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Thousands flee as Woodburn battles fire

May 29 - Ohio residents returned to their homes late this morning after they were forced to flee potentially hazardous smoke from a chemical fire at a farm supply house near Woodburn.

But residents of northeastern Allen County were told they might not be allowed home until late this afternoon.

The only injuries reported were about two dozen firefighters treated for smoke inhalation and heat exhaustion at the scene. Eight firefighters were taken to Parkview Memorial Hospital, where they were treated and released.

The Allen County Hazardous Materials team, aided by a Fort Wayne's team, responded with volunteer firefighters from eight county departments when the fire was reported at Maumee Valley Seeds Inc., on Indiana 101 north of U.S. 24, about 5 p.m. Thursday.

The fire started in a pile of wooden pallets outside the west end of the aluminum building and was still burning this afternoon.

The thick, black smoke, which had a rancid odor similar to burning rubber, drifted northeast into Paulding and Defiance counties, Ohio, following the course of the Maumee River and causing concern about the air quality.

When firefighters discovered an open drain in the building had allowed chemicals to flow into the river, authorities feared the Maumee might be dangerously polluted. The Environmental Protection Agency began testing water today to determine the extent of the contamination.

Samples of the water were flown to Ohio State University, and results were expected within 24 hours.

About 20 to 50 gallons of contaminated water drained into the river every minute for six hours before the tile drainage system was plugged, officials said.

As the water backed up behind the plug, it was caught behind a temporary dike. A road to the holding area was being cut today to allow heavy equipment in and remove the water.

By late morning fish in the river were seen bobbing to the surface bottoms-up, but still alive. Indiana Department of Environmental Management spokesman Mark Mauck said the fish "might snap out of it," providing the levels of water pollution are low.

The Maumee River is Defiance, Ohio's, water supply. Defiance's water plant was shut down early today because of the concern about contamination.

Defiance is about 34 miles downstream and the river is flowing about a mile an hour, officials said. Defiance police said reserve water was still available today, but that it was in limited supply.

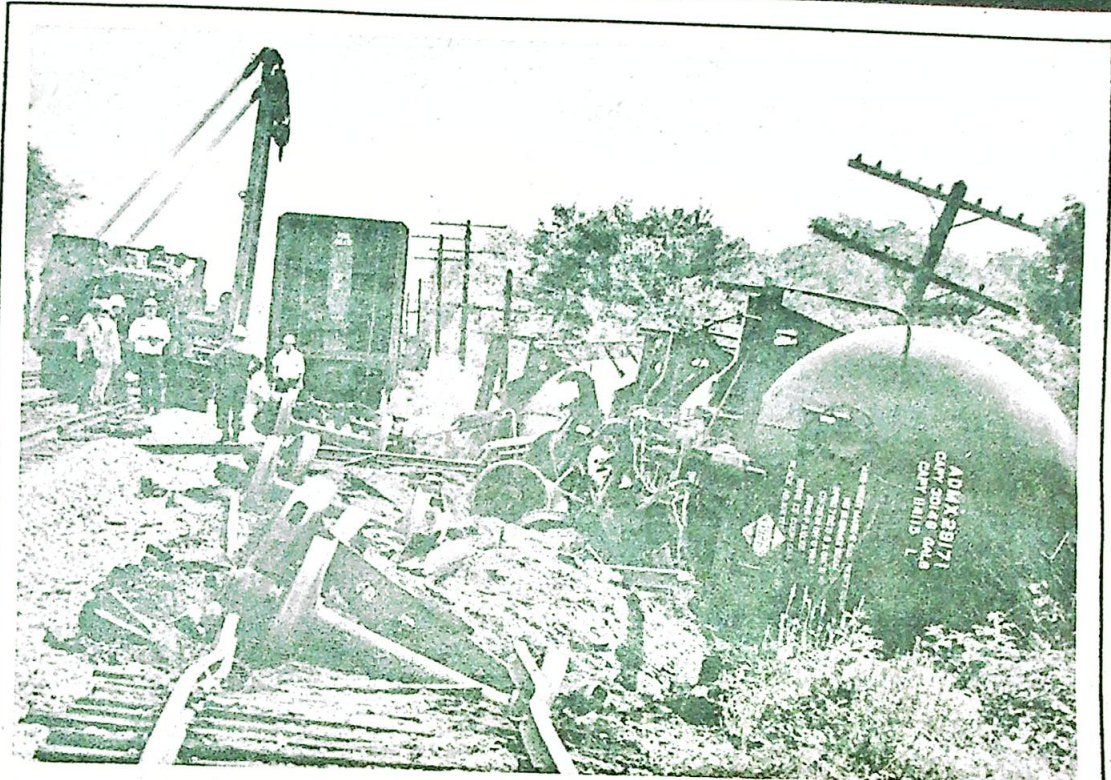
If the reserve supply runs dry, the city has the option of getting water from the Tiffin River or from about three other communities.

DEM technicians and other pollution experts were to enter the building this afternoon to determine whether to let the fire burn itself out or to extinguish the flames.

Authorities also were worried about damage to crops and livestock downwind from the fire.

Dave Camperman, field director for the Allen County Board of Health, advised residents of the affected area to not eat garden vegetables or any food left in the open until further notice. Any

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LaPorte Co. Haz Mat team responds to accident

Railroad crews work to upright two tank cars in Union Mills, IN. The tankers were on a side track waiting to be switched when the track gave way due to rain erosion. One tank car had a small leak which was stopped by the LaPorte Co. Haz Mat team. The cars contained Denatured Alcohol. The Noble Township Fire Department (District 3) stood by in case their services were needed while the tanks were being uprighted.

Photo by Bob Wellnski

Swartz and Lockhart to lead I.V.F.A.

Lawrence Swartz was elected president of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association at the recent I.V.F.A. convention after two terms as vice-president.

Swartz joined the Rensselaer Volunteer Fire Department in 1966 and in 1972 was appointed Fire Chief, a position he has held ever since.

"I think we've got a lot of talent in the fire department," he said. "And I like to think I do a decent job." There are 25 volunteer firefighters in the department.

Swartz has been responsible for helping the department grow in many ways. A new fire station was built in 1976, rescue and extrication services were added, and grants totaling about \$25,000 were received for new equipment, mainly a pager radio system, and fire protection gear.

Three years ago Swartz won the Midwest Award, which is given to one person in each of the association's 26 districts. Each district has between 20 and 50 fire departments, he said. In 1978, he was elected district chairman of District 9B and served in that position until becoming vice-president.

He has also been active with the legislative, clothing, and arson grant committees. He also served as the association's financial chairman of the board for one



Lawrence Swartz

year before becoming vice-president.

His duties as the president include looking after the welfare of the state's volunteer firefighters, which covers the areas of safety, health, and finances; making sure the members are well-trained, working with public education and legislative programs, and promoting new members.

"I want to improve communications between members and their departments, their association, and between the fire departments and elected officials," he said. "I also want to improve the relationship between volunteer and career firefighters. Each has some of the same purposes, yet have separate needs."

Swartz also recently was named to the Indiana Emergency Response Commission, which was created by Gov. Robert Orr. Swartz was in Indianapolis recently to witness the signing of several bills pertaining to firefighting. One bill involved municipal license plates, since some volunteer vehicles were not eligible for them in the past. Swartz said many volunteer departments own their own vehicles.

by Paul Robb
— Republican

M. E. "Pete" Lockhart was also elected to the office of vice-president at the annual I.V.F.A.

convention in Clarksville. Lockhart is a 1957 graduate of Trafalgar High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force Reserve until 1963 and was on active duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

From 1960 until 1965 he worked for Insurance Services Offices (formerly the Indiana Rating Bureau). Since 1975, he has been the manager of Fire and Safety Operations for Indiana University.

In September of 1970, Lockhart joined and helped organize the Bloomington Township Volunteer Fire Department and served as chief from the fall of 1975 until January 1, 1977. He has been a line officer of the fire department since 1977.

He helped start the "Learn Not To Burn" curriculum in the Monroe County School System.

He is a member of I.F.I.A. and in June, 1984, he was appointed by Governor Robert Orr to the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission to represent the Volunteer Fire Service and was reappointed in 1986.



M. E. "Pete" Lockhart



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clothes left hanging outside to dry should be rewashed.

He said the State Board of Health will decide later today about what to do with livestock and dairy cows that may have been in the path of the smoke. Milk from the cows might have to be dumped, he said.

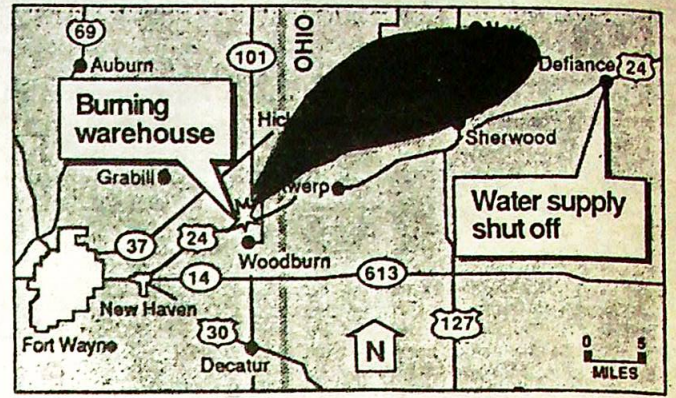
The 80-by-240-foot warehouse stored about 200 common agricultural herbicides, insecticides and fertilizers.

The rear of the building buckled from the heat, and after failing to control the blaze, firefighters decided about 8 p.m. to allow the fire to burn itself out.

Woodburn Fire Chief Ken Rekeweg said the metal roof that fell onto the fire acted as a furnace and kept the fire burning hotter and longer than expected.

Bob Hire, Allen County Emergency preparedness director, said, "Sometimes it's safer to let hazardous chemicals like this burn up. The water runoff from trying to put something like this out could pose more danger to the area - in terms of pollution - than allowing this to burn out."

The EPA tested downwind air samples this morning. At 8 a.m., the agency said tests so far showed the air appeared relatively safe, said Paulding County Sheriff Steven Porter.



Map: John E. Scott/The News-Sentinel

By 9:20 a.m., residents of Paulding County were allowed to return to their homes. The evacuation order for residents of Defiance County was lifted 30 minutes later.

Officials said about 5,000 people had left their homes because of the fire, although the exact number wasn't known because many stayed with friends and family members instead of going to shelters.

At 9 p.m. (Fort Wayne time), the fire was still issuing a thick, black chemical cloud of smoke, which drifted over the Indiana border into Ohio, and Ohio police decided to order the evacuation of the towns at risk in western Defiance County.

The seed company is about

two miles from the Indiana-Ohio state line.

At first, only Indiana residents in the path of the acrid smoke were told by Allen County police to leave their homes for several hours. There was no designated shelter. Some of the people who left went to the Woodburn fire station, and Ohio evacuees spent the night at the Bryan High School in Bryan, Ohio, and in Auburn at emergency shelters.

At 8:10 p.m. Ken Rekeweg, Woodburn fire chief, ordered everyone in a one-mile radius of U.S. 24 and Indiana 101 evacuated to Woodburn, about 2 1/4 miles away.

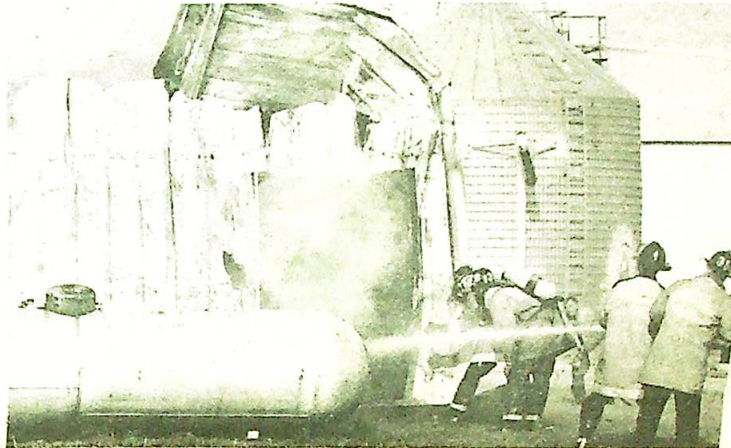
The area near Maumee Valley Seeds is rural and sparsely populated. The house nearest to the seed company, which is surrounded by wheat fields, is 1/8 mile away.

David Mau, general manager of Maumee Valley Seed, said it was the first fire in his company's 18 years of business.

"We had a little bit of everything in there," he said. "It appears what wasn't ruined by the fire is destroyed by the smoke."

Mau could not estimate the damage but said it appeared the fire destroyed 80 percent of his business. He said the company will try to operate out of its other warehouse.

by David Allen and Ron French
- The News-Sentinel
5-29-87



Firefighters from Woodburn Fire Department battle the blaze in the back of Maumee Valley Seeds.

Journal-Gazette (Fort Wayne) photo by Cathie Rowand

Downtown Woodburn fire depletes water supply

About 175 firefighters from several Allen County fire departments and a few in Ohio were dispatched to the blaze, which started about 9 p.m. Wednesday.

In all, the fire destroyed one building and damaged three others.

An apartment building near the fire was evacuated, but no residents were injured, firefighters said.

The fire, which affected the 22000 block of Main Street, strained the city's water supply, which hampered efforts to put out the blaze, according to Jim Chandler, Woodburn assistant fire chief.

He said it took about 175 firefighters about 3 1/2 hours to get the fire under control.

"After 1 1/2 hours we depleted the water tower and had to get water from B.F. Goodrich," he said.

The tower holds 100,000 gallons. The Goodrich plant, about six miles from town, had 2 million gallons available, Chandler said.

Some firefighters were still at the scene at 8 a.m. on Thursday. They were waiting for construction crews to demolish the vacant building where the fire started.

When firefighters arrived, flames were coming out of the roofs of the buildings, and firefighters were not able to get inside right away.

The fire went between the walls of the buildings. Firefighters

could only spray the buildings from the roofs, tops and sides when they first arrived.

"We about had it under control when the water tower went out, so it (the fire) got another start," Chandler explained.

An estimated 30 semi-tankers were used by firefighters to douse the blaze, and many firefighters

were able to leave Woodburn about 2 a.m.

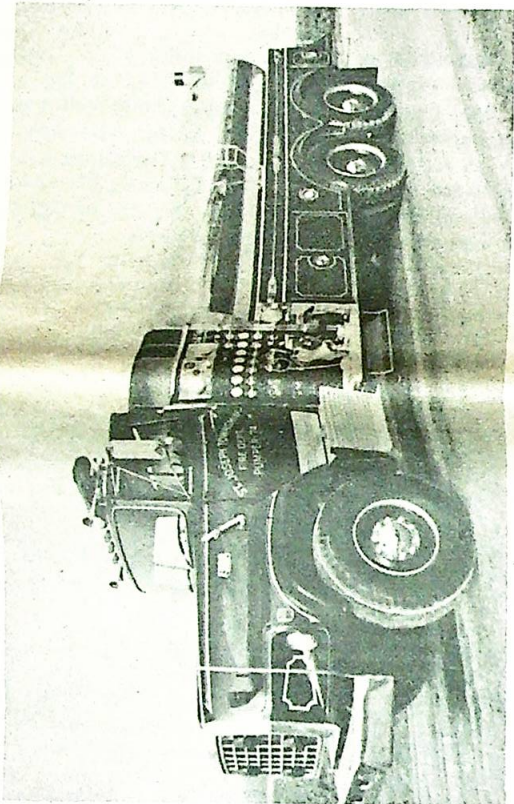
Chandler said fire officials had reached no decision on how the fire started and would search the debris to try to determine a cause.

by Thonnia Lee
- The News-Sentinel
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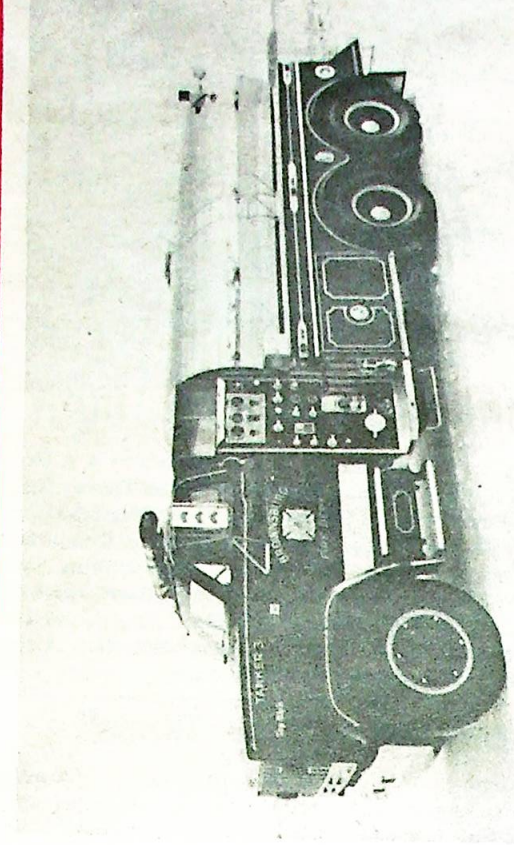


Woodburn's volunteer firefighters have been seeing a lot of action recently. This downtown Woodburn fire depleted their immediate water supply and destroyed a vacant building despite their efforts.

