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Congratulations to our 2016 - 50 year members



Only once in a life time can someone claim success for providing volunteer fire service to a community for 50 years and this year the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association is proud and honored to announce that 54 of our members are able to make such claim. Getting to 50 years of service is a dedication far beyond what most of us ever think of when we join the ranks of our Volunteer Fire Departments.

Fifty years is no small achievement - spending time raising their families, working a full-time job, juggling their volunteer duties and participating in other community activities

such as church, school, and sports.

These 54 firefighters exemplify the power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit through actions of the most heroic magnitude; their sacrifices and their selfless dedication merit tribute and recognition by all citizens of this great State, and the community where they serve.

It takes a special dedication, a strong desire to help others and a tireless sense of community to forsake precious time with family and friends to respond to the alarm that a neighbor is in need; these 54 volunteer firefighters; throughout their 50 years of devoted service, heroically performed, providing such service.

These brave men have put themselves in harms-way for their fellow citizen and their communities.

They have given of their time, their family's time, and made personal sacrifices, to assure our communities are provided with the first line of defense when faced with natural or man-made disasters or when called upon to assist a neighbor during their emergency.

During this year's session of the Indiana General Assembly Representative Randy Frye prepared and read before the House of Representatives, HCR 64, a Concurrent Resolution Recognizing 54 Indiana Volunteer Firefighters on the occasion of 50 years of dedicated

service to their local volunteer fire departments and Senator Rick Niemeyer co-authored the same and read it in the Senate. Both chambers unanimously

"They have given of their time, their family's time and made personal sacrifices..."

passed the resolution, with most of the members of both chambers signing on as co-sponsors.

During this special occasion we had 13 of the 54 members as well as many of their family members in attendance as our Indiana

State Fire Marshal James Greeson addressed those who were able to be at the State House on March 1st adding his thank you for their service to the Indiana Fire Service.

The IVFA congratulates all of our members who have achieved such a distinguished and high honor, serving their communities for 50 years providing assistance to their neighbors during their worst days of their lives. Thanks to all of you for your service.

submitted by Larry Curl

Congratulations to each of the 54 firefighters!



Determined to Serve, Determined to Protect

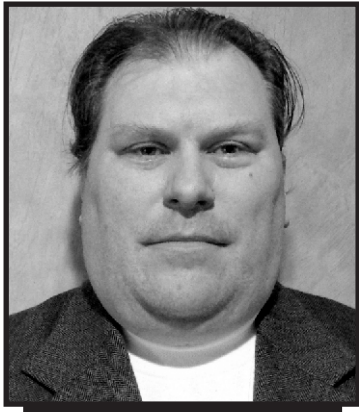
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From The President

Steve Anderson



I have had a busy start to 2016, traveling over 5000 miles to events from all over the state. A common theme in all of those visits has been the great hospitality you have given me; and for that I thank you for that effort. The meals have been great, the photo ops have as well, but the conversations with our members are the best. Whether it is the talk with an individual chief, the conversation with members at the dinner table, or chatting with people as they work {the bingo / fund-raiser / PR event}, I always enjoy each opportunity.

As we approach the summer, we are in need of some **HELP** from you—our membership. Hopefully by the time you are reading this, the

Indiana Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations will have released a survey they are conducting to analyze the state of readiness for the fire and EMS service in the state (yes, this is the same survey that I talked about last issue). You may receive an email with the instructions and link to the survey from the following sources: the State Fire Marshal, IDHS Training, the IVFA, your IVFA District Chairman, the IN Fire Chief's Assoc., and others.

The **FIRST** item we need your help with is for everyone to complete this survey as accurately as possible. We have worked on this as a part of the Indiana Fire Alliance and think that the results of this survey will play a vital role in the future of the Indiana fire service. For example, there are specific questions dealing with recruitment and retention of volunteers, questions evaluating the age of current apparatus, questions for departments that provide EMS, and questions looking at participation levels during different times of the week. Survey results should help us identify current issues and assess future needs, which lead us to several projects listed below.

The **SECOND** item we need assistance with is - we are in the process of putting together a workgroup to evaluate the survey results. This group will provide feedback on areas of concern and ways to address them by making recommendations or potential

future legislation in the areas of (but not limited to): Staffing, Funding, Equipment, Training, Services provided.

The **THIRD** item we need assistance with is forming a workgroup to focus on the issue of presumptive cancer and completing research necessary to get ready for the upcoming legislative session. If you remember from last year, we were looking to propose legislation that would provide volunteer firefighters presumptive cancer and other disability coverage like our career counterparts already have. We had language prepared to take to the legislature, but after talking to several legislators, we decided to hold off until the 2017 session.

Finally, the **LAST** item we need your help with is - we are looking for a dedicated group of volunteers to help us research opportunities and prepare applications for grants specifically addressing recruitment and retention. We have learned that most state organizations have received grants at the state or national level based on these topics, so it is time Indiana goes after some of that funding. If you have ideas for recruitment or retention programs that should be discussed for inclusion in a grant proposal we are looking for your input.

If you are interested in any of these projects, please contact myself, Lobbyist Larry Curl, or the Central Office. If you have a specific topic you want to work on, be sure to state that when you contact us. Most of the work will be done via conference call, but some in-person meetings may be required.

In other news, we have continued the Day of Training events in 3 of our PR areas so far this year. We had classes in Batesville on March 26th, in McCordsville on April 2nd, and in Rensselaer on April 16th. These free training opportunities will be offered later in the year in the Northeast, West Central, and Southwest PR areas. Be looking for information by late summer on dates and details on class offerings.

As you will see throughout the paper, our officers have been busy presenting your members with the 10, 25, and 50 year awards. If this has not occurred at your department, please contact your district chairman to set up a presentation. Our goal is to get to every department by the end of the year. Based on our figures we should reach almost 6,000 members for their 10 year pin alone.

I will close by thanking all of you that stopped by our booth at FDIC. We really enjoy getting to talk to you and helping you in any way we can.

Davis honored for 50 years of firefighter service

Sunday, March 13, 2016

During a meeting at the Fillmore Volunteer Fire Station in Fillmore Indiana, Volunteer Firefighters from all over the state gathered as State Senator Pete Miller – SD 24 presented firefighter John A. Davies, a member of the Fillmore Volunteer Fire Department with a Proclamation from the Indiana State Senate, recognizing and honoring him for 50 years of service as a volunteer firefighter in his community



Only once in a lifetime can someone claim success for providing a service of 50 years and this year John is one of 54 members of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association that we are proud and honored to announce who is able to make such claim.

Fifty years of volunteer service is no small achievement - juggling their volunteer duties with a full-time job, other community activity and spending time raising their family.

John exemplifies the power of human compassion and the strength of the American spirit through his actions of the most heroic magnitude; his sacrifices and selfless dedication merit tribute and recognition by all citizens of Fillmore and of this great State.



John, joined by his family, friends, fellow firefighters and leadership of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association were there while Senator Miller presented the Indiana Senate Proclamation.

John also received an Indiana House Concurrent Resolution, recognizing and honoring him, a lifetime membership (Gold card) to the Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association, as well as a jacket presented on behalf of his department, by his son Chief Mike Davies, (who is following in Dad's footsteps, currently serving as Chief of the Fillmore Fire Department) embroidered with his name and 50 years of service on the front and on the back was a large Fillmore Fire Department Logo.

As everyone congratulated John for such a long and distinguished service; he let it be known, he is not finished yet, he still intends to continue holding his current office as Secretary of the Indiana Volunteer Fire Service District 11 B. - submitted by Larry Bartlow



I.V.F.A. Benefits

I.V.F.A. SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE



The I.V.F.A. plate is to recognize those that are members of the Association and to allow their communities to know who among them are volunteer firefighters.

This began back in 1990 when the Association petitioned the Bureau of Motor Vehicles for a special plate.

We were granted the special plate and 1991 was the first year of issue.

The Association began distributing the plate forms required to get the plate.

To cover the cost of administering the paper work associated with the plate we attached a \$5.00 fee.

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

We have continued that each year to present and in 2002 we added approximately \$10,000 to the Bridgeport Scholarship Fund.

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

Please support this program by continuing to purchase the I.V.F.A. Plates.

Miss Flame Notes...

Convention time is just around the corner. The Miss Flame committee, both state and convention host, are busy at work preparing a fun packed week of activities for the Miss Flame contestants.

This year we will have 22 girls who will be seeking the honor of being crowned Miss Flame for 2016. Each of these young ladies are winners and any one of them would represent us well. It is rewarding to see that they have chosen to take time out of their busy schedules to compete in this event. We feel that this portion of the convention is certainly billed as one of the highlights of the convention.

Parents, make sure you have registered your daughter and that you have secured your hotel rooms, noting that the girls will all be in the same area. Tell them your daughter is a Miss Flame. All girls must have a chaperone with them who is at least 21 years of age.

Thanks to each of you who have assisted with the districts to select your representative. Remember to include the girls in your district functions. They are willing to help promote the district activities and functions.

Last, but certainly not least, thank you parents and guardians who have given a great deal to get these girls here. There are many factors that go into getting them to the contest. Thank you for your support and for your commitment to IVFA and IVFAA. Hopefully the girls will have an experience that they will long remember.

Looking forward to meeting each of you. See you at Convention.

Barb Kerney & E J Smith

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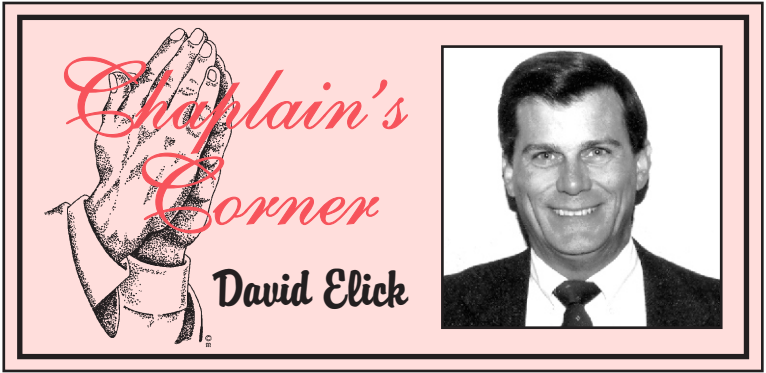
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Greetings all.

As I write this, there are many thoughts and emotions that keep running through my mind. Some of these can be managed and changed, however most cannot. God has a plan. A plan which we are not privy to, but He has a plan for each of us. Often times we question the whys - Why did this have to happen? - Why would God let things turn out this way? - Why now? The answer to these questions is never easy, and sometimes we never totally understand.

As firefighters, public servants, it's almost like we are gluttons for punishment when it comes to facing situations that pose these questions. Even though the answers might never come, God does have a way of resetting the system, kind of a starting over, if you will. It's called Spring.

To some, spring is signified by Easter and FDIC. Others see spring as a fresh start for better, brighter days ahead. Plants blooming, trees and lawns getting green again, and the return of birds singing. Even if we can't always figure out what God's plan has in store, we can be assured that spring is an opportunity to start fresh with a new sense of hope, optimism, and faith.

Stay Safe -
Dave Elick
IVFA Chaplain



"He that humble himself shall be exalted."
- Matthew 23:12

"God is above all earthly rulers, and His law above all human laws."
- James H. Fairchild

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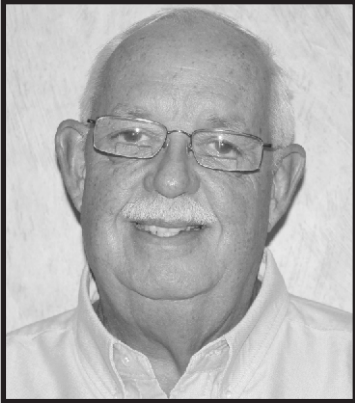
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PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORTS

Public Relations Director Southwest
Jack Kerney



I hope everyone survived the winter. I am looking forward to the arrival of spring and into summer.

Since my last article Barb and I took a week off in November for a vacation in Cancun with friends, Richard and Sue Glant and Jean and EJ Smith. Then in February we took a week off and visited our grandson Steven, his wife Kelsey and our great-granddaughter, Lilly in their new home in the Tampa, Florida area.

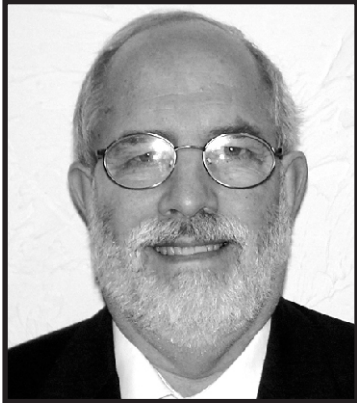
My travels this quarter have taken me to Ellettsville Vol. Fire Dept. for the District 17B meeting with Chief Michael Comman being the host. I also went to Vincennes for the District 17A meeting and Sausage Supper, and became the owner of a customized fire helmet at the auction, and won a 50" TV as a door prize. Thanks to Chief Tim Smith and his crew for a nice evening with our firefighter friends. The District 15 meeting was at Chandler Vol. Fire Department and hosted by Chief Jake Luker. Our District 18 meeting was held at the Jackson Twp. Vol. Fire Department and hosted by Chief Brian Spellmeyer. The New Harmony Vol. Fire Dept. held their annual Sausage Supper at the 4-H building and I helped District Chairman Ross Emery present the IVFA 10 and 25 year pins and a 50 year Gold Card. At the Warrick County Chief's meeting at Elberfeld Vol. Fire Department I was honored to help Chairman Emery present a Gold Card to Firefighter Lester Minke. The District 17B meeting was held at Jackson Twp. Vol. Fire Department in Brown County and hosted by Chief Glen Elmore.

I hope everyone will be attending the IVFA Convention June 15 - 17 at the Belterra Casino & Resort. Those of you that play golf come and join us on Wednesday for a day of fun and frustration. On Friday is the election of the IVFA officers. I would like to thank everyone for their hospitality and support over the last year as your IVFA Public Relations representative. Please come to the officer's meeting on Friday as I would appreciate your support, as I will be attempting to stay as your Public Relations Director from the Southwest.

Hope to see everyone at your next district meeting or fundraiser.

Jack Kerney
PR Southwest

Public Relations Director Northeast
Jean Smith



When you read this spring is finally here, as summer is close by.

I attended the district meetings at Southwest Central Fire Territory-Portage, Aubbeenaubbee Vol. Fire Department, Monroeville Vol. Fire Department, and Baugo Township Vol. Fire Department. I attended seven fundraisers.

I would like to congratulate those girls that will be representing the districts in Public Relations Area Northeast as Miss Flame candidates -- Abby Smith, District 4 New Carlisle Fire Dept., McKayla Shumaker, District 5 Bremen Fire Dept., Kayla Williams, District 6 Pleasant Lake Fire Dept., and Olivia Lockwood, District 7 Poe Fire Dept.

IVFA Convention 2016 will be June 15-June 18 at the Belterra Casino Resort, Vevay, Indiana.

I will be attending the NVFC spring meeting in Alexandria, Virginia, May 5-8.

I am looking forward to meeting you at your district meetings and working with you. If you need any assistance, please contact me, your Public Relations representative or your district chairman.

Jean Smith
Public Relations Northeast

Election of officers to be held at convention

Following is a list of names nominated for the election of officers which will be held at the 2016 Convention.

- Following are the candidates:
- President - Paul Holcomb
- Vice President - David Israel
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Be safe this summer!

Notice of change for 2016 Convention memorial service

Just wanted to make everyone aware of a change in this year's program for convention. The memorial service has been moved from Friday morning to Thursday evening. The evening will begin with the posting of the colors followed by the awards. We will take a short break after the awards then begin the memorial service. All these events will be in the Center Stage. Hopefully by moving the memorial service to Thursday evening it will give everyone more time to enjoy the evening's entertainment.

Stephen Macke
Chairman District 19
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district19@ivfa.org

News from the IVFA Central Office

As I stated in our last newsletter the office would be out of service for about a week by not being able to make any changes in your information. We are now up and running with our new software and learning the new system. I want to thank everyone for their understanding during this time. Those of you that called in during this period, we were able to accommodate you by using the old system and taking notes and making changes when we were up and going again.

Thanks to those of you that were at the Jasper Fire School and stopped by and visited with us at our booth.

Remember as of January 1 you no longer need the License Request form from the IVFA Office. You can get your IVFA license plates on-line or visit the BMV.

If the IVFA Office can be of any service to you, please call us any time of day at 877-606-IVFA (4832).

Jack Kerney
IVFA Central Office

"Palette Party" fundraiser



IVFAA District 18 held a "Palette Party" fundraiser on Friday, April 1st. Participants painted stars under the direction of Cathy Kroger, our facilitator and owner of "I Got It From Santa Claus". Everyone had a great time. Our thanks to Cathy for donating her proceeds to our organization.

District 18 Miss Flame, Kathrine Hurst is pictured participating in the event.

Photo and article provided by IVFAA Dist. 18 Chairman Kathy Smith

EDITOR'S NOTE When submitting articles and photos, either by mail, e-mail or fax please include the District # along with the submission. THANK YOU!!

2016 IVFA CONVENTION VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM Belterra Casino - Vevay, Indiana - June 15 - 17

Vendor Setup: Thursday, June 16 - 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Exhibit Hours: Thursday, June 16 - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Vendor Welcome: Friday, June 17 - 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Vendor Name: _____ Phone #: ()-____-____
Contact Name: _____ Title: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Email: _____ Fax # ()-____-____

We are offering three levels of vendor sponsorship:

Level 1: (1) 8 x 10 booth space or (1) apparatus display (up to 3 trucks)

Level 2: (1) 8 x 10 booth space or (1) apparatus display (up to 3 trucks), co-sponsor of a meal or event that includes a small amount of speaking time with the entire group, during this time you will also draw for a door prize that your company provides. (Tickets will be provided and handed out at your booth).

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Extra 8 x 10 booth spaces or apparatus displays can be purchased also.

Level 1 sponsor: _____ (1) booth space or _____ (1) apparatus display (\$200.00 fee)

Level 2 sponsor: _____ (1) booth space or _____ (1) apparatus display (\$500.00 fee and door prize for raffle)

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Extra space: _____ (1) 8 x 10 booth space or _____ (1) apparatus display (up to 3 trucks) (\$150.00 fee)

If you cannot attend convention and would like to donate: \$ _____

Hole Sponsor for golf on Wednesday: \$100 _____

Total Cost: \$ _____ 50% deposit enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable and mail to: Convention 2016, P.O. Box 155, Milan, IN 47031

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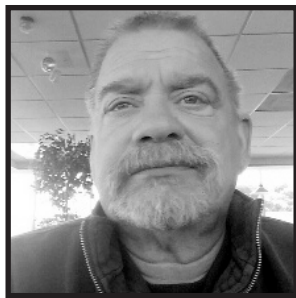
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DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT 1 REPORT



Marshall Neese - Chairman

District 1 (10) Year Pin Distribution

November 8, 2015: Lake Ridge FD - Marshall Neese.

