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## "COUNTDOWN" ON FIRE SAFETY LEGISLATION

### PRES SEZ...



JIM PARKER

Now that the holidays are over we can get back to normal eating and lose a few unwanted pounds. Hope you all had a very joyous Christmas.

The National Outreach program held at Kokomo in November was well attended. Over 220 firefighters that were paid and volunteer participated. The programs were great. Did you attend? If not, plan to attend next year as I'm sure we can get it back again. I want to thank the Indian Heights Department for the great job they did with the coffee and refreshments. You fellows did a fine job. I know that those attending the Program appreciated it.

Have you or your department submitted a name for the Mr. IVFA award? Do you have a fireman that is continually doing a better job and pushing you to do better? Perhaps he is Mr. IVFA 1982. If you submit his name and a brief letter about him the committee would enjoy reading it.

A pleasant surprise, Midwest Fire and Safety advised that they can again sponsor the Midwest Award. So guys, get your choice in to your District Chairman so that the selection for your district can be made. I know that there usually is more than one deserving, but keep it to the ONE outstanding man for the award.

A lot of activity is taking place over the State about this year's legislative program. Departments are holding meetings and inviting their local legislators to discuss the problems the volunteer fire service is faced with today. If you haven't contacted your legislators yet, do so today. It is very important that you support the

legislation outlined by Jack Ford on another page of this issue.

Call Your Legislator Today!!!

Guys, there has always been a question in my mind about how well you read our paper and how well we get information out to you through district meetings. But no more, I have had phone calls, letters and have been approached personally about some of the things that are going on in the state and I am convinced that we can get the word out.

We are facing a new year. One in which we all must continue to do the good job we have done in the past and strive to do yet a better job in the future. We must continue to educate ourselves that we may protect ourselves so we can protect others. We must educate our neighbors about fire prevention and fire safety. If we can reduce our fire runs, we can save money and we all have to keep that foremost in our mind.

As always, if 1 or any of the officers can be of help to you let us know.

Hoping you get fewer and safer emergency runs,

Jim

### Word From



CARL BRUNS

I am sure that everyone has had an enjoyable holiday season. My wife and I wish to thank everyone for all the remembrances at this time of the year. December has been a slow month as far as district meetings are concerned. I will be back at it again in January.

### Your Vice

I still need the dates and locations for 1982 fire schools, so if you have not sent yours, please do this at once. Attendance has been good in most areas for the year 1981. It seems that we are going in the right direction as far as schools at a local level are concerned, each firefighter will not travel very far. Let your district chairman know under this program what level of classes you want. He requests and needs this information.

After reviewing the Midwest Award, Midwest has agreed to furnish this award again this year. As I have previously stated, Midwest thought they could no longer continue this recognition due to the economic conditions, but after considerable deliberation they will again sponsor this award. The IVFA appreciates this very much. Each district in the state should submit a name to me by March 1, 1982.

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### Secretary's Spotlight



JACK FORD

Once again we have the holidays behind and we are ready to settle down for the long winter's nap. Ruth and I most certainly wish and hope that they have been very happy and joyous for all. But now comes the need for that nap to get ready to attack this coming warm season with all those plans to do what we meant to do last year but never found the time. You know, like fishing - I only get a chance to wet a line once. With this thing called time on our hands and not finding enough of it to go around it becomes a great problem just making up our list of priorities of just what we wish to do. The same goes for here in the office, priorities change practically from day to day and even then sometimes priorities change in the middle of important priorities.

Yes, we are indeed a very mobile people and sometimes this is not all for the best. We must never become too busy to take care of the most important things at hand, which sometimes do not look that important till we find them in deep trouble. I mean, the financial crisis that is now facing most of the volunteer departments. From calls and letters coming in I am assured that it is a real crisis. Volunteers never have before stood up and hollered that they are hurting and just more or less set back and took what came along. Now that we are in a crisis it is most important that we do holler and very loud at that. In a most

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## Senator Pease and Rep. Dean Discuss Proposed Legislation with Firemen

Reprinted from the SPENCER EVENING WORLD, 12/4/81. Story by Kathy Rose.

Proposed resolutions submitted by the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association for introduction during the 1982 General Assembly were discussed in a special session with legislators who represent Owen County...with over thirty firemen and ten departments, most from within the county, present for the meeting.

The session was held at the Spencer Municipal Building and was coordinated by Don "Bud" Trester, recording secretary of the IVFA and a member of the Owen Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Legislators who were invited to attend included District 61 House Representative Marilyn Schultz of Bloomington, District 51 House Representative Donald Dean of Bloomfield, District 39 Senator Edward Pease of Brazil, and District 40 Senator Farrell Duckworth of Bloomington. Representative Dean and Senator Pease were the only legislators able to attend, however Trester explained Representative Schultz left word

that she was supportive of the resolutions which would benefit firemen and fire departments.

Craig Campbell of Spencer, a lawyer who recently announced his candidacy on the Republican ticket for State Representative in House District 46, was also present since he has been closely associated with the State House the past ten years.

Trester explained the purpose of the meeting was to ascertain the views of the county's volunteer firemen concerning a number of proposed bills that the IVFA is working to get introduced into the 1982 General Assembly. Trester urged firemen to speak up "either pro or con and let the men know where we stand, because they will be the ones voting on them."

County departments represented during the session included Spencer, Coal City, Patrickburg, Gosport, Cataract, Owen Valley, Franklin and Clay Townships. Also, special guests from other districts in the IVFA were on hand including District 17B Chairman Pete Lockhart of Bloomington Township Fire

Department in Monroe County, District 11A chairman Phillip Reed of Linton Township in Vigo County, and Carl Davis, Southwest Public Relations Director for the IVFA and a member of the Odon Volunteer Fire Department in Daviess County.

The session focused on three main resolutions to be introduced next year by the state organization. The first concerned the implementation of an excess tax levy to better fund local volunteer fire units.

District 17B chairman Lockhart said, "I personally feel that this is not the right way to fund fire departments but it looks like its going to be the only way. The bill is not asking for state government to raise taxes, only local government."

Davis said he was disgruntled about the way this matter and other concerns affecting firemen have been handled by a legislative study committee set up three years ago to study the needs of fire departments. He said the committee's study included the excess levy proposal which he hasn't gotten out of the

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The members of the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department are very proud of their new station erected in 1976, and their equipment purchased by the City of Rensselaer and Marion Township.

Pictured above is the rolling equipment that protects our area. Left to right is a 1963 Mack 1250 GPM pumper, rebuilt and repainted in 1981; 1965 Dodge American 750 GPM front mount pumper; 1980 Ford 3D 1500 gallon tanker; 1966 Dodge station wagon, personnel car; 1981 FMC LTI, 85 foot aerial with 1500 GPM pump; 1971 Dodge, Howe 750 GPM pumper; 1981 Dodge, grass fire fighter; 1979 Ford, rescue and equipment truck.

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**Word From  
The Vice**

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There will be no extension of time, this is an award for outstanding service to a firefighter in your district. Plaques will be distributed at convention.

We are all looking forward to seeing Ira Cambron after his stay in the hospital. Bill Roberts has taken over this district and we have been assured he will do a great job. Todie Michl has taken the West Central P.R. area. It has been a pleasure to work with Todie. John Berckman has got things rolling again in District No. 15, attendance is up and the meetings are informative so show your support for John. Phil Reed in District 11A needs your attendance and support. I attended a meeting in his district in November, he has many new ideas to build the interest.

Read your quarterly state minutes there is information of value to each firefighter. The update on legislative issues will be elsewhere in this issue. Contact your legislative people about the bills you are interested in. Do this at once, next week will be too late. Keep up the good work.

Carl Bruns

**Sergeant-at-Arms  
Report**



**BUTCH MCGILL**

Hi Brother Firemen and Auxiliary,

The holidays are over and I trust that you all had an enjoyable and safe one.

Now that Old Man Winter is here we are going to be busy fighting fires.

District 11B is having the annual Firemen's Sweetheart Dance on February 13th, 1982 at the Rockville National Guard Armory. We will be crowning our Miss Flame. You all come.

Boys, it's time to think about getting a letter mailed to the committee and recommend someone for the Mr. IVFA award.

I have attended several district meetings and the attention has been falling off. Boys, get behind your district chairman and help them out by attending the meetings.

Remember boys, if you are in need of supplies let me know a few days before the meeting.

Charles "Butch" McGill  
Sergeant-at-Arms

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**Secretary's Spotlight**

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recent letter from President Parker to all fire departments asking for each of you to contact the legislators is a real means of hollering. Yes, you might say they will not listen and it will do no good, but did you ever ask them for this kind of a thing before with one voice? Also, remember that just asking for something does not mean that you will get it right away. What is important is that you are now asking and telling your part of the story and saying you need help now. These things have been going on for years now and one can not expect them to turn directions over night, but it will start a turn in the tide which will turn the direction in our favor. Let's face facts with facts - you need something I need something and we get together and before you know it we both might not have exactly what we went after but we both will have

something...RIGHT? Well you want something to be heard and someone else wants to return to Indianapolis, same thing, both can make ends meet but both will have to let each other know exactly what they wish to be done. It is most important that you too drop the apathy that it will do no good and get a positive notion that at least you are trying to get it done. Guess I just got carried away but really think about it and do the best you see fit. I shall be open to all suggestions and input cause this session in Indianapolis is not going to be very easy for anyone this year, with the tight money, short session and little time to do it in may well come up short. Just let me know if you have input cause I need all the help I can get. Thanks again for your past help and I will be looking forward to your help in the future.

Jack

**From the Southeast**



**ROY RICHARDSON**

Things are going well in S.E. Indiana. I attended the following:

September 20th, Calgas had a demonstration at the 4-H Fairgrounds, Charlestown; September 24th, Clark County Fire Chief's Association meeting at ICI, Charlestown; September 25th, fish fry at Livonia Fire Department; September 27, 1982 IVFA Convention meeting, Henryville; September 28th, special meeting at Underwood Fire Department; October 2nd, Fire Prevention Week, Underwood Fire Department put on a Fire Prevention program; October 6th, Lexington Fire Department discussed setting up a training session; October 7, Clark County Arson Task Force met at Clarksville; October 13th, 1982 Convention Memorial Service meeting at Clarksville; October 15th, Fire Chief's meeting at Underwood, also Fire Prevention program at Henryville High School PTA meeting; October 16th, Chili Supper at Underwood; October 17th, Bean Supper at Lexington; October 22, 23, and 24th, ISFSI Fall Con-

**Midwest  
Awards...**

The Midwest Award is still available and all nominations should be in the hands of Carl Bruns no later than March 1, 1982. Remember - only one name from each district.

ference at Louisville, Kentucky; Oct. 25, 1982 IVFA Convention meeting at Henryville; October 31 through November 1, IVFA Officers Meeting at Shelbyville; November 10, training meeting at Henryville; November 12th, 16th District meeting at Greenville; November 15th, 1982 IVFA Convention meeting at Henryville; November 18th, 14th District meeting at McCulloch; November 19th, Fire Chief's meeting at Henryville; November 24th, Clark County Arson Task Force meeting at McCulloch;

December 2nd, Clark County Arson Task Force meeting with FBI officer.

Congratulations to Dennis Snook, Anthony Huddleston, Frank Warren, and Randy Jackson of Sellersburg Fire Department for completing their 30-hour instructors course at Richmond.

Training session at ICI was very successful.

If you are planning on taking the Belle of Louisville Cruise at the 1982 IVFA Convention, reserve your tickets now as we are limited to 800 and they are going fast.

Roy E. Richardson  
Public Relations Director  
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## DISTRICT 11B

The holidays are over. Hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. Some folks say January and February are "dullsville". Wrong, if they are in the fire service there are many things to prevent boredom. A couple of things to do are to sit down and write letters recommending candidates for the Lois Boaz and Mr. IVFA awards. I'm sure everyone knows an outstanding person in the fire service who is deserving of the awards. Another thing is to send in your registration and reservations for the convention. These are indoor activities that can be done while sitting by the warm fire.

Now, for something that will get you out and breathe some fresh air. Attend your local auxiliary and district meetings. Get active in your local and district fire service activities. You will be surprised at how quickly those boring winter months will pass.

By the time this gets into print, we will have had our Sweetheart Dance and selected a district Miss Flame to represent us at the 1982 Convention. I want to thank our reining Miss Flame of 1981, Jamie Martin and her parents Jim and Jan from Rosedale. They have done a fine job of getting to parades, meetings and fire department fund raising activities.

By the way, convention isn't that far away. Make your plans now to take a couple of days vacation and go to Jeffersonville and enjoy that southern hospitality.

Here is a suggestion--go to your next district meeting and see how much weight everyone gained over the holiday season!

Eula Bush

Chairman District 11B

## DISTRICT 14

Now is the time for each and everyone of us to start thinking of the good time that is waiting for all of us at the IVFA Convention in that warm southern sun.

There is so much to do at the Marriott Inn for everyone including the children. A few of the attractions are as follows: year round pool, outside pool, 8 indoor tennis courts, large game

## In Memoriam

Delphia Smith, Manilla - District 10  
Angie McCague, Wayne Twp. No. 1,  
Ossian - District 6



Romans 13:12, 13, 14

"The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof."

### Clean Out The Attic

Have you ever planned a move to a new city? If so, you will probably remember that one of the biggest tasks connected with moving was sorting all of your belongings, packing the useful ones and getting rid of those items you did not need or want. No doubt you went through everything you had carefully and evaluating each thing. Then, you went up in the attic and you probably found that there were things that you had been accumulating for years, things that were really nothing more than a fire hazard—old dusty trunks, faded letters, broken furniture, souvenirs, toys, and worn-out clothing. At one time these things had meant a lot to you, but now they were only cluttering up the place. Certainly they would not fit in with the new home to which you were going.

The new year is at hand as I write this but a few days past in the New Year as you read this. You are taking a journey into a brand new land where you have never lived before. Surely you do not want it cluttered up with a lot of things that are useless, or even detrimental. So go up in the attic and see what is there. Get rid of the rubbish that has collected.

If envy is there, do not carry it over into this bright new year just beginning, for it will paralyze mind and body. You may be richly endowed with talents, and yet become a "nobody" simply because you spend your time envying another instead of developing your talents. In Old Testament times, Saul, was the first King in Israel. He brought much unhappiness and misery upon himself and his family because of his envy of David and the fear that David would take his place. Instead of doing his very best in the situation, he spent his time and effort in trying to destroy David. Get rid of fear this year. Don't let it ruin your life. Resolve that you will use the talents that God has given you.

Do you have any "grudges" up in the attic? They are bad, and spoil your happiness completely. Benedict Arnold was a brilliant soldier during the American Revolutionary War, but he became bitter because he was bypassed for promotion. Others went ahead of him. His bitterness led to the betrayal of his country and a wretched life in the land of his enemies. Do you recall the brilliant Aaron Burr? He blamed Alexander Hamilton for his defeat in a presidential race. His hatred led to his killing Hamilton in a duel. No one respected him very much after that. His last years were filled with misery. Certainly you will not want to carry grudges over into your new year. What about bad habits? Are they cluttering up your attic? Get rid of them! At first they may appear harmless, even very pleasant; but later they will enslave you and then destroy you. I once saw a big, strong man trying to break the habit of smoking. What a struggle he had to wage! Smoking had given him a chronic cough, bad nerves,

and an irregular heart. But the habit had entrenched your bad habit, but if you do have comes more difficult to break. Do not

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res? Do you want to see a certain someone? Do you secretly hope that not rod will wreck it? Do not long to know is wrong and sinful! Clear the Get rid of your fear, grudges, and d be a happy new year for you.

Auxiliary Chaplain, Thelma Lester

## QUALIFICATIONS

- May 22, 1982. No late entries will be
- terball and \$8.00 for Bucket Brigade.
- ent back to each department.
- reavail for both events.
- am must attend the all-day meeting
- on two teams in the same event.
- ams are eligible to compete.
- register at Convention Headquarters.
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- Send registered or certified. Bring
- vention. For any more information,
- ALL CHAIRMAN; Joyce Nevil, R. R.
- phone (219) 368-7808

## Auxiliary Officers Meeting Holiday Inn / Shelbyville November 1, 1981

The meeting was called to order by President Barbara Surber. She welcomed everyone for being there.

Prayer was led by Chaplain Thelma Lester. Followed by the Pledge led by Sergeant-at-Arms Miriam Schaeckel.

Roll call was answered by 29 officers and 19 guests.

Thelma reported she sent 7 get well, 29 sympathy, and 3 birth cards. There had been six deaths--Margurette O'Neal, District 3 of Lake Eliza; Viola Werling, District 7 of Poe; Mildred Bloomer, District 10 of Manilla; Lorena Dunlap of District 4 of Center Township; Delphia Smith, District 10 of Manilla; and Angie McCaugh, District 6 of Ossion.

Minutes were read. Motion by Vi Cambron to dispense with the reading of the district reports. Seconded by Nancy Neal. Motion passed. Minutes were approved.

President Barbara announced the addition of Madonna Gentry to the Miss Flame Committee.

Kris Bechtel, Treasurer, read the report.

Previous balance	\$3,372.66
Cash received	1,976.00
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	5,348.66
Disbursements	919.71
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Balance 11-1-81	\$4,428.95
Correction of previous reports:	
Previous balance	\$3,709.39
Cash received	446.00
Disbursements	2,446.64
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Balance 6-5-81	\$1,708.70
Previous balance	
Cash received	\$1,708.70
Disbursements	2,204.00
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Balance 8-1-81	\$3,372.66

Recording Secretary, Nickie Sunday, reported the current membership as 2112 members representing 138 auxiliaries and 40 individuals. New auxiliary - Andrews District 7.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**DOE DOLL-Vice President Barbara Parker** reported that she had 3,000 tickets. She set a goal of 2,000 tickets to be sold. Phil Cronk had donated the tickets for the fourth year. He is to be sent a thank you.

**PARLIAMENTARIAN-Ruth Ford** had nothing to report. She thought that we should have a report on any new auxiliaries that are formed. Tony Sorg of District 7 reported on the new auxiliary at Andrews. Barbara Surber reported on the new auxiliary at Spencer, Owens Valley.

Vi Cambron made a motion to give Phil Cronk a certificate of appreciation. Seconded by Connie Suter, and motion was passed.

**CONVENTION 1982-Discussion by Bette Sellmer and Vi Cambron.**

**GAMES-Joyce Nevil** reported that the deadline for entries is June 1, 1982. The registration fee will be \$8.00 The International Rules will be used. She stated that some of the games winners had expressed a desire to have a patch instead of the pins that is currently given to them. Betsy Howe made the motion to buy patches instead of pins. Seconded by Bette Selmer. Motion passed.

Joyce is to buy the trophies and patches.

**NOMINATING:** Betsy Howe reported that they had not met yet, but would be doing so soon. Barbara announced that Thelma Lester would not be running for Chaplain next year. She has been Chaplain since 1959 except for one year (1969-1970).

**BY-LAWS-Anna Marie Baker** announced that the changes had been received by Nickie. They were ready to be picked up by the district chairman from Nickie.

**PRESIDENT ADVISORY-Vica McGill--President Barbara** has given us no problems.

**INSTALLATION-Ruth Ford.** Everything O.K.

**MISS FLAME-Eula Bush** passed out the rules and explained some of the changes on the entry blank. The deadline date is a firm date, no exceptions.

**JEWELRY-Marlene Poling** reported the jewelry was selling. The 1982 convention charm has been received. She suggested that there be a clearance sale on Jewelry items not selling well. This would be done at convention.