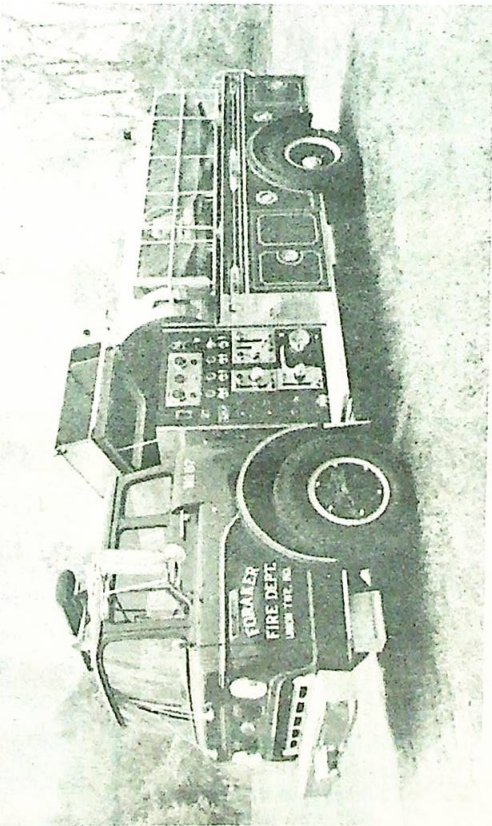
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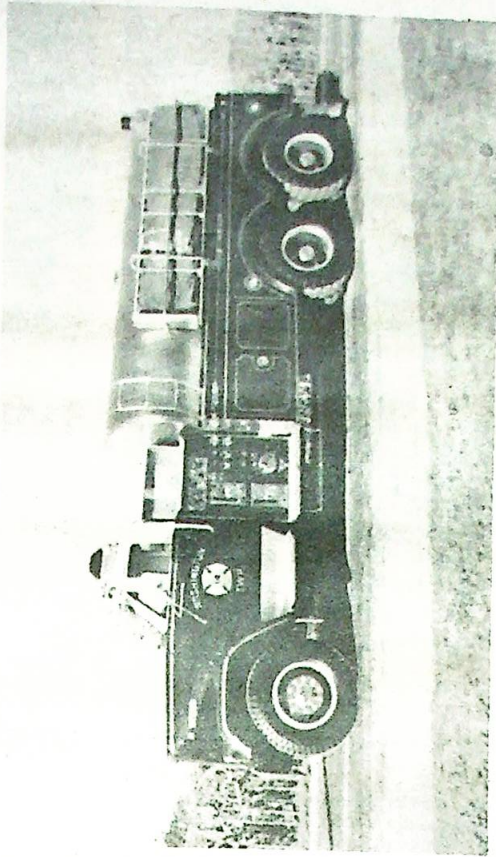
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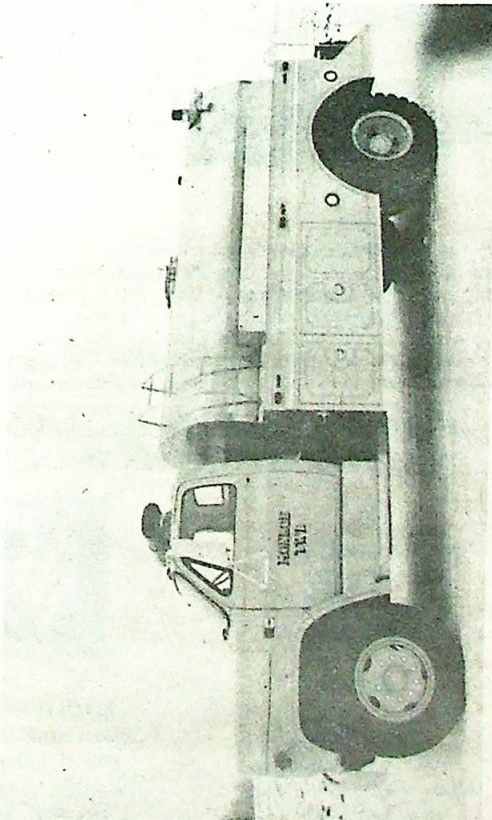
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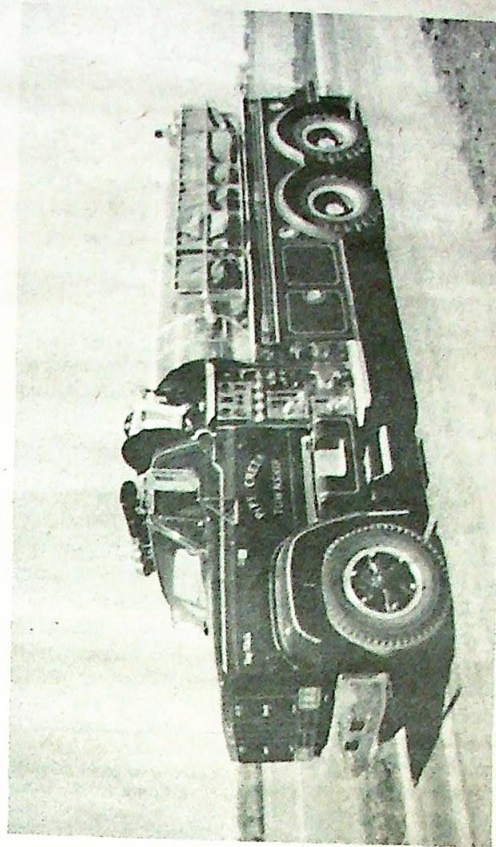
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From Your President - Lawrence Swartz

Fellow firefighters, it is with great pleasure that I am looking forward to serving as your president. I feel we have attained many goals in the past, however, we still have more needs to address. Our goals can only be reached through the efforts of everyone in our organization. You are not just a member or a number, you are an active portion of this association.

Many times, we, as officers, are asked what does the IVFA do for me personally. Sometimes the benefits seem rather small, but when pooled together and working statewide the ultimate goal is to provide statewide the best fire service with well trained firefighters who are protected safely from the hazards of the occupation and doing the job with the best equipment available.

As I have traveled I have found that many of you do not attend district meetings. The meetings are one means by which the association tried to keep you abreast of what is happening to and in the fire service. Plan to have a representative of your department there to report the happenings of the fire service to you.

As president, I want to propose as one of our goals that our association members communicate. We need to promote communication between members of the departments, between association members and officers, and between association members and officers and trustees and city and town officials. Everyone has needs and wants, and those needs and

wants should be addressed. We as officers are here to serve you - it is your organization.

I wish to thank District 14 and everyone who helped with the convention in Clarksville. It appeared that everyone was enjoying themselves and patronizing the display areas. Business was conducted in an orderly swift fashion, allowing free time for many to enjoy the activities. Again, congratulations to everyone in the Clarksville area.

I should never be forgiven if I did not congratulate Father Lantz who is now embarking on his 25th year of service to the association as Chaplain. It is an honor indeed to know him and an even greater honor to serve with him.

For all the members in District 21, I wish to welcome Perry Martin of Sheffield Township Volunteer Fire Department in Dayton, Indiana, as the new chairman. Give him your utmost in support as I am sure Perry, and

Richard Lofland of the Stockwell Volunteer Fire Department, will be giving the District 21 meetings a new course to sail with.

Perhaps last of mention, but very important, I am happy to be working with Marvin "Pete" Lockhart as our Vice President. I feel sure that his expertise as Manager of Fire and Safety Operations at Indiana University will be another asset to our association.

In closing, just one reminder, when calling my work number I am assured of receiving the message from my secretary if I am out of the office at the time of the call. My wife Theda is my secretary, and without her support this position could be difficult to fulfill.

Thanks to all of you and we look forward to seeing you at the meetings.

Respectfully,
Lawrence Swartz
Your President

You ought to be in pictures -

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Batesville firemen celebrate 100th

Members of the Batesville Volunteer Fire Department are: (front row, left to right) Harold Ellighausen, Tim Flodder, Denny Koch, Fran Effinger, Dan Fischmer, Ed Gerdowsky, Steve Marticke, Mike Gutzwiller, Dale Williamson; (middle row) Dwayne Schoetmer, Alvin Prickel, Greg Lindemann, Jay Pfeiffer, Steve Nobbe, Steve Macke, Jim Hodges, Robert Salatin, Leon Vinup; (back row) Bill Wintz, Ken Lergen, Don Weberding, Nick Doll, Fire Chief Don Weigel, Bob Narwold, Don Eisert, Denis Schutte, Urban Brackman, Jim Wintz. Not present: Jim Minneman.

Farmland's convention-goers say "Thanks"

Dear Fellow Firefighters:

We, the convention-goers from the Farmland Fire Department, would like to say "thanks" to the best group of guys any one department could ask for.

Thanks for being here during the Lions Club Fair.

Thanks for being here to man the department and for making the bozo tank a big success. Thanks to the police department, county and city, I.S.P. for their help during the "lean" week.

Thanks to the auxiliary and all the volunteers who helped keep everything under control while the Lions Club Fair and I.V.F.A. convention was in full swing.

There is not enough thanks to be said for all of those who stayed

behind and kept Farmland together while the convention-goers and fair-goers kept Farmland alive in both places. There are too many names to mention, so if you see them out and around our fair city, say thanks.

Sincerely,
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Bill & Rachel Savage
Jack & Trish Bunner
Bill & Tammy Klisavage
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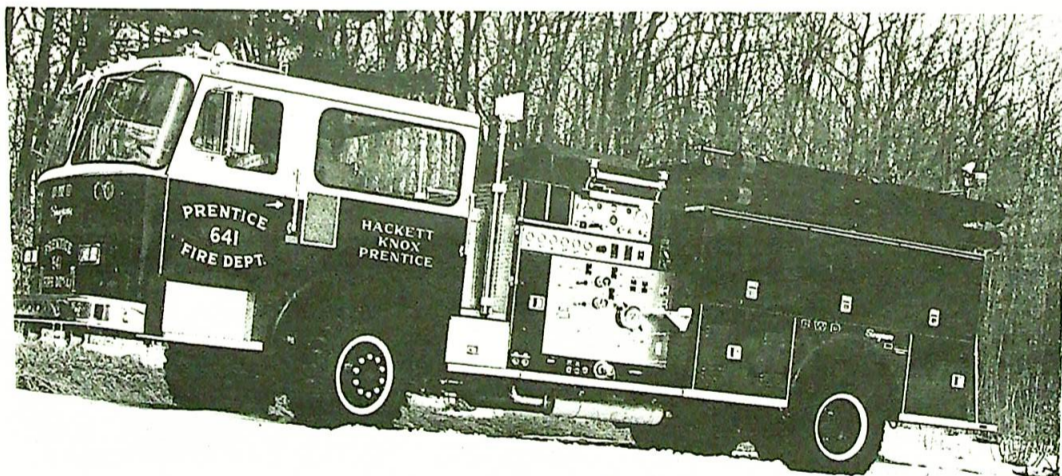
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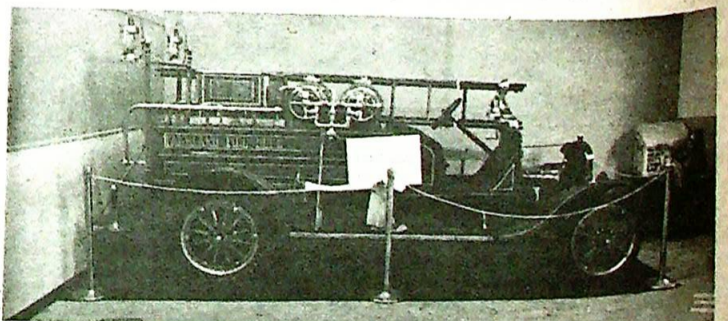
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Even a chief and I.V.F.A. president has to take a break. Here he is at "teatime." The little tea pourer is from Pennville Fire Department serving under the watchful eyes of her mom & dad.



All proceeds from Farmland Fire Department's Fish Fry on April 25th went to remodel Farmland's 1922 Model "T".



Pictured are Chief Sunday and 2nd Assistant Chief Williamson with District 8B Miss Flame Melinda Bone.

FROM YOUR CHAPLAIN Duane Lantz



St. Matthew Chapter 26 Verses 38-45

Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.

And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.

And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?

Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done.

And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy.

And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words.

Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

Thanks to the chairman, Bob Masters and his group for a good convention, and thanks to his mother for the beautiful red cross Bible marker. It will be used many times. Also thanks to Toddy Michl and his group for the cross for our Memorial Service and the new skirting. It was beautiful. Thanks for voting me back in as your Chaplain - this is the twenty-fifth time you did this for me.

Congratulations are in order for Miss Flame - all of the contestants are winners. Also to Carl Davis - Mr. I.V.F.A., and Caroline McCarty, the Lois Boaz Award Winner. We also want to congratulate Jack Ford for the Governor's Award. He well deserves it.

At the Convention Memorial Service after all of the roses were placed, I couldn't help but feel a tremendous emotional pain and agony, heart heavy and eyes full of tears. I realized Jesus' suffering was far greater than mine.

Jesus, as well as we, on earth experienced suffering throughout his life. Because He was fully human, He probably felt pain and His emotions to their fullest extent. If I could feel pain, then His pain must have been of greater intensity than I ever imagined. Matthew says that grief and anguish came over Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane and that the sorrow in His heart was so great that it almost crushed Him. I too, as I looked at the lighted cross and roses felt crushed.

As we stand before the Cross of Christ we can feel all of our weaknesses. As we venture into a New Year let each of us lay our weaknesses at the foot of the Cross, only this will make the I.V.F.A. strong.

"For the Sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, for when I am weak, then I am strong." *2 Corinthians 12:10*

As we offer God our strengths, let us also offer God our weaknesses. Let us remember yesterday, dream about tomorrow, but live for today. . . but never let yesterday use up today. This New Year with all of its promise, let us never forget to thank God for it. As I work in my flowers, my church, the I.V.F.A., all the many other functions of my life, many times a day as things go good or bad, I take time out to

just say, "Thank You, Lord Jesus, For Being So Good."

MORE OF THEE. . . LESS OF ME

Take me and break me and make me, dear God,
Just what you want me to be—
Give me the strength to accept what you send
And eyes with the vision to see
All the small arrogant ways that I have
And the vain little things that I do,
Make me aware that I'm often concerned
More with Myself than with You.
Uncover before me my weakness and greed
And help me to search deep inside
So I may discover how easy it is
To be selfishly lost in my pride—
And then in Thy goodness and mercy
Look down on this weak, erring one
And tell me that I am forgiven
For all I've so willfully done.
And teach me to humbly start following
The path that the dear Saviour trod
So I'll find at the end of life's journey
"A HOME IN THE CITY OF GOD."

Helen Steiner Rice

The Monday after Convention, Grace and I left for a vacation in Florida. Our two children who live there sent us free tickets, so we could hardly refuse. It was very hot, but we did get a nice rest, went to Epcot Center, Cypress Gardens, and even took a swim in the salty waters of the Gulf. By the time we got home our garden was full of weeds, and we have been fighting them ever since. We hope all of your gardens are growing and give you a beautiful harvest of good things to eat.

This Sunday go to the Church of your choice - you'll like it.

From your Vice President- "Pete" Lockhart

It was with great pride that I accepted the office of the Vice President - pride, not in myself, but in the I.V.F.A. and what it means to the fire service in Indiana. The leadership which the I.V.F.A. has shown over the years certainly has a humbling effect on any new officer coming into office. With this in mind, I would like to ask for each member's support and input.

The officers of the Association are much like a computer; the better the ideas put into them, the better the results coming out of their meetings, etc. On the other hand, if we get garbage in, you may get garbage out.

I hope to meet as many members of the I.V.F.A. as possible this year and would appreciate your ideas, criticisms. If you have compliments for the Association, please send them to President Swartz. It will be a great pleasure working with Lawrence. For those of you who may not know him, you will find him to be a gentleman of the highest integrity who has a great concern for his fellow man.

In closing, I would like to once again thank everyone for their support and I pledge mine to you, the members of the I.V.F.A.

HTABFS
Pete

Blooming Grove VFD is planning ninth annual festival for August 14-15

The Blooming Grove Volunteer Fire Department will stage their ninth annual Fireman's Festival on Friday and Saturday, August 14-15.

On Friday, the firemen will be serving their famous fish dinners from 5 to 8 p.m. (Indiana time). The meal will include fish (prepared fresh by the firemen), potato salad, baked beans, cole slaw, sliced tomatoes, and drink.

On the menu, Saturday from 4 to 8 p.m. will be delicious chicken dinners (also prepared by the firemen), served with mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cole slaw, sliced tomatoes, cake and drinks.

Carry out will be available both Friday and Saturday evenings.

For light eaters or for that late evening snack, a sandwich booth will be available each evening until the crowd leaves to go home. Featured at the booth will be hot dogs, coney dogs, and barbeque sandwiches.

A number of games will be available during the evening for your entertainment and enjoyment, also prizes and giveaways. The Blooming Grove firemen and Ladies Auxiliary offer something for all ages (young and old alike).

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Search is on for REAL HEROES, 6-12

Hasbro, Inc., makers of the classic G.I. Joe action figure, is searching nationwide for those children, ages 6-12, who can be honored as a Real American Hero.

According to "The G.I. Joe Search for Real American Heroes," a hero is a person who performs a courageous deed and is the central figure in an event, period or movement. Judging will be based on the nominees' performance of a heroic deed such as the following: 1. a life-threatening feat, e.g. water or fire rescue; 2. community service deeds, e.g. food drives for underprivileged children or social programs for the elderly; 3. personal achievement in the face of unusual circumstances; 4. helping other individuals attain personal goals and achievements.

There is no purchase of any G.I. Joe product required for "The G.I. Joe Search For Real American Heroes." The search begins June 1, 1987, and all nominations must be received by August 31, 1987. Local organizations or associations, newspapers, children and individuals may nominate a child. There may be only one nomination for a specific deed. (The person (s) nominating a child must obtain consent from the child's parent/legal guardian prior to submitting the nomination. The same must be done if a child is nominating another child.) All nominees must be residents of the United States.

Winners will be selected under the supervision of The Independent Judging Organization Inc., a subsidiary of Comart Associates, Inc., whose decisions are final on all matters relating to this search. By entering this search, nominees accept and agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of the judges shall be final. All nominations shall be based entirely on the committee's assessment of the heroic nature of the nominee's deed, with no discrimination as to race, creed, color, sex or national origin. No correspondence about nominations will be entered into by Hasbro, Inc.

When nominating a child, make sure that the description is brief and does not exceed 500 words. For judging purposes, submit information on a standard 8 1/2 x 11 piece of paper. Nominations will not be returned and will become the sole property of Hasbro, Inc., with all rights, including the right to edit and publish any nomination without consent or further consideration or payment from the individual submitting the nomination, the nominee or the nominee's parent or legal guardian. Hasbro, Inc., is not responsible for lost or misdirected mail. In order for a nomination to be valid it must contain the name, current address and telephone number of the person making the nomination as well as the child being nominated. In addition, the heroic deed must have been performed after January 1, 1986, and proof of the heroic deed, e.g., witness account, newspaper clipping or radio/television transcript, should accompany all nominations.

There will be two judging phases for the search:

1. The judging committee will announce 51 winners on September 9, 1987. At least one winner will be selected from each state, and the District of Columbia, unless no entries are received from a particular state. The 51 winners will receive an official G.I.

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Joe Real American Hero Medal commendation in September and will be eligible to become one of ten national winners. (The same judging criteria used to pick 51 winners will be used to determine ten national winners.)

All parents/legal guardians and 51 winners will be required to sign an affidavit verifying truthfulness of nomination, eligibility and liability/publicity releases.

2. The ten national winners will be announced by September 18, 1987. All winners will be notified by mail.

The ten national winners will receive a three-day trip to Washington, D.C., with an approximate prize value of \$6,000 which includes hotel, meals, roundtrip airfare, bus transportation and local sightseeing. National winners must be accompanied by one adult who is a parent or legal guardian. Winners/guests will arrive in Washington, D.C. on the eve of Saturday, October 17, 1987.

An awards ceremony and banquet will be held on the final day of the visit to honor the ten G.I. Joe Real American Heroes. Depending on availability, invited guests will include senators and congressmen attending heroes, and other government dignitaries. All winners and guests will depart Washington, D.C. on the afternoon of Tuesday, October 20, 1987.

If you know a child who you think is a real American Hero, send your nominations to:

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New York, NY 10116

Six months following the search's completion, a list of winners can be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: G.I. Joe Hero Search, Cohn & Wolfe, One Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010.

There are no substitutions for prizes permitted. All tax liability will be sole responsibility of winners. If winners wish to have more than one person accompany

OFFICERS MEETING

Rodeway Inn, Indianapolis
May 2nd and 3rd, 1987

The quarterly officer meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. by President Sunday. Vice President Swartz led in the pledge to the flag after which the Invocation was given by Chaplain Lantz.

President Sunday called for the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. Bob Esserman made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Tom Sellmer seconded the motion. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Officer Reports:

President Sunday reported on places he had been to, not to and some he would have liked to have been to, if time would have permitted. He stated that he had covered a lot of miles.

Vice President Swartz reported on the traveling he had done. He also reported on the District meetings that he had attended and where he spoke on improving the attendance at the meetings.

Treasurer Stofer gave the financial report and pointed out some areas where we have already gone over budget but overall the financial picture looks pretty good at this time.

Recording Secretary Nevil passed.

Secretary Bechtel stated that he was going to pass the new listing from the computer out tonight and he explained what was all on the listing. No discussion would be held tonight as he wanted everyone to look them over and list any questions to be answered the following day. He stated that as of today we have a paid up membership of 15,161.

Chaplain Lantz spoke on several of the Memorial Services that he had been a part of, several of which were for young firefighters.

