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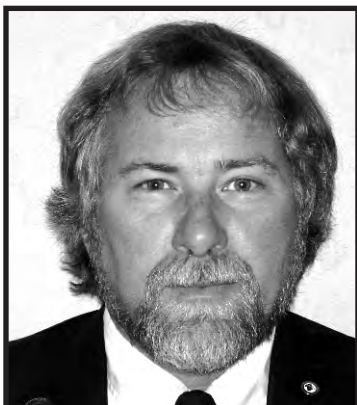
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From The President

David Israel



Thank you to all that volunteer your time to make your communities a better and safer place to live.

2013 Convention has come and gone and we had a good time. Thanks to the 2013 convention committee for having us at Muncie. Putting on a convention is not an easy task.

2014 Convention will be in Indianapolis on the north side, watch the website for more details.

I would like to thank everyone for putting their trust in me by letting me serve as your president for one more year and retaining the current officers. The only change was PRSW Jack Kerney will be replacing Jim Abrams. I have had fun being president and look forward to serving you, the IVFA members for another year. I will not be running for a fourth year.

I would like to personally thank Jim Abrams for his time and

dedication to the IVFA as PRSW, for what he did to help the districts he served for several years. We missed you at convention this year, Jim.

Ladies and Gentlemen, there is a big communication problem out there and only you can fix it. The IVFA sends information out to the district chairmen and they forward it out to their contacts. We post it on the website and sometimes on Facebook when it is a really important issue that needs attention now. We still hear, "I didn't know anything about that."

We know not everyone can attend your local district meetings. But if we can get at least one or two people per department to attend and take the info back that would sure help. Or if you are not on your district chairman's email list, call them or email them to get added to it. District chairmen should be making department visits. If they have not been to your department for awhile, call them and invite them to your next meeting. If they don't show up, contact me.

We need your input for this year's Legislative Session. Send the Legislative Committee your ideas and concerns for consideration by November 1st. The members are: Lobbyist - Larry Curl, chairman - Buz Koehler, David Israel, Steve Anderson, Bev Harker, Jim Parker, Jack Kerney, Larry Bartlow, Larry Ketchem, and Tim Deckard. Their email address can be found on the IVFA website Home page down the left side tabs, click on Leadership, then click on Officers.

If you're reading this now and your IVFA dues are not paid, they are LATE, you and your family just lost some valuable benefits. But it is not too late to get them sent in.

Fire Department info is listed

under their districts now on the website. PLEASE SOMEONE TAKE THE TIME to check the INFORMATION to see if it is CORRECT. If there is only a P.O. Box, send us the Physical Address

and under the meeting night we need to know which Monday, Tuesday, is it the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and send us the correct info. Remember to send us your fund raising event info so we can get it posted on the calendar.

Slow down for the intersections with standing corn around them and be safe.

Hope to see you at the next district meeting in your area.

David Israel

Mr. IVFA 2013



The Mr. IVFA Award, is the most prestigious award bestowed on a member of the Association.

The recipient of this Award is regarded by his peers as a person of strong character, that has given his best in all that he does in the name of the Association, his community, and his Department.

The Award was presented on July 17, 2013, due to Jim having had surgery during the week of the Convention.

This year's recipient is no exception.

After the committee read thru the letters received for nine (9) candidates for this award, it was clear that one in particular stood out.

One very well-written letter in particular said it plain as day.

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After close monitoring of the postage and printing costs, it was decided to use any fees left over to assist in the maintenance of the Bridgeport Scholarship Fund.

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Our members deserve to be recognized by everyone and we are proud to offer this special plate to our members.

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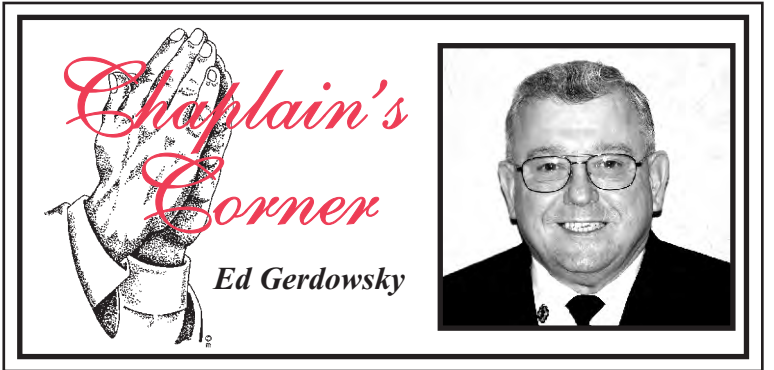
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(Editor's Note: An error was made in the Chaplain's Corner column in the May issue.)

The fourth paragraph should have read as follows:

Chaplains are responding to the new Bibles and cases with much pleasure. They are very nice and once all the old ones are gone we can use the Firefighter Bibles for all faiths.

(We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused.)

Greetings to all.

Hope those who attended the Muncie Convention enjoyed themselves. It was a great time and the committee who worked so hard really made it enjoyable for all of us. Don't want to forget any names, so to all those involved, thank you very much.

You have a very nice Convention Center and clean city with very friendly people. Blessings to all for your time and dedication.

Thanks to all my Chaplains who helped in any way with the Memorial Service, Charlie Baker, George Buck, Pete Taylor, Dave Elick, and Tom Sellmer. Without them I couldn't get it all done. Thanks to Brent Bush for bringing the beautiful cross and to Larry Bruner and helpers for having the bell and siren there for us to use. It adds so much as does the Color Guard who come for us each year. Thank you so much. Thanks to John (Bull) Smith for his willingness to do the Bagpipes each year. He does a fine job on them and "Amazing Grace" was really touching. Thanks to Pam Barlow for doing our programs each year and Buz Koehler for picking up the programs and getting them to us for the Memorial Service each year.

Special thanks to Joann Hays for taking care of the roses and doing all the extras she does when making crosses and butterflies with beautiful sayings and those who help her with those projects. Thank you, Linda Baker, for all the years of beautiful keyboard playing. You make it so special with your God-given talent of playing for us. Thanks to the Miss Flames for helping out with the roses. You have all represented your districts so well. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone as you are all a very special part of this service.

Congratulations to all this year's winners of the prestigious awards given out which you will read about in the paper. Thanks to our President David Israel and his officers who keep the organization running so well and Larry Curl for keeping our state officials helping us when we need things done. We have a great organization with many caring individuals, so let's all praise the

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From The Vice President

Steve Anderson



I would like to congratulate all of the award winners from this past convention. A big thank you must go out to the individuals responsible for nominating these deserving individuals. It's not too early to start writing letters for next year. For further information about each award, you can visit the website www.ivfa.org.

I also would like to congratulate the convention host committee for putting on this year's event. It takes a lot of hard work from many people to make this a success. The committee did an outstanding job. I hope to see all of you at next year's event, where you get a chance to sit back and relax that week.

I am starting to layout my travel plans for this fall, especially trips to the northern half of the state. District Chairmen, if you have not put your meeting schedule on the web, please try to have this completed as soon as possible. Individual departments are also encouraged to use the web calendar to promote your local events, training classes and fund-raisers. You can also like the IVFA Facebook page to see additional information.

Until next time,
S. Anderson

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Lord for each one of them. Caring people make the whole organization what it is. Blessings to all of you.

I have been attending as many fire meetings and festivals as time allows. If any of you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me or any of the Associate Chaplains. I will be at the August meeting in Indy. Have a great day with God's many blessings!

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

Colossians 3:17

Chaplain Ed Gerdowsky
June 24, 2013

Instructors, Proctors and Students: Your help is needed!

The following issues were discussed at a recent board meeting and maybe we can resolve/avoid the major issues that we are having. No one likes having to void tests or having people fail tests simply because they do not know how important these minor things really are.

The state is having issues with the test bubble sheets and there are still issues with the 11/11/1111 dates:

When you go on-line and look at your record, if you have a certification with the 11/11/1111 issue date, this means the certification has never been issued. When you tested, there was a problem, missing paperwork, something was wrong and the certification was never issued. If you think this is an error, contact Barbara Goble, 317-232-2325 or bgoble@dhs.in.gov and explain what you need and she will work with you to resolve the issue.

PSID #'s are required prior to testing. The state will no longer create the PSID# for you after you test. If you need a PSID# go to <https://s.zoomerang.com/s/psidapplication> and complete the application. Complete all required fields and you will get an e-mail within 72 hours explaining how to open your portal and find your PSID#.

Answer sheet issues:

On the test answer sheets, you must fill in the circles for your ID number, (should use your PSID#), fill in the circles for your name. If you leave it blank, the scanner will not pick up your test. Your test will be void. This is a legal document and the state can no longer correct this for you.

Under special codes, in the J column you must fill in the circle for the version of the test you are taking. This is on the front of your test book. If you leave it blank, you WILL FAIL the test. The scanner automatically grades to version 0 and there is nothing the state can do for you at this point. Your score will be in the 20% range. This is a legal document and the state cannot alter it for you to get your actual score.

If you are in doubt about any testing issues, contact Barbara Goble and she will help you resolve the issue. Staff wants to answer all questions prior to them becoming major issues.

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25 year award presented to Brent Bush

The Dana Volunteer Fire Department held their spring fish fry on Saturday, March 30. Brent was called up front, much to his surprise, while the firehouse was full of people enjoying the meal and was presented his 25 year service pin by district chairman Larry Southard.

In addition, Dana Volunteer Firefighter, Tommy Dicus, presented Brent with a gold watch from the Dana Fire Department.

Brent joined the Dana Fire Department on his 21st birthday, that age that was required by the department at the time. He is currently the fire chief and has served in that capacity for several years. - submitted by Eula Bush.

Miss Flame Notes . . .

It is hard to believe that another convention has come and gone. We have already begun to make plans for 2014. We had a great group of girls and each was a good representative of their respective districts.

Our new Miss Flame for 2013 is Heather Wickersham and our runner-up is Darion Wilson. They will both be great representatives for our organizations. The scholastic and talent abilities of each of our girls is unbelievable. The future is in good hands.

The girls selected Jesse McDonald as this year's Miss Congeniality. It certainly is an honor to be selected by your peers. Award presented by last year's winner Alyssia Smith.

Thanks to the committee who helped put this program together: E J Smith, Tammy Smith, Joann Hays, Sharon Wright and Joan Pape. Also thanks to those who have given generously to provide the program with trophies, sashes and money donations: Larry and Barb Ketchem, Lonna Huffman & Ezell Insurance Group, Larry and Carol Curl, Jim and Barb Parker, Jean and E J Smith, Bob and Joann Hays, Bill and Joan Pape and Jack and Barb Kerney. Also thanks to IVFA and IVFAA for their support and donations.

As most of you who know me, know that this program is very special to me. I always look forward to make plans for the coming year. This year brought sadness as my friend who had helped with this program for over 20+ years passed away. Miriam Schaekel will be truly missed by all.

It is not too early to begin to look for candidates for your districts. There are already girls expressing an interest.

I would be remiss if I did not thank a former Miss Flame Titianna Marsee for the great job of directing the entertainment provided by the Miss Flames. It truly displayed the spirit of America. GREAT JOB GIRLS!

Thank you Jesse Dove for your efforts and all that you did to promote the fire service during your reign as Miss Flame for 2012. Best wishes.

Thanks to all who support our program and all other youth programs in the fire service. They are our future.

Barb Kerney
2013 Miss Flame Chairman

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Sam Emery, District 17A chairman with Rickie Hartin, Kevin Cook and Mark Headly, who were presented 25 year plaques by Sandborn VFD Chief Kevin Etmeier for their years of service. – photos submitted by Sam Emery, District 17A chairman.



District 17A Miss Flame and District 11A Miss Flame Darion Wilson, receive donation from Greene County Firefighters Assoc., presented by president Scott Byers.



Jack Kerney, past president IVFA, Bev Harker, treasurer IVFA, Jesse McDonald, District 17A Miss Flame, Sam Emery, District 17A chairman, were on hand to present Sandborn firemen Rickile Hartin and Kevin Cook their and Chief Kevin Etmeier their 25 year pins.



Jesse McDonald receives donation from Richland-Taylor VFD Chief Randy Baker.

25 year pins and 50 year Gold cards and pins



submitted by John Ray, District 10 chairman



(At left) – Kaleb Summers, Sandborn VFD, presented certificate with District 17A Miss Jesse McDonald looking on.

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Orange Co. Rural One members receive 25 year service pins

At an awards banquet on 13 April, 2013, three members of the Orange Co. Rural One VFD were presented the IVFA 25 Year Service Pin. Pictured along with District 18 Chairman John "Bull" Smith are OCRVFD members (R-L) Richard Drake, Donald Drake, and Tim Parke. – Article and photo provided by Dist. 18 Chairman Smith

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IVFA MEETING DISTRICT 1 & 2 Porter Fire May 15, 2013

District 1 Chairman Tom Orrell called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

Pledge was recited.

Chairman Tom Orrell thanked Porter Fire Department for hosting this month's meeting.

Roll Call was taken by District 1 with 17 members representing 3 departments. District 2 by 3 members and 2 guests representing 3 departments.

Chairman Orrell introduced the guests in attendance - Gold card members Bill Casbon of Boone Grove Vol. Fire Dept., Jerry Miller of Merrillville Fire Dept., Harvey Lanning of Schererville, Marge Baumgardner, Secretary 1 & 2 of the I.V.F.A.A., Jim Crowell of Sklarewitz Uniforms, Ed Morales, Porter Twp. Trustee.

Tonight's program was Deputy Chief Jay Craig of Porter Fire Department Search & Rescue K-9.

Motion made to suspend the reading of the minutes made by Bill Casbon, 2nd by Harvey Lanning. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: None.

Communications: None.

Motion made by Diane Orrell to give our Miss Flame from District 1 and 2 \$200 each for state convention. 2nd by Mike Schilling. Motion passed. Tom Orrell stated that he would make up the difference to the Miss Flames if there is not enough in the Treasury.

Old Business - None.

New Business - None.

Department Announcements:

Next meeting will be at Keener-DeMotte Fire Dept. on July 17th at 7:00 p.m.

50/50 winner was Marge Baumgardner, who donated it back to the organization. (Thank you Marge!)

Motion for adjournment was made by Bill Casbon, 2nd by Jerry Miller. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted:

Marge Baumgardner

Pro-tem Secretary

District 1 & 2

DISTRICT 4 REPORT



Terry Smith - Chairman

The 4th District I.V.F.A. meeting was called to order by chairman Terry Smith which was held on June 20, 2013 at the Walkerton Volunteer Fire Department which began at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge led by Chief Jeff Baker. The roll call consisted of 7 departments consisting of 10 members and 2 guests. The minutes and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

PRNE Jean Smith proceeded with officer elections for the 4th District. Terry Smith was re-elected as chairman and chaplain and Elton Schafer was re-elected as secretary and treasurer.

Jean passed out literature on the fire equipment replacement fund and the voluntary recertification for career firefighters only. Fire Chief George Schafer from Lakeville Fire Department inquired if the voluntary recertification proposal concerning the 12 hour a year training would be proposed for volunteer departments. Jean explained the BOFSE at the 2013 IVFA Convention thoughts and two board members thought it would be a good idea, but wanted input from volunteer firefighters before a decision would be made. Chief Schafer also inquired as to where the Certification Instructors were going to come from since we are losing a lot of them and would firefighters have to go out of town to some fire academy and if not, would the recertification fall back on local fire departments and the chief be responsible for signing off on the 12 hour training per year. The body discussed their views and said it was something that should seriously be looked at.

Chairman Smith informed the members about the next meeting held on Saturday, August 10th at Concord Fire Department for the Hog Roast and that this will be for the whole family. Terry also stated he would like each fire department to donate food towards the Hog Roast or donate funds toward the food.

Terry also informed the members discussions held at the 2013 IVFA convention. Elections were held for state officers and all state officers were re-elected from the previous year. Terry also informed everyone that the 2014 IVFA convention will be held in Indianapolis at the Caribbean Cove on SR 421 and the 2015 IVFA convention will be held at the Horseshoe Casino in Elizabeth, Indiana.

