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President's Remarks

Greetings Fellow Firefighters

**Kenneth Hoover
President**



Well, in my last article, I wrote about the snow, sleet and cold weather. Now we are facing excessive rain, severe storms and above normal temperatures. I stand amazed at Missouri weather.

I am equally amazed at the fire fighters of Missouri. The commitment level and faithfulness to the brotherhood is second to none. Whenever disaster strikes, you are always there and ready to serve your communities. And that brings me to the annual Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Services held on May 18th, and 19th, 2013 in Kingdom City.

Many hours of preparation took place not only with the grounds but with the programs. A work day was conducted on May 11th. Scott Nichols from Little Dixie Fire Protection District headed up the work day and many items were worked on. Helpers also came from, Jefferson City Fire Department, Boone County Fire Protection District, Galt Fire Protection District, Madison-West Monroe Fire District, and Callaway County Commission. I thank each of you.

As they have done for many years, I thank Chief Greg Lubbert and the Central Callaway Fire Protection District that

spent many hours using special chemicals to clean all of the granite walls and other tasks the Thursday night prior to the services.

Many hours were also given for the Candlelight Service and the Sunday morning services. Keith Smith, Warrenton Fire Protection District; Bill Albus, Little Dixie Fire Protection District/Missouri State Fire Marshal office; and Linda Coleberd from Hannibal worked many hours gathering information and developing the programs for both services. I thank each of you.

The Candlelight Honor Guard was provided by the Little Dixie Fire Protection District and the Warrenton Fire Protection District. Blue Ice Productions from Warrenton, Missouri provided all of the recording and video services for the entire memorial, as they have done for many years at no charge to the Memorial Foundation. Many, many thanks to Greg and Rose Rosebrock.

Our Honor Guard Commander this year was Captain Joe Haefer of the Metro-West Fire Protection District. Captain Haefer did an outstanding job coordinating Honor/Color Guard and Pipe and Drum members from many fire departments throughout Missouri.

Ladder trucks were provided by the O'Fallon Fire Protection District and the Metro-West Fire Protection District to fly the US Flag at the entrance to the memorial walkway. Washington Volunteer Fire Company provided their antique trucks again. Thanks to all.

We appreciate the Staff for Life Medical Helicopter and flight crew for its fly over and "Salute" to our fallen comrades.

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Randy Cole
Fire Marshal

Fire Marshal's Update

Missouri Division of Fire Safety



If you recall from the last newsletter, I approached the Fire Service Alliance over a year ago seeking assistance in exploring options to the soaring Worker's Compensation premiums Missouri's fire service is experiencing. Today we continue to see departments being forced to reduce their ranks, especially within the volunteer departments, due to increased premium costs. Stepping up to assist in identifying potential options were now retired Chief Larry Boyle in conjunction with the Missouri Association of Fire Protection Districts. It was determined that the initial task was to formulate a short survey to collect preliminary information from Missouri's fire service.

The survey was distributed via e-mail and I want to thank those who responded. I am pleased to report efforts are moving forward due to your responses. Before a comprehensive feasibility study could be conducted a minimum of two million dollars in premium costs expended by departments needed to be established. Approximately 120 departments responded to the survey indicating nearly seven million dollars is being expended annually for Worker's Compensation coverage.

As we continue moving forward with the feasibility study, more detailed information will be required from as many departments as possible and will be collected in a similar survey manner. Every effort will be made to ensure the process to collect these details will be designed to keep your time commitment to a minimum. To be successful, the more information that can be collected the more complete and accurate picture will be established in relation to current worker's compensation issues. Ultimately, the option being explored would establish a trust that would include virtually

hundreds of Missouri fire departments allowing for potential reduced premiums. A similar program exists in Colorado and was a viable option for Colorado's fire service. Establishing such a trust will take considerable time and effort and too must be endorsed by Missouri's Division of Insurance. Understand this is simply an option being explored with no guarantee this effort will be successful, however, remaining idle will no doubt continue to cost Missouri's fire service. Please stay tuned and respond when additional information is requested. If you have any questions or need further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Legislative proposals which passed this session either have been signed by the Governor or await his signature or possible veto. If these are successful they will be effective on August 28th. The following is a short summary of each bill.

HB28 – authorizes any county, upon determination by State Fire Marshal that it is appropriate, by order or ordinance to issue a burn ban. Ban may prohibit the discharging of any missile or skyrocket but may not ban any other consumer firework. (Pending signature)

HB103/SB282 – increases penalty for a moving violation occurring in an active emergency zone and creates the offense of endangerment of an emergency responder. (Signed by Governor)

HB256 – removes the sunset date on a portion of the Sunshine Law which will prevent the disclosure of operational guidelines and policies by and public agency responsible for law enforcement, public safety, first response or public health which include response plans which would

threaten public safety if released. (Signed by Governor)

HB307 – a political subdivision cannot prohibit any first responder from engaging in any political activity while off duty and not in uniform, or from being a candidate for elected or appointed public office unless otherwise prohibited by state law. Allows for the certification as a community paramedic. Allows a person employed by the state or any of its political subdivision to hold office as a director of a fire protection district in Boone, Callaway and Cole counties. Allows candidate filing fee to be increased by fire protection district up to \$50. (Signed by Governor)

HB336 – similar to HB307 relating to first responders engaging in political activities while off duty and not in uniform as well as community paramedic language. (Signed by Governor)

SB170 – allows members of public governmental bodies to cast roll call votes if the member is participating via videoconferencing. (Pending signature)

SB533 – authorizes a paid, full-time fire chief of a fire department or fire protection district to carry a concealed weapon upon written approval of the governing body of the department or district and possess a valid concealed carry endorsement. (Pending signature)

The Division's budget bill has also been signed by Governor Nixon. Although significant efforts were exhausted during the legislative session, the additional \$200,000 for firefighter training was not successful.

