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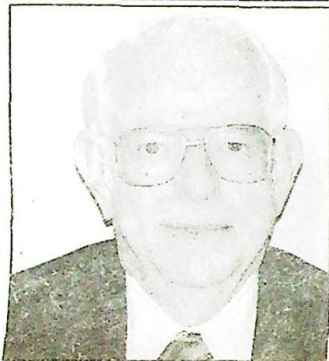
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From The President

Larry Ketchum



As I write this article, it is hard to visualize where the summer has gone. It seems like only yesterday we were talking about Convention and here it is almost time to carve the turkey!! Before we turn around, we will be on the lookout for the jolly man in red. Where does the time go?

Thank you for the calls and cards following my recent cataract surgeries; now that I have my eyes back in good shape, I have started venturing out after sunset. I am looking forward to getting back to attending district meetings and talking to everyone in the field.

I can't urge you enough, as the days

grow shorter and the nights grow chillier, to not only check your furnaces and chimneys, but also the batteries in your smoke detectors. We so often spend time telling the public about checking their batteries, that we neglect our own homes and properties. If you don't already have some, it's also a great time to add carbon monoxide detectors.

Be thinking about your nominations for Lois Boaz, Mr. IVFA, Ollie Sandberg, and the Angel Award. It's never too early to be writing those letters. It's also not too early to send in your reservations for Convention 2008.

Barbara and I would like to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to great things in 2008.

Sincerely,
Larry D. Ketchum
IVFA President

February 1, 2008 deadline for 2010 convention letters

Letters of intent to bid for IVFA Convention 2010 need to be in the hands of the IVFA State Convention committee chairman, David Israel by February 1, 2008.

Send them to:
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9-11 remembrance held at Clarksville Station 3

Clarksville VFD held a 9-11 remembrance on September 11th. The evening started out with the presentation of colors done by the Clarksville Volunteer Color Guard, then on to a full course meal provided by Golden Corral Restaurant, a slide show, and a service ending with a candlelight vigil at dusk. This was a very touching service and great time to be with the brotherhood.



District 14 Miss Flame Kadie Coyne is pictured with some family members and firefighters that attended the candlelight vigil.



Pictured are District 14 Miss Flame, Kadie Coyne with Earl Gentry. -- submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

Center Township Fire Department establishes Fire Service Scholarship

Wednesday, July 17, 2007

LA PORTE, IN - In honor of James A. Wellnitz, former Fire Chief, the Center Township Fire Department has established a scholarship in his name to recognize and offer support for an individual pursuing a career in the fire service.

In 1970, Wellnitz came to Center Township Volunteer Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter. He has held the position of Chief in 1976, again in 2004; and in 2007, Wellnitz was appointed by Township Trustee, Greg Smith to help rebuild, set direction, and implement Smith's call for new fire operating procedures, membership requirements, and decision-making structure.

Wellnitz is credited with establishing the first LaPorte County Automatic Mutual Aid Agreement; and assisted in the development of the County's First Responder Program -

both of which operate today. He is a Fire Fighter Level III and Instructor Level II with over 35 years of leadership experience in the volunteer fire service. Additionally, Wellnitz is recognized locally as one of the first fire chiefs in LaPorte County to recruit women firefighters. In 1993, Wellnitz was awarded NIPSCO's Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award, with winnings donated to the endowment fund of the Center Township Volunteer Fire Department, of which he is a Life Member.

The James A. Wellnitz Scholarship is in support of two undergraduate students enrolled in an accredited fire & safety engineering program and who exhibits scholarship achievement, leadership qualities, and concern for others or active volunteerism. The fund is administered by a committee of Indiana-based educators and senior

members of the fire service. Applicants nominated by his or her college or university must submit a letter addressing their qualifications and achievements, and undergraduate academic transcripts with a letter of recommendation from a faculty member. All materials must reach the committee no later than January 1, 2008.

Applications for this scholarship can be sent to: *The James A. Wellnitz Scholarship*, Attn: Ms. Kelli Davie. Inquiries may be sent to Ms. Davie via e-mail to figmentgroup5@yahoo.com.



I.V.F.A. Benefits

BRIDGEPORT SCHOLARSHIP

The Bridgeport program began through the generosity of the Bridgeport Fire Department after liquidating their assets. Your Association was asked to administer the program, which sponsors three \$1,500 Scholarships each year, to be awarded to volunteer firefighters, their spouses or children.

Each applicant must first fill out a scholarship form and submit it to their Bridgeport Scholarship committee by the deadline of March 1st each year. This benefit is available to members in good standing having paid their dues for three consecutive years and with the last year, being paid on time.

Each Scholarship may be used at the college of the recipient's choice.

The Association also supports this program through the special recognition license plate program in the form of a three (3) dollar fee that is used to maintain the program for the long run.

Also, there is a \$3,000 death benefit paid to the beneficiary of an active member killed while on an emergency response (autopsy required and testing for drugs and alcohol.)

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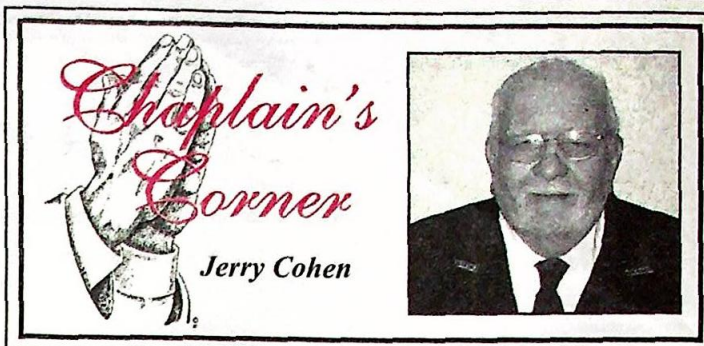
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Dancing With God

I remember reading that doing God's will is a lot like dancing. When two people try to lead, nothing feels right. The movement doesn't flow with the music, and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky. When one person realizes that, and lets the other lead both bodies begin to flow with the music. One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the back or by pressing lightly in one direction or another. It's as if two become one body, moving gracefully. The dance takes surrender, willingness and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other. I kept looking at the word GUIDANCE. When I saw G, I thought of God Followed by u and i dance. GOD YOU AND I DANCE I got to thinking I needed to be willing to let God lead, and be a guidance in my life. As I write this article I think how great it would be if each of us would let God be a guidance in our life.

As chaplain I pray that God's blessing be with you every day and be your Guide.

Jerry Cohen



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our flag and
remember what
it signifies

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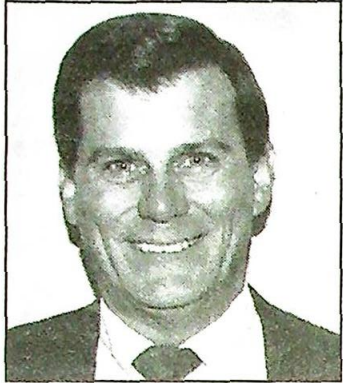
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From The Vice President

David Elick



It's hard to think about fall and winter when it's 90 degrees and humid outside, but we do need to put our winter game face on. The holidays will be here and gone before we know it, and safety may not be our first thought.

The time is now to check your gear. Make sure to dress appropriately for sub zero weather. After winterizing yourself, don't forget to winterize your vehicle and the apparatus. Our tools will not be able to take care of us if we don't take care of them. Remember how slick the roofs were last fall and winter with just a little frost or snow? If you or one of your crew is going up, remember to work off ladders.

Another place to use a little extra caution is on the ground. It doesn't matter whether you're driving or walking (we don't run, now do we) there are just two words to cover everything... SLOW DOWN!!! Every year it seems that all of us forget to some degree the lessons from winters past. Then after the first snowflake hits the ground, we spend the next three months getting re-educated.

So, PLEASE, take a few minutes to prepare for the winter ahead. We cannot effectively respond to the public's call for help if we become victims ourselves. I hope that everyone has a joyous, happy, and safe holiday season, and look forward to seeing you next year.

Stay safe - Dave Elick

Wanted: Mr. I.V.F.A. nominations

Any current member of the I.V.F.A. is deserving of this award. Any member of the I.V.F.A. may be nominated for this award. He did not need to have served as an officer.

We need letters giving us information on the individual's year in the fire service, family, involvement in his fire department, community, or church.

If he has involvement in other organizations, we would like this information also. Every department in the state has someone deserving of this award.

Take the time to sit down and send the committee a letter. The deadline is February 1, 2008.

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Obituaries

Robert Fesler

Feb. 10, 1938 - Aug. 21, 2007

ELWOOD -- Robert "Bob" Fesler, 69, entered into eternal rest August 31, 2007, at St. Vincent Seton Specialty Hospital, Indianapolis.

He was born February 10, 1938, in Indianapolis.

He retired in 1980 as a mechanic from Abe's Auto Sales in Elwood, after 24 years of service. He formerly worked as a salesman at McClintock's Radio Shop, Elwood.

Bob was a charter member of Pipe Creek Township Volunteer Department for 46 years, where he had held numerous offices. He was also a member of Indiana Volunteer Fire Association; Elwood Civil Defense; and C.B. Social Club. He and his wife enjoyed dancing with the Laugh A Lot and Hoosier Heartland Square Dance Clubs. Bob was an avid fan of NASCAR and talked worldwide on his CB radio.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda (Murray) Fesler, whom he married May 7, 1960; a daughter, Joanna Twiford; a son, Troy and wife, Jodi Fesler; sisters, Mary Gay Bennett and Catherine and husband, Richard Allen; a brother, William Fessler; three very special grandchildren, Jessica and husband Greg Porter, Heather Twiford and Robbie Twiford; step-granddaughter, Brandy and husband, Dave Ritter; step-great-granddaughter, Macie Barnett; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Irene Fesler and Mary (Perkins) Hudson; son, Steven Fesler; sister, Sandy Moody; and a brother, Frank Hudson.

Services were conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday, September 5, 2007 at Copher-Fesler-May Funeral Home, 415 S. Anderson St., Elwood. Burial took place at Elwood City Cemetery and included fireman's graveside rites by Pipe Creek Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Benjamin W. Summers

With deep regret the Loogootee Fire Dept. announces the passing of Benjamin W. Summers age 79.

Benny, as he was best known, was a life member of the IVFA and had served Loogootee and Martin County for 57 years as a member of the Loogootee Fire Dept. and the Martin Co. Emergency Unit. He had received the Governor's Meritorious Service award in 2000 and remained an active firefighter until his death.

A Mass of Christian burial was held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 1, 2007 at St. John Catholic Church on Church St. in Loogootee with burial at St. John Catholic Cemetery with graveside rites conducted by the American Legion and the V.F.W.

Visitation was held from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Brocksmith Funeral Home, 300 Church Street in Loogootee with a memorial service by the IVFA at 6:30 after which a Loogootee Fire Dept. Bell Ceremony followed.

Take precaution when outside burning!

Chicken dinner raises funds for Spencer Township

On September 1, Spencer Vol. Fire Department held their annual chicken dinner at their station in Hayden.

The department served nearly 1000 meals including BBQ chicken, baked beans, applesauce and a drink.

All the money raised went into the department operational fund for the year. It was a very pleasant day with good food and fellowship. -- submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

Rosella Bousman receives 25 year pin



Sharon Wright, (left), wife of District 8B chairman, Lloyd E. Wright, is shown giving Rosella Bousman from Ward Township Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary her 25 year pin from the IVFA.

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

Fellow firefighter pays visit to Bill Goodwin

This photo of Bill Goodwin was taken June 27, 2007 in Angola while visiting Bill and Janet.

-- submitted by Bob Esserman (retired) Liberty Township Volunteer Fire Dept., Chesterton.



Bill Goodwin

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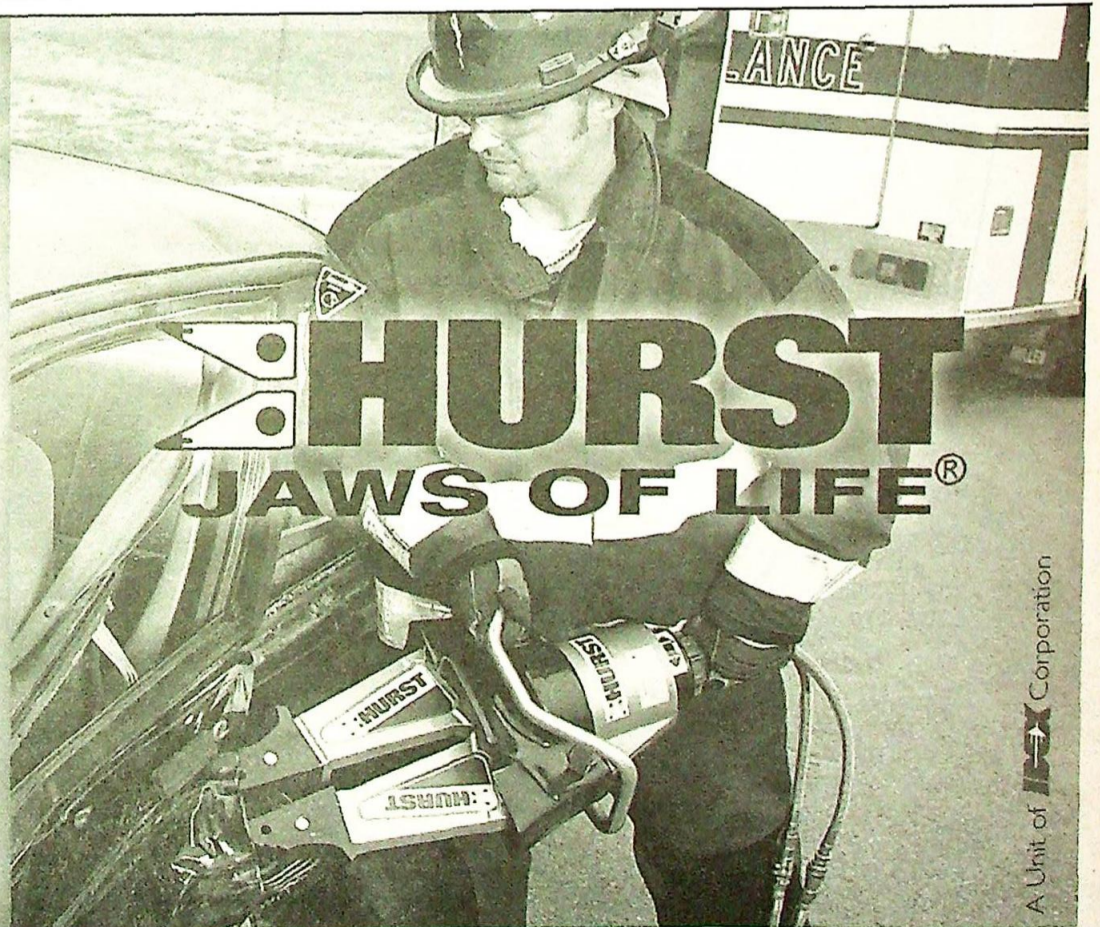


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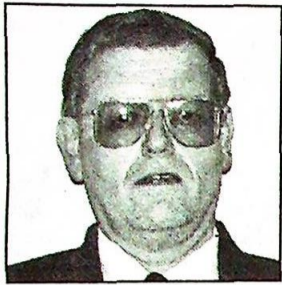
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District 2 chairman Paul Watland called the meeting to order at 7:42 hours and led "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

Roll call was answered by 13 members of eight departments in District 1 with Ross Township as the trophy winner, and by 49 members of 11 departments in District 2 with Lincoln Township as the trophy winner.

Guests included: VP Dave Elick and wife, PR Northwest Jim Bradford, past presidents Buz Koehler and Mitch Parish, Chaplain Jerry Cohen, District 1 chairman Tom Orrell, District 2 chairman Paul Watland, Districts 1 & 2 treasurer Clarence Moss, Districts 1 & 2 secretary Diana Orrell, District 21 chairman Don Fults, IVFAA president Martha Thomas, IVFAA Districts 1 & 2 chairperson Phyllis Vargo, District 2 IVFAA Miss Flame Mallory Lampa, Roger Johnson of the Fire Marshal's office, Director of Emergency Response at Amoco BP Steve Burton, retired Crown Point firefighters, Ed Brix, Al Schiesser and Bob Ligda, Jim Daley and Nick Schwartz of Hoosier Fire, and Glenn Linhart and Bruce Hedrick of Global Emergency Products.

Acting Chief Mark Baumgardner gave a brief history of the Crown Point FD. Fire Marshal Johnson spoke on firefighter fatalities in Indiana within the last 14 months and discussed the "Courage to be Safe" program.

Crown Point Division Chief gave a brief presentation on Crown Point FD TRT "Technical Rescue Team".

Keith Austin made a motion, seconded by Jim Bradford to dispense with the reading of last month's minutes. Passed.

Communications: Jim Bradford announced the newspaper will be out 1st week of August, advised that FF Rod Norton was in hospice in his home and that at the Porter County Fire Association meeting on the 17th, CCR (Cerebral Cardio Resuscitation) was announced and discussed.

Buz advised there are two surveys on the web page that he would like every department to look at and complete. One is to see how many departments in Indiana are over 100 years old and the second is to see how volunteer firefighters are being paid, if they are.

Treasurer's report: \$1,607.39

Old business: None

New business: Elections handled by PR Northwest Jim Bradford. One unanimous vote was cast for Tom Orrell, District 1 chairman, Paul Watland, District 2 chairman, Clarence Moss, Districts 1 & 2 treasurer, and for Diana Orrell, Districts 1 & 2 secretary.

Mark Schweitzer of Crown Point FD and Paul Watland presented Crown Point FF Dave Crane with a watch for 15 years of service.

VP Elick and Paul Watland presented 25 year pins to Bob Szot, Dave Crane and Bill Missal of Crown Point FD.

Global employees Glenn Linhart and Bruce Hedrik along with Paul Watland presented Josh Bagnall of

Kouts FD with the "Global" Award (formerly the Midwest Award).

Deaths included John Kustron of Independence Hill, Ken Smith of Merrillville and Roy Miskimins of Lake Station. A moment of silence was observed for all.

Good of the order: Lake Dale FD 1st annual Poker Run on Saturday, July 28th, registration from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lake Dale 3rd annual Hog Roast on Saturday, July 28th from 1 p.m. to midnight.

Cedar Lake's 4th annual Car Show on Sunday, July 29th at the Town Grounds in Cedar Lake from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Rain date is August 5th).

Next meeting will be August 15th, 2007 at Liberty Township FD.

Melissa Flutka won \$129 in the 50/50 drawing. Various items donated by Hoosier FD, Global (Pierce) and Midwest were also raffled off.

Dale Morgan made a motion, seconded by Jerry Cohen to adjourn at 8:42 p.m.

Liberty Township Fire Department
August 15th, 2007

District 1 chairman called the meeting to order at 7:48 p.m. Chaplain Jerry Cohen led "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

Roll call was answered by 20 members of eight departments with Merrillville station #1 as the trophy winner, and by 10 members of five departments in District 2 with Lincoln Township as the trophy winner.

Guests: PR Northwest Jim Bradford, past presidents Buz Koehler and Mitch Parish, Chaplain Jerry Cohen, District 1 chairman Tom Orrell, District 2 chairman Paul Watland, Districts 1 & 2 secretary Diana Orrell and IVFAA president Martha Thomas.

Chief Bill Branham gave a brief history on Liberty Township FD.

Program: Dana Dutz and Tom Felter Jr. from Porter County EMS spoke on C.C.R.

Minutes: Motion to dispense with reading by Kevin Austin, seconded by Bub Wise. Passed.

Communications: Bradford advised of a proposed by-law change made by District 11B to make the historian a state officer of the IVFA. Diana Orrell made a motion, seconded by Bill Branham to not make the historian an elected official. Districts 1 & 2 both voted "NO" for the proposed by-law change.

Next paper deadline is October 10th. 2009 Convention will be on the N/side of Indianapolis.

Eric Kurtz advised \$50,000 in training funds; Newton Co. EMA director has signed off, paperwork down state, also advised the "Revolving" loan fund has been changed to an "Infrastructure" loan fund.

Treasurer's report: Unavailable.

No old business.

No new business.

Deaths: Rod Norton of South Haven FD, 50 yr. member John Rogowski of Kouts FD, IVFAA past president Nikki Sunday and Capt. Dave Cheatum of Valparaiso FD. A moment of silence was observed.

Good of the order:

*Special People's day at the Rensselaer fairgrounds, Sunday, Aug. 19th, 10-4 p.m.

*South Haven 3rd Annual "Fire Fest" on Friday, Aug. 24th, parade line up at 3:30 p.m.

*South Haven FD, Firefighter I/II class starting Sept. 4th.

*South Haven w/PC Fist team, NFPA Investigator I course starting Saturday, Sept. 15th.

*South Haven w/PC Fist team, Basic Investigation of Electrical

Fires, Sept 29th.

Next meeting: September 19th at Lake Dale FD.

\$27.50 was won in the 50/50 drawing.

Bob Szot made a motion, seconded by Bill Branham to adjourn at 8:58 p.m. Passed.

DISTRICT 2 CHAIRMAN



Paul Watland

Lake Dalecarlia Fire Department
September 19th, 2007

Districts 2 chairman Paul Watland called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m. Secretary Diana Orrell led "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

Roll call was answered by 11 members of six departments in District 1 with Schererville as the trophy winner, and by 50 members of eight departments in District 2 with Lincoln Township FD as the trophy winner.

Guests included: PR Northwest Jim Bradford, past president Mitch Parish and his wife, Jean, District 1 chairman Tom Orrell, District 2 chairman Paul Watland, Districts 1 & 2 treasurer Clarence Moss, Districts 1 & 2 secretary Diana Orrell, IVFAA district chairperson Phyllis Vargo, IVFAA Districts 1 & 2 secretary Marge Baumgardner, 50 yr. gold card member George Thiel, Jim Crowell of Sklarewitz, Jim Daley of Hoosier Fire, and Edward "Bo" Kaeser of Fire Service, Inc.

Chief Ryan Kennedy gave a brief history of the Lake Dalecarlia FD.

No program.

Keith Austin made a motion, seconded by Bill Casbon to dispense with the reading of August minutes. Passed.

Communications: Mitch Parish spoke on the National Fire Council. Jim Bradford advised next paper deadline is October 10th. Phyllis Vargo advised next Miss Flame contest is on November 8th at Crown Point

Treasurers report: \$1736.39.

No old business.

No new business.

Deaths: A moment of silence was observed for Bill Markle of Merrillville #1, Ralph Brooks of Chesterton FD, and Ed Shaffer of Crown Point FD.

Good of order:

Beverly Shores FD pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 7th from 6-1. Crown Point FD annual open house on Sunday, October 7th from 11-2. St. John FD open house on Sunday, October 7th. Cedar Lake FD annual open house on Sunday, October 14th. Lake Dalecarlia auxiliary pancake breakfast on Saturday, October 20th from 8-11.

