this fall. HB 1191 Jury Selection, died. HB1201 Levy Limitations on Fire Protection Districts, died in the Senate. HB1097 Agricultural Fireworks, died. HB1406 Revolving Loan Fund, passed. HB1431 Regulated Amusement Rides, passed. HB1575 Fire and Building Safety, passed. SB0285 Special License Plates, died. SB0318 Games of Chance, died. SB0483 Solicitation of Money From the Public, passed.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Past Chairman Mitch Parish. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as printed. Motion was carried by a show of hands vote.

Change the Standard Operating Guidelines XI Expenses and Allowances to read 9. Changes twenty cents (\$0.20) to twenty-five cents (\$0.25).

10. Changes forty dollars (\$40.00) to fifty dollars (\$50.00).

11. Changes twenty dollars (\$20.00) to twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

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A motion was made by Jack Cox to accept the changes in the Standard Operating Guidelines, seconded by Charlie Cline. The roll call vote was taken by acting Secretary Jack Kerney with the results as follows:

District	Vote
1	Absent
2	Yea
3	Yea
4	Yea
5	Yea
6	Yea
7	Yea
8-A	Yea
8-B	Yea
9-A	Yea
9-B	Yea
10	Yea

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- are due for renewal.
- Return your Individual Plate Request to the IVFA Central Office no later than October 31, 1997 concerning the number of plates you are requesting for the year 1998; along with \$5.00 for each plate.
 - Submit one (1) application form to the BMV for each license plate you wish to obtain
 - Must be an original form.
 - Application forms are all computer printed: copies are

- not acceptable.
- Forms are sent to departments only, not individuals.
- Mail-in registration is suggested; send your plate form(s) with your plate registration(s).
- Pay a fee of \$10.00 for each plate to the BMV in addition to the other registration fees & taxes.
- Purchase the actual quantity of plates you requested from the IVFA Central Office.
 - DO NOT request more forms than you plan to use.
 - The BMV may charge the IVFA for leftover plates you do not pay for!

To Request Plate Forms, Notify The IVFA Central Office.

You must notify the IVFA Central Office by completing the Individual License Plate Request Form on this page. Please make copies of the original form for each member who would like a license plate. Please remember that the \$5.00 per plate fee (payable to the IVFA) must accompany your Individual License Plate Request Form in order for the IVFA Central Office to process your request. Also, please remember that it takes several days for license plate forms to be processed & mailed. Therefore, if your plates expire on the 30th of the month, you need to have your request forms into the IVFA Central Office no later than the 1st of that month.

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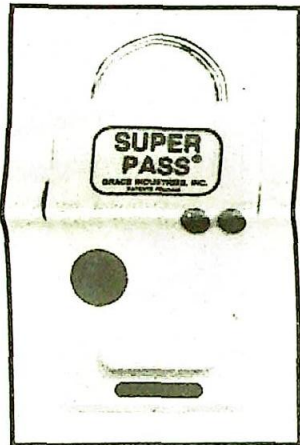
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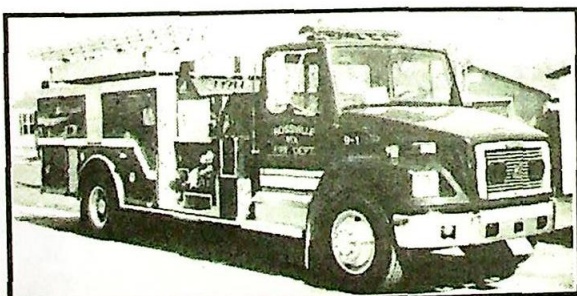
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Plainville FD receives equipment grant

Plainville Volunteer Fire Department received a \$4,000 grant to aid them in the protection of rural areas. Governor Frank O'Bannon announced that 34 Indiana fire departments have been awarded more than \$80,000 to organize, train and equip fire departments to prevent and fight fire in rural areas.

The Rural Community Fire Protection (RCFP) grants, administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources' Division of Forestry, are provided through a cooperative agreement with the USDA Forest Service.

"The grants will assist rural & volunteer fire departments in protecting rural properties and our natural resources. Since 1975, the program has provided \$2.5 million for projects throughout Indiana," Gov. O'Bannon said.

The RCFP program has seen a 66% reduction in federal funds since 1994. Due to the importance of the program to Indiana citizens, the Division of Forestry has added additional state funding for 1997. The Forest Service provided \$33,926 for this year's grant and the Division of Forestry added an additional \$48,000.

Fire departments interested in applying for RCFP or other fire management programs should contact:

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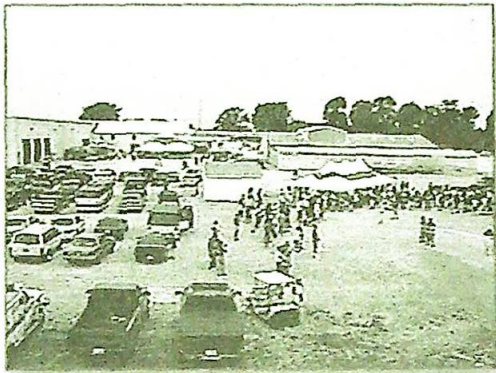
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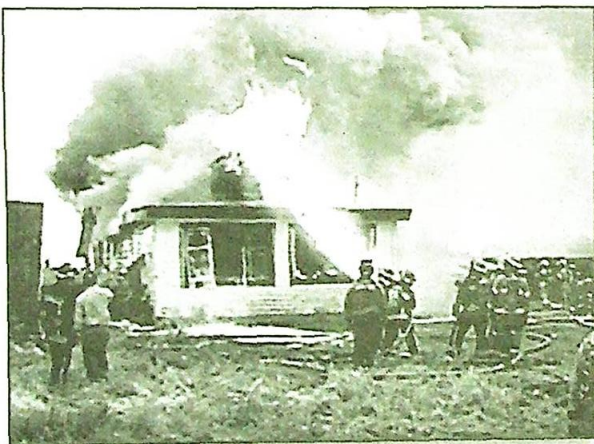
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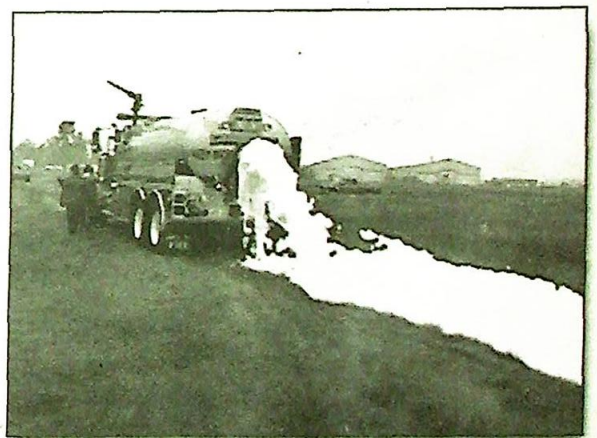
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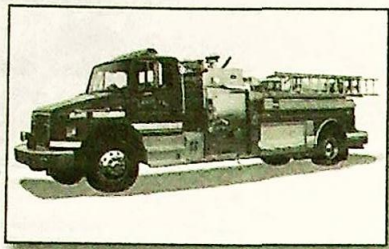


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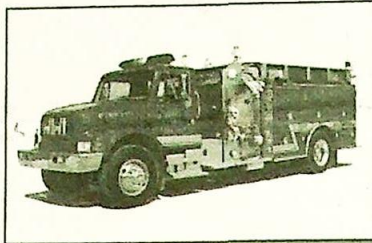


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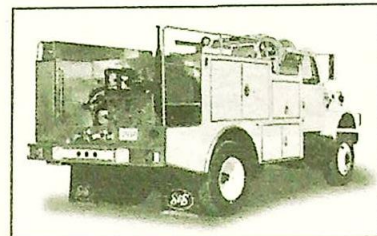