Sergeant-at-Arms Bush stated that not all orders will be filled that he received but he has plenty of material with him.

All Past Presidents in attendance passed.

Public Relations Directors:

NW Howe was absent.

NE Kinsey stated that he has been busy attending meetings. Most of the complaints are of the same kind he is getting at the District meetings and different local departmental meetings.

WC Michl has been making the meetings and things are going well. He said that he is working to try to get chairmen in Districts 20 and 21.

EC Windsor reported that things are going well.

SW Davis has done some traveling. He also gave a brief report on the fire school held in the area recently.

SE Richardson gave a report on the meetings he had attended.

District Reports:

D1 Esserman spoke on the programs at the District meetings as well as some other meetings that he had attended.

D2 Reed said things are going smoothly and thanked the officers for attending the meetings.

D3 Sabie absent.

D4 Ferro absent.

D5 Smith absent.

them, all extra expenses incurred will be the sole responsibility of individual winners or family. This search is void where prohibited. Employees of Hasbro, Inc., its subsidiaries, promotion and advertising agencies, contest judges and their families are not eligible.

D6 Sanders also thanked the officers for attending the meetings this year.

D7 Sorg reported that the fire school was well attended.

D8 Fleener commented on some problems in the district and spoke briefly on the district meetings.

D8B Nickens stated that three deaths have occurred in his area since the last meeting and he also thanked the officers for attending the meetings.

D9A Sutton thanked all the officers that had attended the meetings this year.

D9B Parrish has had no problems and some traveling has been done to other departments.

D10 Neal has several things going on. A lot of work has been done and attendance has improved at the meetings.

D11A Biggs was absent but Clyde Gotch setting in for him had no report.

D11B Osborne was absent.

D12 Johnson reported that he has some of the same video tapes that the Fire Marshal's office has and they are available if needed.

D13A Nulliner absent.

D13B Kahal absent.

D14 Sellmer commented on classes for fire fighters that are going on in his area and spoke briefly on time spent with Jack Ford during the legislative session.

D15 Seitz stated that the first fire school is over and the second is scheduled in August. He also thanked the officers for attending the meetings. He reported that preparation is underway to have a bid for the 1989 convention in Evansville.

D16 Atkins no report.

D17A Engle gave the last meeting report and commented on some problems in the district.

D17B Lockhart reported that he has been busy attending meetings locally as well as in Indianapolis.

D18 Wininger in his report stated that the fire school is all set. It will be in June at French Lick.

D19 Weigel said that things are going well in the district.

D20 No chairman.

D21 No chairman.

Committee Reports:

Games: Mendel has met with the Convention Games Committee. The committee is working hard to get participation up and the possibility of having a double elimination at the convention is being discussed. Registration will be open until 8 p.m. on Thursday of this year's convention. Everything should be ready to go at Convention time.

Safety: Parrish had no report.

I.N.C.E.R.T.: Biggs was absent. President Sunday reported that Larry Biggs has been elected Secretary of the Organization and his wife is now one of the area co-ordinators.

Clothing: Lockhart reported that they have refused payment on one claim because it did not happen at a fire.

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Letters to the Editor -

Dear Sir:

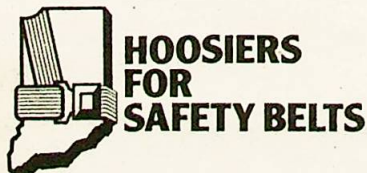
Recently, due to my involvement in the fire service and other community activities, I have been asked to head a task force for a non-profit group located in Indianapolis called: "Hoosiers for Safety Belts" (One North Capitol, Suite 1240, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2248). Our group located in the south is called: "Hoosiers for Safety Belts - Southwest." . . . As all of us in the fire service should be very aware of the importance of wearing safety belts and WE SHOULD ALL BE WEARING THEM!! I hope that you may make all of the departments aware of this organization. Also, there is a group called: "Indiana Association of Women Highway Leaders," who are working with HSB. They are going around the state recognizing "survivors." That is people who escaped either serious injuries or death by wearing safety belts.

Recently, a news conference was held in Evansville to honor eleven people who lived because

of wearing belts. Mike Phillips, a member of the Indiana State Representatives and House Minority Leader, was one of those included in the group.

As people who have saved others from injury by extricating them or just removing them from a vehicle, we are made aware of survivors. Please pass on their names to the organization so others may be made aware of the importance of wearing belts. Probably one of the worst things I see are firefighters responding to an alarm or car wreck, standing in jump seats, or on side boards and not wearing any type of protective equipment. And I have seen this not once but several times during the past year. If you need further information, please contact either myself (9901 St. Wensel Rd., Evansville, IN 47712) or Jeffrey Diver, Executive Director for Hoosiers for Safety Belts (see address above).

Sincerely,
James L. Werner
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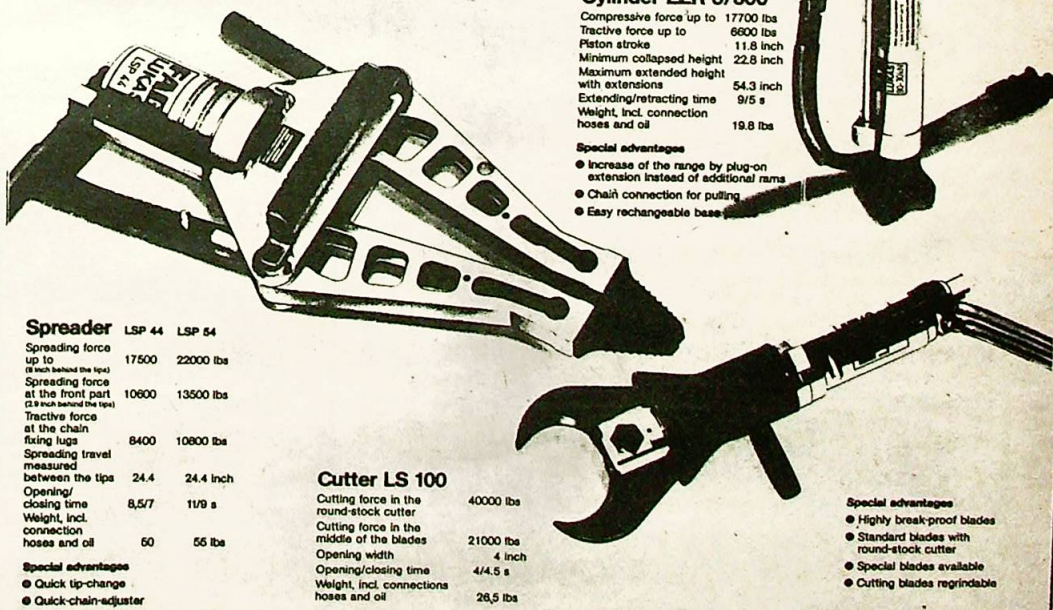
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Membership: Bruns discussed the papers that he had passed out at the last meeting.

Public Education: Parker said that the video on Smoke Detectors was scheduled for production on May 7th.

E.M.S.: Weigel had no report.

Historical Update: Sutton questioned what approach should be used to get all the information compiled and in record form again. A short discussion followed with nothing being resolved at this time.

Due to the time of 5:03 p.m., President Sunday recessed the meeting until 7:30 p.m. in the same location.

At 7:35 p.m. President Sunday called the meeting back to order. He went over the agenda for activities during the upcoming convention and then stated that we would continue with the reports.

Editor's Assistant: Howe was absent but President Sunday said the paper was going to be late this issue.

Fire Prevention and Building Safety: Lockhart commented that the rehabilitation code is still being reviewed.

Standards and Education: Kinsey was absent.

Photography: Photographer Neal in his report stated that all material for the book had been forwarded to President Sunday.

Training and Fire School: V.P. Swartz said the Training Committee did not meet. On fire schools he encouraged all to contact him for the insurance papers. On awards he thanked all districts for getting the names in for the Mid-West Awards. We are 100% on this award. On other awards he said the name has been decided for the Ollie Sanburgh also.

He stated that he had been approached by the Bert Ketchum family and they would like to sponsor an award of some type. They will take care of all the details. Carl Davis made a motion that the award committee meet with the Ketchum family and proceed with the award. Roy Richardson seconded the motion. A short discussion followed on different types of awards or presentations that could be made. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Resolutions: Michl reported that only one resolution will be presented on the convention floor. A short discussion followed on the resolution.

Public Service: Jim Parker explained how the distribution of the video programs for Public Service Announcements was going to be handled.

Insurance: Stofer spoke on the medical insurance coverage we have and some things that are being looked at to get it increased.

President's Advisory: President Sunday deferred any comments on this until the following day.

Secretary Bechtel went over some problems, solutions and alternatives on the computer work. He also updated the paid up departments listing and the correct way for filling out all forms.

Treasurer Stofer requested that the audit committee meet in his room at 10 a.m. on Thursday during the convention.

At 9:38 p.m., President Sunday recessed the meeting until 9 a.m. the following day.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:03 a.m. on May 3rd with the In-vocation by Chaplain Lantz. President Sunday said that we would then continue with the reports.

Standards and Education: Kinsey reported that the 2nd Class lesson plan has been printed twice and they are out again. The 1st Class should be ready for field testing soon and that the 24 hour mandatory training program is being worked on.

D13A Nulliner has been visiting the departments to try and improve attendance at the district meetings.

D11A Osborne reported that attendance and programs have been well attended and good.

Secretary Bechtel passed out the latest printout to the district Chairmen and P.R. Directors.

N.V.F.C.: Goodwin explained some of the programs going on thru the council. The Federal Death Benefit Fund will not pay on a claim, if the blood alcohol content is 2% or better. He also noted that ambulance and rescue personnel are now covered under this act. In all cases it must be stated that it is their duty to protect lives and property of the community they serve. Marshal Goodwin presented a video tape to President Sunday from the N.V.F.C.

Bob Fleener made a motion that the tape be presented to the State Fire Marshal's office with the understanding that acknowledgement be given the I.V.F.A. Sutton seconded the motion. Motion carried by a voice vote.

President Sunday read a letter from St. Joe Township, Allen County, concerning some changes in the emergency flashing light laws. It was stated that the changes they are seeking in no way concern our present blue light law. A short discussion followed with no action being taken as the letter is going to be read and discussed on the convention floor.

Legislator Ford gave his report and it will appear in the paper.

Old Business:

Treasurer Stofer reported that book sales were a total of \$165,000 this year and that the association will receive 15% of the total sales.

Board Chairman Lockhart stated that the vouchers were not being forwarded to him as they should.

New Business:

President Sunday said that we are 390 members short of last years membership at this time. He also stated that Sellmer has been replaced by Sutton on the audit committee.

Communications:

President Sunday read a letter from the Chesterfield Fire Department concerning a problem they have with the I.V.F.A. and the Fire Marshal's office. He would send a reply to the letter.

He also read a letter from the I.S.P. Alliance requesting the names of any deceased firemen in the last year to be added to the plaque in the State Capitol Rotunda and he asked the officers to get these names to him as soon as possible so he could get them turned in.

In other matters he reported that the Farm Bureau again requested that we reinstate the Award of Excellence program. He will handle it in the same way as before.

Good of the Order:

President Sunday on behalf of all the officers thanked Stofer for the name tags.

At 10:51 a.m. Esserman made a motion to adjourn. Weigel seconded the motion. Motion was carried by a voice vote.

Board of Directors:

Chairman Lockhart called the meeting to order at 10:52 a.m. and asked for the reading of the minutes. Esserman made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Sellmer seconded the motion. Motion carried by a voice vote.

A short discussion was held concerning the paying of vouchers with only two signatures the last meeting. Sanders made a motion that we approve the signing of the last vouchers with only two signatures. Parrish seconded the motion. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Chairman Lockhart asked President Sunday what the additional help cost in the Secretary's office. President Sunday said that the only thing right now is that 300 additional man hours were required. The dollar figure will be given later.

A discussion on membership cards thru the computer on a yearly basis was discussed. Winger made a motion that this be done on a yearly basis. Richardson seconded. After a short discussion the second as well as the motion was withdrawn. Winger made a motion to check on prices for the paper cards and report back at the next meeting on the various quotes. Richardson seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Chaplain Lantz requested permission to purchase grave markers as his supply is about gone. Esserman made a motion that Chaplain Lantz get price quotes on quantity discounts of 250 and 500 and purchase at the best price. The motion was seconded by Parrish and carried by a voice vote.

Gene Stofer made a motion that the meeting be adjourned after the Benediction by Chaplain Lantz. Esserman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m. after the Benediction.

Respectfully submitted,
Ivan Nevil, Recording Secretary

PLEASE HAVE ALL COPY for the next issue of the I.V.F.A. Newspaper in the Editor's office no later than September 20, 1987.

SECRETARY'S REPORT



LEE KISSELL

I.V.F.A. Members,

As your new Secretary, I want to let you know who I am and how I plan to handle my new job. After a long, tiring ride in a rented truck and with much help from District 19 Vice-Chairman Paul Hildebrand, the office equipment was finally moved to my home on July 11. Thanks also to Doug Bechtel who provided instructions about the job, and to Lawrence Swartz and Bill Sunday who helped load the truck at Doug's house in Elkhart.

I have been in the fire service for ten years in my home town of Moores Hill. I served as Chief of our fifty member department since 1980, during which time I witnessed many changes in the fire service. The IVFA has also undergone numerous changes, which have resulted in a better organization for all of us.

I became District 19 Chairman in 1981, when Carl Bruns was elected Vice-President. During that time, my wife, Mary, organized an Auxiliary for District 19. I stepped down from the Chairman's position in 1986.

The fire service has provided a great opportunity to learn many new things. It has also prompted me to seek a college degree in fire service administration, which I am working on now. I became experienced in computers when I changed our department operations to a computer system in 1984. I am also serving as a County Councilman in Dearborn County, beginning this year.

It took two days to get the I.V.F.A. computer up and running. I quickly discovered that the program being used was not operating efficiently. Three evenings later, with the program rewritten, we are now able to quickly enter and retrieve information. When I say "we", I mean my wife and myself, as she is working along with me.

Our mailing address is: I.V.F.A., P.O. Box 301, Moores Hill, Indiana 47032. My home telephone number is 812-744-3686. I hope to have a separate telephone line for the I.V.F.A., if approved at the officer's meeting August 1. I'll let you know.

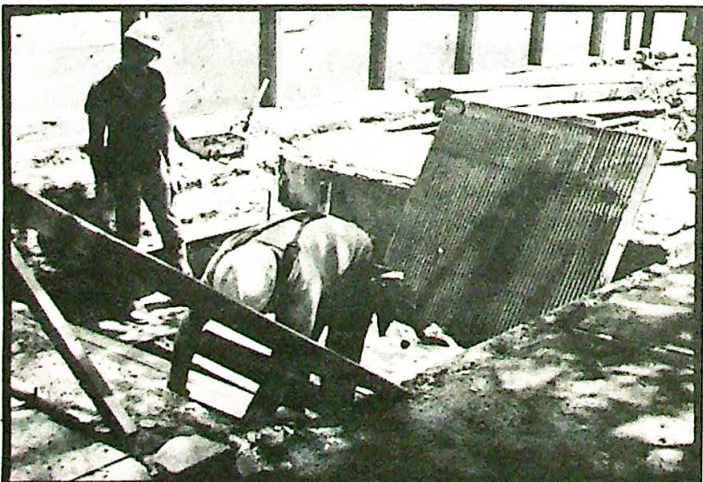
If you have problems or questions, please call in the evening if possible, as I do have a full time job as an electronics technician. If Mary is home, she should be able to help if you must call during a weekday.

The Secretary's job will certainly not be easy at first, as I have much to learn about the job and the mail is coming in every day. By the time you read this, everything should be running smoothly and up to date.

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Notes from Morristown
Another annual convention is a part of our history. A big thank you to all the people of District 14. We were made to feel welcome in southern Indiana.

Congratulations to all the award winners, Carolyn McCarty; Carl Davis; Dawn Lemmons from District 10, and Karen Sorg District 7.

The women's waterball winner was a team composed of auxiliary members from District 10 that were at convention. Again, there was only one entry in the women's cart race, Sugar Creek #1. Ladies, let's get some more teams in both games - waterball and cart race. It's not too early to think about a team for June '88.

I wish to thank all of the 1987 - 88 I.V.F.A.A. committees for their support and hard work.

Ladies, your dues are payable now, delinquent after September 30. Send \$2.00 per member to Nancy Neal.

Start sending your nominations for the Lois Boaz Award to Loretta Nulliner, Barbara Ketchum or Carolyn McCarty.

If any I.V.F.A.A. Officers can be of assistance to your auxiliary, please feel free to contact us. Our address and phone numbers are listed elsewhere in this paper.

Have a nice summer.
Loretta J. Nulliner
I.V.F.A.A. President

DISTRICT 10

The 10th District held their quarterly meeting at Fountain-town at the fire station on May 18, 1987, with a picnic theme. After hot dogs and coney's the President Debbie Nulliner opened the meeting with a prayer by Vivian Thomas and the Pledge to the Flag.

Among the guests that were introduced were State President Loretta Nulliner, District Miss Flame Dawn Lemmons, State Vice President Toni Sorg, Ruth Fairfield, Fort Wayne, and Mary Stafford, Barb Surber, Barb Parker and Miriam Schaeckel, all past officers of District 10.

After the usual business was finished, the Inez Jeffries award was presented to Vivian Thomas by Mary Stafford and Barb Surber. Vivian thanked everyone for the award.

Toni Sorg had the "Lucky Doe Doll" for the convention and announced that the Superior Ex-trication System and George Walda sponsored the tickets for the doll.

The next meeting will be at Fairland at 6:30.

After the meeting adjourned, a Hidden Auction was enjoyed by all.

Ruth Vahle
Secretary

The lady we have chosen for the Inez Jeffries Award is a mother of three, grandmother and a great grandmother. She likes to travel and as an active member of her auxiliary she has held every office in her local.

She promotes "Keep Grand-ma Off The Street - Legalize Bingo." She and her husband are celebrating fifty years of marriage this year and are the only couple in their department that can boast that they have thirty years each in their fire department. This lady is very active in the 10th district, pushing raffle tickets for the lucky Doe Doll and donating afghans to the district at different times to help raise money for the district.

She is active in Marion County, having held every office. She is none other than our District Chaplain... Vivian Thomas.

Hello Ladies:

Well, another convention has come and gone and District 10 has made its mark again.

First, I want to thank District 14 for hosting the convention. Next I want to thank all the ladies that attended the Friday morning and afternoon meetings. We had a good selection of ladies representing our district, even if there weren't many of us. We had Acton, Burney, Fairland, Hope, St. Paul, Warren Twp., 1 individual and 1 guest. We also had Fountaintown, and Sugar Creek represented with our officers.

I would like to say thank you to our out-going State Miss flame, DeAnna Robinson from Fairland in District 10. You did a fabulous job representing the state. That also goes for Mom, Dad, and Sis, too. It was a definite team effort!

It seems that DeAnna has started a trend for District 10 because the State Miss Flame position was filled by another District 10 gal. This of course is Dawn Lemmons of St. Paul. I'm sure Dawn was very surprised and happy. I know Dawn will represent the state in the fine tradition of all the State Miss Flames.

District 10 was not forgotten at the games on Saturday. We had 2 teams entered. The first team was the last-minute waterball team. They consisted of Bea Walker, Barb Surber, Debbie Nulliner, Jeanette Lemmons (Miss Flame's mom), and Janice Denton. There were only 3 ladies' waterball teams - District 10, District 8B and Penn South. Since this was a double elimination competition, we really had to work, but it paid off!! We won 1st place.