Next meeting: Dyer Fire Department on October 17th.

Marge Baumgardner won \$67 in the 50/50 drawing.

Several items donated by Sklarewitz, Hoosier and Fire Service were won in the drawing.

Bill Casbon made a motion, seconded by Jim Rosenthal to adjourn at 8:10. Passed.

Diana L. Orrell, Secretary
IVFA Districts 1 & 2

February 2008
deadline is
January 10, 2008

DISTRICT 3 CHAIRMAN



David G. Kaufman

August 16, 2007

Lincoln Township Fire Station

Meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by district chairman Kaufman, there were 32 members representing seven departments and eight guests in attendance.

Guests were: Jim Bradford - PRNW, Ron Devenport - PRNW Assoc. Chaplain, Bruce Yonkers from District 1, Jerry Cohen, State Chaplain, Jen Payne IDHS District 1 EMA coordinator, Diane Orrell - District 1 & 2 secretary, Wally Cook, Walter Cook Insurance Agency, Ken Nemes, Memorial MedFlight.

The program for the evening was presented by Ken Nemes of Memorial MedFlight on Helicopter ambulance operations and safety. A helicopter from MedFlight was landed a half block away and all in attendance were afforded the opportunity to view the aircraft and ask questions of the crew.

The minutes of the previous meeting were mailed out prior to the meeting.

Motion by Tim Sandy, seconded by Jerry Cohen to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Motion carried.

Communication - Jim Bradford - District 11B proposed a bylaw change to make the historian an elected officer of the Association. Discussion was held on the question. Motion by Tim Sandy, seconded by Tom Thode to NOT have historian as an elected officer. Vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The deadline for the paper is October 10.

A film on driver's safety is available from IN DHS.

Convention for 2009 will be in Indianapolis.

Under new rules not everyone will need NIMS 300 and 400, you can have a local trained individual in the preplan to fill this position for your department.

Dave Kaufman - There are 24 pages of drafted changes for firefighter training. As of July 1 there is now a minimum requirement of Mandatory and Basic or Firefighter 1 and 2 prior to responding in the state of Indiana as a firefighter. There is NO grandfather clause, and this applies to everyone.

Jen Payne is available to answer any questions, and will respond as a resource and work with EMA. Call your local EMA person first.

Bruce Yonkers - Special Persons day to be held on Sunday, August 19, 2007 at the Jasper County Fairgrounds 10 am to 4 pm.

Ron Devenport - Has forms for persons interested in being a Chaplain, it will be state level training.

Correspondence - LaPorte YMCA is offering discounts to firefighters and their families.

Old business - None presented.

New Business - Election of officers for the third district.

Tim Sandy nominated Dave Kaufman for district chairman; there being no other nominations one unanimous vote was cast for Dave Kaufman

Melissa Wiatrowski nominated Wayne Zeman for district secretary/treasurer; there being no

other nominations one unanimous vote was cast for Wayne Zeman.

Good of the Order - Global Award was awarded to John Gall of Pleasant Township for performing a rescue. Presented by district chairman Kaufman.

Springfield Twp. is holding a Fish fry on August 25. Kankakee Twp. is having a Firefighters Ball September 8. Lincoln Twp. is having a Steak Fry on September 1.

Phil Bluhm won the 50/50. Memorial MedFlight and Five Alarm Fire donated door prizes.

The next meeting will be held September 20 at Bass Lake Fire Department.

A motion to adjourn was made by Roger Dittmar. Seconded by Kevin Bluhm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

Wayne Zeman,
Secretary

September 20, 2007

Bass Lake Fire Station

The program on the recent helicopter crash into Bass Lake by Chief Banasiak. He went over many of the ins and outs of working with the FAA and NTSB.

Meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. by district chairman Kaufman. Roll call revealed there were 16 members representing six departments and eight guests in attendance. Minutes were approved as printed by a motion from Phil Blum.

Guests were: Buz Koehler, past president, Mitch Parish, past president, Jim Bradford, PRNW, Ron Devenport, PRNW Associate Chaplain, Bruce Yonkers, District 1.

Comments for the guests: Buz Koehler: Time is running out for the survey on the IVFA website. This only takes a few minutes for both surveys. Please take the time to complete at <http://www.ivfa.org>. Mitch Parish: Glad to be here. Jim Bradford: Articles for the paper need to be in by October 10 for the November paper. We have lost five past presidents in last 12 months. The 2009 IVFA Convention will be held in Indianapolis. Bruce Yonkers: Glad to be here.

Old Business: Dave Kaufman stated we need to get together to try again to get the Convention back up north. He thanked Diane Orrell, secretary from Districts 1 & 2 for all of her work on this last year. He is also open for suggestions on how to increase attendance at District 3 meetings.

New business: Dave asked Buz to go over some of the benefits available to all members for being an IVFA member. Buz identified the IVFA LODD death benefit, the Bridgeport Scholarship, the IVFA newspaper, IVFA License Plates, Association clothing benefit, PAC downstate, the new AD&D insurance program, the annual awards, credit union benefit and that the IVFA has a voting member at the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC).

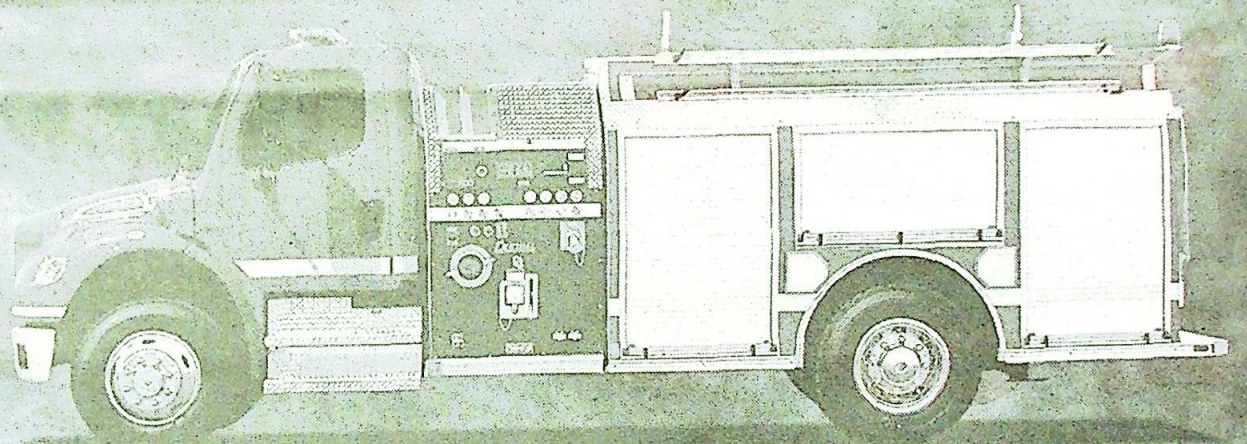
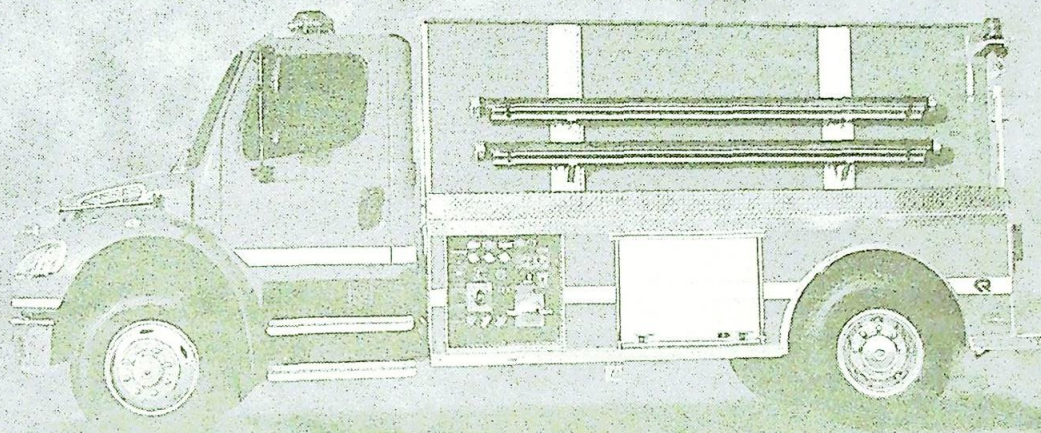
Discussion then ensued relative to the solicitation going on by the AD&D Insurance Company on behalf of IVFA. Supplemental AD&D beneficiary card needs to be signed. They will try to sell additional insurance but it is not necessary to purchase. This coverage is good at any time not just LODD as our other coverages are. Make sure your beneficiary forms are up-to-date with the correct benefactor. Whoever is on the form will get the money.

Dave went over the proposed changes to the law for fire training and certifications.

Look for the free tech rescue and WMD/Haz-Mat classes in the districts in the next couple of months. Regional training is being organized. Materials are coming available at no charge, contact your DHS representative.

Brady is partnering with IFSTA in

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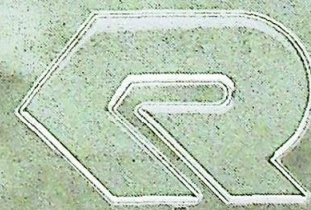


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publishing the new Essentials 5th edition.

Good of the order: October 6th fish fry San Pierre. Ron Devenport: Chaplain training available in April have registration forms.

The next meeting will be held November 15th at the Kingsbury Fire Station.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 P.M.

Wayne Zeman, Secretary

DISTRICT 5 CHAIRMAN



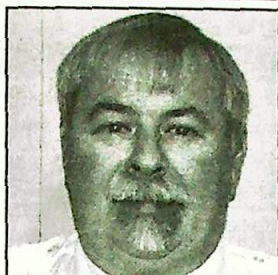
Tony Farrer

It has been a very busy and enjoyable summer for Diana and I since Amber was named the state IVFA Miss Flame in June.

Every week since the convention we have been on the road traveling the great state to festivals, parades, fundraisers, waterball contests, speaking engagements, dinners, memorial services, and county and district meetings.

Sincerely,
Tony D. Farrer
District 5 chairman

DISTRICT 6 CHAIRMAN



Jerry Sprague

Scholarships, Megan Walker, Katlyen Bruns, and Erin Holliday.

Chairman Sorg announced that IVFA annual convention 2009 will be at Holiday Inn North, Indianapolis.

Chairman Sorg reported that discussion on the Green Light had come up at the convention. Green Light authorization must come from the Director of Homeland Security while the Blue Light authorization is still authorized by local fire department chief.

Chairman Sorg brought to the attention of the body that anyone interested in Bag Pipe lessons to see page 13 of the May issue of the IVFA paper.

Jean Smith, PRNE reminded everyone that IVFA annual dues are due by July 31.

Jean Smith, PRNE brought to the attention of the body International Waterball Meet September 8 & 9 at Bass Lake California Township Fire Department.

Jean Smith, PRNE thanked the body for his past support as Public Relations officer.

Becky Sorg reported on Hoosier Burn Camp. Thanked local departments for their support.

Chairman Sorg thanked the body for his years of support as district chairman and announced that he would be serving as Public Relations Northeast.

Chairman Sorg opened the floor for election of District #7 officers. Nominations for Chairman: Roger Roth and Walt Rider. Walt Rider won.

by a ballot vote. Nominations for Secretary: Richard Sorg. No other nominations, Richard Sorg, District Secretary.

Chairman Sorg announced next meeting will be at Bippus September 17. Mark Sale, Global Emergency Products presented Jan Smith with Global Award.

Second roll call was answered by 48 members from 13 departments.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Richard A. Sorg
Secretary

DISTRICT 7 CHAIRMAN

Richard Sorg

DISTRICT #7
JULY 16, 2007
BERNE

GUESTS: Jean Smith, Public Relations Northeast and Mark Sale, Global Emergency Products.

The meeting was called to order by chairman Sorg at 8:13 p.m. Chairman Sorg led the membership in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first roll call was answered by 45 members from 13 departments.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Chairman Sorg announced award winners from IVFA Annual Convention: Mr. IVFA, Harold Capper; Ollie Sandberg Award, Greg Colip; Angel Award, E.J. Smith; Lois Boaz Award, Wanda Johnson; Miss Flame, Amber Farrer; Miss Flame Runner-Up, Keri Davis; President's Award, Larry Bartlow; Bridgeport

SEPTEMBER 17, 2007

GUESTS: Mark Sale - Global Emergency Products, Paul Zilz - President Capstone Insurance Group, Chris Walker - Indiana Department of Homeland Security District 3 Fire Training Coordinator.

The meeting called to order by Chairman Reiter at 8:30 pm. Chairman Reiter led the membership in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first roll call was answered by 24 members from 10 departments.

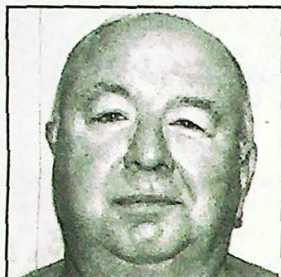
Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Chairman Reiter commented on upcoming Fire Prevention Week. Chairman Reiter also questioned if anyone has had a problem with a sales representative from American Income Life Insurance Company being rude and overly pushy when discussing insurance options.

Chairman Reiter brought to the

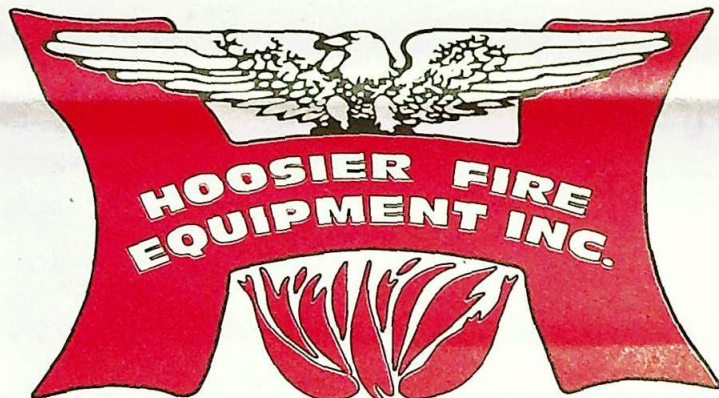
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DISTRICT 4 CHAIRMAN



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attention of the body the passing of retired State Fire Marshal William Goodwin.

Mort Sorg presented notes on last quarterly meeting.

Mort Sorg stated that a proposed by-laws change was presented. It would add another elected position to the executive board for a state historian. After discussion, motion made by Ivan Nevil and seconded by Mark Sale to deny the position. Motion passed.

Mort Sorg commented that Department of Homeland Security had a booth at the State Fair. No feedback on attendance of the booth.

Ivan Nevil stated that the DNR had dropped off to him Matching Grant Application forms and also Public Relation Material. Both available from Ivan.

Becky Sorg commented on Hoosier Burn Camp and the importance and fun of visitor's day.

Mark Sale, Global Emergency Products stated that he had attended Indiana Fire Chiefs' Convention.

Paul Zilz, Capstone Insurance Group, presented available services.

Chris Walker, Department of Homeland Security Training District #3, presented training and services that are available to all departments. Contact your county representative.

Chairman Reiter invited any comments or suggestions on improving attendance of the meetings.

Chairman Reiter announced that next meeting will be at Bluffton. It will be Miss Flame competition.

Monroeville announced that they have a cascade system for sale, phone (260) 639-6234.

Geneva will have annual Chili Supper October 27, 2007, 7 p.m.

Second roll call answered by 24 members from 10 departments.

Meeting closed at 9:08 pm.

Richard Sorg, Secretary

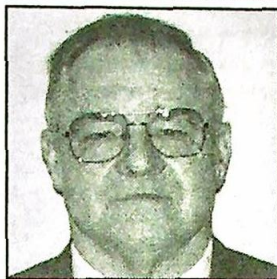
DISTRICT 8A CHAIRMAN



E.W. Pape, Jr.

**Convention 2008
June 18 - June 21
Belterra**

DISTRICT 8B CHAIRMAN



Lloyd E. Wright

Hi, there from the land of District 8B!!

On July 11, 2007 District 8B held their meeting at the Yorktown Volunteer Fire Department at 7:30 p.m.

They had the pleasure of District 8A joining them for their meeting. A representative from Chief's Choice Company attended the meeting to tell them about the different products they have to sell. They did a demonstration showing how their cleaning products work. They also showed some of their flashlights and landing lights for E.M.S.

District chairman, Lloyd Wright presented the Global Award which was given to District 8B at the convention to Mick Hickerson. Charlie Saubert was presented a pin for 32 years of service for the Yorktown Volunteer Fire Department.

The meeting was adjourned and a lunch which was provided by the Chief's Choice Company was served. The September 12 meeting for District 8B was held at the Albany Volunteer Fire Department, Albany, Indiana at 7:30 P.M. The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Roll call was taken and there were 18 firefighters from eight departments present. One guest was present being PR director Scott Harris. The district had 47 fires and 72 EMS runs.

Election of officers was held. They are as follows: Lloyd Wright, district chairman, Eddie Smith, assistant, Renee Blumhorst, secretary and treasurer.

Different fundraisers going on in the different departments are as follows: 1. October 6th Redkey Volunteer Fire Department, Redkey, Indiana will be having a breakfast from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m.; 2. October 20th Pennville Volunteer Fire Department, Pennville, Indiana will be having a hog roast from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.; 3. October 19th and 20th and 26th, 27th, and 31st, Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department, Dunkirk, Indiana will be having a haunted forest from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.; 4. October 27th Albany Volunteer Fire Department, Albany, Indiana will be having chili soup from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. They will also be having a fish fry, but not sure of the date.

The next district meeting will be held on November 14th at the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department, Bryant,

Indiana at 7:30 p.m.
Wishing you and yours a Happy Holiday Season.

*Lloyd E. Wright,
District 8B chairman*

DISTRICT 9A CHAIRMAN

Leighanne Ellis

DISTRICT 9B CHAIRMAN



Randy Denton

September 13, 2007
Honey Creek Twp. Volunteer Fire Department

Refreshments and training on identifying Meth Labs were prior to the meeting.

Randy Denton called the meeting to order at 8:30.

Roll call: Brookston 1, Chalmers 6, Goodland 2, Medaryville 1, Rensselaer 4, Reynolds 14, Wolcott 1. Total number of alarms with seven departments answering roll call.

Guests: Jim Bradford, Public Relations NW, Mitch Parish, past IVFA president, Jerry Cohen, chaplain and Bruce Yonkers.

Minutes from the last meeting were read and approved along with the treasurer's report.

Jerry: Pass.

Mitch: Bill Goodwin passed away last week. He was an Indiana State Fire Marshal and past IVFA president. We have had five past presidents pass away in the last year.

Jim: started with election of secretary. Mitch nominated Jim Wisley and Jim takes over the position. Mitch also asked the district to elect an assistant chairman. Mitch nominated Buz Koehler for the position with Judy Snowburger second. Buz takes the position. Jim stated at the last officer's meeting, District 11 proposed a change in the bylaws. They asked that the historian be an elected official. Jim asked for a vote on this from the district and vote failed. Also deadline for the newspaper is October 10th. Jim also stated the driver safety video is out and available. The next IVFA convention will be held in Belterra and the 2009 convention will be north of Indy.

Bruce: Pass.

Randy: Looking for Miss Flame candidates. He has two possibly but if anyone is interested, contact Randy Denton. Reminder, the questionnaires on the website need to be filled out. At last officer's meeting only 50

departments had turned them in.
Events: Brookston is having pancake and sausage breakfast during the Apple Popcorn Festival on September 15 from 6-10.

Chalmers is having a chili supper on September 21st from 4-8.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting in Star City on November 8, 2007.

to the family of Ralph Splady. Ralph passed away September 18. He was a 35 year member of the Linton Township Fire Department. A memorial service was held in his honor.

Since this is the last issue for this paper in '07, I would like to wish each of you a safe and happy holiday season.

*Robert Meyers
District 11A chairman*

DISTRICT 11B CHAIRMAN



Wm. Brent Bush

WALNUT TWP. VOL. FIRE DEPT.
(NEW ROSS) JULY 11, 2007

The meeting was called to order by chairman Bush, the Pledge to the Flag was led by state Sgt.-at-Arms Bill Bush and the invocation was given by district auxiliary chaplain Maxine Davies. Chairman Bush led the introduction of each person present in attendance, he then presented Steven and Rox Anne Harris of Walnut Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. their 25 year pins. Roll call was taken with 16 members from four departments answering the roll. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and the treasurer's report was read and approved.

Larry Southard, a member of the nominating committee made a motion, seconded by Larry Bartlow that the current officers of the district remain the same. He also recommended that due to the lack of a quorum, the vote will be taken at the next district meeting. Chairman Bush then introduced Diane Harrison, PR West Central who spoke about the fatal accident involving a Coal City firefighter responding to a brush fire and also the Posey Twp. firefighter who was killed in the line of duty. A lengthy question and answer session followed her presentation.

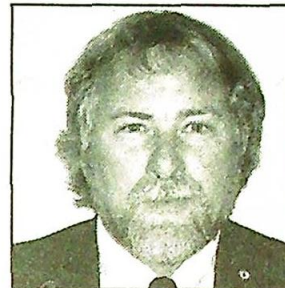
Brian Husband, Training Coordinator from Task Force 7 spoke about the various classes that are currently being taught around the state. Once again a very lengthy question and answer period was held. Barb Ketchem, district auxiliary chairperson spoke about the September 9th picnic coming up at the Fairbanks Park located in Terre Haute. Chairman Bush led the announcements of events coming up within the district, he then presented Chief Roger Routh of the Walnut Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. with the host certificate.

Having no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned with the benediction given by district auxiliary chaplain Maxine Davies.

*Respectfully submitted,
John Davies, Secretary*

Season's Greetings from all district chairmen

DISTRICT 10 CHAIRMAN



David Israel

Where did this year go? By the time you're reading this Thanksgiving and Christmas will be here.

November 21, 2007 will be the last District 10 meeting of the year at 7:00 p.m. at the Burney-Clay Twp VFD in downtown Burney, IN. Address 8433 West Co. Rd. 100 South, Burney, IN 47240. Sorry about it being the night before THANKSGIVING, but I cannot control the calendar.

This will also be the District 10 Miss Flame contest (applications must be in to district hands prior to 11-21-07 to run for Miss Flame) and IVFA new station clock presentation to the Burney-Clay Twp. VFD. So come on down and see our new fire station.

We will take December off and start again January 16, 2008 at the Morristown Fire Dept., in Morristown, IN east of Hwy. 9 on Hwy. 52. Thank you to each fire department that paid your dues on time and for your support in attendance at 2007 district meetings. This year was a whole lot better than the last couple of years, thanks.

Congratulations to Burney, Southwest VFD on the completion of their building projects. There are at least three more new fire stations to happen in 2008 New Point, Westport, and Franklin Twp. Station 55.