December 4, 2015: Griffith FD - Eric Andree, Michael A. Andree, Steve Cope, Donald Hill, Matt Jabowski, Thomas Keown, Thomas Kitzmiller, Guy Louie, Joseph Martion, Daniel Michels, Timothy Overmyer, Aaron Pollock, Corey Red, Dan Schoon, Michael Sipes, Terry Smit, Thomas Sommers, James Sopher, Dale Verkuilen.

December 9, 2015: New Chicago - Evin Eakins, Dave Hardy, James Mitchell, Kevin Sowash.

December 1, 2015: Lake Ridge FD - Brian Denney, Mike Redd, James Vanduyke, Kevin Kwasniewski, Brian Kishel, Roger Dale Jackson.

January 5, 2016: Washington Twp. - Gregory Adair, Michael Eckhardt, Dennis M. Forbes, Mike Gangs, Scott Gilbert, Chris Guiloran, Michael Hammonds, Adam Huffstadt, Joshua Jackson, Gregory Leec, Matthew Preuss, Brandon Roark, Dwayne Tate.

February 1, 2016: Merr Fire Dept. - Randall Bard, Dennis A. McGee, Jacob Minnick, Phil Taper, Jason G. Coin, Daniel J. Frangis, Phil Hasier, Alec Kamisky, Curtis Minchek, Justin Barron, Scott Cannon, Josh Carter, Jeff Chess, Tony Gaines, Tom Goraiczky, Michael Graham, George Kepshire, Brandon Kasak, Brandon McVade, David Pebl, Kenneth Roach, Daved Spisak, Matt Valant.

February 3, 2016: Ogden Dunes - Karel Keari, M. Chris Mayernik, Michael McIntire, Debra A. Mohr, John L. Olsen, Michael Tallan, Christopher Tanis, John Wath.

February 3, 2016: Pine Twp. - Amber L. Brown, Geoffrey Plummer, Khristopher S. Timm.

February 3, 2016: Porter Vol. - Daniel Branham, Jill E. Branham, Lewis T. Craig, Joel Eastlund, Jamason Hicks, Brian W. Mulholland, Joseph M. Mulholland, Jeremy S. Spargur.

February 3, 2016: South Haven - Keith Austin, Brandon Cotton, David Czapka, Christine Gospodarek, Boe Jones, William Lundy, Craig Morris, Brain Mosley, Tina Babban, Chad Newsum, Andrew Patten.

February 3, 2016: Beverly Shores - Eric LeRoy Camel, John T. Hennessey, Andrew P. Himan, Jeremy David Himan, Stephen M. Himan, Beth Janssen, Neal L. Mulconvey, Jeffrey M. Turner.

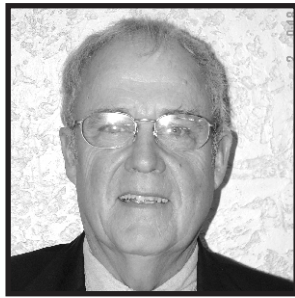
February 3, 2016: Burns Harbor - Brian M. Beach, Robert R. Boyd, Brian C. Branham, Robert J. Engelhardt, Richard A. Flaneland, Cliff E. Hayes, Ryan Nowacki, Jonathan Szarkowicz, Anthony A. Tharp, Bradford Tyskiawiez, Brent Valpatic.

February 3, 2016: Ogden Dunes - Bathans S. Ball, Luke Brennan, Deborah Dixon, Adam Friday, Jodie Friday, Nathan Gagland, Kelly Gibson, Phillip Grenchik, David Hiduke, Werner Horvath, Elaine

Joppek.

February 3, 2016: South Haven - Brandon S. Smith.

DISTRICT 2 REPORT



Paul Watland - Chairman

District 1 and 2 Meeting
Griffith Vol. Fire Dept.
January 20, 2016

Meeting called to order - 7:30 p.m.

Pledge by Buz Koehler.

Roll call taken: District 1 - 3 depts. - 13 members. District 2 - 4 depts. - 12 members.

Guests: 50 year Gold card member - Bub Wise CPFR, Chris Martin, Sutphen Indiana Sales, Buz Koehler, past president IVFA, Bill Missal, Lake County Haz Mat.

Chief Schoon gave brief history of Griffith Volunteer Fire Department. Thanked them for hosting meeting.

Chris Martin, Sutphen Sales, talked about his company. Said Chesterton VFD and Lowell VFD have made recent purchases and taken delivery of new fire trucks.

Buz talked about current legislation and what is being done. Tried to get volunteer firemen added to cancer bill but not able to at this time. Study committees are needed to study information available. Introduced tax credit bill for volunteer firefighters, nothing happened. Blue Light law, want to add volunteer firefighters to be able to use blue L.E.D. lights. Following 18 bills at this time. 1200 bills in the hopper. Short session this time.

Wally Cook made motion to dispense with reading of minutes, Paul Watland seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report: \$274.00.

Old business: None.

New business: Paul W. talked about cancer being a main killer of firefighters, thyroid and testicular cancer being the most serious. Said all should be cleaned after each fire, especially the nomex hood. Need to exchange dirty hood for clean one if possible. Wally Cook said there is a cancer insurance policy available and he sells one. Said Convention is June 15, 16, 17 at Belterra Casino. 2017 Convention to be held in Columbus, Ind. Reminded members to check address and all information on membership form received by the department. Newspapers and deals available at front table. Buz also reminded members of names for Global Awards and all awards. Paul talked about the 10 pin program now out.

Marshall Neese, District 1 chairman, presented Martin Michels with his 25 year IVFA pin.

Deaths in District: District 1 - 2, District 1 - None.

Next meeting: Hebron VFD - March 16, 2016.

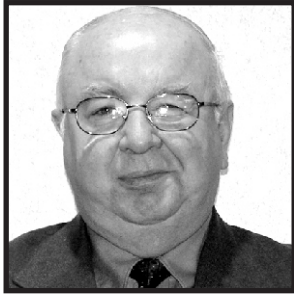
Bill Missal of Cedar Lake VFD has Garrison flag available.

Motion by Wally Cook, seconded by Bill Missal to adjourn. Passed.

Notes by Bob Szot

Submitted by Paul Watland,
District 2 chairman

DISTRICT 4 REPORT



Terry Smith - Chairman

The 4th District I.V.F.A. meeting was called to order by Chairman Terry Smith which was held on February 11, 2016 at Southwest Central Fire Territory-Portage and was called to order at 7:30 P.M. with the Pledge. The roll call consisted of 4 departments consisting of 10 members and 1 guest. Quorum was not met so a Roundtable discussion was held.

Chairman Smith informed the members of:

Hazmat Training in Terre Haute held February 29, 2016 through March 11, 2016.

Large animal rescue team started up by Morgan Town Rural Fire Department.

2016 I.V.F.A. Convention held June 15-17, 2016 at Belterra Casino in Vevay, IN.

No longer need to be a member to purchase IVFA license plates. Anyone who wants to support the I.V.F.A. needs to go to BMV and ask for our plate.

P.R.N.E. Jean Smith informed the body about Legislation, HB1038 concerning the Blue Light Law for volunteers getting LED Lighting added to it, adding volunteer firefighters being added to the Cancer Law, HB1392 which will be an independent study on the Housing Plaquer Law this summer, NFA Adaptive Leadership Training at Penn Township Fire Department held May 23-24, 2016, and looking for I.V.F.A. Assistant Chaplain for Northeast Area.

The next meeting will be held at Baugo Volunteer Fire Department, Elkhart, IN on April 14, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

DISTRICT 5 REPORT



John Grolich - Chairman

I.V.F.A. 5th District Meeting
January 14, 2016
Winona Lake Fire Department

Guests:

Jean and EJ Smith
Angie Hochstetler
Chris Martin
Mikayla Schumacher
Terry and Judy Smith

The 5th District meeting was called to order by Chairman Kissinger at 1933 hours with the pledge to the flag following. The meeting was attended by 18 firefighters representing 7 departments. The minutes from November's meeting were read and approved as submitted.

Still in the works to get a volunteer firefighter added to the cancer presumptive law. It is

important to be very complete on your documentation for this issue. Date, time of run, address, unit you responded on, etc. Wash ALL ppe frequently. Shower immediately after an incident.

Working on getting the Blue light law changed to have LED lights covered. Currently they are not.

1st of 2016 IVFA plates can be purchased by any person who wishes to display one without the form from the Central Office.

2016 IVFA Convention in Belterra June 15 thru 18.

When using space heating be very careful and allow plenty of space between objects and the heater.

John Grolich nominated and appointed 5th District Chairman.

April 16 "Know your smoke" seminar in Plymouth at 8 A.M. Details at INFireTraining.com

April 16 Bremen He/She stag.

5th District Miss Flame nominees: Angie Hochstetler sponsored by Etna Twp FD and Mikayla Schumacher sponsored by Bremen FD. Mikayla is 2016 5th District Miss Flame.

10 year pins were presented to several members present.

Next meeting at Aubbeenaubee Twp. FD on March 10, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 2038 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Martin

District 5 Secretary

I.V.F.A. 5th District Meeting

March 10, 2016

Aubbeenaubee Twp. Fire Department

GUESTS:

Jean and EJ Smith
Mickayla Schumacher
Buz Koehler

The 5th District meeting at Aubbeenaubee Twp. F.D. in Leiters Ford was called to order by Chairman Grolich at 1930 hours with the pledge to the flag following. The meeting was attended by 21 firefighters representing 8 departments. The minutes from January's meeting were read and approved as submitted.

Still in the works to get a volunteer firefighter added to the cancer presumptive law next year. It is important to be very complete on your documentation for this issue. Date, time of run, address, unit you responded on, your crew members, role you played, etc. Wash ALL ppe frequently. Shower immediately after an incident.

John discussed opium effects and Narcan use. He remarked on building construction and legislation. We discussed the roads and flooding caused by excessive rain.

He remarked Indiana weekend @ National Fire Academy March 18 thru March 20, 2016.

He remarked of all the training that is available during this event.

John discussed exposures to chemicals and smokes. When this occurs document, if this is NOT documented it did not happen.

Aubbeenaubee Twp. and neighbor depts. are in the process of setting up automatic mutual system.

Buz talked about the fire alliance, finances and manpower. There are two surveys, one for Fire and one for EMS.

Jean handed out a legislative update.

Aubbeenaubee Twp Fish fry March 12.

Mentone Fish fry March 18.

Etna Twp. Fish fry March 19.

Several attending firefighters were awarded 10 or 25 year pins.

Next meeting at Atwood May 12,

2016.

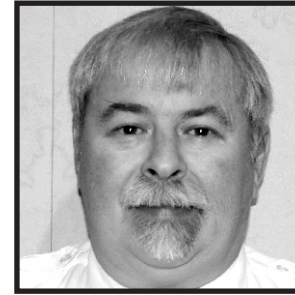
Meeting adjourned at 2028 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Martin

District 5 Secretary

DISTRICT 6 REPORT



Jerry Sprague - Chairman

Greetings from District 6,

Greetings to all. Up here in the northeast it is starting to warm up.

Need to thank Chief Feely and the Huntertown VFD for hosting our meeting in January. Also need to thank the Garrett VFD for hosting our meeting in March. Their hospitality and fellowship were enjoyed by all. A big thank you to 1800 Board Up for supplying our meals for both meetings.

There was a small discussion on splitting District 6 into 2 smaller districts. With the size and amount of Fire Departments in District 6, it is very difficult to meet with all of the departments in a reasonable amount of time. There is a possibility of dividing the district by counties. Whitley, Noble and Lagrange in one; Allen, Dekalb and Stueben in the other. This action, if voted for in the affirmative will require someone in Allen, Dekalb or Stueben counties to step up to be the Chairman and the secretary for this new district. This was tabled until the next District 6 meeting on May 24th, 2016 at the Topeka VFD. *** TO ALL DISTRICT 6 DEPARTMENTS, PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING THIS MEETING***. This division of District 6 will be on the agenda for discussion and vote on this matter will be scheduled for the District 6 meeting in July.

It would be great to see better attendance at our District 6 meetings. Come on guys and gals. It is only one night every other month! There may be a few departments that are not receiving the meeting fliers. Please take the time to send your department's e-mail address to spiralawn@ligtel.com.

Our next meeting, as of this printing, is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24th, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. It will be held at the Topeka VFD. It is my understanding that the Topeka Volunteers will be providing their famous fish for our meal.

All District 6 departments should have received a flyer on the meetings. If any of the departments or individual firefighters in District 6 have problems or concerns, please call or e-mail me. I will do my level best to help you out. Better yet, bring them to our next meeting on May 24th.

Please visit the IVFA web site as I am hoping the meetings for District 6 will be posted. (ivfa.org)

E.G.H.

Jerry Sprague (Spook),
District 6 Chairman

DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT 7 REPORT



Sam Bisel - Chairman

Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association
November 16, 2015
Markle Volunteer Fire Department

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bisel at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Bisel led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

First roll call was answered by 33 members representing 9 departments.

September Minutes R/A.

Guests: Jean Smith - IVFA Public Relations North East, Chris Walker - IDHS District 3 Training Coordinator and Rob Hoover - Troxel Equipment.

Chairman Bisel introduced guests Chris Walker and Rob Hoover.

Chris Walker - Dist. 3 Training Coordinator - Any courses that you want to see next year, contact your county training representative this week.

Received new Haz-Mat books for Haz-Mat Awareness & Operations. Test bank for this class has been validated at the state.

Infrastructure Grant Funds, hope to fund 4 training projects in Dist. 3.

The state just received new propane training props.

This Thursday will be having a meeting. Will be taking nominations for county training reps. for Adams, Allen and Huntington counties.

Rob Hoover - Troxel Equipment - Working with departments in the area to promote to the public the use of utility vehicles in fire and rescue services.

Chairman Bisel - Presented The Global Award to Jeff Sheets of Decatur during Fire Prevention Week. Departments need to get nominations in for the Global Award and other awards.

License plates can be renewed online starting the first of the year.

There was a change to the IVFA SOG's. The district secretary's allowance was increased from \$50 to \$100.

Vote on By-Law's change - To replace verbage in Article 15 and add Section 8 to it. Approved.

Flyers and membership handbooks are available up front.

Award nominations are due by Feb. 1st

Bridgeport Scholarship applications are due by March 1st

Gas card and cleaning kit this quarter both went to Dist. 1.

Coming up in June is the 70th IVFA Convention. Have Challenge Coins available.

Jean Smith, PRNE - Working to get a bill written for presumptive cancer coverage for volunteer firefighters.

Blue Light Law draft has been written to include LED lighting.

HB 655 working to reword it. It currently states that volunteer firefighters must have state mandatory training before becoming a member.

Chairman Bisel - Make sure to wash your gear after runs.

Read a letter with facts and figures of volunteer fire service across the country.

Joyce Nevil - IVFAA District 7 Chairman - Presented Miss Flame candidates for Dist. 7. They are Katelynn Bisel and Olivia Lockwood.

Olivia Lockwood was awarded Dist. 7 Miss Flame.

Next meeting will be at Monroe Vol. Fire Dept. January 18.

Second roll call answered by 33 members representing 9 departments.

Poe Peanut Brittle for Sale.
Uniondale Breakfast November 21.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Richard Sorg
District 7 Secretary

Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association
January 18, 2016
Monroe Volunteer Fire Department

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bisel at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Bisel led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

First roll call was answered by 24 members representing 6 departments.

November Minutes R/A.

Guests: Jean Smith - IVFA Public Relations North East, Larry Curl - IVFA Lobbyist, Kaylea Kongar - 2011 IVFA Miss Flame, Olivia Lockwood - District 7 Miss Flame.

Chairman Bisel - Last year had 3 departments in the district with 0 attendance and 3 departments with perfect attendance.

Convention coming up in June at Belterra, have convention coins available.

Was able to present 50 year pin to James Harris of Chester Twp.

Presented 10 year pins to members at Berne, Chester Twp., Geneva, Nottingham Twp. and Poneto Vol. Fire Departments.

Cancer is rapidly moving into number one killer of firefighters. Please pick up flyers up front on proper cleaning of gear and documentation of exposure at incidents for tracking purposes

As of January 1, 2016 members will be able to get their IVFA plates at the BMV or online. Proceeds of license plate sales go into the Bridgeport Fund which funds the scholarship fund and also line of duty death fund.

February 1 award nominations are due.

March 1 Bridgeport Scholarship applications are due.

Fill out attendance cards legibly for your chance to win gas card or cleaning kit.

Jean Smith, PRNE - The IVFA has 23 bills that it is watching.

HB 1038 - Blue Light Law to include LED lighting in approved lighting.

HB 1141 Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters.

HB 1392 Placarding for new lightweight construction buildings.

IVFA sponsored training at Kokomo had 28 attendees. Future trainings to be scheduled.

Larry Curl - IVFA Lobbyist - I AM RESPONDING Sign Up! This is a very quick way for the state to get information out to the body in a hurry.

Presumptive Cancer bill is being held off for another year to compile more information on funding and

distribution of funds.

There is an app being tested to track incident and exposures. Contact John Buckman if you are interested in being involved in the testing of this.

Blue Light Law to include LED lighting in approved lighting. Also possible amendment to allow optionally blue and red lights on the back of apparatus.

Senate has 400 bills and the House has 435 bills. IVFA is watching 23 of them. A few of the bills being watched are Local Option Income Tax, Local Planning Committee, Transparency, Annexation, EMS Auditing (would require monthly auditing), Stroke Patient Transport, Increase of state pension age up from 36 to 40 if retiring from the military. Complete list on the IVFA website.

The state is launching a study on the State of Readiness of Indiana's Fire and EMS. This will be inclusive of all paid and volunteer agencies. They are to be reaching out for information. If you are contacted to complete a survey, complete it as quickly, completely and honestly as possible. This is our chance to add input into any recommendations.

The IVFA is also searching for a way to have a report commissioned that addresses the cost savings that volunteer agencies bring to the communities we serve. Also the fair and equal funding of fire departments in the state 50 year members resolution.

Chairman Bisel - Have 7 departments in the district with bad email addresses.

Bad member address list was sent out from the state.

If your department has a member that gets deployed, they are eligible to have their dues waved by the IVFA.

If your department would like to have our Miss Flame Olivia Lockwood attend your meeting or event, please contact Bev Lockwood at (260)450-1821.

Les Markle - Will be attending a fire chief's legislative breakfast in Indy. If you have input or opinions on bills, let him know and he will present it at the discussion.

HB 187 regards reporting of NarCan use.

Next meeting will be at Monroeville Vol. Fire Dept. March 21st. This will be our District 7 Aux. Bake Sale. May meeting will be at Mount Etna.

Berne has gun raffle going on. Poe made over #4000 of peanut brittle.