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President Kenneth Hoover called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri to order at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, June 2nd, 2013 at the State Fair Fire Department, Sedalia, Missouri.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**OFFICERS:**

President, Kenneth Hoover – Little Dixie FPD; First Vice President, Tim Bean – West Plains FD; Second Vice President, Charlie Neubert – Highlandville Rural FPD; Secretary Treasurer, Jaime Miller – Johnson County FPD; Past President, Keith Smith – Warrenton FPD; Historian, Kay Asher – Wentzville FPD.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

District 1, Terry Wynne - Galt FPD; District 2, Greg Wright – Shelbina FD; District 3, Larry Jones – Madison West Monroe FPD; District 6, Richard Gordon – Cole County FPD; District 7, RB Brown – Eureka FD; District 9, Roy Sims – West Plains FD; District 10, Doug Christ – O’Fallon FPD; District 11, Monty Thompson – Kearney FPD; District 14, Rick Dozier - Southern FPD of Holt County.

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District 1, Janet Cain – Braymer FR; District 5, Terry Plumb – Southern Stone FPD; District 7, Ed Kriska – Eureka FPD; District 11, Ryan Miller – Norborne FPD; District 11, Roger Meyers – Concordia FPD; District 14, Glenn Dittmar – South Central Buchanan County FD.

GUESTS:

Greg and Brenda Carrell – Missouri Division of Fire Safety; David Hedrick – MU FRTI; Larry Eggen, Larry Jennings, Joe Jennings – Johnson County FPD; Donald Vaucher, Harriett Vaucher – Eureka FPD; Steve Gentry – Little

Dixie FPD; Rob Schrage – Jefferson R7 FPD; Zach Jones – Salisbury FD; Gary Berendzen – Cole County FPD; Jamie Volk – Sedalia FD.

AGENDA:

President Hoover asked for additions to the agenda. Monty Thompson moved to accept the agenda as presented. Rick Dozier seconded the motion and all approved.

MINUTES:

There were no minutes for approval.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

President Hoover asked for a review of the May 2013 financial reports. The trophies expense from the contest should be moved to the convention committee budget. Terry Wynne moved to accept the financial report as presented. Greg Brown seconded the motion and all approved. President Hoover advised the Executive Committee would be reviewing the Y-T-D expenses and receipts with Treasurer Miller after the meeting as recommended by the auditor.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUEST(S):

David Hedrick with MU FRTI reported that the 81st annual Summer Fire School will be held June 5th - 9th. Registrations are up.

Their fiscal year ends June 30th. Funding requests have been presented to the state for fiscal year 2014 and funding has been allocated.

Hedrick complemented all those that conducted the annual Fire Fighters Memorial Service in Kingdom City. The 2013 MU FRTI annual report will be available later this summer.

Assistant State Fire Marshal Greg Carrell with the Division of Fire Safety reported

that the legislative season has ended. The additional \$200,000 in funding requested was denied but the original funding was approved.

The Division is getting a new training tech and the 1st haz-mat training will be held in Springfield later this year.

The FMAM conference is July 29th – 31st at Tan-Tar-A with a special Division of Fire Safety class called Vision 20/20 on Sunday the 28th. The topic for the 20/20 class is Performance Measurement and Evaluation of community programs. For the FMAM conference, topics will include alarm and sprinkler systems and there will be a roundtable discussion on the morning of the 31st addressing school safety at the FMAM conference. All these courses offer CEU’s for Inspector recertification.

Several house bills went through the legislative session.

HB 28 – allows counties to enact burn bans if drought conditions exist and upon notification by the State Fire Marshal.

HB 336 and HB 307 contain most of the same provisions – but the highlights are allowing political activity by first responders, allowing an increase of filing fees for board elections (up to \$50), and state employees in first class counties may run for open fire district board positions.

HB 533 – contains a provision which allows a fire chief who has a CCW endorsement and upon approval of his/her board to carry a concealed weapon while performing his/her duties.

All these provisions are contingent upon them being signed by the Governor and as of right now, none have yet to be signed.

The effective date of the law, if signed, will be August 28th, 2013.

68% of all fire departments in the state have completed their annual registration through the Division. All departments are required to register annually. Anyone with questions can contact the Division.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on travel expenses for the person designated to take the contest trailer to and from convention each year. The Board discussed several options for covering contest travel expenses. The budget committee will discuss and present their recommendations at the December meeting. Kay Asher moved to approve travel expenses for the person designated to take the contest trailer to and from convention each year. No second was made and the motion died for lack of a second.

Discussion was held on the application of the SAFER recruitment and retention grant. The FFAM applied for the grant previously using a hand-off program developed by the Iowa Fire Fighters Association but was not awarded the grant. Discussion was held on hiring grant writer Steve Myers to assist with the rewriting and reapplication of the grant. Discussion followed. Charlie Neubert moved to hire grant writer Steve Myers for \$250 for services in assisting the FFAM with rewriting and reapplying for the SAFER grant for the upcoming year. Doug Christ seconded the motion and all approved.

President Hoover advised that Richard Gordon has requested the appointment of Gary Berendzen for District 6, Assistant Director. Rick Dozier moved to appoint Gary Berendzen with Cole County FPD to District 6, Assistant Director. Larry Jones seconded the motion and all approved. RB Brown has requested the appointment of Greg Light for District

7, Assistant Director. Rick Dozier moved to appoint Greg Light with Eureka FPD to District 7, Assistant Director. Monty Thompson seconded the motion and all approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AWARDS COMMITTEE:

No report was given.

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Tim Bean reported that budget requests will need to be submitted to the committee by the August meeting.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE:

No report was given.

CHAPLAIN COMMITTEE:

David Hedrick reported the annual meeting/training for 2013 was held on May 6th - 7th in Arnold, Missouri. New officer elections were held.