Happy Holidays, everyone.

Be Safe.

See you at the district meetings.

David Israel

DISTRICT 11A CHAIRMAN



Robert Meyers

District 11A November meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on the 18th at Farmersburg.

Our Miss Flame contest and dance will be held January 12, 2008, 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. This will be held at the International Operating Engineers at 6801 South Hwy. 41. Soft drinks and snack foods will be available.

Letters for awards on both the state and district level must be in by February 1, 2008.

I would like to extend my sympathy

DISTRICT 12 CHAIRMAN



Larry E. Bruner

Greetings from District 12.

Looks like we're coming to the end of a long and hot summer. Everyone should be busy with fire prevention week in October. Be sure to take this opportunity to get the message out about the test on ionization devices and how Hoosiers would be safer with a dual sensor device, ionization and photoelectric.

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Our last meeting was held at the fire department of Liberty Township in Clayton. Guest speaker was Rod P. from Hoosier Fire & Safety. He spoke to us about the new NFPA standards and the changes in the new SCBA's. He updated us on new equipment in the fire service and proposed laws to come. Thanks, Rod, for a job well done.

Take care, safety first and always, hope to see you at the District 12 meetings.

Larry Bruner

DISTRICT 13B CHAIRMAN



Dennis Spears

something by the end of November. If you haven't attended a district meeting lately, you need to; a lot of information is being told.

The district is growing, we have added new departments besides regaining old departments.

Our next meeting will be November 8th at North Vernon / Center Fire Department at 7:00 P.M. I ask you to send a representative from your department.

Also, I still need e-mail addresses. Please let me know of any special events or meetings you are having; I would be honored to attend.

For all of the young ladies out there, Miss Flame for District 14 will be coming in January. anybody interested, please notify me.

Stay Safe,
Charlie Moon
District 14 Chairman

DISTRICT 14 CHAIRMAN



Charlie Moon

Greetings,
I hope with summer coming to the end, that everyone had a great time. We have been really busy in and around our district.

I would like to thank everyone who attended the last meeting and training. I'm working on getting the next training started and should know

DISTRICT 15 CHAIRMAN



Steve Anderson

DISTRICT 16 CHAIRMAN



Paul Holcomb

representing nine departments. Also there were six guests present.

District elections were held; 2007 - 2008 officers are: chairman - Jack Harker, vice chairman - Tom Houghland and secretary/treasurer - Courtney Hasler.

Sandborn Volunteer Fire Department hosted my next meeting on September 26th. There were eight departments represented by 23 members present and eight guests. The guest speaker was Larry Roark with Duke Energy.

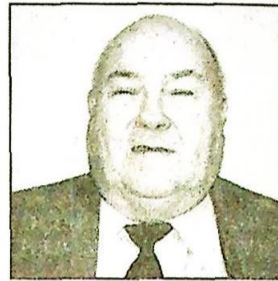
A 50-year Gold Card was given to Gene Inman of Sandborn Volunteer Fire Department for his 50 years of service. Three 25-year pins were given to Jim Johnson, Steve Sanders and Mark Headley, all of Sandborn Volunteer Fire Department.

My next meeting will be on November 20th at Harrison Township Volunteer Fire Department by Glendale Lake.

Then the next meeting will be on January 19th at Vincennes Twp., it will be their annual sausage supper.

Submitted by
Jack Harker
District 17A chairman

DISTRICT 17A CHAIRMAN



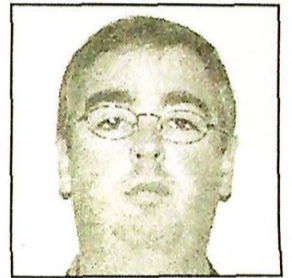
Jack Harker

On July 26th, Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department at Washington, IN hosted a District 17A meeting.

Nick Adams, the Homeland Security District 10 Training Officer was the guest speaker.

A 25-year pin was presented to Kim Murray of Washington Twp. Volunteer Fire Department. There were 26 members present

DISTRICT 17B CHAIRMAN



Tim Deckard

Greetings 17B firefighters,
It's been a long and hot summer and things are just beginning to cool down.

Many thanks go out to everyone in the state that helped make our day at this year's State Fair Fire Prevention on Kid's Day a BIG success. Many long hours were put into this day and again thank you for your hard work and participation.

Thank you, Fruitdale Fire Department of Brown County for hosting our last meeting and serving a great meal. There was a good turnout and a good program was given.

Congratulations to Shawswick Fire Department Chief Bob Brown for the District 17B global Award winner.

As the holidays approach, have a blessed Thanksgiving and a wonderful Christmas.

Keep safe and bring everyone home.
Tim Deckard

DISTRICT 18 CHAIRMAN



John C. "Bull" Smith

Greetings from the 18-District.

First, a "thank you" to everyone who supported me in my election to the chairman's position. Second, thanks to Chuck Parker for his service as 18-District chairman over the past years. The election during the meeting of 19 July also included the re-election of Martin Holman to vice-chair, Kenny Lau to secretary/treasurer, Ed Dicus to Sergeant-at-Arms, and Bro. Giles Mathieu to Chaplain. Ed Dicus was the very fitting recipient of the first "Global Award" formerly known as the Midwest Award. One hundred twenty four members representing 24 departments were in attendance and reported answering a total of 403 calls.

The meeting of 20 September followed the District's annual

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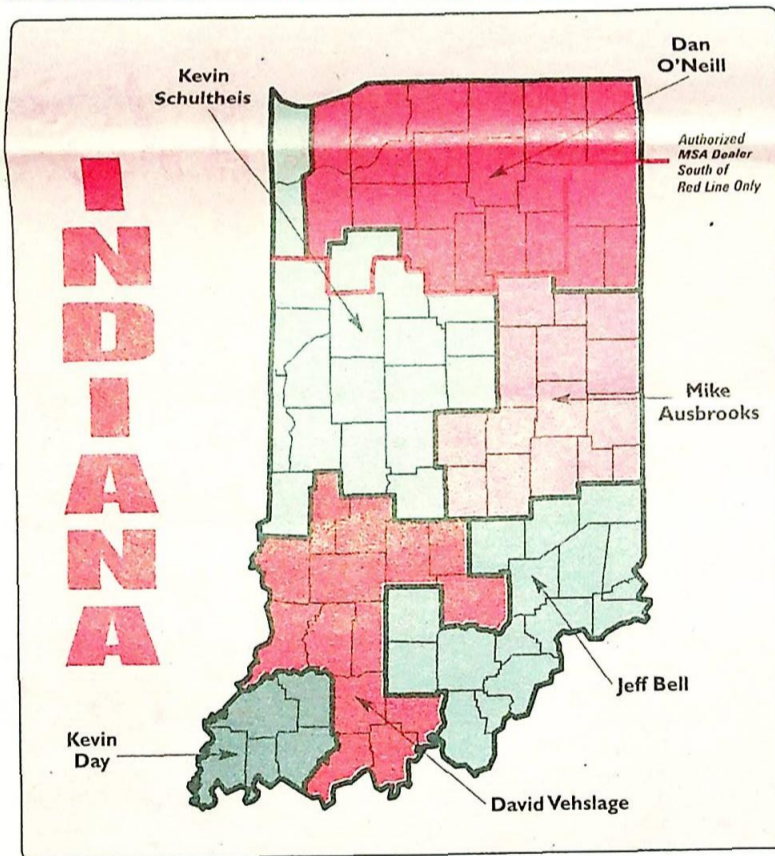


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IVFA QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

From The Secretary

Larry Bartlow



INDIANA VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER'S ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY MEETING AUGUST 4, 2007 - COLUMBUS, IN

President Larry Ketchem called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M. Chaplain Jerry Cohen gave the Invocation. Sgt-at-Arms Bill Bush led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

President Ketchem introduced guests Fire Marshal Roger Johnson and Training Division Chief John Buckman. President Ketchem also stated that due to recent eye surgery that Vice President Dave Elick would proceed with the meeting.

Marshal Johnson spoke about the Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service that will be August 10, 2007 on the west side of the State House. Three volunteer names will be added this to the Memorial this year for Line of Duty deaths last year. Urged everyone to try to get as many volunteers there as possible.

Chief John Buckman gave an update on the Training Program in the state. The State Training Fund has a \$2,000,000 budget for this year. The Homeland Security Districts will have 65% of this fund for direct grants for training material. To be eligible to participate in this program a department must be NIMS (100-200-700) compliant and submit NIFRS reports. Department of Homeland Security is purchasing a Hazardous Materials Training Lab to be used throughout the state for operations and technician training. They have purchased a Kidde Fire-Trainer trailer. Can be used for live burns, vertical ventilation and search and rescue. This trailer will be moved around to the DHLS Districts.

The Training Division will be offering a three-hour training session in each of the IVFA Public Relations Districts on "Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers". Probably will be late this year.

Survival and Rescue Training Props are being built for a Train-the-Trainer program. In February 2008 will conduct the Chief Officer Training Seminars and a new program Instructor Development Seminar.

A "Safety Initiative" with all Associations involved to reduce Firefighter Line of Duty Deaths. The "Courage to be Safe" program will make three presentations per DHLS District. The program will be four hours beginning in November. Invite the DHLS District Training Chairman to the IVFA district meetings to help keep the information to the members.

Vice President Elick called for the reading of the minutes of the May meeting. Past President Jim Parker made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Chaplain Jerry Cohen made the second. Motion passed.

Introduced the new district chairmen. They are Leighanne Ellis,

District 9A, John Smith, District 18 and Walt Reiter, District 7.

SECRETARY: LARRY BARTLOW - Pass.

TREASURER: BEV HARKER - Presented the financial report for the year to date and compared the budget income and expenses to the amount that was budgeted for the year. She pointed out some areas that need to be watched very close. Income is about on pace for the year but some expenses are exceeding what was budgeted. The Balance Sheet Comparison to the Previous Year as of August 2, 2007 show our Total Assets to be down about \$23,000.

Bev presented the proposed budget for 2008 for everyone to study and discuss. It will be presented at the November Board of Directors' meeting for passage.

Bev also had questions on two mileage vouchers that she needed clarification on before paying them. This will be Board of Directors' action.

Carol Thrawley, District 13A, made a motion to accept the budget report as presented. Jim Parker, past-president made the second. Motion passed.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

PRESIDENT LARRY KETCHEM: Pass.

VICE PRESIDENT DAVE ELICK: Passed out handouts for the new district chairmen.

CHAPLAIN JERRY COHEN: Attended seven memorial services and five district meetings.

SGT.-AT-ARMS BILL BUSH: Has some forms with him. Been quiet in the area.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD JACK KERNEY: Pass.

PUBLIC RELATION

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

PRNW JIM BRADFORD: Attended seven district meetings, five fundraisers, one station dedication, two memorial services, one trip to Printco and one trip to Shepard Services for paper.

PRNE JEAN SMITH: Attended seven district meetings, one station dedication, one memorial service and two fundraisers.

PRWC DIANA HARRISON: Attended all district meetings in area, five memorial services, Hoosier Burn Camp, one Line of Duty service.

PREC SCOTT HARRIS: Attended five district meetings and one memorial service.

PRSW JIM ABRAMS: Attended all district meetings and nine memorial services.

PRSE BOB MCKENZIE: Attended six district meetings, one station dedication and one memorial service.

PAST PRESIDENT REPORTS

BUZ KOEHLER: Gave update on making CD's of the old 16mm films of past conventions. It is the only way that the old film can be preserved. Also not many 16mm projectors around. The cost to do one convention film is about \$60-\$80 depending on the length of the film. This project will be discussed at the Board of Directors meeting.

JACK ZEEKS: Pass.

RICHARD GLANT: Pass.

MITCH PARISH: Pass.

IVAN NEVIL: Pass.

CARL BRUNS: Pass.

JIM PARKER: Pass.

LAWRENCE SWARTZ: Pass.

DISTRICT REPORTS

DISTRICT 1 TOM ORRELL: (Dianna Orrell reporting) - Next meeting August 15, 2007 at Liberty Twp.

DISTRICT 2 PAUL WATLAND: (Dianna Orrell reporting) - Next meeting September 19, 2007 at Lake Dale.

DISTRICT 3 DAVE KAUFMAN: Next meeting at Lincoln Twp. on August 16, 2007.

DISTRICT 4 TERRY SMITH:

(John Ferro reporting) - Next meeting on Oct. 25, 2007 at Wakarusa Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 5 TONY FARRER: Next meeting on September 13, 2007 at Roann Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 6 JERRY SPRAGUE: Next meeting on September 25, 2007 at Salem Center Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 7 MORT SORG: Next meeting on September 17, 2007 at Bippus Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 8A E.W. PAPE JR.: Next meeting on September 12, 2007 at site to be announced.

DISTRICT 8B LLOYD WRIGHT: Next meeting September 12, 2007 at Albany-Delaware Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 9A LEIGHANNE ELLIS: Next meeting September 27 at Galveston Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 9B RANDY DENTON: (Buz Koehler) - Next meeting September 13, 2007 at Reynolds Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 10 DAVID ISRAEL: Next meeting August 15, 2007 at Anderson Twp. Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 11A ROBERT MEYERS: Next meeting September 9, 2007 at Fairbanks Park in Terre Haute.

DISTRICT 11B BRENT BUSH: Next meeting September 9, 2007 at Fairbanks Park in Terre Haute (Annual picnic with District 11A)

DISTRICT 12 LARRY BRUNER: Next meeting September 17, 2007 at Liberty Twp. Fire Dept. in Clayton.

DISTRICT 13A CAROL THRAWLEY: Next meeting September 11, 2007 at Sugar Creek Station 45.

DISTRICT 13B DENNIS SPEARS: Next meeting September 26, 2007 at Everton Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 14 CHARLIE MOON: Next meeting September 8, 2007 at Charlestown State Park.

DISTRICT 15 STEVE ANDERSON: Next meeting September 18, 2007 at Perry Twp. Fire Dept. Station #2.

DISTRICT 16 PAUL HOLCOMB: Next meeting September 12, 2007 at North West Washington Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 17 A JACK HARKER: Next meeting September 26, 2007 at Sandborn Vol. Fire Dept.

DISTRICT 17B TIM DECKARD: Next meeting August 14, 2007 at Fruitdale Fire Department.

DISTRICT 18 JOHN SMITH: Next meeting September 20, 2007 at Carter Fire District in Dale.

DISTRICT 19 ED SCHEELE: Next meeting September 27, 2007 at East Enterprise Fire Dept. Station #2.

DISTRICT 21 DON FULTZ: Next meeting November 27, 2007 at Buck Creek Fire Dept. Washington Twp. Lafayette.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CENTRAL OFFICE: JACK KERNEY - Passed out new call list for all officers. Dues for 2007/2008 are being entered with postmark of July 15. Sent all funeral vouchers to Central Office (white and yellow copy). Keep pink copy for your record.

EXECUTIVE: LARRY KETCHEM - Pass.

BUDGET: BEV HARKER - Met last night and discussed proposed budget that was passed out to everyone. It will be discussed and voted on at the November meeting.

INSURANCE: JACK KERNEY - He has contacted the agent for our Accidental Death and Dismemberment policy and she is to be here this weekend to answer questions. Don't know at what time. The company name is "American Income Life Insurance".

MEMBERSHIP: STEVE ANDERSON - Need to be working to get Associate Memberships for the businesses in each district. Had a

question about why the IVFA does not have a purchased Lifetime membership. Much discussion on this issue. Past president Jack Zeeks made a motion to let the Membership Committee research this issue and report their findings at the November meeting. Chaplain Cohen made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

CONVENTION: DAVID ISRAEL - Met this morning and found some statements in the Convention Guidelines that need to be clarified.

CONVENTION 2008: STEVE MACKIE - Have had several meetings and are getting the agenda finalized. The rumors that kids are not allowed at Belterra is just a rumor. They cannot go on the Casino boat. Kids are welcome at Convention 2008. Convention 2008 is requesting the \$4000 start money from the IVFA. This will be Board action.

AWARDS: DAVE ELICK - Every district had a Global Award Winner this year. The deadline for next year's Awards is the February officer's meeting.

BRIDGEPORT: CARL BRUNS - Need for applicants to follow all Bridgeport guidelines and get them mailed in on time. We did award three Scholarships this year.

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES: LARRY BARTLOW - Pass.

CLOTHING CLAIMS: JIM BRADFORD - No claims this quarter. One received later that will be looked at in November.

EDITOR'S ASSISTANT: JIM BRADFORD - Printed 17,670 copies of the paper this issue. Still over 300 bad addresses that need corrected. All address corrections need to go to the Central Office.

AD-TAKER: MITCH PARISH - Had 26 ads in the newspaper.

WEB SITE: BUZ KOEHLER - New software has been purchased and installed. Need all district meetings posted on Web site.

FDIC: JACK KERNEY - We will have a 10-foot by 10-foot booth for 2008.

LOGO: JOHN SMITH - Pass.

FIRE SCHOOL: DAVE ELICK - Request for funds for District 14 Fire School. Requires Board action.

PUBLIC EDUCATION: TIM DECKARD - Passed out information packets for our participation in the Indiana State Fair on August 14, 2007 and the procedures to get in to the fairgrounds. Several pieces of equipment are committed to be there. He needs help from us. Several stated they would be there. Have had several communication problems with DHLS.

LEGISLATIVE: JIM PARKER - Nothing happening in Legislation yet. We do have a contract proposal from our Lobbyist for next year with an increase in price. This price increase will be discussed in the Board of Directors meeting tomorrow.

FIRE SERVICES INSTITUTE: BUZ KOEHLER - The next meeting will be August 10, 2007.

BOARD OF FIREFIGHTING STANDARDS AND EDUCATION: JACK KERNEY - Having evening meetings so volunteers can attend, but so far the attendance needs to increase. The next meeting is August 20, 2007 at Greencastle City Hall. Also passed the Proposed Rule for Training. We need to study it and make recommendations on what is right and what is wrong with them.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL: MITCH PARISH - Need to force Department of Justice to start paying the Public Safety Officers Death Benefits that are due several people. No action on several claims.

BY-LAWS AND SOG'S: JIM PARKER - Passed out the By-Law change passed May 5, 2007 concerning Article 5 Section 14; Qualifications of Officers adding Sgt-

at-Arms and Public Relations Directors to list of officers that have to meet certain requirements to be elected to office.

Read By-Law change submitted by District 11B: Article 5 Section I Officers: The Officers of the Association shall be Chairman-of-Board (Immediate Past-President), President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain, Sgt-at-Arms and six (6) Public Relations Directors representing geographic areas as from time to time designed by resolution of the Board.

The change is to add *Historian* as an Officer of the Association.

The By-Law Committee will meet on August 12, 2007 at Columbus Holiday Inn.

OLD BUSINESS

CONVENTION 2007: STEVE ANDERSON - Gave an update of the happenings with Convention 2007. The main problem being a sales tax issue with hotel and it is being resolved at this time. Talked about all the happenings at Convention and explained some of the problems they encounter. The photographer has over 1200 pictures of convention. They have made a DVD of the pictures. The DVD's are available from the photographer for a fee of \$12. Should have final report by the November meeting.

Meeting recessed at 6:00 P.M.

Meeting reconvened at 8:30 A.M.

Morning message by Chaplain Jerry Cohen.

Miss Flame Amber Farrer: Spoke of the events she has attended since Convention and the upcoming International Water Ball tournament to be held at Bass Lake Fire Dept. September 8, 2007.

OLD BUSINESS continued

District chairmen need to turn in expense vouchers for their district secretary at this meeting. This is for last year's secretary.

Jim Bradford stated that Convention 2008 is the 61st.

LINE OF DUTY DEATH - DIANE HARRISON: The Committee has met and started putting a program together.

NEW BUSINESS

Jim Parker brought up if a search of the Secretary of State office as to the Fire Departments in the State that are actually registered as a Not-For-Profit organization. This is a requirement for some Grants.

Jim Parker made motion to adjourn and proceed to the Board of Directors' meeting. Jim Bradford made the second. Motion passed.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AUGUST 4, 2007 meeting called to order at 9:15 A.M. by chairman Jack Kerney. He called for the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Bill Pape, District 8A, made a motion to suspend the reading of minutes. Buz Koehler, past president, made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

(1). Reimbursement for rooms for IVFAA officers. Jack Zeeks, past president, made a motion that we stop paying the rate after this meeting. Bill Pape, District 8A, made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

(2). Request to convert the old 16mm Convention films to DVD's at a cost of \$65 per reel. Richard Glant, past president, made a motion to convert them to DVD's, as they become available. Bill Bush, Sgt-at-Arms made the second. Motion passed.

Jim Parker, past president, made that copies of the DVD's will be made available to anyone at a cost of \$15, to be returned to the General Fund, per copy and a DVD and the film will be returned to the provider of the film if the owner so wants. The contact for a copy of the DVD to the Central Office. Buz Koehler, past president, made the second. Motion passed.

(3). Lobbyist fee increased to \$45,000. This is a \$10,000 increase. A

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DISTRICT MEETINGS

District 18

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Memorial Service. My most sincere thanks and gratitude to Chief Frank Daunhauer and the members of Carter Fire District of Dale for a truly moving service. The New Boston VFD then served a wonderful meal to all the members and guests that were present. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, and roll call, I reminded all of the departments to check on the status of their not-for-profit paperwork to make sure it was in order. A new protocol for the district governing the notification of deaths within the district and memorial or funeral services was also covered. A discussion was held, and vote was taken on a pending amendment to the State By-Laws. Haysville VFD reported on what is sure to be a great district parade on 14 October. Bro. Giles Mathieu was presented a plaque honoring his service as one of the Associate State Chaplains. Ninety-two members from 23 departments were present and reported answering a total of 367 calls. Our next meeting will be on 15 November at the Luce Twp. VFD, Richland Station. Hope to see you there!

Until next time-
"Keep the wet stuff, on the red stuff"
John C. "Bull" Smith
Dist. 18 Chair

IVFA QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

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very long discussion was held on this subject. Are we getting what we pay for? Is it time for a change? Is line of communications open both ways?

A motion by Mitch Parish, past president, that we sign the contract for one year due to the time frame. Carol Thrawley, District 13A, made the second. Motion passed by show of hands.

A motion by Jim Parker, past president, that we start reviewing for next year and inform our Lobbyist that we are doing so. Jack Zeeks, Past President, made the second. Motion passed.

(4) Voucher for Larry Bartlow to Supporting Heroes Dinner. Larry Bartlow drove President Ketchem to the dinner. Buz Koehler, past

president, made a motion that this expense incurred at the request of the president and should be paid Dave Elick, Vice president made the second. Motion passed.

(5) Voucher for Pete Taylor for the Dennise Leslie memorial service. Motion by Bill Bush, Sgt-at-Arms, to pay this claim. Carol Thrawley, District 13A, made the second. Much discussion on the issue and the events that took place. Motion passed.