Second roll call answered by 24 members representing 6 departments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Richard Sorg
District 7 Secretary

Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association
March 21, 2016
Monroeville Volunteer Fire Department

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bisel at 7:35 p.m. Chairman Bisel led the body in the Pledge of Allegiance.

First roll call was answered by 30 members representing 10 departments.

January Minutes R/A.

Guests: Buz Koehler - IVFA Past President, Jean Smith - IVFA Public Relations North East, Olivia Lockwood - District 7 Miss Flame.

Chairman Bisel - IVFA license plates can be renewed online or at the BMV.

Cancer tracking informational poster is up front.

IVFA currently has just over 15,000 members.

Received an email from President Anderson. The IVFA has about 50 board members. Looking for volunteers from the membership to help board members on presumptive cancer and EMS tracking tasks.

April 16 IVFA Day of Training PRNE at Rensselaer HS.

IVFA Convention at Belterra Casino June 15 - 18.

Fill out attendance cards legibly for your chance to win gas card or cleaning kit. Attendance prizes last quarter went to Dist. 9A and 17A.

Jean Smith, PRNE - The IVFA watched 23 bills, 11 made it through.

Working on Presumptive Cancer Bill for next year.

Buz Koehler, IVFA Past Pres. - March 1st was able to attend 50 year resolution at the State House recognizing members of the IVFA for 50 years of service.

IVFA convention coming up, each department can send 3 delegates to vote in the business meeting. Mileage is paid to one delegate.

The IVFA paper will have a new look and some new things! Let us know what you think. Please submit articles and pictures to the paper.

Chairman Bisel - One death in the district since the last meeting. Carl Cod Mann of Geneva. Carl was a 50 year member.

Presented 25 yr. pin to Dale Doctor of Monroeville VFD.

Presented 10 yr. pins to members of Monroeville VFD.

Next district meeting will be at Mount Etna May 16. Next quarterly meeting will April 29 - May 1 due to scheduling conflict.

Berne has gun raffle going on and pancake breakfast April 16.

Monroeville has a gun raffle coming up and motorcycle ride May 21.

Poe has consignment auction March 26 and drive through pork chop dinner April 15.

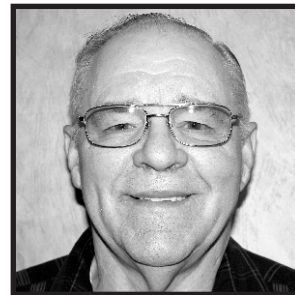
Second roll call answered by 30 members representing 10 departments.

District 7 IVFA Auxillary benefit bake sale is following the meeting. Thank you to Mitch Jackley, Poe VFD, for volunteering to auctioneer the sale.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Richard Sorg
District 7 Secretary

DISTRICT 8B REPORT



Lloyd E. Wright - Chairman

District 8B held their January meeting on the 13th at 7:30 p.m. at the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department. Chairman Wright opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was taken with 20 members from 7 departments present. The secretary and treasurer's report were read and approved.

Old business: Convention will be held June 15th thru 18th at the

Belterra Casino in Vevey, Indiana. Hope to see a lot of you there.

New Business: A discussion was held on the new by-law for the IVFA. Chairman Wright read the new by-law to the group and then they voted no on it.

Fire School to be held in McCordsville, Indiana at the McCordsville Volunteer Fire Station on April 2nd from 8 to 4.

Second roll call was taken with the number of fire runs and EMS runs. There was a total of 51 fires and 133 EMS runs.

Next district meeting will be held on March 9th at the Dunkirk Fire Department at 7:30 P.M.

Thanked everyone for coming and thanked the Bryant VFD for hosting the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned and all enjoyed eating chili.

Lloyd E. Wright,
District 8B Chairman

On March 9, 2016 at 7:30 P.M. District 8B held their meeting at the Dunkirk Fire Station. Meeting was called to order with all saying the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 18 members present from 7 departments. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

New business: Told the group about the blue light law that was in the progress of being passed. Told them about the Morgantown large animal rescue.

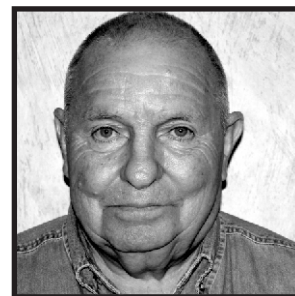
Second roll call was taken with the number of fire and EMS runs. There was a total of 65 fires and 74 EMS runs.

Next District 8B meeting will be held on May 11, 2016 at the Eaton Volunteer Fire Department at 7:30 P.M.

Meeting was adjourned and all enjoyed pizza.

Lloyd E. Wright,
District 8B Chairman

DISTRICT 11A REPORT



Pete Taylor - Chairman

Hello from District 11A, I would like to thank all the departments that invited me to their events.

I have been busy passing out 10 and 25 year pins.

Our last district meeting was at Hymera Fire Department. A delicious meal was served. We had 2 guests, 15 members and 6 departments present. Tim Raum from Station Supply was our guest speaker.

This year at Legislative session we got the blue light law updated to include LED lights.

Don't forget to register for convention. Before May 16th it is \$65.00, after it is \$75.00. Convention is June 15, 16 and 17, 2016 at Belterra Casino Resort in Vevay, IN.

Our next district meeting will be May 15, 2016 at Linton Twp. Fire Dept. Our guest speaker will be Morgantown Rural Fire

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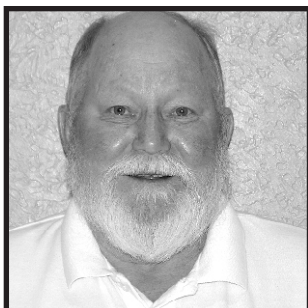
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Department, Inc. Technical Large Animal Rescue.

Until next time, stay safe!

Pete Taylor
District 11A chairman

DISTRICT 11B REPORT



Larry Southard - Chairman

10 January 2016
Meeting of District 11B
At Coal Creek Fire and Rescue
Volunteer Fire Department
Located at New Richmond,
Indiana

Meeting opened with pledge to the flag followed by prayer. Meal was served and we returned to the meeting.

Card for Secretary/Treasurer John Davies was passed around to let him know we were thinking of him. Roll call was taken with six (6) departments answering and 27 people present.

Guests were introduced by Chairperson Southard and present were:

Larry Curl, IVFA Lobbyist, "Buz" Koehler, Past President, Larry Bartlow, Public Relations Director for West Central, Pete Taylor, District 11A Chairperson and Chaplain for 11B.

Also Lou Bartlow, District Chairperson for District 11B IVFAA introduced her guests and present were:

Beverly Taylor, District Chairperson for District 11A IVFAA, Carol Curl, District Chairperson for 12 IVFAA and Miss Flame for District 11B Kathryn Melvin.

No minutes or treasurer's report were available. These can be obtained by contacting the chairperson.

Buz Koehler gave report on IVFA newspaper and some upcoming changes. Also he reported that the IVFA license plate can be obtained by going on-line and at the BMV.

PR West Central Larry Bartlow reported on awards and upcoming deadline for getting the nominations in.

District Chairperson Pete Taylor reminded us of the meeting for District 11A will be next Sunday at 1 p.m.

Lobbyist Larry Curl went over some of the items the IVFA will be working on. The Presumptive Cancer Law - it appears that we are putting off until next year due to not having enough information about the cost and who will have to shoulder this cost. So we are in the process of researching this. We are working on the wording in the Blue Light law HB 1038, and trying to introduce two bills pertaining to State Fire Training Funding (SB311) and Tax Credits for Volunteers. (HB1141). He also mentioned IACIR (Indiana Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations) which

we as volunteers should get involved with in order for the volunteer fire service to get good input and a fair shake from the study.

Chairperson Southard went over the need for grain bin training and rail safety training. He also mentioned electrical safety training for the knowledge and safety of the fire and EMS personnel at a scene.

He announced that the next Board of Firefighter Personnel Standards and Education meeting will be on the 11th of January starting at 6 p.m. and will be at Wayne Township Fire headquarters on High School Road in Indy.

Six (6) ten (10) pins were passed out to the members of Coal Creek Fire and Rescue Volunteer Fire Department.

Also the District meetings for the rest of the year were announced. They are: March 13 at Fillmore - 1:00 p.m.

September 11 picnic with 11A 1:00 p.m. at Forest Park, May 11 at Wayne Town 7 p.m.

November 13 1:00 p.m. at Reelsville, Miss Flame contest July 10 at Veedersburg (district elections).

50/50 drawing was \$25.00 and was won by Lobbyist Curl who then donated the money to the District 11B Miss Flame Fund.

Next scheduled meeting will be at Fillmore on the 13th of March at 1:00 p.m. Plan on attending.

Respectfully Submitted,
John R. Morphy
Vice Chairperson
Acting Secretary

DISTRICT 14 REPORT



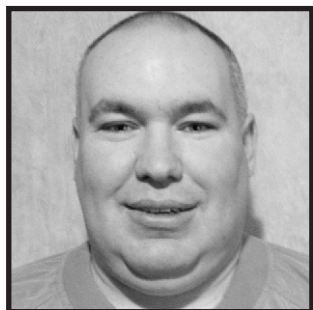
Richard Cannon - Chairman

Welcome from District 14 where we have been busy this quarter. Had good meetings and been doing alot of funerals. Had a good class at Batesville from Supporting Heroes.

If you have anything coming up, call me and let me know when I can get to your department for 10 year pins I need to pass out.

Our next meeting will be on May 18 at Utica Fire Department St 1.

DISTRICT 15 REPORT



Ross Emery - Chairman

Greetings from southwest Indiana.

Spring is in the air, so that means the hustle and bustle begins again.

On January 6th I attended Warrick County Chief's meeting at Lynnville, I presented a 50 year Gold card to Larry Tevault of Lynnville Fire Department. I also presented several 10 year pins to individuals from several Warrick

County Departments.

On January 11th I attended a meeting at Elberfeld Fire Department I, where I presented several 10 year pins. They had a wonderful meal. Thanks to Chief Allen and the rest of the department for the hospitality.

On January 16th I attended the Dist. 17A sausage supper/meeting hosted by Vincennes Township Fire Department. A huge crowd was on hand as always to enjoy good food and fellowship.

On January 20th we held our district meeting at Chandler Fire Department. A good meal was had and good discussion among members present was had. I would like to thank Chief Luker and his department for hosting the meeting.

On January 21st I attended a meeting of the Skelton Owen Fire Territory. I presented several 10 year service pins. I would like to thank Chief Byers for the invite.

On January 23rd I attended a sausage supper at New Harmony Fire Department, we presented a 25 year pin and several 10 year pins. The food was wonderful.

On February 5th, 6th, 7th I attended the quarterly meeting of the IVFA in Indianapolis. Good meetings were held all weekend. Eric Johnson with Supporting Heroes gave an excellent presentation on Line of Duty Deaths on Saturday morning.

On March 12th my wife and I had the privilege to attend the Supporting Heroes Gala in Louisville, Kentucky. It was a very moving and wonderful evening. I would like to thank the IVFA for allowing me the opportunity to attend this event.

On March 3rd I attended a meeting of the Warrick County Chiefs at Elberfeld Fire Department. Jack Kerney, PRSW and I had the pleasure of presenting a certificate to Elberfeld Firefighter Lester Menke for 64 years of service to his community and as a member of the IVFA. It was an honor to present this to such a deserving individual. I really enjoyed hearing him talk about how much the fire service has changed over the years.

On March 15th we held our Dist. 15th meeting at Ft. Branch Fire Department. We had 25 members representing 7 departments. A good meal was provided, and I had the pleasure of presenting 10 year pins to members of Ft. Branch Fire Department.

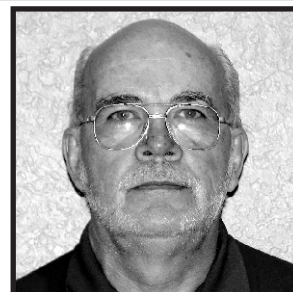
Morgan Tighe Johnson will be representing District 15 this year as our Miss Flame.

Our next meeting will be May 17th at Poseyville at 18:30 hours.

Till next time stay safe.

Ross Emery
District 15 Chairman
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DISTRICT 17A REPORT



Sam Emery - Chairman

Greetings from District 17A,
January 10th I went to the Spurgeon Volunteer Fire Department for election of officers and presented 10 and 25 year pins.

January 11th I went to Bicknell to a town meeting and presented 10 and 25 year pins.

January 16th IVFA District 17A meeting was hosted by the Vincennes Twp. Fire Department at the annual sausage supper. 530 people signed in. Thirty-two departments from 17A were there, also 25 departments from other districts. Guests: The IVFA president, vice president, two past presidents, one PR, six district chairmen and our lobbyist. Vincennes city mayor and State Senator Mark Messmer who gave an informative talk on items being discussed by state government.

January 31st I went to Patoka Twp. VFD for the retirement of Ed Schuessler, Chief of the department with over 30 years as an IVFA member. I wish you well. Also I presented 10 year pins to those in attendance.

February 4th I attended the Taylor Twp. VFD meeting.

February 5, 6, 7th I attended state officer's meeting in Indianapolis.

February 8th I attended the Greene County Firefighters meeting at Bloomfield VFD.

March 3rd I attended the Taylor Twp. VFD meeting.

March 7th I attended the Lyons VFD meeting and passed out pins.

March 12th I attended the Greene Cty Firefighters Assoc. meeting at Richland VFD and passed out pins.

March 16th District 17A meeting was hosted by Worthington Fire Prot. Territory and passed out pins. IVFA president Steve Anderson, board chairman David Israel, PRSW Jack Kerney and District 17B chairman Steve Nolan were in attendance.

March 19th I attended a fundraiser at Harrison Twp. VFD and passed out pins.

March 26th I attended a fundraiser at Steen and passed out 10 and 25 year pins.

March 28th I attended a meeting at Oaktown-Busseron Twp. VFD and passed out 10 and 25 year pins.

The next District 17A meeting will be May 18th at Bicknell. Hope to see you there.

Hope everyone is ready for the convention June 15, 16 and 17.

Sam Emery
District 17A chairman

DISTRICT 18 REPORT



John C. "Bull" Smith - Chairman

Greetings from District 18,

The 21 January meeting of the District 18 was hosted by the Jackson Twp. VFD of Gentryville. Roll call was answered by 44 members representing 17 departments, and 1 Individual member. A total of 208 were reported answered.

Guests included State Pres. Anderson, Vice Pres. Holcomb, PRSW Kerney, Carl Deel - SFM Office, Nick Dilger - Ferdinand Farmer's Insurance, and Lindsey Scott - Koorsen Fire & Security.

Discussions on the Association's legislative agenda, training events, and the response to a local outbreak of Asian Flu were held.

An election to fill the District Sergeant-At-Arms position was held. Brad Haas of Ferdinand was elected.

The last meeting of the District 18 was held on 17 March with the Dubois VFD as our host. Roll call was answered by 58 members representing 20 departments and 2 Individual members. A total of 267 calls were reported answered.

Guests included PRSW Kerney, Barb Kerney - Central Office, Carl Deel - SMF Office, and Debbie Johnson - Ferdinand Farmers Insurance.

Ferdinand Farmers Insurance hosted a very informative training seminar on 22 March on fire investigation with Trace Lawless as the speaker.

The Jasper Fire School was held in March and total attendance was approx. 200 students.

As you can tell by the pictures in the District 18 section, I have been busy presenting 10 & 25 Year Service Pins to our members. I love it! It is always a pleasure to visit our departments, but an honor to be able to recognize our members for their years of service.

"Spring has sprung" as the saying goes. So now comes the "Alarm Runs" caused by thunderstorms and the grass/brush fires caused by people wanting to get rid of debris as soon as the weather gets warm and dry enough.

Don't get complacent on these "routine runs"! There are NO SUCH THINGS!

Clean your gear, stay alert, stay safe, and until the next time, "keep the wet stuff on the red stuff".

John "Bull" Smith,
Chairman District 18

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From The Secretary

Diane Harrison



President Anderson: Vendors please make your way to the glass and look down. Please visit our vendors. Vendors, on behalf our Association, I would like to thank you for coming and supporting us. California Casualty, the Ezzel Group and Station Supply have stepped up to sponsor our district meeting attendance raffle.

Mr. Zeeks: Our new treasurer for year 2016 Luke Kleunder.

Mr. Zeeks: For Chaplain the nominating committee presents the name of Dave Elick. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Dave Elick for Chaplain 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Sergeant at Arms the nominating committee presents the name of Brent Bush. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Brent Bush for Sergeant at Arms

2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations North West the nominating committee has the name of Leighanne Ellis. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Leighanne Ellis for Public Relations North West 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations North East the nominating committee presents the name of Jean Smith. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Jean Smith for Public Relations North East 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations East Central the nominating committee presents the name of Don Cushman. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Don Cushman for Public Relations East Central for 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations West Central the nominating committee presents the name of Larry Bartlow. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Larry Bartlow for Public Relations West Central for 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations South East the nominating committee presents the name of Ed Scheele. Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times) Ms. Secretary:

Ms. Secretary: I cast one unanimous vote for Ed Scheele for Public Relations South East for 2016.

Mr. Zeeks: For Public Relations South West the nominating committee has two names Jack Kerney and Steve Nolan.

Steve Nolan: Districts 15, 17A, 17B, and 18, I would appreciate your support. I have been District Chairman for several years now. I believe in the IVFA very sincerely. I used to be fire chief several years ago. I have also resigned a couple of positions I had in my county so that I can devote more time to the IVFA. I want to be

able to serve you guys and be able to do what I can for all the firefighters in these districts, and I want to attend your meetings. I would appreciate your support today. Thank you.

Jack Kerney: I can't remember how long I have been PR but I will continue doing the job that I have been doing and continue to visit your stations and district meetings.

Mr. Zeeks: Kerney, since you are running for this office, Dave Elick will take your place on the committee for this count.

Mr. Zeeks: Are there any other nominations from the floor? (Called three times). Mr. Bush lock the doors. District Chairman poll your districts, 15, 17A, 17B and 18.

President Anderson: How many people were at the Board of Firefighting and Education meeting on Thursday? Probably the biggest thing that came out of the meeting, for those of you who weren't there, they are going to do some adult education classes targeting rural areas. I asked Chief Buckman if he would make sure the IVFA website gets that information put on our calendar. They will have a class here tomorrow at 8 - 12 in Las Vegas room for anyone who needs adult education hours. There is a plan from DHS to put more of those on, targeting the rural areas.

EMS Taskforce Commission - Our EMS taskforce committee is starting to pay a little more attention to that for us.

We also have an individual representing us on the Trauma Committee. His name is Mike Cole.

We do have an individual on the EMS commission that is geared toward fire/EMS. We are hoping we can get more information from him and hopefully get him to attend more of our events.

You have already heard about the Fire Alliance. Larry Curl and Buz, is there anything further on that? OK, no.

Hero's Competition - we have several that are involved with that. Is there anything that needs brought up? They pass.

In-Time Chairman Jack Zeeks: It was started by Sergeant Tom Melville. It is a federally funded class.