The second team in the games was Sugar Creek - #1 in the cart race I'm sorry to say that for the 3rd year in a row we had no competition. It sure is an easy way to win 1st place. At least we beat our previous time. The ladies in this year's cart race were: Cindy Denton, Brenda Kennedy, Debbie Nulliner, Beth Rader, Myla Scott, and Tracy Torrence. Congratulations to both teams.

Another activity I must mention is the honoring of two of our members who passed away this past year. They are Jessie Gilpatrick of Waldron, and Virginia Wintin o. Manilla. We are always sorry to lose our dedicated auxiliary members.

If you didn't make it to this year's convention, be sure to come to next year's. It is in Michigan City. By *The Lake In '88*. Why just read about it when you can live it?

See you at the District Meeting on August 17th at

Fairland at 6:30 p.m. Don't forget this is our election of officers at this meeting. Also you will find out what auxiliary sold the most Doe Doll tickets.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Nulliner

DISTRICT 14

I hope that everyone who attended the 87 Convention in Southern Indiana really had "A Little Bit of Heaven in '87". Everyone worked hard to put this convention on. I want to thank those in the 14th District and the 16th District who worked with me to make it happen. Congratulations to our officers for the coming year. Let's all work to support them to make this year a good one.

On behalf of the Crusade for Children, I want to thank all of those in Southern Indiana who worked so hard on roadblocks and other activities for the handicapped children of Southern Indiana.

Our next 14th District Meeting will be held on July 15, 1987 at 8 p.m. at the Utica Fire Station. We will have an election of officers so come to the meeting and support the IVFAA. See you there.

Nancy Richardson

DISTRICT 19

Tuesday, May 12, 1987, the 19th District Meeting was called to order. Delaware Community Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary was thanked for hosting the meeting. District Chaplain Alma Schutte led us in prayer and pledge to the flag. Roll call was answered by 7 auxiliaries - 16 members and 4 guests. District Secretary Treasurer Marilyn Gray gave both reports. Bills were turned in and paid. Miss Flame Lisa Craig was introduced and gave a brief talk. Chairman gave report on her activities and State Officers Meeting. The State Newsletter was read, and each auxiliary would like to receive a copy when they are published. Doe Doll picture was passed around. Money and stubs were turned in. Reva Everage of Delaware Auxiliary and Millie Ferry of Sunman Auxiliary are the Nominating Committee. Money was presented to the parents of Miss Flame. Next meeting will be held August 11, 1987, at Aurora Station House #2 at 7:00 slow time. Barbershop Singers performed and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

Judy Hildebrand

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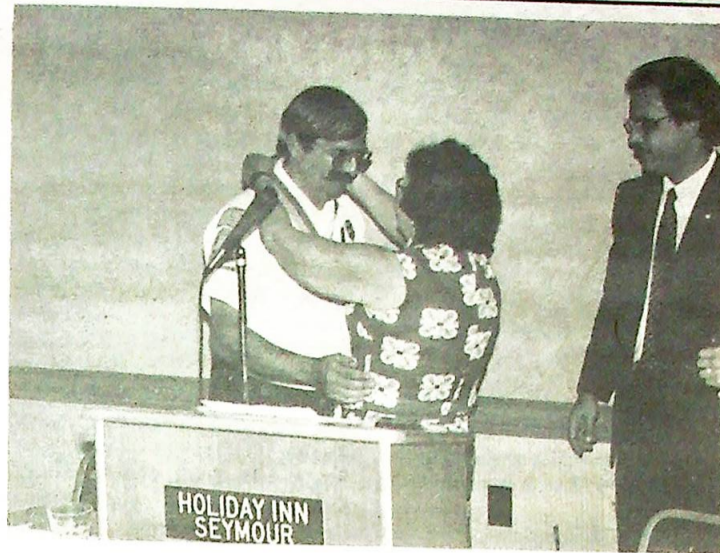
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Pershing Fire Chief, Richard Blaker, Sr., receives the Fire Marshal's Meritorious Service Award. Chief Blaker's mother, Alma Martin, places the medal around his neck as Assistant Fire Marshal Riffey looks on.

Chief Blaker receives service award

Richard Blaker, Sr, Chief of Pershing Township Fire Department has been named as a recipient of the Indiana Fire Marshal's Meritorious Service Award. Assistant State Fire Marshal Mark Riffey made the presentation at the Jackson County Fire Academy Banquet on June 25th.

Blaker is a 19 year veteran of Pershing Township Fire Department, Freetown, IN. He has held positions of leadership including Fire Investigator, First Captain, Medical Officer, and Assistant Chief prior to assuming the Chief's badge in 1983. Blaker is the immediate past President of the Jackson County Fire Chief's Association. It was Blaker's proposal that created the 1985 Academy programming and has continued to serve as an instructor in the following classes.

Chief Blaker is certified as a Master Firefighter in Tactics, Fire/Arson Investigation, and as an Instructor. He is a certified Emergency Medical Technician and is credited with the development of Pershing Township Fire Department's medical/rescue program. Blaker is an auto extrication instructor and has given many hours as a former American Heart Association volunteer.

"Rick Blaker is a caring person," said Freetown PTO chairwoman Marsha Mowdy. "Whether it is a sick child or a lonely older citizen or a big emergency, he is

always there and knows what to do."

Blaker received eleven nominations for the Marshal's Award from business, clergy, firefighters, law enforcement, civic leaders, and Freetown residents. Mrs. Thelma Imel recalls her near fatal heart attack and Blaker's work as an EMT, "I know I am alive today because Rick has given himself to be the best EMT he can be."

Chief Blaker and his wife, Sarah, reside in Freetown. They have two children, Richard Jr. and Lisa Ann. The Blakers have one granddaughter, April Nicole, and are expecting the arrival of a second grandchild at any time. Blaker has passed the torch of public service along to his family. Mrs. Blaker is an active member of the Pershing Township Women's Auxiliary and Richard Jr. is an EMT, firefighter, and is employed with the Jackson County Police Department.

Chief Blaker is a member of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association, Jackson County Fire Chief's Association, and the Bartholomew County Shrine Club. He is employed at Cummins Engine Company in Columbus, IN. Blaker is a member of Canon Lodge No. 343 F & AM, Clifford, IN; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite N.M.J. Valley of Indianapolis, U.S.A.; and Murat Temple A.A.O.N.M.A. of Indianapolis.



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Thanks to the Clarksville Convention Committee for a job well done. Hope that all of your troubles were small ones and you will ask us back again.

Now is the time to get your department's dues paid for 1987-88. As you know, to be eligible for the Bridgeport Memorial Trust Fund and the two scholarships, your dues must be paid by July 31. There are no exceptions

on this. They must be in the hands of the state secretary by July 31st of each year. Congratulations to Julia Schock of Delphi and Michael Ferry of Sunman on winning the first two scholarships from the Bridgeport Fund.

At our District 17B meeting a new chairman, Jack Zeeks of the Marion Volunteer Fire Department, was elected. Anything I can do to help, just give me a call. To the old and new officers of the 1987-88 year I wish you the best in your offices.

The districts are planning on having fire schools this summer and would like to have your input on what you would like. Now is the time to get with your district chairmen and give them your ideas.

I would like to thank all of the members and friends who sent letters to the Mr. I.V.F.A. Committee on my behalf. It was a surprise to me. I will try and represent the association and Mr. I.V.F.A. Award to the best of my ability in the coming year.

Keep the cards coming and I will try and make your meetings and other functions.

That's it for this time,
Carl O.

Jackson Co. Training Academy celebrates 3rd year

The Jackson County Fire Training Academy celebrated completion of its third year of classes at a banquet on June 25, 1987. The banquet held at the Seymour Holiday Inn recognized the accomplishments of students and applauded the work of instructors and staff.

Mark Riffey, Assistant State Fire Marshal, gave the graduation address emphasizing the importance of continued dedication to training and firefighter excellence. Mr. Riffey assisted in the presentation of awards to students and staff.

Marvin Wischmeier, President of the Jackson County Fire Chiefs Association, presented the Association's Outstanding Service Award to Richard Burrell for his work as Academy Secretary. Burrell, a captain at Brownstown Fire Department, has served as Secretary for two years, completing all required paperwork and class scheduling. "We owe a lot to Dick," said Chief Wischmeier. "This is our way of saying thanks."

Guests recognized at the Banquet were Commissioner and Mrs. John Tumilty, Mr. Roy Richardson, and attending Fire Chiefs. Mr. Richardson lead the Pledge to the American Flag and special music was provided by Patricia Scott of Pershing Township. The invocation was given by Timothy Warren of Brownstown Township Fire Department.

Students receiving certificates as Firefighter Second Class were: Stacey L. Chasteen, Rick Trimpe, Curt Copeland, Jaffrey W. Ferguson, Todd Fleetwood, Daryle Guthrie, Rebecca Lyon, Wendel L. McNew, Mark Mensendiek, Lanny Mullins, Vanessa Mullins, Mark Rorick, Tony Schafstall, Thomas M. Schwenn, Larry Trimpe, Walter Glen Wayt, Jim Newkirk, and Todd Snodgrass.

First Class Firefighter Certificates were awarded to: Rudy Ault, Roger Bond, Daniel Ellerman, Brian Ferguson, David Freeman, Jeff Hackman, Timothy A. Marshall, Charles S. Murphy, Steven L. Murphy, James L. Renaker, David Runge, Michael M. Stuckwisch, Rick Stuckwisch, John Sweeney, Robert K. Thompson, Karl Weilbaker, Jeff Wray, Mona Wray, Steve Bevers, Mark

Douglas Tape, Greg Wischmeier.

Those participating in Master Tactics classes recognized were: Melvin Bishop, Tom Bolton, Donald Briscoe, Richard L. Burrell, Michael Carothers, David A. Coller, Kurt Fenneberg, Brian Ferguson, Roy L. Fleetwood, J. Andy Fountain, Jeff Hackman, Wilbur Lee Hoevener, Andrew M. Long, Timothy Alan Marshall, LeRoy Miller, Charles S. Murphy, Steven L. Murphy, James L. Renaker, David A. Roll, David Runge, Donald Schnitker, Stephen D. Scott, Gale J. Smith, Kenneth Sovern, Tracey Sovern, Zachary Sovern, Michael Stuckwisch, Greg Sutton, John Sweeney, Timothy Warren, Karl Weilbaker, Danny Wessell, Jack Hanner.

Instructors for the 1987 Academy honored were: Marvin Wischmeier, Chief Grassy Fork Fire Department; Dr. Roger Tormohlen, University of Wisconsin; Fred Hines, Seymour City Fire Department; Edward Fewell, Public Service Indiana; Tom Sellmer, McCullough Fire Department; James Kron, Assistant Chief New Albany Fire Department; L. Norman Crocker, Chief Harris Township Fire Department; D. Bruce Neal, Captain Hope Fire Department; Miles Hickerson, US Navy retired; Richard L. Blaker, Chief Pershing Township Fire Department; Rebecca D. Scott, Captain Per-

shing Township Fire Department; Sarge Richey, Corporal Indiana State Police; John Tumilty, Assistant Chief Greensburg City Fire Department; Ray Bently, Chief (retired) Letts Fire Department; Charles Biggs, Hope Fire Department; Ersel Rogers, Letts Fire department; Larry Hoskins, Indiana State Fire Marshal's Office; LeRoy Miller, Grassy Fork Fire Department; and Mike Rudolph, Pershing Township Fire Department.

Special recognition was given to Owen Township Fire Department, Hamilton Township Fire Department, and Brownstown Township Fire Department for providing class room space for the 1987 Academy. Also honored for "assistance above and beyond the call of duty" were Pat Babbs of the Fire Marshal's Office and John Tumilty. "John Tumilty was the man who helped us to get this school started," recalls Chief Richard blaker. "He was there to help us iron out the problems and to encourage us to believe in ourselves. He said we could do it and he rolled up his sleeves and waded in with us."

Pat Babbs has been wonderful," said Richard Burrell. "She has answered a dozen phone calls from us and never lost patience. We very much consider her one of us."

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The Jackson County Fire Academy Banquet was held on June 25, 1987.

an act of the Jackson County Fire Chiefs Association in January 1985. Jackson County Firefighters attend classes at no charge. Classes are available to out of county firefighters for a fee of \$35.00 which includes the course textbook. Funding for the Academy is given by corporate

and private donations.

Anyone interested in attending the 1987-88 Fire Academy may obtain registration information by calling Richard Burrell at 812-358-2018 or by writing to him in care of South Central Insurance, P.O. Box "B", Brownstown, IN 47220.



Jackson County Fire Chiefs attending the Banquet, June 25, were (left to right) Rod Hilderbrand, Richard Blaker, Wilbert Wessel, Hershel Baughman, Marvin Wischmeier, and Assistant Fire Marshal Riffey. Not pictured was Charles Murphy.

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Richard Burrell (left) receives the Outstanding Service Award presented by Marvin Wischmeier, President of the Jackson County Fire Chiefs Association.

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Weather favorable to games at I.V.F.A. Convention

From the Chairman of the Games Committee:

Convention is, over now and it's time to clean the games equipment and store it for another year. I hope everyone had a good time at the games on Saturday. The weather this year was better than it was the last time we were in the Jeffersonville area.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the committee from Charlestown that assisted us in setting up the games and securing the equipment needed to make the games possible. Also a big THANKS to all that helped during the games with the judging, tim-

ing, announcing and the paper work that is necessary to have a successful day of competition.

The number of teams for the games were way down this year from previous years. The games committee from the state is quite concerned about the number of teams competing in the contest each year. If anyone has any suggestions on ways to promote more interest in the games, please contact any member of the committee or myself. This year we went to a double elimination tournament in the waterball and after the games were over, we had a drawing for a "Wallbanger" nozzle that was

donated by Midwest Fire and Safety. The lucky teams to have their name drawn out was Sugar Creek Township.

If anyone knows of a siren or bell that could be used on the cart, and would like to donate it to the I.V.F.A., please contact me. If there are any departments in the state that are interested in participating in the games at convention, please contact me for more information or assistance in getting started in the games.

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- 1 Penn South #1
 - 2 Poe #2
 - 3 Adams Township
 - 4 Poe #3
- Charlestown
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Indy Rebels
Penn South #2
Selma
Sugar Creek

Women Waterball

- 1 District 10
- 2 Penn South
- 3 District 8B

Cart Race

- 1 Sugar Creek 70.19

Hose Replacement

- 1 Sugar Creek #2 28.49 sec.
 - 2 Sugar Creek #1 31.20
 - 3 Adams Township 33.55
 - 4 Fortville 36.57
- Poe 39.74
Charlestown 42.58
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Cart Race

- 1 Farmland 43.75 sec.
 - 2 Sugar Creek 47.10
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Assistant State Fire Marshal Riffey and Roy Richardson were among the participants at the Jackson County Fire Academy Banquet.



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Ken Leabit of the Upland fire department was taken to Marion General Hospital, where he was treated for smoke inhalation and released.

The fire was reported at 7:43 p.m. and lasted for about three hours.

Steve Boller, 7287 E. N00S, who owned the barn, said he had planned to begin planting \$1,000 worth of grain today. He lost it all in the fire, as well as several farm vehicles.

Upland assistant chief Tim Holtzleiter estimated damage at \$40,000.

At about 8:30 p.m., the Center Township fire department was called to assist, and was forced to go to the World Gospel Mission, about a mile away on I-18, to get additional water from the mission's front pond. Other fire departments called to assist included Van Buren and Matthews.

Boller said he was a quarter of a mile away working on other property that he owns when he saw the smoke from the blaze. When he got to the burning barn, the fire was so intense all he could do was call the fire department.

"It was burning so bad when we got to it we couldn't do anything. It had gone so far that the only thing a person could do was to step back," Boller said.

by William R. Wood
Chronicle-Tribune

DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT 9B

The regular meeting of District 9-B of the Indiana Volunteer Fireman's Association, Inc., was called to order by Chairman Mitch Parish of the Francesville Fire Department at 7:40 p.m. at the Earl Park Volunteer Fire Department in Earl Park, IN.

There were 7 guests present and 40 firemen for a total of 47 present, with 97 fire runs among the 10 departments answering roll call.

Items discussed were: Firefighter Hotline action Cards from Fire Chief Magazine; I.V.F.A. computer read-out sheets; the need for articles for the newspaper; District 9-B Fire School on Law & Records; Federal & State Death Benefits; I.V.F.A. State Convention on June 11, 12, 13; 100% District participation in the Midwest Fire & Safety Award; 24 Hr. Mandatory Training effective June 1, 1987; Legislation; Fire Marshal's Monthly Memos; and Fire Science Classes available at Ivy Tech at Lafayette.

Winners of the 50-50 drawing were: Paul Schutter, Earl Park; Wayne Hinman, Medaryville; and Murl Bennet, Earl Park. The Haz./Mat. Book donated by Charlie Baker was won by Jerry Goodman of Early Park. Streamlight Jr. flashlight donated by George Walda was won by Harold Ruff of Star City.

Program was presented by Dave Dorsey of the Benton County Civil Defense on a Mock Disaster held in Benton County.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Next meeting is at the Fowler Volunteer Fire Department on July 9, 1987 at 7:30 p.m. Election of Officers will be held.

Secretary/Treasurer
Dennis J. Risner

DISTRICT 11B

Hi Firemen and Auxiliary Members.

The last District 11-B meeting was held at Cayuga Volunteer Fire Department. Guests were Vice President Lawrence Swartz, Public Relations Representative Toddy Michl, and State Sergeant-At-Arms Bill Bush. Guest speaker was Don Evans, Chief of the Bismarck (Illinois) Fire Department. Mr. Evans spoke on the big Tee-pak fire in Danville, IL.

Parke and Vermillion County Fire Fighters Association Instructor Jack McFarland and Larry Ketchem passed out First Class Certifications to 43 fire fighters.

District 11-B elected Lewis D. Osborne, Chairman, Dorman L. Owen, Vice Chairman, Stephan Dowers, Sec./Treas., and John Board, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Thanks to the convention committee for a nice '87 convention.

District 11-B sends congratulations to Carl Davis, PR for the Southwest, winner of this year's Mr. I.V.F.A. Award. It is well deserved.

We also wish to congratulate the Auxiliary's Lois Boaz Award winner, Carolyn McCarty of District 3.

A special thanks to Penny Conder of Covington for helping me at the convention. A big thanks to Lynda Burgner, District 11-B Miss Flame. She did a fine job representing our district at the convention.

District 11-B had its annual picnic at Montezuma Park. President Swartz made a presentation of the Ollie Sandberg Award to Larry Ketchem, Chief of the Montezuma Fire Department. The Midwest Award Committee presented the award to John Bord, District 11-B Sergeant-at-Arms. The District 11-B Attendance Award was presented to two departments, the Cayuga Volunteer Fire Department and the Montezuma Volunteer Fire Department.

Everyone had a great time and enjoyed a fine meal.

That's all
Chairman Osborne

DISTRICT 12

12th District Meeting
March 16, 1987

Hazelwood Volunteer Fire Dept.
(Hendricks County)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Chairman Johnson, and then it was temporarily suspended in order for the Ladies Auxiliary to serve lunch which was very tasty. Ladies, thank you. Meeting was recalled at 7:45 p.m. with 35 members representing 13 departments present.

Pledge to flag was led by our Sgt.-at-Arms, Bob Sutton, prayer by our Chaplain, James Bruner.