(6) Vouchers for individuals mileage for memorial service in Washington, IN for Mark Kelsey Memorial service and to Linton, IN for the Dennise Leslie memorial service.

John Wright, District 18, made motion to not pay the mileage to Washington. Jack Zeeks, past president, made the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

John Wright, District 18 made motion to pay mileage for Dennise Leslie memorial. Charlie Moon,

District 14, made the second. Motion failed by show of hands vote.

(7) Pay for two district chairmen who could not get a room at this hotel and got rooms across the street. Jack Zeeks, past president, made a motion to pay the room expense from across the street. Jim Bradford, PRNW, made the second. Motion passed.

(8) Convention 2008 request for \$4000 advance money. Motion by Buz Koehler, past president, to allow this expense. Carol Thrawley, District 13A made the second Motion passed.

(9) Fire School for District 14. Need to go to PR Director for school information. No action need by Board at this time.

Motion by Jack Zeeks to adjourn the meeting after the benediction. Jim Bradford, PRNW, made the second. Motion passed.

Benediction given by Chaplain Gerdowsky.

Respectfully submitted,
Larry L. Bartlow, secretary

Public Relations Director West Central Diane Harrison



Happy Holidays!

District 14 holds picnic; Doug Dunlevy honored



On September 8th, District 14 held a picnic for their quarterly meeting at The Boy Scouts of America Scout Camp located in Charlestown.

There was a jumping balloon, corn hole and a lot of fellowship with 13 departments and over 100 people in attendance.

Charlestown VFD sponsored the food, ribeye steaks cooked by the Clark County Cattleman's Association.

The District 8 HLS rep was in attendance explaining what was happening with the training in October. This is when Doug Dunlevy was presented his plaque for outstanding performance within the District 14.

Pictured above at left is Doug Dunlevy (Monroe VFD) with District 14 chairman Charlie Moon. -- submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman.

DISTRICT 19 CHAIRMAN



Ed Scheele

DISTRICT 21 CHAIRMAN



Don Fultz

Happy Holidays from all of the District Chairmen

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THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO THE LOGO COMMITTEE.

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- District 18 Term: Jan. 1, 2005 - Dec. 31, 2008

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

Fire Prevention Day held in Jackson County

On October 6th Jackson County Fire Departments held a Fire Prevention Day in the park.

The afternoon consisted of a Remembrance Ceremony with the ringing of the Bell for all public safety workers that have died in the line of duty.

Dove Flight Helicopter, a smoke house and Sparky, the dog were present to enjoy during the afternoon.

Also, a Corn Hole tournament was held with all proceeds going to the Burn Camp. -- submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

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Miss Flame news for 2008 Attention: all fire departments and districts

It is that time of the year to start your search for your Miss Flame candidate for the contest to be held at convention in Belterra in June. Elsewhere in the paper you will find the Miss Flame guidelines, qualifications and rules for entering the Miss Flame contest. A friendly reminder -- Applications for those competing in the State Miss Flame contest are to be sent to me by March 10, 2008.

Only one candidate from each department can compete in the district contest, and only one candidate from each district may compete in the state contest. Please hold your contest in a timely manner so that everyone has a chance to enter.

The last several years we have had a large number of contestants. I would like to encourage each district to have a representative this year for our convention.

If you have questions, please contact me. Also, if you will let me know when your contest is, I will make every effort to attend. The Miss Flame contest is a great opportunity for our young people to participate and be a part of our organizations and our convention.

Applications are available from your district chairman or from me. See my address below:

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Clark County holds hazardous chemical spill training

Clark County had a county-wide training on a hazardous chemical spill.

Along with fire departments, there was EMA, sheriff department, city police, electric company, American Red Cross, news media and many more agencies involved.

The training was held in Charlestown and was being done to see if all agencies could respond to a disaster in the county and see what role each agency will play. -- submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

Roanoke VFD to host breakfast March 16, 2008

Roanoke Volunteer Fire Department pancake and sausage breakfast will be held on March 16, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to noon at Nick's Junction (corner of US 24 & Station Road, Roanoke, Indiana.

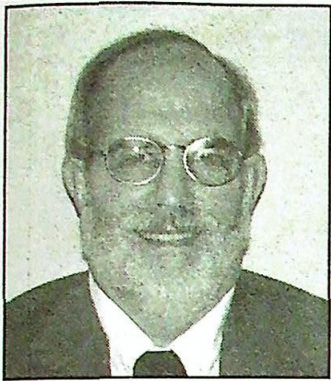


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I was invited to attend the 2007 Kosciusko County Firemen's Fish Fry. Farmer Home Mutual Insurance Company sponsors this event. Attendees of this event include all 15 departments within Kosciusko County, including neighboring departments, who provide mutual aid.

Guest speakers were District 5 chairman Tony Farrer, IVFA state Miss Flame Amber Farrer, and PR Northeast Jean Smith. This special event also awards outstanding firefighters from each department and the Association. Attending were many vendors that displayed the latest fire gear, equipment and trucks on display at this event. This group knows how to put on a fish fry, you won't go home hungry.

Once again we start Fire Prevention Week October 7th-13th. This year's theme is "Practice Your Escape Plan!" This is a reminder to prepare the community along with our school children the proper techniques of fire safety. Children under five years of age and older adults age 65 and older are nearly twice as likely to die in home fires as the average person.

This will be my last letter as your Public Relations Northeast Director. My term expires December 31. I would like to thank those district chairmen, state officers and friends that supported me these past two years. Especially my wife, E.J. that went with me to keep me company and attended the auxiliary meetings. When some of the meetings were two hours away and late at night for the return trip. Thank You.

Please have a safe Holiday Season. Hope to see you at your district meetings.

Jean Smith
Public Relations Northeast

District 14 holds training

On September 14, District 14 held a training in Deputy, IN.

The training was based on Tanker and Dump Tank Operations. There were nine departments and over 20 people in attendance for a free hands on training.

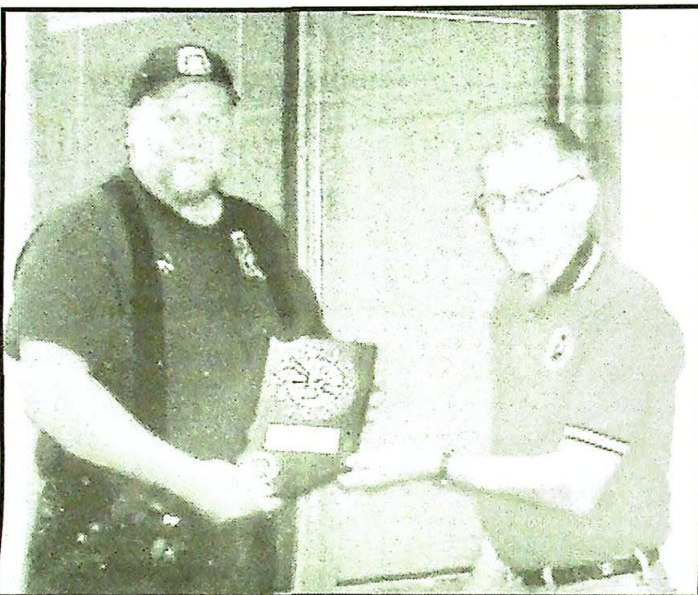
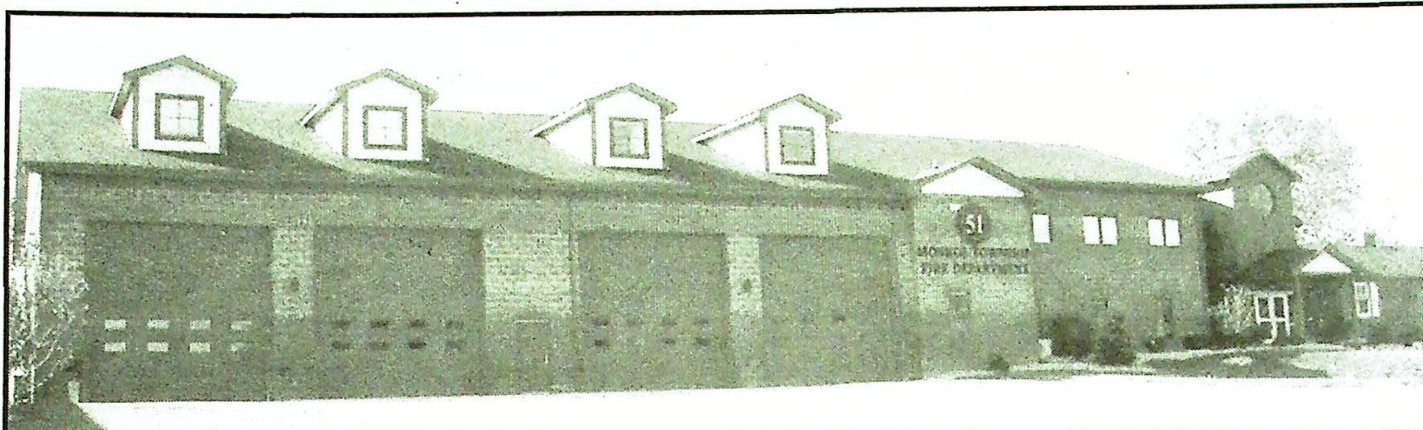
Firefighters set up dump tanks, hooked up hydrants and drafted from the tanks. With this training being a success, there will be more to come in the up and coming months. --

submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

Wishing all
a very
Happy
Thanksgiving!



Monroe Twp. Vol. Fire Dept. takes ownership of new fire station



After a long time waiting, the Monroe Twp. fire department took possession of their new station in Monrovia, Indiana during the April - May time frame and hosted the District 12 IVFA meeting in May.

Monroe Twp. fire chief Dennis Lee accepts the IVFA clock for their new station during presentation at the May IVFA meeting.

— submitted by Larry Bruner, District 12 chairman



Nancy Neil awarded 25 year pin

During the August 10th district IVFA meeting at the Milroy VFD, (pictured at left) district chairman Barbara Parker (on right) is shown presenting a 25 year pin to past president Nancy Neil of the Hope VFD.

— submitted by Barbara Parker

District 11A Miss Flame dance January 12, 2008

The IVFA District 11A Miss Flame dance will be held Saturday, January 12, 2008 at International Operating Engineers, 6801 South Hwy. 41, Terre Haute, Indiana, close to Honey Creek Fire Department.

A live band "Silver Nickel" will be playing from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Soft drinks and snack foods will be available for purchase.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

VFW Post 6515 makes donation to Bryant Volunteer Fire Dept.



VFW Post 6515 in Fort Recovery, Ohio recently donated \$500 to the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department.

Pictured, from left, are Jesse James, captain; Mike Kimmel, vice president; Brian Smith, volunteer/VFW member; Nancy Armstrong, president (receiving check); Seth James, secretary; Richard Smith, VFW commander (giving check); Randy Coleman, fire chief; and Christa Hofstetter, sergeant-at-arms.

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

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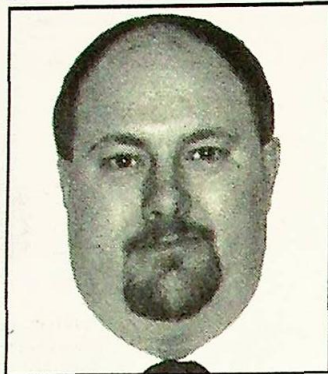
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Now that the summer is over, remember this is Indiana, it is time to begin the preparation for the coming year.

Congratulations to those departments that have received the AFG awards. If your department has not received a grant, contact a department that did and ask for advice on filling out the application next spring.

I would like for everybody to mark December 15 on their calendar. On this day in New Castle the PR District will be hosting a Retention and Recruitment of Volunteer Firefighters Training Program for **FREE**. The class is being taught by Chief John Buckman beginning at 10 a.m. and

will last approximately two hours. Year. I would like to close by wishing everybody a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New

Scott Harris
PR East Central

IVFA Miss Flame contest qualifications and rules to enter 2008 competition

- IVFA Miss Flame contest qualifications and rules to enter are as follows:
1. Father, brother, mother, sister, step-parent or self must be a member of the I.V.F.A. or I.V.F.A.A. and an active member of a fire department or auxiliary.
 2. Entrant must be single and a non-parent.
 3. Entrant must be 15 years old, not more than 18 at the time of the I.V.F.A. state convention. She must be a resident of the state of Indiana.
 4. There may be only one entry from each department in the District contest.
 5. The department winner will be decided at the discretion of the department.
 6. Winner of a department will be entered in the district contest.
 7. District winner will be decided by a run-off if there is more than one entrant in that district.
 8. District winner will be entered in the state Miss Flame contest.
 9. District winner must have transportation to the state convention and have a chaperone. If the chaperone is not a parent, he/she must be 21 years of age and be responsible for the actions of the contestant.
 10. The department and district may have an alternate in the event the winner is unable to fulfill the title.
 11. I.V.F.A. Miss Flame will be selected at the state convention.
 12. The contestant will be responsible for all expenses at the convention, i.e., room, meals and transportation.
 13. The dress for judging and activities will be announced by the Miss Flame committee.
 14. Judging will be based on fire department and community involvement, appearance, personality, poise, conversational ability and ability to express ideas.

Merry Christmas!!

God's amazing grace helps us to carry out our duties

Throughout our life, we experience many wrong turns from our poor decisions. We are lucky that we have a loving, caring, understanding God. It is only by His amazing grace that we are able to carry out our duties as Firefighters and First Responders. Some of the sights and sounds we encounter are more than we could bear without His help.

Over the years, I really never paid much attention to the words of the song, *Amazing Grace*, until I came across them without the music. The third verse really says a lot for me. *Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come. 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far. And grace will lead me home.*

As your Chaplain, I hope that when you read the words they will have a special meaning to you.

- Jerry Cohen

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

Through many danger, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.

Space heating the leading cause of home fires in winter

Both fixed and portable devices require careful attention

Space heaters are the leading cause of home fires during December, January and February - but such disasters can be prevented with a few simple precautions.

Two out of every three home fires associated with heating equipment involve devices other than central furnaces or water heaters, according to the latest statistics from the NFPA (National Fire Protection Association). When used improperly, space heaters-gas-fueled, kerosene-fueled or electric, fixed or portable, wood stoves and fireplaces can all lead to fires.

Portable kerosene heaters, which are illegal in some states, have the highest rate of fire deaths per household. Room gas heaters pose a similar risk of death from unvented carbon monoxide.

In 1998, all forms of home heating caused 49,200 reported fires, 388 deaths, 1,445 injuries, and \$515 million in property damage. Typically these fires occurred because the devices weren't cleaned regularly, were placed or installed too close to combustible materials, had basic flaws in construction or design, or were improperly fueled.

"As winter approaches, we want to get the message out that space-heating devices require special care to be used safely," said Meri-K Appy, NFPA's vice president for public education. "Simple steps can prevent a tragedy in your home."

NFPA recommends these safety measures:

- When buying a new unit, make sure it carries the mark of a nationally-recognized testing laboratory. Be sure that a qualified technician installs the unit or checks that the unit has been installed properly.

- If you use a wood or coal stove or a fireplace, have a professional inspect your chimney, chimney connector and other related equipment every year, and have it cleaned as often as the inspections indicate.

- Keep space heaters at least three feet (or one meter) from anything that can burn.

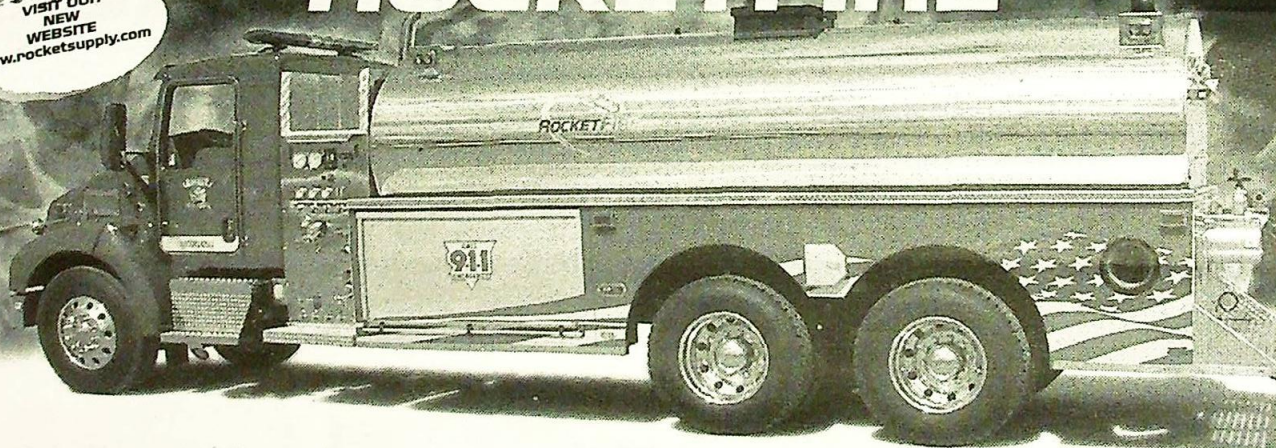
- Fuel portable kerosene heaters in a well-ventilated area away from flames or other heat sources, and only when the device has cooled completely. Use only the type of kerosene specified by the manufacturer, and never use gasoline. Use only if such heaters are legal in your community.

- When turning a heating device on or off, follow the manufacturer's instructions. When buying heaters, choose devices with automatic shutoff features.

- Make sure any gas-fueled heating device is adequately ventilated. Unventilated gas space heaters in bedrooms or bathrooms must be small and well-mounted. Never use liquefied-petroleum gas heaters with self-contained fuel supplies in the home.

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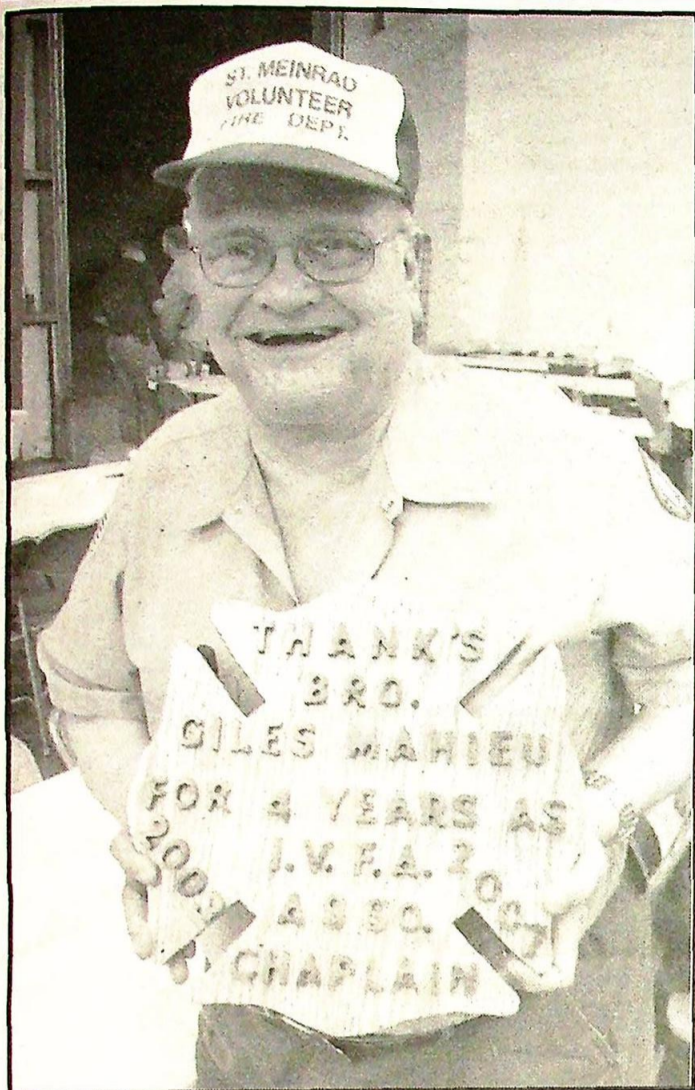
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Brother Giles Mahieu presented plaque for service as Associate Chaplain

At the September meeting of the IVFA District 18, District 18 chaplain Bro. Giles Mahieu of the St. Meinrad VFD (Spencer Co.) was presented a plaque in observance of his service as Associate Chaplain.
 Bro. Giles will receive his 50 year membership Gold Card next year. -- (article and photo submitted by District 18 chair John "Bull" Smith)

2008 IVFA Miss Flame guidelines

Miss Flame guidelines are as follows:

The purpose of the Miss Flame contest is to select a Miss Flame and first runner-up to represent the IVFA and the IVFAA. The Miss Flame contest is held annually at the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association convention. The girls are judged by a committee of judges who are selected by the convention Miss Flame committee. The girls will be judged based on the rules, qualifications, and score sheets dated 10/02.

The state Miss Flame and first runner-up are selected from district Miss Flame winners (one from each district). The district winners' applications along with *two photos (black and white preferred or a professional grade color)* will be sent to the Miss Flame committee chairman by the district chairman. The girls selected will be representing the state, district and their local department. They will act as public relations representatives all over the state. On a best efforts basis, they will attend as many departmental, district, and state activities as possible. It is the responsibility of the departments, districts, and state to advise and invite them to their activities. The district winners will represent their districts and departments.

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

When attending the convention, motel rooms are set aside for the Miss Flames. *They must, however, make their own reservations and advise the Reservation Committee that they are a candidate.* Each contestant will have a chaperone (parents or designated person) who will stay in the same room (see rule #9). Miss Flames and their chaperones may camp and again, they must make their own arrangements. They are responsible for paying for their own accommodations. The candidate may take donations from fire departments in her own district to off-set the costs.

The itinerary for Miss Flames at the convention will be sent to the candidates by the Miss Flame committee chairman. Along with this, they will be advised to the recommended clothing to be worn at each activity. All Miss Flame candidates will attend the mixer on Wednesday evening, the judging and luncheon on Thursday. The judging will consist of personal interviews on Thursday morning and final judging on Thursday afternoon. Winners will be announced and crowning of the Miss Flame will be at the opening meeting on Thursday evening. *All girls* will be expected to attend the men's and women's meetings, Memorial Service, and banquet on Friday. They will attend the waterball games and ride in the parade on Saturday (if there is one). They will sell raffle tickets for the IVFAA raffle throughout the convention.

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

IVFAA President Martha Thomas



Hello, ladies,
 I hope that everyone had a nice summer.

There were some bad times with the loss of Nikki Sunday, past president IVFAA and Bill Goodwin, past president IVFA and others in our own departments. We send our sympathy to all the families and friends of loved ones.