Tim Raun from Station Supply gave a demonstration showing his products and how they clean fire trucks and equipment.

The next meeting will be held at Concord Fire Department in Elkhart on August 10, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. with the food served at 2:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

DISTRICT 5 REPORT



Don Kissinger - Chairman

May 10, 2012
Kewanee-Union Fire Department,
Kewanna IN

Refreshments were served by the host department prior to the meeting.

GUESTS:

Cindy Van Gordon

Larry Polas

Jean & E.J. Smith

Shelby Leach

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kissinger @ 1937 hrs. The pledge of allegiance followed. There were 12 firefighters representing 4 departments in attendance. The minutes were read, corrected, and approved.

It was reported that the F.D.I.C. show was a success.

We discussed the Line of Duty death loop holes.

2012 Convention June 13 thru 15 in Elizabeth, IN @ Horseshoe Southern Indiana.

Training classes coming up @ Camp Atterbury Aug. 31 thru Sept. 2.

American Income Life benefit has increased from \$3000 to \$3500.

We discussed the narrow banding pros and cons. Make sure to document all issues with the radios.

When H.B. 1005 goes into effect it will affect the volunteer fire departments greatly. This issue is NOT dead. The novelty lighter bill will be presented next year.

Global Fire Equipment is celebrating their 125 year anniversary by giving away 125 sets of gear to volunteer fire departments.

National Fire Conference June 24 and 25.

Kewanna Pancake Breakfast May 27, 6 AM to 1 PM.

Tenderloin Fry at North Manchester June 9.

Next meeting at Etna Twp. Fire Department, Etna Green July 12, Election night.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Martin, District 5 Secretary
(another report is on page 39)

DISTRICT 6 REPORT



Jerry Sprague - Chairman

Greetings from District 6,
Greetings to all. Up here in the northeast it is summertime with a lot of Fire Department events going on. The week of July 4th is full of scheduled events. Hopefully you will have a chance to attend several of these.

Want to thank Shipshewanna VFD for allowing us to hold our meeting there in May. Their hospitality was greatly appreciated.

Also, a big thank you goes out to Kurt Neal of 1-800-Board-Up for providing our dinner. I would also like to thank Tianna, our District 6 Miss Flame, for the great job she is doing for our district. I was really proud of her at the convention in Muncie. She was a shining star in the competition for state Miss Flame. It would be great to see better attendance at our District 6 meetings.

Come on guys and gals. It is only one night every other month! There may be a few departments that are not receiving the meeting flyers. Please take the time to send your department's e-mail address to spralawn@ligtel.com.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at the Ligonier VFD. Our District meeting in September will be on the 24th at 7:30 p.m. at the Orland VFD in Orland, Indiana. All District 6 departments should have received a flyer on the meetings. If any of the departments or individual firefighters in District 6 have problems or concerns, please call or e-mail me. I will do my level best to help you out. Better yet, bring them to our next meeting on July 23rd or September 24, 2013. Please visit the IVFA website as I am hoping the meetings for District 6 will be posted. (ivfa.org)

On May the 19th I attended the Churubusco-Smith Twp. VFD new station dedication. Thanks go out to the Indiana State Fire Marshal, Jim Greeson for attending this celebration. During this celebration, one of Churubusco's finest, Ben Rinker, received the Indiana Medal of Valor from Marshal Greeson and was also presented the Medal of Valor from the IVFA for his life saving efforts. Congratulations to Ben. Job well done!

The Albion VFD will be celebrating 125 years of service with a Diamond Jubilee Celebration on July 20th. Watch your e-mail for further information on these events.

Please be safe out there!

E.G.H.

Jerry Sprague (Spook),

District 6 chairman

DISTRICT 7 REPORT



Walt Reiter - Chairman

Indiana Volunteer

Firefighter's Association

District #7

May 20, 2013

Ossian Vol. Fire Department

Meeting called to order by Chairman Reiter at 7:40 p.m. Chairman Reiter led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

First roll call was answered by 14 members representing 7 departments. Minutes of the March meeting R/A.

GUESTS: Jean Smith - IVFA Public Relations North East, Cindy VanGorden - Donley Safety, and Jim Arnold - Gavalon Fertilizer, Yoder, IN.

Cindy VanGorden - We had a good turnout at FDIC, thank you for attending and visiting our booth. Look forward to seeing you at IVFA Convention in Muncie.

Chairman Reiter - 2 deaths in the

district Darrel Brown, Geneva and Dennis Kretsher, Markle. Both were Life Members.

Chairman Reiter - Notes from quarterly meeting - 33 2012 fire grants awarded in IN. \$4,000 grants are available through the IVFA, they are funded by license plate sales. Look at the web site for the grant application as well as Bylaws, award applications and other member news. Individuals can place pictures of events on the web site. July 4 & 5 there will be an on line training for Firehouse software. Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education meeting was held in Fort Wayne at the PSA on April 29th. There was good attendance at the meeting. If you attend a meeting and hear discussion on something, follow up with it to see that it was printed as discussed. Equipment replacement fund notice is out, get on line and read the law pertaining to this. IVFA Public Relations Trailer is available for your events. Farm accident rescue training is scheduled at the Adams Co. 4-H Park. John Buckman quoted statistics from NIFRS so keep in mind that it is important to fill in all information on NIFRS reports. A survey is being conducted to compile information on the financial impact of rural fire departments in IN.

Jean Smith, PRNE - Discussed IC359 and how it affects the volunteer fire service. We got a summer study approved to study this. At quarterly meeting John Buckman was asked what annual training is required by the state for firefighters. He stated that the state does not require anything, however OSHA does. A brief explanation of the Acadis Readiness Suite that the state uses for record keeping was given. The state may go to a two year renewal for fire certifications to keep a firefighters status as active in the system.

Reminder Convention at Muncie June 12-15.

Next meeting will be at Poneto July 15. It will be the election of district officers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 with 14 members representing 7 departments.

Presentation will follow the meeting presented by Jim Arnold of Gavalon Fertilizer Mix Facility. He will highlight hazards of fertilizer products in our area.

Richard Sorg

District 7 Secretary

DISTRICT 8B REPORT



Lloyd E. Wright - Chairman

District 8B held their district meeting on May 8, 2013 at the Monroe Township Volunteer Fire Department in Cowan, IN. A lite lunch was served before the meeting. Meeting started at 7:30 p.m. with all saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was taken with 12 members from 6 departments present.

Chairman Wright discussed the upcoming convention which will be held in Muncie, IN. He told them about the seminars that would be

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November 2013

deadline will be

September 25, 2013

Have a safe summer!

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held during the convention. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Several of the departments in District 8B will be having fish fries, tractor pulls, and a car show as their fundraisers. Also some of the departments will be having parades to celebrate their events.

Second roll call was held with number of fires and EMS runs. There were a total of 49 fires and 79 EMS runs.

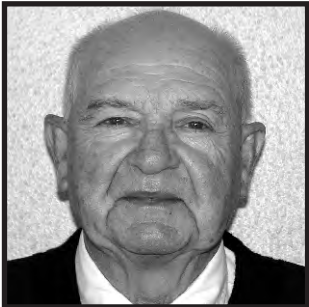
Next district meeting will be held at the Montpelier Volunteer Fire Department on July 10, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Election of officers will be held.

Meeting was adjourned.

Hope everyone had a good and safe 4th of July and are enjoying summer.

Lloyd E. Wright,
District 8B

DISTRICT 10 REPORT



John Ray - Chairman

Greetings from District 10,

Amity was the place to be for the May meeting. Captain Jeremy McKee was presented his 25 yr. pin by District Miss Flame Elizabeth Shields and Chairman John Ray. The IVFAA food auction collected over \$200 dollars for Miss Flame's expenses toward the convention. Thanks to Ed Stone for serving as auctioneer. A program presented by the Indiana State Police Meth Lab Officer was very informative.

Also in May, I attended an "Active Shooter Training for Schools", which was presented by Indiana State Trooper Matt Haviland. In attendance were school personnel, firefighters and law enforcement officers. This was a very informative and enlightening training. The training was held at Hauser High School; and a mock shooting was portrayed. It made us very aware at how terrifying this experience would be for anyone caught in that situation.

The convention was the highlight for June and it was held at Horizon Center in Muncie. President David Israel was reelected for another year. District 10 was well represented with 20 members attending. The 2014 Convention will be held in Indianapolis and the 2015 event will go back to the Horseshoe Casino in Corydon, IN.

County Fairs are the feature for July with County Fairs in full swing throughout the District. There will be NO monthly District meeting in July. We wish all the 4-H'ers the best of luck and a fun time at the Fair; and everyone a safe and wonderful 4th of July celebration.

Next meeting will be August 21st at German Twp. Fire Dept. at Taylorsville, Bartholomew County. Meal is at 7:00 with meeting to follow. Election of District Chairman and Secretary will be on the agenda.

Blessings for a wonderful summer!

John M. Ray
District Chairman

DISTRICT 11B REPORT



Larry Southard - Chairman

District 11-B meeting

March 10, 2013

Rosedale Vol. Fire Dept.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Southard. The opening prayer was given by Barb Ketchem. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Heath Rohr. Roll call was taken with 8 departments and 18 members answering the roll.

Chairman Southard introduced the guests present - Joe Whitaker, Fountain Co. EMA, Jack Kerney, IVFA Central Office, Dave Phelps, District chairman 11-A, District vice chair John Morphy. The treasurer's report was read and approved. The minutes of the previous meeting were not available.

Chairman Southard turned the meeting over to Jodi Rohr to conduct the Miss Flame contest. The participants were Carli VanDerver from Hilmon VFD, Page Fetter from Rosedale VFD, Amanda Richardson from Dana VFD and Hanna Spoden from Covington VFD. Congratulations to Carli VanDerver as the new District Miss Flame.

Auxiliary district chairperson Barb Ketchem introduced her guests, Maxine Davies and Lou Bartlow, both past auxiliary presidents. Chairman Southard held a discussion on webinars and the State Fire Marshal's info literature was touched on. Also training bulletin procedures were discussed by those in attendance. The upcoming seminars were announced.

Chairman Southard presented the host certificate to department president Birch Bailey of the Rosedale VFD.

With no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned by chairman Southard.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davies

District Secretary

District 11-B

May 15, 2013

New Goshen Vol. Fire Dept.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Southard. The opening prayer was given by Jeff Price. The Pledge to the Flag was led by John Morphy. Roll call was taken with 5 departments and 14 members answering the roll.

Chairman Southard introduced the guest speaker, Tanya Risby from California Casualty, who spoke on what her company can do for the volunteers as far as coverage goes. This was a very interesting presentation that was given. Following her presentation Chairman introduced the guests present. He then gave 50 year pins to Gary Wilson, James Pickard and Jerry Vaira. He presented 25 year pins to Brent Goodwin, Rex Schoffstall and Bob Jenkins.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report was given and approved. Diane Harrison shared some knowledge she had available

from her office. She stated the website was up and going.

Legislation update was given by Larry Bartlow and training report was given by John Morphy. Chairman Southard touched on several informative bulletins he had received, he then announced the upcoming events and presented the host certificate to Chief John Schoffstall.

With no further business to transact, the meeting was adjourned by chairman Southard.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davies

District Secretary

DISTRICT 12 REPORT



Larry E. Bruner - Chairman

Greetings from District 12,

Our May 20 meeting was held at the Green Township Vol. Fire Dept. with 11 members present from 6 departments and 5 guests.

District 12 IVFAA president Carol Curl had made an afghan and raffled it off to support our Miss Flame at convention. Carol presented District 12 Miss Flame Ashley Cook with a check for \$200.00.

A Global Award was awarded to Jon Fletcher, who shared some of the history on the beginnings of Green Twp. Fire Dept. and the early fire service in Morgan County. Rick Martindale received his 25 year IVFA pin.

Ashley Cook updated us on her project to protect people who had a medical need for electric.

Larry Bartlow, PR West Central, reminded us that IVFA dues are due before July 31. As leaders in the public safety arena it is our responsibility to ensure that dues are paid so our volunteers don't lose their benefits or have to wait a year before their line of duty death benefits are reinstated. The benefits lost far exceed the cost of annual dues, for this reason alone, please take care of your firefighters.

Our next meeting will be hosted by Gregg Twp. Fire Dept. in Morgan County on July 29 at 19:00 hours.

God bless, be safe and hope to see you at our next district meeting.

Larry Bruner

District 12 chairman

DISTRICT 13B REPORT



Jeff Biehl - Chairman

District 13B meeting was held on March 14, 2013 at the Hagerstown Fire Department.

Meeting was called to order at 19:00 hours by Chairman Jeff Biehl. Minutes were read and approved.

No old business.

Bob Bullock reported on District 6 training council news. Upland Fire

Dept. donated a truck to Gas City for their training center. We discussed using the module system to teach FF 1 & FF 11, discussed the rumor of a brick and mortar State Training Academy. Discussed SB 329 the defeat of changing the nepotism bill and what it means to a lot of us that hold office. Discussed the upcoming changes to the EMS Classification.

Centerville Fire Dept. hosting a chicken and noodle dinner, 4-7 p.m.

April 28th Bentonville Fire Dept. hosting a fish fry.

50/50 won by Cushman, all donated back to district.

Tim Raun was present from Station Supply to demonstrate his truck cleaners.

Next meeting May 9, 2013 at Boston Fire Dept.

Meeting adjourned.

Our thoughts and prayers to Miriam Schaeckel family.

Jeff Biehl

District 13B chairman

DISTRICT 14 REPORT



Richard Cannon - Chairman

Welcome District 14,

It has been a busy time here at District 14.

We took the IVFA trailer to the Memphis kite day where we passed out IVFA stuff and a lot of people got to see the IVFA trailer.

We had a good time there with Sellersburg Volunteer Fire Department doing child safety.

Next we went to the Charlestown's Founders Days where we were in the parade and was there to help out with their Barb A Q grill raffle that the Charlestown Vol. Fire Dept. put on and was there to watch the Charlestown Fire Dept. ladies' auxiliary work all night at their cake wheel.

Also we were at the IVFA convention in Muncie where we had our own District 14 and 16 hospitality room where we had a great time.

And at the convention I got to give out District Global award to a person that has taken me under his wing since I became a district chairman. So, congratulations to our 2013 Global Award winner Tom Sellmer Sr. who is still our District 14 chaplain.

And at the convention we were awarded the 2015 convention back at the Horseshoe Casino where District 14 and 16 will team up and put on its 2nd convention, so if anyone wants to help out or be on a committee, email or call me.

We will be having the IVFA trailer in August at Sellersburg Celebrates 22-24 so come by and see it.

If any departments have anything going on, call or email me so we can out to your department.

Thanks,

Rick Cannon

District 14 chairman

DISTRICT 16 REPORT



Paul Holcomb - Chairman

I would like to thank everyone who helped and supported our bid for the 2015 Convention.

I know myself and the entire committee look forward to another great convention at the Horseshoe Casino & Convention Center.

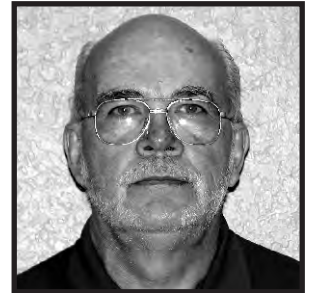
We are always open to ideas and comments, so feel free to contact may anytime. We look forward to showing everyone "The reality of southern hospitality" in 2015.

Paul Holcomb

IVFA, District 16 chairman

2015 Convention Chairman

DISTRICT 17A REPORT



Sam Emery - Chairman

Greetings from District 17A,

April 8th I attended the Greene County Firefighters Assoc. meeting at Jasonville.

April 27th I attended a pancake breakfast fundraiser at the Sandborn VFD. Great food and good to see the folks there.

May 3-5 I attended the state officer's meeting in Indianapolis. Many items pertaining to the fire service were discussed.

May 13th I attended the Greene County Firefighters Assoc. meeting at the Highland Twp. VFD.