The National Federation of Fire Chaplains Conference will be held in Seattle, Washington in October.

CONTEST COMMITTEE:

Richard Gordon thanked those that assisted with the convention contest. He has submitted a request to add an additional person to the contest committee. President Hoover is taking the request under advisement. There were several items broken at the contest that need to be replaced so more equipment has been ordered.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE:

Larry Jones reported that Carthage Fire Department will present the 2013 convention report at the August meeting. The 2014 convention will be hosted by Jefferson R-7 Fire Protection District in Festus. Rob Schrage reported that the convention will be May 2nd - 4th, 2014 at the Best Western in Festus and the Best Western does have rooms still available.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

No report was given.

FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE:

RB Brown reported that three counties

participated in the annual poster contest. The 2013/14 theme is "Prevent Kitchen Fires". The committee is also reviewing the poster contest requirements to provide clarification on several items.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

Assistant State Fire Marshal Greg Carrell referred back to his earlier report regarding house bills approved.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

2nd Vice President, Neubert reported the following membership counts: 425 Directors/Councilman; 231 Retired; 10 Associate; 6 Sustaining; 9 Corporate, 352 Departments; 7795 Active. Discussion was held on updating the membership DVD and PowerPoint to be sent out to prospective departments.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE:

Keith Smith reported that there are still no recommendations for District 8 or District 12 director positions.

NVFC COMMITTEE:

No report was given.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

President Hoover reported that Larry Eggen has been appointed to the committee to fill a vacant position.

STATE FAIR COMMITTEE:

Monty Thompson reported that the fair will be August 8th - 18th. The next work weekend July 12th - 13th.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE:

Rob Schrage reported they are working on updates.

NEWSLETTER:

The deadline for the next newsletter is July 1st.

HISTORIAN REPORT:

Kay Asher reported that she has added several new boxes of items to go through.

FOUNDATION REPORT:

Ron Paubel reported the annual memorial service was May 18th and May 19th. Attendance for the candlelight service was down. There are 11 names so far this year

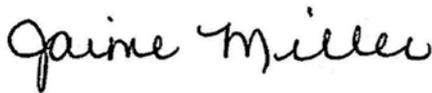
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to be added to the wall. Harriett Vaucher has been appointed to the committee. The next meeting is June 30th.

Harriett Vaucher reported that the 2014 National Fallen Firefighters Foundation annual Survivors Conference will be held May 4th - 9th in Clayton, Missouri. There are several upcoming fund-raisers to assist with funding. July 15th is a golf tournament in St. Peters. August 24th is a murder mystery dinner in Kansas City. There will be a 5K run on September 7th and memorial stair climb September 8th in Clayton. The help patch a broken heart campaign is also looking for departments to send in two patches and a \$150 donation for their department patch to be placed on a quilt and given to a survivor.

Discussion was held on holding webcast meetings in the future. President Hoover advised the directors to check with the membership to find out if there is any interest in webcast meetings.

President Hoover adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.



Jaime Miller, Secretary
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

I also need to thank everyone else that helped in any way that made our annual memorial special to everyone, especially to the families being honored.

Thank you to the FFAM Auxiliary for providing and distributing the ribbons and to Doc Kritzer and his wife for having statues and souvenirs available to all attendees.

There were many, many more that help in some way, and I thank each one of you. I apologize if I have forgotten anyone, as I surely have, because it takes so many to get ready for such an event. To those that I did not mention by name, I appreciate your faithfulness every year.

I understand another excellent Summer Fire School was presented in Jefferson City by the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute. Congratulations David Hedrick and staff.

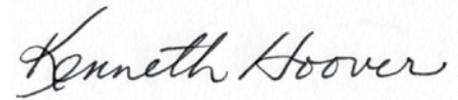
The FFAM State Fair Fire Department Committee has been working many hours preparing for the 2013 State Fair. A work weekend was conducted on May 31st and June 2nd with many fire fighters in attendance helping. Thank you for your service and commitment to the success of FFAM. Another work weekend will be held on July 12th, 13th, and 14th at the fire station.

Everything is shaping up for another great time at the Missouri State Fair. A full staff of FFAM members from throughout the state has been selected to

work and I am looking forward to a great time seeing old friends and making new ones. Chief RB Brown has worked diligently and invested many hours selecting and preparing his staff to lead and provide the professional fire and rescue/medical services the patrons of the Missouri State Fair have become accustomed to.

As I close, the fire service and I as well, have lost another great friend and fire professional just this week. Services were held on June 26th and 27th in St. Louis, Missouri for John Sachen, long time Fire Chief and Instructor. John and Barb and I have been good friends for many years, meeting on the instructors circuit. Let's keep the Sachen family in our thoughts and prayers in the days and months to come. Barb, I leave you with the scripture from God's word, Romans 8:28. The fire service will always be deeply indebted to you both. God speed John Sachen.

As always, I am available in the event you have any questions or comments. You may contact me at 573-581-6235 or chiefhoover@sbcglobal.net



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BENEFIT BEAT

Ever stop and wonder what your benefits are as an FFAM member? Each newsletter we will outline some of the benefits available to you...



Member dues are \$7.50 per member annually. Dues have not increased since 1977. Did you know \$2.50 of your membership dues goes to the Fire Fighters Memorial in Kingdom City?

The membership funds help the Memorial and Museum Foundation maintain the Memorial and work towards their goal of one day building a Fire Fighters Museum!

The remaining \$5.00 of your dues stays in the FFAM general revenue fund for activities and operations.