Introduction of guests and host department Chief, Ed Nelson, introduced his firefighters and Ladies Auxiliary.

Toddy Michl, Public Relations West Central, introduced his wife, Helen, and friends, Clyde and Eva Gottsche from Van Buren Fire Dept. and Bob and Joann Hays of Honey Creek. Other guests were Al Mendel, Games Chairman, and Catherine Hall, Trustee of Liberty Township (Hendricks County), and Don Boyles from the 20th District.

First Roll Call
Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer Report was given and approved.

Communications - none.
Committee Report - Chairman Johnson gave a report regarding our district Miss Flame who will represent our district at the annual convention contest.

Old Business - none.
New Business - Midwest award was discussed. Please turn in names to James Bruner as soon as possible, also the name for the Mr. I.V.F.A. award to the state committee by April 1st.

No chairman report of their recent state officers meeting because of illness.

Toddy Michl, P.R.W.C., gave this report. Also mentioned about the Ollie Sandberg Award and gave some remarks about our Annual Convention being held June 11, 12, and 13, at Clarksville.

Chairman Johnson read several amendments to the House and Senate Bills regarding the fire service. Also he read a list of bills that were passed or rejected.

Good of the Order - Hazelwood will have a 3-wheel motorcycle race May 16th at 6:00 p.m.

Second roll call.
Catherine Hall, Trustee of Liberty Township, gave a few remarks.

Don Boyles of the 20th District asked several questions about his district. He received some answers.

Chairman Johnson has several VCR tapes regarding training. He needs a TV set to show these tapes at a future meeting.

50/50 drawing was won by Ray Bruner.

There being no further business meeting, motion to adjourn at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Bogden, Secretary

12th District Meeting
May 18, 1987

Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Dept.
(Morgan County)

Meeting called to order by Chairman Johnson at 7:30 p.m. Opening prayer by our Chaplain James Bruner and Pledge to flag led by our Chairman Johnson. He then temporarily suspended the regular meeting in order for the Ladies' Auxiliary to serve lunch. Meeting resumed with 28 members representing 11 departments present.

Introduction of guests - Toddy Michl, Public Relations West Central, Bob Hayes of Honey Creek, Clyde Gottsche of Van Buren, all in the Terre Haute area and Lawrence Swartz, our State Vice President and his guests.

Chief Tom McGlauchlen, of Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Dept., introduced his firefighters.

First roll call.
Minutes of previous meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Communications - James Bruner stated that he has received one nomination for the Midwest Award.

Old Business - None.
New Business - Chairman Johnson read several pieces of documents from the State Fire Marshal's office which includes EMT Certificate changes, etc., and also 1987 recommended approved Fire Works list.

Municipal owned plates law was passed and now are available. Also recruits to fire service must receive 24 hours of training. This will be in effect Sept. 1, 1987. This includes paid or volunteer firemen. Credited toward second class certification.

Fund Raiser of Department - if an outside professional group solicits or sells for you they must register with the Attorney General's Office.

Chairman Johnson stated that Living Will by the EMT Fire Authority is not recognized. Also amendment to change the law so Volunteers could be covered under the workman's compensation medical act. This will be brought up during our next session.

Each department please check with Chairman Johnson to see if name of members are on print out.

Second roll call.
Good of the Order - Hazelwood Fish Fry will be June 25, 26, and 27.

Next District meeting will be July 20 at Decatur Township Volunteer Fire Dept. #4, 3750 S. Foltz St.

Our State Vice President

Lawrence Swartz gave a few remarks about his personal background. Also he stated dues must be paid by July 31st to qualify for the Bridgeport Fund provided you have 3 years or more of continuous service.

Lawrence stated the scholarship committee received 70 applications for 2 scholarships. He

also gave some remarks on how these applications were graded. Very interesting. This committee consists of seven members. The recipients were one young man and one young lady.

No further business. Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Bogden, Secretary

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
718 South Ingomar Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46241

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED MAY 31, 1987

ROBERT O. STEWART
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT
2607 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46222

6/06/87

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.
718 SOUTH INGOMAR STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46241

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

WE HAVE EXAMINED THE STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, AND FUND BALANCE (CASH BASIS) OF THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC., A NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION, AS OF MAY 31, 1987, AND THE RELATED STATEMENTS OF REVENUE AND DISBURSEMENTS (CASH BASIS) AND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION (CASH BASIS) FOR THE YEAR THEN ENDED. OUR EXAMINATION WAS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAAS AND, ACCORDINGLY, INCLUDED SUCH TESTS OF THE ACCOUNTING RECORDS AND SUCH OTHER AUDITING PROCEDURES AS WE CONSIDERED NECESSARY IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

AS DESCRIBED IN NOTE 1, THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY IS TO PREPARE ITS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ON THE BASIS OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS. CONSEQUENTLY, CERTAIN REVENUE AND THE RELATED ASSETS ARE RECOGNIZED WHEN RECEIVED RATHER THAN WHEN THE OBLIGATION IS INCURRED. ACCORDINGLY, THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE NOT INTENDED TO PRESENT FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS IN CONFORMITY WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES.

IN OUR OPINION, THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REFERRED TO ABOVE PRESENT FAIRLY THE ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF THE INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC., A NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION, AT MAY 31, 1987 AND ITS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES AND THE CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION FOR THE YEAR THEN ENDED, ON THE BASIS OF ACCOUNTING DESCRIBED IN NOTE 1, WHICH HAS BEEN IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THAT OF THE PRECEDING YEAR.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
ROBERT O. STEWART
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

I.V.F.A., INC. Page 1
STATEMENT OF ASSETS,
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE
AS OF MAY 31, 1987

ASSETS	
CURRENT ASSETS	
CASH IN BANK - CHECKING	\$ 66,856.59
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT-1NB	60,000.00
CASH IN SAVINGS-BRIDGEPORT FD	50,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 176,856.59
FIXED ASSETS	
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	\$ 9,813.21
EQUIPMENT	10,710.43
NET PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT	\$ 20,523.64
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 197,380.23
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$.00
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES	
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$.00
FUND BALANCE	\$ 197,380.23
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	\$ 197,380.23
TOTAL LIABILITIES/FUND BALANCE	\$ 197,380.23

Supporting Schedule
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
AS OF MAY 31, 1987

FUND BALANCE	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE	\$ 121,597.44
ADD:	
REVENUES IN EXCESS EXPENDITURE	\$ 25,782.79
(EXPENSE IN EXCESS OF REVENUE)	
BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND	50,000.00
	\$ 197,380.23
LESS:	
	\$.00
ENDING FUND BALANCE	\$ 197,380.23

STATEMENT OF REVENUES
AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1987

	Year-to-Date Amount	Y-T-D Ratio
REVENUES:		
DUES	\$ 116,410.75	63.57
INTEREST	7,090.02	3.87
INSURANCE	23,696.91	12.94
PROGRAM BOOK	20,080.55	10.97
NEWSPAPERS	8,150.10	4.45
DONATIONS	365.45	2.10
CONVENTIONS	4,000.00	2.18
MISCELLANEOUS	595.50	.33
FIRE SCHOOL	231.00	.13
GAMES	2,500.00	1.37
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 183,120.28	100.01

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DIRECT COST OF REVENUE:		
TOTAL COST OF REVENUE	\$.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$	183,120.28
EXPENDITURES:		
ADVERTISING	\$	2,500.00
AD TAKER EXPENSE-PAPER		2,109.30
CLOTHING		2,325.72
COMPUTER CHARGES		4,012.16
CONVENTION EXPENSE		6,319.86
COPIER EXPENSE		1,187.25
DELEGATES EXPENSE		7,832.00
DISTRICT EXPENSE		5,498.38
DISTRICT SECRETARY		375.00
FIRE SCHOOL		1,882.35
FUNERAL FUND		8,873.30
INSURANCE		8,071.00
LEGAL & ACCOUNTING		1,000.00
LEGISLATIVE EXPENSE		16,961.62
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE		3,461.27
OFFICER ALLOWANCE		7,075.00
OFFICER EXPENSE		15,788.66
OFFICER MEETING EXPENSE		16,526.19
OTHER COMMITTEE EXPENSE		3,922.52
PAPER & POSTAGE		4,900.00
PETTY CASH		3,500.00
PRINTING		7,618.11
PROGRAM BOOKS		22,234.31
PUBLIC RELATIONS		3,159.79
PUBLIC EDUCATION		203.70
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	157,337.49
REVENUES IN EXCESS EXPENDITURE	\$	25,782.79
(EXPENSE IN EXCESS OF REVENUE)		14.09

Statement of Changes in Financial Position

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1987

FINANCIAL RESOURCES WERE PROVIDED BY:	
OPERATIONS	
REVENUES IN EXCESS EXPENDITURE	\$ 25,782.79
WORKING CAPITAL PROVIDED BY OPERATIONS	\$ 25,782.79
OTHER RESOURCES	
FUND BALANCE	\$ 50,000.00
TOTAL RESOURCES PROVIDED	\$ 50,000.00
FINANCIAL RESOURCES USED FOR:	
EQUIPMENT	\$(1,694.00)
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	\$(1,694.00)
Net Increase (Decrease) of Working Capital	\$ 74,088.79

Changes in Components of Working Capital

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1987

	Year-to-Date
CURRENT ASSETS	
INCREASE (DECREASE)	
CASH IN BANK - CHECKING	\$ 24,088.79
CASH IN SAVINGS-BRIDGEPORT FD	50,000.00
ASSETS INCREASE (DECREASE)	\$ 74,088.79
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
(INCREASE) DECREASE	
LIABILITIES (INCREASE) DECREASE	\$.00
Net Increase (Decrease) of Working Capital	\$ 74,088.79

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1987

	YEAR-TO-DATE
CASH AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$ 102,767.80
CASH WAS PROVIDED BY:	
REVENUES IN EXCESS EXPENDITURE	\$ 25,782.79
TOTAL CASH PROVIDED	\$ 25,782.79
OTHER SOURCES (USES) OF CASH	
EQUIPMENT	\$(1,694.00)
FUND BALANCE	50,000.00
TOTAL CASH PROVIDED	\$ 48,306.00
CASH AS OF END OF PERIOD	\$ 176,856.59

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

INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 1987

NOTE 1:

BOOKS OF RECORD ARE MAINTAINED ON A MODIFIED CASH BASIS USUAL TO THIS TYPE OF OPERATION. THERE IS NO UNUSUAL TREATMENT OF ITEMS CONTAINED IN THE RECORDS. THE ACCOUNTING THEORY OF RECORDING THE TRANSACTIONS ARE CONSISTANT WITH OTHER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. ASSETS ARE PRESENTED AT HISTORICAL COST WITH NO ALLOWANCE FOR DEPRECIATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH FUNDAMENTALS OF NOT-FOR-PROFIT ACCOUNTING FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES ARE RECOGNIZED AT THE TIME THEY ARE PAID CONSISTANT WITH THE MODIFIED CASH BASIS THEORY.

NOTE 2:

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

NOTE 3:

THE CORPORATE BANK OF RECORD IS BANK ONE OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, FOR THE GENERAL ACCOUNT.

NOTE 4:

CASH IN SAVINGS-BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND. REPRESENTS FUNDS THE CORPORATION IS ACTING AS A TRUSTEE FOR BRIDGEPORT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT-TRUST. FUNDS ARE ON DEPOSIT AT BANK ONE, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

NOTE 5:

CASH IN SAVINGS-CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT. REPRESENTS FUNDS ON DEPOSIT WITH INDIANA NATIONAL BANK.

PUBLIC RELATIONS
NORTHWEST



BILL HOWE

As we start another year with the I.V.F.A., I would like to thank the delegates from the northwest that again elected me to be your representative for the coming year. There are some changes in the officers this year and I would hope we all get behind those elected and make this the best year ever for this association.

There will be many happen-

ings with the fire service in the coming years. This association needs your support to keep up and strive to go ahead with its endeavors. The best place to express your opinion is at the district level. This lets your elected people know how you feel and they can carry same back to quarterly officers meetings for state support.

The association again this year will continue to support district fire schools. If you have any suggestions as to what your area needs, coordinate this with your district chairman and it will be set up if possible. There will be several master fire fighter courses being provided by the fire marshal's office. Try to arrange your schedule to attend if possible.

We in the northwest send our congratulations to Mr. Carl Davis on his selection as Mr. I.V.F.A. for 1987. I know how much this means to him and his family. Carl has been a very active Public Relations man from the southwest for many years and has worked very hard at this job, finding time for his local department and also for his community.

Again the people of the north-

west send their congratulations to a super lady, our very own Carolyn McCarty, on her selection to receive the Lois Boaz Award. As a past president of the I.V.F.A.A., she has continued to be active with her local department, with District 3 again serving as District Chairman and still finding time to support community groups. Our best wishes to you for many years to come.

At this time it would be appropriate to thank all the people that worked on this year's convention. As with any convention, some problems arose, but you all worked hard to resolve them and had a great convention.

On the subject of conventions, District 3 is working hard on their "By the Lake in '88" convention. I'm asking that all state officers and anyone who has worked on a convention to support the men and women of this district and if you are called upon to answer questions or for suggestions please do so.

In closing, if I can be of any assistance to you or your department, just call and I will try to help you out.

Volunteer's son urges firefighters to exercise care

Dear Sir:

I am sending you articles concerning a downtown business building fire in Converse, Ind. (population 1,500). This fire was contained to one structure with the adjoining businesses suffering only smoke and water damage.

More importantly, I am sending you an article on the death of a very important figure in Converse. William S. Warnock was a retired fireman with 45 years of service. He was always there to help in any way, whether it be sitting by the phone, supplying pop & food to weary firemen, or assisting by operating a pumper,

which he did the night of the fire mentioned.

Bill was active in the community in many ways. His father, D. E. Warnock, was chief of the volunteer fire company for over 38 years; the Warnock family has had a member on the department for over 100 years.

On this particular night, Bill was on the scene immediately asking Chief Worline what he could do to help. Little did anyone know, this was his last fire call. He left the fire early (1 a.m.) due to shoulder pain, but at approximately 5:15 a.m. he suffered a

fatal heart attack en route via ambulance to the hospital. His death stunned the community; having had no previous heart trouble (although he suffered from rheumatoid arthritis) his death may or may not be related to his work at the fire.

He is sadly missed by all, not just his family. Please volunteers, respect your life - as you are needed by your family. Buildings can be replaced, but a dad cannot.

Sincerely,
Greg Warnock
Converse Vol. Fireman
and EMT

Retired volunteer dies after Easter Sunday blaze

William S. Warnock, 65, 106 S. Madison St., Converse, died Monday morning at Marion General Hospital.

Mr. Warnock had lived all of his life in Converse and had served as a member of the Converse Fire Department for many years. Although retired from the fire department, he still helped with fighting fires. Sunday evening he was on the scene of the Sigler fire shortly after the department was on the scene. According to Ralph Worline, Converse fire chief, "he wanted to help and he did."

He had been a Marathon Oil distributor in Converse for many years and was a retired school bus driver for the Oak Hill schools.

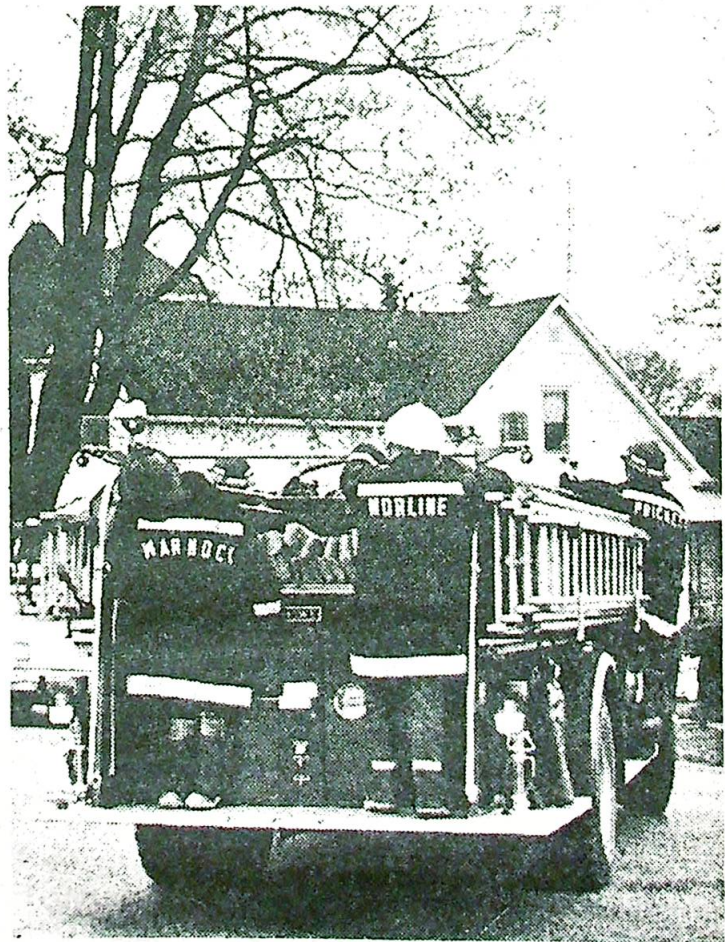
Mr. Warnock was a member of the Converse Church of Christ and served the church as a deacon. During World War II, he served as a member of the Air Corps.

Mr. Warnock was a member and past president of the Converse Lions Club, past master of the Converse Masonic Lodge No. 601 F & AM, a member of the Mizpah Shrine, and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite 32nd degree.

Born October 21, 1921 in Howard County, he was the son of D. E. and Velma (Gordon) Warnock. Mr. Warnock is survived by his wife Maxine; two daughters, Jeannie (Mrs. Terry) Kemp, Orleans, and Susan Kay (Mrs. Jim) Marshall, Lafayette; a son, Greg, Converse; and six grandchildren. Also surviving are a brother, C. Gayle, Scottsdale, Ariz.; two sisters, Phyllis (Mrs. Robert) Haynes and Lou Ann (Mrs. Harry) Prickett, both of Con-

verse. Services were held Wednesday at the Converse Church of Christ with David Wheeler and George Clark officiating. Burial

was in the Converse Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Bill Warnock Memorial Fund through the church or to the Converse Volunteer Fire Department.



The Last Run - The Converse Fire Department pays final respects to one of its one of its long time members and supporters, William Warnock. Chief Ralph Worline rides beside Warnock's hat, coat, and boots in the funeral procession from the church to the cemetery.

Related stories on page 14

Easter fire in District 8A destroys store

Hundreds of Converse residents stood outside Sigler's Fine Foods late Easter night, watching firefighters try to contain the bright orange flames and light gray smoke of one of their town's long-time downtown businesses.

They watched flames leap above the roof and the smoke billow through cracks in the old two-story brick building. Because the fire had knocked out their electricity, many said they might as well not go home.

Owned by Harold and Eileen Sigler, the grocery was one of the 1,200-population town's two food stores. Bystanders said the couple had owned it for about 15 years.

Firefighters arrived at the scene from their station across the street shortly after 9:30 p.m., and immediately called for help from Marion, Sweetser, Swayzee, Mill Township and Amboy. They used Marion's snorkel to fight the fire from above.

No information was available about the possible cause of the fire. (Editor's Note: See story on suspected arson.)

Twelve-year-old Mike Bragg said, "Sigler's was a real neat store, everybody shopped there." But he was more concerned about his father's tractor repair shop at the rear of the grocery. An alley separated it from the burning building, but he wasn't sure that 10 feet or so was enough to save his family's business.