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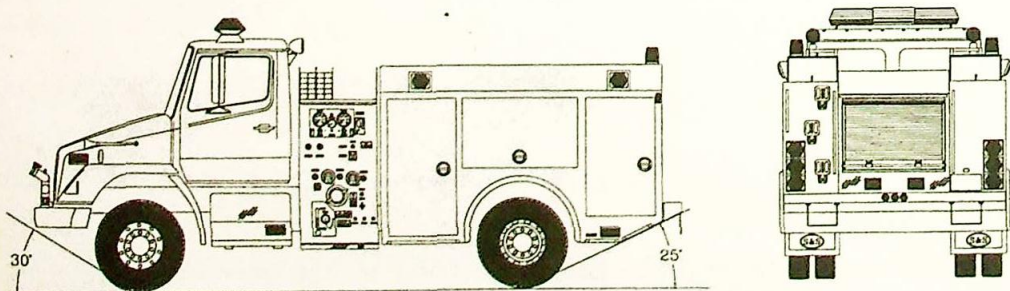
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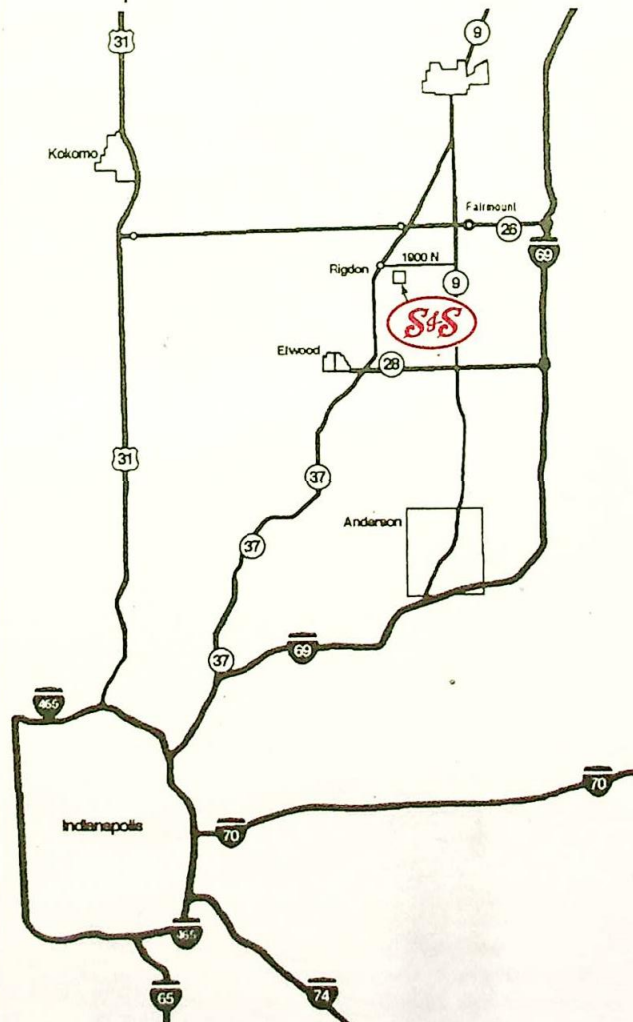
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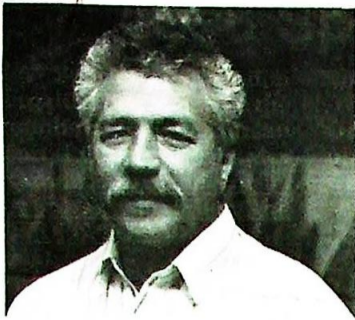
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Volunteer Stamp Would Commemorate 350 Years of Volunteer Firefighting in America

Considerable debate surrounds the exact date of the first organized fire company in the United States.

Many people will say that Benjamin Franklin's Union Fire Company of Philadelphia, which was founded in 1736, was the first. It may be the most well known of the early fire companies in America, but it was not the first.

Others will argue that the first volunteer fire company in America was established in Boston in 1679 after Henry Deering formed a group of safety conscious individuals to maintain and use the country's first fire engine which had been imported from England.

Although an impressive display of fire protection in America's infancy, this was not the first fire company either.

There is record of the Governor of New York, Peter Stuyvesant, in 1648, appointing a group of four fire wardens to inspect chimneys of the thatched-roof houses and to levy a fine of three guilders for each unswept chimney.

The money received from these fines was used to import leather buckets, hooks, and ladders. These instruments were then put to use by concerned citizens to protect their communities from destructive fires.

Thus the tradition of Americans volunteering their time for fire protection began.

In 1948, the United States Postal Service issued a stamp to honor and commemorate this historic development. The three-cent stamp showed a picture of Peter Stuyvesant along with two historic pieces of fire apparatus. The stamp read, "300th Anniversary Volunteer Firemen, Peter Stuyvesant Organizer of the First Volunteer Firemen in America, Unselfish Public Service-Courage-Duty."

1998 will mark the 350th Anniversary of volunteer firefighting in America. Congressman Michael Forbes (R-NY) is currently sponsoring legislation in

Congress that would advocate a postal stamp to honor 350 years of volunteer firefighting tradition in America.

Congressman Forbes said in a press release, "When I think of volunteer firefighters, I think of brave men and women who have been called to meet the destructive force of one of the four great elements.

"Nothing exemplifies the American spirit better than volunteer firefighting. Treating neighbors like family, coming to their aid in times of danger, embodies our National spirit and would be best illustrated by a commemorative stamp."

The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is urging people to call or write their Senators and Representatives today, urging them to co-sponsor House Concurrent Resolution 24, sponsored by Congressman Forbes to provide a commemorative volunteer firefighting stamp.

For more information, please contact Bruce Beardmore 1-888-ASK-NVFC.

Tom Hays, 50-year fireman, is recognized



Tom Hays (right) accepts the 50-Year Life Membership Award from District 17A Chairman Jack Harker on behalf of the IVFA.

Tom Hays, a member of the Odon Volunteer Fire Department since 1946, was recognized during a department meeting for his many years of service.

Jack Harker, IVFA District

Chairman, presented the IVFA's 50-Year Lifetime Membership Award. In making his presentation, Mr. Harker commended Hays for his devoted service.

"There are very few of these

awards issued," he said. "During those fifty years, Tom has devoted untold hours to this community. It takes a lot of dedication and he is an example of what the fire service is all about."

Tom joined the local fire department after returning from military service and has remained a member continuously since that time. "I've not been too active the last few years," he notes, but for many years Tom was usually the first to respond.

The Odon Garage, which he owns, is located across the street from the old fire station and as a designated driver, he would open the station, start the truck and be pulling away as others arrived.

Through the years Hays also used his skill as a mechanic to keep the equipment ready to roll.

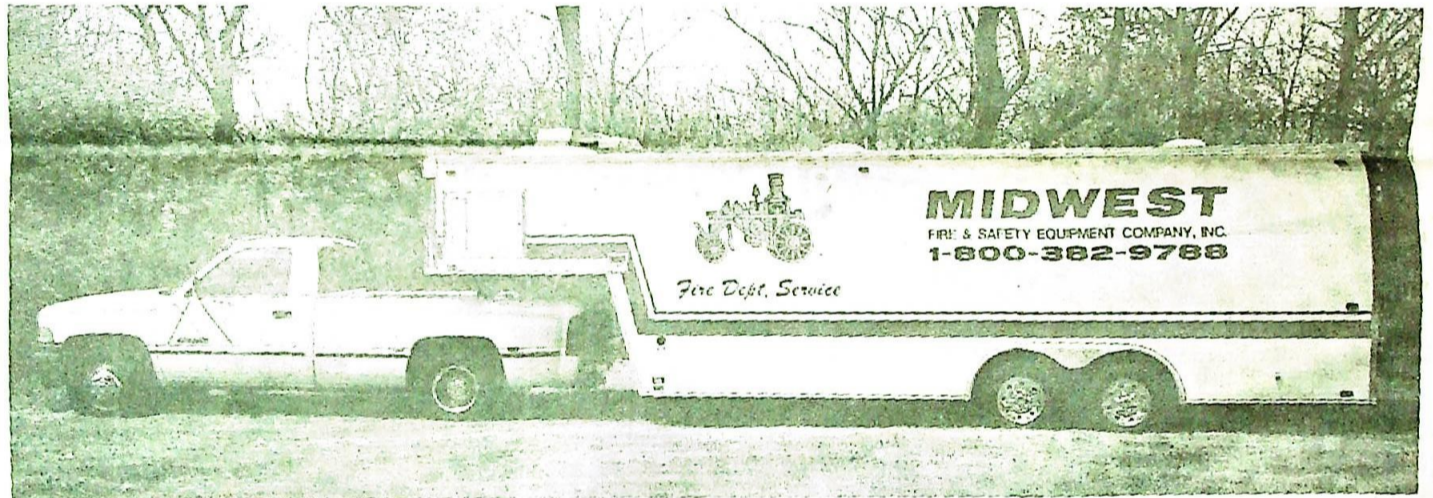
At times the department was operating with antiquated equipment which was in need of constant attention and a firefighter/mechanic was a great asset.