A LIST OF BENEFITS IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.FFAM.ORG

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Appropriations beginning July 1st for firefighter training will be slightly reduced from this past year. Three funding sources for firefighter training include general revenue, fire education fund, and chemical emergency preparedness fund totaling nearly \$400,000. Each May the Fire Safety Education and Advisory Commission reviews training proposals from vendors who desire to contract with the Division to deliver a variety of training courses targeting Missouri's fire service. This past May, eighteen vendors submitted proposals seeking approximately \$1.1 million. With limited funds, obviously not all proposals were successful. As courses begin to be scheduled all will be posted to the Division's website and available for review via www.dfs.dps.mo.gov/programs/training/. These training opportunities are available at no cost through the funding sources mentioned above.

Unfortunately mass casualty shootings have captured much attention with one of the most recent tragedies occurring at Connecticut's Sandy Hook Elementary School in December 2012 where 20 children were killed. Nationwide between the Columbine High School tragedy and Sandy Hook there have been 140 shooting related incidents in schools. The mind-set that "it will never happen here" needs to change with the appropriate tools made available to address these situations.

As typical with such incidents, immediately afterwards school and public safety officials scramble to implement immediate changes to eliminate the possibility of such an incident happening in their jurisdiction. Although this brings a sense of heightened awareness to the forefront, knee jerk reactions seem to be more prevalent during this time frame. Shortly after Sandy Hook, the Division fielded a number of calls expressing concerns over school and public safety officials urging the installation of keyed dead bolt locks on all classrooms disregarding fire safety considerations.

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The Division, in conjunction with the Fire Marshal's Association of Missouri, determined the need to provide an avenue in order to open communication lines between law enforcement, fire service and school officials. The goal is to identify and establish a process to implement and disseminate "best practices" in these situations. With this in mind, and the desire to establish consistent "best practices" I would encourage you to attend the upcoming School Safety and Security session to be held during the annual Fire Marshal's Association of Missouri's conference at Tan-Tar-A. On July 31st a four hour training session is scheduled specifically targeting this topic. Facilitating the session will be Louisiana State Fire Marshal Butch Browning who is the chairman of a school safety and security sub-committee for the National Association of State Fire Marshal's Association. This session will be a round table format with panel members representing various disciplines and key stakeholders. There is no cost to attend this session.

June was a sad month for Missouri's fire service with the passing of two long time fire service fixtures. Chief John Sachen devoted over 60 years of his life to the fire service and was instrumental in training thousands of firefighters not only in Missouri but other states as well. On June 26th, Lee Ireland of Neosho passed away after a sudden illness. Just as John did, Lee started his fire service career at a young age and too was a mentor to Missouri's fire service in conjunction with this training position with MU FRTI. The fire service lost a tremendous wealth of knowledge with the loss of John and Lee. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them, their families and fellow firefighters.

Hope to see many of you at the State Fair in August.

Be Safe!!!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randy L. Cole".

Randy Cole,
Fire Marshal

SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

by Grant Oetting

Hope all is good and everyone is enjoying the summer so far. The scholarship committee has been busy the last month and a half as we have been presenting the scholarships to our 2013 recipients at their home department. It has been a great pleasure presenting these scholarships and visiting with the departments, but most of all the future of the fire service. Our recipients were all so bright and eager to see what their future has in store for them. I can say this; that our future for the fire service and the FFAM looks amazing!

As you can see we have included pictures of our recipients and that the FFAM takes a serious look at our future and what they have to offer. I hope you enjoy the pictures!

The scholarship committee would also like to welcome Larry Eggen of Johnson County Missouri Fire. Larry comes to the committee with experience in scholarships, as he sitting on the MFA scholarship committee and will bring great ideas to the committee. Welcome aboard Larry.

The committee is also looking to meet in July, location and time is to be determined. At that meeting the committee will be looking for new ideas and what we can do to offer the scholarship to all our members not just high school seniors going to college. Any suggestions are welcome.

If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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From Left to Right: Chief, Tom Jones; Grant Oetting, Chairman; Recipient, Rachel Young; Lt. Shane Anderson