"I want to go back there," he said, "but I'm scared to. Nothing can happen to this place, it just can't. We'd be in trouble."

Firemen stood atop the business with hoses directed toward Sigler's. He hoped the

water running down the side of his dad's building would help protect it.

To take his mind off his worrying, he helped townspeople carry hair dryers, plants and chairs out of Mark and Karla's Family Hair Care Center and Tanning Salon, next door to Sigler's at 207 N. Jefferson St.

The people had little time before smoke started puffing from between the salon's bricks. The sidewalk in front of the town hall looked like an auction block as bystanders ran from the shop across the street with upholstered chairs, clocks, plants and a cash register.

by Jane Prendergast
Chronicle-Tribune

Arson suspected

Arson is suspected in the fire that gutted the upstairs of a Converse grocery store Sunday.

Sandy Magers, dispatcher for the Converse Volunteer Fire Department, said Friday state investigators have questioned several Converse residents about the blaze. But, she said, none are considered suspects and no one has been arrested.

Damage to Sigler's Fine Foods, 201 N. Jefferson St, has been estimated at \$80,000 - \$40,000 to the building and the same for its contents. Despite original reports that the store was destroyed, Magers said inspectors now think the building could be repaired by clearing off the upstairs rubble and making it into a one-story store.

Owned by Harold Sigler, the store was one of two groceries in



Easter Fire - Area firemen fight the fire that destroyed Sigler's Grocery, Converse. Preliminary findings by the state fire marshal's office and local law enforcement officials suggest the fire may have been set.

the town. His wife, Eileen, said they have not yet decided whether it would be financially feasible to rebuild the store.

Our adjuster thought it might take a lot more in repairs than it's worth," she said. "We really

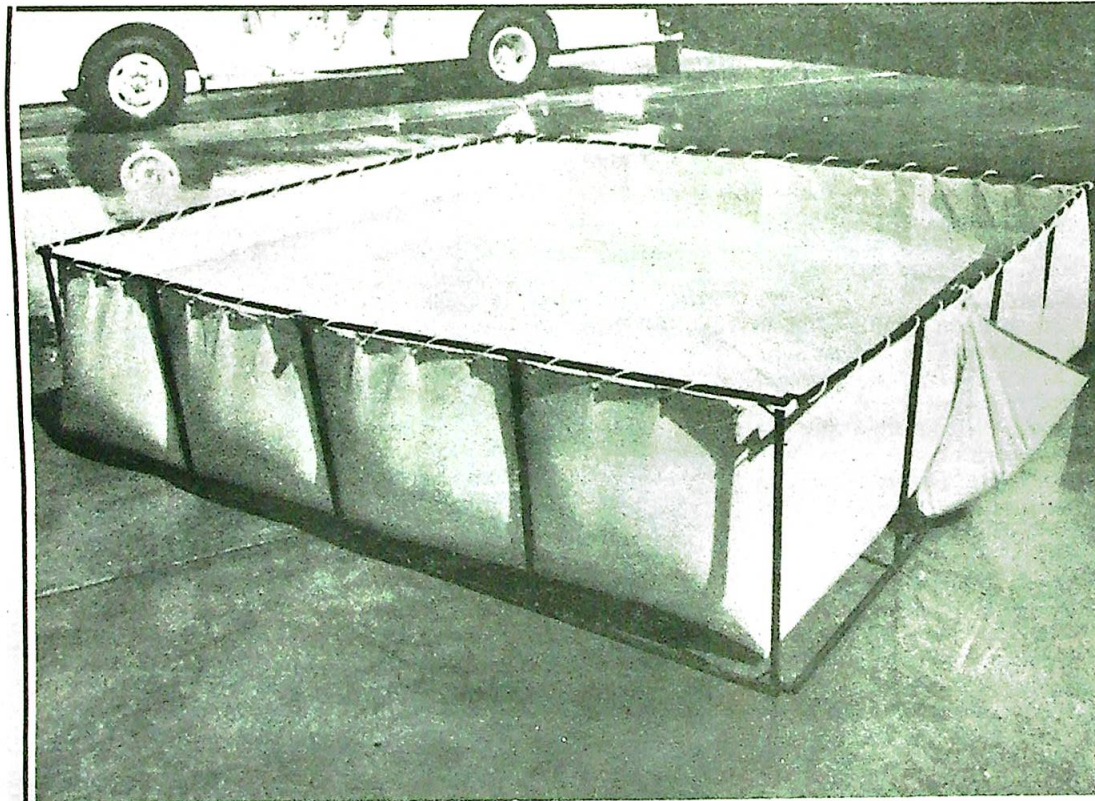
haven't any idea yet. It's going to take awhile to get things figured out."

Magers said investigators sent samples from the rubble to a state police laboratory. She expects the results in about three weeks.

Electrical short causes Van Buren house fire

House Damaged - Firefighters spray water on the porch of the Dick Correll residence Friday at 204 S. Fourth St., Van Buren, where a fire started by a short in the electrical wiring caused an estimated \$20,000 damage. Firemen from Van Buren and Center Township fought the fire which Van Buren Fire Chief Joe Major said started in the living room in the northeast portion of the house. Correll, who had been sleeping until the fire awakened him, could not get downstairs because of the smoke and flames and was injured when he jumped out of a second story window on the south side of the house. He was treated at Marion General Hospital and later released.

Photo by Alan Petersime



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Two Muncie men killed in accident

Two Muncie men were killed Wednesday afternoon when a garbage truck that had gone out of control flipped and fell on top of the Ford Bronco they were traveling in on Ind. 5, three miles north of Van Buren in Huntington County.

John Rivers, an Indiana State Police trooper who investigated the accident, said traffic charges were pending against Orville A. Laws, 1108 N. Main St., Fair-

mount, the driver of the garbage truck.

Rivers said the driver of the Bronco, Robert S. Flowers, 35, was pronounced dead at the scene of massive head and internal injuries.

A passenger, Rueben W. Jolley, 54, died about 1½ hours after the accident at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Rivers said.

Both men were trapped in the vehicle.

Joe Major, Van Buren fire chief, said rescue workers from his department had to cut the top of the door on the passenger side and peel it back in order to free Jolley from the wreckage.

Laws, 24, suffered cuts and bruises in the accident and was treated at Marion General Hospital and later released.

Laws drives for L & R Disposal, a private company in Fairmount, Rivers said.



Rescue Attempt - Rescue workers administer first-aid to a Muncie man injured when the Ford Bronco he was a passenger in collided with a garbage truck. The man died later at the hospital.

Photo by Alan Petersime

Laws, who was northbound on Ind. 5, lost control of the truck. He skidded broadside, crossed the centerline and then flipped over on top of the southbound Flowers' vehicle.

A weighmaster called to in-

spect the truck said the truck was not a wideload or carrying more than it should, Rivers said.

"That wasn't the cause of the accident," Rivers said. "Those types of truck are top heavy."

Sweepstakes fund-raiser explained

New York, NY - FIELD & STREAM magazine, together with the National Volunteer Fire Council and corporate sponsors, are teaming up with fire companies across the country to raise funds in the 4th Annual Turkey Shoot Sweepstakes.

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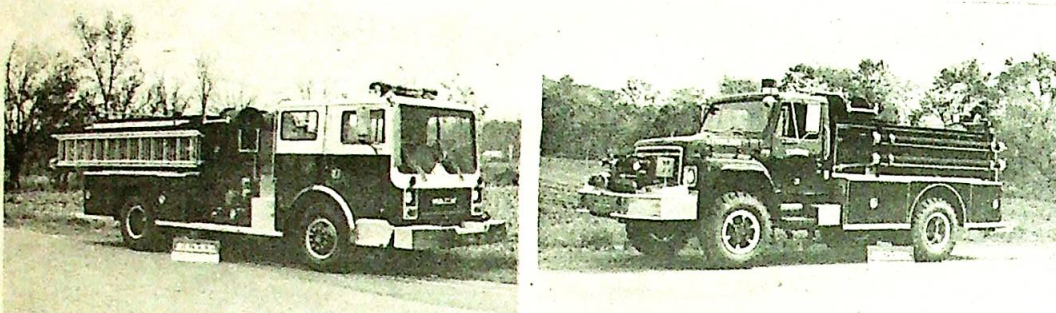
The program includes a free

kit with posters to display around town, instructions on how to run a turkey shoot and many additional items offered free of charge to any volunteer fire department in the United States. Last year, Panasonic donated free "Mr. Whisk" Rechargeable Electric Shavers to the first 1,000 fire departments that signed up to participate. The shaver was worth \$50 and fire departments raffled it off as an additional fund-raising item.

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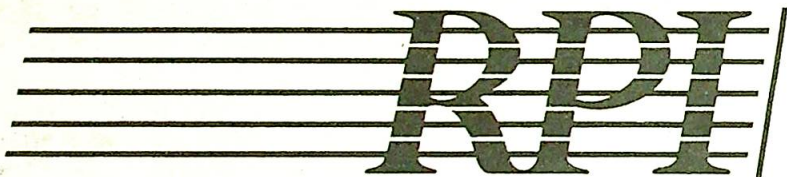
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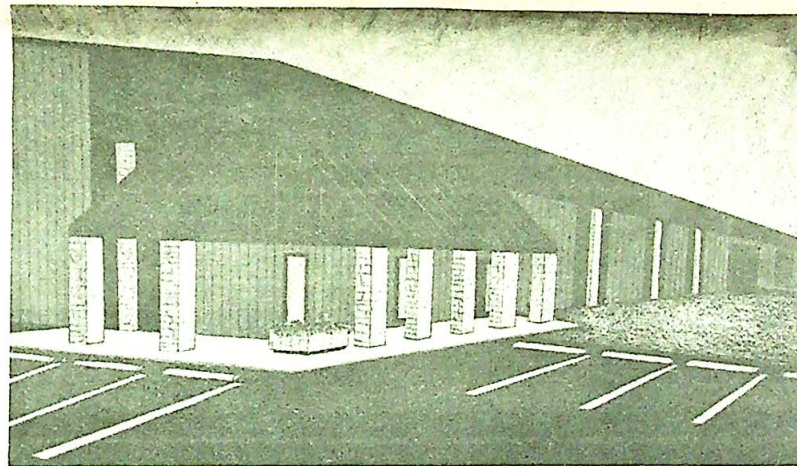
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LEGISLATIVE REPORT - MAY 1987

In January there were some 33 Bills introduced that would have been either beneficial or detrimental in some manner to the Volunteer Fire Service.

Bills HB 1321 (Recodification) and HB 1663 (Fire District Annexation) added to the burden of trying to find solutions to very difficult problems. No one ever gets all they want but to compromise and find solutions that make each party feel rather successful is indeed a hard road to follow.

The Volunteer Fire Service has many sympathetic ears in the Legislative body and they respect your credibility and community efforts. We, as Volunteers must protect and strive to improve these traits each time we have the opportunity.

A FEW OF THE BILLS, in part (all of the words are not necessarily reprinted)

Senate Bill #46

Sen. Sue Landske, Author Rep. Orville Moody, Sponsor
Allows Volunteer Fire Departments continued use of Municipal Plates for fire equipment.

Senate Bill #55

Sen. Carolyn Mosby, Author
Continues Arson Grant funding for Fire, Police, Schools, etc., for another two years. STATUS - Bill failed to get the first hearing because of no funding available for the Bill. Thus Bill was Lost.

Senate Bill #99

Sen. Richard Thompson, Author
Smoke detectors in all homes for sale. STATUS - Was assigned to Sen. Shank's Committee and he did not give the Bill a hearing. Same happened last year. Thus once more the Bill was lost.

Senate Bill #379

Sen. Thomas Hession, Author Rep. Lawrence Buell, Sponsor
Borrowed money does not count in figuring to get into the excess levy. BECOMES Law July 1, 1987.

Senate Bill #392

Sen. Thomas Wyss, Author Rep. Donald Dean, Sponsor
24 Hour training for all new firefighting recruits. BECOMES Law July 1, 1987.

Senate Bill #404

Sen. Sue Landske, Author
At the Senate hearing it got a tie vote (4-4) thus Bill was lost.

Senate Bill #484

Sen. William Costas, Author Rep. James Davis, Sponsor
Fund raisers must register with Attorney General. I.V.F.A. and Volunteer Fire Departments are exempted if they do it themselves with members. Get an outsider and they must register. BECOMES Law Sept. 1, 1987.

House Concurrent Resolution #20

Rep. Steve Moberly, Author Sen. Robert Garton, Sponsor
Legislature notifies Fire Marshal to tell NFPA that parts of 1500 - 1501 are not acceptable to Indiana. STATUS - Passed both Houses and forwarded to Fire Marshal. Needs no Governor to sign.

House Bill #1076

Rep. Jerome Reppa, Author Sen. Thomas Wyss, Sponsor
Doctors and Hospitals report burns of over 15% of body to Fire Marshal. BECOMES effective Sept. 1, 1987.

House Bill #1061

Rep. James Davis, Author Sen. Richard Thompson, Sponsor
Telephone solicitors must register with Attorney General. I.V.F.A. and Volunteer Fire Departments are exempt if they do it themselves with members.

House Bill #1111

Rep. Richard Mangus, Author Sen. Roger Jessup, Sponsor
Volunteer firefighter may run for elective or appointive office and serve. BECOMES effective upon passage 3/18/87.

House Bill #1260

Rep. Dan Pool, Author Sen. Richard Thomas, Sponsor
School principal not responsible for Fire Drills. State Board of Education will designate responsibility. I.V.F.A. will have to appear at hearing to give input on who is responsible. BECOMES Law July 1, 1987.

House Bill #1321

Rep. Ray Richardson, Author Sen. Richard Thompson, Sponsor
Recodifies Fire Marshal's Office, etc. BECOMES Law Sept. 1, 1987.

House Bill #1425

Rep. Lawrence Buell, Author Sen. Pat Miller, Sponsor
Governmental Unit may purchase retirement benefits for Volunteers. BECOMES Law Sept. 1, 1987.

House Bill #1505

Rep. Brad Fox, Author Sen. Richard Worman, Sponsor
Money from Fire Service Charge can be deposited in Firefighters fund. BECOMES Law Sept. 1, 1987.

House Bill #1663

Rep. Larry Lutz, Author Sen. Michael Rogers, Sponsor
Allows City to annex Fire Districts under certain conditions. BECOMES Law June 15, 1987.

House Bill #1672

Rep. Vern Tinchler, Author
Fire and EMS could recoup costs incurred in handling Haz Mat spills. STATUS - Passed House but failed to get a Senate hearing from Sen. Corcoran.

House Bill #1718

Rep. David Hoover, Author Sen. Allen Paul, Sponsor
Governmental Unit may pay for Volunteer Fire Departments State Board of Accounts audit. BECOMES Law Sept. 1, 1987.

House Bill #1770

Rep. Mitchell Harper, Author
Defines coverage areas for all of Allen County Fire Departments. City annexation would not change areas unless residents of area petitioned for change. STATUS - Passed House and had a Senate hearing, but Committee took no vote thus Bill was lost.

Amendment to change the Law so Volunteers could be covered under the Workman's Compensation Medical Act, did not get into the hopper in time to be considered.

There is another Session coming next year.

Once more I urge each and every one of you to come up with some solution to the help problem during the Legislative Sessions. I.V.F.A. is very short powered in this area and is now in the position of having made a name for yourself in the Legislative Process to such a degree that it IS necessary for the effort to continue.

John T. Ford, I.V.F.A. Legislative Rep.

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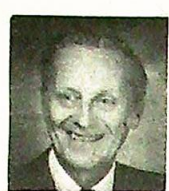
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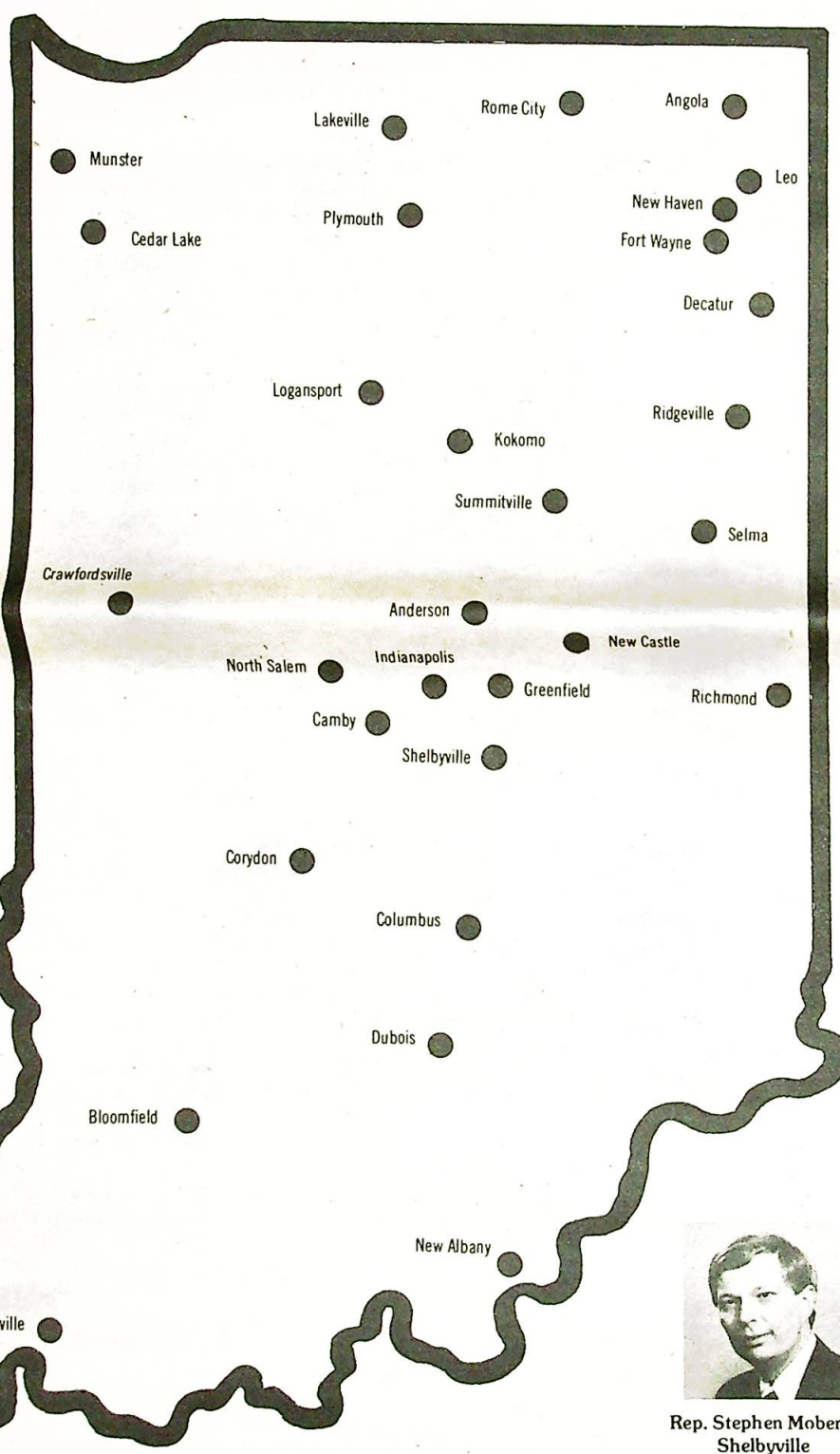
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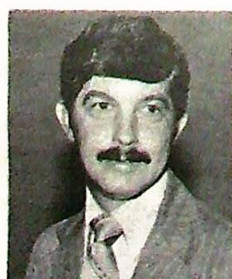


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INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION AUXILIARY

41st ANNUAL CONVENTION

Sheraton Hotel, Clarksville, IN

June 12, 1987

President Loretta Nulliner opened the meeting by welcoming all members and guests to the 41st Annual Convention. She thanked District 14 for hosting the Convention and for the lovely Koffee Klutch.