May 22nd Bicknell VFD hosted our District 17A meeting. In attendance were Bev Harker, IVFA state treasurer, Jack Kerney, past president IVFA and Barb Kerney, past president IVFAA. A good discussion of many items pertaining to the fire service were presented to all. Many thanks to the Bicknell VFD hosting the meeting and the good food.

June 10th I attended the Green County Firefighters Assoc. Meeting at Lyons VFD.

June 12-15th I attended the IVFA state convention at Muncie. I think all went well. I would like to thank the vendors for being there. I would like to congratulate all those elected to their offices and know they will do a good job. Also I would like to congratulate all of the award winners.

I am also very proud to see that two of our Miss Flames from Greene Cty. did well. Darion Wilson, District 11A, Wright Twp. VFD was

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November deadline
Sept. 25, 2013
12:00 noon C.S.T.

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first runner-up and Jesse McDonald, District 17A, Lyons VFD was named Miss Congeniality. Congratulations to a job well done.

I would like to say that as usual the Memorial Service and the placing of the roses on the Cross was special.

Our next meeting of the Greene Cty. Firefighters meeting will be at Worthington July 17th.

Our next District 17A meeting will be Wed., July 17th at the Loogootee VFD. Elections will be held. Hope to see you there.

Sam Emery
District 17A chairman

DISTRICT 19 REPORT



Steve Macke - Chairman

Hello everyone,
Hope everybody is having an enjoyable summer.

Our last district meeting was held at Sunman Rural Fire Department where MSA presented a program on SCBA's and our 2012 state Miss Flame Jessica Dove presented a program on Medic Alert stickers for vehicles.

The next meeting will be at Morris Fire Department at 7 p.m. where elections of officers will be held.

Convention 2013 was held in Muncie. Scott Harris and committee did a great job of hosting.

The golf outing was a good time, the course was great and good time was had by all.

We will be going to Indianapolis for 2014 at the Holiday Inn Caribbean Cove.

In 2015 we will be going to the Horseshoe Casino, the site of the 2012 convention.

Hope everybody has a safe rest of the summer and remember to watch out for kids on bikes.

Stephen Macke
Chairman District 19
812-212-5647
district19@ivfa.org

DISTRICT 18 REPORT



John C. "Bull" Smith - Chairman

Greetings from District 18.

Well here it is again...Summer time!! Hopefully we will not have to endure the drought conditions that we suffered last year.

The last meeting of the District 18 was held on 16 May and hosted by the Anderson Twp. VFD.

Roll Call was answered by 57 members representing 17 departments. A total of 202 calls were reported answered.

Guest speakers included Perry Co. Sheriff Chestnut, Carl Deel from the Fire Marshal's office, Barb and Jack Kerney from the Central Office.

My congratulations to the 2013 Convention Committee members for a great time this year in Muncie. My congratulations to all recipients of the many awards given. Especially to Jeannie Daunhauer for the Angel Award, and to Trevor Vaal for one of the Bridgeport Scholarships. Jeannie serves as Secretary/Treasurer of Dist. 18 and I am very happy to see her be presented with this most deserved award. *Even though we all had to lie to get her to the presentation!!*

Trevor is also most deserving of the Bridgeport Scholarship. I had him as a student as Lead Instructor in Mandatory and Firefighter I/II and he is an outstanding young man.

My pride goes out to Jayme Lindauer, Miss Flame Dist. 18...you did a great job! All of the Miss Flames did!! I don't know how the judges were able to pick just one.

My thanks to State Chaplain Gerdowsky for allowing me to participate in the Memorial Service at this year's Convention.

Our next District 18 meeting shall be held on 18 July with the Jefferson Twp. VFD of Otwell as our host.

Remember... be on guard for signs of dehydration during extended operation in hot weather.

Until next time...stay safe and "keep the wet stuff on the red stuff".

John "Bull" Smith,
Chairman District 18

DISTRICT 21 REPORT



Don Fultz - Chairman

The next meeting for District 21 is at Johnson Twp. Vol. Fire Dept., 8983 E County Road 0 NS, Frankfort, IN 46041 in Clinton County or called Hillisburg, IN on August 26, 2013 at 7:30 p.m.

Will be having election of officers.

The November meeting will be held at Kircklin Vol. Fire Dept. the 25th.

Good time was had at the convention. Hope to see more new faces.

Want to wish Fire Chief at Kempton, Don Kendall, a quick recovery after some patch up work.

Thanks to Brook Sears for being Miss Flame in the 21 District.

Also be thinking who you might put in the for the Awards here in the IVFA.

Don Fultz
District 21 chairman

Have a safe summer!



Hagerstown FD puts new grass truck into service

The town of Hagerstown and Jefferson Township purchased a 2012 Ford F-450 4x4 with a flatbed from Wetzel Ford in Richmond, IN. Hoosier Fire installed a defender series skid unit on flat bed. The firefighters mounted the lights, siren and radio plus the bumper guard and running board accessories.

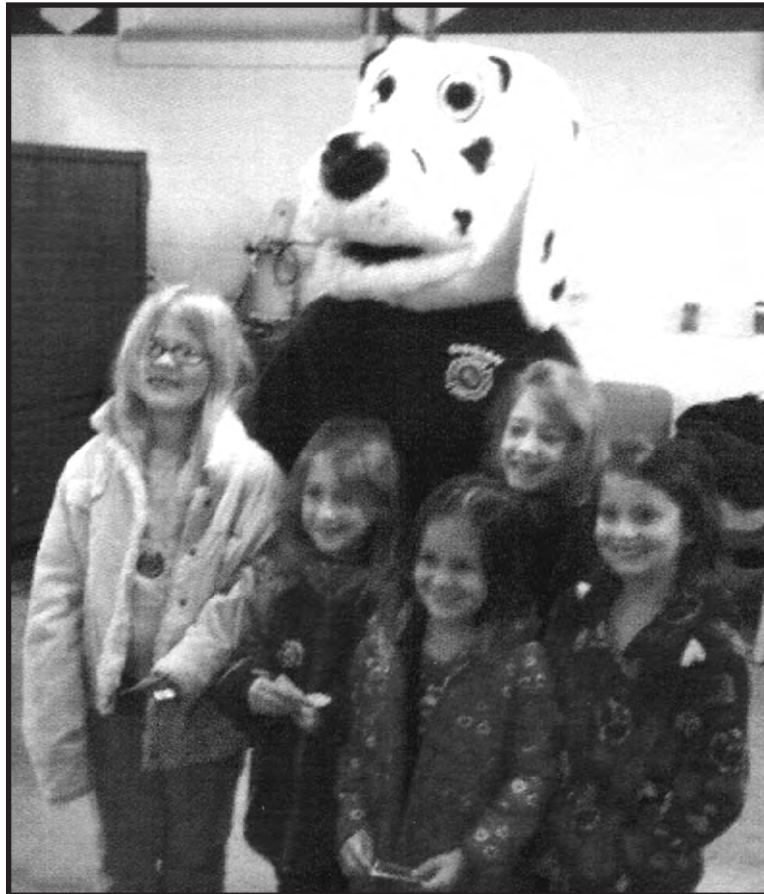
Local body shop Patton's Auto Repair painted the bottom lime green for the department, a local welding shop owned by Matt Scruggs manufactured the step bumper assembly and all the railing around the back.

Chief Cole said a lot of local people assisted with the completion of this truck to get it into service.

Shown in the above photo is Hagerstown Chief Rick Cole with the Hagerstown new grass truck.

- submitted by Jeff Biehl, District 13B chairman.

Dalmation entertains children at breakfast



Ossian Fire Department pancake and sausage breakfast was a huge success for all, especially for the children that were entertained by their very own Dalmation.

- submitted by Jean Smith, Public Relations Northeast

Public Relations Director Northeast
Jean Smith



I just returned home from the 2013 IVFA Convention held in Muncie.

Congratulations to convention chairmen Scott Harris and Ed Smith, E.W. Pape, Jr. - District 8A chairman, Lloyd Wright, District 8B chairman and to all of their committees for holding a wonderful convention.

Congratulations to Heather Wickersham, District 9A, Democrat Vol. Fire Dept. 2013 Miss Flame, Darion Wilson, District 11A, Wright Twp. Vol. Fire Dept., 2013 Miss Flame first runner-up, District 17A, Lyons Vol. Fire Dept. 2013 Miss Congeniality Jesse McDonald. Congratulations to all of the others that received awards.

Hope to see you at your district meetings.

Have a safe summer.

Jean Smith
Public Relations Northeast

IVFA LOGO COMMITTEE

THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE LOGO COMMITTEE.

Chair, District 18 Term: January 2012 - December 2015

Members, District 9B -1 Term: January 2012 - December 2014

District 8A Term: January 2012 - December 2015

District 17A Term: January 2012 - December 2014

District 13B Term: January 2012 - December 2014

Anyone interested in using the IVFA Logo should contact one of the above District Chairmen for information.

e-mail news and advertisements to printco@rhsi.tv

New Washington VFD honors members



The New Washington Vol. Fire Dept. recently held a banquet to honor their members. IVFA District 14 chairman, Rick Cannon, was there to present awards for years of service. Pictured is District 14 chairman Rick Cannon and Daniel Stoner giving the fire chief Randy Burton a certificate for 21 years of service. – photos submitted by District 14 chairman Rick Cannon.



Steve Parkhill received 24 years of service.



Tim Cochran received his 25 years of service pin.



Daniel Stoner for 32 years of service.



Pictured are more of the award winners for outstanding performances during their efforts from the March 2, 2012 tornado. Among some of those were Tony and Heather Wise Walter. Not pictured is Brenda Cochran who also received an award.

Crown Point VFD hosts activities



Capt. Gary Huys and FF/Paramedic Mark Baumgardner, Jr., flipping pancakes at the Crown Point Volunteer Fire Department ladies's auxiliary 19th annual pancake breakfast.

Even a little rain could not stop this community from coming out to support this annual event.

This event could not happen without the help of all the ladies' auxiliary members, firemen, and community volunteers that help out every year!

A portion of this year's pancake breakfast will be going to support Hoosier Burn Camp and Crown Point's new Search and Rescue dog.

We thank everyone who came out!



"Hot Dog Ladies" Vera Corning and Linda Abraham, Ladies' Auxiliary, serving up hot dogs for breakfast at Crown Point Volunteer Fire Department's 19th annual golfing outing. Again, another beautiful day with some great golfers! Thank you all participated.



Crown Point Ladies' Auxiliary and volunteers pictured before the Crown Point's 4th of July parade. – photos submitted by Marge Baumgardner, District 1 and 2.

IVFA QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

From The Secretary

Diane Harrison



INDIANA VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTER'S
ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL
INDIANAPOLIS, IN
MAY 4 & 5 2013

Meeting called to order by President Israel at 2:15 p.m.

President Israel called on Vice President Anderson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The invocation was given by Associate Chaplain Dave Elick.

President Israel called for the reading of the Minutes of the February 2013 meeting. PREC Don Cushman made motion to accept the Minutes as printed. District 13-A Carol Thrawley made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

President Israel introduced Gary Robison.

Gary Robison - Fire prevention grants are coming up. Encourage fire departments to sign up on Fema email. Fema Grant. Foundation Grants have started; they are accepting applications, it will all be done on line. They are up to \$4,000.00. Scholarships are in this also. Nifirs - Fh.net is on line. We would like to set it up county wide. Around the first of July the training module should be on line. BLS non transport not required to fill out reports anymore. We will be working with Health department and sharing information on the ambulance runs.

President Israel introduced IDHS Director John Hill.

Director Hill - Reported the IDHS is in the middle of an assessment from an outside agency. They will be talking to first responders around the State.

Past President Kerney - How do you feel about taking the Fire Marshal's office out of DHS? Director Hill - It has been talked about it. Why do you feel it needs to be done?

Past President Kerney - Give the Fire Marshal some authority. Inspectors and Investigators work for DHS.

Director Hill - There is no one else in IDHS that runs the Fire Marshal's office except Fire Marshal Greeson.

Director Hill - I have attended all 10 District training meetings. Concerns that I have heard involve haz-mat and EMS and training. I am looking very closely at all of these. I have talked to the head of Board of Health they are not wanting to take over the EMS they are just wanting information on trauma. So we are going to share that information with them.

President Israel presented Director Hill with a 2013 Convention Coin.

President Israel called for the Treasurer report. PRWC Larry Bartlow made motion to accept the Treasurer report as given. District 10 Chairman John Ray made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

President Israel introduced John Buckman.

John Buckman - Because we pay per firefighter on our system and we believe we are paying for firefighters who are no longer active, we are proposing a renewal process for firefighters every 2 years, this is just to let us know who is still active. We believe this would save a lot of money. We will discuss this at the Board of Firefighting Standards June meeting.

Past President Kerney - Define Active.

John Buckman - That is a good point, that is why I brought it up to get ideas. I brought up Monday night and we are going to be bringing people together to explore the idea of scoring practical skills test and take the written test scores and merge them together and create some kind of system. It is going to be tough need some creative thinking. Some people have trouble studying and remembering so we are going to combine the two scores. We will be doing webinar on NFPA 1851 taking care of protective clothing. We will also be doing a webinar on how to fill out firefighter training reports. Instructor recertification June 1st 2013 2 year recertification hours went to 20 hours. Instructor and EMT dates can go together if you would like to. I am putting together a slide program for the Emergency Respond Conference memorial. If you have lost a firefighter of natural causes, send me a picture and information and I will be glad to add them to the program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Central Office: Jack Kerney - We have emailed out deceased and bad address reports. Dues packets have been mailed out, we received 9 back. We have started entering 2013 dues at 882 so far. License plates sold 1295 down from last year.

Awards Committee: Vice President Anderson - Committee met this morning and selected a winner for the Ollie Sandberg Award. I will be touching base with all District Chairmen this weekend to make sure we have correct spelling for the Global Awards.

Angel Award Committee: Diane Harrison - The committee will be selecting a winner in the morning.

Membership and Marketing: Chairman Diane Harrison - We discussed grants. If anyone has any changes for the membership booklets, please get them to us. Also discussed speakers bureau. Instead of working on the whole state we are going to focus on 1 or 2 districts at a time. President Israel will be visiting Redding Fire Department May 16.

Public Relations & Education: Chairman Carol Thrawley - Dubois Fire School 213 attendance. Trailer dates will get them on the web site. FDIC thanked everyone who helped work the booth. We signed up 5 members and had 2 departments that said they had not received the dues packets and called Central Office and got those taken care of.

Website: Chairman President

Israel - Hope the training session helped everyone.

Facebook: Chairman Leighann Ellis - It is starting to pick up we are over 1,000 hits.

Logo Committee: Chairman John Smith - Anyone needing to use the logo send me an email. If anyone needs an IVFA patch let me know.

Editor's Assistant: Past President Koehler for Chairman Bradford. Total newspapers for 2012 65,729, May issue 16,062 newspapers. Please check the paper for correct addresses, phone numbers, cell phone numbers and e-mail addresses and let me know if there are any corrections to be made. Let me know if you need business cards.

Chaplain Gerdowsky - All funeral vouchers are due today as it will be the deadline for the Convention memorial programs.

Convention Committee: Chairman President Israel - District 3 and District 14 and 16 are still in the running. You will be presenting around 10:00 a.m. on Friday.

Convention 2013: Chairman Scott Harris - Golf Scramble \$38.00 per person. Baymont and Fairfield are both sold out. Thursday's training sessions - Autism, Champion technical rope and rescue, legal issues. Friday there will be a Meth lab class. Banquet meal tickets \$35.00.

Convention 2014: Chairman Larry Bruner - We will be doing an early registration at this year's convention.

Clothing Claims Committee: Chairman Lloyd Wright - Had 2 claims both for glasses, both approved.

Training Committee: Chairman Vice President Anderson - Discussed the module system. They have changed it a little bit, they have added to module B. If anyone knows of any department that is beta testing the module system let me know. Discussed grading the practical skills. Let me or Jack Kerney know your ideas of how skill level versus written test should be done. Also who all was involved in these ideas. So if need be we could talk to them. John Buckman is working on the Volunteer Officers Training class similar to the one done last year.