I also hope that everyone who was at our August officer's meeting had a good time on our Saturday get-together. I appreciate the joining in with their ideas, opinions and suggestions during the Sunday meeting. Your help was wonderful and the more information we can get

will better this auxiliary. I wish that I could visit more with all of you but the work holds me back. My hours are very flexible, never the same ones each week. I hope everyone who had a birthday or anniversary very good wishes. We need to treat everyone well as we do

not know when we will meet again. Thank you again for a good meeting as I was sure nervous. We will have a lot to discuss at our November meeting. See you then,

Martha Thomas
 President IVFAA

District chairmen IVFA Miss Flame contest responsibilities told

IVFA Miss Flame contest responsibilities of district chairmen include:

1. Select a Miss Flame contestant from the district. The district will hold run-off if more than one department has an eligible contestant. See that every department in the district knows of contest/search for a Miss Flame contestant for district.
2. See that district contestants meet all qualifications of the state contest.
3. District winner should be decided by March 1. Application and two photos (black and white preferred) are sent to the state Miss Flame chairman no later than March 10.
4. Supply your Miss Flame with a district ribbon. Crown is optional, if you decide she will have a crown, it is at the expense of the district.
5. Let district Miss Flame know of activities in your district.

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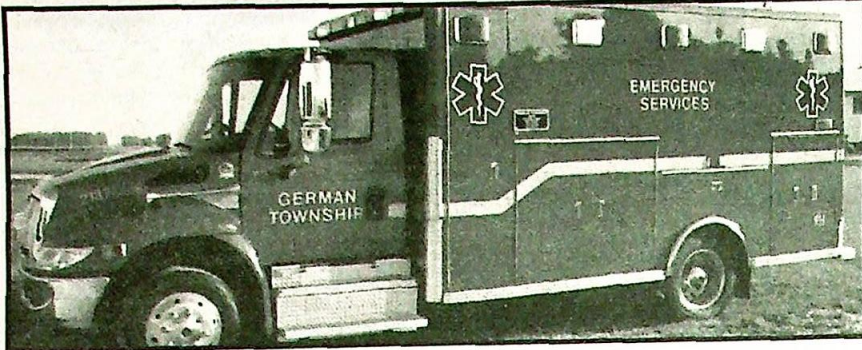
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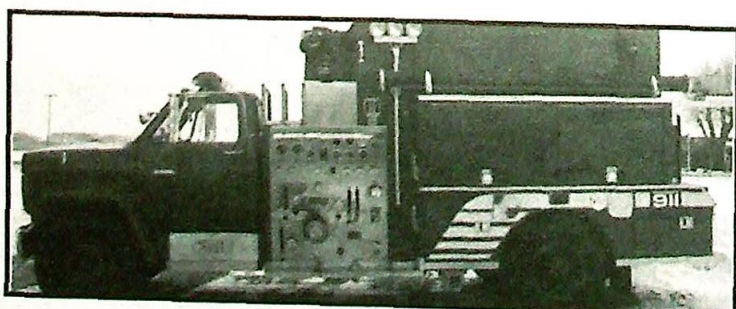
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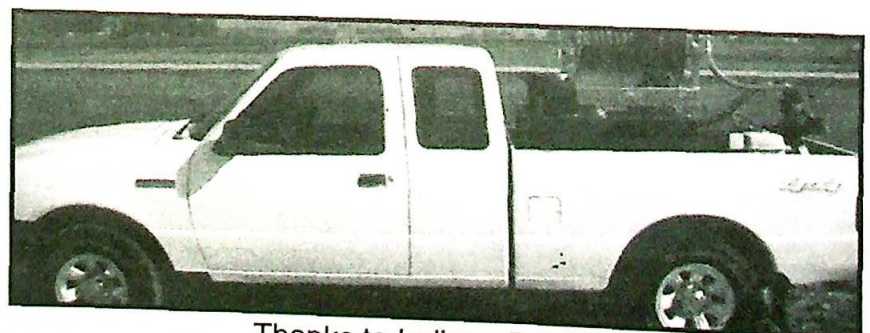
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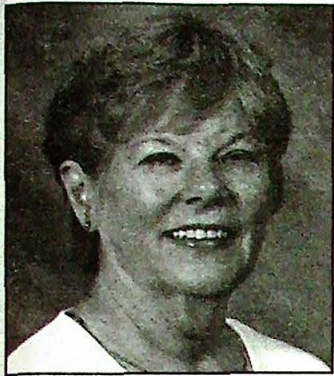
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From The Treasurer

Beverly Harker



We're in the last quarter of the year now. Hope all of your departments got their dues sent in.

We are looking at ways to cut expenses so we can keep from raising dues. The last time dues were raised was 1993. The cost of operations have increased a lot over the last 14 years, so I'm sure sometime during the next three to four years, dues will have to increase. We will hold off on that as long as we can.

Hope everyone has a good Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas. I'll see some of you at your meetings.

Beverly Harker
Treasurer



Seven members of Brooklyn Volunteer Fire Department receive IVFA 25 year awards

During a regular business meeting at Brooklyn Fire Department, time was set aside to celebrate the service of seven firefighters.

Martin Bennett, Kenny Berwick, Rodney Johnson, Jimmy Linder and Mike McCool were to receive 25 year awards, however, these men were working or at a training seminar.

Scott Urban (pictured at left, top photo) and John Trimpe (pictured at left, bottom photo) are receiving their 25 year awards from Larry Bruner.

-- submitted by Larry Bruner, District 12 chairman

A Neighbor's Dream

This story starts out just as any other, with a small wide-eyed, impressionable young boy. Growing up in the neighborhood at age ten was a rough time. The father had just passed away, the mother falling apart from it, the sister still confused by it, and the boy mad at the world. All the boy wanted was to find hope where others had failed to find it.

But today was special, it was Christmas. Today was a day that would give him hope, the day that would keep him intact to society. But

it too was, not without its tragedy. As he sat down to indulge in the bountiful meal, he heard sirens coming from the distance. Today of all days, could not even the Devil take a day off? The boy rushes out of the front door, a fire truck, with its graceful beauty approaches. The boy gazes across the street and sees his neighbor running from his home in horror. The smoke now billowing from the side of the house, drifting across the street like a black river with no bounds. The smoke and the lights of the fire trucks battle to control the attention of the crowd, so the fierce fire now growing can control the scene. The fire was so fierce, that it had to be lighting the Devil's walkway itself.

Then from the middle of the front lines of this battle, a shadow, strong and tall, a non-stop shadow, one with a mission, a Firefighter. In his arms, cupped so gently but firmly, like a newborn, another small boy. The fireman places the boy in the awaiting arms of the father, the look in his face is one of great satisfaction. Then the onlooking boy approaches the fireman and asked him, "Weren't you scared?" The fireman looked into the boy's eyes and said, "Yes, son I was, scared that I would fail those who needed me." The boy looked back at the fireman and said, "You are a hero." The fireman paused a moment, knelt down and placed his arm on the shoulder of the boy and with the most gentle voice he had ever heard, the fireman said to him, "I am no hero son, I am a neighbor of a neighbor here to help another neighbor in need."

Those words were remembered and heartfelt throughout the boy's life. Lack of education and rough times kept the boy from following his own dreams, fate would give the boy a chance of redemption. One day an accident took place in front of him, without thought the boy, now a man, took action and helped save a life. When the fire department showed up, the chief, so impressed with his ability, asked if he ever thought of being a fireman? He stated, "All the time but lack of education kept him from it." The chief said, "If given the change would you accept it?" "With honor." was all he replied. The Chief seeing promise in him gave him that chance, and now the boy was a probationary fireman.

Now six years later, the man had earned over a dozen certificates in various areas of firefighting, in two states, as well as his G.E.D., and a diver. As you may have figured out by now, that boy turned man is me. My reason for telling my story is to tell everyone to not only be a neighbor to another in need, but never give up on your dreams, they will come true, when the time is right. I would like to thank my Oklahoma chief for the start, and my Indiana chief for the continuing to make me a better fireman, and neighbor.

Nathan R. Adams
Lewis Fire and Rescue #25

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Presenter - Chief John M. Buckman III

Chief Buckman has served as Fire Chief - German Township Fire Department in Evansville, IN for 30 years. He is the Branch Chief of the Indiana Firefighter Training System. He was instrumental in forming the Volunteer and Combination Officers Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. In 2001-2002 he served as President of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

He is the co-author of the 3rd Edition of Recruiting, Training and Maintaining Volunteer Firefighters, Chief Officers Desk Reference, Lessons Learned from Fire-Rescue Leaders and the Red, White and Blue Ribbon Reports.

Two retired firemen receive Gold cards and certificates



Pictured above are two retired firemen, Leon Snyder and Lavern (Chick) Roth, from the city of Decatur Fire Department. Both received their 50 Year IVFA Gold Cards and certificates at a recent meeting and ceremony at the station. Both of the firemen joined the Decatur Fire Department in 1956. - submitted by Walt Reiter

Sellmers wed at Clarksville Volunteer Fire House



Thomas E. and Karen Sellmer were wed at the Clarksville Volunteer Fire House.

This was the first wedding to be held there.

Tom has been a volunteer firefighter since he was 16 years old.

- submitted by Bette Sellmer, state auxiliary chaplain

Happy Holidays!!



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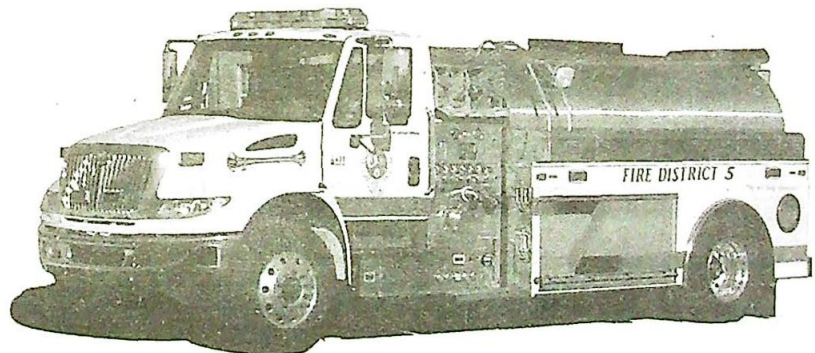
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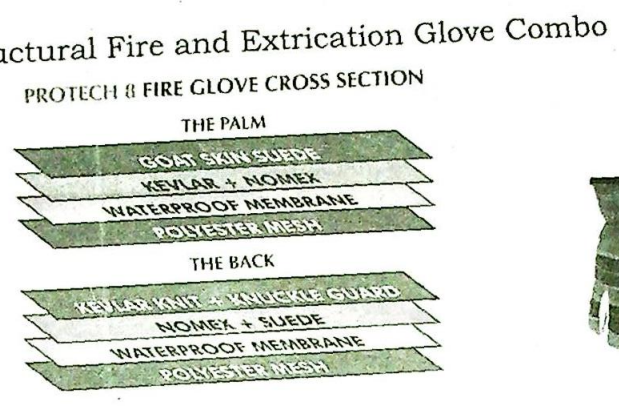
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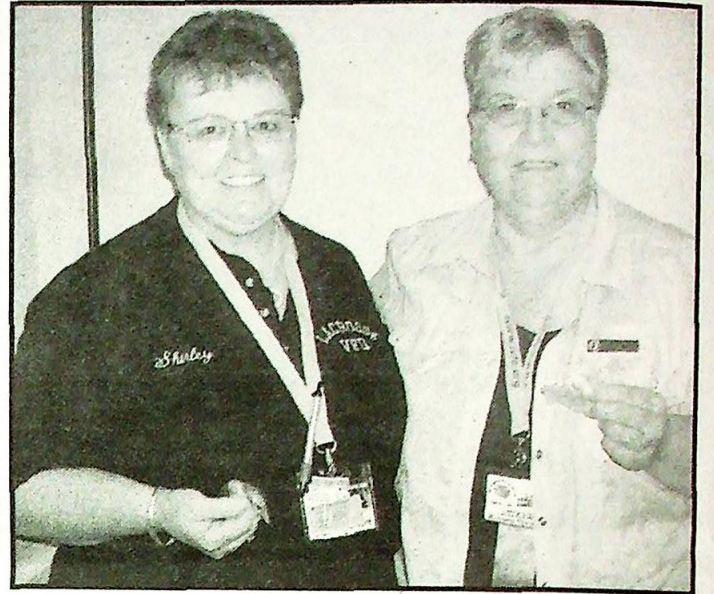
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2007 - 2008 IVFA Auxiliary officers installation held; several awarded twenty-five service pins



Pictured are the IVFAA officers: Sgt.-at-arms: Miriam Schaeckel, vice-president: Beth Caudill, recording secretary: Tammy Hungate, corresponding secretary: Malinda Bell, treasurer: Dorothy Reiter, chaplain: Bette Sellmer, president: Martha Thomas and immediate past president: Joann Hays.

The installation ceremony was held on Friday at the 2007 convention held in Evansville. -- submitted by Malinda Bell.



District 3 - Shirley Hall and chairman Leona Uryga, Michiana Shores.



District 1 - Betsy Howe and Mary Klym.



District 2 - Jacqueline Rench - Lowell



District 6 - Marlene Polling, New Haven/Adams and Marilyn Dever, chairman.



District 4 - Jane Ferro, chairman.

*Photos submitted by
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District 3 - Carolyn McCarty, Noble Twp. and Leona Uryga, chairman, Michiana Shores.



District 7 - Virginia Wilson, Dorothy Reiter, Susie Stout, Diana Gray, Toni Sorg, Alice Sanders, E.J. Smith and Joyce Nevil



District 9A - Faye Sallee.



District 12 - Rosie Johnson.

2008 Convention June 18-21

Several awarded twenty-five service pins



District 10 - Barb Sourber, chairman Barb Parker and Mary Stafford.



District 11B - Barb Ketchem, Lou Bartlow, Maxine Davies, and Eula Bush.



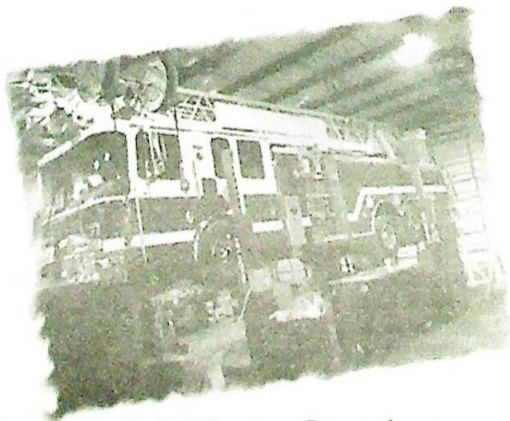
District 11A - Joann Hays and chairman Beverly Taylor.

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(At right) - District 14 - Bette Sellmer and chairman Sharon Angel.



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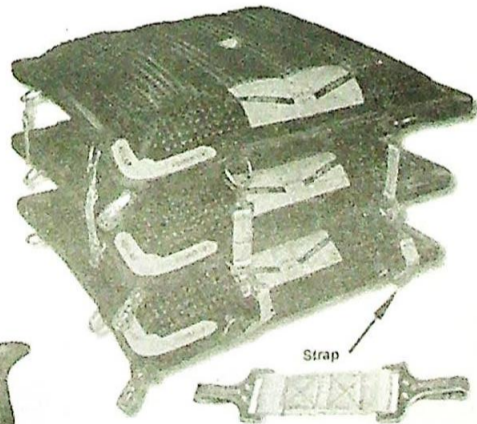


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District 17A - Wanda Johnson and chairman June Cahill.



District 13A - Sgt.-at-Arms Miriam Schaeckel, District 1 president Martha Thomas and District 11A immediate past president Joann Hays.

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2007 State games cancelled due to lack of participation

Dear fellow firefighters,
A word or two from your games chairman. This year was a sad year for the state games. We only had two partial teams sign up for waterball, one partial team for pumper pull, and one partial for bucket brigade. This was the first year in history, that I know of, that the state games have been cancelled due to lack of participation.

The games committee, and myself, cancelled the 2007 games due to lack of participation and safety concerns. Setting up for the games takes time. Approximately one and a half hours or more! I see waterball events in the IVFA paper every year, district and county events are held, but when it comes to state games, we do not see any of those teams.

In 1981, we had 23 men's teams for waterball, 12 for bucket brigade. In the past six years, it has been on a rapid decline. The games committee and I do not know what the answer for this problem is. If you have any suggestions or comments, feel free to contact me by e-mail.

Your State Games Chairman
Steve Lane
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Reelsville assists State Honor Guard at the "Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service"



I attended District 15 meeting, hosted by Perry Twp. Volunteer Fire Department in Evansville on September 18th. The next District 15 meeting will be at Skelton Twp. Vol. Fire Department November 20th.

I attended District 18's meeting hosted at Carter Vol. Fire Department hosted by New Boston Vol. Fire Department. Brother Giles was presented a plaque for 40 years of service.

I also attended the memorial service hosted by Carter Vol. Fire Department that preceded the meeting. District 18's next meeting will be November 15th at Luce Twp. Richland Station.

I attended District 17A's meeting September 26th hosted by Sandborn Vol. Fire Department. Gene Inman received his 50 year Gold card, and was recognized by Sandborn Fire Department for 50 years of service.

Twenty-five year pins were presented to Mark Hagley, Jim Johnson and Steve Sanders.

Guest speaker was Larry Roark of Duke Energy on new power plant.

The District 17A Miss Flame contest will be January 13, 2008 at Richland-Taylor Vol. Fire Department in Scotland, Indiana.

The next District 17A meeting is November 20th at Harrison Twp., Glendale Lake below Washington, IN.

Sincerely,
Jim Abrams
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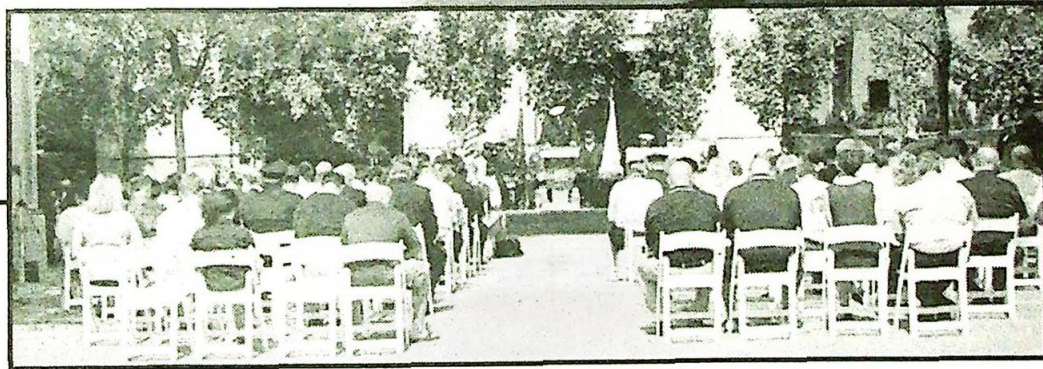
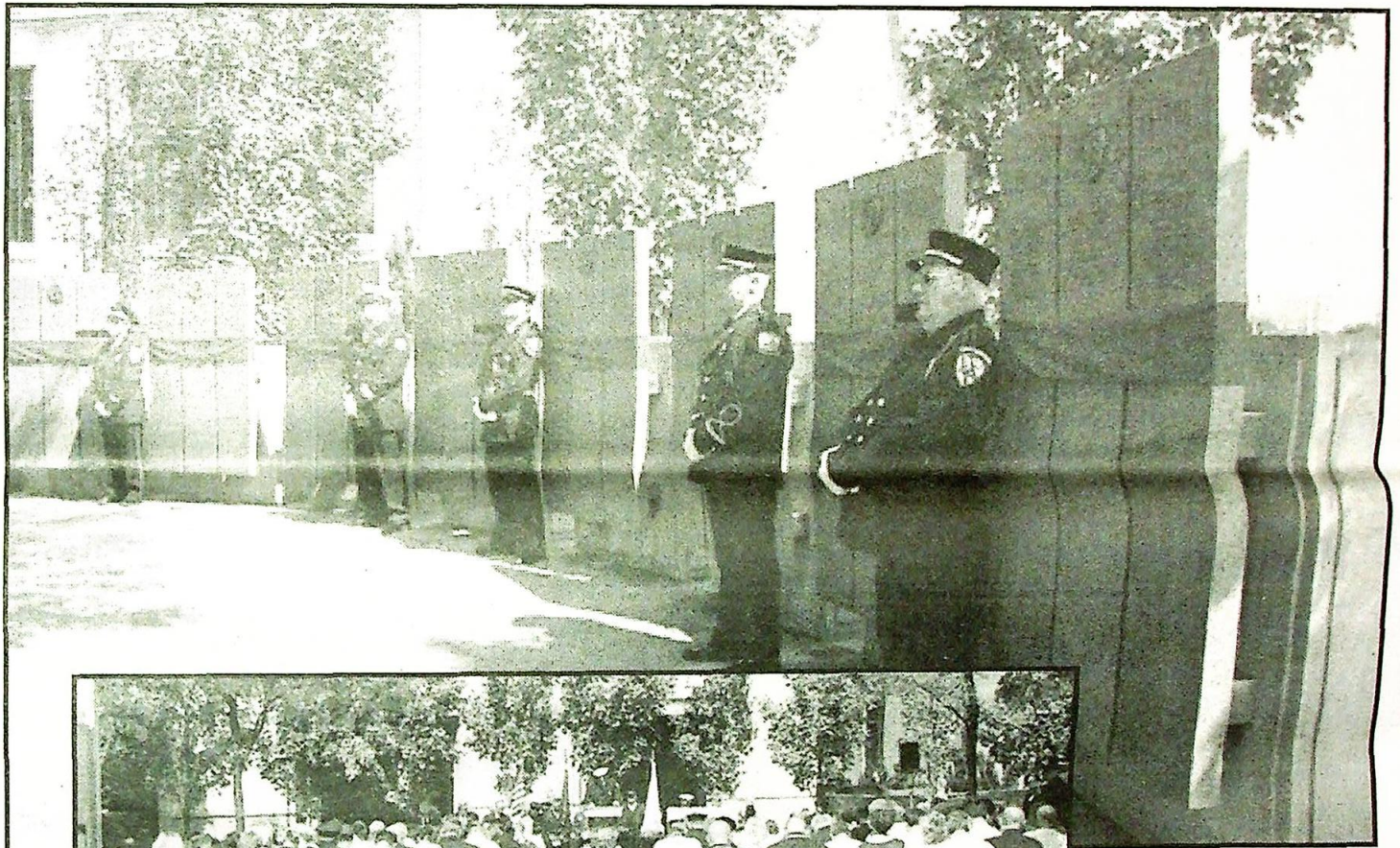


Reelsville, Washington Twp. VFD was one of the multi departments that assisted the State Honor Guard at the "Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service" which was held in Indianapolis on August 10, 2007.

Reelsville VFD is located in Putman County and is a part of the 11B District. The Reelsville honor guard consists of 14 active members, with Mr. Mark Carr as the commander.