**LOIS BOAZ AWARD-** Mary Brooks suggested that letters be sent. The deadline is April 1, 1982.

**BUSINESS:**

Slides of 1982 Convention was discussed. Betsy Howe made the motion that if there is not a February meeting, the officers are to decide on a photographer. Seconded by Pat Wisneiwski. Motion passed.

President Barbara announced the deadline for news in the next paper would be December 20, 1981.

Mary Brooks asked about sending out the membership cards. After a discussion, Tony Sorg made the motion to go with the plastic card for 1982-83 etc. Seconded by Connie Suter. Motion passed. For the remainder of the year, membership cards are to be mailed to the district chairmen, not holding them till the next officers' meeting.

Discussion of the by-law changes deadline which is currently April 10. Vi Cambron made the motion to change the deadline this year to March 15. Seconded by Ella Mae Bechtel. Motion passed.

Nickie stated that the typewriter needed to be serviced. Vi Cambron made the motion to have the typewriter serviced. Seconded by Bette Sellmer. Motion passed.

Kris Bechtel asked about new vouchers. The men will give us any they have left when new are printed.

President Barbara passed out the memorial pictures from convention of the memorial service to the district chairmen.

The 1981 Miss Flame, Regina Anne Mowery was introduced.

To beat the postal service, Katie Mason wished everyone a very Merry Christmas.

District reports were read.

Mary Brooks made the motion to close the meeting. Seconded by Connie Suter. Motion passed.

Thelma led us in prayer.

No February meeting. Next meeting will be April 4, 1982 at Holiday Inn, Lebanon.

**DISTRICT REPORTS:**

Districts 1 and 2 - Betsy Howe and Pat Wisneiwski-The District meeting was held at Lake Dale on October 1, 1981, with approximately 18 departments and 92 members present, plus three of our state officers. We discussed changing our meeting to different months and the Miss Flame contest. We showed slides from IVFA and refreshments were served.

District 3-Carolyn McCarty-The September 16, 1981 meeting of the 3rd District was held at Scipio Fire Department with 26 members present. Carolyn McCarty, Chairman, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and then passed out a get well card around to be signed for Helen Heymig. Carolyn McCarty, presented the plaque to Coolsprings for the Lucky Doe Doll tickets and Lincoln Township attendance plaque. The secretary's report was read and approved with a balance in the treasury of \$103.90. Report on afghan Koontz Lake \$85.00, Noble Township \$30.00 for a total of \$117.00 to date. Carolyn, reported on State meeting and asked the ladies if they would like to see slides on State Convention at May meeting at Koontz Lake. Next year's convention will be at Jeffersonville on June 10, 11, and 12. 50/50 was won by Ethyl Hibner, Lucille Lewis and Adaline Van Kosky with \$12.50 going to the treasury. Money made on the White Elephant Sale with \$39.65 going into the treasury. The next meeting will be at Kingsbury on January 20, 1982. Coming events: Scipio Township-September 26th will have a Flea Market; October 31 a Fall Festival and Bake Sale; Coolspring Bazaar on October 10; Fire Station: Springfield-September 18, Bingo October 18, Pancake Breakfast at Noble Township on October 10, 1981 will have a dance; Koontz Lake-October 17, Bake Sale.

District 4-Ella Mae Bechtel-The 4th District meeting was held on September 24, 1981 at Nappanee. The Chaplain, Merty Hawn read an article in the IVFA paper by Thelma Lester. Roll Call was answered by 2 from Concord, 2 North Penn, 1 Walkerton and 2 individuals. Minutes of the July special meeting were read and approved. The winners of the Sun Catcher Fire Trucks was Ken Schmucker and Mary Hahn. The 50/50 was won by Mary Hahn and Jean Diedrich. Door Prize was won by Willa Jean Haack. Department acc. North Penn-a Cabaret Benefit for Jack Andrewson who was hurt by a car while directing traffic at a fire. Next 4th District meeting at Penn South. November 5th at 8:00 p.m. Motion to adjourn since we didn't get the convention slides in time for our meeting.

District 6-Ruth Sanders-September meeting. The Sixth District Firemen's Picnic was held at the Ashley Town Park on Sunday, September 20th. The Ashley Fire Department hosted the event. Departments from Adams, Hudson, Butler, Grabill, Angola, and Ashley were represented. After the noon meal, activities such as waterball, bucket brigade and hose replacement was played. Winners of the events were: in men's waterball: Adams 3; Adams 2 and Grabill; in women's waterball-Ashley 1st, Angola 2nd, and Adams was 3rd. In men's hose replacement-Ashley 1 placed first, Adams second, and Hudson third. In the men's bucket brigade, Adams scored first, Hudson-Grabill second, and Butler third. In the women's bucket brigade the Adams team was first. Ashley 1, Ashley 2, and Adams won the youngster bucket brigade. Trophies were collected by the winners, but all participants received ribbons. October 15th meeting was held at Union Township, Coesser with 11 members present. We joined the men for pledge to flag and prayer. Meeting was called to order with Secretary report read and approved. New Business: It was decided to have our Christmas Party and exchange at our November meeting to be held at Washington Township Allen County. Kate Mason has donated a beautiful hand-made afghan for a money-making project. This will be given away at our November meeting. We joined the men for refreshments and a slide show. There will be no December meeting.

District 7-Tony Sorg-The 7th District of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary met on September 21, 1981 at the Andrews Volunteer Fire Station. The meeting was attended by 22 ladies which in-

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sure to buy your drink tag before going across to Kentucky.

Send all news in for the IVFA newspaper by the 15th of December.

Doe Doll tickets were passed out. Activities in District 16: (Auxiliary) Lafayette Township Volunteer Fire Department on November 15 and 22 will have a fish fry, Greenville Township Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Crafts Fair is December 12th at the Fire House.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

District 16 Secretary

Janice Smith

## Public Relations Southwest



CARL O. DAVIS

From the Southwest,

Just a line to let you know what is happening in the Southwest. On Nov. 11th, Don Trester and his department hosted a meeting to meet the legislators in their area. There were about 15 different departments at the meeting. Senator Ed Pease from Brazil and Representative Donald Dean of Bloomfield were in attendance to help answer all questions.

They are both in support of our legislative program. The answer is for each of us to get on the telephone and get to all of the members and ask them for their help.

This is the third year that our program has been presented to the legislative body and it is up to us to get it across. If each department would make 5 phone calls per week that would let them

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## DISTRICT 16

District 16 auxiliary meeting on November 12th, 1981 was hosted by Greenville Volunteer Fire Department.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Vi Cambron. The Lord's Prayer was said by all members present. The Pledge to the Flag was led by Bonnie Roberts, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Minutes were read by Secretary Janice Smith and were approved as read. Treasurer's report: \$111.12 in the bank at this time with \$46.25 to be deposited. Dime drawing was not won.

Chairman Vi Cambron read the new rules for the Miss Flame contest. Discussed having a dance in January but decided instead to have a pitch-in dinner at the March meeting which will be hosted by Lafayette Township Fire Department. All contestants will be dressed formally.

Convention report: Discussed the games for convention. Deadline is June 1st. Registration deadline is May 1st. \$12.00 after May 1st, \$14.00 boat tickets are \$5.00 per person, drink tag is \$3.00 each, mugs are \$8.00 each, coffee mugs are \$3.00 each, t-shirts are \$6.00 each, baseball caps are \$5.00 each, belt buckles are \$7.00 each. If you are going on the boat ride be

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## Men's District Meetings

### DISTRICT 12

12th District IVFA meeting-Mickleyville Volunteer Fire Department Co. No. 5, Marion County.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Johnson at 7:45 p.m. with 46 members representing 11 departments present. The Pledge to Allegiance was given and opening prayer was given by Bernie Sewell.

Roll Call was taken and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications: Letter was read in regards to the National Fire Academy Outreach Program with the cooperation of our state fire marshal's office and the Kokomo Fire Department and the IVFA is sponsoring an Outreach Program on November 7 and 8 to be held at the Indiana University in Kokomo. Cost is \$10.00 per student.

Fire/Arson Investigating Training Program is being sponsored by the Indiana State College.

Picnic Committee: After a few pros and cons from our committee, a motion by Don Lippincott and a second by Rosie Johnson to do away with our future picnic program. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business: None.

Introduction of Guests: Fire Marshal Goodwin gave some information in regards to the Outreach Program. Also, the Richmond Fire Conference, plus several other dates of up-coming fire service schools.

New Business: Chairman Johnson suggested that our district purchase a gold plated badge for 12th District Secretary Charles Bogden for his 25 years service as District Secretary and that this will be his permanent badge. Motion was made by Mike Ross and seconded by Paul Huffer, that we accept Chairman Johnson's suggestion. Motion carried. Motion by Don Lippincott and a second by Mike Ross that we purchase a district chairman badge and that this be kept in our district and motion was carried.

Chairman Johnson gave out a list of departments whose dues are not paid.

2nd Roll Call was taken and Bernie Sewell introduced all firefighters of the host department plus the ladies auxiliary.

Good of the Order: There was an announcement of two deaths in the district. Also, at your next district meeting invite your legislator.

Refreshments were served by the host department.

No further business, motion to adjourn at 9:15 p.m.

Charles Bogden  
12th District Secretary

### DISTRICT 13A

We in 13A District hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

13A held their October meeting at Wilkinson and the November meeting at Carthage. Thanks guys for your hospitality.

The 13A Death Fund went into effect on January 1, 1982 with several departments belonging.

Several departments are making a lot of fuss involving wood burning stoves. It looks like we have a lot of work to do in that area so let's get out and get it done before it's too late.

Our January 15th meeting at Mt. Comfort and February 19th meeting at Fortville, March 19th at Greenfield, April 16 has been changed from Charlottesville to Knightstown.

Please let us know what subjects you want at our fire school in August.

Bill Windsor  
District Chairman 13A

### DISTRICT 14

The District 14 Departments are hard at work with the preparations for the coming annual meeting of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association that is being hosted by the Monroe Township volunteer fire department at Henryville, Indiana. It will be held at the Marriott Inn in Clarksville, Indiana on June 10, 11, and 12, 1982. "YOU ALL COME." Have fun in the southern sun, Convention 1982.

Fire Captain John Cleveland of the Monroe Township fire department had a real stroke of luck; Cleveland, an employee of the Pepsi-Cola Louisville Bottlers, Clarksville, Indiana Division, was one of twelve employees nation wide to win an all expense paid trip to France. Captain Cleveland stated that he really does not understand how his luck was so good, but he and his wife are planning to have a good time. They hope to have the opportunity to visit with area fire departments while in France.

Underwood Volunteer Fire

Department hosted our September meeting. Twenty-three

members were in attendance from seven departments, Vice President Carl Brungs set in on the meeting and addressed the group, we thank Carl for coming over. As always, Underwood did a great job. Thanks Chief Smith and Underwood firefighters.

The November meeting was hosted by the fire fighters of McCulloch Station No. 1. Thirty-two members from ten departments attended. The main topic of discussion was I.O.S.H.A. Thanks Chief Tetley and McCulloch firefighters for a job well done.

The January 20 meeting of the 14th District will be hosted by the Charlestown Volunteer Fire Department at their station No. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Plans are in the mill for a spring fire school in District 14. Date and time and place will be announced at a later time.

Several departments in the district have made application for funds from the Arson Financial Assistance Fund. I wish them well, realizing that arson is on the upswing.

Mark your calendar now. The Southern Indiana Fire School will again be held at Indiana University Southeast, September 11 and 12, 1982. Make plans now to attend. This is a great opportunity to further your skills and knowledge in firefighting.

Thomas Sellmer  
Chairman District 14

### DISTRICT 18

The November 19, 1981 meeting of District 18 was hosted by the French Lick Volunteer Fire Department at the French Lick Fire House. Seventy-seven firemen from twenty departments answered roll call and reported answering seventy-three alarms. Guests for the meeting included Don Jackson, I.S.P. INCERT Coordinator; Milan Pece and Pete Lockhart, District 17B officers; Carl Davis, Southwest P.R.; Dick Moldenhauer, Hoosier Fire Equipment Co.; and members of French Lick Town Board.

Chairman Reinhart urged everyone to contact their state legislation in regards to the legislative bills concerning volunteer firemen that will be coming up in the 1982 state legislature.

Reinhart read an article written by an officer in a paid firefighters organization down-grading the volunteer fire service and the role of volunteer in general. I find the article is very disgusting and full of unjustifiable statements. Remember--**VOLUNTEERS ARE NON-PAID PROFESSIONALS.**

Everyone was urged to use the "Arson Hotline" posters when they have an arson or suspicious fire. The posters have been very instrumental in the increase of arson arrests.

Ferdinand Volunteer Fire Department was appointed as a committee for getting District 18 Miss Flame, Donna Pund to the 1982 Convention.

Celestine Volunteer Fire Department was praised for doing a marvelous job of planning and hosting the annual 18th District Fire Prevention Week Parade on Sunday, October 11, 1981. The parade had one hundred, twenty-seven units entered and lasted approximately ninety minutes. **GREAT JOB CELESTINE AND THANK YOU.**

Dale Eckert, Birdseye; Art Jarboe, Jasper; and Ray Vaal, St. Meinrad were appointed as a committee for setting up the District Fire School at Jasper on March 27 and 28, 1982.

French Lick Fire Chief Barry Winger presented trophies to Jasper and Celestine Fire Departments for winning the 1st and 2nd places in the waterball contest held in conjunction with the annual Pumpkin Festival at French Lick-West Baden on September 29, 1981.

In November, 1981, Artie "Smitty" Smith of West Baden was honored for forty years of service to the West Baden Volunteer Fire Department. The presentation of a trophy and plaque was made at a manufacturer's safety meeting. **KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, SMITTY!**

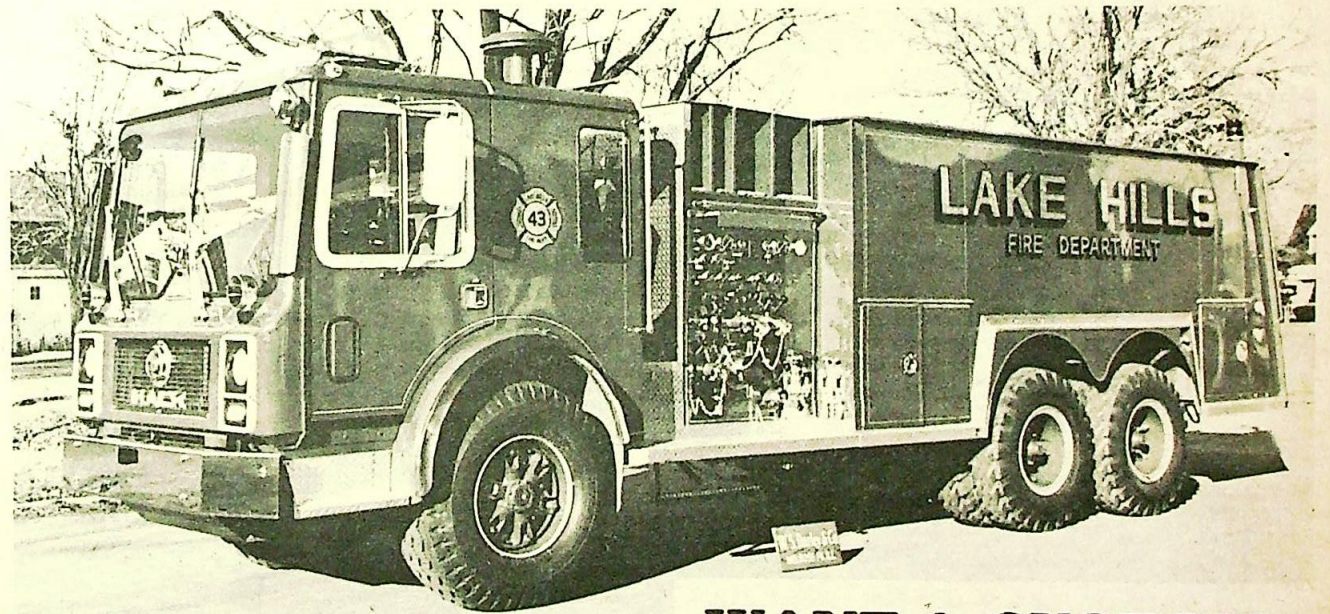
Don Jackson won the jackpot drawing and Joe DeKemper of Dubois won a fire extinguisher donated by Hoosier Fire Equipment Company. Bill "Woody" Fischer, Jr. of St. Anthony won the drawing for benefit of the fire prevention week parade.

The program for the meeting was a slide presentation on Ventilation--Parts 1 and 2.

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# DISTRICT 19

District 19 has been busy during the past year in the southeastern corner of the state. A fire investigation school was held in June at the South Dearborn High School, instructed by Neil Huff of the Fire Marshal's office and an LP gas school was held at Dillsboro in October, instructed by Bob Esserman, Norman Crocker and Ward Suter. Both schools were well attended, with forty in attendance at the June school and one-hundred-five at the October school. District 19 firefighters certainly do seem to like their training.

The Legislative Study Committee hearing that we were fortunate enough to have in our area was another big event for us, and once again District 19 made a show of strength with one hundred-fifty firefighters from thirty-eight departments coming to Dillsboro for a very interesting evening. The committee did receive a warm welcome, but after that, they received an ear-full that they will not soon forget. The committee seems willing to do whatever they can for us. But they can't do it all alone. They must go to the next session and convince another one hundred and some legislators to enact what they have again proposed to help us out. The bottom line is—we as firefighters must get in contact with our representatives and tell them what we want. Our failure to do this will see the bills go down to the dumpster at the rear of the Capitol building again!

Two district meetings were held since I was elected as Chairman of District 19, replacing my good friend Carl Bruns when he was elected to vice-president. Drewersburg was the host department for the September meeting, located in Franklin County near the Ohio/Indiana line. An interesting program was presented by Matt Maley from the Shriners, on the subject of protective clothing and turnout gear. In November, Rising Sun in Ohio County hosted the meeting. A subject of great concern, the new O.S.H.A. regulations, was discussed. Due to the announcement that Midwest would not be able to sponsor the Midwest Award, members voted in favor to continue with an award of our own, from District 19. A committee of the past three recipients was appointed to make a recommendation for the 1982 award. The program for the evening was presented by Don Curry of Monsanto, on the subject of breathing apparatus. After his presentation, I displayed my set of slides that I took at the National Fire Academy which I attended in September. I might add, it is quite a place. If anyone has a chance to go there, please do so. You won't be disappointed.

One last reminder: contact your representatives about the bills coming up in the short session. Don't just let the chief write or call, but do it yourself! Your help is vital if we are going to get what we need.

Lee Kissell, Chairman

# DISTRICT 18

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1981 Meeting attendance: Six meetings were held as scheduled and five-hundred seventy-four members attended for an average of 95.6 per meeting.

An average of 19 departments attended the meetings for 59.3% participation.

Next meeting of District 18 will be hosted by Jasper Volunteer Fire Department on January 21, 1982 at the American Legion Hall in Jasper at 8:00 p.m.

Kenny Lau  
District 18 Secretary



1 From: Paul, Jesus Christ's missionary, sent out by God to tell men and women everywhere about the eternal life he has promised them through faith in Jesus Christ.

2 To: Timothy, my dear son. May God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord shower you with his kindness, mercy and peace.

3 How I thank God for you, Timothy. I pray for you every day, and many times during the long nights I beg my God to bless you richly. He is my father's God, and mine, and my only purpose in life is to please him.

4 How I long to see you again. How happy I would be, for I remember your tears as we left each other.

5 I know how much you trust the Lord, just as your mother Eunice and your grand-mother Lois do; and I feel sure you are still trusting him as much as ever.