Chairman Jack Zeeks - If you have not attended the four hour class I strongly

encourage you to do so. It will open your eyes to things that take place on our federal and state highways. They also have a train the trainer and they would like to get more fire service trainers involved in this to help push the word out. Now it just doesn't cover fire, police, and ambulances. It covers wreckers and anything and everything in the State of Indiana that falls under the In Time umbrella.

President Anderson: I'm looking to putting on a training day in each PR area, and those are the types of classes I'm looking for. I'm looking for ideas from our folks and what they would like to see. We have put it out on Facebook and got some responses. If anyone has any ideas on a 2, 4, 6 or 8 hour class that we could put on in each PR area, please see me or John Smith. Any vendors that are upstairs - if you have any classes that you could work into this training day, please let us know.

Jack Zeeks: PR Southwest is Jack Kerney for 2016.

President Anderson: Mileage Committee, you are officially released. Credential's Committee, when you get done you can let me know and you will be officially released.

I talked to Jack Kerney yesterday about the National Fire Council. He doesn't have a report for us today.

District Chairmen are getting reports from him through written and emails, there is a lot of information. Be looking at our website as well as NVFC's website to see what is going on.

We have a Red Cross work group but unfortunately we haven't been contacted by the State to get that group going.

David Israel, please make your way up front.

Is there any other new business from the floor?

Yes, District 18.

Mr. President, John Smith District 18 Chairman. I'm also on the Board of Firefighting and Standards. I would like to remind everyone that tomorrow there will be a four hour in-service presented by the Fire Marshal's office that will count for any of your adult education hours for instructor. It's a free class.

President Anderson: David Israel Convention Chair has a bid for 2017 convention that he is going to handle.

David Israel: If you would like to bid on 2018 I need those by the February 1. For 2017 John Ray - District 10, in Columbus. I would like to introduce Becky Harper. She is with the Columbus visitor's center.

Becky Harper - First of all, I would like to say thank you for all that you do. We are honored that you are considering Columbus. There have been a few changes. Activities: Edinburg shopping with the premium outlet mall and Exit 76 antique mall and we have some dining options. We are looking at some tour options. I know you have done Cummins Midway Engine plant. They are still doing tours there and I have proposed a new tour with Durell Test Center and crash test facility in Columbus. They make car seats and booster seats. Commons downtown has changed a bit. We would love the opportunity to have you back again. This is Amy Mosses, she is with Clarion Hotel and Conference Center.

Amy Mosses: Good Morning. I am Amy Mosses, director of sales at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, formerly known as the Holiday Inn and Conference Center. Other than the name change, nothing has changed. You are still going to receive the great service that you received prior in your 2005 visit. We have 249 guest rooms, 4 suites, indoor pool, restaurant, lounge, complimentary parking and free internet. We will offer a \$85.00 room rate with breakfast buffets daily. With that being said on behalf of the Management and Staff at the Clarion, we would be thrilled to host your 2017 Convention.

David Israel: We are looking at the Convention Dates to be June 14, 15 and 16, 2017. As you heard \$85.00 room rate. I can't give you a registration fee yet. I couldn't get the information in time to run the numbers. Hopefully, the hotel will work with me to get the price of the meals so we can afford it at the \$60.00 registration fee we are looking at. I will report that at next year's convention. You did here, you get the free wifi, internet service and free breakfast in the morning. At this time, I would entertain a motion to have the 2017 Convention at Columbus, Indiana.

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District 10 Chairman John Ray: Want to welcome everybody to come to Columbus. See the middle part of the state for a change, and I hope we can make a memorial occasion for you. Thank you.

Central Office Jack Kerney: The dues packets have been sent out. If you didn't

District men's reports continued

DISTRICT 19 REPORT



Steve Macke - Chairman

Hello from District 19,

Hope everyone had a Happy Easter.

We are gearing for convention; things are coming together; it will be a good time for all. We will be doing something new at convention. We will be having the memorial service on Thursday night following the open meeting and awards. It was normally held on Friday morning.

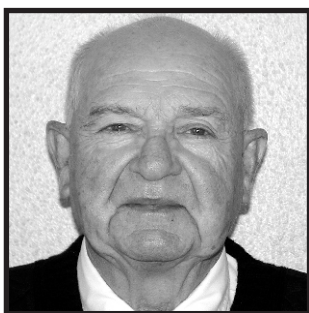
The Board of Firefighter Standards will hold their meeting on Thursday morning so if you have concerns with firefighter issues, this is a good time to have your voice heard. Try to have someone from your departments attend the convention. If you are able to help with convention such as hospitality room, registration, all around help, come down to Belterra and we will put you to work.

If you are having any fundraisers at your departments in the upcoming months, e-mail them to me so we can put them on the IVFA website.

Hope to see everyone in June and remember that it is getting warmer and the children and adults will be out on their bikes, skateboard and motorcycles.

Stephen Macke
Chairman District 19
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DISTRICT 10 REPORT



John Ray - Chairman

Greetings from District 10,

Scipio/Geneva Twp. Fire Dept. was the site of the February 17-District meeting. We presented four ten-year pins and four twenty-five pins to members of the host department. Chief David Owsley presented a brief in time program.

We presented five ten-year pins to members of the Clarksburg Community Fire Dept. at the Decatur County Firefighters monthly meeting. Also, in February, I attended an Active Shooter class at Burney Vol. Fire Dept. sponsored by the Decatur County Sheriff's Dept., which was very interesting and informing.

Our March meeting was held at Harrison Twp. where we presented one twenty-five and four ten-year pins to Harrison Twp. members. The program for the meeting was

presented by Sgt. Gary Knoef of the Bartholomew County Sheriff's Dept. on the use of Narcan in saving lives of drug users.

Connie and I attended the fish fries at Millhousen and New Point Fire Depts. These departments alternate every Friday night with fish fries during Lent. We enjoyed very good food and fellowship during our visits to both fire departments.

At the PRSE Training day at Batesville, I attended the LODD and Managing Large Incidents classes. Both classes were very informative and well attended.

The April District meeting was held at Clay Twp. Fire Dept. Station 2 (Bartholomew Co.) The program for the evening was presented by Morgantown Vol. Fire Department's Large Animal Rescue Unit.

I traveled to Marietta Vol. Fire Dept. to present eighteen ten and two twenty-five pins to members at their regular monthly meeting.

Congratulations to all who received years of service pins in District 10 during the recent months. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to service in your communities.

Have a safe and incident free spring.

John M. Ray
District 10 Chairman

Training Days



IVFA PR Training Days held in Batesville and McCordsville this spring.

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SECTION 2**

NEWS FROM DISTRICTS 1 & 2

Submitted by Marshall Neese, District 1 chairman and Paul Watland, District 2 chairman

Twenty-five year pins



Jackson J. Fleener, Lowell VFD member was presented with his 25 year IVFA pin and certificate by Paul Watland, District 2 Chairman.



Larry Stott received his 25 year pin and certificate as a member of CPFDP from District 2 Chairman Paul Watland.

Five year plaque



Bob Szot receives 5 year plaque as member of CPFDP.

All pins were given out by District 2 chairman Paul Watland

Ten year pins



Members of Lowell Volunteer Fire Department



Members of Lake Twp. Volunteer Fire Department



Members of Wheatfield Volunteer Fire Department



Members of Lincoln Twp VFD

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

IVFAA Corresponding Secretary Leona Uryga



I.V.F.A.A. State Officers Meeting February 7, 2016 Crowne Plaza, Indianapolis, IN

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A report on the treasury was reported by Treasurer Dorothy Reiter. The report will stand as read until time of audit.

Diane Stapleton, District 3 Chairman had surgery. Also Diana Gray had surgery. A thank you card was received from Pam Gerdowsky. We received two letters from the Harrison County Community Service.

Chaplain Joann Hays asked that everyone should inform her on any passing of members and illness.

Diana Gray has moved and gave her new address: 801 Huntington Ave., Warren, IN 46792. She still has the same e-mail address.

Judy Smith gave a report on the financial committee. She stated that the Mary Mackin fund will need financial help to keep it going. There were many suggestions made and Judy should consider them and report back at the next meeting. We will vote on them.

E.J. Smith gave her report on Miss Flame.

It was reported that there is only one by-law this year for convention from By-Law Chairman Phyllis Vargo.

Tonya Marsee introduced her nominating committee to us.

Vice President Martha Thomas reported on her project and thanked everyone for their help and to bring their baskets down to the convention.

All baskets are welcome but do not overdo.

The next state meeting is May 1, 2016.

Tatjana Marsee spoke about the Miss Flames and how to improve the way new girls are told about the convention. She asks that everyone should keep in touch with their Miss Flame.

Pam Gerdowsky talked about how she met her husband.

President Barb Kerney adjourned with a prayer from Chaplain Joann Hays.

Respectfully submitted, Corresponding Secretary, Leona Uryga

DISTRICT 1 & 2 REPORT



Phyllis Vargo - Chairman

Minutes of the November 5, 2015 Meeting of the I.V.F.A.A.

The meeting was called to order by Phyllis Vargo, District 1 & 2 Chairman at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge was recited.

Prayer was given by Becky O'Boyle of Lake Station Auxiliary.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Marge Baumgardner with 12 members, 11 guests in attendance representing 4 departments and 2 individuals.

Phyllis introduced our guest Paul Watland, District #2 Chairman for the I.V.F.A.A.

Minutes were read by Marge Baumgardner, passed as read with no corrections.

Correspondence - Griffith Auxiliary informed that one of their member's I.V.F.A.A. card had name misspelled.

Phyllis informed that District #1 has a 50 year member of the State Auxiliary. Julie Patrick - was last known living in Wisconsin. Phyllis is asking anyone with information on address or family members that she could contact please let her know.

Phyllis presented Lake Station Auxiliary with \$100 for hosting district meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Phyllis gave

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District 1 & 2

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Treasurer's report of \$635.61 in checking. Report stands as read for audit.

Phyllis informed the group that we are in need of sashes for the Miss Flame. We will get estimate of how much it would cost. Do believe we have to get 12 of them done at one time to be cost effective.

Motion was made by Marge Baumgardner, seconded by Liz Smith to go to State Officer's meeting and let them know that District 1 & 2 would like to see the State Auxiliary do more with the money they have and put more money towards the Miss Flame. Example like the winners receiving more money toward scholarships.

Phyllis talked about the By-law change that was to be presented at convention, was thrown out due to it was not presented as a proper By-law change per Roberts Rules of Order. Phyllis is in charge of rewriting it for District 1 & 2 to be presented at convention next year. Phyllis will have it for us to look at the February and May of 2016 meetings before it is presented at convention.

Old Business - None.

New Business - Kylee Hans was the only application for Miss Flame for both districts.

Phyllis introduced Kylee Hans. Congrats, Kylee!

Silent Auction - closed. Phyllis thanked everyone that brought items for the auction and for those who bid!

Department announcements were given.

Motion to adjourn by Martha Thomas, seconded by Jim Vargo. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

Minutes of the March 3, 2016 Meeting of the I.V.F.A.A.

The meeting was called to order by Phyllis Vargo, District 1 & 2 Chairman at 7:03 p.m.

Pledge was recited.

Prayer was given by Miss Flame Kylee Hans of Lake Station Auxiliary.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Marge Baumgardner with 11 members and 4 guests in attendance representing 3 departments and 1 individual.

Phyllis asked for a moment of silence for the passing of 2 District 1 & 2 deaths. District #1 had Ruth Nicksch of Ainsworth-Deep River Auxiliary and District #2 had Dee Kennedy of Lake Dale Auxiliary.

Phyllis introduced our guests Paul Watland, District #2 Chairman of the I.V.F.A. and Marshall Neese, District #1 Chairman of the I.V.F.A.

Minutes were read by Marge Baumgardner, passed as read with no corrections

Correspondence - none.

Treasurer's Report: Phyllis gave Treasurer's report of \$686.60 in checking. Report stands as read for audit.

Old Business - Phyllis did a Memorial Service for Dee Kennedy of Lake Dale Auxiliary. Family of Ruth Nicksch requested no service, but would like to remember her at the Memorial Service at convention. Phyllis told members if you have a death in your auxiliary to please contact her or Marge.

Phyllis talked about the By-law change.

Change #1 - Election of Officers

- Motion by Becky O'Boyle, 2nd by Liz Smith to vote No. Motion passed.

Change #2 Majority of votes - Motion by Becky O'Boyle, 2nd by Liz Smith to vote No, motion passed. Phyllis will take our votes down to convention.

New Business - Phyllis talked about convention. Things are changing so please check the newspaper for details.

Dues are due in July. Your auxiliary will be delinquent if not paid by September. Dues are \$10.00 per person per year. Only fill out membership sheets. Only need the small forms filled out if anything of their information changes (i.e.: name, beneficiary).

Phyllis asked the group what was their wishes for donation to the Chinese as a district. Motion made by Becky O'Boyle, 2nd by Lisa Cook to do the Mystery Box again. This was a big hit last year! All auxiliaries are asked to bring Gift cards, items to the May meeting in order for Marge to put the box together.

Phyllis asked Paul Watland about the \$3,500 insurance thru the State. Some members are being contacted by an Insurance Agent and telling them they must meet and sign the paperwork or the insurance policy is not valid. Paul informed the group that as long you are a member of the IVFA/IVFAA in good standing you should not have to meet with anyone or sign anything. Just make sure you send in your card that you receive at your home.

Phyllis is looking for departments to take district meetings for 2016:

- May
- September - Crown Point
- November

Please let Phyllis know if you are interested in hosting a meeting.

Department announcements were given.

Men's meeting March 16 at Hebron.

Phyllis asked the members in attendance to come up with a way to get more members to attend district meetings. Phyllis will be sending a letter to every auxiliary to get their input.

Motion to adjourn by Becky O'Boyle, seconded by Liz Smith. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted:

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

DISTRICT 6 REPORT



E.J. Smith - Chairman

Hello Everyone,
Spring is here, birds singing, flowers blooming.

Our May 24th meeting at Topeka Fire Department Lagrange County. We will be discussing about splitting the 6 District, so please try to attend, send a representative from your department. Hope to see you there.

The annual 2016 IVFA convention will be June 15-18 at Belterra Casino Resort, Florence, IN. Pre-registration \$65.00 by May 16, 2016, after that \$75.00. Room

rate is \$99.00. Hope to see you at Convention.

Good Luck, Kayla Williams will be representing District 6 at Convention.

Good Luck to all our Miss Flames at Convention.

If your Auxiliary is having a fund raiser or function, please let me know, I will try to attend!

If you have any concerns or questions please contact me at 260-639-3231 or EJS6District@aol.com

E. J. Smith - District 6
IVFA Auxiliary Chairman

DISTRICT 7 REPORT



Joyce Nevil - Chairman

District 7 meeting was held at Monroeville Fire Station on March 21, 2016. We had a nice dinner

served by the department and auxiliary.

Our meeting was called to order by the Pledge to the Flag. Roll call was 12 members, 3 individuals, 1 guest. Minutes were read and approved. Treasurer's report was given. February officer's minutes were read and discussed.

Chinese auction basket was discussed. E.J. Smith explained what all the Mary Mackin fund did for the Miss Flames at convention.

Diana Gray made a motion to adjourn, E.J. Smith seconded it.

We joined the men for our bake sale auction which was a great success.

Want to thank Monroeville ladies and all the other persons who baked or donated in some way.

Next meeting: Mt. Etna, Monday, May 16, 2016 at 7 p.m.

District 7 chairman
Joyce Nevil

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DISTRICT 11-A REPORT



Beverly Taylor - Chairman

Hello, Spring!

So glad it's finally here. Easter is over and everything is new again. Flowers, trees and yards are looking so nice. My favorite time of the year.

Our last district meeting was held at Hymera Fire Department. Ham and all the trimmings were served. Thanks for hosting. Everything was delicious.

Phyllis Vargo will make a flash drive with all four auxiliary books on it. She will make a copy for each chairman.

Convention is June 15, 16 and 17 at Belterra Casino Resort at Vevay, Ind. Registration for convention

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Belterra Casino, Vevay, Indiana June 15-18, 2016

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District 11A

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before May 16th is \$65.00, after it will be \$75.00.

Our new Miss Flame is Katie VanLankam from Shepardsville Fire Department. Call her if you have any functions and she will try to come. 812-230-0071.

Our next meeting is May 15, 2016 at Linton Twp. Fire Department.

Prayer concerns need to be sent to our state chaplain Joann Hays. Prayer works. God is good. Hopefully our sharing and caring goes beyond the fire house.

Looking forward to summer.

District 11A chairman
Beverly Taylor

DISTRICT 19 REPORT



Tonya Marsee - Chairman

Hi! Hope everyone is doing well! Wish this weather would make up its mind on what it wants to do!

We had to cancel our last District 19 IVFAA meeting due to weather. We will hold our next meeting at Batesville Fire Department on May 10th at 7 p.m. We will also hold our white elephant auction that benefits our Miss Flame and helps her with expenses to State. So start gathering things for this date.

If you have not sent in your registration for State Convention please do so immediately. It will be here before we know it.

Take care and see everyone at Convention!

District 19 Chairman
Tonya Marsee

**IVFAA
Chaplain
Joann Hays**



March 14, 2016

Welcome friends and family to the 70th annual IVFA convention.

To all of those who received awards this year, congratulations!

At this time I'm going to express my thoughts to a lovely, dedicated lady who has served this organization well. It is our IVFAA president Barb Kerney. She has always been there when needed. Maybe not always with the answers, but you bet she would do her best to help you.

I would like to take this time to thank Barb for all she has done for the IVFAA auxiliary. She has always put a big effort to help in any way. If it hadn't been for Barb, we as an organization would perhaps have not been able to carry on. She seems always to know where to go for whatever we needed.

I know Barb has always been there for me. Even when I was president and I couldn't have done it without her.

She loves the IVFAA dearly and she has helped her district well. Even though she works she seems to have time for us and her district.

She has served as the Miss Flame for a number of years. It is her pride and joy. She has been capable of doing things for the girls that others perhaps couldn't do.

This is one of the areas that always needs special attention at convention time and she goes all out. This year she has 23 young ladies. Barb, I hope you will be able to do the same next year. Thank you also for me being on your committee. I really enjoyed it and learned alot about this Flame contest. It gets to be very interesting plus the work that is put into it. Thanks Barb for a wonderful job.

To all the ladies, district chairmen, line officers and all the other ladies who attend our state meeting, bless all of you and thank you for all of the work that some of you who works for your district. Good job and keep on building.

I would like to thank Dave Elick, our IVFA chaplain for his wonderful work and what a wonderful job you did for the memorial last year. You were so well organized. Looking forward to working with you this year. Thanks again friend.

Friends, on Thursday evening we have made some changes. It will be a little different. We will be having our opening of the convention and it will be held in the same as before with the awards, etc.

Then after the closing, we will go directly into the memorial.