As a fifty year firefighter, Tom will maintain membership in the IVFA, which has represented the interest of volunteer fire departments for the past fifty-one years.

Harker, of Vincennes, said there are 42 volunteer departments included in District 17-A.



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IVFA State Officer's Meeting

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- 11-A Yea
- 11-B Yea
- 12 Yea
- 13-A Yea
- 13-B Yea
- 14 Yea
- 15 Yea
- 16 Absent
- 17-A Yea
- 17-B Absent
- 18 Yea
- 19 Yea
- 20 Absent
- 21 Yea
- PRNW Yea
- PRNE Yea
- PRWC Yea
- PREC Yea
- PRSW Yea
- PRSE Yea
- President Yea
- Vice Pres. Yea
- Secretary Absent
- Treasurer Yea
- Sgt-at-Arms Absent
- Chaplain Yea

Motion carried 32 yea, 6 absent.
Historical Book - A motion was

made by Joe Caudill and seconded by Frank Daunhauer to table the Historical Book until convention. A survey will be taken at convention to find out who would be willing to purchase the books. Order forms will be available to order the books on the convention floor. Motion carried by a show of hands vote. A motion was made by Don Kissinger and seconded by Perry Martin to charge \$20 for each book. Motion carried by a show of hands.

By-Laws - Jim Parker reported that Secretary Hinkle is making copies of the By-Laws to be distributed. Parker will contact Tom Hinkle to see when we may expect these copies.

License Plate Forms - Bill Howe made a motion to send a copy of the request for license plate form, along with a letter of explanation, in the membership dues statement telling that copies can be made and that the form will also appear in future issues of the newspaper. (See page 11) Officers will receive a copy of the form and letter in the mail. Seconded by Bob Uryga. Motion carried by a show of hands vote.

MBNA Contract - A motion was made by Buzz Koehler and seconded by Richard Glant to allow Treasurer Bill Kinsey to negotiate a contract with MBNA. Motion carried by a show of hands vote.

Miss Flame Donation - A motion was made by Jack Kerney and seconded by Frank Daunhauer to support the IVFAA and give them \$500 to be used for the 1997 Miss Flame Contestants. Motion carried by a show of hands vote.

A discussion was held on increasing the reimbursement costs of eye-glasses with hearing aids. Bob Uryga, District 3, will draft a recommendation for the August meeting.

President Zeeks announced that the next meeting will be held on August 9 & 10, at the same location.

There being no further Board action, a motion was made by Richard Glant and seconded by Joe Caudill to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote.

The Benediction was given by Chaplain Charlie Baker.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jack Kerney, Acting Secretary

Pleasant Township Fire Dept. firefighter honored



On Saturday, June 28, 1997, Fred Thompson was honored for serving on the Pleasant Township Fire Department of Laketon, Indiana for forty-one years. Thirty-four firefighters and guests met at the fire station to pay tribute to Fred for his accomplishments.

Larry Hamby, of the Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office presented Fred with a Meritorious Service Award.

Also, Bill Ruppel, State

Representative, had secured an Indiana General Assembly House Resolution to honor Fred's many accomplishments.

Don Kissinger, Chairman of IVFA District 5, presented him with the Midwest Award. Fred had been nominated for this by the members of his department.

The members of the department presented Fred with a plaque, a gift certificate and a fire department shirt.

A steak fry and meal, which was prepared by Stan Bagley and his wife Deanna, followed the presentations.

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State may investigate fireworks mishap

Syracuse, Indiana - The fire chief of this northern Indiana community, shaken by a fireworks mishap that injured two young boys, says he'll put more space between spectators and pyrotechnics at the next year's show.

Syracuse Fire Chief Jerry Byrd said Monday, July 7, 1997 that he intends to keep crowds 800 to 1,000 feet from the fireworks display site during next year's Fourth of July show - about three times further than this year's event.

"Nothing's safe, but we're going to get as big a safety area as possible next year. Considering what happened, we were pretty lucky there weren't any serious injuries," Chief Byrd said.

Byrd said he doesn't need any help investigating the fireworks accident.

But the State Fire Marshal's Office, which issued the permit for the show, wasn't so sure.

The Fourth of July show at Syracuse was produced by Mad Bomber Fireworks Productions, which orchestrated a display in Illinois that ended with a fierce accidental explosion and the deaths of three workers the day before.

"The (Syracuse) fire chief feels that he doesn't need the state's assistance for his investigation, that they can figure it out for themselves, but we haven't made any decision whether to look into this," said Alden Taylor, a spokesman for State Fire Marshal Tracy Boatwright.

A new state law that took effect July 1, 1997 gives Boatwright's agency the authority to investigate explosions of any kind in the state, Taylor said.

Freddie has arrived



The Schererville Fire Department Ladies Auxillary was very proud to present their fire department with "Freddie the Fire Engine" at the men's monthly business meeting in March.

"Freddie" is a remote controlled fire engine designed to help teach children about fire prevention and fire safety.

The Ladies Auxillary felt that it would be an asset to the department in teaching their community's children. He has flashing lights, sirens, blinking eyes and a voice modifier so that the operator can talk to the children through 'Freddie' in a cartoon voice. He dances to music through an internal tape deck and squirts water on command.

"Freddie" has been out in the community several times and has been well received by everyone. He seems to be the center of

attention of all of the children. He has made a big "splash".

The men of the department are very proud of their new "little addition" to their equipment, and plan to use him frequently at local affairs to promote fire education.

He will be making appearances at the local elementary schools in Schererville during Fire Prevention Week and throughout the year.

The Auxillary is hoping that by using "Freddie", the children will pay more attention to what is being taught to them. It is never too early to start teaching children about the dangers of fire.

The children seem to pay more attention to "Freddie" than they do adults. "Freddie" plays with them while he is teaching them, so they retain more of the information presented to them.

The Ladies Auxillary sold

cookbooks, compiled by them, to fund the purchase. Their cook book, called "7 ALARM CUISINE", contains recipes from the local women. They sold several hundred, but are still selling them. If anyone is interested in purchasing one or more, contact Junel Ortman, 619 Julie Dr.,

Schererville, IN 46375. The cookbooks sell for \$6 plus \$1.50 shipping and handling for the first book and \$1 for additional books.

The Ladies Auxillary was quoted as saying "If one child's life could be saved by a message heard from 'Freddie', he was well worth his cost."

Mike Rudolph honored



(L-R) President Greg Sutton, Chief Richard Blaker and Mike Rudolph

Michael L. Rudolph was honored by Pershing Twp. VFD for 30 years continued service. He was presented a plaque recognizing his contributions during the opening program of the department's June Jamboree in Freetown on, June 26, 1997.