Board of Firefighters Standards and Education: Jack Kerney - February 14th meeting at Wayne Township, we had 6 board members, 6 staff and 20 guests. Guest attendance plays a big part of the decision of this board. On line testing is up and running. Homeland Security Mike Garvey said there was an Emergency rule making proposed in the legislature to allow emergency rule making by the board and this is to be used to be able to make the NFPA changes without having to rewrite the rules. John Buckman reported on the module firefighter 1 & 2 training. May 18th meeting at Wayne Township 7 board members, 5 staff and 17 guests. Approved 2 variances, denied 4, tabled 1. Certifications have gone down since it started in 2002. If your old certifications 1st class 2nd class, Master categories are not online and you would like them to be, send Barb Goyal an email. Reported that Marshal Greeson was reappointed as Fire Marshal. April 29th Fort Wayne 6 Board members, 6 staff and 23 guests. Marshal Greeson encouraged everyone to attend the next meeting to be held at the IVFA Convention. Next meeting June 13 at 9 a.m. August meeting Indiana

Government Center South 6 p.m.

National Volunteer Fire Council: Jack Kerney and Mitch Parish - Next meeting Washington DC.

In Time: Jack Zeeks - March 19th meeting reelection of officers. The next meeting will be May 21st.

EMS: Paul Holcomb will be taking the place of Dave Kaufman as Chairman.

State Miss Flame Committee Chairman Barb Kerney - This year we have 23 Miss Flame contestants. Wednesday night there will be a Miss Flame and Parents information session 7 p.m. at Knights of Columbus. District Chairmen need to meet Thursday at 6:15 p.m. to escort their Miss Flame in for opening meeting and pictures.

State Miss Flame Jessica Dove - Thanked everyone for cards and prayers after her car accident. I am looking for grants and sponsors for her project. Hoping to have some ready to sell or take orders for at convention. I have started a Facebook page for Miss Flames. Please invite me and your Miss Flames to your events.

Legislative Report: Lobbyist Larry Curl - EMS waiver IDHS asked for the 2 year waiver. I believe it is a temporary thing until they get the system up and running. Unfortunately we were not real successful in the 3 bills attempt. We did get one committee hearing where we were voted down. We had 17 bills that we watched monitored testified for or against all pertaining to fire service. Have requested a summer study committee - 1) right to hold office as a volunteer 2) look how volunteer fire departments are funded 3) study the training. Create committee of 4 people - President Israel, Vice President Anderson, Chairman of Board Koehler and Lobbyist Curl, then make sub committees to help with each category. Find Firefighters that are Trustees that would like to participate. We also have been invited to Indiana Rural Caucus. I think it is a good opportunity for us. For those of us going to Washington DC we have appointments with 9 congressional members.

President Israel said that we have been asked that the IVFAA be allowed to set up with us at FDIC. Bill Bush made motion to allow the IVFAA to set up at FDIC. District 13-A Chairman Carol Thrawley made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

President Israel - Attended 4 county meetings, 4 district meetings, 1-25 year pin presentation. FDIC conference, testified at State House, Miriam Shaeckel's memorial service, the Chambers legislative dinner, 2 Board of Firefighter and Personnel Standards & Education meetings and 3-2013 convention meetings.

Vice President Anderson -

Attended District 16, 11-A, 18, 6, 9-A meetings 1 memorial service, FDIC. Discussed 25 year pin it is very important that we get our list cleaned up.

Chaplain Gerdowsky - Attended 2 district meetings, 2 memorial services, IVFAA memorial service, chaplain training and FDIC.

Secretary Harrison - 3 county meetings, 1 district meeting and a firefighter retirement party, FDIC.

Treasurer Harker - 3 district meetings, 1 firefighter retirement party, 2 department meetings.

Sergeant at Arms - Bill Bush in absence of Brent Bush - Need funeral vouchers, 17 station dedication clocks and memorial roses are in.

PRNW - Jim Bradford - Absent. Jim is doing better hoping, to be at convention.

PRNE - Jean Smith - Attended 5 district meetings, 4 memorials and 2 fund-raisers.

PRWC - Larry Bartlow - Attended 4 district meetings, 2 memorials, 1 firefighter retirement party and 1 Board of Firefighter Standards & Education meeting.

PREC - Don Cushman - Attended 5 district meetings and several fund-raisers.

PRSW - Jim Abrams - Absent.

PRSE - Ed Scheele - Pass.

SOG's / Bylaws: Chairman Koehler - Section 11 expenses and allowance says the treasurer shall have 10 cents per member per year and the next paragraph says the secretary shall have 10 cents per member per year. The proposed change is to raise it to 13 cents per member per year for both secretary and treasurer. It will now read the treasurer shall have 13 cents per member per year and the next paragraph the secretary shall have 13 cents per member per year. District 10 Chairman John Ray made motion to accept the proposed change. Past President Mitch Parish made the second. Motion carried by voice vote. 1 nay. The next meeting we will have a SOG's / Bylaws meeting to discuss changing \$25.00 meal figure to \$25.00 per diem for our quarterly meetings.

Bridgeport: Chairman Bev Harker - We met Friday night, we had 25 applicants and we selected 3 winners and I will be sending letters out to all.

License Plates: Bev Harker & Jack Kerney - Pass.

Insurance Committee: Chairman Bev Harker - Pass.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORTS
Jim Parker - Absent. Had back surgery doing well.

Mitch Parish - Pass.

Richard Glant - Pass.

Jack Zeeks - Pass.

Buz Koehler - Attended several meetings.

Jack Kerney - Attended 4 Board

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Quarterly meeting . . .

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of Firefighter Personnel and Standards & Education meetings, 6 district meetings, 3 memorial services, 1 fund-raiser, Supporting Heroes Gala, 1 firefighter retirement, Dubois Fire School.

Larry Ketchem – Pass.
Tim Deckard – Absent.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORT

District 1 – Tom Orrel – 2 deaths, boot drives going on this month.

District 2 – Paul Watland – Attended 2 fund-raisers and FDIC.

District 3 – Dave Kaufman will be taking a leave of absence. Tim Sandy will be taking his place. Attended 1 memorial.

District 4 – Terry Smith – Past President Norm Crocker; send him a card has not been doing well. 2 deaths, FDIC, discussed district chairman that no longer stay members and pass away I feel we should do something for them. August 10th district picnic 1:30 everyone is invited. Vice President Anderson said if that is what district 4 wants type it up and present it to SOG / Bylaw committee next meeting.

District 5 – Don Kissinger – Attended 5 county meetings, 1 death.

District 6 – Jerry Sprague – Attended 2 memorial services, FDIC, Supporting Heroes Gala,

District 7 – Walt Reiter – 4 deaths.

District 8A – Bill Pape – Pass.

District 8B – Lloyd Wright – Presented 2 Gold cards, Blountsville VFD winner of California Casualties Barbeque.

District 9A – Leighann Ellis – 1 death.

District 9B – Randy Denton – Absent.

District 10 – John Ray – Presented 1 Gold card, 6 - 25 year pins, 4 fund-raisers, 3 county meetings.

District 11A – Dave Phelps – Absent.

District 11B – Vice Chairman John Morphy – Presented 7 – 25 year pins.

District 12 – Larry Bruner – Attended Supporting Heroes Gala, 2 district meetings, FDIC and 3 deaths.

District 13A – Carol Thrawley – May 20th Pendleton Truck dedication, June 6th Pendleton 50 year and 25 year pins ceremony, 2 deaths, IVFAA memorial, Supporting Heroes Gala, 2 deaths and FDIC.

District 13B – Jeff Beihl – Attended Supporting Heroes Gala, IVFAA memorial service, presented Bible and grave marker.

District 14 – Rick Cannon – 1 death, has 911 memorial coins for sale.

District 15 – Harry Logan – Attended 6 department meetings, 3 district meetings, 2 memorial, 8 county meetings presented 4 Gold cards, 7 – 25 year pins.

District 16 – Paul Holcomb – Attended 1 memorial, Supporting Heroes Gala, presented 5 – 25 year pins.

District 17A – Sam Emery – Attended 1 memorial, my home department is building a new station should be done in July.

District 17B – Steve Nolan – Attended 2 county meetings, FDIC and presented 3 – 25 year pins.

District 18 – John Smith – Attended Heroes Gala, 3 memorial services, presented 3 – 25 year pins and 1 Gold card.

District 19 – Steve Macke – Attended 2 fund-raisers, FDIC and had 1 death.

District 21 – Don Fultz – Attended

Kimpton Volunteer Fire Department Medal presentation, Williamsport station dedication May 11, presented a Gold card and 1 – 25 year pin. Visitor's day at Burn Camp May 29th 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Heroes Competition – Carol Thrawley – May 10th and 11th Global donated \$200.00 California Casualty sponsoring Sunday breakfast. 135 kids registered. Are in need of volunteers for evaluations.

Aflac program through Provident - open enrollment is now open through July.

Convention mileage committee - Bev Harker, Don Cushman, Richard Glant, Buz Koehler and Jim Parker.

Credentials committee – Diane Harrison, Larry Bartlow, Jack Kerney, Jean Smith, Ed Scheele and Mitch Parish.

Past President Jack Kerney made motion to adjourn. PREC Don Cushman made the second. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Harrison, Secretary

Hello Fellow Firefighters and Friends,

I would like to thank the 2013 Convention Committee for a good convention at Muncie.

Congratulations to all the award winners, you are all very deserving. And a reminder it is not too early to start thinking about who you will write a letter for the 2014 awards.

Thank you for supporting me for re-election.

Remember to use our web-site to advertise all of your fund-raiser and special events.

Stay safe,
Diane Harrison
Secretary

From The Treasurer

Beverly Harker



Hope everyone made it home safe after the convention. Congratulations to all the 2013 award winners. You were all very deserving.

We had a few new delegates at the annual meeting this year. I would like to encourage all of you to try to attend the annual meeting of the convention. If you are an active member of the IVFA, you have the right to vote. You do not have to attend the entire convention to come to the annual meeting. Next year the convention is in Indianapolis, so keep that in mind, we would like to see you.

You all need to check with your chief or your district chairman and make sure your dues are paid. There are still some departments that are not paid.

Hope to see some of you at your district meetings.

Submitted by:
Beverly Harker, IVFA Treasurer



Boot Drive for Hoosier Burn Camp once again a success

1-800 Board-up has sponsored a Boot Drive the last years between Lake and Porter County Fire Departments in Northwest Indiana.

This year the Boot Drive raised over \$50,000 for Hoosier Burn Camp! Over the past three years this Boot Drive has raised over \$135,900 for Hoosier Burn Camp.

Great job, Northwest Indiana!

Pictured is Jack Eskridge from 1-800-Board-up and members of the fire department representing their departments from Northwest Indiana presenting this year's proceeds from the Boot Drive. – submitted by Marge Baumgardner, I.V.F.A.A. District 1 and 2 secretary

Hoosier Burn Camp auction a success

Thank you to everyone who donated, bid and/or purchased items at this year's auction. We raised enough money to send 3 1/2 kids to camp!!! This year's total was \$3,514.00.

A special thank you to this year's convention committee who got the auctioneer and donated the 2 convention coins that were auctioned off. And a special thank you to Bloomfield State Bank and June Cahill for donating \$254.00 from their blue jean days. Greene County Firefighter's Association also donated \$300.00.

I hope 2014 will be even bigger!!! – Diane Harrison

Albion firefighters celebrate 125th anniversary



As with many towns across the country, a series of disastrous fires punctuated Albion's early history. It brought excitement to the little frontier settlement – which goes to show you, excitement isn't necessarily a good thing.

The community rallied to face the challenge, officially forming the Albion Volunteer Fire Department in 1888. Now the firefighters are rallying themselves to throw a party celebrating the AFD's 125th anniversary.

The event was held July 20, 2013. The festivities were so big they had to be moved from the firehouse to the east side of the

Central Noble School campus, along East Main Street (SR 8), east of Cougar Court. In addition to the outside activities, a dedication ceremony was held from 1 - 2 p.m. Inside the Central Noble School auditorium. Throughout the afternoon there were activities and games for kids, fair-style food and drinks provided by local organizations, historical photos and other fire-related activities, including extrication tool demonstrations.

A fire truck cruise-in occupied much of the east side parking lot and included not only modern but some antique apparatus. That included Albion Fire Department's first gasoline powered fire engine, built in 1929, and its 1900s era hose cart. In the auditorium lobby, author-firefighter Mark R. Hunter was on hand to debut his new book, "Smoky Days and Sleepless Nights: A Century or So With the Albion Fire Department." Profits from the book sales go toward the AFD's training and equipment fund. – submitted by Jerry Sprague, District 6 chairman.

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District 12 presents awards



UNION TWP. CELEBRATES AWARDS DINNER FOR FIREFIGHTERS – On Saturday, January 19, 2013, Lizton Vol. Fire Department, Union Twp. held their annual awards dinner for the community and their firefighters.

Awards were as follows with the exception of a 20 year longevity award for David Gaskill - no picture included.

Chief Jon Joseph receives an awards plaque thanking him for his dedication and leadership for 20 years of service as Fire Chief.

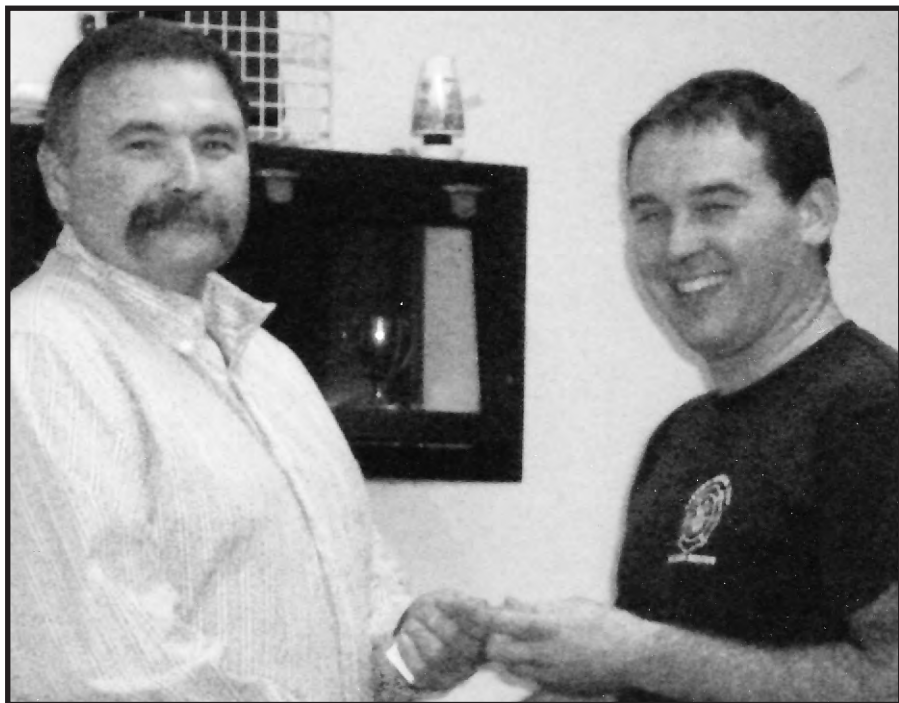
Left, District 12 Deputy Chairman Brian Edwards and right, chief Jon Joseph. – photos submitted by Larry Bruner, District 12 chairman.



DEVIN FARLEY RECEIVES THE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD – Left, Devin Farley and right, Chief Jon Joseph.



TRAVIS FARMER RECEIVES THE FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD – Left, Travis Farmer and right, Chief Jon Joseph.



BRIAN SHUGARS RECEIVES A 5 YEAR LONGEVITY SERVICE PIN – Left, Chief Jon Joseph and right, Brian Shugars.



JACLYN WITHAM RECEIVES WAYNE ROTHENBERGER AWARD – Wayne Rothenberger was a past trustee of Union Township.

He served as trustee for over 30 years. He was very pro fire department and very instrumental in the purchase of the property where Lizton's present fire station is located.

Wayne passed away in the late 1990's and this award came into effect shortly after his death.