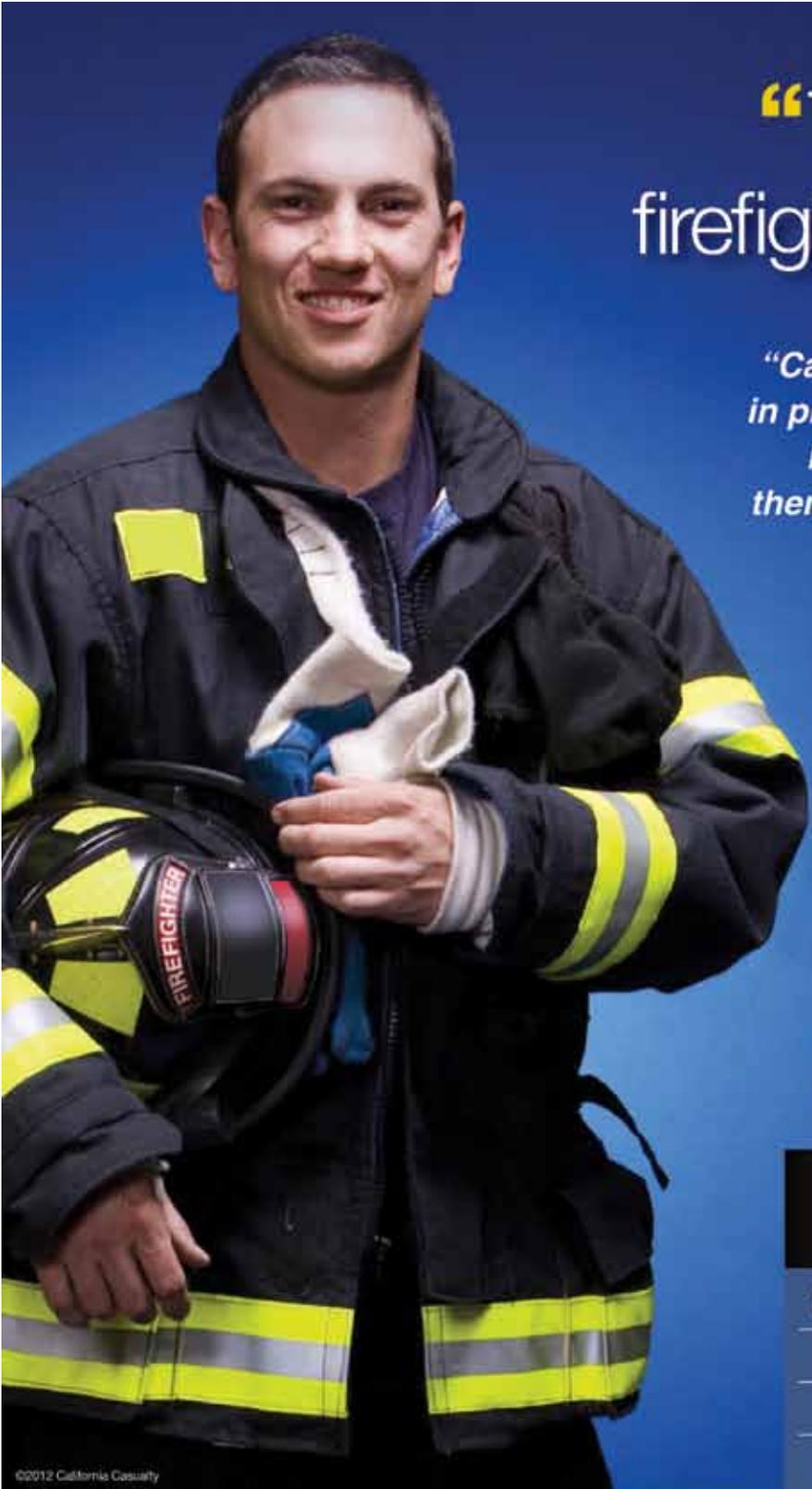
From Left to Right: Chief, Don James; Grant Oetting, Chairman; Recipient, Jordan Engel, FF Paramedic Engineer, Dallas Engel (Father of the Recipient); Assistant Director 14, Glenn Dittmar



From Left to Right: District Director 1, Terry Wynne; Grant Oetting, Chairman, Recipient, Summer Welty, Firefighter Danny Welty (Father of the Recipient); Chief, James Cruse



From Left to Right: Grant Oetting, Chairman; Recipient, Cole Wodrich; Assistant Director 11, Roger Meyers; Chief, Jeff Buford



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NEWS FROM DISTRICT



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Robert B. Brown
Director

Hello from the east side of the state. I hope everyone fared well with spring storms. It is hard to believe that half of the year has come and gone. Before long it will be October, and fire prevention time. Every week is fire prevention week and we need to get the message out. This year's fire prevention theme is Prevent Kitchen Fires. Fire Prevention Week is October 6th - 12th.

At the June meeting it was brought to the Fire Prevention Committee's attention that the current paper size for the poster contest is a difficult one to find. The Committee is requesting that you contact a member of the Committee if you have any suggestions as to a paper that is easier for schools to find. The Committee is working on a survey to get your input on the poster contest, and plans to have it out in the future.

For the ones that were unable to attend the convention, the poster contest had 130 posters from 3 districts; Cole, Franklin and Warren Counties. The Prevention Committee wants to thank these future artists for the fine work they produced to get the message out. If it was not for these great pieces of art there would not be a contest.

I hope that next year we have more participation from all member organizations to get the message out and to support fire prevention. Have a great safe summer.

Robert B. Brown
District 7

SPOUSE OF THE YEAR - JENNY SMITH



The 2013 FFAM Auxiliary Spouse of the year was awarded to Jenny Smith, Warrenton Fire Protection District Auxiliary during the annual convention in Carthage.

Jenny Smith married into a very active fire service family and embraced the "service before self" ideals which are its foundation. Her husband belonged to a department which did not initially have an auxiliary program. Prior to its implementation in 1997 she supported her husband and department activities by cooking for special training exercises, grading exams in the department fire academy, working extensively behind the scenes with fire prevention week programs, supporting various PR events, relief efforts at large fires and of course keeping family, husband and fire department needs in balance.

She is a charter member of her Department Auxiliary which formed in 1997 and currently serving a second term as President having held the office of secretary numerous years along with other positions. She is a stay at home mom having raised a daughter, now married and a son, now a sophomore in college. She spends time volunteering in the local agape community charity and active in her church as part of the Sunday

and Wednesday night worship teams. She has assisted with and is a regular blood donor for the American Red Cross.

Through all of the regular activities of an auxiliary office and firefighter spouse, she has also accepted the added responsibility in supporting her husband's involvement with the Missouri State Fair Fire Department, FFAM Director, 2nd Vice President, 1st Vice President, two terms as President, Memorial Foundation Member and National Volunteer Fire Counsel Representative. Virtually no-one outside of her husband is aware of her assistance behind the scenes concerning the annual candle light and regular memorial services in Kingdom City each year in May.

As with many fire service spouses, they serve with courage and honor, balancing family with service to community while sacrificing themselves. They are largely unknown for their contributions and ask for nothing in return. The fire service spouse is still one of the great things that define our county and define us as Americans.

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FROM YOUR REPRESENTATIVE

by **Blain Luetkemeyer**

Thank you for contacting me regarding funding to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) and Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER). I appreciate your views on this important issue and welcome the opportunity to respond.

As you know, since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards. Additionally, the goal of the AFG is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations.

SAFER was created to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to help them increase the number of trained front line firefighters available in their communities. The goal of SAFER is to enhance the local fire departments' abilities to comply with staffing, response, and operational standards.