6 This is being so, I want to remind you to stir into flame the strength and boldness that is in you, that entered into you when I laid my hands upon your head and blessed you.

7 For the Holy Spirit, God's gift, does not want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them.

8 If you will stir up this inner power, you will never be afraid to tell others about our Lord, or to let them know that I am your friend even though I am here in jail for Christ's sake you will be ready to suffer with me for the Lord, for he will give you strength in suffering.

Christians are like tea: their strength is not drawn out until they get into hot WATER. As I write this article for the January-February issue, Christmas is all around me. The Christmas tree is lit, Bing Crosby is singing White Christmas, and presents are under the tree and I am wondering which is mine.

January is the starting of a new year. New Year's Resolutions will be made. February is sweetheart month. Guys---don't forget your sweetheart on Valentines Day.

Prison is the last place from which to expect a letter of encouragement, but that is where Paul's second letter to Timothy originates. Paul warns Timothy that his teachings would come under attack as men desert the truth for worldly things. But Timothy has Paul's example to guide him and God's Word to fortify him as he faces growing opposition and growing opportunities in the last days.

The next months bring to mind spring. A newness of life. You are God's tabernacle! And that means some "spring cleaning" may be in order. Is there a habit that needs attention? Read John 1-9. Take a few minutes and sweep your "Tabernacle" clean.

A city man was admiring a farmer. "Amazing", he exclaimed. "Praise God for the wonder of nature". To which the farmer replied "Yes, but you should have seen it when only God had it".

The farmer was telling the city man that producing a crop takes more than acknowledging the God of Creation. It takes the cooperation of man and plenty of hard work, and a great deal of time.

Growth, whether in a corn field or a spiritual life, always involves those same three elements: time, toil, and cooperation with God. These three elements are a sure way to grow wiser, not merely older in your walk with God.

## My Evening Prayer

If I have wounded any soul today  
If I have caused one foot to go astray,  
If I have walked in my own wilful way--  
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have uttered idle words in vain,  
If I have turned aside from want or pain,  
Lest I myself should suffer through the strain--  
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have craved for joys that are not mine,  
If I have let my wayward heart repine,  
Dwelling on things of earth, not things devine--  
Good Lord, forgive!

If I have been perverse, or hard, or cold,  
If I have longed for shelter in Thy fold,  
When thou hast given me some part to hold--  
Good Lord, forgive!

Forgive the sins I have confessed to Thee,  
Forgive the secret sins I do not see.  
That which I know not, Father, teach Thou me--  
Help me to live.

Charles H. Gabriel

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# STATE OFFICERS' MEETING

October 31 - November 1, 1981

The regular officers meeting was called to order by President Parker at 8:00 p.m. on October 31, 1981 in the meeting room of the Holiday Inn at Shelbyville, Indiana.

At this time, Sergeant-at-Arms McGill presented a block and gavel with the proper inscription to President Parker. This was mandated as a standard practice by the Board of Directors.

The invocation for the day and the meeting was presented by the Chaplain, Duane Lantz.

Vice President Carl Bruns led the group in the pledge to the flag. Secretary Ford called roll with the results on file in the Secretary's office.

President Parker announced we have a new West Central Public Relations Director, L.J. Michl, R.R. 26, Box 16, Terre Haute, Indiana 47802. His phone number is 812/299-1099 and 812/232-0461.

He is replacing Al Mendel who resigned from this position about two weeks ago because his job is keeping him away from home quite a lot. He feels that being so busy he could not do both jobs justice.

President Parker called for Secretary and reading of minutes of last meeting. Motion was made by Robert Esserman; seconded by Roy Richardson to dispense with the reading of previous minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

In President Parker's officers report he stated that he has traveled quite a bit attempting to attend as many district meetings as possible. He said he would try to get to all district meetings at some time this year. He has also attended several other meetings around the State.

The Legislative Study Committee has legislation ready to go. This will be given later by Secretary Ford in his report. He also stated the firefighters union are pushing to get into volunteer areas. He has attended several meetings concerning this. At the time these are isolated problems but could become more widespread.

President Parker read an article from the "International Firefighter" which was entitled, "Volunteers-My View" by Martin E. Pierce, Secretary/Treasurer. We will respond to his article in the IVFA paper. We do not believe our paid firefighters share this view. We try to work together.

District 17B Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart stated that he did not feel this article should be repeated in the IVFA paper. It would serve no purpose. Motion by 17B Chairman Lockhart not to reprint this article was seconded by 8B Chairman, John Barrett. Motion carried by voice vote.

District 14 Chairman, Tom Sellmer, gave his views of the article. He said that he believes that our representative to the National Fire Council should take this article back to the council to try to get a retraction. President Parker has instructed Immediate Past President Crocker, our representative, to do this.

Vice President Carl Bruns gave his impression of the Volunteer Firefighter. In order to save money, he stated that he had not been attending fire schools however, if someone should request that he come, he will do so.

Secretary Jack Ford's report states that we have 1,500 plus paid members for this year. He stated that we really need the rest of the members paid up. He said if he could be of any help, let him know. If another letter is necessary, he will also take care of this. September 23, 1981 Jack sat in on a convention panel of cities and towns. This did not pertain to our situation so little was gained. He was appointed by the President to serve on this panel. He said he had talked to Public Service Commission about not allowing telephone companies to grant from 100% to 270% phone increases on Volunteer Fire Departments. They told him there was nothing that could be done about it now. Senator Niemeyer, Chairman of the committee appointed Jack and the Senator from Selma, Indiana to come up with some ideas on some legislation. Jack has sent a letter to the Senator with three ideas on legislation. He is awaiting a reply from him. Jack read this letter to the members. District 14 Chairman, Tom Sellmer stated that when an article appeared in the newspaper, concerning a utility rate increase, this should be checked into in regard to amount of the increase and just whom this increase would effect. Only twenty days are allowed to protest after the hearing.

District Chairman 17B Marvin "Pete" Lockhart said that while we have their attention maybe we ought to include all fire departments; paid and volunteer for one line because most departments have more than one line.

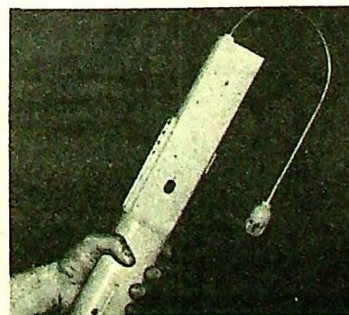
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# 'COUNTDOWN' on fire safety legislation

December 2, 1981

Dear Member IVFA,

Legislation was introduced November 17, 1981 for: 1) An excess tax levy to better fund volunteer fire departments, 2) Motor fuel used by emergency vehicles should be exempted from the state motor fuel tax, 3) Each volunteer fireman, as being both qualified and active, should be granted an exemption of \$1,000.00 from the Gross Income Tax.

Without yours, and each of your firemen's support in contacting your local legislators, these bills will not be passed. If your department is having financial difficulties, (and whose isn't) you will be sure that your men help you in contacting the legislators. With the outlook of Revenue Sharing Funds being terminated in 1983, all departments in the State will take a hell of a cut in their present Fire Budgets.

Your fire departments will be affected when these funds are terminated.

The Cities and Towns Organization have introduced a bill to increase the cigarette and alcohol tax by at least \$ .05 to fund the police and firemen's pensions in the big cities. **Unless all fire departments (Paid or Volunteer) Receive a Share of These Funds, You and Your Firefighters Should Violently Oppose This Bill.**

Enclosed is a list of your legislators with phone numbers, most of whom will be asking for your vote next year for re-election.

Don't be bashful, ask him for his support now, and let Jim Parker at 317-862-4650, John Ford at 219-483-5655 or Carl Bruns at 812-623-2274 know who you have contacted. Please call collect.



JAMES PARKER

## Legislative Bills Presented by Volunteer Firemen's Study Committee

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ONE  
Authorization for a property tax levy for volunteer fire departments outside the tax levy  
This bill has been assigned Senate Bill 26.  
This would mean a financial boost to all volunteer fire departments in the financial crunch.

TWO  
Exemption of the motor fuel use in emergency type vehicles from the state motor fuel tax.  
This bill has been assigned State Bill 32.  
This too would help each department with a fuel savings.

THREE  
Exemption of a \$1,000.00 income from the state gross income tax for qualified volunteer firemen.  
This bill has been assigned Senate Bill 20.  
This would be an incentive to belong to a department as well as helping keep people and thus helping with the revolving membership departments have.

The above and any other legislation for the betterment of the volunteer firefighter will get full support of the IVFA for the passage by this session of the General Assembly.

In opposition --

REPORTEDLY there will be a bill introduced to increase the cigarette tax an additional five cents. All monies going towards the fully paid fire and policemen's pension funds.

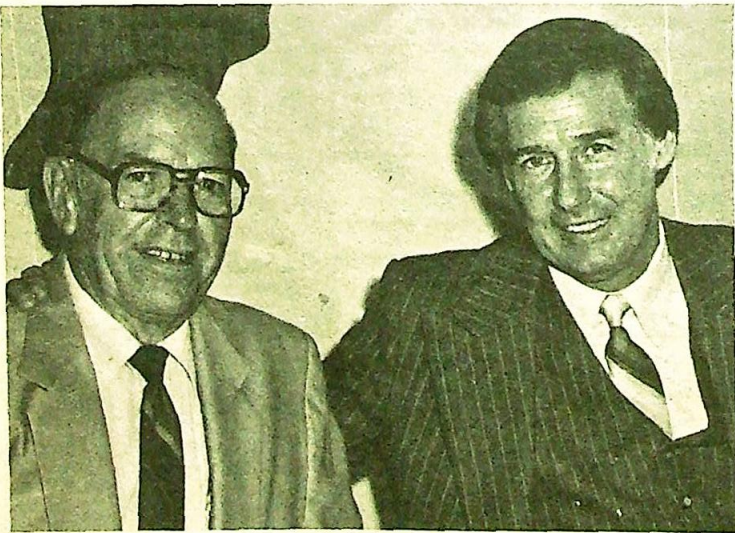
IVFA will oppose this bill and only consider approving same IF all departments share in the distribution of all monies.

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Adds IC 36-8-12-13 to make it a Class A infraction for an employer to discipline, demote, or terminate the employment of an employee because of absence from work while performing volunteer firefighter duties.  
A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend IC 36-8-12 concerning volunteer firefighters.  
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF INDIANA:  
SECTION 1. IC 36-8-12, as added by Acts 1981, P.L. 309, SECTION 64, is amended by adding a NEW section to read as follows: Section 13. An employer who disciplines, demotes, or terminates the employment of an employee who is a volunteer firefighter for the reason of that employee's absence from his place of employment when he is performing the duties of a volunteer firefighter, commits a Class A infraction.

Sincerely,

Jim Parker  
President, IVFA

## Interim Study Committee



JACK FORD AND SENATOR DAN BURTON

State Senator Dan Burton, Chairman of the Interim Study Committee on Fire Safety, is shown in photograph with Jack Ford, Secretary of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. During the Interim period between last General Assembly and the forthcoming legislative session, Senator Burton worked very closely with Jack Ford and the Volunteer Fireman's Association in hammering out a Fire Safety legislative program that would be beneficial to ALL that would be beneficial to all the citizens of the State of Indiana.

Some of the legislative proposals are:

(1) A bill which would mandate smoke alarms in hotels and motels and all high rise public buildings. It would also mandate

smoke alarms in buildings of more than 15,000 square feet.

(2) A bill that orders all hotel and motel owners and apartment owners of three or more units to post fire safety instructions, which would tell the occupant what to do in a fire emergency. These instructions would also be posted adjacent to exit-ways in most public buildings.

(3) A bill which would impose criminal penalties and up to a \$10,000 fine for chaining fire doors shut, or obstructing fire doors where bodily injury or death occur.

(4) a resolution of the General Assembly ordering the State Fire Safety Commission to come up with a state wide Fire Safety

Code by January, 1984. (This would be done in concert with the Administrative Building Council.)

(5) Finally, the legislation would order building owners to equip at least one elevator reaching all floors in buildings more than 75' with a device which would automatically return to the first floor for the use of firefighters in the event of a fire emergency.

Senator Burton wishes to thank the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association and Jack Ford for their invaluable assistance in getting this legislative program prepared for this session of the Indiana General assembly. Senator Burton is requesting all members of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association to contact their legislators in both the House and Senate, urging them to support this Fire Safety legislation, as well as other legislation beneficial to the Volunteer Fire Service. Please do this immediately as the legislators do depend on you for input.

Other bills reported include: Senator Allie Craycraft, from Selma, offers a solution to the unreasonably high rates charged by phone companies for volunteer fire phone service. Also, Senator Dan Burton, Indianapolis, enters a solution to the hasselling of volunteer firefighters by employers for fulfilling fire fighting duties. A copy of this was available:

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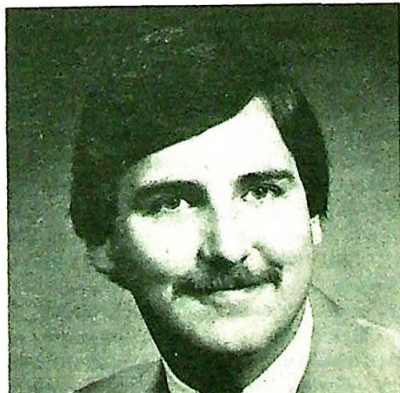
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Table listing members of the Indiana General Assembly from 1981-1982, including names, addresses, phone numbers, and party affiliations.

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REP. MITCHELL HARPER



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## Senator Pease and Representative Dean

committee. "It's getting to the place where small fire departments can't pay their insurance, much less their equipment. This committee was appointed to examine the needs of the fire department and the excess levy tax has been floating around up there for three years."

**According to Senator Pease the problem with the excess levy resolution lies in the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees, however he indicated the bill would receive strong support in the legislature in 1982. In reference to Davis' concern regarding the hold-up, Pease said the committee's chairmen are the causes of the stumbling blocks because they have complete control as to what bills come out of the committee for a vote on the floor. "The key thing is going to be the willingness to get the chairmen to hear this bill, so we've got to focus our attention on the committee chairmen."**

Trester suggested the firemen ascertain who the chairmen are on the two committees and contact them. "We need to put the pressure on," he said.

Don Miller of the Patricksburg Community Volunteer Fire Department asked if this particular resolution involved local taxes, who would decide how the money would be distributed and what kind of strings would be attached? He explained that Patricksburg was formed about ten years ago and is not a township department, but instead a community department. "We have never received anything from the government except Revenue Sharing money. We are a very independent group and the trustee doesn't control our money like he does departments in other townships."

Trester revealed that OVVFD currently operates under a contract set-up with the Washington Township trustee and he added, "But he doesn't tell us what to do outside of what's in the contract. As sure as I'm standing here there won't be any Revenue Sharing money in 1983 and this proposed law will allow a trustee to add more tax above the frozen levy."

Pease said the legislature has recently adopted a new home-rule philosophy giving more control to the local government and less control at the state level. He said this concept includes finance. He explained if a local unit was to finance a service it can raise its own money and consequently control it. However, he pointed out the home-rule law only allows local governments to do what they want if it doesn't prohibit what the state does.

Owen Valley volunteer fireman Roger Daniel explained the department obtains its financial resources through membership drives and other fund-raising projects, but he added only a small portion of the population they serve contribute to the membership drive. "The tax levy would spread it out more fairly. Some people who live in Washington Township also live in Indianapolis and they have the money and should pay too. We're not a trustee-run department...we are an incorporated department, but if we're going to survive we're going to have to work with the trustees."

The second proposal involved exempting emergency vehicles (such as fire trucks) from paying state motor fuel tax. According to Trester, state-owned vehicles do not have to pay this particular

tax, "and we shouldn't either," he said.

Daniel said if the law is passed it should be set up where there is not as much red tape involved. "It needs to be handled where it is basically simple."

Davis agreed and added, "I'd like to see the tax taken off where we buy the gasoline rather than turn it in to the state because if you waited for the state to reimburse you, you'd never get it."

**Campbell agreed with the proposed bill and said, "The fire department is probably the most basic service there is. The police don't have to pay the tax so I don't see why the fire departments should have to."**

The third resolution would grant qualified and active volunteer firemen a \$1,000 exemption from their gross income tax. "This would be an incentive for you to be a volunteer fireman and it would also help you on your taxes," Trester explained.

According to Pease this particular piece of proposed legislation was passed in the House earlier but died in the Senate. He explained that in essence the proposed bill would provide volunteer firemen with an average of \$20 each which doesn't nearly compensate you for what you do. The argument for this is that the fire departments are providing services the government would normally have to provide and the state should give them something for their efforts," said Pease, who added that the state is protected largely by volunteer firemen and not paid professionals (firemen).

**Dean interjected, "In my area there is only one paid department and that's in Linton..."**

Daniel said a lot of people assume the firemen (volunteers) get paid for their services. "We don't get paid and we really need to educate the people more on this. We are only volunteers," he stressed.

During the session it was also brought out that the cities and towns organization has introduced a bill to increase cigarette and alcohol taxes by at least 5 cents to fund police and firemen pensions in big cities. Trester said the county's three districts in the Association are not supporting this proposal because "none of the county's volunteer firemen would benefit from it."

According to Lockhart the new bill on this issue calls for an increase in the cigarette tax and not alcohol, and is proposed to bring in around \$16 million statewide (based on a 5 cent hike).

**"We should oppose it if the volunteers are not included. No one would get one cent worth of good out of it and will just be paying someone else," Trester said.**

Lockhart said the volunteer firemen don't want money for retirement. "All we want is enough money to get better equipment so we can better operate out department."

As a representative in the legislature, Pease said he is faced with a peculiar type of dilemma. "We're going to have to find something that applies uniformly because there will be some paid units in my area pushing for it and unpaid units that will say don't approve it"

Also, another area that is going to be under study, which will help generate revenue for the county volunteer departments is funnelling money from timber sales of State Forests into the county's general fund for fire protection. Pease explained this only included counties having

State Forests such as Owen where the Owen-Putnam Forest is located.

The group was favorable to this particular proposal. A related resolution discussed briefly concerned requiring state and federal properties protected by volunteer departments to pay a service fee.

Resolutions recommended for consideration in regard to the function of the State Fire Marshal's office were also tossed around during the session. They included adopting a standard where each volunteer fire department would provide adequate fire protection.

Trester said the IVFA's effort in this matter would be to get the word "adequate" defined. "Standards should be set up that define what it is," he added.

**Melvin Archer of the Clay Township Fire Department said this resolution would tie in closely with the excess levy proposal because the departments could provide adequate protection based on the revenue they receive.**

Trester said the law prescribes the township trustee to provide adequate fire protection or he could be liable.

**Steve Mader, Jennings Township trustee and chief of the Cataract Fire Department, said "Already there is confusion as to what a township trustee is supposed to do. Very few departments are actually run by the township trustee. The way it is now the fire department is obligated to go somewhere because of pressure by someone else. But, someone is paying for it."**

Davis agreed with Archer and explained that each township includes in its own budget what it can provide (adequately) and then the excess levy could be set up accordingly.

Representative Dean said the insurance companies have possible defined adequate "because they are the ones who have to pay out if there is a loss."

Trester also mentioned other committee resolutions such as better arson protection through the upgrading and improving of university and police laboratory facilities; to broaden the amendment of the use of the State Fire Marshal's fund so that part of the money could be used for public education and fire protection; authorize fire chiefs to inspect buildings for fire hazards; and increase the penalties for violations of fire laws. The resolution involving penalties prompted discussion as Archer asked where the money would go from these fines. "Would it go back to the fire departments or would it get lost at the State Capitol?" he queried.