I hope after the opening you stay for the memorial.

Remember as I have said before, this is the only time we can gather as one group to pay our respects for those who have gone on before us. Please attend the service.

Once more, thanks to Barb Kerney, the convention committee and Dave Elick for all they have done for us.

Sorry, I forgot a thank you to Brent Bush and his committee for setting up the cross, etc. A lot of work but I know you enjoy doing it. Thank you.

Have a safe trip home and until we meet again, God bless all of you.

Love and prayers,
IVFAA chaplain
Joann

**Vibes from
the IVFAA
President
Barbara Kerney**



Spring is on the horizon and that always signals us that new beginnings are on the way.

As your President the last several years, I have been proud of the accomplishments we have made as a membership. There are still goals that we have not completed, but I hope that we continue to work toward completion of these goals and that our organization be stronger yet. Yes, there have been disappointments along the way; but I pride myself in being a person who doesn't quit because the going gets tough.

As I end my term as your leader, I want to say thanks to all of you who have supported me and our organization. Those of you who know me know that this organization and the fire service is a large part of my life. I hope I am able to continue to be an active part of the things to come. I want to encourage you to continue to work as you have with your new leadership and will forge ahead with your willingness to do whatever it takes to keep our group on top.

Be mindful that one person cannot do it all and that it must be a team effort to make us united. With that said, I want to thank the officers who have served and helped me along the way. They have certainly been my right hand and I could not have done things without them. Those of you who have headed committees, served as chairman and those who have offered your service, thanks to you. We live in a busy world and when you take time to volunteer or give of yourself to a cause -- it is appreciated.

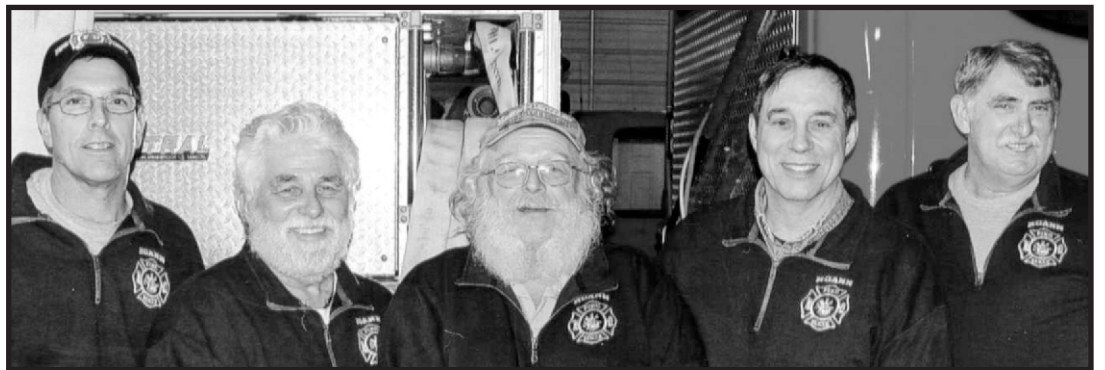
To those of you who have made me feel welcome when I visited, thanks for the hospitality and the offering of kindness and support and your hand in friendship. It has meant a lot and I will remember those times.

Best wishes to each of you.

Barb Kerney
IVFAA President

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 5
Photos submitted by Don Kissinger

Twenty-five year pins



Members of the Roann Fire Department receive 25 year pins.

Ten year pins



Members of the Roann Fire Department receive 10 year pins.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 6
Submitted by Jerry Sprague, District 6 chairman / Photos by Huntertown VFD

**Fifty
year
honors**



Huntertown VFD member Bob Bemer receives his 50 year Card and Pin.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 6

Photos by Huntertown VFD and submitted by Jerry Sprague, District Chairman



25 year pins

Six members of the Huntertown VFD receive their IVFA 25 year pins.

Ten year pins



Eight Huntertown VFD members receive their 10 year pins.

Two more Huntertown VFD members receive their 10 year pins.



NEWS FROM DISTRICT 7

Submitted by Jean Smith, PRNE

District #7 Miss Flame Olivia Lockwood helping at the annual bake sale held at the district meeting at Monroeville Volunteer Fire Department.

submitted by Jean Smith, PRNE



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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 5

Submitted by John Grolich, District Chairman

Twenty-five year pins



Plymouth Fire Department – John Grolich, District 5 chairman, Rodney Miller - Fire Chief, Ed Marquardt - Captain, Fred Berkeypile - Lt.



Polk Twp. Fire Department – Ray Platz, Joe Clady, 5th District Chairman John Grolich



25 Year Pin, Alex Denny for Father Kent Denny, 5th District Chairman John Grolich.



Argos Fire Dept., George Null, Phil Dean, 5th District Chairman John Grolich, Fire Chief Mark Dean



Silver Lake Fire Dept., Robert Clark, Mark Johnson, also accepted pin for Twin Brother Mike Johnson, 5th Chairman John Grolich

**From The IVFA Office
Jack & Barbara Kerney**

IVFA Dues

Remember that your IVFA Dues are due by July 31. Please have them postmarked and mailed to the IVFA Office. Don't let your membership lose their Bridgeport Benefits by paying late.

Ten-year pins



Plymouth Fire Department – Jim Budd, Greg Carroll, John Grolich - District 5 chairman, Erik Cox, Rich Cartwright.

Dave Sommers, Heath Neidig, Jason Houston.

Firefighter of the Year



Wes Bringham, Lapaz Fire Dept. Firefighter of the Year, Marshall County

District 5 Miss Flame



5th District Miss Flame Maykala Shumaker, Bremen Fire Dept, EJ Smith, Miss Flame Committee.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 8A

Articles and photos submitted by Jerry A. Liston, District Chairman



Station clock presented

Members of Madison Twp. VFD receiving IVFA station clock from District 8A Miss Flame Kaitlyn Quick.



Ten and Twenty-five year pins

Members of the Amboy Volunteer Fire Department are pictured with Chairman Liston after receiving their 10 and 25 year pins.

Truck added to fleet



The LaFontaine/Liberty Twp. Fire Department recently added a new vehicle to their existing fleet. The newly acquired vehicle will serve the surrounding area as a Medical Assist/First Responder Vehicle. Prior to this vehicle, the Fire Department had been using the Grass/Brush Fire truck to respond to this type of call. Having a dedicated First Responder vehicle will allow the brush truck to remain on station during severe weather conditions, and extend the life span of that truck by limiting the runs made.

The new vehicle was purchased from a Fire Department in Long Island, New York, by the membership of the LaFontaine/Liberty F.D., without the use of tax generated funds. The purchase was made possible by fund raising events conducted by the Fire Department membership and generous donations from the public, over a three year period.

The LaFontaine/Liberty Twp. F.D. wishes to thank each and every contributor to their fund raising efforts, enabling them to better serve the community.

Annual breakfast held



Green Twp. FD members serving Fairmount FD members at department's annual breakfast.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 8B

Submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman

Ten year pins presented to members



Chairman Lloyd E. Wright, 8B, presented the White River Township Volunteer Fire Department with their 10 year pins. Receiving them were David Allen Baldwin, Brandon Michael Barndollar, William T. Franklin, Nick E. Hess, Danny L. Hudson, Kevin Lee Kenworthy, Larry Anthony Kenworthy, Brad Edward Newbauer, and Shawn A. Patterson.



Chairman Wright presenting a 10 year pin to Tim Baty. Also presented 10 year pins to Craig Holtzclaw and William Shreves. Not present but receiving a pin were Douglas Firestone and Sam Terhune.



On March 6, 2016 District 8B chairman Wright presented the following Eaton Volunteer Fire Department firefighters with their 10 year pins. Pictured (from left to right) are Brian Copher, Phillip Green and Bob Ireland. Also receiving a pin but not present were James Clarke, Jeff French, Matthew and Donald Stafford.



2016 "Political" talk

By Larry Curl, IVFA Member and your Lobbyist

The legislative session has ended for yet another year, but the legislative work has not.

During this session we had a bill drafted to address one of the most alarming concerns in the fire service today "Presumptive Cancer Disability" an occupational exposure bill that would address Volunteers being included with the same types of protection and benefits as our career counterparts who "thankfully" have gotten some protection under IC 5-10-15.

We respond to the same types of emergencies, fight the same types of fires, and are involved in the same types of toxins & carcinogens, just ask the multiple departments and hundreds of firefighters on the scene of a 'fully engulfed' structure fire in Marshall, Indiana, on February 19, 2016 at the Futorex Plastics Warehouse; so what is the difference and why are we not protected already?

USA Today - May 21, 2014 - Running toward burning buildings is a risk firefighters face daily. But the true cost of the job could appear years later.

Firefighters have higher rates of cancer than the rest of us, according to a recent study by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health. Cancers of the respiratory, digestive and urinary systems account for much of the reported cases, the study found

The Fire Service continues to identify the importance of prompt removal of harmful soot (toxins & carcinogens) from Personal Protective Equipment (P.P.E.) and one's body following a working incident but what are we doing to personally address these and other concerns. Some fire stations have spare sets of gear to swap out. Others use specialized washing machines. What do we the Volunteer Firefighters in Indiana have?

OUR JOB IS GETTING MORE DANGEROUS! Is our protection getting more serious?

We (the volunteer firefighters in Indiana) are still among the hundreds of thousand of firefighters across America that are not getting support and find ourselves being financially and medically challenged due to our avocation (something a person does in addition to a principal occupation) as well as many who provide this service as their vocation (the work in which a person is employed).

The State Fire Training Division is working on an app that will at least help us to track our personal exposure of all the dangerous emergencies we respond to, but we need additional support.

We had a "preliminary draft" put together this last session by State Representative Eric Koch at our request with a Synopsis reading:

Volunteer firefighter disability presumption.

Provides that the standards used to determine whether a public safety or emergency services employee of the state or a political subdivision incurred a disability in the line of duty also apply to a volunteer firefighter, volunteer emergency medical services personnel, and a volunteer working for a hazardous materials emergency response team.

After an in-depth study of the draft we decided we were not fully prepared to address this subject in our last session.

There is work to be done on this draft and more that needs to be included. We are seeking assistance, guidance, and help just as reported by President Anderson in the Presidents Column to get all the facts, address the concerns and build a "Comprehensive Workers Comp" package that will address among other protections "cancer" for VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS.

This is not a you or I project, it is a "WE" piece of legislation. Please look for your opportunity to serve as part of a committee(s), studies, and help with the research that will be needed in putting this together, then; we will need everyone's assistance in getting it into a bill, passed in the 2017 session and signed into law by the Governor of our Great State.

Equally as important is the FIRE & EMS Survey that President Anderson also addressed and I will simply say we need your support and compliance in this endeavor. This is great adventure for the fire service of Indiana, all inclusive.



Convention is coming and we hope to see many of you at the Belterra Convention Center & Casino Resort - 777 Belterra Drive, Florence, IN 47020 in June of 2016. There you will find information sharing, education opportunities, and all the camaraderie you could ask for. Please bring your family, plan a mini vacation, and be a part of the 70th IVFA Annual Convention June 15 -18, remember this is OUR organization and YOUR opportunity to learn more, do more, and be a part of the State IVFA.

Also June is the time we begin to prepare our Legislative Agenda for the upcoming session. If you have something that you wish to add to that agenda, that could benefit the fire service please make your desires known. Reach out to your District Chairman, your PR representative, or the Legislative committee (names and contacts found on the website under committees,) and while you are looking at the website take a look on the home page as we offer some suggestions for assistance to those in need of Retention or Recruitment services in your department.

I encourage you to continue to utilize the website as a means of information as well as our newspaper, we attempt to provide assistance in many categories and are always interested in your feedback or information sharing to be included.

Lastly I personally wish to congratulate our 50 year members who in 2016 have served their communities for 50 plus years. House Concurrent Resolution # 64 was introduced by State Representative Randy Frye and sponsored in the Senate by Senator Rick Niemeyer recognizing and honoring each of our 54 recipients.

Please reach out to these folks, many of whom are still active with your departments and thank them for what they have done to provide us with an opportunity to continue on today.

Looking forward to seeing many of you over the summer at your district meetings, your social activities, training sessions, a fundraiser where I can attend and bring my dear wife Carol (especially on the days it's my turn to cook - that one will get me in trouble) or at a location yet to be determined.

Stay Safe, and stay vigilant as you go about your duties, serving your community.

Larry Curl

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 8B

Submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman

Ten year pins awarded



The following firefighters were presented with their 10 year pins. Pictured (from left to right) are Rich Theurer, Lisa Manor, Chairman Wright, Doug Hudson and Damian Kunk.

Twenty-five year pin presented



At the Salamoniam Volunteer Fire Department annual Christmas party which was held on January 9, Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman, presented Ronnie LeMaster with his 25 year pin for his service on the department. Pictured (from left to right) are Chairman Wright and Ronnie LeMaster.

Future firefighters?



Daleville Salem Township Volunteer Fire Department held a training day. Chairman Lloyd E. Wright is shown talking with the future firefighters. One of the firefighters is shown explaining to the young boys what they are doing. The future firefighters relaxing after a hard day.



Fish and chicken fries, chili dinner held throughout district



On February 19 the Salamoniam Fire Department held an all-you-can-eat fish and chicken fry at their station. Kristen Clairday, 2016 District 8B Miss Flame is helping serving the fish and chicken.



The Portland Fire Department held a chili dinner on January 29, 2016 at their station. Looks like the firefighters are getting ready to start serving the people. People enjoying the chili.



On March 12 the Ridgeville Volunteer Fire Department held an all-you-can-eat fish and chicken fry. Helping the firefighters to serve the fish and chicken is Kristen Clairday, 2016 District 8B Miss Flame. Looks like the crowd is enjoying the food.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 9A

Submitted by Stan Jones, Fire Chief - Kempton Fire and Rescue



On December 13, 2015 Kempton Fire & Rescue held a retirement party for Fire Chief Don Kendall. Don has been the Chief since 1984 and a member of the Department since 1970. The party was attended by over 125 of his friends, family and fellow firefighters from Kempton, Tipton County and surrounding counties. A plaque was presented to him by his son, Mike, a Captain on the City of Tipton Fire Department and his daughter Barb Leach, a member of Kempton F&R. The other picture is of the Kempton Fire Department members and Don in the middle.

Don's wife Judy was presented with a planter and a bouquet of roses by two of their grandchildren, Tara and Tyler. Firefighter Doug "Hube" Atchley was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening.

Thanks for your years of dedication to the Department and the community.

IVFA QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

From The Secretary

Diane Harrison



INDIANA VOLUNTEER
FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION
QUARTERLY MEETING
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL,
INDIANAPOLIS, IN
FEBRUARY 6, 2016

President Anderson – I have set this time aside to have some discussion on a couple of topics before the actual start of the meeting.

President Anderson – Discussed PR training classes then sent the PR Officers out with their respective Districts to discuss dates, locations and types of training they would want to put on for their Districts.

President Anderson – Discussed results from goals that the Officers had listed at the last meeting.

1) Ways to increase our membership 70% of Officers listed this topic;

2) Splitting District 6 into 2 districts 6A and 6B;

3) Getting legislation passed;

4) Create a statewide CISM Team and/or identify teams that are already in place;

5) Expanding on our current training day event;

6) District Chairmen attend at least 50 percent of their districts department meetings in a year's time;

7) Accountability to membership on what we do and why we do it;

8) Clothing accountability and easier access;

9) 5,000 IVFA license plate;

10) Do a better job of getting dues in on time, explaining our benefits;

11) Getting all the 25 and 10 year pins passed out;

12) Increase participation with the IVFA members that we have.

President Anderson called meeting to order at 2:21 p.m.

President Anderson introduced District 5 Chairman John Grolich and 8A Secretary Rex Menard.

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

A moment of silence was held followed by the invocation given by Chaplain Elick.

Roll call was taken by Secretary Harrison.

President Anderson called for the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. Chaplain Dave Elick made a motion to accept minutes as printed. PREC Don Cushman made the second. Motion passed by voice vote. 3 Nays

President Anderson called for the Treasurer's report: Treasurer

Luke Kluender - I attended 2 meetings, I have met with Bev a couple of times to review items, I have the computer and paperwork. Bev Harker – We met the budget for 2015 thanks to the Ad Solicitor Buz Koehler who brought in extra ads and we stayed in budget with our expenses.

Bev Harker presented 17-A District Chairman Sam Emery a check for \$497.00 from the sausage supper held at Vincennes Twp.

PRNW Leighanne Ellis made motion to accept treasurer's report as given. Sergeant at Arms Brent Bush made the second. Motion passed by voice vote. 2 Nays

Vice President Paul Holcomb introduced Eric Holcomb, Senator candidate.

Eric Holcomb – Thanked us for the opportunity to come and speak to us. A little background on me. I am a Navy Veteran, former Deputy Chief of Staff to Governor Mitch Daniels, former State Chief of Staff to Senator Dan Coats, Former State Republican Party Chairman. Member of National Federation of Independent Business, American Legion, Indiana Farm Bureau. I would look to being very engaged with you and what is going on. If you look at my background and the people supporting me, we are very locally rooted.

PRSW Jack Kerney asked if we could count on you to attend the Congressional Fire Caucus and count on you to be our voice in Indiana.

Eric Holcomb – Yes and I would ask for your help getting on that Caucus.

Lobbyist Larry Curl – Eric I think it is important that as an Association we have never endorsed a candidate but it is important that you understand that each one of us certainly have a vote and we influence 20 – 25 people that surround us. We go to Washington DC as an association every year during the caucus that Jack was talking about and we visit our Congressional members. And we have some that have told us before, fire service is a local issue; they didn't throw us out of the office but might as well have. What are your thoughts about that being a federal issue?

Eric Holcomb – It's all of the above federal, state and local. And the first time tragedy hits tell me it's not a Federal, State and Local issue.

Lobbyist Larry Curl – I will share with you as I did with Representative of Congress, if it's a federal issue then quit trying to mandate things to us at a local level if you are not part of the response.

Eric Holcomb – You just hit the nail on the head and usually its unfunded mandates. I've seen it from all three perspectives. Thank you for all you do and letting me speak to you today.

President Anderson - 10 year update how is it going? If you need help ask for it. Looking at the paperwork being turned in it looks like things are going well. Try to take group pictures and they can be put on Facebook and in the newspaper.

President Anderson – Washington DC trip Larry Curl, Buz Koehler, Jerry Liston, Tim Sandy, John Grolich, David Israel, Paul Holcomb. Jack Kerney and Jean Smith need meal ticket. May 4, 5, and 6.

Benefit Summit South Carolina – David Israel, Steve Anderson, Paul

Holcomb, and Larry Curl (because of presumptive cancer). Jack Kerney would like to attend also.

Treasurer Kluender – said with the paperwork they did at the bank they got 4 credit cards - Steve Anderson, David Israel, Paul Holcomb and Luke Kluender.