Photographed with Reelsville honor guard are some of the members of the Posy VFD which is located in Clay County and a part of the 11A District.

The memorial service was wonderful and very touching. All the departments who assisted with the service looked great; it was an honor and a pleasure to have the opportunity to attend this special event. -- Photographs summated by Kaye Hanna (Reelsville VFD)



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From the desk of the Historian

John Davies



It is hard to believe that summer is gone and fall is upon us. This will be one summer that will be remembered for a long time to many of us who knew this great father, husband, chief and marshal who passed away on August 26, 2007. Marshal William (Bill) Goodwin is survived by his wife, Janet, one son, two daughters, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Marshal Goodwin was a member of the Angola Fire Department since 1944. He served as Fire Chief from 1960 to 1973. He also served as President of the Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association from 1969 to 1971. He was a member of the Indiana Fire Fighters' Association, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the International Association of Arson Investigators, and the Indiana Fire Instructor's Association. He was honored three times as Sagamore of the Wabash and was also awarded as Kentucky Colonel. Marshal Goodwin

served as State Fire Marshal from 1973 to 1985 under Governors Bowen and Orr.

Bill Goodwin's name is alongside of many others who volunteered their time to make this association of firefighters a better group. This list includes instructors who without their knowledge of the art of firefighting that was taught in the many fire schools throughout the state, we would not be where we are today. Our leaders, I am not going to mention any names because I would miss one and I do not want to upset anyone, have kept us abreast of what is going on in Washington and other states. We have stayed up with the changes over the years in order to make this organization what it is today.

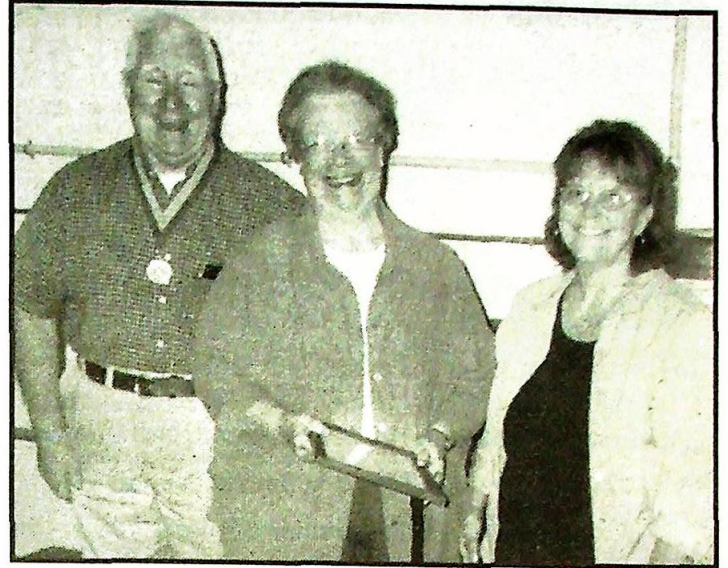
Marshal Goodwin was a firm believer in training and through his efforts we were able to hold the fire schools around the state with the excellent instructors. One name re

comes to mind who left quite an impression with me is my very first school on ladder training. Our instructor for that class was Cooney Tucker. I had never heard of Cooney Tucker before but when the class was over I told myself I would never forget that name. Another class I attended was held in Terre Haute and was an LP gas class. I was taught by Bill Engle. I had never been around LP gas before and I had no idea what was in store for me during this class. Like so many classes put on by the state, we had good instructors who left an impression on the subject of the class. Because of that, we have been able to keep the fatalities and injuries to a minimum. We have good qualified instructors and for that, this organization is a better service unit.

Until the next time, I remain, your friend and historian,

John Davies

Alice King honored



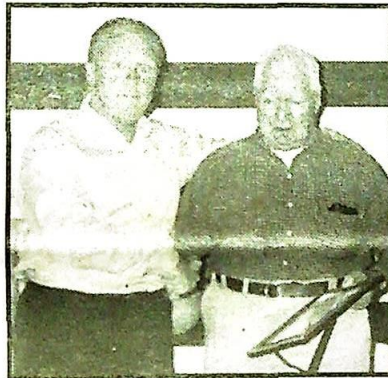
On May 12, 2007, Sharon Wright, wife of District 8B chairman Lloyd E. Wright, presented Alice King, wife of Jay King of the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department, with a plaque for her support of him during his 50 years being in the fire service.

The poem was entitled "A Fireman's Wife Prayer". -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

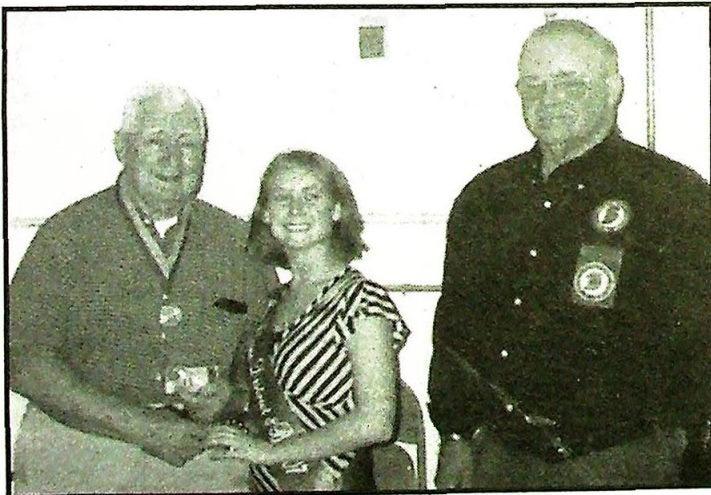
Jay King honored for 50 years service



Giving a gold medallion to Jay King of the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department on May 12, 2007 for his 50 years in the fire service is Rick Constable, Deputy State Fire Marshal Investigator. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.



On May 12, 2007 at the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department, Mayor Bruce Hosier of Portland presented Jay King with a plaque of appreciation for his 50 years in the fire service. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.



On May 12, 2007 Jay King of the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department received his Gold card for 50 years in the fire service. Pictured (left to right) Jay King, Leann Blumenhorst, District 8B Miss Flame, and Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

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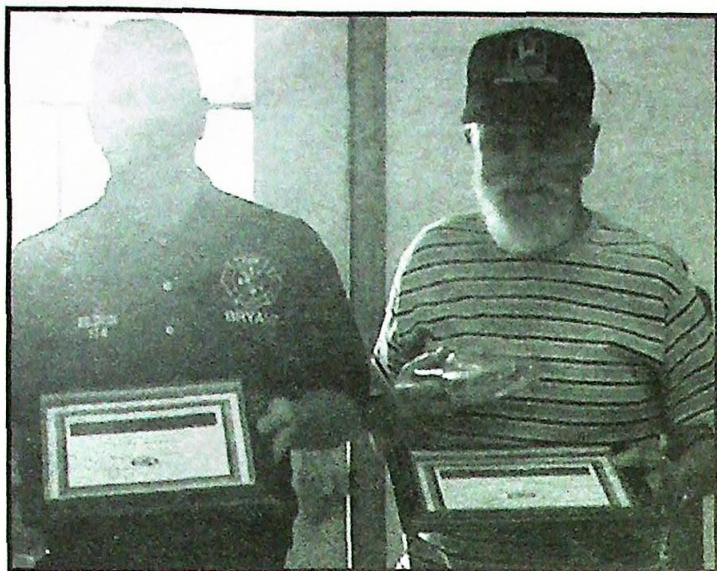
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Eldon Morriscal and Clayton Hummel awarded pins



On May 12, 2007 at the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department, Eldon Morriscal and Clayton Hummel were presented with a pin for their 25 years with the fire service.

They were also presented with a plaque. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.



Bryant VFD members receive new shirts

Members of the Bryant Volunteer Fire Department are showing off their new fire shirts. Hey, they don't scrub up too bad!! -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

Season's Greetings to one and all!

Fireman's festival ...

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The festival and car show which is the department's only fund raiser brought in funds to help with the purchase of the department's new brush truck, pictured above. The 2007, 4-wheel drive Chevy 3500 carries a 250 gallon on board skid/pump unit, Class A foam capabilities and other equipment. Dubbed "10-05" the new truck replaces the department's old brush truck that was purchased in 1967.

Beautiful weather and a large community turn-out combined for a hugely successful event, Chief Uebelhor reported.

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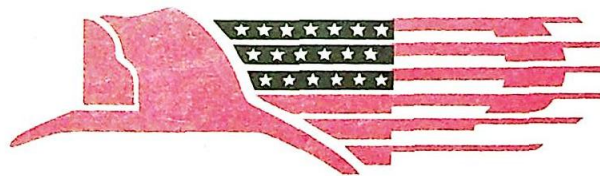
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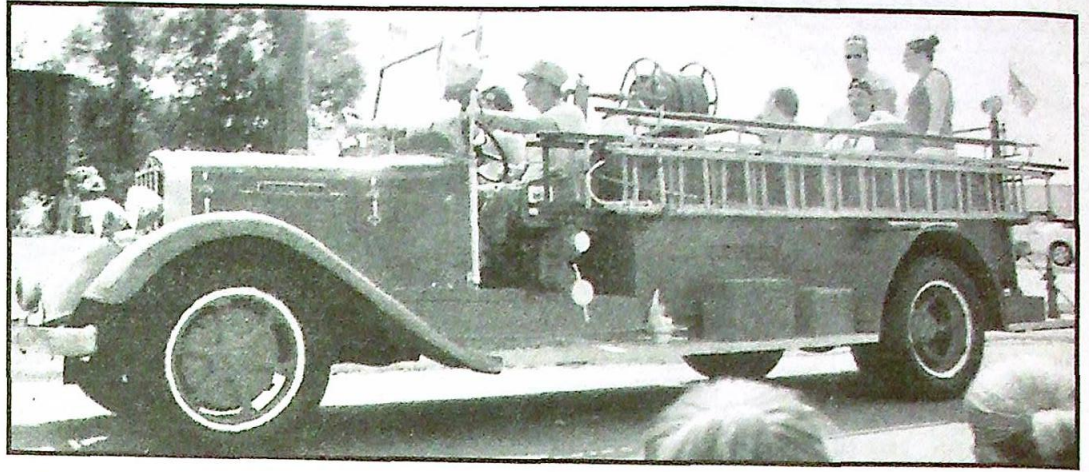


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Dunkirk Glass Days parade held; VFD's participate



Shown here is the Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department's truck in their parade which was held on June 2, 2007 for their Glass Days. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

Redkey Volunteer Fire Department's Diamond T truck in the parade held on June 2, 2007 at Dunkirk Glass Days. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

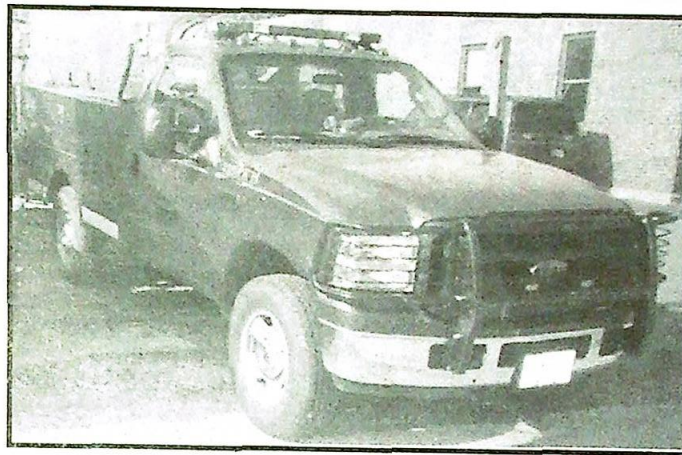


On June 2nd the Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department held a waterball during their Glass Days.

Shown here (from left to right): 2nd place winner John Reynolds, Redkey Volunteer Fire Department, 1st place winner Dave Jellison, Portland Volunteer Fire Department, 3rd place winners Jeff French, Amber Trammell, John Woolum and Buddy Eacret, Eaton Volunteer Fire Department.

Also pictured is Jim Milikan, Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

New grass truck for Lynn VFD



Lynn Volunteer Fire Department, Lynn, Indiana displays their new 2007 grass truck. -- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B chairman.

Dana VFD auxiliary members awarded pins

(At right) - Dana Volunteer Fire Department auxiliary members presented with 25 year pins on July 10, 2007 were (left to right) -- Janice Craft, Frieda Lessing, Madge Thorne and Eula Bush.

Presenting the pins was Barbara Ketchem, IVFAA District 11-B chairman. - submitted by Barbara Ketchem.



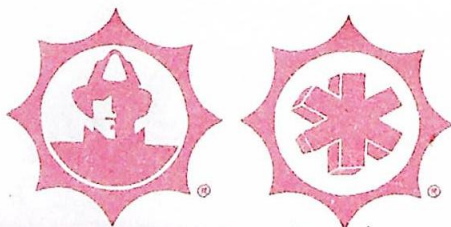
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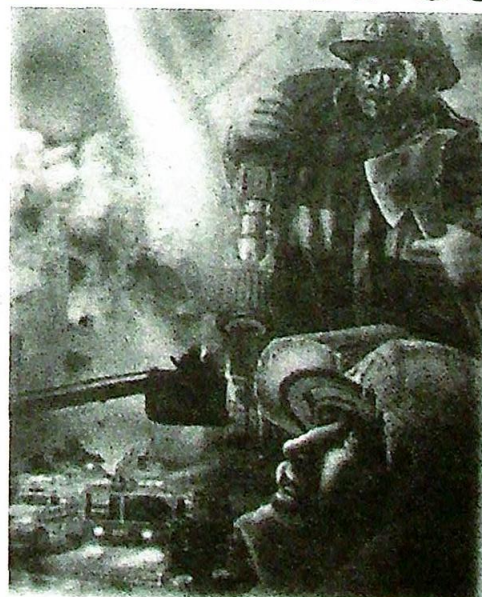
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Eel River VFD holds open house for new station



At a recent open house for the community of North Salem, Chief John Berry receives an IVFA clock for their new station. -- submitted by Larry Bruner

Auxiliary chaplain notes . . .

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Nicky Sunday said goodbye to us and went home to our heavenly Father. We were not ready to give her up, but at least now she has no pain. We are sorry that we let our friendship go to the side by not speaking with her more. I pray that she knew we loved her and thought of her often.

Remember to keep our country and military in your prayers.

Remember why Jesus died? He did it for you so that you would have everlasting life. Tell all your loved ones every day that you love them because you never know when you will go home.

If you need me at any time, just call: 502-773-1746 or 812-945-6272.

Goodbye, sweet Nicky, we will miss you.

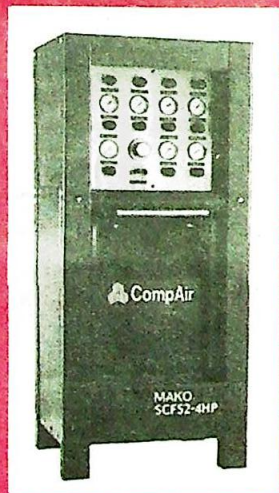
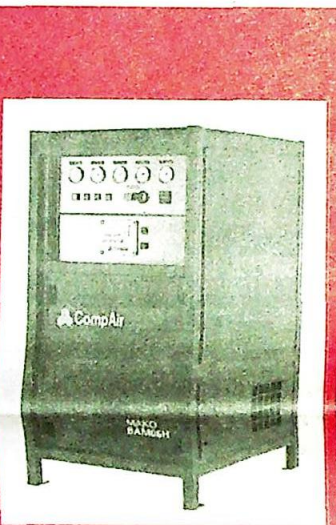
May God be with you,
Bette Sellmer

Raises money for Argos Fire Dept.



At the Marshall County Fair, 2007 IVFA Miss Flame, Amber Farrer is raising money for Argos Fire Department. -- submitted by Tony Farrer.

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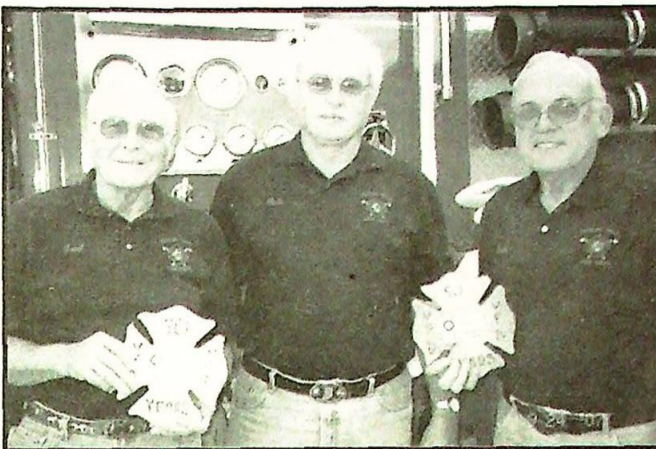
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Recognition for firefighter

Kelly Frye receives recognition for 25 years of service to the community of Worth Twp., in a celebration held for him at Worth Township Fire Department Saturday, June 6, 2007. He received a plaque from the township trustee and his 25 year pin from IVFA chairman, Larry Bruner. -- submitted by Larry Bruner

Skinner awarded Gold cards



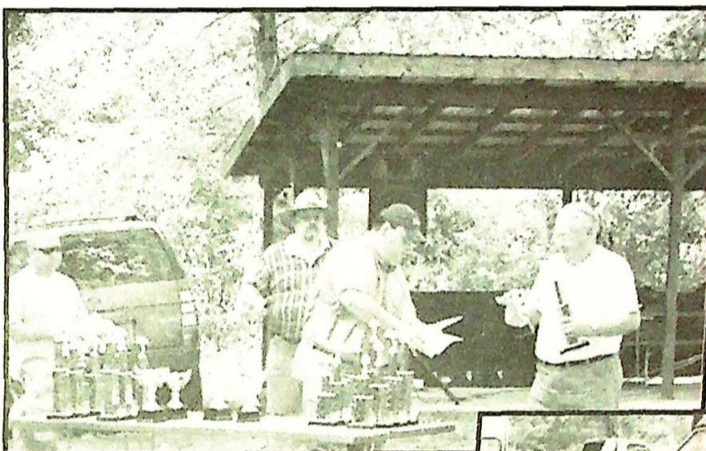
Pictured is Bob Skinner, Chief of the Twelve Mile Community Fire Department with his father, Fred Skinner on his right and his uncle, Dale Skinner on his left. They are holding their 50 year Gold Cards presented by Jonathan Randle, District 9A chairman. He carved from wood the Fire Emblems and put the cards on them. Chief Bob Skinner has 33 years on the Twelve Mile Fire Department. His father, Fred has 52 years and his uncle Dale has 51 years, a total of 136 years of service. All are still active. (Fred said that he and Dale were not quite as active as 50 years ago). - submitted by Fred Skinner, secretary/treasurer, Twelve Mile Community Fire Department.

Oakland City FD hosts first annual car show



Mike Monroe and Duane Wampler receive 25 year service awards

On Monday, September 10th, Mike Monroe and Duane Wampler of the Turman Township Fire Department were awarded pins to commemorate their 25 years of service as volunteer firefighters. Pictured is Robert Myers, District 11A chairman of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association, Mike Monroe, Turman Township firefighter and Duane Wampler, Turman Township firefighter. Both Mike and Duane far exceed the 25 years of service required for this award and we hope they stay active in the fire service for many years to come. The two men combine for some 70 years of serving their community on the fire department and both have family that followed them into the fire service. -- submitted by Scott Rice, Turman Township firefighter



The Oakland City Fire Department hosted its first annual car show on Sunday, July 29, 2007 at Wirth Park in Oakland City. The department played host to more than 62 entries during the eight-hour event. Dave Brogan with the local band "10-96" provided entertainment. -- submitted by James Deffendall, OCFD chief.

Pictured (left to right) -- Captain Eric Walker and future firefighter Jonathan Walker, announcer and local businessman Jerry Basham and Lt. Scot Poe, presenting a trophy to one of the winners. -- submitted by James Deffendall, OCFD chief.



Pictured (left to right) Firefighter Taunya Deffendall and auxiliary member Cindy Bonilla, wife of Captain Tom Bonilla, manning the registration table. -- submitted by James Deffendall, OCFD chief.

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Jasonville firefighters Bagnall receives Global Award recognized for service



On Thursday, August 16, Jasonville firefighters Michael Duckworth and Darren Sluder were recognized for their 25 years of service to the department and to the community.

Shown is Robert Meyers, District 11A chairman of the Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association with Sluder (left) and Duckworth (right) at ceremonies held in the Jasonville Fire Department training center. -- submitted by Dorman Clark, publisher, Jasonville Independent weekly newspaper.



At a recent District 2 meeting, Glenn Linhart and Bruce Hedrich of Global Emergency Products, presented Josh Bagnall of Kouts VFD with the Global Award for District 2. - submitted by Paul Watland, District 2 chairman.

Three awarded 25 year pins



At a recent District 2 meeting, Paul Watland, District 2 chairman (left) and Dave Elick, IVFA vice president (right), presented Bill Missac, Cedar Lake VFD, Dave Crane and Bob Szot of Crown VFD, with their 25 year service pins. - submitted by Paul Watland, District 2 chairman

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New firehouse in Austin

Pictured above are members of Jennings Township during an open house ceremony.

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For their fund-raising events. The station was built by local businesses and grants through Scott County. - submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman.

Fireman's Festival held



The St. Anthony VFD (Dubois Co. District 18) held its 16th annual "Fireman's Festival" on Saturday, July 18.

The festival which also included the 11th annual "Show & Shine" Car

Show, provided a great day of fun, food and entertainment. The car show brought in over 150 total entries according to Fire Chief Scott Uebelhor.

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STATE OFFICER'S MEETING



Malinda Bell Corresponding Secretary

IVFA Auxiliary Quarterly Meeting Sunday, August 5, 2007 Columbus, Indiana

Call to order: President Martha Thomas, called meeting to order at 9:07a.m. Prayer: Chaplain Bette Sellmer. Pledge to the flag: Sgt-at-Arms Miriam led the ladies in the pledge to the flag.

Roll call: Tammy, there were 25 officers, and 11 guests for a total of 36 present. We have new district chairmen, District 14 Rhonda Moon, District 15 Heather Martin, and IVFA Miss Flame 2007 Amber, were in attendance.

Minutes: Susie Stout made motion to dispense with reading of minutes, with a second from Jane Ferro. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Dorothy Reiter. Mary Mackin Memorial Fund has been set up aside from ours, discussed Federal ID # for this account.

Correspondence: Malinda had none.

Membership: 2007-2008 - 20 dept.'s, 54 individuals, 4 life, 271 pd. by dept. Total of 329 pd members. Last year 864.

Beth had discussion about the 25 yr. pins, they go to jewelry chairman, Marlene Polling.

Chaplain report: Bette gave information on deaths.

Martha read information on the passing of past-president Nickie Sunday, she was a member of Farmland.