Bette Sellmer asked each person to turn and shake hands with their neighbor, wishing them good morning. She reported on the Area's Crusade for Crippled Children and their activities, including over \$160,000 raised in one week by members of volunteer fire departments in Districts 14 and 16. A prayer of thanks was given by Bette.

Sergeant-At-Arms Miriam Schaeckel led the Pledge of Allegiance. Special introductions were made: Nickie Sunday, Immediate Past President and Convention Hostess and wife of IVFA President Bill Sunday; our new Lois Boaz winner, Carolyn McCarty; and Genevieve Davis, wife of newly-chosen Mr. IVFA Carl Davis.

Roll Call was given by Recording Secretary Nancy Neal. District Chairmen answered with roll call by departments. Roll call was answered by 33 officers, 94 members, and 13 guests.

The Chaplain's Report was submitted by Bette Sellmer. Five Auxiliaries' members have passed away during this past year. The buses will leave for Memorial Service at 10:45.

Membership Report by Nancy Neal: 1986-87 - 1,728 representing 127 auxiliaries and 77 individuals; 1987-88 - 126 representing 9 auxiliaries and 3 individuals (to date). Dues are \$2.00 per person, due July 1, delinquent after Sept. 30, and should be mailed to Nancy Neal, Recording Secretary.

Treasurer's Report by Betsy Howe:

Balance Forward June 1, 1986		\$5,453.76
Income:		
Dues 1985-86	\$ 56.00	
Dues 1986-87	3445.00	
Dues 1987-88	62.00	
Interest	298.30	
Jewelry	661.00	
Raffle	1385.00	
Miscellaneous	124.00	
Total Income		6,031.30
Disbursements:		
Officers Annual	360.00	
Mileage	1218.40	
Phone & Postage	492.20	
Over Paid Dues	25.00	
Jewelry	195.00	
Miscellaneous*	4452.34	
Total Disbursements		7,297.01
June 1, 1986 to May 31, 1987		
Balance on Hand June 1, 1987		\$4,188.05

*Includes last year's men's gift and printing of membership cards.

Miss Flame Dawn Lemmons of District 10, Runner-up Karen Sorg, District 7, and the Miss Flame Court entered and were introduced by Barbara Surber.

A drawing for a doll donated to the State Auxiliary officers by a friend of Kim Masters was held, and Miss Flame drew the lucky name of Loretta Nulliner.

Minutes of the last convention were read by Nancy Neal. They were approved as read.

Bills: None.

Doe Doll - Toni Sorg: The Doe Doll this year is a Collector's Doll from the Royal House of Dolls and one of the last to be made in the United States. The drawing will be after the games on Saturday.

Games - Ruth Sanders: We have only one team entered: a cart race team from Sugar Creek. We will accept teams of ladies through the meetings today to try for more participation. A fire nozzle valued at \$650 has been donated by Mike Cassi of Midwest Fire and Safety and will be given away by drawing to a team entering in the games tomorrow.

Jewelry - Casey Bechtel: \$271.75 received from sale of jewelry during Convention. Some receipts are yet to be picked up.

Lois Boaz - Barbara Surber: We are proud to have Carolyn McCarty as our Lois Boaz winner this year. I would like to thank my committee and those who sent in letters.

Auditing - Nickie Sunday: Records were in good shape with a couple of recommendations.

By-Laws - Barbara Parker: No recommendations for change received.

President's Advisory - Lucy Stofer: No report.

Nomination - Mary Brooks: Ready for this afternoon.

Parliamentarian - Ruth Ford: No report.

State awards - Lucy Stofer: No report.

Meeting adjourned for Memorial Service at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary reconvened at 1:30 p.m. President Loretta welcomed one of our guests, Greta Bynam of Grand Valley, Ontario. Roll call was again taken.

Loretta passed out certificates to the departments who have belonged to the IVFAA for 15 or more consecutive years. Some were missed due to not knowing of the information and the names of two districts appeared to have been misplaced. Loretta apologized for any oversight and these will be taken care of. Carolyn McCarty spoke on behalf of the group to express thanks to Loretta for this extra thoughtfulness.

Nancy Neal announced afternoon attendance as 148 officers and members and 17 guests.

A lengthy discussion followed on the President's Newsletter. The mailing address labels used were run over a year ago and addressed to the secretary at that time. Thus all departments did not receive the letter. Judy Hillenbrand said her District departments said they liked the letter. District 13 Chairman Virginia Wilson said her departments liked it but would like to receive it earlier so they could reply to some issues. Some departments have Resident Agents who are long-standing members of their department receiving the mailings. Suggestions were given that it be mailed more than once a year. However, it was pointed

out that postage and printing costs run about \$85 - \$100 a mailing and that the state paper comes out 4 times a year to include basically the same information. It was suggested that District Chairmen pick up the letters at State meetings, hand them out at their own district meeting, and mail copies to the departments not present. Eula Bush pointed out, however, that not all districts have Chairmen; also, we get comments that there is a lack of communication from the State office with the departments. For public relations we should be mailing direct to the departments. District Chairmen are encouraged to collect input for the newsletter.

IVFA Legislative Representative Jack Ford introduced Senator Minority Leader Frank O'Banion and his wife Judy. They spoke to us about volunteer work, and how it can be applied toward jobs, education, and revitalization and restoration of our communities.

A question had been asked on the Bridgeport Trust Fund. President Loretta read the guidelines for this award.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was turned over to Mary Brooks, Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Mary Brooks (after reading the duties of the office): The Committee would like to slate the name of Loretta Nulliner for President. Are there any other nominations? (Repeated total of three times) I ask the Recording Secretary to record a unanimous vote for Loretta Nulliner for the Office of President of the Association.

Nancy Neal: I cast a unanimous vote for Loretta Nulliner as President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks (after reading duties of office): The Convention Committee has slated Toni Sorg for the Office of Vice President. Are there any other nominations for the office of Vice President? (repeated 3 times). I ask the recording secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Toni Sorg as Vice President.

Nancy Neal: I cast a unanimous vote for Toni Sorg as Vice President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks (read duties of office): The nominating committee has slated Nancy Neal for the Office of Recording Secretary for the forthcoming year. Are there any other nominations? (3 times). I ask the President to cast a unanimous vote for Nancy Neal for the office of Recording Secretary for the coming year.

Loretta Nulliner: I would like to cast a unanimous vote for Nancy Neal for Recording Secretary of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks (read duties): The Committee slated Maxine Davies for the office of Corresponding Secretary. Are there any other nominations (3 times)? I ask the Recording Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Maxine Davies for the office of Corresponding Secretary.

Nancy Neal: I would like to cast a unanimous vote for Maxine Davies for the office of Corresponding Secretary for the forthcoming year.

Mary Brooks (reads duties): The slating committee places the name of Betsy Howe for the office of treasurer. Are there any other nominations? I ask the Recording Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Betsy Howe as Treasurer.

Nancy Neal: I would like to cast a unanimous vote for Betsy Howe for Treasurer of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks (reads duties): The slating committee places the name of Bette Sellmer for the office of Chaplain. Are there any other nominations? (repeated 3 times) I ask the Recording Secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Bette Sellmer for the Office of Chaplain for the 1987-88 year.

Nancy Neal: I would like to cast a unanimous vote for Bette Sellmer as Chaplain of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks (reads duties): The slating committee places the name of Miriam Schaeckel for the Office of Sergeant-at-Arms for the forthcoming year. Are there any other nominations (3 times)? I ask the recording secretary to cast a unanimous vote for Miriam Schaeckel for the office of Sergeant-at-Arms.

Nancy Neal: I would like to cast a unanimous vote for Miriam Schaeckel as Sergeant-at-Arms of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary.

Mary Brooks: The officers for the coming year are President, Loretta Nulliner; Vice President, Toni Sorg; Recording Secretary, Nancy Neal; Corresponding Secretary, Maxine Davies; Treasurer, Betsy Howe; Sergeant-at-Arms, Miriam Schaeckel; and Immediate Past President, Nickie Sunday.

Ruth Fairfield then conducted the installation service during a very impressive candle-light ceremony, with Katie Mason as Installing Marshal.

President Loretta again expressed her thanks to her officers, Ruth Fairfield for the installation, and District 14 for hosting the convention. Katie Mason thanked all who made her convention experience a most memorable one. The Convention will be at Michigan City next year.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Maxine Davies
Corresponding Secretary

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L. J. (TODDY) MICHL

Hi Everyone:

Another convention is over and another year to get things in order again. I hope everyone who attended had a good time. I want to congratulate the winners of the awards and I know you people all deserved them.

Thanks to my district for letting me serve you another year. We have some problems, every organization does, but I hope we can all work them out together. One problem I would like to help solve is the poor attendance at district meetings. This can only be done by the departments themselves. There must be at least five departments in attendance to have a legal meeting. Why can't each department appoint a representative to attend? These meetings are to get information from the state. Working together we can accomplish more things than when we work alone. There have been laws passed, and some Senators and Representatives trying to pass some bills concerning the Volunteer Fire Departments. Some of these bills are good and we need them, but some are against us and we don't want them passed. This is the time when Jack Ford will contact the Public Relations men and District Chairmen for help. We in turn try to get help from all the departments.

I hope by this time everyone has sent in their dues. Check with the secretary of your department. Remember dues must be paid by July 31 to qualify for the Bridgeport Scholarship award.

President Swartz and I will try again to have a meeting for Districts 20 and 21. This time I hope we will have enough people present for a good meeting. Your chairmen have worked hard in the past, let's get behind them again. Until next meeting, take care and please be safety conscious when you are at a fire.

L. J. (Toddy) Michl

P.S. Thanks to all the good help for setting the cross up at convention. Especially thanks to Bill Bush for always hauling it everywhere.

Arson suspected in Blooming Grove deli fire

Blooming Grove - State and Franklin County authorities are investigating the possibility of arson in a fire which caused extensive damage at Sherry's Deli in the dark morning hours Monday.

The fire is under investigation by the State Fire Marshal's office, Indiana State Police, the Franklin County Sheriff's Department and Blooming Grove Fire Department.

The fire occurred about 2 a.m. Monday at the grocery store at Pike Street and Stone Church Road which is owned by Bill Caudill, 10466 Pike St., Brookville, state police said.

The business is located direct-

ly across the street from the Blooming Grove fire station.

Firefighters suspected an accelerant may have been used due to a strong odor detected at the scene of the blaze, according to Blooming Grove Fire Chief William Steinard.

Twelve men and three trucks from Blooming Grove were assisted by three Everton volunteer units and a water pumper from the Brookville Rural Fire Department in fighting the fire, which caused heavy internal damage to the store. Damage appeared to be heaviest toward the

rear of the building's interior, where the living quarters were located.

Investigators discovered a four-inch cut in a screen door at the rear of the store. The store had been secured earlier in the evening by a part-time employee, authorities said. The owners reportedly spent the weekend in Kentucky.

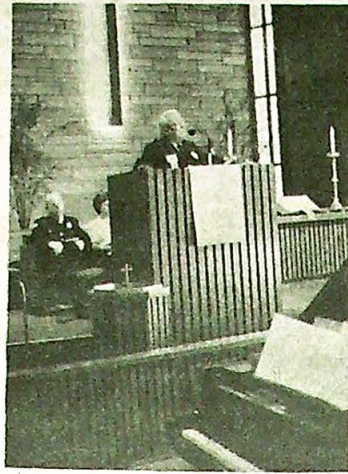
Investigating officers are State Fire Marshal James Skaggs, Trooper Rick Gill and Franklin County Deputy Don Smith.

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1987 Convention Snapshots



Long time Public Relations Director (Southwest) Carl Davis was given our "Mr. I.V.F.A." award by former winners Harold Stofer and Bill Goodwin.



Our Chaplain "Father" Duane Lantz during the morning Memorial Service.



The contestants were all wet during the Ladies' Water Ball competition.



The 1987-88 IVFAA officers are (L-R) President - Loretta Nulliner, Vice President - Toni Sorg, Recording Secretary - Nancy Neal, Corresponding Secretary - Maxine Davies, Treasurer - Betsy Howe, Chaplain - Bette Sellmer, and Sergeant-at-Arms - Miriam Schaeckel.



The 1987 Miss Flame Runner-up was District #7's Karen Marie Sorg.



1986 Miss Flame Deanna Robinson is pictured with this year's seventeen contestants.

News from District 10

On behalf of the District #10 firefighters and auxiliary members, thanks to Bob Masters and all of his assistants from District #14 for another fine convention.

Congratulations to our District

#10 ladies waterball team on capturing first place in their competition. It was also a pleasure to see 1986 State Miss Flame Deanna Robinson from District #10 crown the 1987 State Miss Flame Dawn Lemmons also from District #10. Karen Marie Sorg, District #7's Miss Flame was a much deserving runner-up. Thanks to all three of these young ladies and the other fifteen members of their court for adding much beauty to our annual meeting.

We have three new officers at the helm of our association, President Lawrence Swartz, Vice President Marvin "Pete" Lockhart, and Secretary Lee Kissell. They join Harold Stofer, Ivan Nevil, Bill Bush and Father Duane Lantz as our state officers. All of our support is needed by these gentlemen to make "Our Association" work.

District #10 Firefighters have met three times since our last paper. Thanks to the firefighters and auxiliary members of Waldron, Nineveh and Bunker Hill (Marion County) for providing places for us to meet as well as some great food before our business meeting.

Long time District #10 training committee member, John Ray, Chief of the Hartsville Fire Department, was awarded our 1987 Midwest Award for his hard work within the district. Congratulations, John! Your help is appreciated. The East Columbus Fire Department was awarded our 1986 attendance award. Many thanks to these folks for their support.

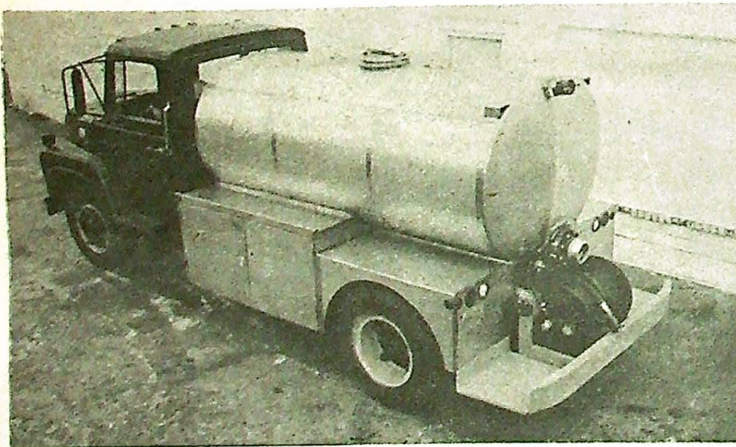
Bruce Neal, Chairman



Hartsville Fire Department Chief John Ray was the winner of District #10 I.V.F.A. Award in recognition of his hard work in the district.

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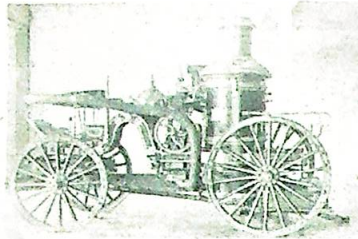
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A vacant house was the scene of this late afternoon fire in North Central Rush County. Units from Arlington-Jackson Township and Carthage Fire Departments were kept busy for 2½ hours.



Rushville area news



Rushville Fire Department received this 1893 Ahrens 3rd class double crane neck #2250 this spring from the firefighters' gallery of the Indianapolis Children's museum. Rushville purchased this 1893 Ahrens and used it until 1925. After 50 years of storage it was restored in 1975. It can be seen at Rushville Station #1.



Rushville Township Volunteer Fire Department completed work recently on an '82 Dodge 4x4. The 1 ton truck was purchased in February. Work on the truck and FMC skid unit came for the most part by members of the department. This 4x4 will replace the Township Rescue Truck for grass and field fires. The Rescue Truck carries fire and rescue equipment and is only 2-wheel drive.

Total cost of this '82 Dodge and 300 gallon Bean High Pressure Skid Unit is around \$7,500.

In 1984 the township formed a volunteer department with a rescue truck and a pumper. A 2,000 gallon tanker was brought into service in '85.

Ninth Annual Field Day held by Greene County

The Greene County Firefighters Association held their annual field day, on Sunday, June 21, at Shakamak State Park near Jasonville.

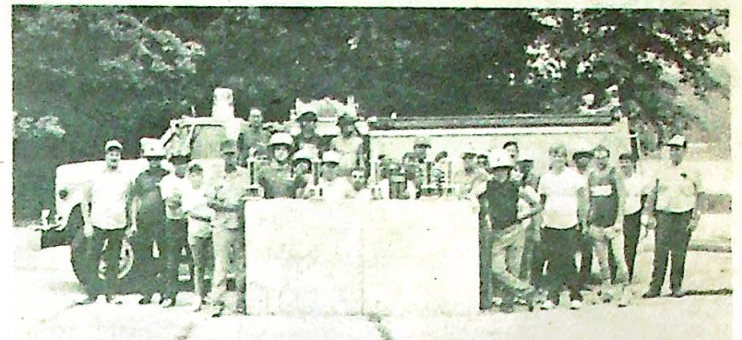
The day started off with a pitch-in dinner at 12 noon, and the field day games started at 1:00 p.m.

The competition consisted of five different games, bucket brigade (won by Jasonville Volunteer Firefighters), cathedral ladder race (won by Wright Township Volunteer Firefighters), hose replacement, hose roll, and water ball (all won by Lewis Township Volunteer Firefighters).

The Lewis Township Firefighters consisted of Bryan, Jerri, Max and Gene Husband, Harold and Diane Harrison, and Todd Rehmel. Lewis Township won the overall competition and has the right to hold the traveling trophy until the games of '88. Jasonville, Wright Township, and Richland-Taylor Township, also competed in the fun.

Association President Johnny Johnson passed out the trophies donated by Bloomfield State Bank.

A special thanks went out to Honey Creek Firefighter Tom High, and Linton Firefighter Ron Stener for judging the day. Also to Jasonville Police Officer Chuck Cox for being official timer for the water ball competition.



Greene County Firefighters Ninth Annual Field Day was held at Shakamak State Park. Contestants were from Lewis Township, Jasonville, Wright Township and Richland Taylor Township.

PUBLIC RELATIONS SOUTHEAST



ROY E. RICHARDSON

I want to thank everyone that helped at the 1987 Convention in Clarksville. We had a good convention and everyone had a good time. The committee worked very hard to see that everyone had a

good time.

Congratulations to Carl Davis who is Mr. I.V.F.A. Carl is doing a great job in his PR area. Congratulations also to Lee Kissell, our new secretary. I know Lee will do a good job so let's all work with Lee and help all we can.

Congratulations to Dawn Lemmons, Miss Flame winner from District 10. Lisa Craig, District 19, and Mechille Becht, District 16, did a good job representing their districts in the Miss Flame contest.

I attended the District 16 meeting at Lafayette Township and the District 19 meeting at Manchester. I attended the Jefferson County, Kentucky Fire Chiefs meeting at Jeffersontown, KY. They had a good meeting and they also visited our 1987 Convention at Clarksville.