Another concern was requiring the Public Service Commission to approve utility rates for fire departments at the lowest rates they have, and a proposed bill where a 1% premium would be attached to fire policies which would be earmarked for fire departments.

Daniel said the premium increase would not accomplish anything since the insurance companies "would jack up their premiums to cover it." Some volunteer firemen from various departments indicated some insurance companies have clauses included in the policy which cover fire department's services.

**Coal City volunteer fire chief Dave Dayhoff said their department doesn't bill the homeowner but they instead write to the company and list the services they provided and the costs involved. However, he said in some in-**

**stances the homeowner has to write a release for the payment.**

At the conclusion of the session Dean explained he felt the gathering "was enlightening and I learned more about your problems. I'm supportive of all that's been discussed but it's all a business of compromise. There are a lot of these bills just now being dropped into the hopper, but something will come of it."

Senator Pease urged firemen to get behind the members in the two committees (House Ways and Means and Senate Finance) and give them a push in the direction they want them to go. "I've got a little self-interest in this because ever since I was young I've been protected by the fire depts. and have property now that I want to be protected. You'd make it much easier for us (legislators) if you would focus your efforts on the crucial members who control the committees and this must be done within the next few weeks."

Campbell's final comment was "the fire departments are the forgotten stepchildren of state government."

**Trester urged all firemen to write letters to the chairmen, or talk to them over the telephone and let them know what their needs are. He also said he hoped the local efforts were being joined by volunteer firemen across the state. "Hopefully, what's going on here tonight (meeting with the legislators) is what's going on across the State of Indiana."**

## OUR NEW WEST CENTRAL P.R. MAN

This is the first time for me as Public Relations West Central to thank everyone for their confidence in my appointment to P.R., when Al Mendel had to resign because of his job.

I attended District 11A's fire school at Honey Creek Junior High and had good attendance. Also made all but one district meeting. I am sorry I couldn't get to Battleground for District 21 but will try next time.

I have been trying to contact everyone concerning the City and Towns Organization Bill, which is to increase the cigarette and alcohol tax for funding police and firemen's pensions. There may be time now, but I hope everyone will let their state representatives and senators know how they feel about this bill and get some of

the funding for volunteer fire departments.

I've been around quite sometime and I have held every office in my department. I also know what it would be like to hold a state office. Sometimes I wonder how some officers do the job they do, as it is not easy to leave home for a meeting or whatever, when you should or could be doing something else.

Your state officers are doing a tremendous job and I hope you will give them some consideration and help. Thank God we have men like them to volunteer to do the job.

Well, I guess I have said enough and I will see you at your district meetings.

Sincerely yours  
T.J. Michl

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# LP GAS FIRE SCHOOL HELD



District 19 sponsored an LP gas fire school at Dillsboro on October 11. The Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department provided their station for the classroom study and the live firefighting was held on the local school grounds. Instructors for the afternoon course were Bob Esserman, Norm Crocker, and Ward Suter, with Ward's wife and daughter

serving as secretary, typing the certificates for attending the course. A total of one hundred-five firefighters attended the five hours of instruction. The LP gas was supplied by Silgas, with Phil Buscher of Seymour bringing in the gas for the tree which consumed about eight-hundred gallons of LP gas. Dillsboro provided one pumper and the

second came from Aurora Fire Company No. 2

In the first picture firefighters are working in teams of twelve to extinguish the live gas fires on the "tree". Instructor Ward Suter is shown preparing Moores Hill firefighter John Moody and others with the knowledge they will need to safely approach and extinguish the fire while another team awaits in the background.

In the second picture, firefighters are making their attack on the hot LP gas fire, burning fiercely from the tree. The entire team must all approach together, keeping nozzles properly aimed to provide protection from the intense heat of the fire. When they are close enough, the lead man must reach down to the gas valve to close it and extinguish the fire. Then, the entire team must retreat slowly, again all together, with nozzles still flowing to provide protection if it should re-ignite.

Photos by Lee Kissell.

newspaper read as follows: **12 Firefighters are sent to hospital because of poison in burning shed.** Four paragraphs into the article we find they were treated and released. Why five paragraphs later we find the answer, the 12 firefighters who had been wearing breathing apparatus, were sent to the hospital as a precaution. So what? No big deal! Think so? Read on my friend...

The fire occurred in a remote area, the structure was a shed or small barn. On arrival, the first company on the scene reported a working fire well involved. (How do you or would you react concerning your personal safety?). Twenty minutes into the fire, 2,000 pounds of bagged insecticide are discovered; a mixture of chemicals known as lindane and dieldrin when burned give off phosgene, a poisonous gas that can be fatal if inhaled or can cause delayed lung injury and severe irritation of the eyes, respiratory tract and skin.

A firefighter without protective clothing and self contained breathing apparatus exposed to phosgene gas for a twenty minute period would be in serious trouble. Would you have taken the proper precautions? Or would you make the front page?

No place in the afore mentioned article did the fire chief or firefighter's receive any acknowledgement for taking the proper action concerning their safety or for the many hours involved in training to fight fires of this type. But for sure, if the twelve firefighters were injured or God forbid, killed, as a result of this fire, acknowledgement would have been nation wide.

The safety committee congratulates fire chief, Steve Burton and the firefighters of the South Dixie Volunteer Fire Department of Jefferson County, Kentucky. Well done! To you and all a happy new year.

Thomas Sellmer  
Chairman



## SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

All too often, firefighters charge in where angels fear to tread, at times without the slightest regard for their skin, eyes, and respiratory system. All too often we read or hear news reports concerning these brave, courageous and heroic acts performed by these individuals and their deaths. These articles are front page or the first item on the news report.

A recent headline, section B, page 8 in a large metropolitan

## HELP!

Resolutions have been submitted to increase the Cigarette and alcohol tax with 100 per cent of the increase going to the police and fire pension fund.

THE I.V.F.A. NEEDS YOUR HELP!!! Contact your local legislators and insist that the Volunteer Fire Service be included on a per capita base or that they do not support this legislation and when it comes up for vote in the 1982 legislature. The Volunteer Fire Service portion of this income to be returned locally and used for operating cost or purchase of new equipment for the local department.

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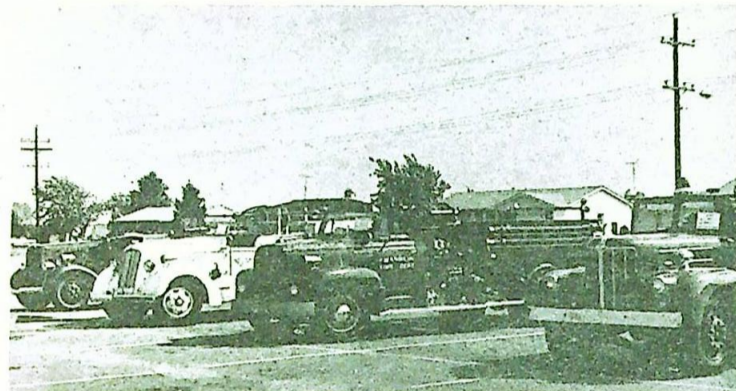
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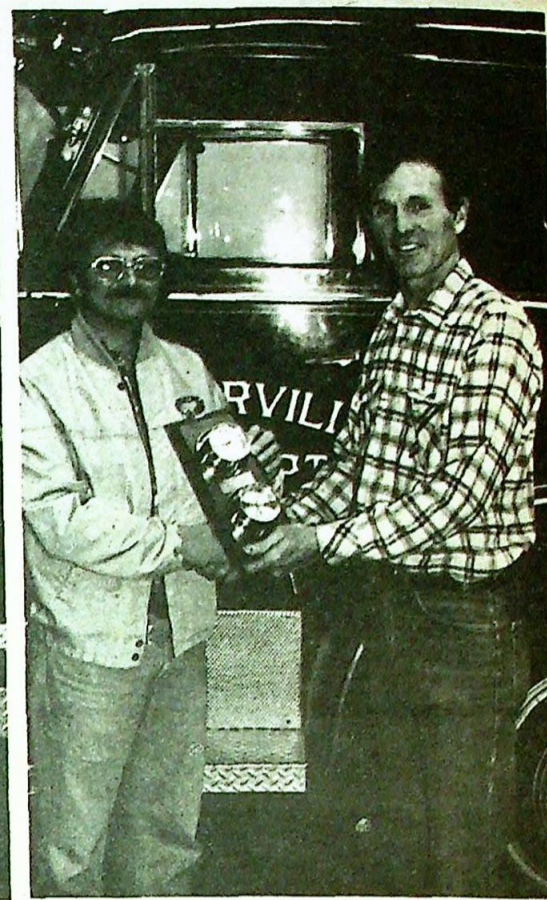
### Fine "Rigs" Shown at Muster

Ex-Shelbyville Fire Chief Bill Smith keeps his eye on his 1920 Ahrens Fox (also an ex-Shelbyville "firefighter") while at an antique fire apparatus muster held last September 26th. Bill explains that it has been seventeen years since the pump has been used in this fine old rig.



Shown is 4 of the 98 old units that arrived for the antique fire apparatus muster. Left to right are: a 1940 Ahrens Fox owned by District 10 firefighter Jim Daugherty of Bunker Hill-Franklin Township No. 3; a 1940 Seagrave formerly owned by Beech Grove Fire Department, now owned by the Indianapolis Fire Buffs; Franklin Fire Department's 1950 American on an I.H.C. chassis and lastly, Hope's 1958 Maxim service truck that was on the Indianapolis Fire Department force for many years.

## Schererville Salutes Two Firemen of its' Own



Pictured above is Schererville Fire Chief Joe Govert presenting a watch to Frank R. Gard upon his retirement recently with over 27 years of service to the Schererville fire department. "J.R.", as he is known to his many friends, has always been a dedicated member of the depart-

ment, having served as an officer from 1963 to 1971 including 4 years as Assistant Chief. He has attended well over 300 department meetings and numerous training and practice sessions, not to mention the hundreds and hundreds of fire and rescue calls he has responded to in all kinds of weather, anytime day or night. Frank has always been there ready to lend a helping hand for his community.

Frank and his wife Helen are parents of six children and are

members of St. Michael's Church where they are both very involved in parish activities.

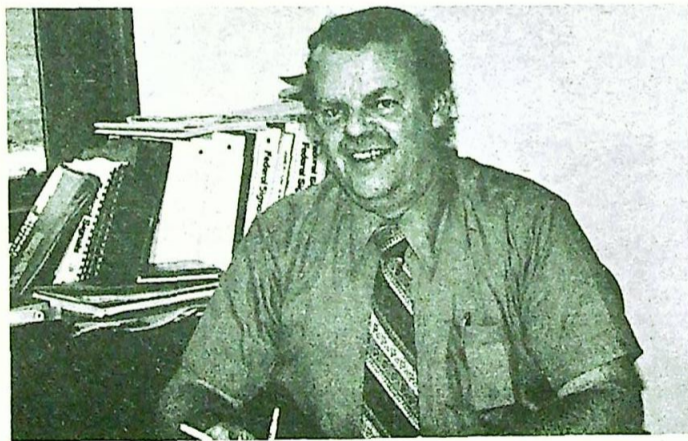
His loyal and faithful service shall be missed and best wishes go to his family success in the future.

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Such things as whether doors are open or closed; locked or unlocked; multiple fires; holes burned through the floor; color of smoke and flame; or absence of personal items are just a few of the items that need to be noted by the first-in firefighters.

Overhaul should be done carefully so as to make sure the fire is out but not in a manner that destroys evidence such as "V" patterns or throws everything including the kitchen sink out the window. Valuable evidence is no good in court if the investigator finds it in the middle of their front yard.

If an outside investigator is to be called in, the fire scene should be held secure until the arrival of the investigator or a consent form must be signed in order for the investigator to gain access to the scene once it is left completely.

Samples should be taken as soon as possible, particularly if the arrival of the investigator is going to be delayed. These samples are to be placed in a clean, air-tight, sealable, non-plastic container. The container should be marked with what the sample is; who took it; where it came from; case number; and the time sample was taken. Clean, unused metal paint cans are considered best, but glass jars with tight-fitting screw-on lids may be used. Samples should be kept in a cool and secure location.

You should check with the laboratory that you will be using for the correct procedure for sending samples in. The ATF laboratory in Cincinnati has been closed.

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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It seems a shame that because of a few I must caution all, the problem being the liability and adverse publicity that can arise if a member of the Association or the general public is injured or killed because of negligent action on the part of a participant at our IVFA Convention.

All safety minded and knowledgeable firefighters realize that a stream of water from a booster line can cause injury, let alone from a master stream appliance.

Please, do not put yourself and your Association in the position where action will be taken toward you or your Association.

Thomas E. Sellmer  
Chairman of the Board  
IVFA

## IVFA Honors Gerald Higbee

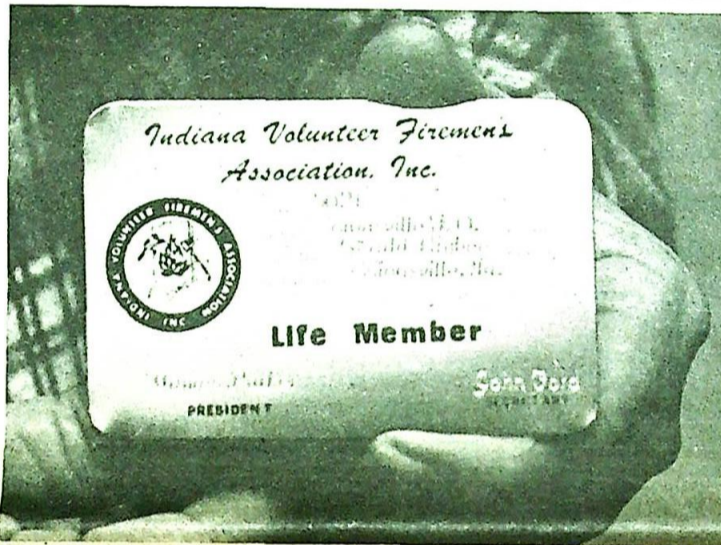
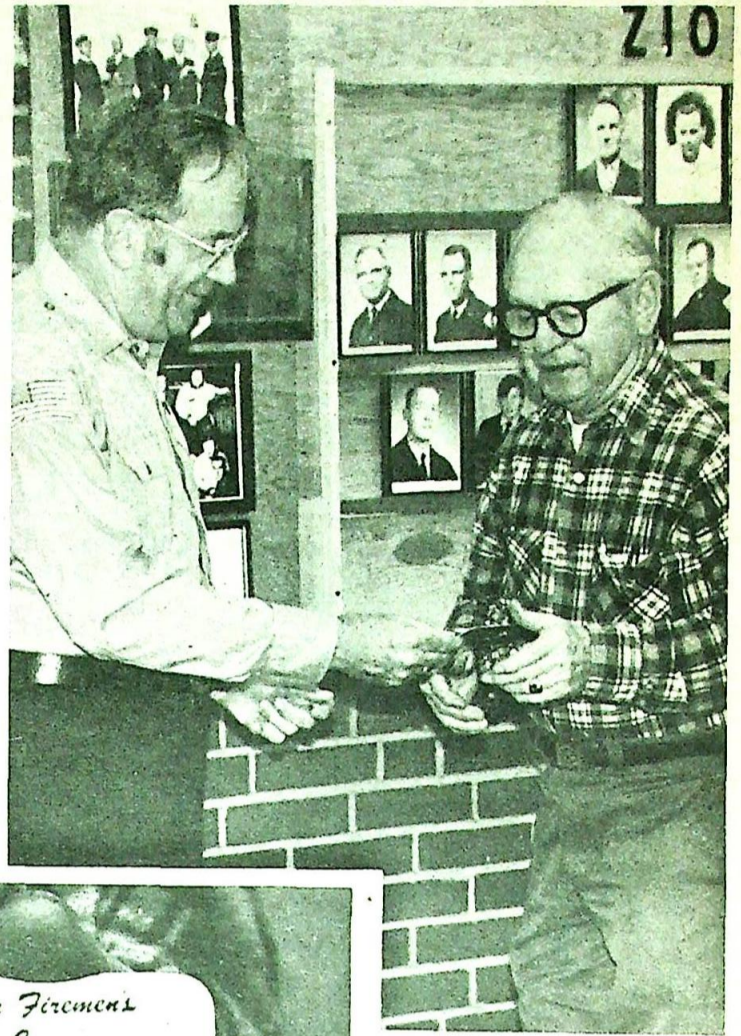
During a recent meeting of the Zionsville Fire Department, former Chief Gerald Higbee was awarded a life membership from the IVFA.

Charles Jones, IVFA District 20 Chairman, made the presentation. The award was in the form of an engraved, wallet sized metal plate.

Life memberships are presented to an IVFA member(s) that have had 50 years of active duty with the fire service.

Gerald is currently the vice president for the fire department corporation.

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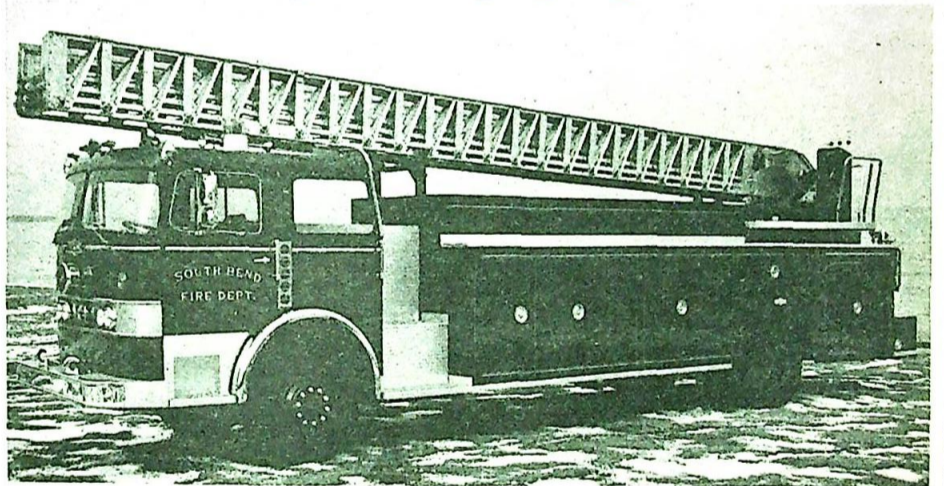
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## Moore's Hill - Sparta Townships Hosts Thorough Fire Prevention Program

For the second year, Moore's Hill-Sparta Township volunteer firefighters presented a day-long fire prevention program for their local school children, grades kindergarten through 8th. Films, demonstrations and literature was included in the program done by age groups. The materials used were chosen according to the ages of the groups. After the program, each group went outside to see two of the department's trucks.

This year, the department sponsored a poster contest in addition to the other activities at the school. Prizes were awarded in each grade. The posters were judged at the firehouse on Saturday, at the end of Fire Prevention Week. After the posters were

judged, several demonstrations by firefighters proved to be interesting to those in attendance. Finally, firefighters demonstrated procedures involved in auto extrication, with assistance from the Sparta Township Volunteer Emergency Unit. It was a busy week for everyone that helped, but the program was well received and will be continued next year.

In the first picture Moore's Hill firefighters are demonstrating the use of dry chemicals in extinguishing a small fuel fire. The large pit in the foreground was utilized later to simulate a large flammable liquid fire, extinguished several times with different methods.