Rudolph "grew up" in the fireservice following his father, Carvan Rudolph, a founding member of the all volunteer dept. Mike became an active firefighter in 1967 and is a past fire chief. He is a certified Master Firefighter in Tactics, Instruction, & Fire/Arson Investigation.

A graduate of Ball State Univ., he is employed with Domestic Laundry in Seymour and is a real estate agent with Coldwell Banker. Rudolph is chairman of the Jackson County Red Cross Disaster Committee and works with the department's auction committee.

"We owe Mike a lot for all the time and hard work he has given to our department and community," commented Pershing Fire Chief Richard Blaker, Sr. "A plague isn't nearly enough to say thank you for such dedication, but there are some things that words will never be adequate to express."

Mike Rudolph lives near Freetown with his wife Kathy and sons, Clint, Ben, and Brian. The family tradition of firefighting continued when Clint became a fire department Cadet in 1996.

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Attended FDIC in the past. _____ Years. 1998 would be my first FDIC.

Fire Prevention Week

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- If the building has a voice communication system, follow its evacuation instructions precisely, unless doing so puts you in immediate danger.
- If you encounter smoke or flames, use your alternate escape route. Some evacuation plans may require you to go to a safe area inside the building and wait for the fire department to supervise evacuation.

If You're Trapped

- Stay calm. There are many steps you can take to protect yourself.
- If possible, go to a room with an outside window or balcony and a telephone.
- Close all doors between you and the fire. Use tape or stuff a wet towel to fill cracks around doors and cover vents to keep smoke out.
- If there's a phone in the room where you're trapped, call the fire department and tell them exactly where you are, even if you can see fire trucks on the street below.
- If possible, open the window at the top and bottom and signal to firefighters with a light cloth or flashlight. Do not break the window, and be ready to shut it quickly if smoke rushes in.

Tragically, there have been incidents where the fire department has been unable to locate a building because its address was unclear. To ensure this doesn't happen where you are, check to make sure your building's address is clearly marked outside so firefighters can find it immediately in case of fire. If the building is not clearly marked, contact building officials to resolve this problem.

Out and About

Most of us spend a majority of the day at work, school or home, but we're also frequently in public settings or locations that are less familiar to us, including restaurants, malls, theatres, hotels and motels. While escape planning for the home can't directly be applied to these settings, there are several measures everyone can take to better protect themselves in case of fire.

Personal Responsibility - First and foremost, it's your responsibility to get all the available fire escape information about the location you're in. Take note of the two exits nearest you, and make sure they are unobstructed and unlocked.

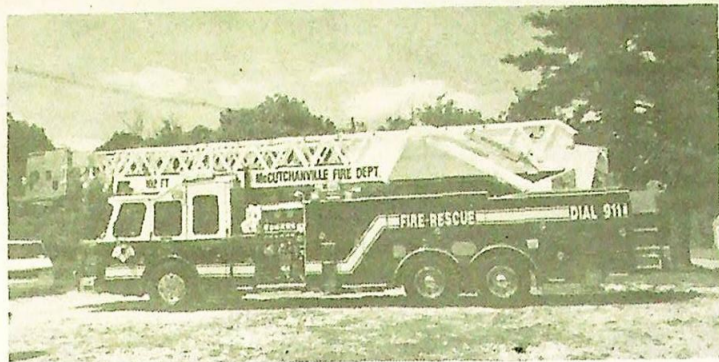
If you're a guest at a friend's home, learn their escape plan, and make sure you know two escape routes from every room, especially the bedrooms if you're spending the night. Make sure there are working smoke detectors in the home. If you have children, remind them to ask about escape procedures when spending the night at a friend's house or if they're heading off to camp.

Take Fire Alarms Seriously - When a fire alarm sounds in a public setting, many people assume it's a false alarm, and will wait to see what others do before taking any personal action. If you hear a fire alarm sound, respond immediately without waiting to see what others do.

Fire Reminders

- Choose the safest escape route, but if you must go through smoke to escape, crawl low under it where the air is cleaner and cooler.
- Before opening a closed exit door, feel the door knob and space between the door and frame for any signs of warmth using the back of your hand. If the door feels completely cool, open it slowly, but be prepared to slam it shut if smoke is on the other side. At any sign of smoke, use your alternate exit or take action to protect yourself in that location.
- Once you're out of the building, stay out. Never go back inside a burning building.

McCutchanville VFD New Delivery



The McCutchanville Fire Department recently took delivery on a new LTI Simon Duplex 102 ft. Aerial Platform. It is equipped with a 2,000 gpm pump, 200 gal. water tank, and all aluminum body. It has an eight-man air conditioned cab with a Detroit Diesel Series 60, 470 hp engine, with a Allison 5-speed automatic transmission.

The platform is capable of flowing 2,000 gpm at 100 psi nozzle pressure at full elevation and extension. The platform is equipped with breathing air supplied from two 440 cu. ft. 4,500 psi cylinders and five minute escape packs. Nozzles on the platform are a electrically controlled Akron Akromatic 5078 and a manually controlled Akron 1755 Turbomaster. A complete set of stacked tips are also provided on the platform.

Hose capacity will allow for a 2 1/2" crosslay with 150 ft. capacity, and two 1 3/4" crosslays with 200 ft. capacity. The hose bed is equipped with 1,000 ft. of 5" hose.

Ground ladders carried include: 1 - 35' 3-section extension ladder, 1 - 24' 2-section extension ladder, 1 - 14' 2-section extension ladder, 2 - 16' roof ladders, 1 - 10' folding ladder, and 1 - 15' extension ladder.

The external generator is a 10 KW Amps hydraulic powered generator from the power take-off of the transmission.

McCutchanville Fire Department is a two station, 60 member all volunteer fire department, located in Center Township on the North and West sides outside the city limits of Evansville. McCutchanville Fire Dept. protects approximately 5,000 house holds along with numerous industrial and commercial businesses.

The department also has a 1,000 gpm 750 gal. E-1 engine, a 1,250 gpm 750 gal. Darley engine, a 1,000 gpm 2,800 gal. Pierce tanker, a Frontline heavy rescue, a light rescue, and a 4 x 4 brush truck.

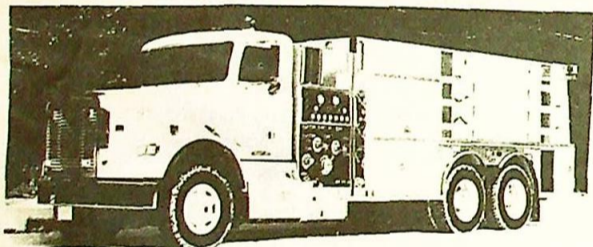
Jack Kerney is the Fire Chief, Donald Moffett and Robert Heilman are the Assistant Chiefs.

Worthington-Jefferson FD dedicate new station

Worthington-Jefferson Fire Department dedicated a new fire station and municipal building on Sunday, June 15, 1997 at 2 p.m.

This was made possible by a grant of \$700,000. from the Aileen S. Andrew Foundation, of which Robert E. Hord, Sr. is President.

IVFA President Jack Zeeks, Jr. and District 17A Chairman Jack Harker presented a clock to the fire department to be displayed in their new station.