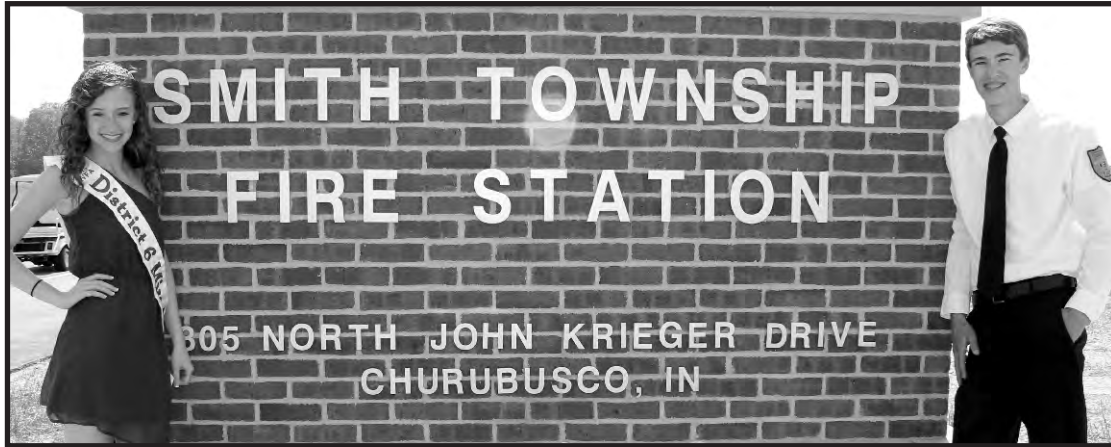
Jaclyn received this award for outstanding service above and beyond to the fire service of Union Twp.

Jaclyn also received a 5 year longevity pin.



CHELSIE FARMER RECEIVES THE EMS OF THE YEAR AWARD – Left, Chelsie Farmer and right, Chief Jon Joseph.

District 6 Miss Flame attends station dedication and fundraiser



District 6 Miss Flame is shown with a cadet from Smith Twp. Fire at the new station dedication.



District 6 Miss Flame Tianna Schuerman and past District 6 Miss Flame Katie Enfield at the Hamilton VFD fundraiser Motorcycle Poker Run. – photos taken by Amanda Paulson from Southwest Fire District for District 6 and submitted by Jerry Sprague, District 6 chairman.

Ohio Twp. dedicates new station



On Saturday, 22 June, the Ohio Twp Vol. Fire Department dedicated and officially opened its new station in Reo (Spencer Co. Dist. 18) Indiana. The department now operates out of two stations, the newest in Reo, and the original station in Rockport.

The event included public tours of the facility, apparatus displays, hot dogs, and a landing by Life Flight helicopter services. OTVFD members along with local officials “uncoupled” a ceremonial fire hose to open the new station. Later, three members were presented with awards in observance of 10 years of service to the department.

Those members pictured (L-R) were Ryan Harris, Heath Therber, and Zach Tucker. Also pictured are Dist. 18 Chairman John “Bull” Smith (far left) and OTVFD Fire Chief Scott Chapman (far right).

Photos and article provided by Dist. 18 Chairman John “Bull” Smith

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The Search is On – Enter the Search for Cardioviva™ Heart Health Champions

Grand prize of \$10,000 and a \$5,000 fitness makeover for your department

Are you a volunteer firefighter or EMS provider looking to make heart-healthy changes to your lifestyle, or have you successfully used diet and exercise to overcome high cholesterol? Through August 21, the search is on for three Cardioviva™ Heart Health Champions. The grand prize winner will receive \$10,000 for his or her firehouse and a firehouse nutrition and fitness makeover valued at \$5,000. Two first prize winners will each receive \$5,000 and a \$2,500 nutrition and fitness makeover for their firehouses.

To enter, simply share your personal story about why you are motivated to battle – or how you have successfully battled – high cholesterol with diet and exercise. Submit your story and a photo online via the Contest tab on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Cardioviva for your chance to win. Entrants must be volunteer firefighters or EMS providers and members of the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC). If you are not a member of the NVFC, join at www.nvfc.org/membership.

Heart disease is the leading cause of firefighter on-duty deaths each year. That's why Cardioviva, the first natural probiotic that has been clinically proven to help maintain healthy cholesterol levels in adults, has partnered with the NVFC to create awareness of this danger and educate emergency responders on how they can proactively protect themselves.

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When you have completed the information below, print this page.

The State of Indiana provides **Special License Plates** to qualified members of organizations such as the **IVFA**. This program is administered through the **Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles**. The **IVFA Central Office** coordinates the program for members of the association. You **will not** be able to obtain license plate request forms unless you complete the following instructions. **PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!**

To Obtain Your License Plates You Must:

1. Be a paid-up member of the IVFA when your license plate(s) are due for renewal.
2. Return your Individual Plate Requests to the IVFA Central Office no later than 30 days before the month you wish to receive your license plates. This form must contain the number of plates you are requesting, along with \$5.00 for each license plate requested.

Beginning	Ending	
Corporate fleet vehicles		Saturday, January 31
AAAA	ARNN	Saturday, February 7
ARNO	BATE	Saturday, February 14
BATF	BLAI	Saturday, February 21
BLAJ	BRID	
Rental fleet vehicles		Saturday, February 28
Heavy vehicles		
Trailers		
BRIE	BUSD	Saturday, March 7
BUSE	CHAN	Saturday, March 14
CHAO	CONN	Saturday, March 21
CONO	CURL	Saturday, March 28
CURM	DICE	Tuesday, April 7
DICF	EDDY	Tuesday, April 14
EDEA	FERG	Tuesday, April 21
FERH	FRYA	Tuesday, April 28
Personalized license plates		Thursday, April 30
FRYB	GLOR	Thursday, May 7
GLOS	GUMZ	Thursday, May 14
GUNA	HART	Thursday, May 21
HARU	HILE	Thursday, May 28
HILF	HUCH	Sunday, June 7
HUCI	JERR	Sunday, June 14
JERS	KEEL	Sunday, June 21
KEEM	KNUD	Sunday, June 28
KNUE	LAWR	Tuesday, July 7
LAWS	LOPE	Tuesday, July 14
LOPF	MART	Tuesday, July 21
MARU	MCKI	Tuesday, July 28
MCKJ	MILL	Friday, August 7
MILM	MUND	Friday, August 14
MUNE	NUNG	Friday, August 21
NUNH	PATT	Friday, August 28
PATU	PONT	Monday, September 7
PONU	REDM	Monday, September 14
REDN	ROBE	Monday, September 21
ROBF	SANC	Monday, September 28
SAND	SERM	Wednesday, October 7
SERN	SLON	Wednesday, October 14
SLOO	SPRI	Wednesday, October 21
SPRJ	SUCE	Wednesday, October 28
SUCF	THOP	Saturday, November 7
THOQ	VANO	Saturday, November 14
VANP	WALD	Saturday, November 21
WALE	WATT	Saturday, November 28
WATU	WILK	Monday, December 7
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3. The application contains a space to write the number of license plates requested, making necessary to fill out only the one application per person not per license plate.
4. You only need to send \$5.00 per each license plate requested.
5. The license plate form(s) will be sent to each individual at their home address.
6. This application form can be copied and kept in a file for further use throughout the year.
7. Refer to the BMV procedures below:

BMV PROCEDURES

After you have completed and mailed in your license plate form application you will receive the number of license plate forms you ordered. At that time it is necessary to submit the form(s) to the BMV.

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2. This form must be the 'original' form (with the raised seal on the bottom right hand corner).
3. Forms are computer printed; copies are not acceptable.
4. Pay a fee of \$15 for each plate requested in addition to all other registration fees and taxes.
5. Follow ALL directions supplied to you by the BMV.

This is the general outline of the steps needed to renew Special License Plates. The IVFA only supplies the necessary authorization form(s) to obtain the IVFA Special Recognition License Plates. Upon receiving the form(s), members must follow and complete all BMV regulations in order to receive the plates. **Please do not send vehicle registrations to the Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association, only to the BMV.**

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3. The authorization needs to be sent along with the article or can either be e-mailed to Rensselaer Printco: printco@rhsi.tv or faxed to: (219) 866-5000. Phone calls cannot be taken regarding the authorization – the information needs to be in writing.
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IVFA Individual License Plate Request Form Application (Print off and mail to the address below)

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District 16 events



(Pictured above and at the right) – Marengo-Liberty Twp. VFD takes delivery of new tanker.



Photos submitted by Paul Holcomb District 16 chairman / 2015 Convention Chairman



Tanya Rigby with California Casualty presented with District 16 Global Award.



Billy Grider, Mark Hollen, Roscoe Hooten, James Lindley, and Ronald Line were recently presented with their 25 year pins by Paul Holcomb, District 16 chairman.

Marengo-Liberty Twp. VFD members receive 25 year pins



From the desk of the Historian
John Davies

The search is on . . .

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A recent survey of NVFC members showed that the majority of firefighters are concerned about dying from a heart attack, and 78 percent of respondents know at least one firefighter who has suffered a heart attack. At the same time, approximately 90 percent acknowledged they could be doing a better job with their overall diet and exercise, key factors in helping to prevent heart disease.

“Heart disease is a big concern in the fire and emergency service,” said NVFC Chairman Philip C. Stittleburg. “Firefighters are looking for guidance and inspiration on how to find time in their busy schedules for staying healthy, and the Cardioiva Heart Health Champions will provide this inspiration.”

Entries in the Search for Cardioiva Heart Health Champions contest will be judged by public voting and a panel of heart health, fire, and nutrition/fitness experts. The contest's aim is to help inspire and motivate fellow fire service professionals, their communities, and consumers to make heart-healthy diet and lifestyle changes.

“I'm looking forward to working with the Heart Health Champions and their volunteer firehouses,” said Chris Mohr, RD,

PhD, a nutrition and exercise physiology expert who will oversee the fitness and nutrition makeovers. “I think we'll be able to learn a lot from each other and find exciting ways to teach and inspire other firehouses, communities, and consumers.”

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The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) is the leading nonprofit membership association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, EMS, and rescue services. The NVFC serves as the voice of the volunteer in the national arena and provides invaluable tools, resources, programs, and advocacy for first responders across the nation. Learn more at www.nvfc.org.

Several posts regarding the contest have been made at www.facebook.com/nvfc1 and www.twitter.com/nvfc – please feel free to share our post or retweet.

To those who take the time to read these articles, I say “Thank You”. The newspapers have been full of news about incidents that our brothers and sisters have participated in doing. Little is ever said by the radio stations, the TV stations or the newspapers of the heroics performed by the same family of protectors. Most of them do not even know of situations that have been handled by maybe a few of these protectors without a full alarm even been sounded.

Yes, believe it or not there are those who at a moment's notice would go to the person or persons in trouble to render assistance. I know about these times because several years ago I was called to help secure and deliver insulin to an elderly man who needed help and needed it right now. That was the good part, the bad part was this was during one of the worst blizzards I was ever in. My neighbor had just purchased a new huge snowmobile. We took it to the city eight miles away, went to the drug store, picked up the insulin and took off into the country to deliver our package of mercy.

There were no roads available due to the drifting of snow. No mention was made of this to anyone. As far as I know, there were only four people that knew of this incident. We did not tell the news media, we did what had to be done. The recipient was a firefighter, the snowmobile operator was a firefighter.

There are hundreds of stories like this one done every year, most of them go untold. Only the firefighters know sometimes they just do what is asked of them without hesitation or regard for their safety to help someone in need. I am proud to be a part of that group.

Incidentally, the person that we delivered the insulin to is now deceased as the snowmobile owner/driver. They were members of the local department for many years and I am honored to have known both of them. Some of the younger generation might look at this as a fairy tale that things like this does not happen. Believe me when I say that this was a true incident.

To all of my brothers and sisters, I wish each and every one of you a very pleasant summer.

Let's keep our state safe for everyone.
Your Historian, John Davies

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I.V.F.A.A. DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORTS

**IVFAA
Corresponding
Secretary
Leona Uryga**



I.V.F.A.A. State Meeting –
Crowne Plaza, Indianapolis
May 5, 2013

The representative for the 2015 convention at the Horseshoe Casino gave a speech on their bid for the convention.

President Diana Gray opened the meeting at 8:45 a.m. A prayer was said by Chaplain Joann Hays. The pledge to the flag was conducted by Sgt. of Arms, Marlene Poling.

Pictures were taken for the convention book. Questions were presented to Scott Harris, this year's convention chairman.

Recording Secretary June Cahill, called roll call with 27 officers and 11 I.V.F.A.A. members present.

Membership has 60 departments, 854 paid by the depts., 195 Ind., and 20 life members. Total of 1069.

Lou Bartlow made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and seconded by Carol Curl. Approved.

Treasurer Dorothy Reiter gave the financial report. Subject to audit. Joann Hays asked if we should hire a CPA to look over our books at the end of year. A motion was made by Beth Caudill and seconded by Joyce Nevil to hire a CPA. Motion carried.

Correspondence of 5 thank you cards was read by Corres. Sec. Leona Uryga. Two from the family of Rosella Bousman, one from Miss Flame Jessie Dove, one from Pam Gerdowsky and one from Jean, E.J., Kimberly and Kristen Smith.

Chaplain Joann Hays gave a report and named off the members who have passed away this year. Went through the inventory of the districts

for the bible count.

Sharon Wright said a thank you from Ivan Bousman for the throw given him.

Joann Hays played a game and Phyllis Vargo won and received a gift.

Buz and Carol Koehler are giving a Miriam Schaekel Meritorial Service Award to a member of the auxiliary. It is an 8" crystal like flame on a wooden platform. A letter is to be sent to the I.V.F.A.A. President no later than Feb. 1 of each year. This is for women who have performed outstanding service to their auxiliary.

Barb Kerney announced that there will be 23 girls for the Miss Flame contest.

Phyllis Vargo has her committee on board in reading the essays from the Miss Flames.

Vice President Heather Martin stated that no girl under 18 can sell the V.P. tickets. Whichever district wins for selling the most tickets then their Miss Flame will receive either the fifty, twenty-five or ten dollar prize. This is fair for all the girls.

Lori Parker asked if the members will bring the baskets either to her or by Wed. of the convention.

We have only one by-law at convention.

Carol Curl gave two throws: one to Miriam Schaekel and Rosella Bousman's family.

Nominating committee: The coming year officers are: President = Barb Kerney or Beth Caudill, Vice President = Heather Martin, Rec. Sec. = June Cahill, Corres. Sec. = Leona Uryga, Treas. = Dorothy Reiter, Chaplain = Joann Hays, Sgt. OfArms = Marlene Poling.

There was a discussion on buying a program to fix the DVD writer. A motion was made by Lou Bartlow and seconded by Phyllis Vargo to fix it. Motion carried.

Phyllis Vargo reported that they still need pictures for Book 1. Faye Sallee's daughter has given all of her pins to be put in the books.

Lucy Stofer is under the weather and it would be nice to send her a card.

Carol Curl has tickets for a throw that has the originations starting date on it. Tony Sorg won the throw.

Have the districts check on the auxiliaries for women who may need a 25 year or 50 year pin.

Miss Flame talked about her accident and the project she is on.

Suggested to send Laura Durbin a thinking of you card. Also a sympathy card in care of Virginia

Wilson at 15909 Taylor St. (Poe) Ft. Wayne, IN 46819.

Marlene Thrawley suggested that we set a table at the FDIC Fire School in order to promote the auxiliary. A motion was made by Carol Curl and seconded by Pam Gerdowsky. Motion carried.

Martha Thomas told us about her husband Jake.

Lou Bartlow made a motion and seconded by Martha Thomas to adjourn.

Chaplain Joann Hays said a closing prayer.

The meeting ended at 10:05.

Respectfully submitted by
Corresponding Sec., Leona Uryga

Officer's Meeting
Convention 2013 Muncie
June 13, 2013

President Diana Gray opened the meeting at 3:13 p.m. She introduced the Convention Chairman, Scott Harris. Scott talked about the shuttle that is provided and the movie (Ladder 49) that will be shown. He also stated that there were 226 people who were served at the Beer Bust. More than they expected. The Hoosier Burn Camp Auction raised \$3400.00. Life Line will be landing here on Friday between 11:00 and 1:00.