Hoosier Burn Camp Masquerade Ball and silent auction fundraiser March 5th Indianapolis at Columbia Club at 121 Monument Circle. We have been asked to sponsor at least \$3500.00. It was decided just to do the \$1,000.00 donation that we give annually and annual burn camp auction fundraiser.

Jeff Hayes: Heroes competition - Thanked us for our support.

President Anderson – Jeff actually hosted the Kokomo district school. If you run into problems of finding a location call Jeff and maybe we could use an Ivy Tech location near your area. Jeff's contact information: cell number 317-496-9625 or jelfire@gmail.com.

District 12 Chairman Larry Bruner asked if he was still collecting gear and equipment, if anyone wanted to donate.

Jeff Hayes – Yes, I will see that the gear and equipment gets where it needs to be.

Lobbyist Larry Curl – Ask at every district meeting is there a topic or an issue you would like to see for the legislation committee to work on. Blue light law – change current law to meet current technology moved through House. We attempted presumptive cancer – we were not ready to go forward with bill this year, need more information and how much it's going to cost. If you are aware of any presumptive laws, let committee know, be prepared going back next year. We have 8 or 9 states that has presumptive cancer laws that covers their volunteers that we will be studying. Tracking 23 bills. Thursday was last day for bills to be heard 2nd and 3rd readings, now down to 9 bills. Lightweight construction bill, trying to get a placard or a sticker put on a meter base to identify that the property was built with lightweight construction or engineered lumber. It had a committee hearing but didn't get voted on. 4 of the committee members convinced the committee chairman to take it back to the floor and put it up for a vote and they had concerns because after hearing the testimony those folks are living in those homes as well. A lot of talk and public safety tax distribution right now counties can go out and apply for a public safety tax and if the fire department wants to share in that you have to go to the county and make an application for that. There a couple of Legislatures that wants that to be divided in some form so that public safety units within the government will be able to share this. During a conference call a week ago it was brought to our attention our medical benefit under current law hasn't been reviewed for many years. We need to study the law and make sure it is enough to cover current medical expenses.

Central Office: Jack Kerney – We ordered a 8x8 brick for National Fallen Firefighter's memorial, it will have our logo and 2 lines with our name. We have been working on LODD names for the trailer. Please get funeral vouchers to me monthly. We worked on 10 and 25 year and life glitches in the system. Processed AD&D claims 1 denied, 2 in the waiting for replies, please make sure your beneficiaries are correct.

Prepared address list for California Casualty and American Income Life for the mailings. Emailed out deceased, 25 year pins, 10 year pins, bad address, life membership reports, updated website list. Mailed 32 dues notice out to departments that paid last year but not this year, printed certificate request, did some research on bylaws and SOG's dates, corrected bad addresses. During month of January 171 license plates sold. If you have asked us to do something, I will send you an email stating task is done, if you don't receive an email send me another email or call us, we want to make sure we are getting everything done that is asked of us. JL Systems hoping to go on the new system this month. New computers have been purchased.

Awards Committee: Chairman Paul Holcomb – The Committee met last night and selected an Ollie Sandberg winner. Still need a few district's Global award winner's names to be turned in this weekend.

Angel Award: Diane Harrison – The committee will be meeting to select a winner.

Mr. IVFA Committee: Chairman Larry Bartlow – We will be meeting tomorrow afternoon and selecting the winner.

Bridgeport Scholarship Committee: Jack Kerney reported applications are very low coming in. Past President Richard Glant will be the new chairman.

Budget Committee: Luke Kluender – Pass

By-laws and SOG's Committee: Chairman Larry Bartlow – We have one by-law to vote on.

Article XV – Now reads – Section 1. The amendments may be presented by a District or the By-Laws Committee.

Section 2. An amendment presented by a District must be in writing and passed by the District.

Section 3. An amendment submitted by the By-Laws Committee must be in writing.

Section 4. The amendment then must be presented in writing at the next quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors for review by the By-Laws Committee.

Section 5. Upon review, the amendment then will be taken to all Districts for a vote before action can be taken on the amendment at the next regularly quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 6. The District Chairman must vote the way the District instructed them.

Section 7. Any Section of an Article of the By-Laws that is proposed and addressed by the Board of Directors shall not be revisited for a period of two (2) years, with the exception of an emergency vote in the affirmative of 2/3 of the Directors present.

As Proposed: Section 8. These By-Laws may be amended by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors present at a quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors.

Note: Added Section 8.
District 1 yes
District 2 yes
District 3 Absent
District 4 no quorum
District 5 yes
District 6 yes
District 7 yes
District 8A yes
District 8B no
District 9A no quorum
District 9B yes
District 10 yes
District 11A yes

District 11B yes
District 12 yes
District 13A no quorum
District 13B no quorum
District 14 yes
District 15 Abstain
District 16 Abstain
District 17A yes
District 17B yes
District 18 yes
District 19 yes
District 21 yes
The by-law change passes 17 yes
I no

Clothing Claims Committee: Chairman Lloyd Wright – No clothing claims this quarter.

Convention Committee: Chairman David Israel – At committee last night at committee meeting. Committee had a concern with dialogue in contract for 2016 hotel said no problem and they are rewriting the contract. No bid for 2018 yet.

2015 Convention committee turned in their paperwork.

2016 Convention Committee: Chairman Steve Macke – Raffle tickets will be sent out to departments. Please visit the vendors. SO616IV for booking rooms, their number is 888-235-8377.

EMS Taskforce: Co-Chairman Mike Dzuba, Jerry Liston – Last night at the committee meeting I passed out some information on article printed in one of the association papers called Paying all the cost providing EMS I also passed out the EMS committee meeting schedule for 2016. I will be putting that on the website calendars. They meet every other month in Fishers. Anyone can attend. I passed out information on EMS license plate. We also spoke about our trauma representative and the legislation that is affecting the EMS side and the status.

Insurance Committee: Chairman Luke Kluender – We met with Lona and went our coverage and signed papers for our renewal.

Legislative Committee: Chairman Buz Koehler – Pass

Logo Committee: Chairman John Smith – Pass

Membership Marketing Committee: Chairman Diane Harrison we still working to create resource list for our officers to use to bring speakers and vendors to their district meetings. Leighanne has been getting prices on 100 thumb drives. We can't get them for \$150.00. It's going to cost around \$300.00.

Speakers Bureau Committee: Chairman Jack Kerney – Pass.

Newspaper Committee: Chairman Buz Koehler – Include names and district numbers when sending in photos and articles. 15,025 labels, full color advertising, working on cover, cost printing goes up 15% per ad; haven't raised rates since 2011. We are asking to raise rates 10% on black and white and black and red ads, ads full color cost is approximately \$150.00, for instance a half page would raise to black and white \$275.00, black and red would raise to \$335, full color would be \$485.00, centerfold \$1,025 it is currently \$825.00. I would like to thank Jerry for his help on this project. The increase will take effect May issue. Increase in cost is because of inks and the ads have to go through printer 4 times. We are presently at 36 cents per copy.

Newspaper committee made motion to move forward with the

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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 10

Submitted by John Ray, District 10 chairman

Presented awards



Edwin Stone presented IVFA Lifetime Membership Gold Card and State Fire Marshal's Meritorious Service Award. - submitted by Steve Anderson



Duckworth presented Ray Bently Award

Decatur County EMA Director Rob Duckworth is presented the Ray Bently Award from Letts Fire Chief Matt Morrow. This is an annual award presented to someone that has made a positive contribution to the fire departments in Decatur County. Rob has worked to help all the departments in many areas over the years and we appreciate all his efforts. - Submitted by Chairman Brad Speer, Clarkstown VFD

Ten-year pins



Westport firemen receiving 10 year pins from left: Randy Carson, Arron Blitz, Mike Bartlett, David Bush, Steve Peetz and John Ray, District Chairman.



From Left: Kelli Lynch, Mike Andrus, Matt Dwyer, District Chairman John Ray, Robert Drake, Matt Lynch, Jacob Goodin, Chris Gephart. Members of the German Township Fire Dept. who received their 10 year pins. Not pictured, Jeremy Goodnight also received his 10 year pin.

August Deadline: July 5, 2016

EDITOR'S NOTE **When submitting articles and photos, either by mail, e-mail or fax please include the District # along with the submission. THANK YOU!!**

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price increase and offer color. District 16 District Chairman Josh Reisert made the second. Motion passed by voice vote

Public Relations & Education FDIC sign up sheet is going around if you would like to sign up to work the booth. LODD names on trailer is still a work in progress. On the trailer we are going to check lights and wiring, as always we need supplies. Carol bought helmets, water bottles for FDIC.

Social Media Committee: Chairman Leighanne Ellis - We have gotten feedback from our members this quarter. Facebook is at 4,400 and is still growing, and we are tied to twitter.

Website committee: David Israel said when he attends meetings he gets with the Chief and goes to the website to make sure their information is correct. So when you're attending a department meeting if you can get with someone on that department and check their information. President Anderson asked if we can make frequently asked questions section on the website.

Special Projects Committee: Co-Chairman Steve Nolan & Sam Bisel - Chaplain Dave Elick passed out a deceased list. There are 2 separate ones. The first is 2016 convention Belterra; it has come in per roster if they got a Bible and grave marker or if they didn't want anything, fill it out and give back to me. The second list per roster 2005 - 2015 same thing we need to know if they got a Bible and grave marker or if they didn't want anything fill out the paper and return to Chaplain. I need this by May meeting. Mail them to me when your research is done. When you're filling out funeral voucher, district chairman keep the pink one and mail in the white and yellow one then Jack will mail me the yellow copy.

Training Taskforce Committee: Chairman John Smith - The Dubois County fire school in Jasper will be held March 12, 13 and March 19, 20 there are some Friday night classes on certain classes.

Younger Member Taskforce: Chairman Jerry Sprague - At our meeting last night we discussed the possibility of the Bridgeport scholarship applicants be given extra percentage if they are a student in fire science or fire related classes, that's a suggestion to the Bridgeport scholarship committee. I know they give extra percentage if the applicant has a parent die in the line of duty. Bev Harker said that was written in the contract and we cannot change it. We discussed possibly increasing the \$3 to \$5 to the Bridgeport so we can give another scholarship and more scholarships in the future. Jack Kerney said wait a year and see how license plates go. Jack Kerney said he would like to see a scholarship for fire science only. It was suggestion to talk to David Israel, Township Attorney about this question; Bev Harker will be the contact person.

Board of Firefighters Standard and Education: John Smith - Biggest issue, a chief of a volunteer fire department has been cheating for years. He got caught and interviewed by the board and was given a suspension on his instructor certification. Two members of the Board were trying to revoke his certifications. Next meeting will be March 14 Wayne Twp. Need to fill EMA and paramedic positions.

EMS Commission: Jerry Liston asked if Mike Cole was still our trauma representative. We will research it. Jack Kerney asked if we should write a letter and recommend someone to that committee.

Heroes Competition: Carol Thrawley - Pass

In-Time: Jack Zeeks - Pass

License plates: Jack Kerney - Pass

Red Cross: Don Cushman - Have not heard anything.

Meeting reconvened Sunday at 8:33 a.m.

Chaplain Dave Elick gave minute message.

August meeting first weekend location will be announced.

November meeting - 2nd weekend in November will be at Crowne Plaza.

Fire Alliance: President Anderson - we are staying abreast of the legislative efforts. Received an update Fire Marshal 6 new positions working on writing up job description. Fire Marshal leadership seminars are completed. February 24 career chief all day seminar in Brownsburg. They are planning one for volunteers. DHS is having 5 ISO water shuttle classes check out website for dates. Lt. Governor wanting to evaluate the current volunteer fire service, retention and recruitment. Survey will be sent out to departments by email. Encourage all departments to participate in the survey.

National Volunteer Fire Council: Jack Kerney - Website has updated information for recruitment and retention materials that you can customize for your department and print out, and the new video is on the website that you can use for recruitment and retention.

Morgantown Rural Fire Department, INC Technical Large Animal Rescue Team: Lona Hoffman - This team has a rescue truck equipped with special equipment for large animal rescue along with members who are trained technicians in this type of rescue. Our goal is to provide practical considerations, behavioral understanding, specialty equipment, techniques, methodologies and tactics behind the safe extrication of a live large animal from entrapments (trailer wrecks, ditches, mud, barn fires, ice rescues, etc) We will come to your departments and do an introduction to animal rescue training for your firefighters. We also offer classes to the public on barn fire safety and trailer safety. Denise Fletcher 765-342-7925 fletch1553@yahoo.com and Brandon Shireman 812-360-1258 emt_1984@yahoo.com and Dawn Sorg, RVT 574-320-9823 nwart.in@gmail.com, you can also call Morgan County Dispatch. Ask for Rescue 162. We will go anywhere. Sometimes we can just help you over the phone. There is no charge for our service. Not sure about if medication is used if there will be a charge.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

President Anderson - I have been to several district meetings and pin presentations

Vice President Holcomb - Attended 11 district meetings, 1 memorial, awards presentations, a couple of Chief's meetings.

Chaplain Dave Elick - As of December 31, 2015, 119 Bibles, 235 grave markers. Average 23 Bibles distribution per quarter.

Secretary Diane Harrison - Pass
Treasurer Harker - Attended 3

district meetings. Met with Luke a couple of times in January. Trademark renewed, convention raffle license done, went through an audit.

Treasurer Kluender - Pass

Sergeant at Arms Brent Bush - I will be ordering roses for memorial service. Report on John Davies. He is a rehab center in Danville. He is doing very well, he thinks he might get to go home in 6 weeks. If you get a chance give him a call, it rings directly into his room 317-718-5015.

Chairman of the Board David Israel - Attended 7 district meetings, 2 county meetings, convention meeting, legislative breakfast, 3 awards presentations, Fire Marshal's leadership program. A quick report on Jim Parker, he is doing well.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORTS

PRNW Leighanne Ellis - Attended 3 district meetings, 2 memorials.

PRNE Jean Smith - Attended 7 district meetings and Vincennes sausage supper.

PRWC Larry Bartlow - Attended all my district meetings.

PREC Don Cushman - Missed 2 district meetings due to weather.

PRSW Jack Kerney - 5 district meetings, 1 fund raiser, 2 pin presentations, firehouse dedications.

PRSE Ed Scheele - Attended 3 district meetings, county chief meeting, retirement party and 4 department visits.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

Update on Past President Mitch Parish - Buz said he is doing pretty good hoping to be home in a couple of weeks.

Past President Richard Glant - Pass

Past President Jack Zeeks - Pass

Past President Buz Koehler - Attended 10 district meetings, 1 county meeting, 2 department meetings, 1 pin presentation, 2 memorials and an Alliance meeting.

Past President Jack Kerney - Pass
Past President Larry Ketchem - Pass

Past President David Israel - Pass

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN REPORTS

District 1 Marshall Neece - Attended 3 memorials, 2 district meetings, department Christmas party and presented pins, passed 161 pins, 31 pins to go. I feel like when we go to an IVFA memorial service I don't feel like I'm representing the IVFA because I'm wearing my fire department dress blues jacket, I would like to bring up was to find out if anyone would be interested in getting dress blue jackets with IVFA patch. I do have some prices.

President Anderson said think about it and we would discuss it in May.

District 2 Paul Watland - Attended 2 district meetings, passed out 60 - 10 year pins.

District 3 Tim Sandy - Absent.

District 4 Terry Smith - Attended a retirement party, 1 memorial, passed out 125 - 10 year pins.

District 5 John Grolich - Attended Bremen celebration, passed out 14 - 10 year pins and 25 year pins.

District 6 Jerry Sprague - Presented 2 medals of valor, attended 3 department appreciation dinners, passed out 10 and 25 year pins and presented a Gold card, 2 memorials, passed out 160 - 10 year pins.

District 7 Sam Bisel - Attended 2

district meetings, 6 department meetings passed out 60 - 10 year pins and presented 2 - 50 year Gold cards.

District 8A Jerry Liston - Attended 2 district meetings, presented 2 - 50 year Gold cards, 15 - 25 year pins, 135 - 10 year pins, 27 department visits, 3 Christmas parties, Grant County mutual aid meetings.

District 8B Lloyd Wright - 3 - 25 year pins, 2 - 50 year Gold cards, a few 10 year pins. Discussed service awards 5, 10, 15, 20 years and on up. I still give out service awards yet and I think we as an Association need to get back to presenting the certificates.

President Anderson said we would discuss in May.

District 9A Jeremy Reef - Attended 1 district meeting, 5 department meetings 79 - 10 year pins, 5 - 25 year pins, 2 memorials.

District 9B Randy Denton - Attended 2 district meetings, passed out 120 - 10 year pins, 20 - 25 year pins, 1 - 50 year Gold card.

District 10 John Ray - 8 department visits, 3 county meetings, 1 memorial, 4 - 50 year Gold cards 15 - 25 year pins, 100 - 10 year pins. I want to thank David for helping me.

District 11A Pete Taylor - 26 department visits, 131 - 10 year pins, 9 - 25 year pins.

District 11B Vice Chairman John Morphy - Attended 2 Board of Firefighters Standard and Education meetings, 2 Tri-County meetings, 2 Tri County Chiefs meetings, 2 Vermillion County Emergency Responder meetings, 2 district meetings, 29 department visits, passed out 110 - 10 year pins. Update on Larry Southard. still having some health issues.

District 12 Larry Bruner - Attended 7 department meetings, 2 district meetings, and 105 - 10 year pins and 6 - 25 year pins.

District 13A Mike Dzuba - Attended 3 awards ceremonies, 30 - 10 year pins. Thanked us for the card for his wife.

District 13B Jeff Beihl - Visited 15 departments, 110 - 10 year pins, attended a fund raiser.

District 14 Rick Cannon - Presented 2 life safety awards, 76 - 10 year pins, 4 memorials.

District 15 Ross Emery - visited 9 departments, 60 - 10 year pins, 1 - 50 year Gold card, attended sausage supper.

District 16 Josh Reisert - 25 - 10 year pins and 1 death.

District 17A Sam Emery - 70 - 10 year pins, 8 - 25 year pins and 1 50 year Gold card, 1 memorial, sausage supper - 535 signed in, 32 were 17A departments and 25 were other districts. Thanked Larry Curl for his help.

District 17B Steve Nolan - Attended 2 district meetings, 2 county meetings, and 2 departments paid past dues, 30 - 10 year pins.

District 18 John Smith - 20 departments visits, 17B memorial, 247 - 10 year pins, 31 - 25 year pins

and 2 - 50 year Gold cards, Vincennes sausage supper.

District 19 Steve Macke - Visited 2 departments, 2 award ceremonies, 42 - 10 year pins, 2 - 25 year pins and 1 - 50 year Gold card.

District 21 Don Fultz - 125 - 10 year pins, 25 - 25 year pins. Thanked Jerry for his help with Sheridan. Asked about redistricting some departments, looking at the map, what are the chances of having double Public Relations directors in each PR area.