Auditing: Barb Kerney books in order. Discussion held that all vouchers are to be filled out before checks dispensed to people. Also discussed again on Mary Mackin Memorial Fund on how it should be set up applying for ID # for Mary Mackin Memorial Fund. Dorothy taking care of this.

Games: Maryiln, there were no games at convention. Hope they will be at next convention in 2008.

Installation: Barb Parker she will be

ready for next year. Financial Study: Lou Bartlow absent. This was covered with auditing.

Miss Flame: Barb Kerney said there were 21 girls, stayed with budget. 2007 IVFA Miss Flame Amber said she is with a volleyball traveling team. Has been kept very busy attending functions. Anything that we have to please let her know and she will try to attend if at possible.

V.P. Project: Beth hoping to have tickets by November meeting.

Bylaws: Toni Sorg, discussion held on bylaws, it was left in on mileage - this should not be in so cross this out. It is Article 5, Section 3, Finance Page 12 make sure and get bylaw books out to new members and auxiliaries.

Break at 10:04 a.m.

Resumed meeting at 10:15a.m. Discussion on membership forms, Tammy will get prices on forms.

Also need to make sure that any new individuals and auxiliaries get bylaw books. Dues are due July 1st to Sept. 30th. Also discussion on districts, ladies you belong in the district that your husband is in. President Martha asked June Cahill, if she was District 17 or District 17A. June is District 17A.

Jewelry: Marlene Polling, chairman has no state auxiliary pins. Marlene will order 12 pins; anyone needing 25 year pins please get them from Marlene.

Nominating: Susie, okay.

Historian: Joann Hays and Phyllis Vargo on committee. Discussed information on getting articles and pictures for the albums. Please get any articles or pictures to Joann. They are going to have a table at convention with albums on.

Presidents' Advisory: Phyllis Vargo absent.

Lois Boaz: Carolyn Zeeks ready to receive letters for next year. Have until Feb. 1st, 2008. Discussion was held on leaving the name the same. Should have a budget set. Lois Boaz name is staying the same.

Parliamentarian: Toni - bylaw change that was discussed earlier in meeting. Go by. Old business: District chairmen: bring district report to quarterly meeting and please submit to newspaper. Roll call was done for district chairmen reports. Discussion held on insurance. Jack Kerney came in with Michelle from insurance. She answered questions concerning this. Said that she will have cards to us at November meeting.

New business: Have information on new district chairmen. New IVFAA flag to be donated to us.

Convention report: Barb, Heather, and Tammy hope everyone had fun and enjoyed the convention. No report on 2008 convention.

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District 19 was host for the ladies get-together on Saturday, ladies did a great job. Everyone had fun. Eula Bush won a prize for knowing her spices, and Rhonda Moon won the door prize.

Entertainment & next meeting date: District 11 will be host for the Nov. get-together 4:00 p.m. by pool. Next meeting date: November 3 and 4th.

Door prize won by Joann Hays, a friendship candle.

Adjournment: Joann Hays made motion to adjourn with a second from Beverly Taylor. Stand adjourned at 11:35a.m.

Prayer: Chaplain Bette.

Submitted by: IVFAA corresponding secretary Malinda Bell

DISTRICT 3 REPORT

Leona Uryga District 3 Chairman

Minutes of the May 16, 2007, District 3

The meeting was held at the Coolspring Twp. Fire Dept. on May 16, 2007, with the auxiliaries enjoying a salad bar hosted by the Coolspring Twp. Auxiliary. The meeting was called to order by chairman Chris Stephens and began at 7:25 p.m. with a prayer by chaplain Jody Brinkman. The pledge to the flag was recited.

Leona Uryga substituted as secretary in the absence of Bonnie Smith.

The treasurer's report was given and accepted until time of audit.

Lee Cohen gave a state report which was the handing out of packets of the new bylaws and a paper for each member to sign so the state can have the right name and address for mailing purposes. Lee will hand out the books to the individuals and Lincoln Twp.

There are 860 members as of this date, which include women and men.

Lee asked if the members received their \$2000.00 insurance policy and to remind them to send it back.

The convention chairman reported on the process of the convention and all is set. Checks will be made out to the parents of the Miss Flame and not to the girls themselves.

Discussion was on the Mary Mackin Trust Fund and a lengthy discussion was done and a name change should be changed to a memorial fund.

A flag for each district is still being worked on.

The District 3 chairman, Dave Kaufman, was hospitalized before the convention. A basket was to be made by each district and Lee and Jerry Cohen made up a basket for the convention with a picnic theme.

The Chinese Auction basket was donated with items from Shirley Hall from LaCrosse and Lee Cohen.

Information can be obtained on www.IVFA.org for bills the firemen are supporting. Lee thanked Jeanette Lane for helping sell the IVFAA tickets.

Chaplain Jody Brinkman reported that she sent out one sympathy card to our state Sgt-at-arms, Miriam Schaeckel. He husband Calvin had passed away. Jody recited a poem from his wake.

Ticket money was received in the amount of \$24.00 for the state convention.

The next meeting is July 18 at Michiana Shores.

A motion was made by Jody Brinkman and seconded by Jeanette Lane to have the district election tonight. Voted and passed.

Lee Cohen was appointed as nomination chairman.

A motion was made by Jody Brinkman and seconded by Gert Peterson for Leona Uryga for district chairman. Leona accepted. A motion was made by Leona Uryga and seconded by Chris Stephens for Dawn Boles for secretary-treasurer. Dawn declined.

A motion was made for Jody Brinkman for chaplain. She accepted.

Leona and Jody were sworn into office by Lee Cohen.

The 50-50 game was won by Melissa

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Indiana Volunteer Firemen's Association Auxiliary was formed at Hartford City, Indiana in June, 1952. Mrs. Ridgeway of Hartford City acted as Chairman.

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Bowen of Coolspring Twp.
Pro-Temp., Secretary, Leona Uryga

Minutes of the July 18, 2007,
District 3 meeting

The meeting was held at the Michiana Shores Fire Department on July 18, 2007, with the auxiliaries enjoying a patriotic theme luncheon hosted by the Michiana Shores Auxiliary. The meeting was called to order by chairman Leona Uryga and began at 7:15 pm.

First thing on the agenda was the election of a secretary-treasurer. Ruth Deutscher opened the nominations. Joan Lewis questioned the duties and decided to volunteer. Ruth repeated the request for further nominations three times. No other nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed by Ruth Deutscher. Joan Lewis elected as secretary-treasurer. Joan Lewis was sworn into office by Leona Uryga.

No correspondence.

Roll call was taken: three Coolspring members, Dorothy Moffett, Ruth Deutscher, Mary Nowatzke; four from Springfield, Lee Cohen, Linda Jaske, Judy Brinckman, Bonnie Smith; eight from Michiana Shores, Marge Wozniak, Dawn Boles, Gert Peterson, Helene Froling, Harriet Macudsinsky, Gertrude Matukas, Leona Uryga, and Joan Lewis.

The minutes of the May 16, 2007 meeting were read and accepted.

The treasurer's report was given and accepted. Audit was taken prior to the meeting by Marge Wozniak, Joan Lewis and Chris Stephens.

A White Elephant Auction was suggested for the next meeting September 19th at 6:30 p.m. in LaCrosse. Shirley Hall said she would host a meeting at the Fire Station if the luncheon is a potluck as she is the only member from LaCrosse.

The next IVFAA convention will be at the Belterra Casino in BeVay, Indiana at the Belterra Casino, southeast, near the Ohio border. The date is June 18th - 21st. Registration fee is \$60.00, Room rate for June 18th & 19th \$75.00, June 20th \$119.00. Leona has registration forms.

This year's convention was in Evansville. Leona took pictures, which included the new Miss Flame, and circulated them to the members present.

The new state officers are: Martha Thomas - President, Beth Caudill - Vice-President, Tammy Hungate - Recording Secretary, Malinda Bell - Corresponding Secretary, Dorothy Reiter - Treasurer, Bette Sellmer - Chaplain, Miriam Schaeckel - Sgt-At-Arms.

IVFAA 2007 Miss Flame Amber Farrer, from District 5 - Bremen Vol. Fire Dept., IVFA runner-up, Keri Jo Davis, District 10; Hartsville Vol. Fire Dept. Miss Flame Autumn Schumacher from our district sang the National Anthem at the banquet and would do the same next year if she is available.

Lois Boaz Award is being considered for a name change as the family is no longer supporting the award.

The IVFAA cookbooks are now \$5.00. Leona has some of the books.

As of June 1st balance in the state IVFAA treasury is \$17,877.27. Reports and meeting minutes will be available to anyone who wants to read them.

The State IVFAA has decided to give the auxiliary members 25 year service pins. Leona presented pins to Dorothy Moffitt - Coolspring Twp., Linda Jaske - Springfield Twp., Marge Wozniak, Gert Peterson and Helene Froling - Michiana Shores. Leona Uryga received her pin at the convention. Edith Kelsy, Mary Deering, Charlotte Sly, Carolyn McCarty, Lee Aftowski, and Kay Kaufman are recipients of 25 year

pins. Leona Uryga to check on the membership of Ruth Deutscher to see if she is eligible for a 25 year pin.

Chaplin Jody Brinckman gave her report.

Leona Uryga read a composition titled "Inspiration Team V".

50/50 was won by Bonnie Smith \$7.50.

Respectfully submitted by:

Joan M. Lewis
Secretary-treasurer, District 3

DISTRICT 19 REPORT



Pam Gerdowsky
District 19 chairman

District 19 held their IVFAA meeting at Morris Fire Dept. on August 14.

The last state meeting was discussed with insurance for the women and the upcoming convention and Chinese Auction.

Batesville held their last meeting July 11 at Amy Streater's house and a cook out. Twenty-five year pins were presented to those who were there and the other pins given at the meeting in Morris.

Those receiving the beautiful 25 year pins from Batesville were: Martha Doll, Lucille Effinger, Helen



Pictured (left to right) are: Bertha Krienho, Viola Bruns, Marilyn Smith, Pam Gerdowsky and Marge Wiegel.

They all received their 25 year pins.

- submitted by Pam Gerdowsky, District 19 chairman.

Ellinghausen, Ruth Federle, Pam Gerdowsky, Jeannie Gutzwiller, Bertha Krienhop, Teri Nobbe, Rosie Prickel, Peg Salatin, Charlotte Vinup, Rosalyn Walke, Carol Weberding, Marge Weigel, and Kathy Wintz. Batesville has been a member since 1974.

Those from Suman were Viola Bruns and Marilyn Smith. They too have been members since 1974.

The next IVFAA meeting will be at the Batesville Fire House on November 8 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Pam Gerdowsky
District 19 chairman

DISTRICT 11-B REPORT



Barbara Ketchem
District 11-B Chairman

This has been some year!

First, we lost Larry's brother, Jack, then, Larry had by-pass surgery, then he had cataract surgery, and we lost my sister's husband. Finally, we seem to be on track and back to normal, whatever that is.

As of this day, the thermometer is in the 80's. Wonder what happened to fall? When you turn your furnace on, be sure and check the batteries in your smoke detectors.

Our next district meeting is November 11, at Reelsville Fire Dept. Lunch will be served at 1:00 p.m., followed by the business meetings. The auxiliary meets at the same time as the firefighters. Ladies, jump in the car with the kids and come with your favorite firefighter.

It's not too early to be thinking about your nominees for all the awards: Lois Boaz, Mr. IVFA, Ollie Sandberg, and the Angel.

It's also not too early to pick a Miss Flame candidate. In a few weeks, I'll be sending out letters to the departments concerning a district contest. In the meantime, look at the daughter or sister of your firefighters and auxiliary members as a possible Miss Flame and pick one for the district contest.

Our family had truly been blessed. Our son-in-law has safely returned home from a year in Iraq. For this, we are grateful. Larry and I, both want to thank you for your prayers and concern.

Everyone have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Lord willing, I'll see you in the February issue.

Barbara Ketchem
District 11-B Chairman

IVFAA Imm. Past President Joann Hays



Fall is here, the trees are turning, and of course those beautiful leaves keep falling. It's such a pretty time of the year.

District 11-A chairman, Beverly Taylor and I had the pleasure of attending the September meeting at the Prairieton Auxiliary and presenting the 25 year pins to those who have served this organization for more years than 25.

Those receiving special recognition were Helen Mechl, Terry Mechl, Mary Jo Moore, Ruth McCarley and Dorothy Brentlenger (who is in a nursing home). Her daughter, Teresa Hayworth accepted the honors for her mother. Helen, Mary Jo, and Dorothy are all sisters. Isn't that something to still have a family together yet.

Virginia Purcell and Maxine Mays are in a nursing home, too, so their pins will be taken to them for

presentation.

All of these ladies from the Prairieton Auxiliary should receive a very special thank you. Bless each and every one of them.

At our July meeting in Carbon, Indiana, Beverly and I presented Lois Harrah from Honey Creek her 25 year pin. Congratulations, Lois.

I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to Billy Sunday and family at the loss of Nickie, and to Janet Good and family at the loss of Bill.

I know all of you hurt, it's not easy, but try to put it in the hands of God. I pray for all of you and I pray God will comfort you all.

Thanks to 11-B for hosting the District 11-B and 11-A picnic. The food was wonderful.

Try your best to support your fire department, auxiliaries and districts, they can't do it without you.

I hope you all have a very safe and a

good holiday.

Love and prayers,
Joann Hays
Imm. past president

Auxiliary Chaplain Notes ... Bette Sellmer

Hello to all,

Hope your summer was full of fun and good food.

We started the summer off with a wedding. Our son, Tom Jr., married his high school sweetheart, Karen at the Firehouse. It was the first wedding held there.

My first meeting as chaplain got off for me a very sad start. Past president,

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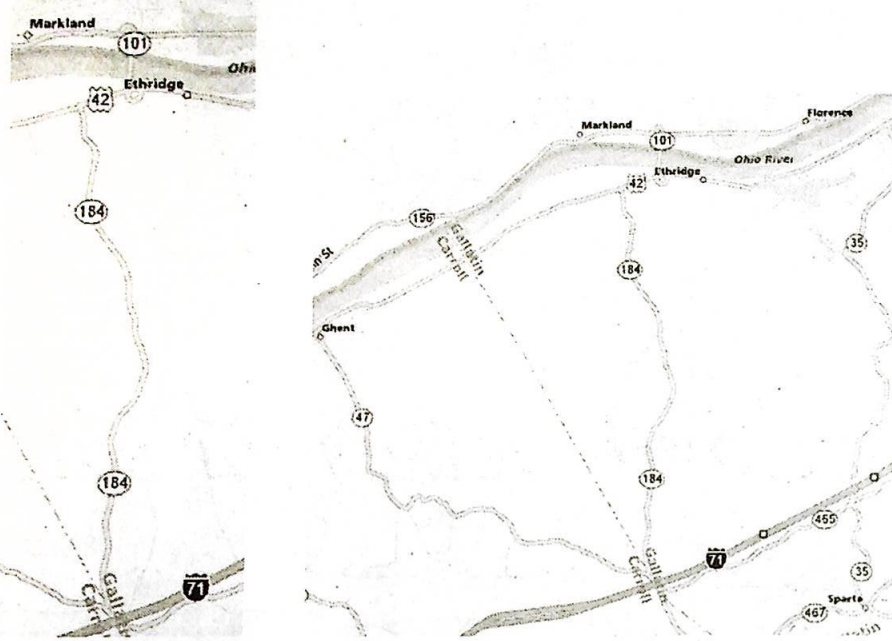
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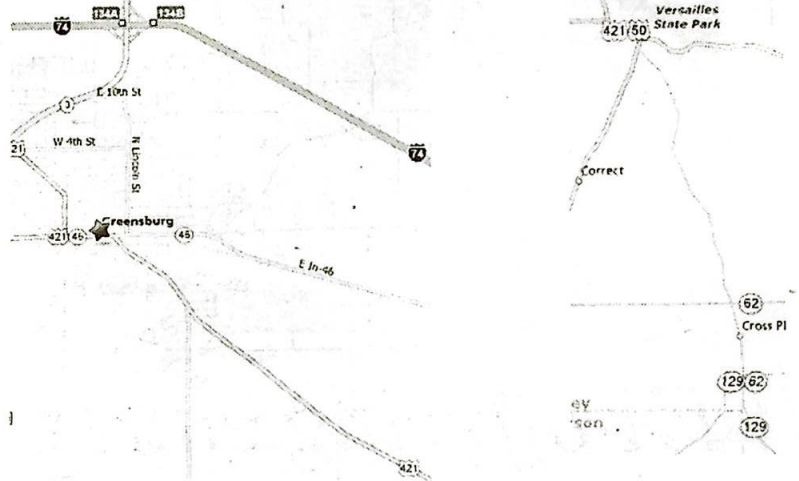
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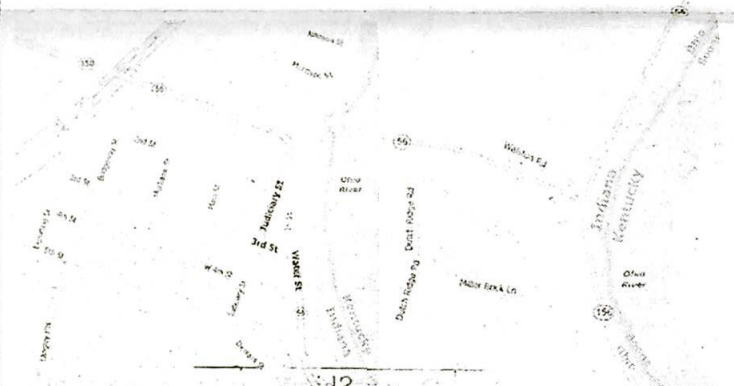
Belterra Casino sits between Florence and Vevay in Switzerland County. If you are coming across the southern part of the state using I-64, the best route is to take I-71 to exit 55 which will bring you out at Markland Dam. You will be able to see the casino and hotel off on the right.



If coming from the central or northern part of the state, take I-74 east to either of two exits. If you exit 134 at Greensburg, follow SR 3 to second stop light. Turn left toward the Ford dealership. Follow this to the T which is SR 46, turn right on SR 46 to first stop light then left on US 421. Take US 421 to Versailles. At Versailles turn left on US 50/421. At the McDonalds in Versailles turn right on US 421 to the State Police Po st. Turn left on SR 129. This part of SR 129 is now under construction but is scheduled to be completed before the convention. Take SR 129 to SR 56 though Vevay. Stay straight on SR56 which will turn into SR156. The casino will be on your right approximately 6 miles.



You can also exit I-74 at the Batesville exit. Take SR 46 to SR 129. Follow SR 129 to Delaware and SR 350. Take SR 350 east to Aurora. In Aurora you will pick up SR 56. This will take you along the river, which is a very scenic route. SR 56 turns right. Stay straight which is now SR 156 all the way to the casino.



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Pre-registration Fee: \$60.00 per person (after June 1, 2008 price jumps to \$70.00)
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John Gaul receives District 3 Global Award



Firefighter John Gaul (left) of the Pleasant Township VFD is shown receiving the Global Award from District 3 chairman Dave Kaufman (right). - submitted by David Kaufman, District 3 chairman.

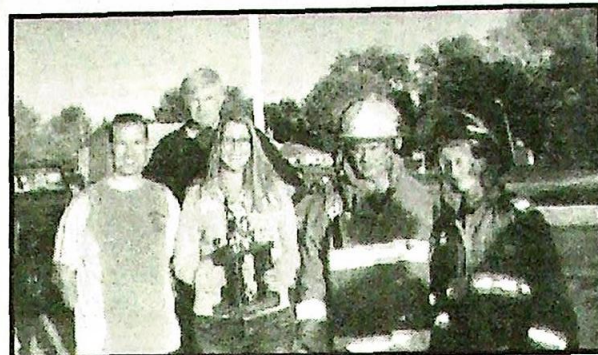
Charlestown Volunteer Fire Department holds waterball contest



Pictured above are first place winners Eric Johnson (Supporting Heroes), Chuck Deaton (CVFD), Mindy Cloud (Supporting Heroes), Tim Cochran (NWVFD) and Charlie Moon (CVFD & District 14 chairman).



Pictured above are the second place winners Rusty Hall (CVFD), Eric Johnson (Supporting Heroes), Mindy Cloud (Supporting Heroes), Splinter Cochran (NWVFD) and Michael Parkhill (NWVFD).



Pictured above are third place winners of the September 15th waterball at CVFD - Jason Whalen (CVFD), Eric Johnson (Supporting Heroes), Mindy Cloud (Supporting Heroes) and Tom and Morgan Blankenburg (CVFD).

CVFD held a waterball tournament on September 15th with all proceeds going to benefit Supporting Heroes. With a couple of departments, the founder of Supporting Heroes and a survivor of a fallen firefighter, the night was filled with hard competition and a lot of fellowship. This resulted in a couple hundred of dollars being donated to the organization. Thanks to all that attended to help make the night a success. - submitted by Charlie Moon, District 14 chairman

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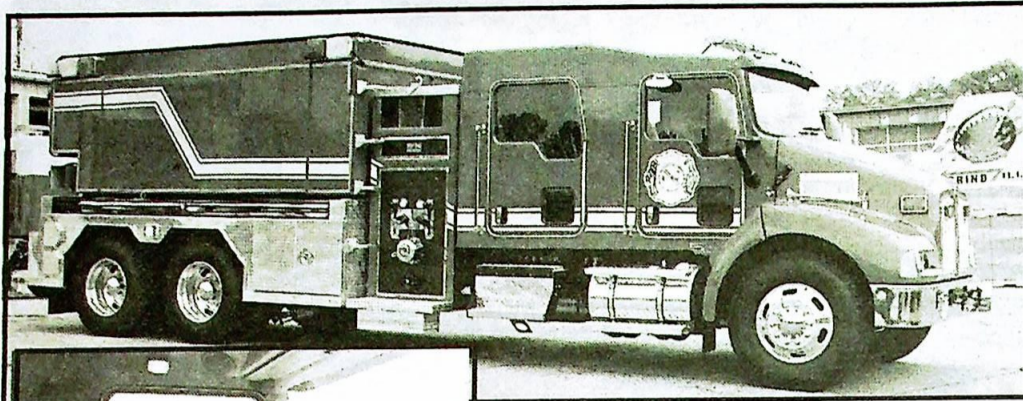
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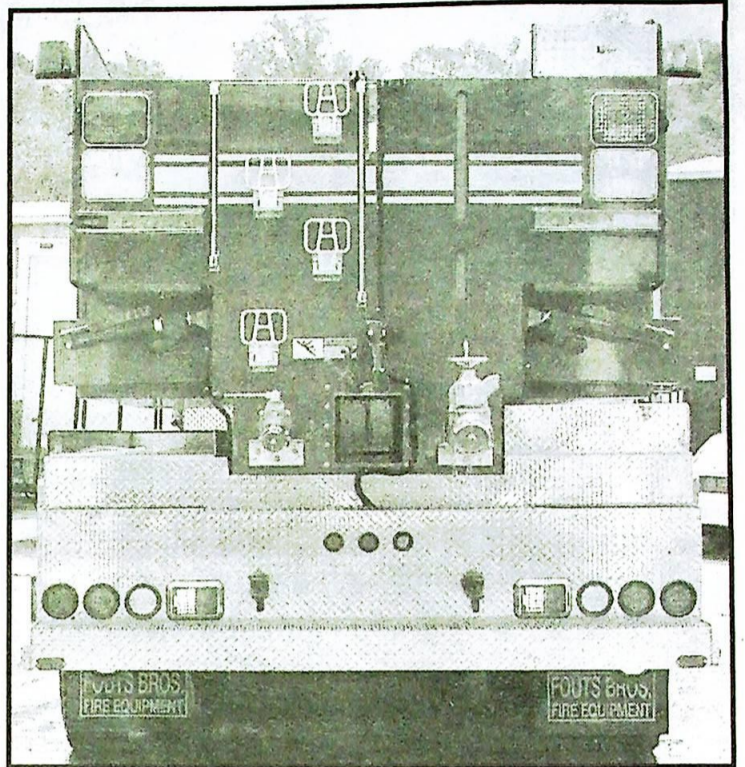
Harrison Twp. Fire Department in Bartholomew Co. receives new tanker



Harrison Twp. Fire Department in Bartholomew Co. has recently received a new tanker from Fouts Brothers Fire Equipment in Smyrna, Georgia.