I believe both AFG and SAFER are important programs, and have voted to fund them in the annual Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act. During consideration of the Fiscal Year 2012 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, I voted for an amendment that passed the House of Representatives to increase funding by \$320 million for AFG, offset by funding reductions to the Department of Homeland Security's Office of the Secretary and Executive Management, Office of the Under Secretary for Management, and Office of the Chief Information Officer. The following year, during consideration of the Fiscal Year 2013 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, I supported an amendment that passed the House of Representatives to increase funding for SAFER, offset by a reduction



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

to the budget of the Office of the Under Secretary for Management. I've also been pleased to work with local fire departments in Missouri as they've pursued federal grants.

Currently, the House Appropriations Committee is working to develop the Fiscal Year 2014 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act. Once it is approved by the Appropriations Committee, this bill will likely come before the full House in June or July. As Congress debates this issue, please know that I will keep your thoughts and concerns in mind because we need to give first responders the resources needed to protect our communities.

Again, thank you for taking the time to contact me. If I can be of any further assistance in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me or visit my Web site at <http://luetkemeyer.house.gov>. I also encourage you to sign up for my weekly newsletter at <http://luetkemeyer.house.gov/e-newsletter1> to receive all of the up-to-date information on important issues.

Sincerely,

Blain Luetkemeyer
United States Representative

JEFFERSON COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION



Saturday - September 28, 2013
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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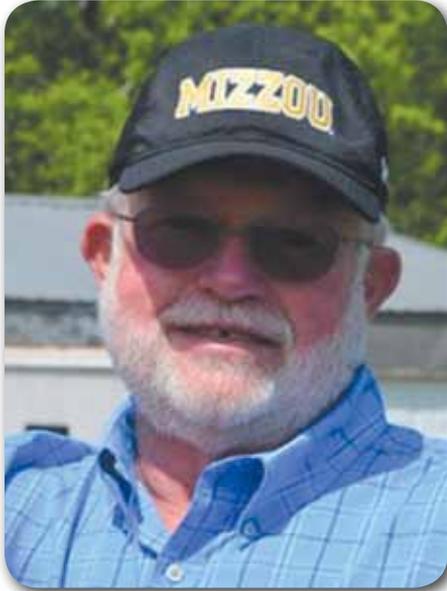
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LEE W. IRELAND

February 26, 1951 — June 26, 2013



Lee W. Ireland was born on February 26th, 1951 in Neosho, Missouri to Paul Wilson Ireland and Myra Louise (Million) Ireland. He entered into rest on June 26th, 2013 at Freeman Neosho Hospital, following a sudden illness. His age was 62 years, 4 months.

Lee was a lifelong area resident and started his working career with his father in Paul's Motor Electric; working there for many years. At the age of 18 he started-in the fire service at the Neosho Fire Department serving in many capacities. He was a volunteer EMT with Newton County Ambulance District and later the Board President.

In 1985 he became an instructor with the Fire and Rescue Training Institute and was Regional Coordinator for FRTI for 11 years. He was also an instructor and-examiner for the State of Missouri Division of Fire Safety for many years.

Lee was currently serving as treasure of the Neosho Fire Protection District and had for many years previously. He also served as Deputy Coroner for the Newton



JOHN B. SACHEN

April 21, 1936 — June 21, 2013

Chief John Sachen, who made such a huge difference to so many fire-fighters, was an industrial Fire Training Coordinator with the University of Missouri - Fire and Rescue Training Institute, was the Haz-mat Officer/Fire Instructor for the Delta Missouri Fire Protection District and served on the advisory board for FDIC. His certified teaching career began in 1956 in the U.S. Air Force in the field of communications and electronics.

Chief Sachen had served in both career and non-career public and industrial fire departments with responsibilities for structural firefighting, training, haz-mat, confined space, and management. His industrial career includes product development and marketing with General Dynamics during three different employment periods.

John had developed numerous courses and procedures for the University of Missouri, including the "Ignitable Liquids and Class B Foam," "Killer-in-the-Attic (half-story fires)," "Meth-amphetamine Awareness and Operations" which were released nationally under a federal grant and "Rapid Intervention Teams". In addition he developed and produced the Fire Technology Ltd. video training program "Firefighting: It's A Risky Business".

County Coroner's office for 17 years. He taught at Seneca High School for 10 years and was the Athletic Trainer for the football team. He was also an EMT instructor and Psychology instructor for Crowder College. He worked with the Neosho Housing Authority for many years, currently serving as Director. He was a member of the Missouri Coroner's Association and he loved all animals.

Lee will be greatly missed by all



Throughout his career, John focused on the science of fire behavior and effective low risk attack methods and tactics for structural and ignitable liquid fires. Development of effective practices for half-story attic fires, started for Missouri's first Winter Fire School, 3 decades ago. He always loved to talk fire and would share his incredible and in-depth knowledge with anyone interested... and we always were.

John was retired from Mallinckrodt Chemical as Chief of Fire Protection and Chemical Response with national responsibility for Chemtrec Responses.

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COMMAND CONSOLE
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ONAN 6KW ONBOARD GENERATOR
(8) OUTSIDE ELECTRICAL CONNECTORS
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1800-GALLONS

1991 FORD F800

GAS ENGINE / STANDARD
TRANSMISSION
350-GPM PUMP W/ CROSSLAY
CONNECTIONS
1800-GAL. TANK
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HARD SUCTION
EMERGENCY WARNING PACKAGE
500 FEET OF 2.5" HOSE & SOME 1.5"
HOSE



1250-GALLONS

1991 WOLVERINE / GMC

1000-GPM HALE FRONT MOUNT PUMP
1250-GAL. POLYPROPYLENE TANK
LADDERS
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PUMP, 1000-GALLON TANK, LADDERS, (2)
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HOSE, 12V LED SCENE LIGHTS, (2) INLET
RELIEF VALVES, HYDRANT WRENCH/SPANNER
SET, 5" LARGE DIAMETER HOSE SPANNER SET,
ADJUSTABLE MOUNTED DECK GUN.