Chaplain Joann Hays led us in prayer. We recited the pledge to the flag.

Laurie Parker asked that the word get around to where the Chinese Auction and V.P. Raffle is located since they are on the ledge.

Diana Gray gave Past President Beth Caudill a corsage and then Beth gave Diana a bouquet.

Recording Secretary June Cahill, did the roll call with 21 officers present.

Lou Bartlow made a motion and seconded by Phyllis Vargo to dispense with the reading of the last meeting. Diana asked if there were any corrections and there were none. Approved as read.

The treasurer Dorothy Reiter, read the treasurer's report. It was approved until audit.

We received a letter from Past President, Lucy Stofer.

Recording Secretary June Cahill reported that we have 61 depts., 860 paid by depts., 198 Ind., 20 life members with a total of 1078 members.

Chaplain Joann Hays reported that the memorial was ready. She asked if there was anyone to report for illness or such. Connie Bruner was reported to be in the hospital, wife of Larry Bruner, District 12 Chairman. E.J. Smith announced that she is a grandmother of a baby girl.

Diana asked for all those who have a white jacket to please wear them to the memorial service.

At the line officers meeting, a question was brought up on whose books were to be audited by the CPA. Lou Bartlow stated that all the books that involve money will have to be audited. They will give Dorothy Reiter their receipts to give to the CPA.

Phyllis Vargo asked if the district chairman who has a Miss Flame would let them know for the essays, to remember that it is what the fire department means to them and not what they have done.

The Vice President Heather Martin reported on her project.

Judy Smith will read the new proposed by-law which is an addition to the by-laws with a Dissolution Clause. A correction of and/or is to be added and the word Volunteer also added.

IVFAA COMMITTEES FOR 2012 / 2013

AUDIT

- Beth Caudill - Chm.
- Lou Bartlow
- JoAnn Hays
- Barb Kerney

BUDGET & FINANCE

- Toni Sorg - Chm.
- Dorothy Reiter
- Lou Bartlow
- Marie Emery

CHINESE AUCTION

- Lori Parker - Chm.
- Alice Saunders
- Sandra Hile
- Judy Smith
- Linda Fry

PARLIAMENTARIAN

- Lou Bartlow

VICE PRESIDENT PROJECT

- Heather Martin - Chm.
- Laura Durbin
- E.J. Smith
- Janet Matthews

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY

- Beth Caudill - Chm.
- Barb Parker
- Toni Sorg

LOIS BOAZ

- Lou Bartlow, Chm.
- Dorothy Reiter
- Pam Gerdowsky

NOMINATING

- Joyce Nevil, Chm.
- Debbie Vermillion
- Carol Koehler
- Sharon Wright

HISTORIAN

- Joann Hays - Chm.
- Phyllis Vargo

INSTALLATION

- Toni Sorg - Chm.
- Debbie Vermillion
- Janet Woodfill

MEMBERSHIP

- Phyllis Vargo - Chm.
- Marlene Thrawley
- Tammy Smith
- Jean Parish

BY-LAWS

- Debbie Vermillion, Chm.
- Judy Smith
- Janet Matthews
- Tonya Marsee
- Sue Glant

MISS FLAME

- Barb Kerney - Chm.
- E.J. Smith
- Tammy Smith
- Miriam Schaekel

JEWELRY

- Suzie Lewis, Chm.
- Sandra Hile

MARY MACKIN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

- Phyllis Vargo - Chm.
- Lou Bartlow
- Carol Curl
- E.J. Smith

S.O.G.'S

- Lou Bartlow, Chm.
- Barbara Kerney
- Phyllis Vargo
- Barbara Parker

MEMORIAL THROW

- Carol Curl, Chm.
- Judy Smith
- JoAnn Hays

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CORRESP. SEC. REPORT - CONTINUED FROM PAGE 16

Susie Lewis stated that the new books are up-to-date. New books will have to be reprinted after the new by-law is passed.

Diana reported on the times of tomorrow's events.

E.J. Smith made a motion and seconded by Beverly Taylor to adjourn. Passed.

Chaplain Joann Hays said a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Corresponding Sec., Leona Uryga

I.V.F.A.A. Convention Minutes
June 14, 2013
Muncie, Indiana

President Diana Gray opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Chaplain Joann Hays recited a prayer.

The pledge to the flag was said by all present.

Recording Sec. June Cahill took roll call with 25 officers, 36 I.V.F.A.A. members and 2 guests present.

Beverly Taylor is a stand in for Chairman Debbie Vermillion from Dist. 11A.

Barbara Kerney brought the Miss Flames in to visit. Introduced the State Miss Flame, Heather Wickersham from District 9A and the runner-up, Darion Wilson from District 11A.

Beth Caudill called off the names of the members present. Total of 61 present.

Lou Bartlow made a motion and seconded by Phyllis Vargo to dispense the reading of the minutes. It was accepted with no corrections.

Treasurer's report was given by Dorothy Reiter of the Financial Statement of 2011 to 2012. Accepted until time of audit.

Recording Sec. June Cahill gave a report of 61 Depts., 860 paid by Depts., 198 Ind., and 20 Life. Total of 1078 members.

President Diana Gray gave out 5 Gold cards to Barbara Parker, Virginia Wilson, Alice Saunders, Marilyn McFaden and Betty Peterson.

Chaplain Joann Hays gave out the roses and programs from the Memorial Service.

Heather Martin gave a report on the V.P. Raffle of having \$1126.00 so far.

Lori Parker gave her report on the Chinese Auction with an income of \$800.00 to this date. The drawing will be at 2:30 p.m. today.

Judy Smith read a proposal to the by-laws. It was the Dissolution Clause. A change in the proposal showed the word Volunteer and the word or was added. Diana explained that this is for the gaming license. We needed to show where our money will go if we dissolve. Betsy Howe asked what the cost would be for the license. The answer was \$50.00. It was voted on by hand vote and passed.

Historian Joann Hays asked if anyone has pictures to fill the album from 1955 to 1961.

Martha Thomas was introduced as the new Lois Boaz winner. The letters are to be sent to Martha Thomas, Pam Gerdowsky and Dorothy Reiter.

Barb Parker asked that new by-law books be printed.

This is June Cahill's birthday today and we sang. Eula Bush announced that it would have been Lois Boaz' birthday today also.

Betsy Howe made a speech on voting of auxiliary officers.

The election of officers was conducted by Joyce Nevil. We had a 10 minute break.

Roll call was taken and 59 members answered.

The nominating committee has for President: Barb Kerney and Beth Caudill. Nominations from the floor were open. Tony Sorg nominated Diana Gray for President. Barb Parker closed the nomination and seconded by Lou Bartlow. The new President is Barb Kerney.

The nominating committee has for Vice President: Heather Martin. Christian Wyllyn nominated Marlene Thrawley. Barb Parker made a motion and seconded by Betsy Howe to close the nomination. The Vice President elected is Heather Martin.

The nominating committee has for Recording Secretary is June Cahill. No nominations from the floor. Lou Bartlow made a motion and seconded by Barb Parker to close the nominations. Corresponding Secretary Leona Uryga cast a white ballot for June.

The nominating committee has for Corresponding Secretary is Leona Uryga. No nominations from the floor. E.J. Smith made a motion and seconded by Diane Buck to close the nominations. Passed. Recording Secretary June Cahill cast a white ballot for Leona.

The nominating committee has for Treasurer is Dorothy Reiter. No nominations from the floor. Lou Bartlow made a motion and seconded by Martha Thomas to close the nominations. Passed. Recording Secretary June Cahill cast a white ballot for Dorothy.

The nominating committee has for Chaplain is Joann Hays. No nominations from the floor. Carol Curl made a motion and seconded by Phyllis Vargo to close the nominations. Passed. Recording Secretary June Cahill cast a white ballot for Joann.

The nominating committee has for Sgt of Arms is Marlene Poling. No nominations from the floor. E.J. Smith made a motion and seconded by Tonya Marsee to close the nominations. Passed. Recording Secretary June Cahill cast a white ballot for Marlene.

Tony Sorg announced that the Poe Festival is Aug. 23-24. Their 75th year.

Received a letter from Past President Mary Boyd. Her phone number is 352-669-2069. Address: 92 Golfview Circle, Umatilla, Florida, 32784.

Beth Caudill gave Diana Gray her past president pin and Gold card.

Tony Sorg conducted the installation.

President Barb Kerney
Vice President Heather Martin
Recording Sec. June Cahill
Corresponding Sec. Leona Uryga
Treasurer Dorothy Reiter
Chaplain Joann Hays
Sgt of Arms Marlene Poling
Past President Diana Gray

Beth Caudill made a motion and seconded by Tonya Marsee to adjourn. Passed. Adjourn at 11:55 a.m.

Chaplain Joann Hays recited a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Leona Uryga

DISTRICT 1 & 2 REPORT



Phyllis Vargo - Chairman

Minutes of the May 9, 2013 District 1 & 2 Meeting of the I.V.F.A.A.

The meeting was called to order by Phyllis Vargo, District 1 & 2 Chairman at 7:15 p.m.

Pledge was recited.

Prayer was given by Judy Schoon of Griffith Auxiliary.

Roll call was taken with 14 members in attendance representing 5 departments and 1 individual along with 2 guests.

Phyllis thanked Griffith Auxiliary for hosting this month's District Meeting and presented them with the \$100 check to help defray the cost of hosting. This is the first time Griffith hosted a district meeting, they are a new auxiliary.

Phyllis introduced guests Paul Watland District #2 I.V.F.A. Chairman and Tom Orrell District #1 I.V.F.A. Chairman.

Minutes from the March 14, 2013 meeting were read by Marge Baumgardner, no corrections or addition to minutes. Motion passed.

Correspondence: None.

Treasurer's Report: Phyllis gave Treasurer's report of \$787.00 checking. The report stands as read for audit.

Old Business:

Phyllis talked about the district dues. Merrillville will be paying their District dues and Phyllis was told by Lowell that they would be forwarding a check for district dues. Phyllis asked the group what they wanted to do with the departments that have not paid their district dues yet. After discussion the group advised Phyllis to personally call the department and find out why they have not paid. They are Lake Station, Cedar Lake, and Lake Dale.

New Business

Phyllis talked about the Lois Boaz award, she asked the ladies if they have anyone in their department that qualifies for this award, please nominate them. Marge Baumgardner made the request for the Lois Boaz committee to come into the 21st Century and accept typed letters for this nomination. No one handwrites letters anymore, nor has time to sit down and handwrite letters.

District #1 Chairman Tom Orrell talked about the different men's awards that are available for men in your department who qualify.

District #2 Chairman Paul Watland reminded that the ladies are welcome to men's district meetings. Next one will be at Porter Fire Dept. 550 Beam Street in Porter.

Phyllis talked about the Miss Flames, which neither one of them were in attendance tonight. What was the group's wishes regarding giving money to the Miss Flames for convention. The District has already paid for their registration fee of \$25.00 for each. Motion made by Martha Thomas, seconded by Cathy Watkus to give each girl \$200 each. Motion passed.

Phyllis has State Raffle tickets to purchase, if your department would

like to take some to sell, Phyllis needs the money and tickets stubs by time she leaves for convention. They are \$1.00 each or 6/\$5.00.

Phyllis talked about how in the past District 1 & 2 gave gas gift cards for the Chinese auction. The committee wants a basket. After some discussion Cathy Watkus made a motion, 2nd by Bernette Cope to make a "Road Trip" basket with \$50 gas gift card in it along with snacks. Cathy Watkus volunteered Lake of Four Season Auxiliary to put the basket together with the gift card for the raffle. Motion passed.

Phyllis reminded everyone that this year's State Convention is June 12, 13 and 14 in Muncie. See the I.V.F.A. paper for details.

Convention 2013 is in Muncie, Convention 2014 will be in Indianapolis, and Convention 2015 will be decided this year at convention.

Phyllis talked about the Miss Flame contest. Start looking for young ladies in your department between the ages from 15 - 18 for fall 2013 contest.

Phyllis had extra copies of the current I.V.F.A. paper if any ladies

didn't get one.

Phyllis also had 2013 calendars available for meeting dates and places.

Department Announcements:

Griffith Fire Dept. has a Fireman Dance on July 13th 6 - 12. Tickets are \$2.50. Contact Judi or Roy Schoon for information at 779-0118.

Crown Point Fire Fill the Boot for Hoosier Burn Camp Thursday, May 16th from 2:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Ride to Burn Camp will be Wednesday, May 29th leaving Crown Point Fire Station by 7 a.m.

Crown Point Fire Dept. Annual Golf Outing Saturday, June 8th at Summer Tree Golf Course. Call the fire station for more details.

Crown Point Ladies Auxiliary 19th Annual Pancake Breakfast June 15th 7-11:30 a.m.

No 50/50 held.

Next meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 12th at Lowell Fire Department.

Motion by Martha Thomas, 2nd by Nadine Jabkowski to adjourn. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by

Marge Baumgardner
I.V.F.A.A. Sec. District 1 & 2

DISTRICT 6 REPORT



E.J. Smith - Chairman

award winners - Brittany Andrews, District 1, Lake Station Vol. Fire Dept., Ashley Byrer, District 5, Atwood Vol. Fire Dept., Poster Board winners - 1st place Tianna Schuerman, District 6, South West Allen County Fire District, 2nd place Brooke Sears, District 21, Tippecanoe Twp. Vol. Fire Dept.

I would like to thank District 6 Miss Flame Tianna Schuerman for serving the district well, she traveled a lot and did a lot of fund raisers. Good job, Tianna!

I would like to thank the ladies who donated items for our basket for the Chinese Auction at convention. It was a beautiful basket.

Congratulations Churubusco Fire Department for 126 years of service and Albion fire Department for 125 years of service.

E.J. Smith

District 6 chairman

I would like to congratulate our 2013 Convention winners: Lois Boaz - Martha Thomas, 2013 Miss Flame Heather Wickersham, District 9A, Democrat Vol. Fire Dept., 2013 Miss Flame runner-up Darion Wilson, District 11A, Wright Twp. Vol. Fire Dept., 2013 Miss Congeniality Jesse McDonald, District 17A, Lyons Vol. Fire Dept., Mary Mackin Scholarship



I would like to congratulate Churubusco newly-formed Auxiliary.

Robin Chordas, Kari Shively, Myra Dix, Judy Johnson, Missy Bair, Terry Shively, Sarah Pearl, Ginnie Bennett. - submitted by E.J. Smith, District 6 chairman.

DISTRICT 7 REPORT

May 20, 2013

District 7 of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Auxiliary Association met May 20, 2013 at the Ossian Volunteer Fire Station.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Joyce Nevil with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the March 18 meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read.

Roll call was answered by 6 members from 4 departments and 1 individual.

The May officer's meeting minutes were read and discussed.

Joyce showed the tote filled with many items she was able to secure for the Chinese Auction.

Diana Gray made a motion to give Miss Flame's father a donation to help defray convention expenses. Motion was seconded by Dorothy Reiter.

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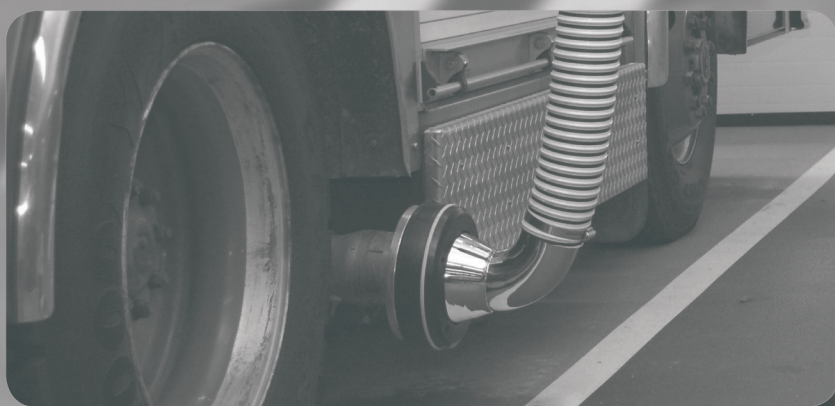
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IVFAA DISTRICT CHAIRMEN REPORTS

DISTRICT 7 REPORT

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Motion was passed.