The second photo shows members of the Moore's Hill's Task

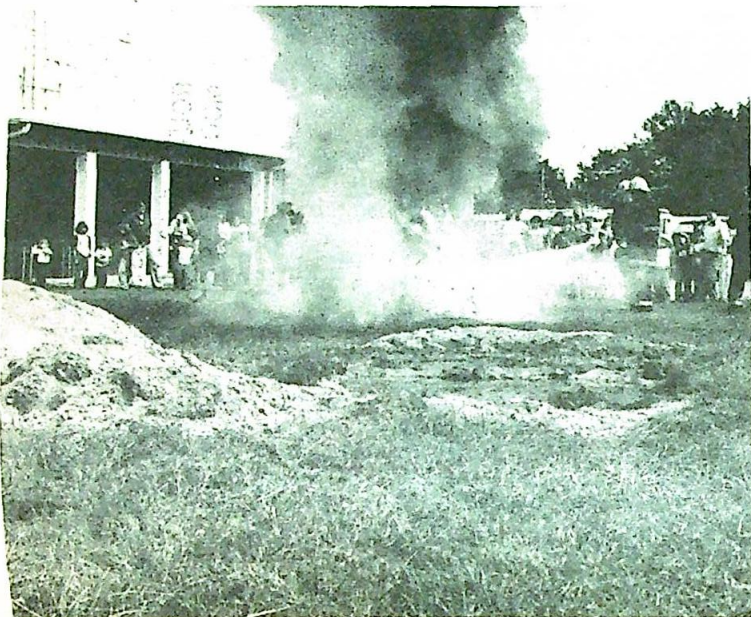
Unit 125 beginning extrication procedures to get at and remove victims of an "accident". The "driver" is Stanley Hill and the firefighter on the right is Doug Heller. The others were not identified. Moore's Hill added their Task Unit to the department in the spring of 1981. The department is still working to get it fully equipped but this goal will soon be reached with the addition of another \$1200.00 in equipment by the first of January, 1982.

- Marching Units:  
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- Floats:  
 (1) St. Anthony Volunteer Fire Department  
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 (2) Holland Volunteer Fire Department - Antique Hand Pumper  
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The Celestine Volunteer Firemen are to be highly commended for an excellent job in planning and hosting the great 18th District's Fire Prevention Week Parade.

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Photos by Lee Kissell.

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## Celestine Parade

On Sunday, October 11, 1981, in the splendor of southern Indiana's scenic autumn colors and warm sun, the Celestine Volunteer Fire Department hosted the 18th District's annual Fire Prevention Week parade at Celestine, Indiana. The crowd that witnessed the ninety minute spectacle was in excess of five thousand.

One hundred-twenty seven units were entered in the parade, including all types of motorized and non-motorized fire apparatus, firemen's auxiliaries, novelty units, civic and private organizations, high school bands, antique vehicles, floats and many, many more.

Twelve lovely young ladies were entered in the contest for the title of "18th District Miss Flame". Donna Pund, representing the Ferdinand Volunteer Fire Department, was selected Miss Flame of District 18 and Connie Fischer, representing the

Schnellville Volunteer Fire Department was selected as runner-up. Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Pund and Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fischer. **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Several State Officers participated in the parade, including Jim Parker, "Butch" McGill, and Carl Davis, as did the District Officers.

Special guest was Miss Regina Mowery of Hartford City, the 1981 IVFA State Miss Flame.

The winners in the various categories for the parade entries are as follows:

- BANDS:**  
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## Dillsboro/Clay Townships' Insurance Rates Drop

Harold Seamon, President of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Dillsboro has received notification from the Insurance Service Office that the Fire Insurance Classification evaluation for the town of Dillsboro has been completed and the protection class has improved from Class 9 to Class 5 effective November 1, 1981. The evaluation included comprehensive studies of the Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., Robert H. Heitmeyer, Chief, the Dillsboro Water Department, William R. Schmaltz, Superintendent and the receiving and handling of Fire

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# "Did You Know?" Silver Anniversary 1952 - 1977 By Thelma Lester

Purpose: To inform new members how we humbly started and to reminisce with older members of our happy events.

Issue No. 20:

Another summer has practically rolled by and everyone has kept realy busy with duties of firemen at work and auxiliaries doing their duties with helpfulness.

President Lucy Stofer called the meeting to order August 5, 1979 at the Ramada Inn at Kokomo with prayer and pledge of allegiance. 24 officers and 19 guests answered roll call. Treasurer reported \$4480.72 balance.

IVFA President Norman Crocker spoke to the auxiliary concerning the Firemen's paper. All news must be sent to newspaper office by the 20th of the month preceding newspaper publication; July 20th, October 20th, January 20th and April 20th. The paper is published in August, November, February and May.

1979-1980 membership stands in August as 1106 members, 69 auxiliaries, 24 individuals and 2 new auxiliaries who are Lawrence of District 12 and Crothersville of District 14. Their district chairmen received certificates to give them.

November 4, 1979 at Holiday Inn at Shelbyville an auxiliary officers' meeting was again called to order by President Lucy Stofer. 27 officers and 18 guests were present and Treasurer reported balance of \$4755.19.

IVFA President Crocker shared his ideas for 1980 Convention. The Lois Boaz award, Mr. IVFA award and Miss Flame award to be announced at the Thursday night joint opening meeting of the convention. The ladies highly approved. Mr. Crocker also asked if our delegation would like a keynote speaker outside of the invited guests. The ladies thought not. Also, the May officers' meeting will not be at the 1980 Convention site but will be within 50 miles of Indianapolis to save officers' traveling expenses.

The state auxiliary membership now stands at 2342 members, 156 auxiliaries, 39 individuals and 2 new auxiliaries who are Benton Township, District 15 and Veedersburg of District 11B.

Phil Cronk of Cronk's Fire and Safety of Richmond donated the Lucky Doe Doll tickets. Thank you, Phil.

The convention charm was decided to be a replica of the old Fort Wayne fort blockhouse where men threw out water for fires. The fifteen auxiliaries locally that make up Allen County Auxilliary Unit were permitted to buy the charm dye from our state auxiliary and then present it to the Fort Wayne fort museum. The cost was \$245.00.

Treasurer reminded all officers that handled the IVFA auxiliary funds that she had given them a receipt back and they will be audited at 1980 Convention.

The February 3, 1980 officers' meeting was held at the Holiday Inn at Lebanon with 27 officers and several guests. Treasurer reported there was a balance of \$3852.47 and Secretary reported membership now stands at 2639 with 174 auxiliaries, 47 individuals and two new auxiliaries, who are Burlington Flames of District 9 and Blue River of District 16.

The games chairman, Joyce Nevil announced that the Bucket Brigade rules had been updated. She asked if entry fee should be raised to \$8.00 as the men have it on both waterball and bucket brigade. Motion made, seconded and passed to raise the fee to \$8.00.

Officers meeting met May 4, 1980 at King's Crown Inn at Kokomo. 31 officers and 23 guests answered roll call. Treasurer reported a balance of \$2726.34.

Verta Engle, Miss Flame Chairman, reported she had received 19 entries. The IVFA has paid the girl's registration fee. Faye Saltee made a motion for IVFA Auxiliary to present each girl with a convention charm. Motion seconded and passed.

Ruth Ford and Ralphine Robinson is seeing about getting the tiara for the doe doll. Vica McGill made a motion for the auxiliary to pay for the plaque and \$25 which will be presented to the district selling the most tickets and all Doe Doll expenses. Inez Jeffries seconded and motion passed.

A cold luncheon will be served for \$2.50 Friday at noon at convention.

President Lucy reported five (5) new attache cases kept at Sergeant-at-Arms. Virginia Wilson had purchased a necklace for herself with inscription "Lois Boaz Award" and year. After discussion, Barbara Parker made a motion to purchase necklaces for future winners and pay back expenses for each of the necklaces for past winners.

Thelma Lester is putting together a scrap book containing the history of the IVFA Auxiliary and would appreciate pictures of their events. Ralphine Robinson donated two photo albums.

June 18, 1980 (a day early) many firemen and fire lassies motored to the Harley Inn at Fort Wayne. The Allen County Departments dedicated

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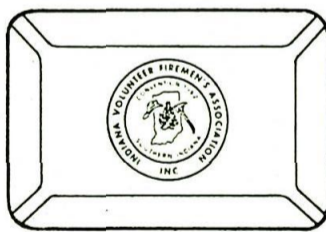
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## STATE OFFICERS' MEETING

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District Chairman 17A Bill Engle said that he has several departments in Knox County that has had a 754% rate increase.

Time out. What do we have here? Looks like spooks to me. Our ladies auxiliary has just come to scare everyone (or to wake us up, I'm not sure which). After all, it is Halloween. We all had a great time. And now back to business.

President Parker introduced one new District Chairman 5, Wayne Smith of Plymouth, Indiana. Welcome Wayne.

Treasurer Gene Stofer passed out copies of the treasurer's report. A copy of the report is attached at the end of the original set of minutes.

Recording Secretary Don Trester gave his report stating that all minutes of our last meeting were sent out with the exception of a few that he did not know to send. He stated these were mailed later. He stated he has the list that the President requested ready to be handed out. He also said on August 13, 1981, he attended the Legislative Study Committee hearing at Dillsboro, Indiana. He has also traveled quite a lot through the state.

Sergeant-at-Arms, Butch McGill-No report.

Past President, Charles Jones-No report.

Past President, James Baker-Absent.

Past President, Gene Stofer-No report.

Past President, Bill Engle-No report at this time.

Past President, Jack Ford-No report.

Public Relations Director Southeast, Roy Richardson, reported that he has the "Belle of Louisville" tickets for sale. Only 800 tickets are available.

The 16th and the 19th Districts are doing very well. They had an LP gas school at Dillsboro.

The fire school that was offered at New Albany was a great success. The school was held on Sept. 12 and 13, 1981. 335 attended that school.

President Parker stated that we collected on a postal claim.

Father Duane Lantz reported that we have had 40 deaths so far this year since the convention in June. On Aug. 4, 1981, he attended Kingsbury installation of officers. On August 12, 1981 he attended memorial services for Herbert Cox at Griffith, Indiana. On August 16, 1981 he attended a surprise party for past district chairman, Vance Witham of District 9. On Sept. 9 he attended the wedding reception and wedding of Bob Esserman's son, Don Esserman. On Oct. 2, 1981, he was at Hamlet for the Max Shankland memorial service. On Oct. 19, 1981, he was at Knox for the George McCormick memorial service. George died at the scene of a fire. He had been chief for 38 years. On Oct. 20, 1981, he attended the funeral service for George McCormick. On October 25, 1981, he attended memorial services for William Hoop at Vincennes. He had been chief for 18 years. On Oct. 27, 1981, he attended memorial services at Pine Township Volunteer Fire Department for Elmer G. Bretts. It is located west of Michigan City. Father Lantz announced that the pictures are ready. He also stated he has attended all district meetings. He also wanted to thank the District Chairman, P.R. men and the Fire Marshal for attending the McCormick services. He also attended a breakfast at LaCross, Indiana.

South West Public Relations Director, Carl Davis, reported he was absent from our last State Officers' meeting due to the fact that Odon was celebrating its 100th birthday. Congratulations. He has attended several district meetings and some fire schools. We have a new district chairman in District 15. He is John Buckman. He's doing a good job. He signed up a new department at Griffith, Indiana. On November 5, 1981, at Odon, the annual turkey barbecue will be held. All are welcome.

East Central P.R. Director Billy Sunday stated that he has traveled a lot in the East Central area. Also, we have some new district chairmen. He has attended two fire schools. We have almost completed the fire school list for next year. He has attended all district meetings. He had a claim turned in to him for \$137.00 for a wrist watch and \$165.00 on a pair of glasses. He turned in a claim for \$362.00. He is checking this out. West Central P. R. Director is new to the office but not to the fire service. L.J. Michl replaces Al Mendel who resigned about two weeks prior to the state officers' meeting. His residence is Terre Haute, Indiana.

North East P.R. Director Doug Bechtel stated that he also has been very busy in the district. He extended apologies to District 6. He had to attend District 5's meeting on the same night. He was at Andrews which is a new department. President Parker and Secretary Ford were there also to present a 50 year membership to Mr. Rittenhouse.

Also, we have some information from Elkhart concerning Convention 1983.

North West P.R. Director Bob Esserman reports that three districts have fire schools lined up. Several departments have gone to central dispatch system through the Sheriff's Department. He has attended two Legislative Study Committee meetings. He thanked Carl Bruns for coming to Districts 1, 2, and 3 meetings. He stated that he had had 175 departments involved in 24 classes. Over 900 in attendance.

District 1 Chairman Bill Howe stated that they had a fire school in September. Very low attendance. He also stated that he would like to thank Maynard Masters and Norm Crocker for their attendance at two good classes. With the efforts of Ripley Fire Department and Cooney Tucker on November 10, 17, and 24, we will have a session on fire behavior. Father Lantz has had two memorial services in District 1 with three deaths in the district in the last quarter. The next district meeting will be at Dyer. Vice President Carl Bruns will be there to present a fifty year award to card number two and our second president Mr. VanDerVaart has about 55 or 56 yrs. in and has not received his fifty year award yet. It is possible the balance of funds from the 1981 Convention will be turned over to the treasurer of the IVFA.

District 2 Chairman Dale Smith stated that he has been busy getting around to our departments in the district. The Fire School is tentatively set for April 24, 1982 at the St. John's Fine Arts area.

District 3 Chairman Ralph Yergler stated that Father Lantz covered his districts happenings very well. No further report.

District 4 Chairman Ralph Bechtel reported that his district has second and first class certification programs going on presently. They have about one hundred men involved. The city of Elkhart is sending four of their paid employees to the school.

District 5 Chairman Wayne Smith reported that he is a new chairman and just getting started. The L.P. gas school that Bob and Norm presented went real well. He stated that two fire schools would be held next year; March 27 and September 25, 1982.

District 6 Chairman, Maynard Masters gave a brief run-down of what was taking place in District 6. He stated that State Represent-

tative Brad Fox attended their district meeting and spoke on legislation.

A good question and answer session followed Representative Fox's speech. District 6's picnic was held in September with 106 attending. District 6 fire school on hazardous materials and basic tactics with 32 members present on Saturday and 29 present on Sunday. On November 23, he stated that he would be traveling to Angola to teach a hazardous material class.

President Parker commended Maynard for the way he handled the blue light situation.

District 7 Chairman Mort Sorg reported one death in District 7. There has been one department to recently join the IVFA. They are in the peanut brittle business having made 1700 pounds so far.

District 8A Marion Bush, Jr., Chairman, reported that due to injury last year he was forced to miss several meetings. He apologized for this. District 8A fire school was poorly attended. A fire behavior school will be held with Cooney Tucker instructing. Recently, a new department was signed up; Nobel Township. It was appreciated having Carl Bruns attending our district meeting and also Billy Sunday, East Central P.R. man Thanks to both of you.

District 8B Chairman, John Barrett. President Parker complimented District 8B on the attendance of Miss Flame at the State Officers' Meeting. A fire school has been tentatively set for July 31, 1982. There is no schedule available at present.

District 9A Chairman, Charles Sutton stated that 1982 fire school will be held at Burlington on August 14 and 15, 1982. Also, all departments except one have paid their dues.

District 9B Lawrence Swartz Chairman, reports all departments except 1 have paid dues. A visit to them will be made. Thanks were given to Ralph Yergler and Charles Sutton and other guests that attended Monticello district meeting. District 9B fire school is tentatively set for June 6, 1982.

District 10 Chairman, Bruce Neal thanked Bill, Pete, Sam and J.D. for helping in district meeting.

District 13A Chairman Bill Windsor and President Parker stated that Bill would be unable to attend the meeting on November 1, 1981 so his report would be given then. Bill reported a fire school in August at Doe Creek. The attendance was down. Fire school 1982 will be August 8 at Knightstown, Indiana. The program will be announced later.

President Parker stated that the Financial Committee met this morning. This was mandated by the Convention 1981. One of the recommendations which the committee will present is to 'drop one of the officers' meetings during the year. This will be discussed tomorrow in new business. It will relieve the treasury some. Recommendations of the Financial Study Committee is to hold meetings in August, November, April and June. In place of the February meeting it was suggested that P.R. men set up and meet with district chairmen before February meeting to discuss any problems. Bring back to mind--meeting--State Officers' meeting in February.

President Parker recessed the State Officers' meeting at 10:05 p.m. until Sunday, November 1, 1981 at 8:30 a.m.

The State Officers' meeting reconvened at 8:30 a.m.

Father Lantz gave the invocation for the day and the rest of the meeting.

District 11A Chairman, Phillip Reed, reported that there had been one death in his district. He stated that the memorial services were most unusual. A fire truck was used as a hearse. They have a fire school coming up November 7, 1981 at Honey Creek Junior High School.

District 11B Chairman, Bill Bush reported that their September meeting at Leiber State Park was poorly attended. Their next district meeting will be November 8, 1981 at Fillmore. They will have their Annual Thanksgiving dinner. Their annual dance will be held in February.

District 12 Chairman, Don Johnson reported their annual picnic was poorly attended. They have just finished their first class fire school. They are starting another first class fire school some time this month for those who work nights. In January, they are going to have a school on arson for firemen as to what to look for.

District 13B Chairman, J.D. Lake-absent.

District 14 Chairman, Tom Sellmer, reported they have some departments that probably will not pay their dues until about this time next year. He reported district meetings have been going real well. There is a possibility of changing ways. The main problem between paid firemen and the volunteer firemen is a lack of communication. One does not know what to expect of the other.

District 15 Chairman, John Buckman stated that they have had one district meeting since our last State Officers' meeting, and he wished to thank Vice President Carl Bruns for attending. Thirty people were present. Their fire school next year will probably be at Alcoa because of excellent facilities.

District 16 Chairman, Ira Cambon-Ira said two fire departments in his district were about ready to fold up. They have a new fire chief. Sorry, but the remainder of Ira's report did not come off on the tape well enough to understand.

District 17A Chairman, Bill Engle, reported one death in the district since last officers' meeting. Their next district meeting will be on November 5, 1981. The meeting will be held at Odon, Indiana with Odon's annual turkey barbecue. Everyone is invited.

On January 23, 1982 Odon will host the annual sausage supper. Again everyone is very welcome.

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## Dillsboro/Clay Twps'. Insurance Rates Drop

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Alarms. Paul and Karen Filter handle dispatching for the Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department. The new classification will result in a decrease in fire insurance rates for many insured properties within the Town. Estimated reduction for a single family frame dwelling insured for \$40,000 is a premium decrease of approximately \$59.00 per year for a homeowners policy.

The change will effect mercantile properties to a degree depending on the type of building construction, hazard of occupancy and other rating factors. The overall effect is usually a decrease of about 63% for a typical masonry, wood roof commercial building. Variations in construction, occupancy and private protection can result in increases or decreases from this average.

The above estimates apply only for insurance companies using ISO rates. However, numerous insurance companies use other than ISO rates so the effect of the change in class may be different for their policyholders.

Mrs. Inez Calender, Clay Township Trustee, has also received notification that the fire insurance classification for Clay Township has changed from Class 10 to Class 9. Farm property in the Township is eligible for Class "B" Farm Credit. The effective date for the improved classification is November 1, 1981.

The change from Class 10 to Class 9 for a typical owner/occupied single family frame dwelling insured for \$40,000 is a premium decrease of approximately \$41.00 per year for a Homeowners Policy and \$58.00 per year for a Dwelling Policy.

The change will effect typical mercantile properties to a degree depending upon the type of building construction, occupancy and other rating factors. The overall effect is usually a decrease of about 7% for a masonry building with wood roof.