1000-GALLONS

1988 CHEVROLET KODIAK

DIESEL / AUTOMATIC, TOP MOUNT HALE
1000-GPM PUMP, 1000-GALLON TANK, 800
FEET OF 4" LARGE DIAMETER HOSE, 300 FEET
OF 1 3/4" HOSE, 400 FEET OF 3" COUPLED 2
1/2" HOSE, DECK GUN CONNECTION (NO
DECK GUN), & SPEEDLAYS



2000-GALLONS

1994 GMC TOPKICK

DIESEL / AUTOMATIC, AIR RIDE SEATS & AIR HORN, 2000-GAL. STEEL
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PUMP, NEW L.E.D. EMERGENCY WARNING PKG., NEW SIREN & SPEAKER,
WILL HAVE NFPA STRIPE ON SIDES AND CHEVRON ON REAR

WE FINANCE!



1000-GALLONS

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DIESEL / 5-SPD. TRANSMISSION, 4-DOOR ENCLOSED CAB, 1500-GPM
PUMP, 1000-GALLON TANK, 4400-MILES, GOOD TIRES & INTERIOR,
QUARTZ LIGHTS, DECK GUN, EMERGENCY WARNING PKG.
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MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATER FUNDRAISER

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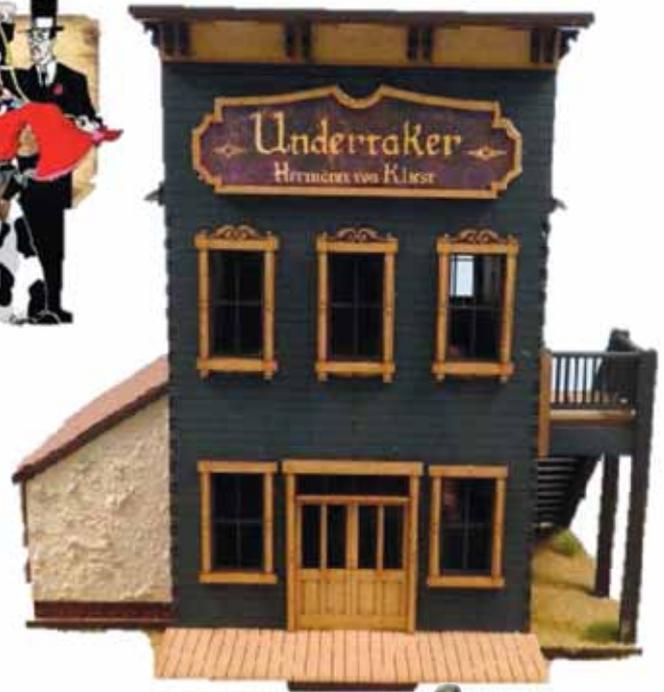


When: Saturday, August 24th, 2013
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
Show Begins at 7:00 p.m.

Where: White Chapel Funeral Home
6600 Antioch Road
Gladstone, MO. 64119

Tickets \$45 Each:

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- Dessert
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OTHER UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS

HELP PATCH A BROKEN HEART CAMPAIGN

The help patch a broken heart campaign is a way a department can help sponsor the conference. A minimum \$150 donation will allow your agency's patch to be sewn into our survivors quilt.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join us on July 15th at Old Hickory Golf Course, St. Peters, Missouri for our golf tournament to raise funds for the survivors conference. Details on our Facebook page.

5K FOAM RACE

Save the date of September 7th, 2013 as we host a 5K Foam Race. Details will be posted soon on Facebook.

9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

September 8th, 2013, climb 110 stories in honor and memory of the New York Firefighters who lost their lives that fateful day. This link will take you to the Clayton, Missouri stair climb website for full details.

www.claytonstairclimb.com

--www.facebook.com/2014StInfffSurvivorsConference

NFFS SURVIVOR CONFERENCE

by Brian Zinanni

As you know, the State of Missouri, Firefighters Memorial Foundation and Funeral Assistance Team, and the City of Clayton Fire Department have been very busy planning for the 2014 National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) annual Survivors Conference that will be held in Clayton, Missouri, May 4th – 9th, 2014.

Each year, the NFFF hosts the Survivor's Conference to give family members of our Nation's Fallen Firefighters a place to gather where they can share with others who have suffered similar loss. During this week, survivors will be presented with life skills and educational classes to assist them. Examples of classes have included; home and auto repair, financial planning, how do I talk to my children about grief, and how do I go on my next first date. Bringing survivors together in a place where they feel safe expressing their emotions is paramount to the success of the conference.

In October 2012, the Funeral Assistance Team approached the NFFF with a request to not only host the conference, but to also work hard in assisting the NFFF in offsetting costs associated with the conference. Much of the expected \$500,000 conference costs are covered by a Federal Grant. Reductions in grant funds have required the NFFF to cut back on amenities provided for the benefit of the survivors. Our commitment to the foundation has proven very successful. To date, the fire service of Missouri has raised nearly \$50,000 through many different fund-raising campaigns and



negotiated cost offsets. This marks 50% of our desired \$100,000 fund-raising campaign.

We have several additional fund-raisers planned, and are always looking for groups to host a fund-raiser to support this most important cause. Several departments have held fund-raisers such as a bbq or pancake breakfast and donated proceeds to this cause. Be sure to let me know if you would like to host an event to assist in any way.

UPCOMING PLANNED FUNDRAISERS:

- July 15th, 2013 – 3 man scramble golf tournament, St. Peters, Missouri.
- August 24th, 2013 – Murder Mystery Dinner Theater, Gladstone, Missouri
- September 7th, 2013 – 5K Obstacle Fun Run, Labadie, Missouri.
- September 8th, 2013 – 9/11 Stair-climb, Clayton, Missouri.