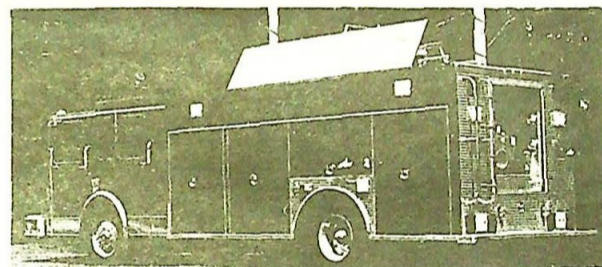


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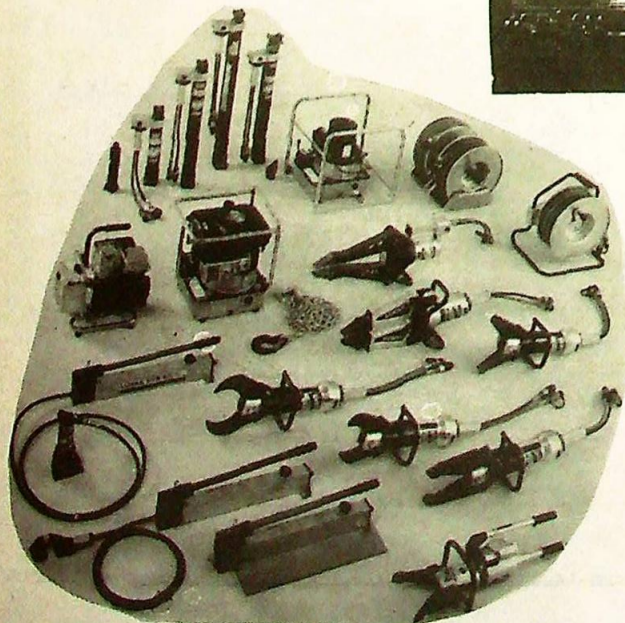


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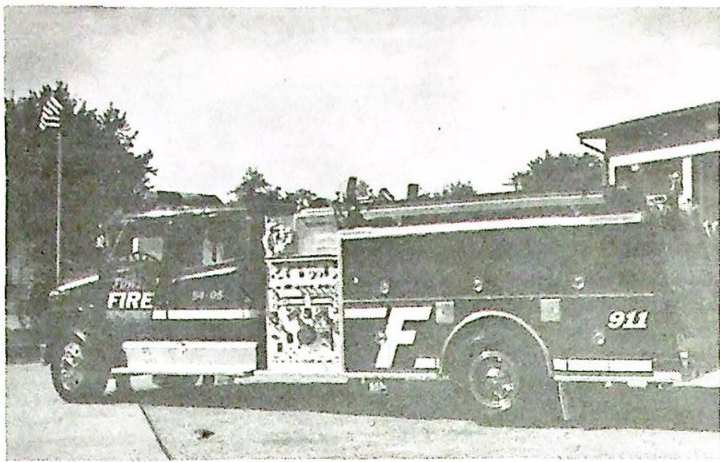
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New Pumper for Fowler VFD



The Fowler Volunteer Fire Department (Center Township) has taken delivery of a KME pumper built on a Freightliner chassis. The truck has a Hale 1,250 gpm pump, 1,000 gallon water tank and five-person cab. The unit is powered by a 300 hp diesel engine and an Allison automatic transmission.

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All checks and ad copy are to be mailed to:

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Poe VFD Annual Festival

The Poe Community Volunteer Fire Department will be holding its 59th Annual Fireman's Festival August 22nd and 23rd, 1997, to raise funds for their department.

On Friday, August 22nd the festivities will start at 5:30 p.m. with a Benefit Auction including items donated by area merchants. Also up for auction will be a double size Star of Bethlehem quilt made by the Ladies Auxiliary.

There will be a variety of games, including Bingo, with food and refreshments available.

Then on Saturday, August 23rd, there will be a Waterball Competition for both men and women starting at 12 noon. Sign up for the competition will be at 11:30 a.m.

From 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. there will be a Chicken Bar-B-Q Dinner served.

A Eucher Tournament will be held from noon until 3:00 p.m., a Kiddie Tractor Pull at 2:00 p.m., The Last Resort Barbershop Quartet will perform at 3:00 p.m. and a Firehouse Feud from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

A dance will be held at 7:30 p.m. featuring the band Stagecoach. Admission is free and there will be a raffle drawing at 10:00 p.m.

There will also be a beer tent and a country store. And for the kids, there will be a free prize drawing every hour.

There is plenty of free parking, so bring the whole family. There will be fun for all.

If anyone has items to donate for the auction on Friday night, please call 747-6733.

Pershing Twp. VFD new certified EMT



Jason Wynn

Jason Wynn, a firefighter with Pershing Township Volunteer Fire Department in Freetown, Indiana

has completed training for certification as an Emergency Medical Technician.

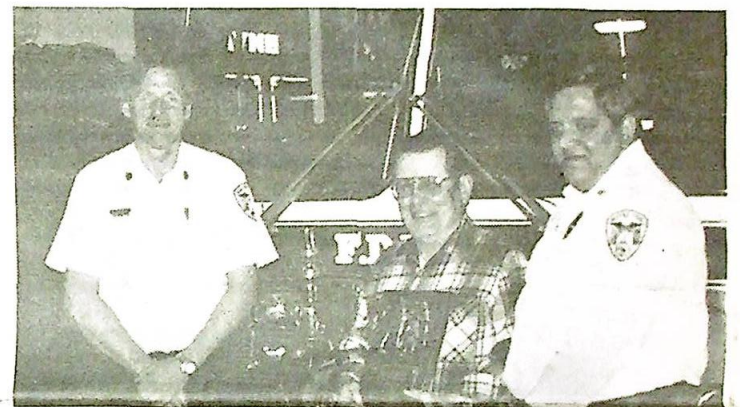
Jason is a 1997 graduate of Vincennes University with an Associates Degree in Law Enforcement.

He joined the all volunteer fire department in 1996 and plans to continue his training as a firefighter. He has completed requirements for certification as a SAR Teck II and is active with the department's budding Search and Rescue Team.

"Jason is all you hope for in a recruit," said Chief Richard Blaker, Sr. "He is hardworking, intelligent, and has a positive attitude toward emergency services."

Wynn is the Son of Brenda Wynn and lives in Freetown.

Wayne Township Fire Department



Firefighter Jack Jones received a plaque and a gold watch for his 50 years of service to Wayne Township Fire Department.

Pictured (l-r): John Garino, District Chief Station 9; Jack Jones; and Larry Curl, Chief Wayne Township Fire Department.

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Jack Kerney

Jack Kerney has been PRSW for the past 8 years. He has been Sec/Treas for Dist. 15, for 12 years. He is Chief of the McCutchanville Fire Department, which he has served five different occasions. He has held the office of ass't. chief, captain, and training officer during his 34 years of service. Jack is a Master Firefighter in four categories and is a first responder. He has been instrumental in building two new fire stations and securing funding for new fire trucks & equipment. Jack has received the Midwest Award twice for his efforts to promote the fire service. Jack is a member of the Indiana Board of Firefighter Personnel Standards and Education, Secretary of the

Vanderburgh Co. Suburban Fire Chief's Association, a member of the Vanderburgh County Local Emergency Planning Committee, serves on many fire service committees, and is a member of the McCutchanville Community Association, the parent organization of the McCutchanville Fire Department.

Jack is a husband and a father of four and a step-father of one. He has nine grandchildren and is involved in as many activities of his family as possible. He has served as a church youth leader and a baseball coach for little league for all of his children. He has served as chairman of fund raisers for the fire department and community.

The fire service has always been a part of the Jack Kerney family. His wife Barbara is a first class firefighter, along with both of his daughters. He has been co-chairman and chairman of the IVFA conventions held in Evansville.

Jack's faith, dedication and tireless efforts are ones that have touched a number of lives over the past thirty-four years that he has dedicated to the fire service. He has never been too tired to do for others when they needed him. His dedication to his community, his fire department and the state have not been unfounded. His accomplishments have been many.

Jack is the Senior Facilities & Safety Engineer for Ferro Corporation, a Fortune 500 company. He has received the prestigious corporate Weaver Award. Ferro Corporation encourages his efforts in the fire service.

Wanatah VFD Toy & Sports Card Show

This year's annual Wanatah Volunteer Fire Department Toy & Sports Card Show will be Sunday, September 28, 1997 at the Wanatah School at US 30 & US 421 in southern LaPorte County. Admission will be \$1.00 for adults, 11 and under will be free.

Tables will be the same price as last year for those registering before September 18, 1997 - \$15 for the first table and \$10 for additional tables. After the deadline, tables will be \$20 for the first table and \$15 for additional tables.