Joyce reminded everyone that dues are due. They are \$5.00 per person and should be sent to June Cahill by September 1, 2013.

Convention was discussed. The door prize was won by Marissa.

July meeting will be election of officers.

Upcoming meetings:

July 15 Poneto election of officers.

September 16 Preble

November 18 Roanoke Miss Flame Contest.

Antoinette Sorg,

District 7 Secretary

selected Miss Congeniality, and to all the other girls representing their districts. You all did a wonderful job and to Barb Kerney and her committee.

Our last district meeting was held at the Bicknell VFD. Thank you for hosting the meeting for us; several members were present.

Our next meeting will be July 17th at Loogootee. Election of officers will be held for the coming year, also fund raisers and projects for the upcoming festivals will be up for discussion. Plan on attending.

I would like to thank Diana Gray for serving as president of the IVFAA. You did a good job.

Hope to see you all at the state meeting in August.

Chairman 17A

Marie Emery

DISTRICT 19 REPORT



Tonya Marsee - Chairman

Hello Everyone!!!!

Hope everyone is having an enjoyable summer!!!! Sure would like the rain to stop in Southeast Indiana!!! Hope everyone made it home safely from the IVFA Convention. We had a great time at Convention. Played in the Golf tournament for the first time - Way to go TEAMANDERSON!!!!!!

I would like to thank Batesville

Auxiliary for hosting the 19th District of the IVFAA meeting on May 14 at 7 p.m. They served a light lunch with wonderful cupcakes for dessert. Handed out plants to everyone also. That was so nice. We had a great attendance and earned a lot at the White Elephant auction that helps support our Miss Flame as she headed to Convention. Jack Eckstein did a wonderful job representing us at convention. I am sure she made lots of life lasting friendships. Thanks to all the departments for turning in their baskets for the Chinese Auction. Tatijana Marsee won the basket from Sunman. I would like to say Congrats to the new Miss Flame for 2014, which is Heather Lee from District 9A and State Miss Flame Runner-Up Darion Wilson, who is from 11A. State Miss Congeniality is Jesse McDonald from District 17A. The next District meeting will take place at Morris Volunteer Fire Department on August 13th, at 7 p.m. I encourage everyone to attend. Let's get more involved!!!! If you know of a fire department in District 19 that would like to start an auxiliary, please let me know.

Please have a wonderful 4th of July and be safe!!!

Tonya Marsee

District 19 chairman

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IVFAA President

Barbara Kerney



Thanks goes to Scott, Ed and convention committee for another great convention. There is a lot of work and planning that goes into this event so we can all enjoy.

Congrats to Heather Wickersham for being crowned our new 2013 Miss Flame and to Darion Wilson for our runner-up. Both girls will be great ambassadors for our organization. Lois Boaz award went to a very deserving lady, our past president Martha Thomas.

I am honored to be elected to serve as your President for 2013 - 2014. There are challenges ahead, but if we use them as stepping stones and work together as a team, we can accomplish the goals and challenges before us. I welcome suggestions or concerns that will in turn help us to make a better organization.

I encourage each member to attend your auxiliary meetings and your district meetings so we will be an active and a supporting member. If you don't have a district chairman and you would be interested in

serving at a state level, please contact me or a board member. It is important that we all have a voice in the activities of the organization. Our state meetings are held quarterly and are open if you want to visit.

Looking forward to a new year with renewed energy to move forward and into the future.

Barb Kerney

IVFAA Chaplain

Joann Hays



In Memory of:
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Well, another convention has come and gone. Thanks to the 2013 IVFA convention committee for all of their hard work.

You can pat yourself on the back for a job well done, and now you all can get some rest until your next convention.

"Congratulations" to all of the award winners: Lois Boaz: Martha

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DISTRICT 17A REPORT



Marie Emery - Chairman

Hello to all,

What a good convention! I think everyone, including myself, had a very nice time. It was so good to see everyone and enjoy all the good food and activities and thank you to all who work and put in the time to make this convention possible. Congratulations to all winners.

I would like to thank Jesse McDonald, 17A Miss Flame for doing a great job representing our district and congratulations in being



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Thomas, Mr. IVFA: Jim Bradford, Angel Award: Jeanie Daunhauer, Ollie Sandberg; Paul Covington, 2013 Miss Flame: Heather Wickersham, Runner-up: Dorion Wilson, Miss Congeniality: Jessica McDonald, and also congratulation to all of the Bridgeport winners.

Congratulations to the 2013 - 2014 officers. President: Barbara Kerney, Vice President: Heather Martin, Recording Secretary: June Cahill, Corresponding Secretary: Leona Uryga, Treasurer: Dorothy Reiter, Sgt. At Arms: Marlene Poling, Chaplain: Joann Hays, Immediate Past President: Diana Gray.

Thanks to all of the Miss Flames for assisting me with the roses at the Memorial Service on Friday.

Also, thank you to the 2011 Miss Flame Tatijana Marsee, District 19 and Jessica Dove, 2012 Miss Flame for all of their help. You girls are great!

My dear friends, take care of yourselves, hope you stay in good health and praying your auxiliaries will grow and hope for some new ones.

Those who were at convention, pray you got home safely.

Looking forward to seeing you at 2014 convention (my Golden friends) and looking forward to (my Silver friends).

Until we meet again, God Bless You.

Remember I'll always be here for you.

Love and prayers,
Joann Hays
IVFAA Chaplain



*Photos and
article submitted
by Buz Koehler
and
Marge Baumgardner*

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Ladies and Gentlemen, please allow me to present to you:

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What's been happening in District 10



(Pictured at left) – Kathy Dwyer of Harrison Twp. Fire Dept., Bartholomew County, is shown receiving her 25 year pin from District 10 chairman John Ray. Also pictured is Harrison Twp. Chief Wally Deitz.



(Pictured at right) – Greensburg firefighters, Randy Hoeing and Ronald Clark are shown receiving their 25 year pins from District 10 chairman John Ray. Also pictured is David Israel, IVFA President.

Looking over Marietta Vol. Fire Department's (Shelby County) newest firefighting equipment is District 10 Miss Flame Elizabeth Shields, Scott Shields, member of the Burney Vol. Fire Department, and Asst. Chief Jarred Parker of Marietta.

The chassis is a 2012 Freightliner with a Smeal top mount pumper, which carries 1000 gallons of water and has a 1500 gallon a minute pump.

All photos submitted by District 10 chairman, John M. Ray



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On the morning of Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at approximately 9:25 AM these two men, Jeff Newcom and Dave Kirby were driving in the area when they saw a large amount of smoke. The two men followed the heavy smoke to investigate what was going on. When they found the source of the smoke they realized it was a home completely engulfed in fire at 8762 W 400 South. The two men pulled up to the home and heard someone screaming from inside the house. Both were able to make entry into the house and found Dennis Crawford unable to get out of the house without assistance. Dennis was suffering from severe burns and smoke inhalation from the fire. Both men carried Dennis Crawford, who is disabled out of the burning home before the fire department arrived on scene. Dave and Jeff put Dennis into Jeff's truck to keep him warm as this was a very cold winter day. Dennis was hospitalized for several months due to the severity of his injuries but Dennis did survive the fire due to the heroic acts of these two local residents. We are confident that if these two gentlemen would not have acted when they did, Dennis would have lost his life that day in the fire.

We would like to say thank you to you both for your courageous and heroic acts on that cold winter morning that saved the life of Dennis Crawford. Thank you to both of you for being willing to risk your life to save someone else's life. You are truly heroes in our eyes.

Pictured are Don Kendall, Fire Chief Kempton Fire and Rescue, Jeff Newcom and Dave Kirby, medal recipients.

Articles and photos for both stories were submitted by Stephanie Floyd, secretary, Kempton Fire and Rescue.



Dean honored for 45 years of fire service

Robert Dean has dedicated 45 years of his life to the fire service. Bob Dean entered the fire service in 1968, as a firefighter with Frankfort Fire Department. Bob was a career firefighter with Frankfort Fire Department for ten years. Bob left Frankfort Fire to join the State Fire Marshal's office in 1978. Bob enjoyed his work with the State Fire Marshal's Office but felt he needed to do more to help his local community.

In 1985 Bob joined Cicero Township Volunteer Fire Department as one of the founding members. Bob led the fire department and served as Fire Chief at Cicero Township for 22 years from 1985-2007.

In 2008 Bob joined Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Department as Chief for one year. Bob joined Kempton Fire and Rescue in 2011 and currently serves as the Captain. Bob continues to work with the State Fire Marshal's office as a Chief of Investigations. Bob teaches classes in fire investigation and enjoys teaching and demonstrating his knowledge and experience with others.

Bob, you are truly a great asset to the volunteer fire service by sharing your vast experience and knowledge with those that are willing to learn from you.

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What's been happening in District 14



Tom Sellmer named 2013 Global winner

In the above photo, Tom Sellmer, 2013 Global winner, is pictured here with District 14 chairman Rick Cannon, Charlie Heishman and Global representative Gary Davis.

Pictured at right ... Rick Cannon poses with his daughter, Rebecca Cannon, at the Muncie convention.

Photos submitted by Rick Cannon, District 14 chairman.



Father and daughter time

The passing of a torch



Danville firefighter, John Ross, a second generation firefighter, celebrated the passing of firefighting to his son, Keith.

After 25 years of service to the community and to the fire service, John hopes to slow down a little bit and spend more time with his family.

Monday's celebration started at Danville Fire Department Station 92 and ended up at the town council meeting.

Awards given to John were: a plaque for 25 years of service to the Danville Fire Department and the community, an IVFA 25 year pin, a Town of Danville Proclamation - Resolution # 3-2013, and a Firefighter's Award Ax.

Pictured are John Ross and his grandchildren, Left to right: Erika Brand, Toby Ross, John Ross, Logan Rose and 2012 District 12 Miss Flame Morgan Rose.

Submitted by Larry Bruner, District 12 chairman.

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2013 Miss Flame Contestants

Photos submitted by Jack Kerney, Central Office - and - Scott Harris, 2013 Convention



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William	M.	Kendall	French Lick	Orange Co. Rural Fire Dept. #1
Christopher	George	Miller	Patriot	Patriot Vol. Fire Dept. Inc.
Jerome	David	Brown	Bloomington	Benton Twp. Vol. Fire Dept.
Robert	Anthony	Whitaker	North Salem	Eel River Vol. Fire Dept.
Zachary	J.	Douglas	Crestview	Lafayette Twp. Vol. Fire Dept.
Jordan	H.	Craig	Sunman	Sunman Rural Fire Department, Inc.
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Elizabeth	Nicole	Ireland	Kingman	Jackson Twp. VFD
Thomas	Michael	Bedway	Coal City	Coal City VFD
Bradley	J.	Zimmerman	Muncie	Hamilton Twp. VFD
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Left to right: Lou Bartlow, Martha Thomas (2013 Lois Boaz Award recipient) Pam Gerdowsky and Dorothy Reiter

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2013 Convention Highlights



Left to right:
Steve Macke - Ed Scheele



Left to right:
Marilyn McFadden - Virginia Wilson



2013 Miss Flame
Heather
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2013 Angel Award Recipient
Jeanne Daunhauer



Left to right:
Jesse McDonald
2013 Miss Congeniality

Allysa Smith
2012 Miss Congeniality

*Photos
submitted by
Jack Kerney
Central Office*

- and -

*Scott Harris
2013
Convention*



Left to right: Global representative Gary Davis,
Lloyd Wright - District 8B chairman,
District 8B Global winner Wylie Schweizer, Name unknown



Left to right:
Terry Smith (District 4 chairman), District 4 Global winner,
Allysa Smith (2012 Miss Congeniality), Global representative Gary Davis

2013 Convention Highlights



Left to right:
Carley Vandivier, District 11B Miss Flame
District 11B Global winner and Global representative Gary Davis



Left to right:
District 17B Global winner
Global representative Gary Davis
District 17B chairman Steve Nolan



2013 BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS – from left to right are Joshua Mohlke from Wanatah, Shelby Smith from Vincennes, and Trevor Vaal from St. Meinrad.

The IVFA congratulates each one of them and wish them success in their field. – article submitted by Beverly Harker, Bridgeport Committee Chairman. Photo submitted by Jack Kerney, Central Office and Scott Harris, 2013 Convention.



Photos submitted by Jack Kerney Central Office - and - Scott Harris 2013 Convention

Left to right:
President David Israel
2013 President Award Recipient - Jim Parker
Barbara Parker and Lori Parker

What's been happening in District 12



SUPPORTING DISTRICT 12 MISS FLAME – During our District 12 meeting at Green Twp. Vol. Fire Department, IVFAA president Carol Curl presented District 12 Miss Flame Ashley Cook a check for \$200.00 to help with her expenses at the 2013 Convention. We thank the Auxiliary for their support and backing.

Left: IVFAA District President Carol Curl. Right: District 12 Miss Flame Ashley Cook.



JON FLETCHER RECEIVES DISTRICT 12 GLOBAL AWARD – During our meeting at Green Township VFD in Morgan County, Jon Fletcher, a 30 year veteran in the fire service received a District Global Award for action above normal dedication in the fire service.

Jon has participation on three departments in Morgan County.

Thank you, Jon, for your long service and dedication in the public safety arena.

Left: Jon Fletcher. Right: Larry Bruner, District 12 chairman.



DECATUR CHIEF RECEIVES GLOBAL AWARD – The 2013 District 12 Global Award was awarded to Joseph Griffith. Joe is presently the Training Chief for Decatur Twp. Fire Department and has 42 years of service and dedication to the fire service.

During the expansion of the Indianapolis airport, a number of homes were offered to local fire departments for training. Joe Griffith had a vision to train young firefighters. Joe put together a training exercise that allowed many departments to send firefighters there for training.

Joe, we thank you for your friendship, your guidance and your dedication to the fire service and your fellow firefighters.

Left: Joe Griffith. Right: District 12 chairman Larry Bruner.



GREEN TWP. FIREFIGHTER RECEIVES 25 YEAR PIN – At the District 12 meeting in May, Richard Martindale of Green Twp. VFD received his IVFA 25 year pin. Rick, we thank you for your friendship, guidance and dedication.

Left: District 12 chairman Larry Bruner. Right: Richard Martindale.



LIZTON FIREFIGHTER RECEIVES LONGEVITY AWARDS – After a recent business meeting at Lizton-Union Twp. VFD, Mike Scott received a plaque for 25 years service with the department and he was awarded his IVFA 25 year pin.

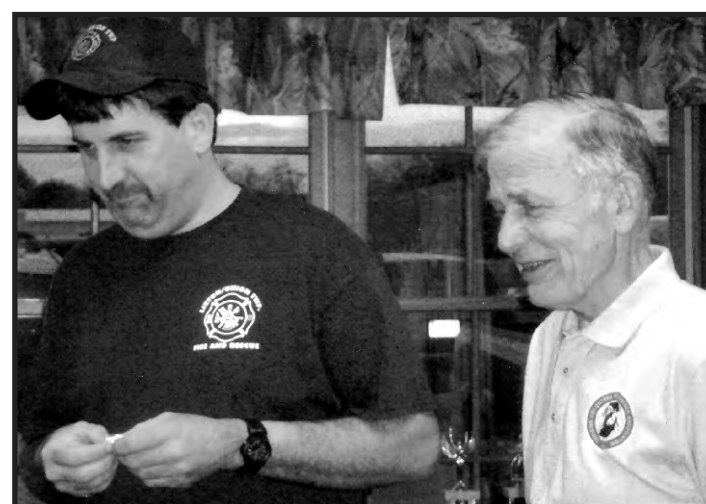
Members in the department celebrated with cake and drinks. Mike, we appreciate your dedication and service.

Left: Mike Scott. Right: District 12 vice-chairman Brian Edwards.

MIKE SCOTT RECEIVES 25 YEAR IVFA PIN.

Left: Mike Scott. Right: District 12 chairman Larry Bruner.