Farm and farmowners premiums may be developed using Class "B" premium credits under Division 4 of the Commercial Lines Manual.

Some of the steps that led to the reclassification were started as early as 1969 by the purchase of a new pumper. Other items were the construction of a new fire house in 1973, a base radio and radio communications for all vehicles, a paging system for all firemen, protective clothing for all firemen, self contained breathing apparatus, sufficient fire hose to reach exposed properties, training of firemen and Fire Prevention Programs, obtaining of and building of a tanker truck, obtaining and installation of a diesel powered electric generator for the fire station, the testing of hose and pumpers on a regular basis, testing of fire hydrants regularly and mutual aid agreements with neighboring fire departments.

The department is the first in the state to be certified under the State Certification program. The department is also a participant in the Dearborn County Fire Chiefs Association and the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association. The building of a 200,000 gallon water storage tank and in 1980 the purchase of

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# State Auxiliary Meeting (Continued from Page 5)

cluded President Surber, Vice President Parker, Treasurer Kris Bechtel, Miss Flame, Regina Mowery. Business of the day was discussed. Ruth Bechtel was the acting secretary in the absence of our secretary Alice Sanders to whom we also wish a speedy recovery. Upcoming events in the district were announced. Consignment Auction at Preble on September 26; Hoagland Fire Department Dance and Turkey Raffle on November 21; Monroeville Firemen's Dance on November 7 and Poe is again making peanut brittle; Geneva Chili Supper and Halloween Party is October 24 at our November meeting which will be held at Berne and we will have a \$3.00 gift exchange. Since we had many new ladies present who were interested in forming new auxiliaries, the meeting was opened to a question and answer period. We later adjourned to join the men to honor a 50 year member of the Bippus Volunteer Fire Department, Glenn Rittenhouse, better known as "Rit the Barber". Next meeting will be on November 16, 1981 at the Berne Fire Station.

District 8B-Debbie Frazier-District 8B met September 9, 1981 at Blountsville. The prices of rooms, and the boat ride and the drink badges were discussed for the next year's convention. We then joined the men for sandwiches and potato chips. Next meeting will be held November 11 at Eaton. "Miss Flame" March 10, 1982 at Hamilton Township at 7:30 p.m.

District 8A-Kaye Kemper had no report.

District 9A-Faye Sallee-Held at Colfax on August 12, 1981 as a joint meeting. District 9A selected officers as follows: Faye Sallee, Chairman and Brenda Carver as Secretary/Treasurer; Cora Scherfer as Chaplain. A hidden auction was held. Next joint meeting will be at the Galveston Fire Department on November 11 at 7:30 p.m. with \$3.00 Christmas gift exchange.

District 10-Nancy Neal-The District 10 of the IVFAA met August 17, 1981 at the Burney Fire Station. Pitch-in dinner was enjoyed by all. 55 members and 5 guests attended the meeting representing 11 auxiliaries. New Business: Miss Flame Contest to be held March 27th at Warren Township on 10th Street and German Church Road, with judging in the afternoon and a pitch-in dinner at 6:30 p.m. 10th District money making project will be a Navaho afghan donated by Vivian Thomas, 10th District Chaplain. Proceeds will be for 1982 Miss Flame Contest and picnic expenses. Next meeting is November 16 with a Christmas dinner at 6:30 at the Hope Fire Station. \$2.00 grab bag.

District 11A-Debbie Reed- District 11A held their September meeting at Prairieton Fire House on September 20. We are sponsoring a fire school on November 7 and 8 at Honey Creek Jr. High School and everyone is welcome to attend. Our next meeting is on November 15 at the Pimento Fire House, we are serving a Thanksgiving meal. Hope to see you there.

District 11B-Eula Bush-A camp out, waterball, and district meeting weekend was held at Leiber State Park in September. Our next meeting will be November 8 at Fillmore. We are making plans for our 3rd annual Miss Flame Dance on February 13th at the Rockville Armory.

District 12-Mary Brooks-August 10, 1981, the 12th District meeting was called to order by our Director Mary Brooks at the Bridgeport Fire Department at 8:01 p.m. Prayer was said by our Chaplain, Catherine VanArsdal followed by the pledge led by Martha McConnell. Roll call was answered by 25 members representing 9 companies and 6 guests. Mary introduced our guests who were Barbara Surber, State Auxiliary President; Barbara Parker, Vice President IVFAA, Loretta Nulliner, Corresponding Secretary; Debbie Nulliner, District 10 Secretary/Treasurer; Tammy Nulliner of District 10 and Teresa Conners and Loretta's grand-daughter. Treasurer report filed for audit. Secretary minutes were approved as read. Ada Haines suggested that the Secretary put last names in the minutes so in years to come people will know who we are talking about. We will try to do this from now on. Mary Brooks announced Angela Rasmussen from Bridgeport was runner-up in the State Miss Flame at Convention. Barbara Parker also told how Angela and the New Miss Flame sold Doe Doll tickets at the games and raised an additional \$115.00 for the raffle. Everyone was impressed with Angela. Good job. Mary Brooks read the resolutions passed at convention. Meeting was turned over to Barbara Parker for elections. Nominations for Director: Mary Brooks, there being no other nominations, Secretary cast an unanimous vote for Mary. Nominations for Co-Chairman were Catherine VanArsdal and Sandy Thomas. Catherine is the new Co-Chairman. Nominations for the Secretary/Treasurer were Rosie Johnson and Bethel Boyle, Bethel declined. Mary Brooks cast an unanimous ballot for Rosie Johnson for Secretary/Treasurer. Nominations for Sergeant-at-Arms were Martha McConnell, there being no other nominations the Secretary cast an unanimous ballot for Martha McConnell for Sergeant-at-Arms. Nominations for Chaplain was Ada Haines, there being no other nominations Secretary cast an unanimous ballot for Ada Haines for Chaplain. Emma Bell made motion to pay for candles for the Installation. 2nd by Barbara Webb. Motion carried. Installation ceremony followed. Installed were: Chairman Mary Brooks; Co-Chairman Cathy VanArsdal; Secretary/Treasurer Rosie Johnson and Chaplain Ada Haines. Rosie Johnson made motion future meetings to be held alphabetically so maybe we could get other auxiliaries involved. 2nd by Ada Haines. Motion carried. Next meeting will be at the Training Academy in Wayne Township. We should all have the dues in by that time so we can announce where the other meetings will be held. Meeting adjourned at 8:55. Refreshments were enjoyed by all.

District 13-Virginia Wilson-The 13th District met August 20th at the home of Virginia Wilson. Election and Installation of officers was conducted by our State President Barbara Surber. Those installed were, Virginia Wilson as Chairman; Miriam Schaeckel as Secretary; Anna Marie Baker as Chaplain; Hazel Bond as Sergeant-at-Arms. Meeting was then closed with a prayer. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, at the Greenfield Fire House.

District 14-Bette Sellmer-Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Bette Sellmer. Pledge was led by Nancy Richardson, followed with prayer by Lucille Newhanser, and minutes were read by Deanna Kaskie. Minutes were approved as read. Minutes were read from the last officers' meeting held at Shelbyville, Indiana. Bette Sellmer gave a report on the IVFA Convention in 1982. T-shirts will be in by next meeting. They will be red with white letters. Price is \$6.00 per shirt. The special beer mugs have not been ordered as of yet, but hope to order them at the next convention meeting. The next convention meeting will be at Henryville on October 25, at 2:00. Everyone please come. The 50/50 drawing was held. Ruth Perry (McCulloch) took home \$7.50 with her. Everyone that comes to the meeting has a chance to win. Next District 14 meeting will be on November 18, 1981 at Mc-

Culloch V.F.D. Station No. 1 Thank you, Underwood. As always you did GREAT!

District 21-Connie Suter-The combined district meeting of 9A and 21 was held at Colfax on August 12, 1981. Several members along with 2 state officers enjoyed the evening. Election of officers was held. Officers elected were: Connie Suter, Chairman and Karen Culross was elected Secretary/Treasurer. Mary Ann Mathews was elected as Chaplain. The evening ended with a white elephant sale. Next meeting is November 11, 1981 at Galveston.

District 16-Vi Cambron-IVFA Auxiliary District 16 meeting was on September 10th, 1981 at Lafayette Twp. Fire House. Secretary report, treasurer report, dime drawing (no one won). Tickets on afghan given out to auxiliary or individuals. All proceeds go to Ivan Wells, District 16 Fund. Afghan donated by Mrs. Leona Satterwhite of N.W. Washington Auxiliary, and the District Miss Flame contest was decided to be held February 26th, 1982. Vi told us to get our letters in for the Lois Boaz Award. Officer's minutes were read and discussed. Next meeting is November 12th at the Greenville Fire House.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Loretta J. Nulliner  
Corresponding Secretary

# Your President, Barbara



BARBARA SURBER

Welcome to 1982...

Old man winter is still knocking on the door, but it is not too early to make your plans for a wonderful convention. All of the Convention Committees are working hard so please don't disappoint them.

"Have fun in the Southern Sun June 10th through 12th."

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## LADIES:

Please, do not forget to sit down and write that letter about whom you would like to see receive the Lois Boaz award.

area. Let's get to work on the programs.

Time to think about the 1982 Convention because it will be here before you know it. Still time to get your advance registrations at the special price.

Fellows-one more time, call your legislators and make them work for the fire departments. They need your help and now you need theirs. So, let them know what you want. That's it for this time.

Carl O.

## SOUTHWEST REPORT

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know that we are around. To get this program off the ground it is up to you members to make the calls. The officers have done their part so don't let us down this year.

A big thanks goes to the Odon and Madison Township fire departments for the fine turkey barbecue that they put on. Bert and his group fixed 500 lbs. of turkey and 75 lbs. each of livers and gizzards. That, with all the baked beans, slaw and potato salad, a very fine meal was served. We were glad to see so many state officers present. Our state fire marshal was with us again and brought with him Mr. Turley of the National Fire Academy Outreach program. Mr. Turley gave a short report of his work in the Outreach program. Also, a big thank you to Butch McGill and his crew who helped with the work.

I was up to Bloomington to a district meeting and some of the legislators from their district were in attendance for a question and answer meeting.

If any department has some input for the coming fire schools please let your district chairmen know. The schools will be held in the districts again this year. Many more firemen attended this type of school then when we just had one school for the southwest

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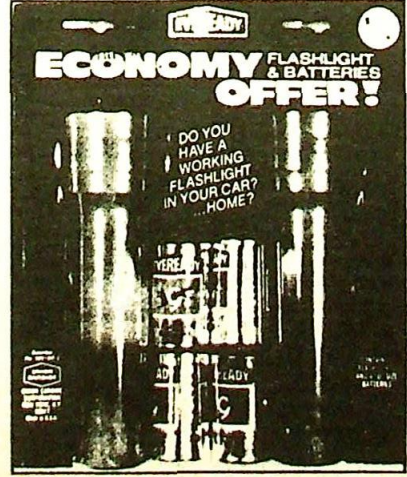
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**STATE OFFICERS' MEETING**

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There has been some problems with the telephone company. He did not evaluate on this.

District 17B Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart reported that they have had two district meetings. At last meeting he was mandated by members to write an open letter to President Parker concerning tax collection on alcohol and tobacco. He needed an answer the following week concerning this matter.

District 18 Chairman, Russell Reinhart reported that their last district meeting was held on September 17 at Anderson Township. Attendance was down. Their fire prevention parade was held with 150 units participating. All state officers who were there were thanked for coming.

District 17B Chairman, Lee Kissell- Lee stated that there was a Legislative Study Committee hearing at Dillsboro on August 13, 1981. It was well attended by firemen from the area. Also, several state officers attended. There were 35 departments represented. The IVFA was well represented. Vice President Carl Bruns, P.R. man of District South East, Roy Richardson; Recording Secretary, Don Trester; District 17B Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart. All were thanked for attending. September 10th was the date of their district meeting. Two schools are hoped for next year. On October 11, an L.P. gas school was held at Dillsboro. Instructors were Norm Crocker, Bob Esserman and Ward Suter. There was an attendance of 105. Next district meeting will be at Rising Sun on November 13, 1981.

District 20 Chairman, Charles Jones-Thanks was given to Tug Sutton for helping with a pancake day. They made \$3,000 in one day. Next district meeting will be on November 11, 1981 at Westfield. The program will be entitled "Greyhounds".

District 21 Chairman, Ward Suter-December 5 and 6 a district fire school will be held at Frankfort. Classes have not been confirmed yet.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Jack Ford, IVFA chairman for the Hotel-Motel Study Committee gave a lengthy report on the Hotel-Motel Study Committee activities. A copy of his report will be on file in his office. The committee has asked to be reinstated for 1 more year. Jack also gave a report on the Volunteer Study Committee. He was appointed a lay member of that committee. A copy of this report is on file in Jack's office.

District 17B Chairman, Pete Lockhart wanted to go on record as saying he feels we need to hire an attorney.

State Fire Marshal William C. Goodwin sent a message wishing the IVFA State Officers a successful and beneficial meeting.

Past President Baker-no report.

Immediate Past President Norm Crocker-no report.

Harold D. Mills, Director of Bureau of Safety and Education and Training gave a lengthy talk on O.S.H.A. and I.O.S.H.A. and how they will effect the volunteer fire departments in the state of Indiana. He also handed out the federal register. Part three of the Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration dated Friday, September 12, 1980. He also had us mark sections of the book that would involve volunteer fire departments in the State of Indiana.

National Volunteer Fire Council report was given by Norm Crocker. He has done some research on O.S.H.A. requirements for the Volunteer Fire Departments.

It is a lengthy report. A copy is attached to the original set of minutes. Norm reported the National Volunteer Fire Council meeting was held on the 17th and 18th at Windorluck, Connecticut. He also stated that it was a pleasure to be the representative of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association to the National Volunteer Fire Council.

E.M.S. Committee report: In the E.M.S. committee meeting it was decided to try and get more of the update material out of our E.M.T.'s since in the meeting previous it was decided that maybe we ought to go out and try to get the association to join. This will require a by-law change to do it. We also might consider taking the E.M.T.'s in as there are about 13,000-14,000 in the state into our organization. District Chairmen should take this information back to their districts and get the feeling from members and see if they want to take E.M.T.'s into our organization.

Introduction of guests: Tug Sutton Chairman 9A introduced his guest who was Don Weigel, Chief from District 9A, Also John Buckman, District 15, introduced Bill Wampler, District Secretary; Maynard D. Masters District 6 introduced fire chief Maynard Sanders. Dale Smith from District 2....no copy from tape. Sorry. Wayne Smith from District 5 introduced District Secretary.

President Parker stated that Immediate Past Recording Secretary, Max Poling was present.

East Central P.R. Director, Billy Sunday introduced Mr. Mowery, Regina's father. Regina is Miss Flame 1981.

Training Committee Report-Maynard Masters passed out lists of all Indiana instructors who had filled out the questionnaire that Pat Babbs had sent out and returned to her office. As far as we know, this is a complete list of instructors. Should your department have a need for an instructor, please refer to this list and choose one closest to your area. If the instructor refuses to do this, strike him and call another.

President Parker introduced Regina Mowery, Miss Flame 1981.

President Parker announced that in the list of State Officers and committees, Editor's Assistances were omitted. These are Bill Howe who is District 1 Chairman and the six P.R. Directors.

**FIRE SCHOOLS**

Carl Bruns, Chairman, fire schools committee, reported about twenty fire schools around the state with about six to go. The highest attendance was 150 and the lowest was 24. He stated that the fiscal year for fire schools is January 1 to January 1. Mr. Lump sends a certificate of insurance to Carl Bruns and to the physical property owner. It is hoped that this can be sent also to the P.R. Director of the area in which the school is being held. Carl Bruns requested the dates of next years fire schools to be sent to him as soon as possible.

**EDITOR'S ASSISTANCES**

Bill Howe stated that the paper is ready and will probably be printed this week. The next copy needs to be sent to Bob by December 20 with the paper coming out in January.

President Parker stated that it was the intention to have the paper mailed in early January so we can inform everyone on the latest on the legislature. Also, a letter will be sent in November for the same purpose. President Parker said articles must be in by the 20th of month prior to time of publication.

**INCERT**

Charles Jones, Chairman, announced that the Indiana Civil Defense will now be a part of the INCERT program. They will have a member on board.

Meeting recessed on November 1, 1981 at 11:40 a.m.  
Meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Historical update committee: Bill Bush, Chairman, stated that he has not had a committee meeting. No report.

Safety Committee Report: Tom Sellmer, Chairman, reported that there will be an article in the paper concerning safety with others coming. Anything worthwhile concerning safety should be sent to the paper.

Public Education Committee: Doug Bechtel, Chairman, stated that blood pressure checks done at the State Fair was a great success. It was suggested that something be done to entertain the children while their parents were having their blood pressure checked. A possibility was to do the "Stop, Drop and Roll" program.

Also, we are going to check with the Eastman Kodak Company about the possibility of them donating polaroid film so that we might take snapshots of the children and give them to the children. President Parker asked Jack Ford to write a letter of thank you to R. and T. Frames, Inc. and also to Steel Tool for their contributions to our booth at the State Fair. Smoke detector program at the State Fair was a great success. Also, a thank you letter should be sent to Farm Bureau. Motion made by Roy Richardson, Public Relations Director, Southeast, seconded by Secretary Jack Ford to take the Public Education trailer back to the State Fair next year. Motion carried by voice vote.

Games Committee Report. Bob Surber, Chairman stated that we have accepted the new national waterball rules and bucket brigade rules. In order to reach members more effectively, the rules will be printed in the paper in January and May.

**CONVENTION 1982**

Bob stated that all available information on the Convention '82 is being sent to the paper for publication. Various items are being sold in conjunction with the convention. The Belle of Louisville tickets are limited to 800 so get yours early. Anyone registering before April 1st, 1982 is eligible for a drawing for a prize of two days and one night free lodging and a bottle of champagne to be awarded at the banquet. This was offered by the Marriott Inn. All are urged to stay at the Marriott in order to save money. The belt buckles will be available by order only. A lot of the for sale items will be limited in number.

Insurance Committee Report: Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, Chairman, report to come later.

Finance Study Report: This will have to come up in the board meeting because it takes board action.

Parliamentarian: Bill Engle-no report.

Ad Taker: Frank Murphy-no report-absent.

Addition to INCERT Report: Charles Jones stated that he had received a note from Don Trester, stating that INCERT has placed a 40 channel C.B. with side band in the northern part of Owen County and one in the center. The date was July 15, 1981. This was done at no cost to the department.

Gene Stofer spoke for Frank Murphy, ad taker, stating that \$2,200 in ads have been collected so far.

Convention Digest Committee: Norm Crocker, Max Poling, Don Trester, President Parker, Maynard Masters (sitting in for Jack Ford). A copy of the completed digest should be in the paper. It took the greater part of one day to do this digest.

District 1 Chairman, Bill Howe stated that he didn't know if they could get it all in the paper or not. It was very lengthy.

By-laws Committee Report: President Parker stated that they have not gotten together to update the by-laws as mandated. They will get together and have them done before the next meeting. Mr. Crocker stated that we have three different prices from three different printers for printing of the by-laws.

President Parker stated that we are going to back up and get the insurance committee report at this time.

Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, Chairman Insurance Committee. The committee met on October 31, 1981. There was a settlement made. It will appear on the treasurer's report next time. It looks like the 5% in lieu of the 10% will bring us in about the same amount of money as the 10% in comparison to what we got last year. There was a discussion of the person who died at Bass Lake. The man that died was a fire chief and was 72 years old. He died of a heart attack and had no insurance. Mr. Downey is getting more details. Mr. Crocker is going to check to see if any other benefits are available.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Tom Sellmer, Chairman District 14, stated that they have asked Norm to check the situation for default.