President Anderson - appointed the Nominating Committee: Chairman Jack Zeeks, Ed Scheele, Mitch Parish, and Don Cushman.

Newspaper Editor Pam Barlow - Printco - so moved.

District 11B Vice Chairman John Morphy made motion to appoint Buz Koehler as our ad taker. District 9A Chairman Jeremy Reef made the second. Motion passed by voice vote. 2 nays

District 19 Secretary Mark Marsee is handling registration for convention.

Chaplain Dave Elick would like to have 3 associate chaplains in each PR Area. PRWC, PRNE and PRSW areas, if you have anyone that would like to be an associate chaplain let me know.

1973 50 Ft Tele-squirt, wanting to donate it, let Dave Elick know if anyone interested.

District 7 Chairman Sam Bisel made motion to pay Bev Harker mileage, hotel, meals and convention and supplies, no voting rights and revisit in 1 year. District chairman 8A Jerry Liston made the second motion. Motion passed by voice vote, 1 nay.

Tatijana Marsee drew for the \$50.00 gift card sponsored by Ezell Group and California Casualty. Went to Matt Bowmen, Vincennes Twp. District 17A, and the cleaning bucket sponsored by Station Supply Doug Kitchell, Royal Center District 9A.

Supporting Heroes - table sponsor of \$1,000 then 19 or 21 tickets.

David Israel and Paul Holcomb - Talked about the Light House Uniform BUP Program. As an Association we are promoting it. But now it's time for the district chairmen to step up. If you are willing to put a link to his website from your organizations, you will receive a challenge coin. Get with us and we will give you the packet of information. If you are not willing to do this, then do not take a packet and challenge coin.

District 7 Chairman Sam Bisel made motion to adjourn. District 8A Chairman Lloyd Wright made the second. Motion passed by voice vote. 2 nays

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Harrison
IVFA Secretary

**When Submitting
Photos and Articles for
Publication, Please state
the District for
the Article or Photo!**

Thank you!!

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 10

Submitted by John Ray, District 10 chairman

Ten and Twenty-five year pins



Burney/Clay firefighters receiving 10 & 25 year pins – From left Past President David Israel, District Chairman John Ray, Justin Israel, Peggy Israel, David Fuel, Jeff Young 10 year pins & Scott Shields 25 year pin.



Westport firemen 25 year pins, Darol Herbert, Larry Glover, John Ray District Chairman.



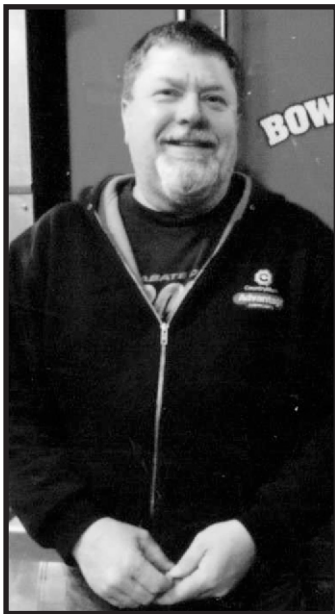
Pictured from Left: Stephen Matthew Ahlbrand receiving his 25 year pin from District 10 Chairman John Ray, as Chief Robert Drake of the German Twp. Fire Dept. Not pictured but receiving a 25 year pin was Steven LaRue.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 11-A

Submitted by Pete Taylor, District 11A chairman

25 year pin awarded

Gregory Jordan of Bowling Green Fire Department received his 25 year pin on March 31, 2016 from District 11A.



EDITOR'S NOTE When submitting articles and photos, either by mail, e-mail or fax please include the District # along with the submission. THANK YOU!!

Convention minutes

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receive one, get a hold of the Central Office and we will get you one. It is very important that dues are sent in on time. The deadline is July 31. As of June 6, we have 104 paid departments and 2,124 members.

President Anderson: Please fill out the blue sheet of paper that is in the dues packets. It is a questionnaire for training information, by individual, by topic, that each member does. We are very poor at recording our training. It's not fun to document but when it hits the fan you will need it.

Tom Sellmer, District 14 – Let me tell you what you will be faced with if you ever have a line of duty death. You are going to be faced with Indiana OSHA, Federal OSHA, NIOSH, NFPA, your insurance company's investigators. It better be documented or your hemorrhoids are going to come straight out. Thank you.

President Anderson: I'm glad you said that, because of the back side of the blue paper. We were contacted by Indiana State University partnering with Northern Kentucky University working on getting a FEMA grant to do a study of firefighter injuries.

John Morphy, Perrysville Volunteer Fire Department – Along with this, the system that the Fire Marshal's office is getting ready to implement will have a place to enter your training records for each individual member.

President Anderson: Should be more information coming out on July 1 about the Image Trend.

Last call for any new business.

Louis Watson, District 21 from Otterman Fire Department, this is my third IVFA Meeting conference that I have attended for enjoyment and information. One of the things I wanted to say, the gentleman, living statue, was a very, very great thing to see. He was very respectful. He was very entertaining and when he came into the memorial service this morning it helped to make a somber

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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 11-A

Submitted by Pete Taylor, District 11A chairman

Twenty-five year pins



Dave Watson from Posey Twp. Fire Department received his 25 year pin from District 11A chairman Pete Taylor on January 17, 2016.



David Brown, Duane Dalton, and Lee Dalton from Pierson Twp. Fire Department received their 25 year pins from District Chairman 11A Pete Taylor on March 9, 2016.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 13A

Submitted by Joseph P. Hilburt

Receives grant



Jefferson Township Fire Department of Sulphur Springs in Henry County recently received a grant from Ninestar Connect's Operation Round Up. The monies were used to replace an aging Rescue saw.

Left to right: Chief Kip Jones, past Chief Don Shaw, Operation Round Up board member Olene Veach, Training Officer Joseph Hilburt and Assistant Chief Heath Hudnut

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 14

Submitted by Rick Cannon, District 14 chairman

District 14 Miss Flame



District 14 Miss Flame Bethany Fulkerson and district chairman Rick Cannon

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IVFA 2016 Convention

Time	Event	Room
Wednesday		
9a-3p	Golf Scramble	Golf Course
Noon-5p	Registration	Maple
Noon-5p	Chinese Auction	Maple
7p-8p	Miss Flame Mixer	Cedar
6p-8p	Meal	Ball A
7p-close	Hoosier Burn Camp Auction	Ball A
9p-close	Hospitality Room	TBA
Thursday		
8a-4p	Registration	Maple
8a-4p	Chinese Auction	Maple
8a-10a	Vendor Setup	Oak
8a-12p	Miss Flame Judging	Poplar, Buckeye, Cedar
9a-noon	Board of Firefighters Standards	Center Stage
9a-10:30a	Breakout Seminar	Ball C
10a-5p	Vendors Open	Oak
12p-1:30p	Hospitality Room	TBA
12:30p-1:30p	Miss Flame Luncheon	Cedar
2-close	Miss Flame Final Open Judging	Ball A,B
3p-4p	IVFA Officers Meeting	Center Stage
3p-4p	IVFAA Officers Meeting	Ball A,B
5p-6:30p	Vendors Hot Dog & Beer Bust	Ball A
6:30p-9:30p	Open Meeting & Memorial Service	Center Stage
9:30p-12a	Entertainment Karaoke/DJ	Ball A,B,C
10p-close	Hospitality Room	TBA
Friday		
9a-2p	Registration	Maple
9a-12p	IVFA Business Meeting	Center Stage
9a-12p	IVFAA Business Meeting	Ball A,B
11a-3p	Vendors Open	Oak
11a-4p	Miss Flame Party	Buckeye, Poplar
12p-3p	Chinese Auction	Maple
12p-1:30p	Hospitality Room	TBA
1p-3p	Breakout Session	Ball C
1:30p-close	IVFA Business Meeting – if needed	Center Stage
1:30p-close	IVFAA Business Meeting – if needed	Ball A,B
5p-9p	Children's Party	TBA
5:30p-9p	Banquet	Ball A,B,C
9:30p-12a	Entertainment Karaoke/DJ	Ball A,B,C
10p-close	Hospitality Room	TBA

TENATIVE SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 14

Submitted by Rick Cannon, District 14 chairman

Ten-year pins



George Canfield, DuPont Lancaster FD



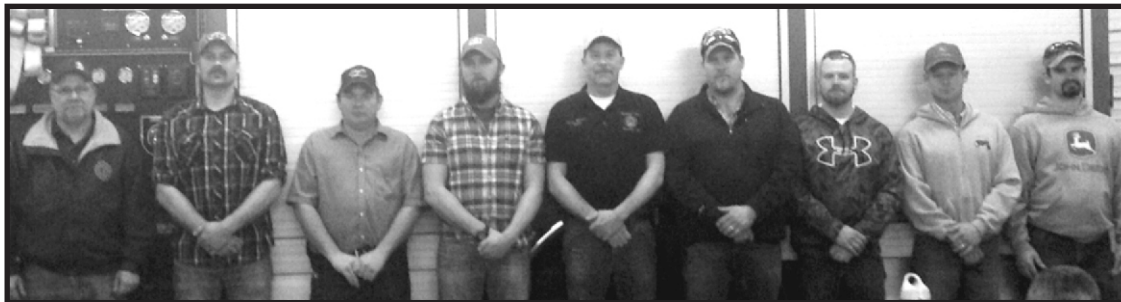
David Snodgrass – FairPlay Fire



Anthony Wilson – FairPlay Fire



Jason Pattison - FairPlay Fire



Spenser Township FD

2016 Convention vendor information

**2016 IVFA CONVENTION
VENDOR COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 155
Milan, IN 47031**

December 1, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

First of all we would like to introduce ourselves to you. We are the vendor committee for the Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association 2016 Convention. The convention will be held on June 15th through the 17th of 2016 at the Belterra Casino and Convention Center in Florence, Indiana. Florence is in Southeast Indiana near the town of Vevay, which is along the Ohio River. The Convention is held annually with approximately 350 firefighters and EMS personnel attending from across the State of Indiana. This is the 70th convention of the IVFA.

We are asking if you would be interested in setting up a booth and showing your wares. You may also be interested in helping to sponsor a luncheon or an event. During the luncheon you may display any product that you want to make Firefighters or EMS personnel aware of. Even if you are not interested in sponsoring an event, we would still like for you to participate in the vendor's show.

If you feel that an event would be too costly to fund on your own, we could team you up with several other vendors to sponsor an event. We will need to get a commitment to a booth and/or sponsorship by no later than March 15, 2016, the sooner the better.

Also, if you have any ideas that would help to make our Convention more successful, please contact us at the address listed above.

Sincerely,

Ed Scheele, Chairman
(812)212-5766

2016 IVFA CONVENTION EXHIBITION RULES, REGULATIONS, AND CONDITIONS

1. **Offer and Acceptance.** Submission of the 2016 Vendor's Agreement from attached hereto, along with a 50% non-refundable deposit. The remainder of payment is due by June 1, 2016.

2. **Arrangements of Exhibits.** Exhibit must be arranged by Vendor so it does not obstruct the general view of other exhibits. Convention 2016 reserves the right to prohibit an exhibit or part of an exhibit that, in its sole judgment, it deems inappropriate.

3. **Soliciting.** Vendors are prohibited from disturbing literature, souvenirs, or other items from outside the boundaries of the assigned booth, except for material handed out at events the Vendor is sponsoring.

4. **Remedies.** If Vendor fails to make any payment or otherwise breaches any part of the Agreement, Convention 2016 has the right to pursue (without further notice) any one or more of the following remedies: (1) cancel the Agreement in whole or in part; (2) evict Vendor from any or all of the space being occupied; and/or (3) exercise any other remedy available by law. Upon cancellation of the Agreement, Convention 2016 may (without prejudice to any other available remedy) offer Vendor's space to any other exhibitor, or use such space in any other manner, without any obligation to Vendor.

5. **Liability.** The Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association ("IVFA"), including Convention 2016 representatives, will not be responsible for any injury, loss, or damage that may occur to Vendor's employees, visitors, or property, from any cause whatsoever. Under no circumstances shall IVFA or Convention 2016 representatives be held liable for: (1) any actual, special, indirect, incidental or consequential loss or damage; or (2) any loss of profit, loss of use, loss of opportunity, or any cost or damage resulting from any such loss. Vendor acknowledges that the risk allocations of this section are reasonable. Vendor shall obtain, at its own expense, adequate insurance against any such injury, loss, or damage. The IVFA or Convention 2016 shall not be liable for failure to perform its obligations under the Agreement as a result of strikes, riots, acts of God, or any other cause beyond its control. Anyone visiting the Vendor's booth is deemed to be a visitor of the Vendor, not a visitor of the IVFA or Convention 2016. The Vendor assumes full responsibility and liability for the actions of its employees or agents, and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the IVFA and Convention 2016, the hotel, and their respective representatives, harmless from and against claims resulting directly or indirectly from the actions or omissions of the Vendor.

6. **Insurance.** For the term of this Agreement, Vendor shall at all times maintain insurance. The amount and scope of such insurance shall not be less than \$1,000,000.00. Such insurance shall also provide coverage for Vendor's contractual obligations to defend, indemnify, and hold the IVFA harmless, as stated in enumerated paragraph 5 of this Agreement.

In case the exhibition hall is damaged or destroyed by fire, the elements, or any other cause, or if circumstances make it unreasonably difficult for Convention 2016 to permit Vendor to occupy the assigned space during any part or the whole of the exhibition, Vendor will be reimbursed a proportionate share of the booth rental.

7. **Activities at Exhibition.** Convention 2016 shall have the right to restrict, alter, or close any exhibit which, because of noise, odors, method of operation, or any other reason, becomes objectionable or otherwise detracts from or is out of keeping with the character of the exhibition as a whole. Such restrictions may be applied to persons, things, conduct, or printed materials. No refund shall be made to Vendor under such circumstances.

8. **Cancellations.** In the event that Vendor wishes to cancel some or all of its allotted exhibit space, Vendor may request and Convention 2016 may grant such cancellation, subject to the following understandings: (1) all cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to: 2016 Convention, P.O. Box 155, Milan, IN 47031 by June 1, 2016; (2) the IVFA nor Convention 2016 is required to refund any portion of the money (the 50% deposit, full fee, or otherwise) previously paid by Vendor.

9. **Changes.** If Vendor requests an increase of its booth space after the Agreement has become effective, Convention 2016 will use reasonable efforts to accommodate such request, subject to space availability, additional fee payment and other prevailing circumstances.

10. **Registration.** Registration fees are not included in the vendor fees. If anyone would like to participate in any of the events that you do not sponsor (IE: meals) you must complete a registration form for each person that would like to have access.

Each inside space includes: an 8' x 10' booth with, (1) table, and (2) chairs.

*Other items (IE: power, phone lines, Wi-Fi) can be rented from the hotel.

Apparatus area description: Apparatus displays will be in the north parking lot (Vendors are responsible for tables and chairs).

By signing below, Vendor acknowledges that he/she has read, understands, and agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions set forth herein and is authorized to sign on behalf and bind Vendor to the terms of this Agreement.

(Signature) for _____ (Vendor)

- SEE PAGE 4 FOR THE VENDOR APPLICATION -

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Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association
 P.O. Box 4797
 Evansville, IN 47724
 1-877-606-4832 FAX 812/867-3471



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 Street Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
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ORDER INFORMATION

Quantity	Description	Size	Price Each	Total Purchase
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	Denim Shirt Short Sleeve \$25.00			
	Wind Shirt- Tan - \$35.00			
	Tee Shirt- Gray - \$15.00			
	Tee Shirt- Blue - \$15.00			
	FF Tee Shirt- \$20.00			
	Black Golf Shirt Tan Collar- \$25.00			
	White Golf Shirt Navy & Tan Collar- \$25.00			
	White Golf Shirt Navy Collar- \$25.00			
	Yellow Golf Shirt- Discounted - \$15.00			
	Baseball Cap Blue - \$15.00			
	Baseball Cap Tan- \$15.00			
	Baseball Cap with Flames- \$18.00			
	Denim Jacket- \$48.00			

SHIPPING INFORMATION

BE SURE TO HAVE YOUR SIZE FOR EACH GARMENT INCLUDED	ORDER SUB TOTAL	\$
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Order Total Including Shipping & Handling		\$

PAYMENT INFORMATION

VISA MASTER CARD

CREDIT CARD NUMBER

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(As Shown On The Credit Card)

DATE OF ORDER

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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 14

Submitted by Rick Cannon, District 14 chairman

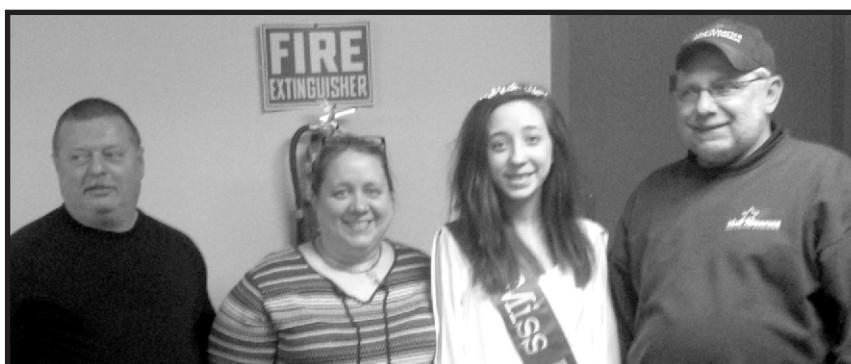
Ten-year pins



John Craig – FairPlay Fire



District 14 chairman Rick Cannon giving his son Richie Cannon his 10 year pin for 14 years of service with Sellersburg Fire Department.



District 14 Miss Flame

District 14 Miss Flame Bethany Fulkerson, Deputy Fire Department

BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

MARCH 1, 2017 DEADLINE

Don't miss the March 1st deadline for the Bridgeport Scholarship applications!

Applications sent by Certified Mail MUST have a postmark no later than March 1, 2017.

Applications are available from all district chairmen, elected officers of the IVFA, or the Scholarship Chairman.

Please send all applications to:
I.V.F.A. Central Office
 P.O. Box 4797
 Evansville, IN 47724
 877-606-4832 / 812-867-3293

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 15

Submitted by Ross Emery, District 15 chairman

50 year Gold card presentation



Larry TeVault, Lynnville VFD with District 15 chairman Ross Emery at Lynnville VFD



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NEWS FROM DISTRICT 15

Submitted by Ross Emery, District 15 chairman

Ten year pins



Skelton Owen Fire Territory



Warrick Co. Chief's meeting - at Lynnville VFD



Ft. Branch Fire Department



Elberfeld VFD 10 year pins at Elberfeld VFD



Lester Menke of Elberfeld Fire Dept. receiving a certificate for 64 years of service from District 15 chairman Ross Emery and PRSW Jack Kerney.

Register now for 2016 convention

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Honored for 64 years of service

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moment a little bit more at peace for a lot of us. I don't know if it needs to be a motion or what but I believe we should have him at more of our conferences. I believe it was a good thing what he did and I believe we need to see more of him. Thank you.