It has a Cummins 360hp engine, 3000 gallon poly tank with 4" and 2 1/2" direct fills, 1250gpm Darley pump, 3000 gallon dump tank, air conditioned cab with seating for five and SCBA for four, Triple 10" dumps operated from the cab or rear, rear back-up camera, Drive-Cam driver monitoring system, On-Spot chains, locking rear differential, Elkhart Stinger deck gun, 4" tank to pump, 1000' 4" LDH, and LED lighting.

The price of the truck was \$210,400.00 before loose equipment. - submitted by David Dwyer, Harrison Township Trustee, Columbus, Indiana



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IVFA CONVENTION 2008 SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY TIME	WEDNESDAY EVENT	WEDNESDAY ROOM
NOON-6P	REGISTRATION	BUCKEYE/POPLAR
6P-8-	MEAL	POOL & BALL A
8P-9:30P	AUCTION	BALL A
9:30P-12A	DANCE	BALL A,B,C
9:30P-12A	MISS FLAME MIXER	CEDAR
THURSDAY TIME	THURSDAY EVENT	THURSDAY ROOM
8A-5P	REGISTRATION	BUCKEYE/POPLAR
8:30A-1P	MISS FLAME JUDGING	CEDAR/MAPLE
9A-11A	BREAKOUT SEMINARS (3)	BALL A,B,C
12P-1P	MISS FLAME LUNCHEON	MAPLE
1:30-CLOSE	MISS FLAME FINAL JUDGING	CEDAR/MAPLE
1P-4:30P	VENDORS OPEN	OAK
3P-4P	IVFA OFFICERS' MEETING	BALL A
4P-5P	IVFAA OFFICERS' MEETING	BALL C
5P-6:30P	HOT DOG & BEER BUST	POOL AREA
7P-8:30P	OPEN MEETING	BALL A,B,C
9P-12A	DANCE	BALL A,B,C
FRIDAY TIME	FRIDAY EVENT	FRIDAY ROOM
7A-8A	COFFEE KLUTCH	CEDAR
8A-	REGISTRATION	MAPLE
8A-9A	MEMORIAL SERVICE	CENTER STAGE
9:30A-12P	IVFA BUSINESS MEETING	BALL A,B
9:30A-12P	IVFAA BUSINESS MEETING	BALL C
12P-4P	VENDORS OPEN	OAK
1:30P-CLOSE	IVFA BUSINESS MEETING	BALL A,B - IF NEEDED
1:30P-CLOSE	IVFAA BUSINESS MEETING	BALL A,B - IF NEEDED
6:30-9P	CHILDREN'S PARTY	CEDAR
6:30-9P	BANQUET	BALL A,B,C
9:30-12A	DANCE	BALL A,B,C

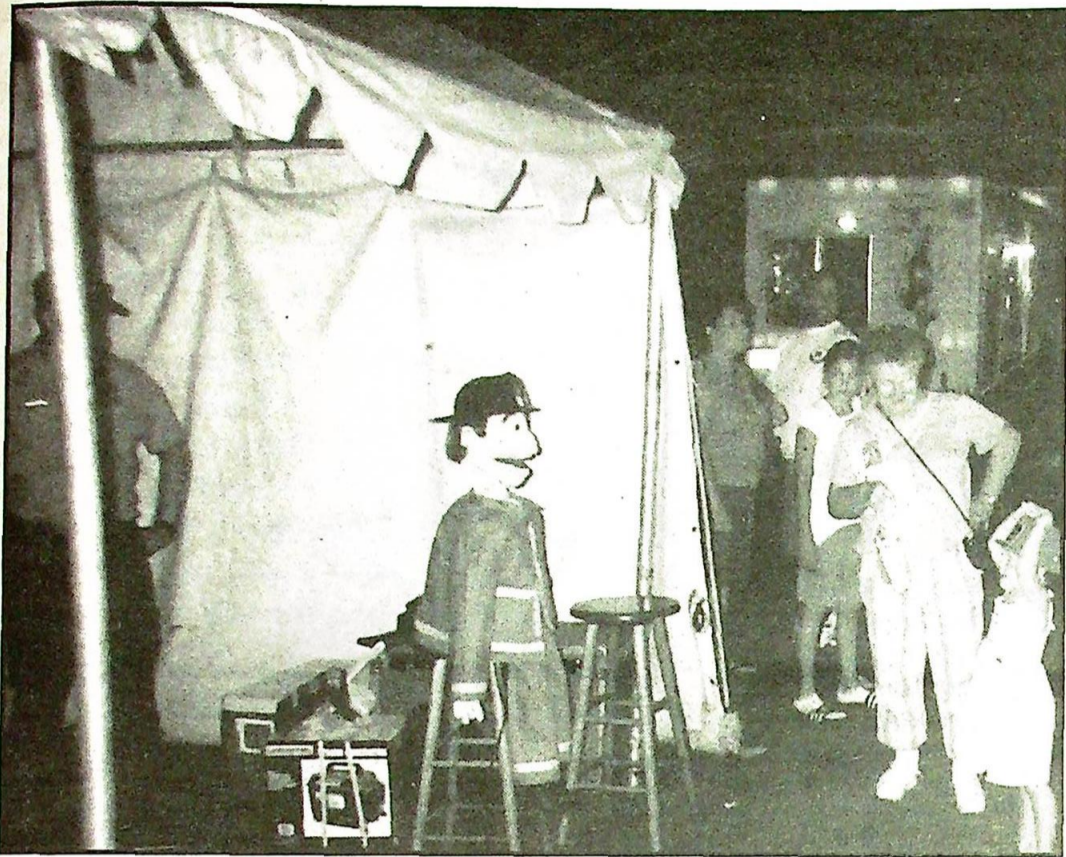
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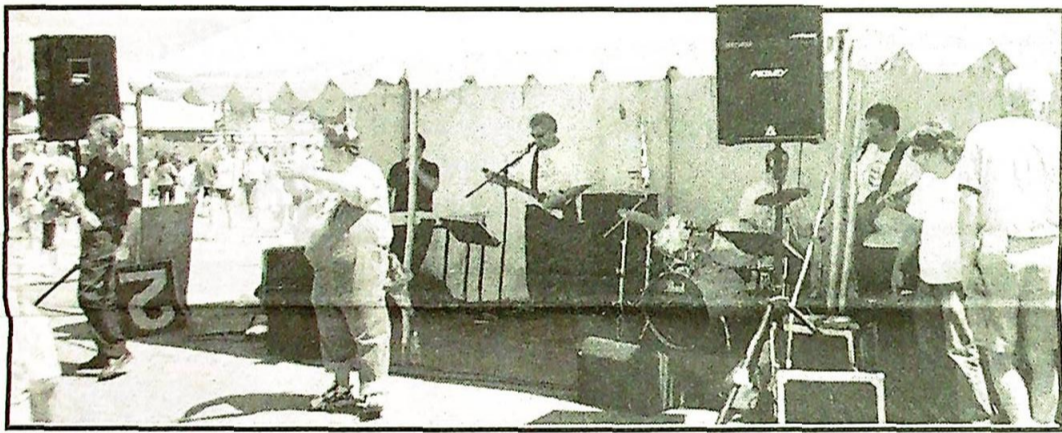
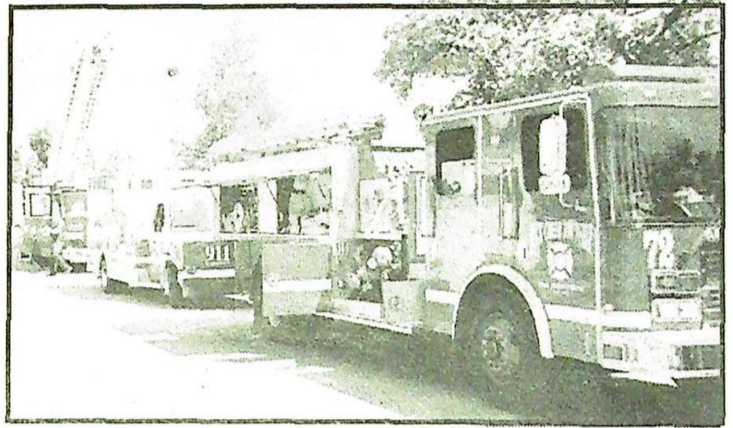


The Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association teamed up this year with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security and provided 2007 state fair goers with Fire Prevention and Public Education.

On the hot Monday, August 13 representatives from Firefighters Credit Union - tiller 7 safe house, Danville Fire - Center Twp. engine 91, New Chapel Fire Co. their brand new Ladder 49, Buck Creek Twp. - engine and ambulance, Lafayette Fire Prevention Show "The Fire House Band, Lewis Twp. - Rainbow Valley Fire Department fire prevention education curriculum, Van Buren Twp. - Safe House and firefighter robot.

A full pack day was seen by all and a great way to be involved at a state event representing your department and communities.

On behalf of the IVFA, I would like to thank everyone involved in making this day a very big success for the fire service of Indiana in community and public relations. -- *Tim Deckard, District 17 B*



Resolution passed to honor 2007 Miss Flame Farrer



Amber Farrer - 2007 Indiana Volunteer Firefighter's Association Miss Flame was recognized by the town of Bremen with a resolution passed in her honor at the July meeting of the Bremen Town Council. She is pictured with Jim Leeper, president of the Bremen Council. -- *submitted by Tony Farrer.*

Farrers join Governor Daniels at Memorial



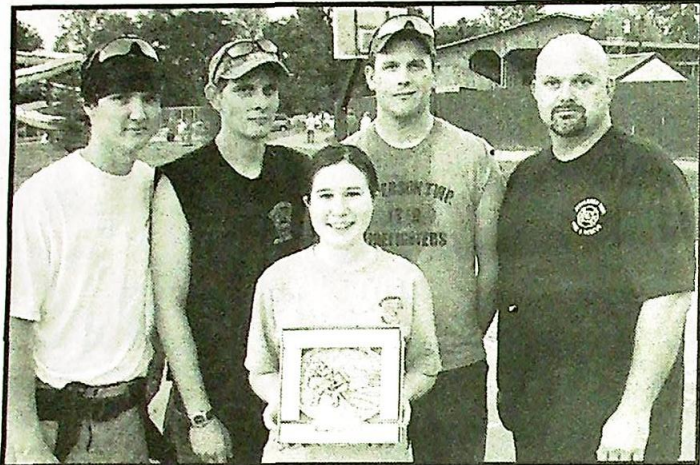
On August 10, 2007 in Indianapolis, the Fallen Firefighter's Memorial was held.

Pictured (left to right): District 5 chairman Tony Farrer, Governor Mitch Daniels, IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer. -- *submitted by Tony Farrer.*

Waterball contest held at Huntingburg's "Herbfest"

As part of the festivities during the Huntingburg's "Herbfest", the Huntingburg VFD (District 18 Dubois Co.) hosted the Waterball contest.

Pictured are the contest's top finishing teams. First place: Jefferson Twp. of Otwell; second place: Holland VFD Team 1 and third place: Holland VFD Team 2. -- (photos and information provided by John C. "Bull" Smith, District 18 chair)



First place - Jefferson Twp. of Otwell



Second place - Holland VFD Team 1



Third place - Holland VFD Team 2



Helicopter lands for Awareness Program

The photo above is of the Memorial MedFlight helicopter landing for a LZ Awareness Program at the District 3 meeting hosted by Lincoln Township. (Photo by Diane Stapleton) - submitted by Dave Kaufman, District 3 chairman

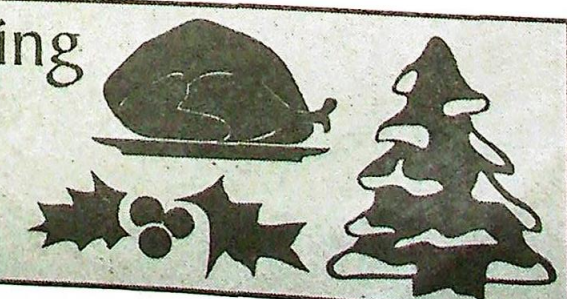
Firefighter I/II course conducted in District 3



The above photo is from burn pit - extinguisher and foam practical at a Firefighter I/II course conducted for Pleasant and Lincoln Townships in District 3. (Photo by Diane Stapleton) - submitted by Dave Kaufman, District 3 chairman

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- Standard lumbar pad
- 30 minute stealth cylinder
- CBRN regulator quick connect slide
- Quick fill shoulder mounted
- Hycar face piece with speed -on harness
- ICM/TXR with heat sensor

Selling Price : \$ 4190.00 ea
Qty: 10 Available

FireHawk Custom 4500 60 minute

- Single pull harness with chest strap
- Lumbar pad with 50' rescue belt
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- CBRN regulator with quick connect slide
- Quick fill shoulder mounted
- Hycar face piece with speed -on harness
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- Hard carrying case

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Qty: 10 Available

2007 Miss Flame guest speaker at Leadership Course



Indiana Fire Chief's Association annual conference held on September 11 - 15, 2007 in Indianapolis. On Saturday, IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer was a special guest speaker at Leadership Course for volunteer and combination departments.

She talked about her role as Miss Flame and how important volunteers are to the fire service.

Pictured is IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer and First Vice President Scott Chasteen. -- submitted by Tony Farrer.



Miss Flame Amber Farrer presented plaque

On October 1, 2007, Bremen Volunteer Fire Department captain Brian Adams presented IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer with a plaque for all the hard work and time she has done for our fire department.

Pictured (left to right) -- Brian Adams, Amber Farrer, Jay Stoneburner. -- submitted by Tony Farrer.

Miss Flame attends LaGrange Corn Festival

At LaGrange on October 5 was the Corn Festival. On Friday night at 7:00 p.m. was the fireman's parade.

Pictured are IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer and IVFA vice president Dave Elick. -- submitted by Tony Farrer.



Miss Flame and first runner-up attend fire department tractor pull

Burney-Clay Twp. Fire Dept. tractor pull -- pictured (left to right) 2007 IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer, IVFA District 10 chairman David Israel and 2007 IVFA state runner-up Miss Flame Keri Davis -- submitted by Tony Farrer.



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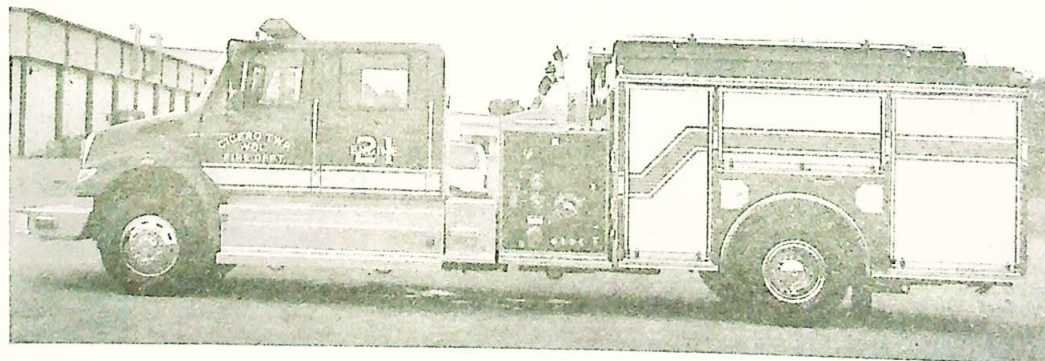
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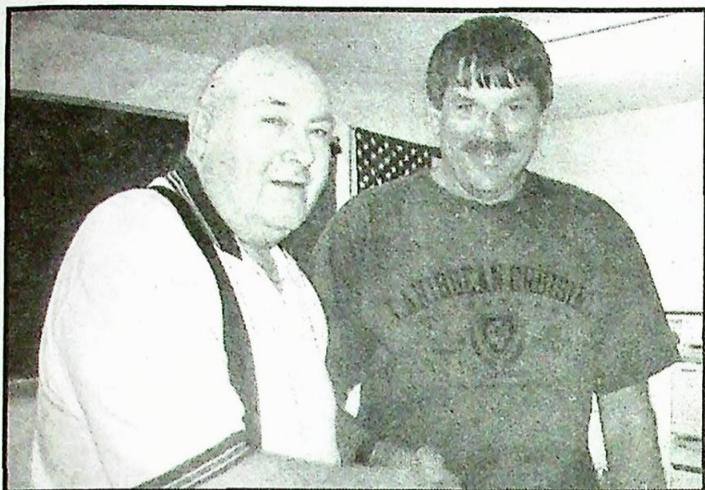


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Kim Murray honored with 25 year service pin



On July 26th, Kim Murray of Washington Volunteer Fire Department at Washington, IN was presented a 25-year pin by District 17A chairman Jack Harker for his years of service with the fire department. -- Jack Harker, District 17A chairman



At right - Prairieton Auxiliary / September 2007 - Pictured (left to right) Teresa Hayworth, Terry Michl and Mary Jo Moore.

Front row - Helen Michl and Ruth McCarley. - submitted by Joann Hays, immediate past president

IVFAA members

Pictured, at left - (from left to right) are Joann Hays, immediate past president of the IVFAA; Lois Harrah, Honey Creek Auxiliary and Beverly Taylor, District 11-A chairman. - submitted by Joann Hays, immediate past president



Yorktown VFD receives new truck



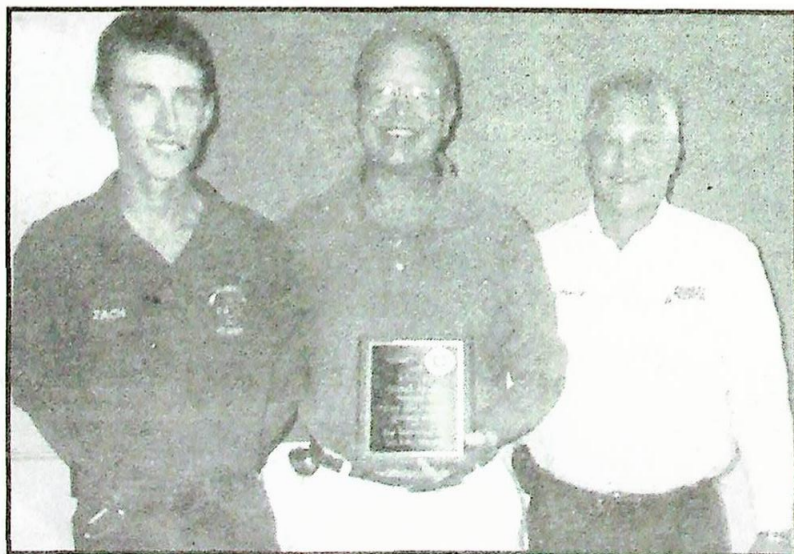
Pictured is Yorktown Volunteer Fire Department's newest truck. It is a 2005 Seagrave. It has a 1500 GPM pump and a 750 gallon tank. - submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B

Sunday accepts 25 year pin for wife, Nikki



Sharon Wright, wife of District 8B chairman Lloyd Wright, is shown presenting a 25 year pin from the IVFAA to Billy Sunday, Farmland Volunteer Fire Department for his wife, Nikki Sunday. - submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B

Hickerson receives Global Award



Receiving the Global Award for 2007 for District 8B was Mike Hickerson. Pictured (from left to right) are Zack Hudson, Salamonia Volunteer Fire Department, Mike Hickerson, and Glen Linhart from Global Emergency Products.- submitted by Lloyd E. Wright, District 8B

**February 10,
2008 deadline is
January 10, 2008**

Gene Inman honored with 50 year Gold Card



On September 26th, District 17A chairman Jack Harker presented Gene Inman of Sandborn Volunteer Fire Department a 50-year Gold Card for his years of service.

Shown (left to right) are president Larry Ketchem, Gene Inman, Jack Kerney, Jack Harker and Buz Koehler. -- submitted by Jack Harker, District 17A chairman

Three from Sandborn VFD presented 25 year service pins



On September 26th, Steve Sanders, Mark Headley and Jim Johnson of Sandborn Volunteer Fire Department were presented a 25 year pin by District 17A chairman Jack Harker for their years of service with the fire department. -- submitted by Jack Harker, District 17A chairman

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NOTICE TO ALL IVFA FIRE DEPTS.

A REMINDER TO ANY DEPT. BUILDING OR THINKING OF BUILDING A NEW STATION

The IVFA presents a clock to a department at a dedication of a new station. We have been asked to make you, the chief, or other spokesperson, aware that the clocks are not an item kept on a shelf awaiting your order.

Our contact for obtaining a clock needs to receive your request for a clock with enough lead time to have it made and get it to you with some days to spare.

Please contact the District chairman at least ONE MONTH in advance of the day you need it presented. Or contact Bill Bush at 765-665-3213. He will be able to assist you in getting the order placed.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

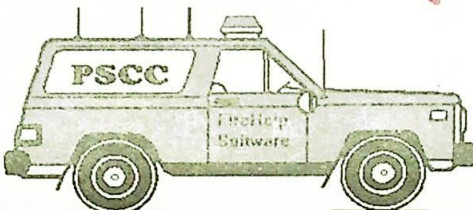
Miss Flame participates in Labor Day parade



Marshmalls Festival Parade was held on Labor Day in Ligonier. Pictured are 2007 IVFA Miss Flame Amber Farrer and IVFA District 6 chairman, Jerry Sprague. -- submitted by Tony Farrer.

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