President Parker stated that he has asked al district chairmen to make out an activity report for the last quarter and turn in to the Chairman of the Board.

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**Dillsboro/Clay Twps'.**

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a new fire pumper were items considered in the evaluation.

Many of these items were purchased with tax funds. Many were purchased from monies donated to and raised by the Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department. At the recommendation of the Dillsboro Volunteer Fire Department, the new apartments for the aged recently constructed have sprinkler systems installed in all apartments.

Many hours go into the maintenance and upkeep of all this equipment. All firemen work on a volunteer basis with no compensation whatever.

The Department consists of 35 members. Officers at the present are: Robert H. Heitmeyer, Chief; Donald Grace, Asst. Chief, Larry Elder; Norman Holtegel, and David Benning, Captains; Dale Wendelman, Paul Filter and Jerry Gordon, Lieutenants; Dale Wendelman, President; Steve Black, Vice President; Paul Filter, Secretary-Treasurer; Earl Laker and Jerry Weiss, Trustees. Other members include Larry Bruce, Melvin Cleeter, John Cutter, Wilbur Disbro, Vernon Elder, Thomas Fehrman, Mike Fortner, Doug Rump, Tommy Gordon, Tim Heitmeyer, Paul Holtegel, Robert Holtegel, Harry Tiemeyer, James Johnston, William Schmaltz, Art Luke, Dilver Ohlman-siek, Harold Seamon, Delmar Thayer, James Vinup, Thomas Wafford, and G.A. Weatherford.

**From Barbara**

Remember that the deadline for Miss Flame entries (district winners) is April 10, 1982. Send these to our Miss Flame Chairman, Eula Bush. I am looking forward to meeting as many of the lovely candidates as possible.

Ladies, look around your local auxiliary, there are many deserving ladies for the highest award in the IVFA Auxiliary, the Lois Boaz award. Get busy and get your letters written. Remember, the deadline for this is April 1, 1982. Mail your letters to any of the following: Mary Brooks, Inez Jeffries, or Katie Mason.

Recording Secretary Nickie Sunday is still taking dues. (\$1.00 per year.)

See you all at Convention.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Surber  
IVFAA President

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## FIERY GROUP

Members of the Clark County Fire Chiefs Association line up with the Commander of the Indiana Army Ammunition Plant after a recent meeting at the Charlestown facility. They are (from left) Captain Henry Bonta, of the ammunition plant staff;

Sam Bower, New Washington fire chief; Don Tetley, McCullough fire chief; Carson W. Fischer Jr., Sellersburg fire chief; James Kaster, Clarksville fire chief; Lt. Col. James Hawley, plant commander; Louis Smith, Underwood fire chief; Roy Richardson, Indiana Fire In-

structors Association, and Bill Herron, Utica firefighter. The group took a bus tour of the plant during the meeting and received instruction in handling explosives and hazardous materials from Ken Baker, the plant's director of safety and security.

By L. Norman Crocker

## O.S.H.A. and the Fire Service

Federal Register/Vol. 45/No. 199 Section, Fire Brigades 29cfr 1910.156.

### Subpart L

I have researched the above mentioned Register and have collected the information which I feel will effect the fire service.

You may argue that the standards do not apply to you or your department, but myself and many other people are very sure the standards do apply. I have researched this material in order to help your Department meet the standards.

In the Federal Register, Vol. 45 No. 179 issued on Friday, September 12, 1980 a paragraph states,

"This standard does not apply to volunteer firefighters of fire departments operated by the United States, or any State or political subdivision thereof unless covered by a state plan under Section 18 of the Act."

States that have working agreements with O.S.H.A. are South Carolina, Oregon, Utah, Washington, North Carolina, California, Minnesota, Maryland, Tennessee, Iowa, Kentucky, Alaska, Michigan, Vermont, Hawaii, Nevada, Indiana, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico, Virginia, Connecticut, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

"Additionally, the Fire Brigade standard does not address the hazards of, nor does it apply to, forest fire fighting or airport crash type rescue operations. The requirements of this standard would not be appropriate because of the specialized nature of these types of firefighting operations."

The requirements of this section apply to brigades, industrial, private and contractual type fire departments.

Requirements apply only to members who perform interior structural firefighting.

The department shall prepare and maintain an organization statement or written policy which establishes the existence of a fire brigade or department.

The written policy shall show the basic organizational structure (Bylaws) and chain of command.

The type, amount, and frequency of trainings; the expected number of members; and the fun-

ctions that the firefighters are expected to perform.

Each department must assure that the firefighters are physically capable of performing the duties. (Annual physical.)

Training must be of the same type of the duties the members are performing. Such training must be provided before they are required to perform those expected duties. Training must be conducted at least quarterly and must be a high quality.

It is appropriate to note the difference between training and education. Training means the process of making proficient through instruction and hands-on practice in the operation of equipment that is expected to be used. Education means the process of imparting knowledge or skill through systematic instruction. Education can be accomplished by providing firefighters with written instructional material.

Officers and training instructors must have more comprehensive training than the general membership. Which shall include, strategy and tactics, fire suppression and prevention techniques, leadership principles, pre-fire planning and safety practices. Must be able to perform the duties with safety to himself and other members. Shall inform the firefighters about special hazards (flammable liquids, gases, toxic chemicals, radioactive sources and water reactive substances.) Shall provide written procedures about special hazards. Extinguishers and respirators shall be inspected monthly. Firefighting equipment that is damaged shall be removed from service. Protective clothing shall be provided at no cost to the member. Clothing ordered after July 1, 1981 must meet the requirements. Members who are performing interior structural firefighting shall wear equipment. Shall protect head, body and extremities with the following components:

1. Foot and leg protection.
2. Hand protection.
3. Body protection.
4. Eye, face and head protection/foot and leg protection.

Protective shoes or boots worn with trousers, fully extended boots, shall provide protection against penetration of the mid-

sole, by a size 8D common nail when 300 pounds of static force is applied. Water resistant for at least 5 inches above the bottom of the heel. Slip resistant outer soles.

Body protection: Must meet N.F.P.A. 1971. Shall be fire resistive material. Lining must permanently attach to the outer shell by stitching in one area example the neck, fastener tape or snap fasteners for the rest of the lining. Permanent lining does not refer to a winter liner. Tearing strength of the outer shell must be minimum 8 pounds in any direction. Outer shell may discolor but shall not separate or melt when placed in a forced air oven at temperature of 500 degrees for five (5) minutes. After cooling to ambient temperature, char length shall not exceed 4.0 inches and after flame shall not exceed 2.0 seconds.

Hand protection: Protection against cut, puncture, and also heat penetration. Wristlets of at least 4.0 inches in length to protect the wrist area.

Head, eye, and face protection: "Helmet" is a head protective device consisting of a rigid shell, energy absorption system, and chin strap intended to be worn to provide protection for the head or portions thereof, against impact, flying or falling objects, electric shock, penetration, heat and flame. Head protection device with ear flaps and chin strap.

Hand, eye, and face protection may be accessories to protective head device (face shields).

Respiratory protection: Shall be provided at no cost to the employee. Shall have minimum service life rating of 30 minutes. Indicator which shall automatically sound an audible alarm. Shall be of positive pressure type. Effective July 1 of 1983. Only positive pressure type shall be used performing interior structural firefighting.

The information contained in this article is not intended to be complete in any manner. It is provided for your benefit and information.

L. Norman Crocker

## DID YOU KNOW?

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this 1980 Convention to James Mason, the late husband of our dear Katie Mason of Wayne Township No. 1 of Fort Wayne. Everyone enjoyed the extra day to relax and to visit all their friends coming in.

Thursday, June 19th, President Lucy Stofer called the final officers' meeting at the 1979-1980 fiscal year to order at 2:10 p.m. Past President Vica McGill presented President Lucy Stofer with a beautiful silk rose corsage from the state auxiliary. President Lucy presented IVFA President's wife, Bonnie Crocker, with a corsage. Lucy also presented each of her officers a gold disc displaying their office.

33 officers and 2 guests were present. A motive was made for the auxiliary to keep the pearl crown on the Lucky Doe Doll because Ruth Ford had used pearls from her daughter's wedding attire. Motion was made and passed.

Treasurer reported \$2,396.82 balance. Secretary reported membership for 1979-80 is 2765 with 181 auxiliaries and 55 individuals. Secretary, Nickie Sunday reported 1980-81 memberships had already been received from 239 members from 16 auxiliaries, 3 individuals with one new auxiliary being Hymera from District 11A.

Joyce Nevil, games chairman, reported 10 ladies waterball and 4 bucket brigade teams were signed-up for competition play.

Thursday evening, the 1980 IVFA and Auxiliary Convention opened in the Concordia Theological Seminary Auditorium with many local dignitaries welcoming a large crowd to their urban community. After all the introductions and short speeches, IVFA President Crocker introduced all of his officers and then introduced our Auxiliary President, Lucy Stofer. President Lucy then introduced all her auxiliary officers and past presidents. She then introduced the Miss Flame committee with Verta Engle, the chairperson, who introduced the reigning Miss Flame; Lisa Krider. Miss Krider expressed the pleasures that accompanied her through the past year of her reign and wished all of the 18 contestants of 1980 her best. The 18 girls were introduced and escorted to the stage by the IVFA Chairman from their districts. The winner of the 1980 Miss Flame Contest was Kimberly Gentry from New Market of District 11B.

President Lucy introduced the Lois Boaz award committee, who then presented the Lois Boaz award to Inez Jeffries from Fountaintown Auxiliary of District 10.

IVFA President Crocker then introduced the Mr. IVFA Committee, who presented the Mr. IVFA Award for 1980 to Cooney Tucker from Hometown and now working from the State Fire Marshal's office.

The first session of convention closed for the night and we all had a fun get-together with the Fire House Rhythm Band from Mooreland on the Harley parking lot and sponsored by Pierce Manufacturing Company.

Friday morning the Allen County Auxiliaries hosted a very nice Koffee Klatch. Toni Sorg suggested we give our thanks to J.D. Lake and Mr. Woodward of L and W Sales with a plaque of appreciation for sharing a large part of the auxiliary's Koffee Klatch expenses.

President Lucy introduced Mrs. Audry Utley from Acton as the 1st Vice President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary.

Vica McGill, chairman of the auditing committee, reported all books are o.k.

Meeting adjourned for the Memorial services at Concordia. Chaplain Lester reported deaths for our past fiscal year of 1979-80 were Naomi Rentschler and Ernestine White, both from Patricksburg of District 11A; Claris Smith of Van Buren Township of Carbon; District 11A; Doris Kinney of Hazelwood, District 12; Delores McBride from Raleigh, District 13; Julia Wissing of Manilla, District 10; Ruth Lee of Pleasant Township of Stillwell, District 3; Frances Bettler of Charleston, District 14; Anna Marie Miller of Ashley, District 6; Hazel Williams, JUCA Auxiliary of Bellmore, District 11B; Leora Stroup of Marietta, District 10; Florence Janosky from Coolspring Township of Michigan City, District 3; Saral Cook of Utica, District 14; and Rosie Parnel of Hymera of District 11A.

The afternoon session opened at 1:20 p.m. with President Lucy. Toni Sorg presented a representative of the historical Fort Wayne Museum, the charm dye rights in plaque form.

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# STATE OFFICERS' MEETING

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The committees that President Parker appointed in the August meeting were asked to keep minutes of their committee meetings so that excerpts may be submitted to the paper.

President Parker reminded all that we have 600 returned papers that had address labels on them. This is particularly due to the file not being completely updated. The January issue should be in good shape.

President Parker stated that a question came up at the last meeting about the IVFA patches; does any district have exclusive rights to sell these? Don Trester researched the minutes and the last thing he came up with was quote "The arm patches using the association emblem discussed in a prior meeting was brought up again. The emblem can be reproduced for about 30 cents. A motion by Knoll, seconded by Kiefer, that the association do nothing about such patches but let the use of same be handled by local department. Motion carried." Excerpt from minutes of November 19, 1967 at Kokomo, Indiana.

Marion Bush, Jr., Director 8A Chairman made a motion that District 18 be allowed to continue to be sole supplier of IVFA arm patches. Motion was seconded by Bill Engle, 17A Chairman. Motion carried by voice vote.

Fire School Committee met on October 31, 1981 to get dates of fire schools. Dates are more important than location at this time.

It was brought up by Billy Sunday that Districts 11A and B have arm patches that need to be dispersed. It was decided that this could be worked out between District 18 and 11A and B.

Vice President Carl Bruns stated that these districts: 1, 3, 7, 9A, 11 A and B, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17A, 19, 20 and 21 dates are needed for fire schools for next year. (1982)

President Parker stated that elected State Officers are to have a furnished licensed plate. Chaplain and Recording Secretary are the only ones without these.

## NEW BUSINESS

8B Chairman John Barrett stated that members in his district want to know the jobs of state officers. They want certain matters brought out before State Officers. John told them that they would have to prepare whatever it is they want so it can be presented to office holders. John also stated that the office holders are at fault also. He feels that we should have an agenda to be followed with all members having a copy. He is willing to do whatever necessary and take as much time as necessary to resolve issues so long as they are carried through.

District 10 Chairman Bruce Neal has been appointed the new photographer for the IVFA. He will be replacing "Curly" due to other commitments. Curly does not have time to do this.

Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, District 17B Chairman, recommended that all officers have their picture retaken. Some of us have changed a little through the years. It happens to the best of us. Right Pete?

North West P.R. Director, Bob Esserman, stated that the computerized mailing list of all departments and chiefs in the state is confidential and is not to be given out to any organization or unauthorized individual. One of the chiefs in Bob's area found a copy of this mailing list in a place that was not authorized to have such matter. The list was complete with information and IVFA decal. President Parker repeated the known fact that this information is not to be passed around to the general public.

Back to photographs. Motion was made by Southwest P.R. Director, Carl Davis, that 17B Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart update the photographs in the state IVFA slide program. All district chairmen shall have a set of these slides. Motion was seconded by John Barrett, District 8B. Motion carried by voice vote.

Vice President Carl Bruns commended President Parker for doing a great job. Jim received a round of applause.

Father Lantz gave the benediction. Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

## MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by Board Chairman, Tom Sellmer at 3:05 p.m. on November 1, 1981.

District 8A Chairman, Marion Bush, Jr. made a motion to dispense with preliminaries. Seconded by District 17B Chairman, Marvin "Pete" Lockhart. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Report from Training Committee: Chairman, Maynard Masters, District 6, he stated that through some oversight, a budget for the training committee was omitted for 1981.

East Central P.R. Director, Billy Sunday suggested that the IVFA purchase six sets of placards to be used by instructors that are teaching Hazardous Material classes. These instructors received their training through the State Fire Marshal's office. These placards would be owned by the IVFA as opposed to the State Fire Marshal's office. The slide presentation used by the instructors are owned by the State Fire Marshal's office. The cost of the placards would be \$111.96. Chairman Tom Sellmer stated that he would not sign any claim without substantiation of expenses.

New Chairman of Insurance Committee is Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, 17B Chairman.

District Chairman 19, Lee Kissell will serve on this committee with Marion Bush, District 8A remaining on this committee until after February meeting. Marion Bush stated that he has resigned from this committee in writing but will assist at any time.

The updated by-laws are to be mailed to all member departments. This is the responsibility of Norm Crocker.

Tom stated that we have had some problems concerning guests. We need to, because of expenses, watch this. Let's not abuse the situation.

## NEW BUSINESS

Motion was made by Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, 17B Chairman, that district chairmen and P.R. men meet at some centrally located fire station in P.R. area, two weeks prior to the February meeting and the elected State Officers and P.R. men have a "mini" meeting (one day trial) in February. The purpose of this would be so officers and P.R. men could attend meeting and return home in one day, thus saving money. This includes moving the May meeting to April. After considerable discussion, a second was made by District 15 Chairman, John Buckman to accept this. Motion carried by show of hands.

President Parker announced that the April meeting will be April 3 and 4 at the Holiday Inn in Lebanon, Indiana.

Chairman Sellmer discussed filing insurance claims on damaged items. All claims must be, before filing, checked out by Chairman of Board or Sergeant of Arms, McGill. Be sure you have a legitimate claim.

Motion was made by President Parker to allow the training committee the request for \$111.96 for placards. After discussion it was decided to check out the possibility of getting these at a lower cost; if not, purchase them before January 1, 1982. Motion was seconded by South East P.R. Director, Roy Richardson. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by District 17B Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart to appropriate \$300 for a budget for the training committee from the general fund. Motion seconded by District Chairman 1, Bill Howe. Motion carried by hand vote.

District 8A Chairman, Marion Bush explained that in District 8A they had a death. The customary Bible was given by the IVFA. Within a week of this, the wife of the man who died, died also. The family would now like to purchase another Bible. Motion was asking the price of the Bible. Motion was told the price of the Bible was \$18.00.

Motion was made by Vice President Carl Bruns that the Recording Secretary be allowed to get his typewriter repaired. Motion was seconded by Roy Richardson. Motion died. President Parker stated that a typewriter is necessary to do the job, so repair it.

District Chairman Marvin "Pete" Lockhart made a motion that the Board of Directors hire an attorney to look into all possibilities and ramifications of the Alcohol and Cigarette Tax. Motion was seconded by Carl Davis, South West P.R. Director. After considerable discussion, Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, stated that with permission of Carl Davis, he would withdraw the motion.

President Parker stated that we are going to oppose the Alcohol and Cigarette Tax going to paid firemen and police pension plans. If bill is going to include volunteer firemen, then we will support it.

Motion was made by Marvin "Pete" Lockhart to adjourn meeting. Motion was seconded by Bob Esserman, North West P.R. Director. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Don Trester, Recording Secretary

# FIREMEN, MY VIEW

By  
JAMES PARKER  
IVFA PRESIDENT

Men, recently the *International Firefighter*, had an article by the Secretary-Treasurer, "Volunteers - My View". Needless to say, I was disappointed that an officer of such a fine organization would have thoughts that went out of style years ago.

"Firefighter" is a profession, whether it be paid or volunteer. The risks are the same, the training is the same and the concern for our neighbors, and their safety should be the same.

The fact is that a man or woman spending 8 hours working as an accountant, carpenter, butcher, baker, etc. and then volunteer his personal time to the fire service can be no different than a man or woman working 8 or 24 hours in the fire service and spending their personal time as an accountant, carpenter, butcher, baker, etc.

No! Gentlemen, a firefighter is a firefighter, whether he be paid or volunteer. The days of letting the barn burn and trying to save the house, of standing outside on the lawn and squirting water on the roof or of blindly charging into a situation and getting injured are over and done with in the fire service.

A firefighter is that individual who knows his job, is qualified to do it and is proud to be able to do it.

If there are departments or men that do not measure up, whether they be paid or volunteer they had well better take stock and improve quickly. The world will pass them by eventually if this is not done.

Paid departments and volunteer departments have in recent years been more dependent on each other for mutual aid. This came about through mutual trust.

Along with trust came mutual training and the knowledge that each was looking at the other as a firefighter.

Our nation gained its greatness in part, by volunteers in all steps of life forging ahead and doing a job where the dollars were not available to hire it done. This is still true today. Our taxpayers of today, you, me, and our neighbors could in no way support a total paid fire service. The volunteer fire service provides protection for approximately 80% of this nation's assessed property value.

Gentlemen, a firefighter is a firefighter no matter what his first or second job may be.