Tom Sellmer: There is training for chaplains today. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Bev Harker, IVFA State Treasurer: I would like to make a motion to adjourn this Annual Meeting.

District 5 Chairman Don Kissinger made the second.

Motion carried by voice vote. A few nays were heard.

Respectfully submitted,

Convention Minutes Digest Committee
Diane Harrison
Steve Anderson
Bev Harker
Luke Kluender
Paul Holcomb

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Thank you!!

2016 Miss Flame Candidates



Kaylee Hans
District 1
Lake Station VFD



Chloe Perkins
District 3
Coolspring VFD



Abigail Smith
District 4
New Castle VFD



Mickayla Shumaker
District 5
Bremen VFD



Kayla Williams
District 5
Steuben Twp. VFD



Olivia Lockwood
District 7
Poe Comm. VFD



Kaitlyn Quick
District 8A
Pipe Creek Twp. VFD



Kristen Clairday
District 8B
Liberty Twp. VFD



Allison Reef
District 9A
Democrat VFD



Jaelyn Matthews
District 10
St. Paul VFD



Katie VanLannen
District 11A
Shepardsville VFD



Kathryn Melvin
District 11B
Waynestown Com. VFD

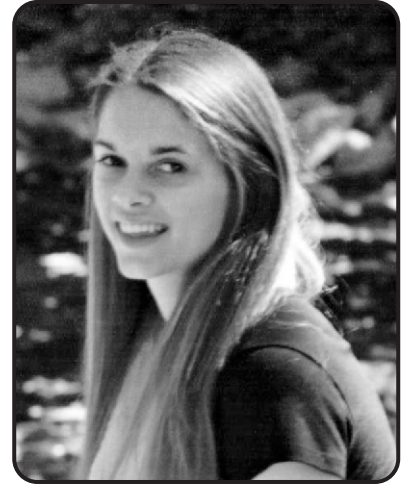
2016 Miss Flame Candidates



Kelsey Walton
District 12
Eel River VFD



Madison Smith
District 13A
Dunreith VFD



Mara Biehl
District 13B
New Lisbon Com. VFD



Bethany Fulkerson
District 14
Dupont/Lancaster Twp. VFD



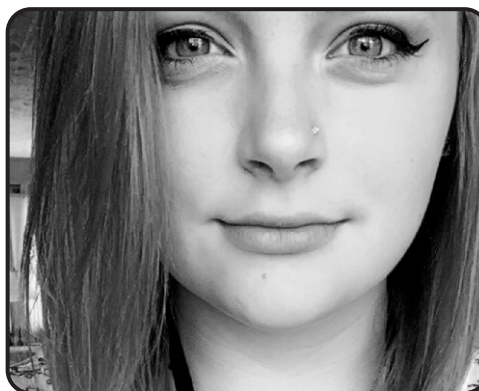
Morgan Tighe
District 15
McCutchanville VFD



Autumn Casado
District 16
New Chapel Fire Dept.



Brittney Groomer
District 17A
Center Twp. VFD



Taylor McGlocklin
District 17B
Van Buren Twp. VFD



Katherine Hurst
District 18
St. Anthony VFD



Alyssa Knueven
District 19
Sunman Rural VFD



Abigayle Watson
District 21
Otterbein Area VFD



Tressa Steward
Miss Flame 2015
Prairieon VFD

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 15

Photos taken by Kassie Wallace and Rachel Butler / Submitted by Misty Wallace

Yankeetown Volunteer Fire Department hosts open house to honor members



Kyle Davis 2012 Firefighter of the Year



Kyle Clark 2013 Firefighter of the Year

Misty Wallace & Jaimmie Davis 2014 Firefighters of the Year



Brock Ruffert saying the prayer. 2nd assistant chief Dave Wallace leading the ceremony.



Group picture of all honored



Group photo



Tucker Eden, grandson of firefighters Dave & Misty Wallace and Matthew Davis, son of firefighters Kyle Davis and Jaimmie Davis are holding the flag.

August deadline is July 5, 2016 - 12:00 p.m. CST

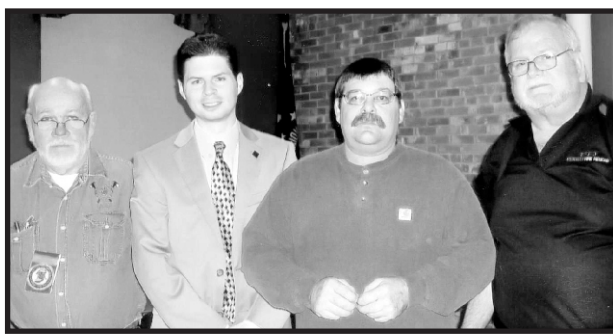
NEWS FROM DISTRICT 17A

Submitted by Sam Emery, District 17A chairman

Twenty-five year pins



Spurgeon VFD – Fred Fiscus and Dee Fiscus receive 25 year pins with Chief Donald Pancake in attendance.



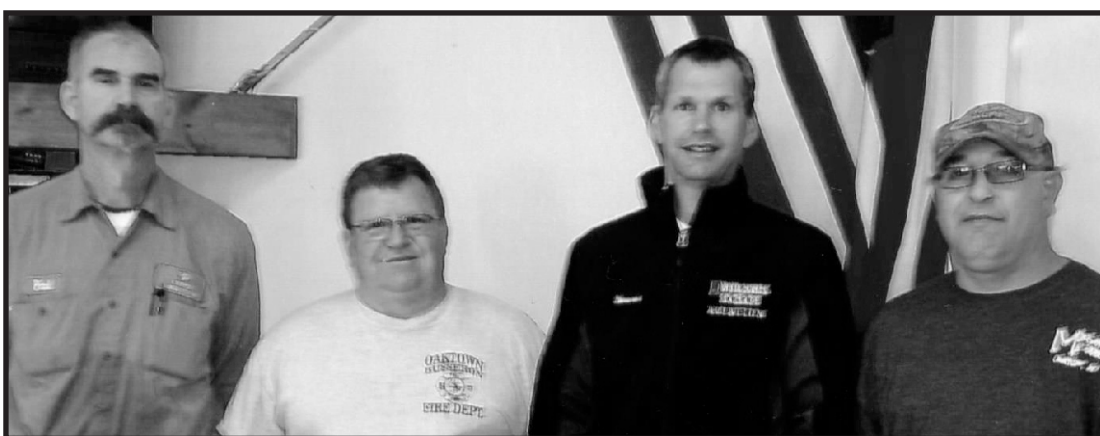
Bicknell Fire Department – Sam Emery, 17A chairman, Bicknell Mayor Tom Eastbrook, Paul Koenig, 25 year pin and Chief Tom Houghland.



Charles Moore, Steen Twp. VFD, receives his 25 year pin from Sam Emery, District 17A with Travis Grabbe, Chief, looking on.

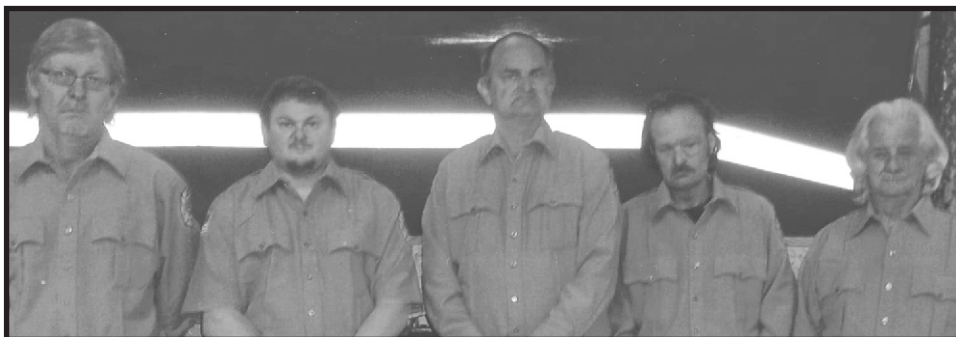


Sam Emery, 17A, presented Teddy York his 25 year pin and his son, Tim York his 10 year pin.

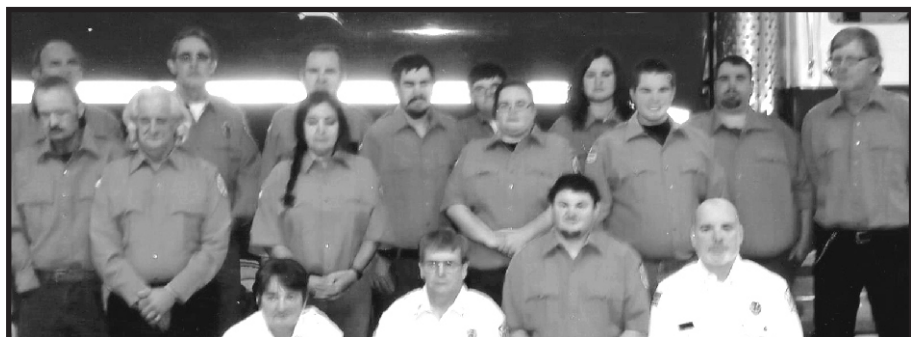


Oaktown-Busseron Twp. FD members receiving 25 year pins were Paul Anderson, Philip Blann, Kevin Donnan and Russ Moody.

Ten-year pins



Spurgeon Volunteer Fire Department



Oaktown-Busseron Twp. FD



Harrison Twp. VFD



Richland Twp. Fire Rescue



Steen Twp. VFD

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 17A

Submitted by Sam Emery, District 17A chairman

Ten-year pins



Highland Twp. FD



Lyons VFD



Bicknell



Worthington Fire Protection Territory



Patoka Twp. VFD

Ed Schuessler Retirement

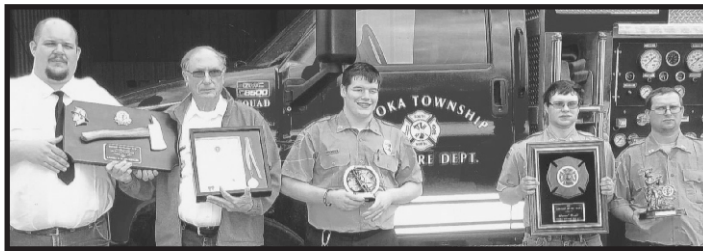


Ed Schuessler, an IVFA member for over 30 years and Chief of Patoka Twp. VFD for many years, retires.



Three generations Steen Twp. VFD

Kayley Moore, Joseph Moore and Charles Moore.



Patoka Twp. VFD award winners

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 17B

Submitted by Steve Nolan, District 17B chairman

Twenty-five year pins



17-B Chairman presents 25 year to Dennis Godsey of Perry Township VFD of Lawrence County.



Indiana Volunteer Firefighter Association District 17 B Chairman Steve Nolan, and vice-chairman Bobby Brown, present a 25-year pin to Steve Gore, a lifetime member of the Brown County (Nashville) Volunteer Fire Department, March 12. The men were at the station for the dedication of Ladder 1, the department's newest fire apparatus.

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 18

Articles and photos submitted by John "Bull" Smith, District 18 chairman



St. Meinrad VFD honors members

At the annual meeting of the St. Meinrad Fire Board on 28 January 2016, several members of the St. Meinrad and St. Meinrad Archabbey VFDs were recognized for their years of service. Tom Kloeck (left), St. Meinrad Fire Chief was presented a Certificate of Recognition in honor of his 20 years as Chief of the department from Fire Board President Jerry Sitzman. Also, 13 members of both departments were presented with the IVFA 10 Year Service Pins.

Ten-year pins

At the 5 January 2016 meeting of the St. Henry VFD (Dubois Co.), 10 members were presented with the IVFA 10 year membership pin.



Remains of MIA recovered

The remains of an airman who was listed as missing in action during the Vietnam War were recovered and taken to his home in southern Illinois.

Officials with the U.S. Department of Defense confirmed the remains were that of Pfc. Kenneth Leroy Cunningham of Ellery, IL. He went missing in Oct. 3, 1969 when he was 21.

Cunningham's remains were flown to the United States, arriving at the Louisville, Kentucky airport on Tuesday, 12 January. They were then taken to Albion IL for funeral services and burial on Thursday, 21 January. Along the route on Interstate 64, members of the Carter Fire District (Dale, Spencer Co.) and the Huntingburg (Dubois Co.) Volunteer Fire Departments set up the pictured tribute for the funeral procession to pass under.

On the day Cunningham went missing, he and a pilot went on a night-time surveillance mission of targets in the border area of South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. Their plane had surveillance equipment, but wasn't armed and it failed to return at its scheduled time.

The wreckage of the plane was found two days later by a search-and-rescue aircraft atop a 7,000-foot peak in a mountain range. Bad weather prevented efforts to put a ground team at the site on Oct. 5 and 6 in 1969, and a later effort was scrubbed over fears enemy troops had set up a trap there.

Cunningham's brother Dave, who was 12 at the time of his disappearance, said the recovery of his brother's remains "is sort of bittersweet." He said they now know he died at the crash site, but that they still don't know if his plane was shot down.

"It was very foggy and rainy the night his plane disappeared. They may have just flown into the side of the mountain," Dave Cunningham said. "What we know now closes a chapter, but not the book."

Members of the Dale American Legion, Dale Police, and Edwards County Sheriff's Dept. were also present.



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Thank you!!

NEWS FROM DISTRICT 18

Articles and photos submitted by John "Bull" Smith, District 18 chairman

Ten year pins



At the District 18 meeting held on 21 January, members of the Grandview, Jackson Twp. VFDs received their 10 IVFA service pins. Also receiving his IVFA 10 year service pin was individual member Marty Holman.



At the meeting of 24 January 10 members of the Celestine VFD were presented their 10 year service pins by District 18 Chairman Smith.



At the annual dinner of the Schnellville VFD on 23 January, 4 members were presented with the IVFA 10 year service pin. Also, pictured receiving his IVFA 25 year service pin from District 18 Chairman John "Bull" Smith is Kent Persohn.



**Indiana Volunteer Firefighters 2016
Convention Golf Outing
Belterra Casino
Wed., June 15, 2016
Tee-off Time 9:00 am**

Registering ____ Foursome ____ Single

Names.

Pricing Includes : Cart Fee
19 Holes [Best Ball]
Lunch

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13371 N Co Rd 450E
Batesville IN 47006 [Fax 812-934-0413]



At the meeting of the Lockhart Twp. VFD (Stendal, Pike Co.) on 28 February, 3 members were presented with the IVFA 10 year service pin.



At the meeting of 26 January of the Chrisney VFD, 4 members were presented with the IVFA 10 service pin.

Pictured (left to right) are Damian Koch, Jim Perkins, Jesse Fields, Scott Waninger. Also receiving the IVFA 25 year service pin was Michael Trulock (far right).

Photo and information provided by District 18 Vice-Chairman Chris Anderson

August deadline: July 5, 2016

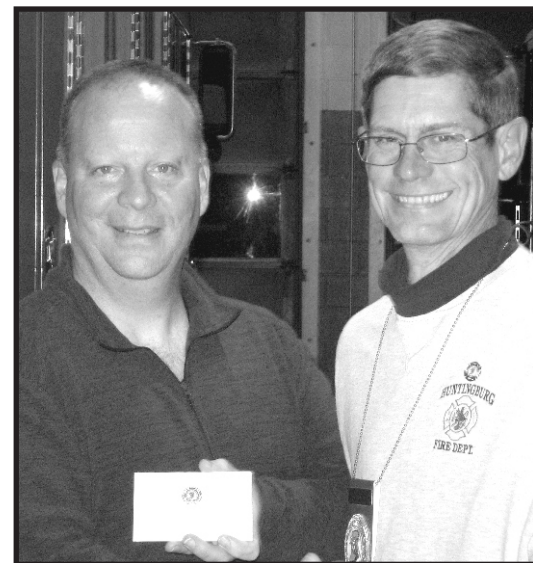
NEWS FROM DISTRICT 18

Articles and photos submitted by John "Bull" Smith, District 18 chairman

Ten-year and twenty-five year pins



At the meeting of 7 January, 9 members of the Jasper VFD (Dubois Co.) received the IVFA 10 year membership pins. Also, pictured receiving the IVFA 25 year membership pin from District 18 Chairman Smith was Christopher Berg. Also receiving the 25 year pin but not present was Shane Lindauer.



Open burning information

Some types of burning of vegetation from a farm, an orchard, nursery, cemetery, tree farm or a drainage ditch.

This exemption is for maintenance purposes rather than when there is a change in the use of land. There are several restrictions on this type of open burning. Check out Indiana Administrative Code 326 IAC 4-1 and Indiana Code 13-17-9 for the laws regarding this exemption.

So, what's the best way to manage waste?

Compost your leaves, grass, weeds, brush, kitchen scraps, and other organic waste. The resulting humus is "green gold" that protects soil from heat and drought and returns nutrients to the earth that are vital to healthy lawns, gardens and croplands. Fibrous plants and large leaves may have to be chopped before adding them to the compost pile. To counteract acidic ingredients such as oak leaves, add plenty of green waste such as grass or manure. Decomposition requires air, so turning the pile every few days will hasten the process.

Reduce waste by cutting down on what you buy. Buy in bulk when possible and avoid overpackaged products.

Reuse, sell or give away items you no longer need. Consider chipping tree limbs to use as mulch.

Recycle everything possible. Glass and plastic beverage containers, metals, newspaper and corrugated cardboard at a minimum are collected for recycling in most communities. Recycle leaves by mulching them with your lawn mower and leave them on the ground, rather than raking them up. This saves you time and fertilizes the soil.

Properly dispose of waste you can't avoid or recycle. Take it to a sanitary landfill, transfer station or compost facility. Or use a yard waste or trash service available in your community.

For more information on how to compost and recycle, see www.in.gov/idem/oppta/recycling and www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/compost/index.html.

Remember, you can make a difference. Indiana's environmental future begins with you.



NEWS FROM DISTRICT 21

Submitted by Will Holycross



On August 25th, 2015 Williamsport Volunteer Fire Department Lifetime Member and former Lieutenant, Norman "Jake" Jernagan was given a ride in Williamsport Engine 32 for his 76th birthday. Jake has been with Williamsport VFD for 37 years. His son, Lieutenant Sean Jernagan, granddaughter Ella Jernagan and Asst. Chief Will Holycross accompanied Jake during his ride. Jake is well known in the community and we thank him for his years of service.

Jake given ride to celebrate his birthday



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Come Join Us As We Celebrate Indiana's Oldest Volunteer Fire Company!

Celebration / Recognition

Saturday, September 17, 2016
For All Fellow Brothers and Sisters
In the Fire Service
and Public Safety Organizations

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5:00 - 10:00 pm Food / Refreshments

Open House

Sunday, October 9, 2016
For Everyone

Celebration & Fire Prevention Week

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1:00 - 3:00 pm Kasey, The Fire & Life Safety Dog

Fair Play Fire Company #1,
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