As of July 1st, twenty-five tables have already been sold for the Third Annual Toy and Sports Card Show.

For additional information, phone (219) 733-2039 or 733-2721 or write Fire Department Toy Show, P.O. Box 443, Wanatah, IN 46390.

With the firefighters, exhibitors and kids, 700 people were estimated to have attended the 1996 show. Over 40 exhibitors from four states displayed old and new toy tractors, farm machinery, banks, Nascar, trucks, dolls, construction vehicles, sports cards & memorabilia, and much more on more than 100 tables. Sixty-five

percent of the exhibitors and tables were toy related, with the remaining tables and exhibitors selling sports cards, sports memorabilia, star wars, and other collectibles. Attendance is expected to increase for this year's show with exhibitor tables remaining around 100.

The Wanatah Volunteer Fire Department Toy and Sports Card Show will be held in conjunction with the Wanatah Scarecrow Festival which runs Friday, Sept. 26 thru Sunday, Sept. 28, 1997.

Other events the day of the Toy & Sports Card Show include Antique & Classic Car Show, Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull, Antique Tractor Display, Tractor Pull, Entertainment, Arts & Crafts, Scarecrow Sculpting, Bingo and drawing for Indianapolis Colts Limited Edition Simplicity Riding Lawn Mower.

Public Relations Southeast



Joe Caudill

From The State Fire Marshal

For Your Information

Now available is a pamphlet issued by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms containing information about responses to bomb threats.

This material is primarily designed to be used by businesses, schools, etc., but it does contain some recommendations about appropriate responses in the event of a bomb threat.

Recently, I have had several calls from fire chiefs who have responded to bomb threat situations, and who have run into some problems involving the evacuation of a building.

At this time, neither the Fire Code nor state statutes specifically authorize a fire chief to order the evacuation of a building in the event of a bomb threat; it is the responsibility of the owner or occupant to determine whether the building is to be evacuated.

I wanted you to be aware of this situation because at least one chief is facing the question of whether his evacuation order caused a business to lose profits unnecessarily.

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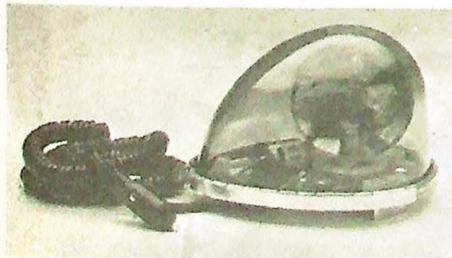
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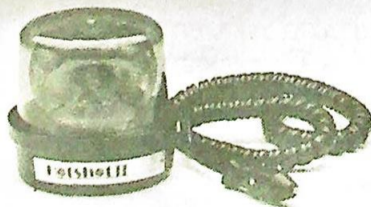
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From the Vice President



Jack Cox

Another successful convention has passed. The 1997 Convention Committee and Wayne Township Fire Department can rest at ease. They provided all the members with a punctual event and all that was needed to have a good time. Great Job!!!

Thanks to the delegates at the convention. I have been re-elected to the Vice President's office for 1998. I appreciate your support and will make every effort to fulfill the duties of this office to your expectations.

We are still working with the IFIA to provide you, the IVFA members, with the opportunity to attend fire schools in 1998 at the lowest cost possible. Keep watching for updates as 1997 comes to a close.

Keep those district meeting notices coming and I will attend all that I can.

Please keep by wife Linda in your prayers, as she is going through some very difficult times with her health.

Until next quarter, think Safety!

1998 IVFA Convention - Terre Haute

"Terre Haute will be Great in '98"

Convention '97 is now history and it was a good one. My congratulations to Larry Curl and his staff.

Now, the Convention Committee wants to invite everyone to come to Terre Haute in June '98. They are working really hard to put together a Convention that you will enjoy

I think you will find Terre Haute a nice place to visit. It has numerous and every variety of restaurant all within close proximity of Convention headquarters. Ladies, bring your check book or plastic because there is a shopping mall across the street.

You will find the Registration Form below.

Please note that the pre-registration (deadline June 1, 1998) is \$40 and late and on-site is \$50 per person.

Also, you will find information for room reservations. The Committee has elected to have the headquarters, Holiday Inn, Terre Haute, to take care of the reservations. You will find further information for rooms and camping on the form.

Souvenir caps and T-shirts are already available for sale. If you would like to have one to wear all year, contact Red Morris, District 11A Chairman. You will find his name and number in the Officer's list on Page 2 of this paper.

As the year passes, we will keep you posted on how "Terre Haute will be Great in '98. Watch for more in every issue of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman.

If you have any questions you may contact me at 765-665-3213 or Bob Meyers at 812-466-2826.

If anyone in the two districts is interested in helping with this convention, please contact Bill Bush or Bob Meyers at the numbers listed above.

Bill Bush
Convention '98 Co-Chairman

MOTEL RESERVATIONS

The 1998 Convention Committee has elected to have all room reservations made directly through the motels.

HEADQUARTERS WILL BE THE HOLIDAY INN. They will hold their guaranteed rates and at least 200 rooms open for the convention until May 17, 1998. After that date, the room rates are not guaranteed. When they are full, they will refer you to other motels.

Or, if you do not wish to stay at the Holiday Inn, there are numerous other "chain" motels in very close proximity.

The Holiday Inn rates are as follows:

Single/Double	Queen	King
\$76.00	\$66.00	\$76.00

Tax will be added to the above rates.

The motel has both smoking and non-smoking rooms available. They will require that the room be guaranteed with first night deposit by cash or credit card. Please make your reservations by calling the motel direct.

HOLIDAY INN 812-232-6081

If questions concerning how to make reservations, you may call:

PATTY MILLER 765-832-6931

CAMPING RESERVATIONS

Camping reservations may be made by calling the KOA CAMPGROUNDS at 812-232-2457.

The rate will be \$21.00/Day.

If questions concerning camping arrangements, please call:

MAX HARRAH 812-299-4836

"MISS FLAME" CONTEST OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

(PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLACK INK)

NAME _____ SS# _____
(Print in full)

ADDRESS _____
Number and Street City State Zip Code

PHONE _____ BIRTH DATE _____ AGE _____

PARENT'S NAMES _____

CHAPERONE NAMES (IF NOT PARENTS) _____

DISTRICT# _____ CHAIRMAN _____
(MEN) (WOMEN)

FIRE DEPARTMENT SPONSOR _____
(NAME, ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER)

SPONSORING FIREMAN OR AUX. MEMBER'S NAME & RELATIONSHIP: _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING _____

WHERE EMPLOYED _____

HOBBIES: _____

I/we, the undersigned, do hereby declare that I/we are the parents and/or legal guardian of: _____ and do hereby give our consent to her participation in the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association "Miss Flame" Contest. The Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association and the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary are in no way obligated or under contract to any person/persons, or firms to supply any requirements for contestants, parents, legal guardians or chaperones.

Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

I concur that _____ will represent District _____ in the State Miss Flame Contest at the annual Convention. I further concur that the sponsoring firemen/auxiliary member's dues are current with the I.V.F.A./I.V.F.A.A.

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN _____ DATE _____

THIS FORM GOES TO THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN FOR THE DISTRICT CONTEST AND HE/SHE FORWARDS IT TO THE STATE "MISS FLAME" CHAIRMAN. Entry form for the state contest, two photos (preferably black and white) must be forwarded to the address below by the District Chairman no later than March 10.