We must continue to improve the fire protection in this country and one way to continue this improvement is to maintain the relationship we have built with our fellow firefighters, paid or volunteer, towards a mutual goal, a fire safe America.

Through heeding the advice and direction of men wanting to improve the fire service and ignoring those few voices of antiquity, we can all accomplish that goal.

Jim Parker  
President of IVFA

# Did You Know

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Roll call was answered by 31 officers, 221 members and 13 guests. Throughout the afternoon, 108 lovely gifts were drawn.

Anna Marie Baker, by-laws committee chairlady, presented the resolutions to be voted on.

Resolution number 1 was on article 2, Section 3 proposed to read: A majority of all votes cast shall be by ballot only, nominations shall be made by the nomination committee and from the convention floor. Each of the nominees shall then be introduced to the members and asked to give their department name, district number and a brief statement in regards to their qualifications for the office. Members shall then vote by ballot for the candidate of their choice. In answer to the roll call of the districts: each chairman shall report totals in her district. In case of a tie vote, the President will then cast her vote to decide the election. With the exception of the roll call of each district, this provision shall also apply to the election of a district chairman and district secretary in each district. By 11B 1st vote 144 no and 78 yes. There must be a two-thirds majority. 2nd vote was 142 no and 79 yes. Motion by Donna Yerston to accept the majority vote. Seconded and passed by a show of hands.

Resolution No. 2 did not pass.

Resolution No. 3 was Article 1, Section 1 proposed to read: The officers of this Auxiliary shall consist of a President, Immediate Past President, 1st Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Sergeant-at-Arms. With the exception of the Immediate Past President, which is automatic, these officers shall be elected annually at the June Convention of the Auxiliary. There shall also be not less than three or more than thirty members of the Board of Directors. The elected District Chairman from each district shall be a director at all conventions and officer's meetings. These officers shall be entitled to voting privileges at all officer's meetings, District Meetings and at all annual Conventions of the Auxiliary. The Immediate Past President is automatically a member of the Board of Directors and shall preside as the Chairman of the Board. All past presidents of the IVFAA, Inc. shall be considered permanent officers and treated as such at officers', districts, and convention meetings and to work as a liaison with IVFA without remuneration. District 7-118 yes, and 104 no. Passed. Done away with the 2nd vice president and all her duties.

Resolution No. 4 was Article V, Section 2, proposed to read: Order of business shall be to complete as much business as possible before memorial services as follows: Opening by Chaplain; Pledge of Allegiance; Sergeant-at-Arms; roll call of officers; announcements; memorial services; reading of minutes of previous meetings; correspondence; bills; department roll call; committee reports; unfinished business; new business; election and installation of new officers; closing by Chaplain. District 7 - 194 yes and 24 no. Passed.

Representatives of State Police INCERT came in and talked. They also thanked the ladies for helping create these programs.

Election of officers:

President-Barbara Surber  
Vice President-Barbara Parker  
Recording Secretary-Nickie Sunday

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## Festivities at Wolcott, IN

On September 20, 1981 the Wolcott Volunteer Fire Department held a hog roast for the department members and their families. Forty-two people attended at the Wolcott City Park for this hopefully to become, annual event. Horseshoe pitching, jarts, volleyball, card games and roller skating were among the activities enjoyed by all.

**Did You Know**

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- Corresponding Secretary-Loretta Nulliner
- Treasurer-Kris Bechtel
- Chaplain-Thelma Lester
- Sergeant-at-Arms-Miriam Schaekel
- Immediate Past President-Lucy Stofer
- District 1 Chairman-Betsy Howe
- District 2 Chairman-Pat Wisniewski
- District 3 Chairman-Carolyn McCarty
- District 4 Chairman-Ella Mae Bectel
- District 6 Chairman-Ralphine Robinson
- District 7 Chairman-Antoinette Sorg
- District 8A Chairman-Kaye Kemper
- District 8B Chairman-Debbie Frazier
- District 9A Chairman-Faye Sallee
- District 10 Chairman-Nancy Neal
- District 11A Chairman-Judy Eads
- District 11B Chairman-Eula Bush
- District 12 Chairman-Mary Brooks
- District 13 Chairman-Virginia Wilson
- District 14 Chairman-Betty Sellmer
- District 16 Chairman-Vi Cambron
- District 21 Chairman-Connie Suter

Barbara Parker asked if she could buy the 2nd Vice President's name bar since the office had been discontinued. Ralphine Robinson made a motion that it be given to her; seconded and passed.

Barbara thanked them all for it.

Installation of officers were held by Ruth Fairfield and committee.

Prayer closed the meeting by Thelma Lester, Chaplain.

At 6:00 p.m. a large crowd attended the banquet held in the Memorial Coliseum.

Norman Crocker, IVFA President, presented the President's Award to Bill Bush from Bono, member of Dana Department and Chairman of District 11B. The award is given by Janet and Bill Goodwin.

Our President, Lucy Stofer, presented a gift from the State auxiliary with a \$1000.00 check to IVFA President Crocker to be used by their Association where it is most needed.

After the banquet, dancing was enjoyed into the wee hours of the night.

Saturday morning came too early for some but the waterball contest started early with much enthusiasm. The winners were - Waterball Ladies: Poe No. 1 in first; second was Adams Co. No. 2; and third was Poe No. 2. Men's Water Ball was first place Poe No. 2; second was Hoagland; third was Poe No. 1; and fourth was Poe No. 3. Women's Bucket Brigade winners were: first Burket; second was Adams Co. No. 3; and third was Poe. Men's Bucket Brigade winners: first was Burket; second was Decatur No. 1; third was Decatur No. 2; and fourth was Poe No. 2. Men's Hose Replacement winners: first was St. Joseph No. 1; second was Laotto; third was Sugar Creek; and fourth was Lacrosse.

Saturday afternoon, marching bands, riflemen units, drill teams, shriner's units, several pretty floats, men and women drill teams and marching units, IVFA officers, Auxiliary officers and plenty of fire equipment paraded from the Coliseum to Parnell Avenue to State St. after which awards were given from the judge's platform.

**LADIES' WATERBALL AND BUCKET BRIGADE**

Start thinking about getting your teams together for waterball and bucket brigade. Entry fee is \$8.00 for each of the two categories. Entry deadline is **MAY 22, 1982.**

At Angola this past September, there were changes made in the International Rules. Be sure you know what they are because we will be going by these at the convention. Keep the rules that are in this issue of the paper.

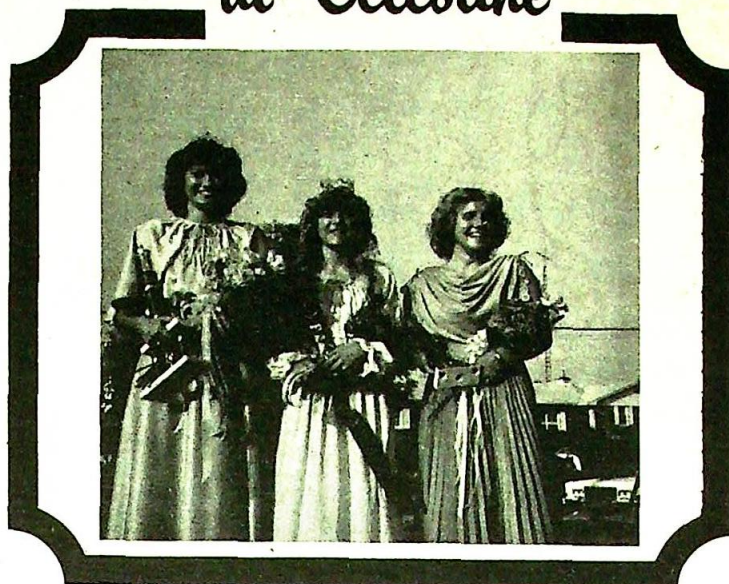
Also, read the IVFA Auxiliary Rules and Regulations for the women.

At the last officers meeting, it was decided to change 1st place individual pins to patches.

Get your teams together and get your entry fee in before **MAY 22, 1982.** Also, please send these registered or certified and bring your receipt with you to convention.

Waterball Chairman  
Joyce Nevil

**Crowning of Ms. Pund at Celestine**



Donna Pund of Ferdinand, left was crowned the 1981 Miss

is 17 and a senior at Floyd Central. Brenda has worked for three years for IUS, and is the daughter of the Assistant Fire Chief, Bob Staser. Congratulations Brenda.

At a meeting held recently, new officers were elected as follows:

- Fire Chief-Bob Staser
- 1st Asst.-Dean Atkins
- 2nd Asst.-David Best
- Captain-Charlie Frieberger
- Captain-Chuck Becht
- Sec./Treasurer-Joe Hunt
- Sergeant-at-Arms-

Herman Buechler

The women's auxiliary has a chicken fry at the fire house on November 15th and 22nd. They plan to redecorate the fire house meeting room with the proceeds from the chicken fry.

Flame of the 18th District Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association at the annual parade held this year at Celestine on Sunday, October 11. She had been elected by the Ferdinand Volunteer Fire Department. Miss Pund is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pund of Ferdinand and a student at Forest Park High School. In the center is Regina Mowery, Hartford Fire Department, the 1981 state Miss Flame. On the right is the 1981 runner-up, Connie Fischer of the Schnellville Fire Department, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fischer.



FEBRUARY

**NEWS TRIVIA**

October was a busy month for the Lafayette Township Volunteer Fire Department in Floyds Knobs, Indiana. Members of the department talked with kindergarten and first grade students at Lafayette Elementary School during Fire Prevention Week. The firemen also visited St. Mary's of the Knobs School.

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# Rules and Qualifications for the Miss Flame Contest, 1982

1. Father, brother, mother or sister must be a volunteer fireman who belongs to the IVFA or a member of the IVFA Auxiliary.
2. Entrant must be single and 15 years of age, but not more than 18 at the time of the IVFA State Convention and must be a resident of the State of Indiana.
3. Not more than one entry from each department in the District contest.
4. Department winner decided at the discretion of the department.
5. District winner decided at the discretion of the District membership of judges selected.
6. Winner of a department to be entered in District wide contest.
7. District winner to be entered in the state wide contest.
8. District winner must have transportation to the State Convention and **MUST HAVE A CHAPERONE.**
9. Department and District may have an alternate in the event the winner is unable to fulfill the title.

10. District winner to be decided by APRIL 1st. The Official Entry and black and white picture sent to the Miss Flame Chairman **NO LATER THAN APRIL 10.**
11. The Host department will pick judges to select the IVFA Miss Flame at the State Convention, prior to the opening Convention meeting on Thursday evening.
12. Winner and Runner-Up will be announced at the ceremonies at the opening convention meeting on Thursday evening.
13. IVFA Auxiliary will furnish appropriate District Designation ribbons which will be presented to the District winners prior to the judging on Thursday.
14. IVFAA will furnish winner: IVFA "Miss Flame" ribbon, flowers, trophy and \$100.00 Savings Bond.
15. IVFAA will furnish: Miss Flame Runner-Up with flowers and \$50.00 Savings Bond.
16. Districts are encouraged but not required to furnish ex-

penses for each District Miss Flame winner entering the State contest.

17. Formal attire to be worn at District and State judging.

18. Judging will be based on appearance, personality, poise, ability in conversation, community involvement and ability to express ideas. All judging scores will be confidential.

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

1. 20 percent on personality (emotion, disposition, individuality).
2. 15 percent on poise (includes carriage, composure, self-control and self-confidence).
3. 15 percent on ability to carry on an intelligent conversation.
4. 15 percent on appearance (grooming and neatness).
5. 10 percent on community involvement (4-H, Church, School, etc.).
6. 10 percent on what she thinks are the benefits of a Volunteer Fire Department in her community.
7. Each state contestant should be familiar with the following topics. The judges will select three of the five (same 3 for each contestant) and ask each contestant to express her thoughts on them.

- 5% for each topic:
- a. National Government
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  - c. Quality of Education
  - d. Christianity
  - e. Inflation

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PARENTS OR GUARDIANS SIGNED CONSENT  
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do hereby give our consent to her participation in the IVFA "Miss Flame" contest. It is our understanding that the IVFA or the IVFAA is in no way obligated or under contract to any person, persons, or firms to supply any requirements for contestants, parents, legal guardian or chaperone.

THE IVFA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL THE CONTEST UPON NOTIFICATION TO ALL PARTICIPANTS.  
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Chairman "Miss Flame" Contest  
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# Weirich is honored Fireman of the Year

SCIPIO TWP.—Jerry Weirich was named "Fireman of the Year" recently by the Scipio Township Volunteer Fire Department during a banquet at the Eagles Hall in LaPorte. He was presented a bronze plaque by Walter Sass, Fire Chief.

Officers of the department were installed by Duane Lantz, chaplain of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association and an honorary member of the department.

Installed were Raymond Doyle, president; Louis Niendorf, vice president; David Koziatek, secretary; Ralph Hibner, treasurer; Sass, fire chief; Phillip Seifert, assistant chief; Ron Kessler, captain; and Wayne Bush, lieutenant.

Lantz introduced members of the fire responder unit including Doyle, Bush and Weirich, and also David Kaufman, Fish Lake, the county's first responder instructor.

They were commended for their united efforts in responding

to calls for help in drastic situations.

Mrs. Wilmer Kimball, president of the Women's Auxiliary was introduced and in turn introduced her officers. Mrs. A.B. Roberts was a guest.

Bruce Kessler, retiring president, conducted a business meeting when plans were made for the family Christmas party at 7 p.m. on December 12 at the Pinola fire station. The evening started with a carry-in supper. Meat, rolls and beverages were furnished.

Lantz gave the invocation for the roast beef and ham supper served to 29 persons by the Eagles Auxiliary.

## HEATED WORDS

Henryville volunteer firefighter Roy E. Richardson discusses the advantages of home smoke detectors with about sixty members of the Henryville Elementary School Parent-Teacher association on October 13th. He then presented a slide show on the topic. The Henryville native is public relations director for the Southeast District of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association.

## Convention Displays Information

It is time again for the volunteer firemen of Indiana to start planning for this year's IVFA (Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association) Convention.

This year the Monroe Township Fire Department of Henryville will be hosting the Convention in Clarksville on June 10, 11, and 12, 1982.

You and your company is invited to join in making the 1982 Convention a success by displaying your fire apparatus or fire related products at Convention Headquarters. Headquarters will be located at the Marriott Inn at the intersection of Stansifer Avenue and I-65.

Inside display areas will be \$50.00 per table for all three days. There will also be a large area of the hotel parking lot for larger displays at a cost of \$50.00 per space for the three days. Additional space will be available for \$25.00 per space.

Extra security will be furnished for the protection of your equipment.

Please make your payments in advance and payable to:

Mr. Harry Sullivan,  
Treasurer  
IVFA Convention-1982  
8514 Brownstown Road  
Henryville, IN 47126

If you have any questions, please contact Display Chairman Billy Roberts, Jackson Township Fire Department, R.R. 1 Box 164, Pekin, Indiana 47165. Home phone 812/967-3518.

Please reply as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made for suitable space for everyone.

## Knightsdown V.F.D. News



Knightsdown Volunteer Fire Department received a grant from the state E.M.S. Commission for auto extrication. This 1970 International 4 wheel drive

truck is equipped with auto extrication and first aid equipment. This truck went into service about the middle of October, 1981.

## GAMES ENTRY FORM

- Hose Replacing Contest
- Waterball Contest
- Bucket Brigade

Fire Department will have a team to compete in one or more of the following contests: Water Ball, Hose Replacement, Bucket Brigade at Clarksville, Indiana on Saturday, June 12, 1982.

An entry fee of \$8.00 for entry in each contest. The \$8.00 entry fee will be kept by the State Association to help defray expenses.

Please check in each square the contests entered by your department.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

All contest entry blanks MUST BE IN OR POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1st, 1982. (To be eligible) All departments that plan to enter should fill out entry blanks and accompany same with \$8.00 entry fee for each contest entered. Send entries to Games Chairman: Robert Surber, 11053 McGregor, Indianapolis, Indiana 46259. If you have any questions phone 317-862-6527. Please bring your own rain gear for each event. Trophies for Waterball, Hose Replacement, and Bucket Brigade will be given. Safety measures to be enforced at contest. Drawing for position is Thursday night, June 10.

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

## New in Wilkinson



Wilkinson recently put into service this new 1981 GMC Tank Truck, 1500 gal. tank, 250 GPM pump, 5 1/2" quick dump valve and was purchased from L and W Sales in Dublin, Indiana.

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**What the National Fire Council Had To Say:**

The meeting was held at Windsor Locks, Conn. on October 17 and 18, 1981. Tennessee has applied for membership, which will bring the member states to a total of 32, with 194 individual memberships.

National Council wants to make a mailing to the departments within the state of the Who, What, Where and Why to promote the Council. The Council will pick up the cost of the mailing.

Smoke Detector kit from F.E.M.A. (Federal Emergency Management Agency), will be in the mail shortly.

Burger King has fire prevention material, with each store (part of

the franchise) this material may be on the shelf in the office but they do have this material for your use.

Public Safety Officers Benefit Act is funded through 1983. 64 Firefighters received benefits in 1980, of this number 72% were volunteer. Death at a fire scene, keep a record of all oxygen given to the victim. Claims have been paid with a 2% level of carbon monoxide in the blood stream.

Jim Casey, the asst. superintendent, National Fire Academy made a report on the activities of the academy.

46,000 plus firefighters were trained by the staff..

41,000 plus were trained in the Outreach Programs for 89%.

34% of all the people in class at the Academy were volunteers.

84% of the people in the field programs were volunteers.

341 courses were offered.

6,318 courses were offered in the Outreach Programs.

The big push now from the Academy will be on Train and Trainer from the Stonebridge meetings.

**Lakes of the Four Seasons gets Lucas Tool and Rescue Rig**



Lakes of the Four Seasons firemen display their newly acquired Lucas tool. Behind them is Unit 64, a rescue and light truck that was just put into service. Unit 64 carries a 7.5KW generator, 6 500 watt lights, the Lucas tool, medical supplies and other rescue equipment.

Pictured are left to right: Lt. Vern Pahl (president) and Chief Rich Yorston with Lt. Fred Armenth.



**Isn't She a Beauty**



Liberty Township Fire Department, 47W 900N, Chesterton took delivery of their 4,000 gallon Pem-Fab-Welch tanker-pumper on November 13th, 1981.

The chassis built by Pemberton Fabricators of Rancocas, New Jersey is rated at 68,000 GVW, the largest chassis ever built by Pem-Fab. The 4,000 gallon drop in tank is also the largest tank built by Welsh Fire Equipment Corporation of Marion, Wisconsin.

The chassis features a 93 inch 6 man low profile cab, Detroit 8-71N, 316 HP Diesel engine, Allison HT740 automatic transmission, 220 in. WB., 18,000 lb. front axle, 50,000 lb. rear axle, 16 and 18 ply Michelin SB tires.

Apparatus includes a Hale CBP-4 PTO pump, left side and rear 5 inch jet dumps, 3-2 1/2 inch tank fill connections, 3-2 1/2 inch pump discharge lines, a 2 1/2 inch pump suction, left and right recessed control panels, full width rear compartments, compartments for three suction hoses and 2-2,100 gallon fold tanks.

The 4,000 gallons of water can be jet dumped in 5 minutes. The loaded weight with 6 man crew and all equipment is 66,000 lbs.

The delivery price including the 4 channel Motorola radio was \$85,000.

Funding was partially revenue sharing from the Township and the rest was raised by the fire department.

Purchase was made from FESSCO - Fire and Safety Equipment, Niles, Michigan and Bob Esserman, sales representative.

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