Thanks to all firemen in District 14, 16, and 19 for electing me PR for another year. I will continue to do my best for all of you.

Roy E. Richardson

PLEASE HAVE ALL COPY for the next issue of the I.V.F.A. Newspaper in the Editor's office no later than September 20.

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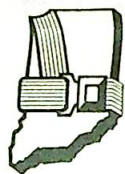
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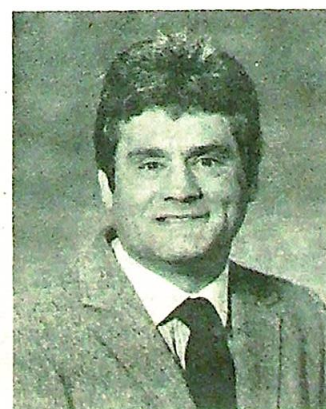
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BILL KINSEY

The 1987 Annual Meeting is over. We have a new president, Lawrence Swartz, and a new vice president, Marvin "Pete" Lockhart. Good luck, gentlemen. We also have a new secretary, Lee Kissell. Good luck to you also. These offices are important to our association and I'm confident these men will serve us well.

I also want to thank Doug

Bechtel for his efforts as secretary for the past several years. Getting the membership rolls into the computer was a monstrous job. Thanks, Doug.

Elections in each district are coming up soon. I thank John Ferro, District 4 Chairman, Wayne Smith, District 5 Chairman, Maynard Sanders, District 6 Chairman, and Mort Sorg, District 7 Chairman, for all of the hard work and hours spent working for the association in their districts last year. Congratulations on a job well done.

The importance of a strong I.V.F.A. was shown this year and its strength will become even more important in the future. Those who think that all that has been accomplished in the past is all that's important are wrong! The Fire Service in Indiana is changing so rapidly that those who are not keeping pace will soon find themselves far behind with a tremendous uphill climb to try to catch up. With new computerized fire reports, hazardous materials responsibilities, the new

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Champion Sparkplugs, Independent Insurance Agents of America, Beechnut Tobacco, Rocky Boots, Nikon Sport Optics, Ford, Libby's Canned Meats, Marlin Firearms, Kawasaki Motors Corp., Buck Knives, Wild Turkey, Stihl, Goodyear Tires, Purina Hi-Pro, Stetson Cologne, and DeKuyper Original Peachtree Schnapps.

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pear in a special advertisement in the November 1988 issue of FIELD & STREAM.

The Turkey Shoot Sweepstakes program is in its fourth year and has been honored by President Reagan as a shining example of private enterprise working with local communities to provide additional funds for needed services. Last year, through this program, FIELD & STREAM and the National Volunteer Fire Council, along with corporate sponsors, helped raise over \$4,000,000 for some 4,000 fire departments.

Details on fire company participation and a free kit may be obtained by writing or calling: Mike Edison, FIELD & STREAM, 1515 Broadway, New York, NY 10036 (212) 719-6689.



Six "die" in mock accident staged in Porter County

Liberty Township's volunteer firefighters (above) remove area residents posing as the dead and injured from a bus during a mock disaster sponsored by Porter County Emergency Medical Services. The bus and truck accident was staged on an unopened portion of the Indiana 49 bypass south of U.S. 6.

Post Tribune (Gary) photo by Frederick Walton

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DeAnna Robinson bids a fond farewell to I.V.F.A. Miss Flame position

To all the special people who have shared the last year with me:

Being 1986-1987 I.V.F.A. Miss Flame has been an experience I will cherish, and never forget. In the last year I have represented the best organization in the world. All of you are very special and dear to my heart. I hope my successor experiences the same joys, adventures and challenges that I have found.

I have enjoyed all of my tours this last year and I've made MANY new friends.

I'd like to thank my parents and district 10 for all their sup-

port. I'd also like to give special thanks to all my new friends who work so hard to make an organization like this successful. I can't mention you all individually because there are so many of you but you know who you are.

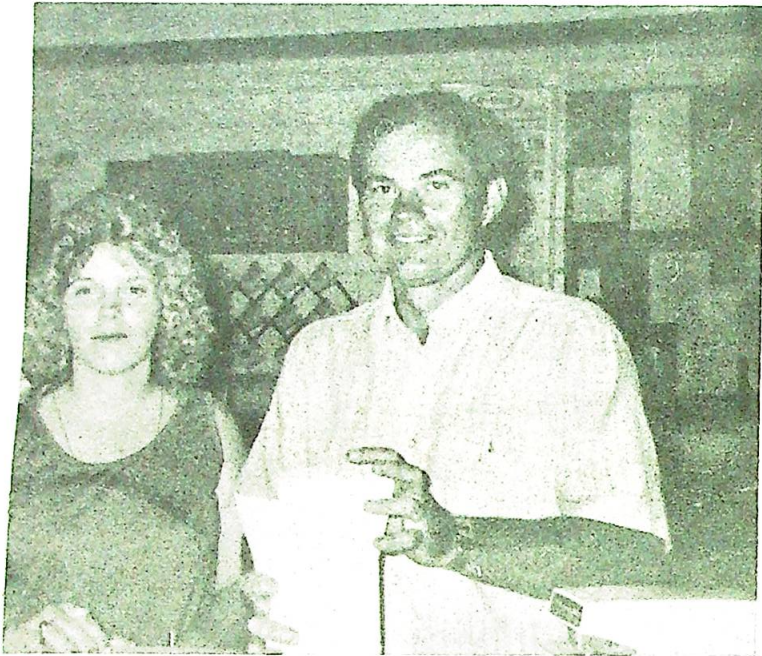
In closing, I'd like to challenge each of you to spread your light as a member of the volunteer services and make our organization better than best. "I've always wanted to leave my volunteer mark on the world-- Maybe I'll just leave a lot of little marks-- Good bye. DeAnna Robinson was here!"



The Fairland firemen protect and serve our community with unselfish hearts. This is where the roots of my success began, while working with these galant men.



June 11, 1987 - I.V.F.A. Convention: Saying good bye to an honored position is always a sad time. I'll never forget any of you. May God bless and keep you all.



Bill Johnson, our Fairland Fire Department president, has organized and run our fish fries for the last 18 years. He is a very devoted and successful man.



Loretta, our I.V.F.A.A. President, is a great friend and a good leader. It's been a pleasure to work with her this past year.



Congratulations to Dawn Lemmons on becoming the new I.V.F.A. Miss Flame. Good luck representing our organization. It is a big job, but it will be worth the time.



Judy Hurst is the president of our Fairland auxillary. She is a hard worker and an inspiration to all of us.



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New Miss Flame is Dawn Lemmons

Hi! My name is Dawn Lynn Lemmons. I represent the St. Paul Volunteer Fire Department and Women's Auxiliary, District 10, and the state of Indiana as your 1987-88 I.V.F.A. Miss Flame. I was crowned Miss Flame by DeAnna Robinson on June 11, 1987, at the annual Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Convention, which was hosted this year by the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department and District 14.

I want to thank the Clarksville Volunteer Firemen and Women's Auxiliary members for a wonderful convention. I had a great time in Clarksville and I will never forget it, or the great friends that I met! It means so very much to me to be your I.V.F.A. Miss Flame! One of the best times I had at the convention was during the four hour boat ride on the Belle of Louisville! It was very exciting and lots of fun for me as well as for the other girls!

I was really shocked when they announced me as the winner! Another shock for me was when John Denton and his wife Jancie, Jem Keppel and his wife Mary, John Bakes, Annie Fleener, Don Hansen, and the town marshal Ansel Harden, escorted me on the fire truck when I reached the city limits of my town! I want to thank them, it was real special to me.

I received many lovely gifts as a result of being Miss Flame. I received a Bert Ketchum Memorial lamp, a beautiful bouquet of silk roses, a lovely crown, a clock that holds a picture and a plaque and a \$100 United States Savings Bond.

I am going to try to serve my

fire department, district, and state, to the best of my ability. If you would like me to attend any of your events or functions, please don't hesitate to call or write me a letter.

Last of all I want to say that everything was worth it! It was worth getting up at 5:30 a.m. and all of the nervousness that I suffered. I urge any girl that is eligible to go for this because it's worth it 100%. Believe me, unexpected things happen! Thank you so much, for everything!

My address and phone are Dawn Lynn Lemmons, R#1, Box 257, St. Paul, IN 47272 - (317)525-4295.



1986 Miss Flame DeAnna Robinson (right) presents 1987 Miss Flame Dawn Lemmons with some of her awards. Both ladies are from District #10.



Hancock County - The Green Township fire department recently broke ground on a 4-bay, 40 x 80 building located at State Roads 9 and 234. The picture includes the trustee, contractor, I.M.I. owners, advisor board members and firemen.

Green Twp. department makes progress since 1981

In late 1981 eight men held a township meeting to find out if there was enough interest in Green Township (Hancock Co.) to have and support a fire department. They found out that most of the people were 100% behind them.

In January of 1982 they started their fire department with a 1948 Chevrolet pumper, 750 G.P.M. with a 1000 gallon water tank. The station was located at Indy 5 gas station at State Roads 9 and 234, a one bay garage. They had 15 men on the roster at that

time.

In 1983 they moved to their present location, an old Quonset hut barn that required a lot of work before it could be occupied. Shortly after moving, they purchased a 1959 Mack pumper from two men in Knightstown and in 1984 the Charlottesville Fire Department donated a 4-wheel drive jeep grass rig to them. They found out they needed a tanker, so they found a 1967 Chevrolet gasoline truck in a junk yard and completely rebuilt it and had a 2200 gal tanker. In 1985 they got

a 1972 Ford pumper from Warren Township, Marion Co.

On June 20, 1987, they broke ground for a 4-bay, 40 x 80 precast concrete building with a community room located at State Roads 9 and 234 across from I.M.I. headquarters. The building is to be leased from I.M.I. over a 10 year period. In 5 1/2 years of hard work the Green Township Volunteer fire department, Hancock County, has done an outstanding job. Their membership is now up to 22.

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Fire ruins vacation season for Angola motel

Even though Elizabeth Lingamni is 5 months pregnant, she jumped from her upstairs living quarters at the Redwood Motel, at the west edge of Angola, IN, Thursday night and without a doubt saved the lives of the downstairs Motel guests when a VFS Transport truck knocked some wires down starting the fire. There were 27 guests at the motel registered Thursday night.

The motel which has 50 units will be wiped out for the entire vacation season.

The Angola Fire Department received a call at 10:48 Thursday night of a fire at the Redwood Motel. A semi-truck had snagged an electrical line and short circuited the main feed line going into the motel causing an arc. For some distance the fire resembled the Fourth of July.

According to Angola's fire chief, the new aerial truck which the department had received this past February, and used for the first time, "... saved the day and many, many dollars in damage. Without it, without a doubt, the motel would have been a complete loss." Damage to the building and contents at this time has been set at \$300,000.00. It has been ruled an accidental fire.

The Angola firemen were assisted by Fremont, Metz, Orland, Ashley, Hudson, Pleasant Lake, Hamilton, Salem Center, Butler, Waterloo, and Edgerton, Ohio. Exceptional assistance was provided by the city, county, state, EMS, Reserve Department, City Reserves, and Sheriff's Department.

The Angola Firemen's Auxiliary provided coffee, cold drinks

and food to the working firemen which was greatly appreciated due to the long working hours required at the fire.

Due to the heavy traffic on Road 20, traffic assistance by of-

ficers was required and for awhile Road 20 was closed and traffic had to be rerouted.

- Lois Greenamyier
The New Fremont Eagle
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Major damage is seen in this view of the front of the Redwood Motor Lodge, Angola. Photo by Lois Greenamyier

Sen. Wyss honored at luncheon

Indianapolis - At a special luncheon celebrating their third anniversary, employees of the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services honored State Senator Thomas Wyss (R-Allen County) as "Public Safety Legislator of the Year." Department Executive Director Charles W. Coffee, speaking for agency employees during the awards ceremony, stated "Willingness to persevere and support difficult

legislation in the face of strong adversity for the sake of public safety constitutes the basis for this distinguished leadership award. Senator Wyss has been a strong advocate of efforts to increase the effectiveness and safety of officials throughout the state charged with enforcing fire and building safety laws."

In the 1987 Legislative session, Senator Wyss sponsored key
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Lyford has new equipment

After a long time of having to do without, the Lyford Fire Department is beginning to shine again thanks to the efforts of some caring people.

Now, whenever the Lyford Volunteer Firemen - 14 of them altogether - hear the fire alarm, they will be fully equipped and ready to go.

"We just didn't have the proper gear to go in and do the job right before," said Assistant Chief David Miller.

But that was before the donations started coming in, donations which have supplied essential equipment necessary for fighting a fire safely and efficiently.

In October of last year, the Lyford Water Works raised \$3,000 for the fire department. That money has since been spent on 16 new pair of boots, two new Scott Air Packs and refurbishing at least two other air packs.

Meanwhile, former State Senator Bill Dunbar was rallying behind the needs of the department fighting for the release of government funds. Dunbar assisted Florida Township Trustee Robert Yowell and the advisory board members in acquiring funds and in December, they signed over a \$5,000 check to the fire department.

As a result, the fire department was also able to purchase 16 pair of new bunker pants, 16 new helmets and 16 new coats.

"We just can't thank them enough," said Fire Chief Billy Miller of the above-mentioned people. The firemen also expressed great appreciation to the Lyford community for its loyal support. "Many Lyford residents showed support at special meetings," said Miller.

The 14 firemen are doing their part, too, in striving to have the best fire department possible. They participated in the recent

Fire School (July 1986 through May 1987) sponsored by the Parke-Vermillion Fire Association and headed up by Richard Wittenmyer. Three of the Lyford firemen have achieved first-class rank, seven are now second-class and four others are "on their way."

Consequently, townspeople are resting easier these days as the old controversy over the lack of fire protection has turned an about face into a better sense of security. *by Diana L. Pitman*

Cayuga Department honors Larry Newman

During the Pioneer Days celebration this weekend the Cayuga Firemen announced the winner of the Fireman of the Year Award. This year the award was won by Larry Newman. Last year's winner Ron Abernathy presented the award to Larry (below).

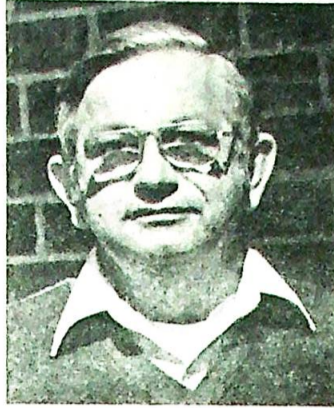


- THANKS -

FROM KATIE-

I don't know what else I can say except a very "BIG THANK YOU" to each and everyone of you who helped to make it possible for me to attend the 1987 Convention at Clarksville. I knew I had friends, but this just proved how many - and altho' I've said it time and time again - THANK YOU VERY MUCH - each and everyone of you means a lot to me.
Katie Mason

PUBLIC RELATIONS EAST CENTRAL



BILL WINDSOR

This years Convention was wonderful; I believe everyone had a great time.

East Central Indiana came home with a lot of trophies: First place in Water Ball; first place in cart race - District 10 Ladies; Miss Flame - District 10; first place hose replacement - Sugar Creek Station #1, Team 2; second place hose replacement - Sugar Creek Station #1, Team 1; fourth place hose replacement - Fortville; all from District 13 A.

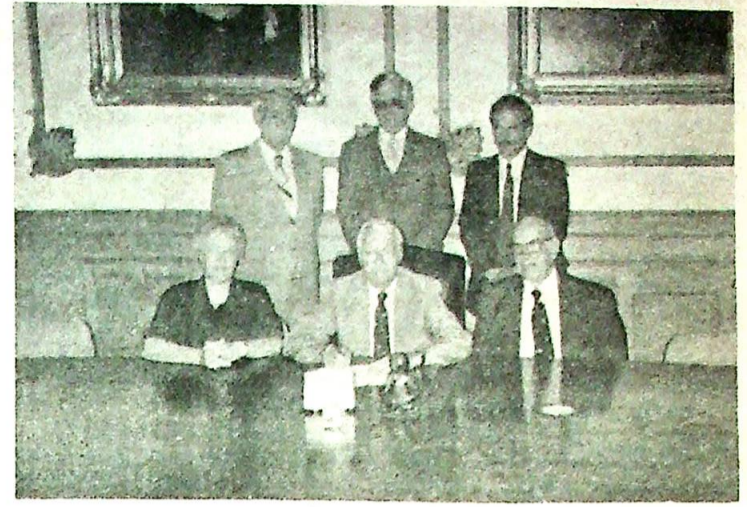
Selma took fifth place in waterball (District 8B).

Farmland (8B) took first place in parade for antique fire equipment and Fortville (13A) took second place in parade for antique fire equipment. Congratulations guys and gals from East Central P.R. area #4.

I found a pair of shoes in the I.V.F.A. trailer at convention after the games. If they are yours, give me a call and identify them, and I'll get them to you.

Don't forget to check your training schedule and get out to your District meetings.

Until then,
Bill Windsor



Governor signs bills benefiting firefighters

(Back row, left to right) Rep. Orville Moody, Lawrence Swartz, I.V.F.A. Vice President, and Mark Riffey, Assistant State Fire Marshal. (Seated) Senator Sue Landske, Governor Robert Orr and Jack Ford, I.V.F.A. Legislative Chairman.

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2nd class lesson plans for the voluntary certification program, the soon to be published 1st class lesson plans, and a mandatory 24 pre-basic personal safety requirement (effective 1-1-88), comes the responsibility of changing to new methods to improve the fire service in Indiana. Fire prevention with the new Fire Marshal "Certified Fire Inspector" will make our buildings safer but add work and responsibility to the local fire departments. We have our work cut out for us and we need to keep pace.

With all of the changes past, present and future, we cannot hope to reach all of the necessary firefighters in Indiana with the Fire Marshal's monthly mailing. Even with all the information sent

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legislation to establish minimum training standards for both career and volunteer firefighters. Senate Bill 392 requires that all full-time

out by the Fire Marshal, it doesn't always reach the rank and file of the firefighters. It is and will be even more important to attend I.V.F.A. District meetings. Don't depend on someone else to bring back important information to you and your department. Get it first hand. Be there! Every department should be at their district meetings to choose their District Chairman. He is your first line of communication.

Thanks for selecting me to represent you as Public Relations Director NE for another year. I'll do my best for you.

In closing, thank you, Marshal Bosell, for attending our Annual Convention. I know the volunteer firefighters of Indiana appreciate it.

Bill Kinsey

firefighters hired, or volunteer firefighters elected or appointed after January 1, 1988, must meet basic training requirements which will include 24 hours of training in specified areas. Such training must include instruction in firefighter personal safety, proper use of equipment, and recognition of special hazards encountered in firefighting operations, in addition to other basic issues.

The issue of certification of building enforcement officials and firefighters was untouched prior to Senator Wyss' legislation. It is expected that Wyss' efforts will open doors for the standardization of training and qualification of other personnel concerned with public safety. According to Coffee, Senate Bill 392 was "initially misunderstood and contested" by some in the fire services community, but it is now viewed as being in the best interests of all firefighting personnel. "This bill, when the wide-ranging implications are fully understood, will hopefully cause certification to be seen in a more favorable light by the entire Hoosier fire and buildings family. It is my hope that this will be first of several steps toward increasing the effectiveness and professionalism of those responsible for safety, in buildings," said Coffee during the presentation.

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