Eula Bush
1419 W. 850 S.
Dana, IN 47847
317-665-3213

THE I.V.F.A. RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL THE CONTEST UPON NOTIFICATION TO ALL PARTICIPANTS

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1998 IVFA PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

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IVFA AUX. MEMBER	_____	_____	_____
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SIGNATURE OF CARD HOLDER _____

PLEASE SEND YOUR REGISTRATIONS TO:

JOANN HAYS, REGISTRATIONS
1998 CONVENTION COMMITTEE
P.O. BOX 6095
TERRE HAUTE, IN 47802

MISS FLAME GUIDELINES

The purpose of the Miss Flame Contest is to select a Miss Flame and First Runner-up to represent the I.V.F.A. and the I.V.F.A.A. The Miss Flame Contest is held annually at the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention. The girls are judged by a committee of judges who are selected by the Convention Miss Flame Committee. The girls will be judged based on the rules, qualifications, and score sheets dated 8/96.

The State Miss Flame and First Runner-up are selected from District Miss Flame winners (one from each district). The District winners' applications along with two photos (black and white preferred) will be sent to the Miss Flame Committee Chairman by March 10. The girls selected will be representing the state, district and their local department. They will act as public relations representatives all over the state. On a best efforts basis, they will attend as many departmental, district, and state activities as possible. It is the responsibility of the departments, districts, and state to advise and invite them to their activities. The district winners will represent their districts and departments.

The behavior of all Miss Flame candidates and winners will always be becoming and appropriate to such representation.

When attending the convention, motel rooms are set aside for the Miss Flames. They must, however, make their own reservations and advise the Reservation Committee that they are a candidate. Each contestant will have a chaperone (parents or designated person) who will stay in the same room. Miss Flames and their chaperones may camp and again, they must make their own arrangements. They are responsible for paying for their own accommodations.

The itinerary for Miss Flames at the convention will be sent to the candidates by the Miss Flame Committee Chairman. Along with this, they will be advised of the recommended clothing to be worn at each activity. All Miss Flame candidates will attend the mixer on Wednesday evening, the judging and luncheon on Thursday. The judging will consist of personal interviews on Thursday morning and final judging on Thursday afternoon. Winners will be announced and crowning of the Miss Flame will be at the Opening Meeting on Thursday evening.

All girls will be expected to attend the men's and women's meetings, Memorial Service, and banquet on Friday. They will attend the waterball games and ride in the parade on Saturday (if there is one). They will sell doe doll tickets throughout the convention.

District Chairmen (men and women) will be responsible for providing rules and information to Miss Flame candidates. If chairmen need information, they should contact the Miss Flame Chairman.

JUDGING REGULATIONS

Judging will be based on fire department and community involvement, appearance, personality, poise, conversational ability, and ability to express ideas. All judging scores will be confidential.

All state contestants will be considered on the following percentage basis for "Miss Flame" state judging. No questions to be asked relative to scholastic ability.

- 25% on what she thinks are the benefits of a volunteer fire department in her community:
 - * her fire department role in community
 - * her relationship to the volunteer fire service
 - * her involvement with the fire department, and
 - * her family's involvement with the fire department
- 20% on personality and poise (includes carriage, composure, self-control and self confidence).
- 10% on ability to carry on a conversation in a personal interview and before a group.
- 10% on appearance (grooming, neatness).
- 10% on community involvement (4-H, church, school, etc.).
- Each state contestant should be familiar with the following topics. The judges will select three of the five (same three for each contestant) and ask each contestant to express her thoughts on them. 5% for each of the three topics.
 - *National Government
 - *Environment
 - *Quality of Education
 - *Inflation
 - *Juvenile Crime
- 10% on impromptu speech or last minute thoughts.

DON'T FORGET

Deadline for the November issue of the newspaper is

October 10, 1997

Please, make a note of it.

IVFA MISS FLAME CONTEST QUALIFICATIONS AND RULES TO ENTER

1. Father, brother, mother or sister must be a member of the I.V.F.A. or the I.V.F.A. Auxiliary or be a member herself.
2. Entrant must be single and a non-parent.
3. Entrant must be 15 years old but not more than 18 at the time of the I.V.F.A. State Convention. She must be a resident of the state of Indiana.
4. There may be only one entry from each department in the District Contest.
5. The department winner will be decided at the discretion of the department.
6. Winner of a department will be entered in the District contest.
7. District winner will be decided at the discretion of the District.
8. District winner will be entered in the State Miss Flame Contest.
9. District winner must have transportation to the State Convention and have a chaperone.
10. District winner should be decided by March 1; application and two photos (black and white preferred) will be sent to the State Miss Flame Chairman no later than March 10.
11. Department and District may have an alternate in the event the winner is unable to fulfill the title.
12. I.V.F.A. Miss Flame will be selected at the State Convention.
13. The Convention host department will provide judges to select the state winner prior to the opening meeting on Thursday evening.
14. The Winner and Runner-up will be announced at the ceremonies of opening meeting on Thursday evening.
15. I.V.F.A.A. will furnish appropriate District designation ribbons which will be presented to the District winners prior to the Judging on Thursday at Convention.
16. I.V.F.A.A. will furnish winner I.V.F.A. "MISS FLAME" ribbon, flowers, trophy and a \$100 savings bond.
17. I.V.F.A.A. will furnish I.V.F.A. "MISS FLAME RUNNER-UP" with flowers, trophy and a \$50 savings bond.
18. Formal attire will be worn at the State Judging.
19. Judging will be based on fire department and community involvement, appearance, personality, poise, conversational ability and ability to express ideas.
20. It will be the responsibility of the parent or chaperone to pay their hotel/motel expenses.

ATTENTION: District Miss Flame Contestants

Contestants and parents, you will be receiving correspondence from me sometime in April and again in May. You must remember, however, that we must be somewhat flexible since sometimes schedules have to be changed.

One very important thing that Miss Flame contestants must do is to see that their parents/chaperones make hotel (or camping) reservations right away. The contestants will stay in the same room with the parents/chaperones. Get a reservation form from your district chairman or call me and I will send one to you. Fill it out and across the top in big letters write "MISS FLAME CONTESTANT".

I would also like to remind the parents/chaperones that they are responsible for their own convention registration. The Miss Flames' registration is provided. Remember, you can pre-register until June 1 for \$40.00 each, but after that date the cost is \$50.00 each. You can use the form provided in this paper or get one from your district chairman.

If anyone has any questions concerning the Miss Flame Contest at convention, you may call me at 317-665-3213

Eula Bush, Miss Flame Committee Chairman

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Brownstown Volunteer of the Year



Richard L. Burrell

Brownstown firefighter Richard "Dick" L. Burrell has been named 1997 Volunteer of the Year by the Brownstown Chamber of Commerce.

Burrell was honored for his twenty-plus years of service as a firefighter, his work with the Jackson County United Fund, and the rebuilding of the Skyline Drive Shelter House, which was destroyed by an arsonist. He is also a long time participant and supporter of the Brownstown Softball League.

Burrell is a former fire captain and served several years as Secretary of the Jackson County Fire Academy after graduating with it's first class in 1984.

"Dick Burrell is one of the kindest, most dedicated people in the fire service," commented a fellow firefighter. "He is a credit to all of the firefighters in Jackson County."

"He goes out of his way to help others anyway he can," said Brownstown Assistant Fire Chief

Andy Faintain.

Burrell is an active member of Brownstown Baptist Church and served as Vice Chairman of the church's re-building project.

The structure was destroyed by fire in December, 1994. Burrell fought the blaze with his department throughout the night and remained to help the congregation's salvage of the building's contents. He continued his tireless efforts until the new structure was dedicated.

Dick lives in Brownstown with his wife, Barbara. The Burrells are parents of a daughter, Kelly and proud grandparents of Logan.

Public Relations Northeast



Richard 'Dick' Glant

Thank You from Bridgeport Scholarship winner

Dear Mr. Swartz and other IVFA members:

I'd like to thank you for allowing me to represent your association as a Scholarship recipient.

It is an honor and will help me tremendously with school.

Thanks again.
Trina Helderman

District 15 Midwest Award Winner

Tim Wargel was awarded the Midwest Award for his dedication and time served as District 15 Chairman.

Tim is a 10-year member of the German Township Fire Department. He serves as a Captain on the department and is a Master Firefighter and an EMT.