*Photos submitted
By Larry Bruner
District 12 chairman*





2013 - 2014 IVFA officers

Pictured are the 2013 - 2014 IVFA officers. Seated (left to right) - Don Cushman, II (PR East Central), Jean Smith (PR North East), Jack Kerney (PR South East), Larry Bartlow (PR West Central), Ed Scheele (PR South East).

Back row (left to right) - Steve Anderson (vice president), Beverly Harker (treasurer), Diane Harrison (secretary), David Israel (president), Ed Gerdowsky (chaplain) and Brent Bush (sergeant-at-arms).

- submitted by Jack Kerney, IVFA Office

Eaton VFD hosts annual car and truck show



On May 27, 2013 the Eaton Volunteer Fire Department held their annual Car and Truck Show and hog roast at their station.

Shown are a few of the cars on display.

- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman

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Town of Danville honors retiring firefighter

By STEVEN PENN

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DANVILLE – At Monday's meeting, the town council here passed Resolution No. 3-2013, which honored the service of retiring volunteer firefighter John Ross.

Council president Marcia Lynch read the resolution honoring Ross, while he was presented with a plaque commemorating his 25 years of volunteer service.

The resolution stated that Ross began his volunteer duty on June 28, 1988, and during his time with the Danville Fire Department served in various capacities, including lieutenant and captain. It said Ross was also active in the Volunteer Firefighters Association and was a participant in pancake breakfasts, hog roasts, and other community events sponsored by the Association.

"It's been a pleasure to serve the community for 25 years," Ross said. "My wife had to put up with a lot in 25 years . . . And I know a lot of people in the department have too."

He said he hopes the legacy of firefighters in his family will continue.

"I'm a second generation firefighter," Ross said. "Third generation will be my son Keith and hopefully my grandson, Tyler, will also be a fireman, too. I do appreciate this and it will be displayed proudly – believe me."

The Danville Town Council meets at 7 p.m. - on the first and third Mondays of each month at the Danville Town Hall. – (Permission was given to re-print this article by Steven Penn of the Hendricks County Flyer. Thank you to the Hendricks County Flyer for allowing us to re-print the article.)

In the above photo – The Danville Town Council honored retiring volunteer firefighter John Ross for his 25 years of service. Taking part in the recognition ceremony were (from left) Danville Fire Department Chief Mark Morgan, Ross, Councilman Dennis Wynn and Council president Marcia Lynch. (Photo by Steven Penn / Flyer)



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What's been happening in District 4



(Above and at right) – Benton Volunteer firefighters are shown cooking and serving up their pork chops / chicken for their carry-out fundraiser.



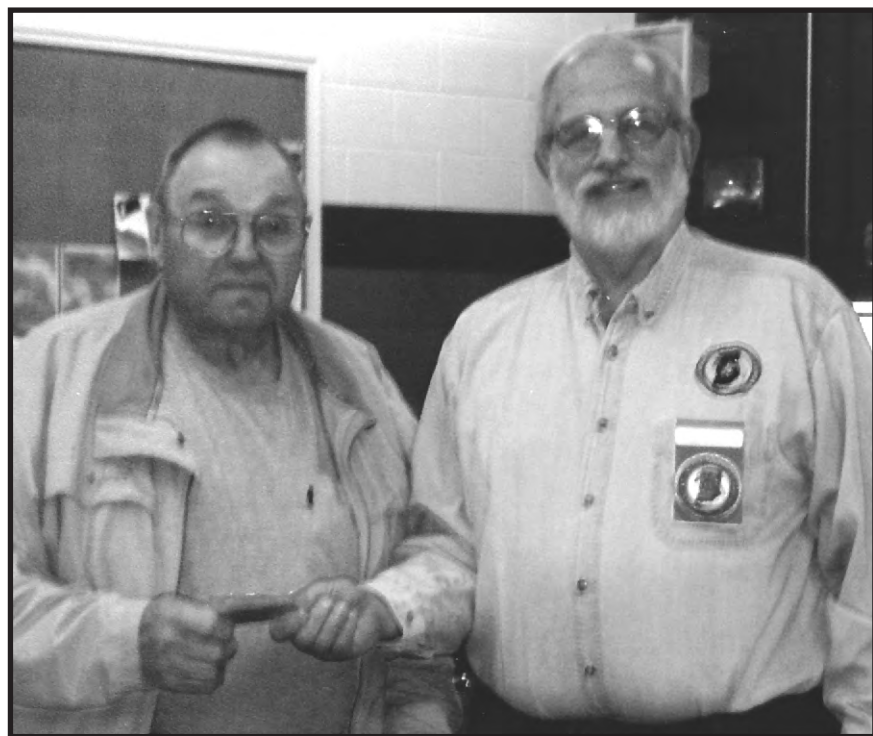
(Above) – The delicious fish is being cooked at the annual fish fry at Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. (At right)– the residents are enjoying their delicious fish.



Receives 50 year Gold card



(Above) – Citizens start coming in for their delicious fish at Cleveland Twp. Fire Department's annual fish and the guests are enjoying the delicious fish.



Lyle D. Burtfield 6606 of Benton Township Volunteer Fire Department received his 50 year Gold Card from Jean Smith, PRNE.

*Photos submitted by
Terry Smith,
District 4 chairman*

What's been happening in District 8B



The Portland Fire Department held its annual banquet on April 4, 2013 and honored full and part-time firefighters for time served in the department.

Pictured above, from left to right, are Lloyd Wright, District 8B chairman, Mike Thomas (25 years), Mike Weitzel (5 years), Lexi Blumenhorst, Miss Flame for District 8B, Jason White (15 years), and Mike Aker (40 years).

Not pictured is Mitch Southworth (5 years).



(Top photo) – Saratoga Ward Township Fire Territory Department held a dinner to honor Jerry Wagner for 50 years of service on April 14, 2013 at their station.

Pictured from left to right is Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman, Jerry Wagner, and Lexi Blumenhorst, District 8B Miss Flame.

(Bottom photo) – On April 14, 2013, Jerry Wagner from the Saratoga Ward Township Fire Territory Department was honored with 50 years of service.

Jerry was presented with an award from the State Fire Marshal's Office. Presenting the award to Jerry are Lexi Blumenhorst, District 8B Miss Flame and Gary Robison from the State Fire Marshal Office.



On June 6, 2013 Parker City Volunteer Fire Department honored two men for years in the fire service. Marvin W. Mock for 50 years and Robert L. Thornburg for 46 years.

Pictured from left to right are: Lloyd E. Wright, Robert L. Thornburg, Lexie Blumenhorst, District 8B Miss Flame, and Marvin W. Mock.

Pictured in the background are the officers for the fire department.



On April 14, 2013 the Saratoga Ward Township Fire Territory Department held a dinner to honor Ted Martin for 18 years of service to the department.

Presenting the award to Ted was Lexi Blumenhorst, District 8B Miss Flame.

District 8B chairman Lloyd E. Wright looks on.



On June 8, 2013 the Parker City Volunteer Fire Department held a Pancake and Sausage breakfast at their fire station.

Proceeds from the breakfast went to the Hoosier Burn Camp. Shown is the serving line.

*Photos submitted by
Lloyd E. Wright
District 8B chairman*

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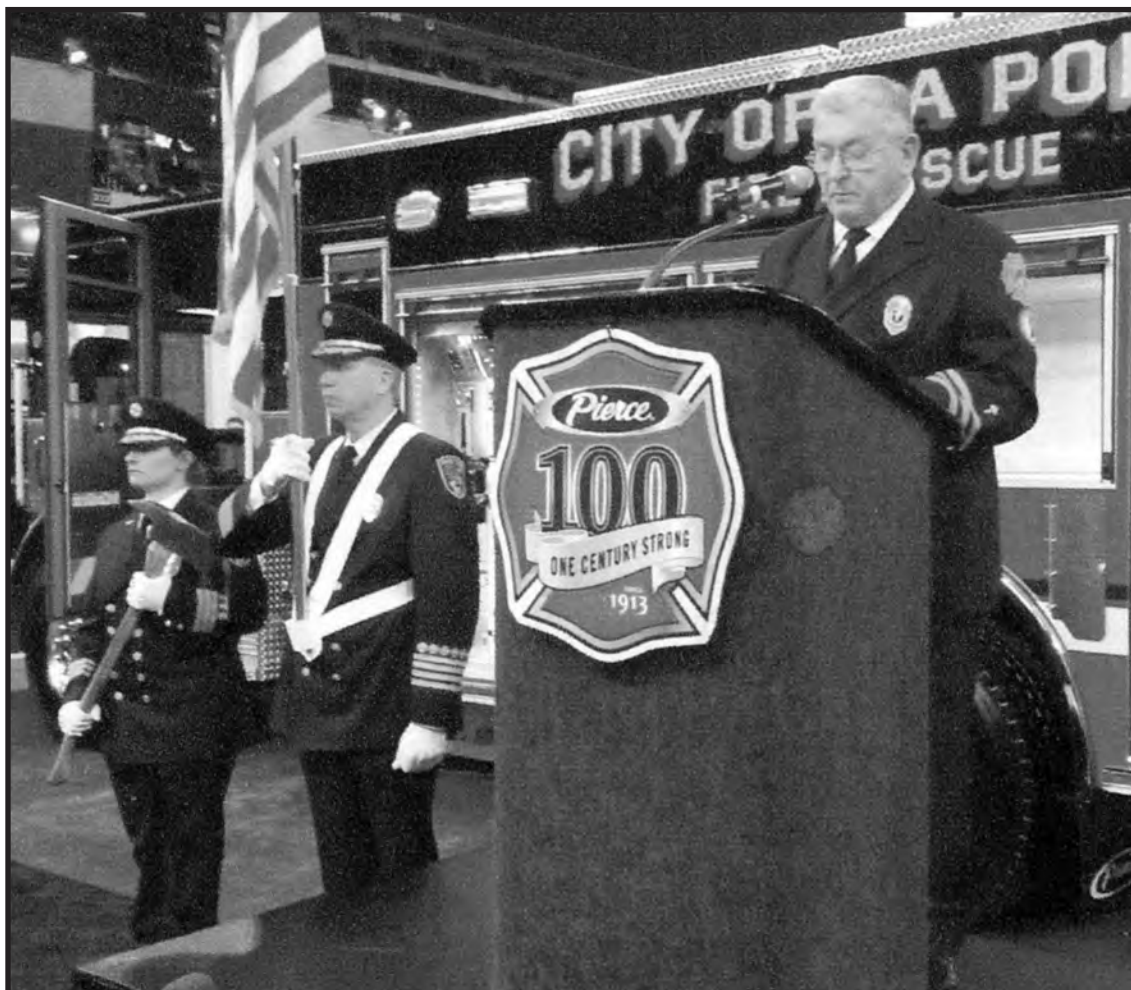
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Chaplain gives opening prayer for Supporting Heroes Climb at FDIC



Chaplain Ed (Ski) Gerdowsky is shown above at Lucas Oil Stadium on April 26, 2013 at the Supporting Heroes Climb to Honor for those Fallen in the Line of Duty and remembering those hurt in the Boston Marathon on April 15, 2013.

Chaplain Gerdowsky gave the opening prayer before the climb using “A Runner Prays” – A Guest Post from Stormy Becker Falso. – submitted by Chaplain Ed (Ski) Gerdowsky.

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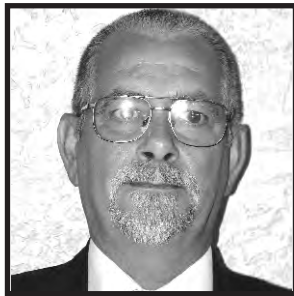
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DISTRICT 5 REPORT



Don Kissinger - Chairman

I.V.F.A. 5th District Meeting
 July 11, 2013
 Pleasant Township Fire
 Department, Laketon IN
 Refreshments were served by the
 host department.
 The meeting was called to order
 by Chairman Kissinger at 1943 hrs.
 The pledge of allegiance followed.
 There were 13 firefighters in
 attendance representing 5
 departments. The minutes of May's
 meeting were read and approved as
 submitted.

2013 Convention in Muncie went
 very well.

2014 convention is in
 Indianapolis at the Pyramids.

2013 Indiana Weekend at the
 National Fire Academy October 19
 and 20. Registration due by
 September 13.

It was reported that the Fort
 Wayne Fire Department is adding
 15 new firefighters to their roster.

Firefighter I and II testing is
 changing from pass / fail to a score
 grade.

We discussed the voluntary
 recertification for career
 firefighters.

We discussed the 12 hours of
 training a year for recertification for
 Firefighter I and II. Most

departments currently have at least
 12 hrs. minimum or more each year.

We discussed what training that
 OSHA requires each year for
 firefighters. At the present OSHA
 require that the employer to train
 annually the employee in the tasks
 they are expected to perform. The
 Board of Firefighting Personnel
 Standards and Education does not
 require annual training for a
 firefighter.

District 5 Miss Flame Ashley
 Byrer gave us a report of her
 activities at the convention.

Summerfest in Bourbon August
 10 & 11.

Election was held with the
 following results:

- Don Kissinger, Chairman
- Paul Martin, Secretary-Treasurer
- Next meeting September 12
 Wayne Twp. Grass Creek.
- Respectfully Submitted,
 Paul Martin
 Secretary/Treasurer

Some parts of home tougher on paint

How do you know it's time to
 repaint the exterior of your home? If
 you're like most people, you look
 for cracking, peeling or blistering
 paint.

And if your house is like most,
 those first signs of paint failure will
 show up in one of the recognized
 paint "trouble spots" – windows and
 sills, eaves and soffits, or gutters and
 downspouts.

Ultimately, the way to handle
 these trouble spots is by carefully
 preparing the surfaces, then
 applying a top quality acrylic latex
 paint. By following this advice,
 you'll get a durable, long-lasting
 paint job.

Here are some additional thoughts
 on maintaining your home's paint
 problem areas:

Windows – No part of the home
 takes more abuse from the weather
 than your windows and window
 sills.

Window sills are especially
 vulnerable. They tend to harbor
 water, snow and ice longer than
 other parts of the home's exterior.
 Their face-up exposure also
 subjects them to intense sunlight
 and damaging ultraviolet rays.

Before attempting to paint
 window sills and windows, scrape
 and then sand them. Brush away
 dust particles, and if bare wood is
 exposed, apply a high quality
 acrylic or oil-based exterior primer.
 Paint after the primer dries.

Eaves and soffits – Eaves and
 soffits suffer from another villain:
 dampness. Because these areas
 receive little light, they can stay
 moist for long periods of time,
 creating a perfect environment for
 unsightly black blotches that signal
 the presence of mildew.

Good surface preparation requires
 removing all mildew before
 painting. This is best accomplished
 by washing the surface with a mild
 bleach solution (one part bleach,
 three parts water and detergent).
 After rinsing the areas and allowing
 it to dry, you can begin to paint.

Gutters and downspouts –
 Weather-beaten gutters and
 downspouts are common sore spots
 for paint.

Before painting new, galvanized
 gutters and downspouts, wash the
 metal surfaces with soap and water,
 then rinse off. Old galvanized metal
 should be wirebrushed before
 washing to gently remove rust, loose
 paint and dirt.

If no rust is present, a primer
 ordinarily is not needed when
 painting galvanized metal. Quality
 acrylic latex paint can be applied
 directly to factory-finished metal
 gutters, downspouts and trim.

If rust is present, apply a corrosion-
 resistant primer before painting.

For more information on exterior
 and interior home painting, consult
 the professionals at your local paint
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Miss Flames enjoy convention outing



At the convention on Friday, June 14, 2013, all of the Miss Flame participants and committee helpers were taken on an outing.

They ate lunch at the Cammack Station, which is an old filling station made into a restaurant.

After lunch they went to the Lyndenbrook Falls Miniature Golf for a round of golf.

— presented by Sharon Wright, Miss Flame Convention Chairman.

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Wylie Schweizer District 8B Global winner

District 8B Global winner was Wylie Schweizer from the Lynn Volunteer Fire Department.

Wylie raised money to get two rescue tubes through the FFA for the departments in Randolph County. Amy Olka is the adviser.

Wylie was presented the award at convention. — submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

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