Congratulations Tim, and thanks for your hard work.

New Station for Shoals Fire Department



Shoals Fire Department was presented with an IVFA clock for their new fire station. Pictured (l to r) are Bruce Hawkins; Dist 17B Chairman Luke Kluender; Chief Dave Harder; & Assistant Chief Kenny Sanders.

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1997 Miss Flame and her court



The 1997 Miss Flame contest was great again this year. We had 15 young ladies in competition. We had a great time throughout the four days. Everyone got along well, participated in all of the activities.

I am sure there were some long term friendships made.

Nicole Barden of LaPaz, District 5, our reigning Miss Flame returned to crown our 1997 Miss Flame. She is Angela Nicole Lister of Sheffield, District

21. She is the daughter of Dave and Lynnette Lister.

The 1997 Miss Flame Runner-up is Christina Marie Thomas from Decatur Township, District 12. She is the daughter of James and Ingrid Thomas.

The Miss Congeniality (voted on by her peers) is Heather Garwood from LaCrosse, District 3. She is the daughter of Bruce and Tricia Garwood.

The Miss Flame court is as follows: Alisha Vaught, Schererville; Janet Gettler, Crown Point; Tina Capron, Bremen; Kimberly Smith, New Haven/Adams Twp.; Joni Dekoninck, Poe; April Marshall, Center Twp.; April Frazee, Pennville; Tiffany Lingensel, Otter Creek #1; Olivia Hess, Dana; Ellen Bleher, McCutchanville; Kathryn Smith, Holland; and Sheryl Scheele, Morris.

Congratulations to all of the girls and their parents. They represented their fire departments and districts well.

After all of the judging was done and it was time to have fun, the girls worked on a little song and dance that they performed at the banquet on Friday evening. It was a big hit again this year and the girls had a good time doing it.

Thanks to Barbara Kerney for her planning and working with the girls to get it together.

The committee pulled together again this year to get the fine contest we had. Thanks to Miriam Schaeckel, Barbara Kerney, Barbara Ketchem & Lucy Stofer.

I hope that I don't forget anyone, but I want to thank the following for their contributions to the Miss Flame Committee: Gene and Lucy Stofer and Bill Engle, Miss Flame Luncheon; Larry and Barbara Ketchem, Trophies; Jim and Barbara Parker, Miss Congeniality Plaque; Jack and Linda Cox, Avon Gift Bags; Jack and Barbara Kerney, Photograph Albums; Districts 1 and 2, Diddy Bags; Chief Curl, Convention T-shirts; IVFA, Bracelets; IVFAA, Charms, Crown, Flowers, & Sashes; Mitch Parish, Photographs; Charles Wilson, Photographs and "Mike" from Wayne Township, Photographs.

I would like to encourage local fire departments and districts to invite the girls to your fund raisers and parades. Let them know that you appreciate their participation in the contest.

Information Needed

CPSC needs information on fires caused by kids with multi-purpose lighters.

On January 16, 1997, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) issued an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking requesting information on the fire hazard associated with children under age five (5) playing with multi-purpose lighters, which are commonly used to light grills and fireplaces.

CPSC will continue to investigate fire incidents involving multi-purpose lighters throughout 1997 and into 1998 to document the hazard.

If you become aware of a fire caused by a child under age 5, please contact CPSC to report the incident. Give the following information:

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- Name, telephone number and address of a contact person who can provide information.

Call 1-800-638-8095 and leave a message, or e-mail information to amcdona@cpsc.gov.

Public Relations Southwest



Jack Kerney

It was a surprise and an honor to be selected Mr. IVFA. I am sure there are a lot of you out there that are just as deserving. I would like to thank my wife Barbara and my family for allowing me to be so active in the fire service and the IVFA. They understand that the fire service is something I really enjoy devoting my time to.

I would like to congratulate Mary Mackin for being selected the Lois Boaz recipient. Mary is a very deserving person for this award. Congratulations Mary!

I also would like to congratulate Brian Alkire for receiving the Governors Medal of Valor. Brian is a member of the Sheffield Twp. Fire Dept. and was severely burned when a roof collapsed on him and some fellow firefighters.

Congratulations Dist. 21 and their new Miss Flame, Angela Lister. I am sure the judges had a hard time selecting a Miss Flame from all of the contestants. They were all deserving.

Thanks to Larry Curl, his Convention Committee, and Wayne Twp. FD for providing us with a Convention to be proud of.

Putting on a convention is a lot of work and responsibility, so when you see Larry give him a pat on the back and let him know what a good job he did and how much we appreciate it.

From May of 1996 thru convention 1997 Barbara and I have traveled more than 6,200 miles. We have met a lot of firefighters and their families. All depts & dists have made us feel very welcome at their meetings and outings. That is what makes the PR job so much fun and rewarding.

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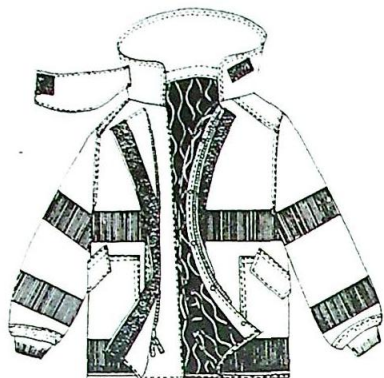
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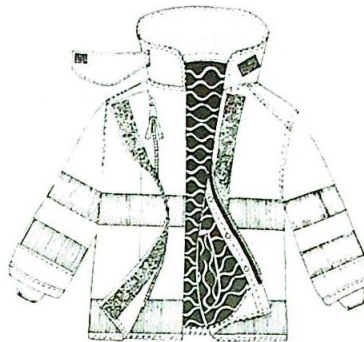
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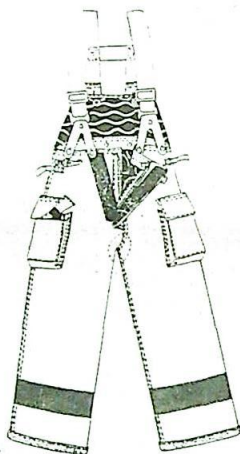
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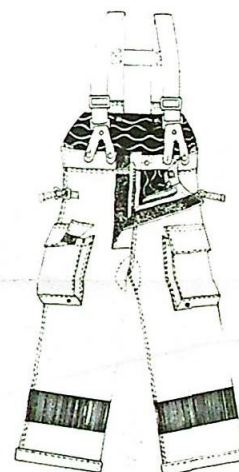
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Independent two layer waistband. Two fabric take-up straps to shift weight from shoulders to hips.
Four layer fly flap with heavy duty brass zipper and 2" hook and loop tape closure provides internal thermal and moisture protection.
Fabric reinforced crotch.
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The Schools are as follows:

Progressive Rescue Technician I/II
August 11-15, 1997
Indianapolis, Indiana

Progressive Technician III
August 18-22, 1997
Indianapolis, Indiana

Progressive Rescue Technician I/II
August 25-29, 1997
Carol Stream, Illinois

Progressive Rescue Technician I/II is a 40 hour course in Rope Rescue techniques. The course was developed to enable the student to combine the Progressive Rescue Technician Courses I and II in a convenient five day package. The course begins with a classroom review of equipment, knots and safety. The class then moves outside for "hands-on" work in Rappelling, Belaying, Mechanical Advantage Raising Systems, Packaging, Knotpasses and Highlines. This course is the next step if you have taken the Progressive Rope Rescue I course.

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Course Schedule:
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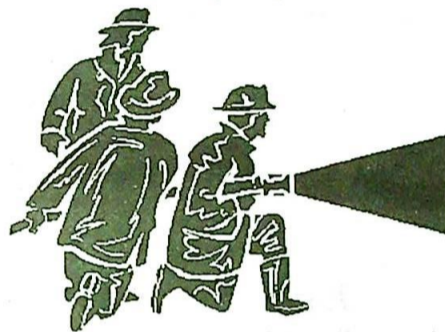


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