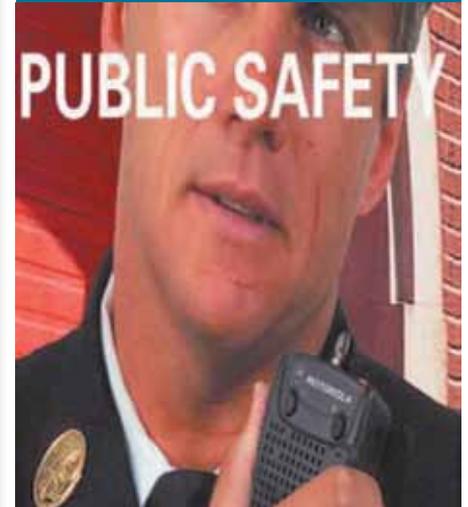
You can find information on these fund-raising events on the funeral team website at www.mofirefuneral.org and you can follow the progress of our efforts on our facebook page at www.facebook.com/2014StlNfffSurvivorsConference

Thank you kindly,
Brian Zinanni
Team Coordinator



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Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

JUNE 2ND 2013

SEDALIA, MISSOURI

President Chris Slaughter, Warrenton FPD, called meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

7 members present; Chris Slaughter - Warrenton FPD, Diane Hanes - Galt FPD; Jessica Miller - Norborne FPD; Theresa Cox - Wentzville FPD; Sheri Berendzen - Cole County FPD; Ann Jones - Madison West Monroe FPD; Robin Schrage - Jefferson R-7 FPD.

READING OF THE MEETING NOTES:

It was suggested we dispense with reading the entire meeting notes from previous meeting starting at this meeting and continue to do so going forth. The by-laws were reviewed and this was not in any violation. The Auxiliary meeting notes are on the FFAM web page and can be reviewed by the membership before the meeting. At future meetings if any changes need to be noted they shall be done when asked if there are any corrections to be made.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Beginning balance was \$2,430.24. Income \$1,385.00. Sale of cookbooks, angel pins and truck banks were \$90.00. The silent auction and 50/50 raffle raised \$1,095.00. Dues collected at convention, \$20.00. Expenses, \$302.65. Sheri Berendzen pictures and Hard Drive for historian, \$169.33. Missy Erdel engraving and plaque, \$105.00. Theresa Cox printing of convention materials, \$28.32. New Balance, \$3,512.59.

Sheri Berendzen made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read, seconded by Diane Hanes, motion passed.

It was discussed according to the Auxiliary by-laws, any donation ideas should be brought to the Auxiliary President; whom shall make a motion to the officers; then the officers vote on the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

The Candlelight and Memorial Services were very successful again this year. Those in attendance indicated that they were very beautiful, heart felt services, and they were touched by the bag pipes again this year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP:

Susan sent the officers list containing the names of all membership, Honorary Members and Long Stand Members. Thank you Susan for these list. Chris will send these list out to the entire membership.

AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR:

Chris made us aware we failed to get an article in this last newsletter about Jenny Smith from the Warrenton FPD being this years recipient of this award. Jenny we are truly sorry for this oversight. The article will be included in the next issue. The members of this committee are now Missy, Dolores and Jenny.

POSTER CONTEST: Nothing to report.

NOMINATIONS:

Next year is an even year, officers will be nominated at the 2014's convention. It was discussed if an officer can be asked to stay for another term (two years) or new officers be nominated for any or all positions.

BYLAWS: Nothing to report.

HISTORIAN:

Sheri indicated she purchased an overhead projector, a drive and a surge protector. She still had just over \$20 left from the gracious gift from Roberta Sayers from Galt FPD. The remaining monies will go into the general funds. Still needing some of the names for the pictures taken at the convention. She took over 300 pictures.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: Nothing to report.

CONVENTION:

Everyone indicated they enjoyed the 2013 convention. Everyone will remember the various weather during the convention consisting of rain, snow, sleet, and sun all in one day and the great guest speaker at the banquet. Thank you Carthage for a good convention. The 2014 Convention will be held in Festus by the Jefferson County Fire Association. Robin reported it will be at the Best Western Hotel. Officers need to make their reservations for the rooms by September 1st. Jessica thanked Robin for remembering the Auxiliary officers for room reservations.

CONTEST/GAMES: Nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Fire School is in Jefferson City, and will not have an Expo this year.

Copies of the "Duties of the FFAM Host Department for the Auxiliary" was shared.

Discussed door prizes and white elephants for next years convention. Neither have to be fire related. Door prizes are nice gift items such as frames, candles, bath and body items, etc. wrapped nicely. White elephants are items gently used or items you no longer want, wrapped in news paper and you price for \$.10 and above. They are for a fun activity at the end of the meeting on Sunday at convention.

Discussed the installation of new officers should be something special. Suggestions were to have flowers, candles, etc. Make it a ceremony.

Jessica made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Diane. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Theresa Cox,
Secretary/Treasurer 2012 - 2013
Wentzville FPD



CLAYTON 2013 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

Registration is open and filling fast!!

Climb is Sunday – September 8, 2013

When: 10:00am or 1:30pm

Where: 7733 Forsyth Blvd. Clayton, MO

Registration: \$25 plus processing fee

All participants are encouraged to obtain a minimum of \$55 in donations and pledges to benefit the programs of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation



Climb 110 stories to honor the Firefighters of the FDNY that made the supreme sacrifice during the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. The event will be capped at only 343 participants.



Visit www.claytonstairclimb.com for more information or scan the barcode to register for the event.

Have questions? Contact Jason Hildebrandt at jhildebrandt@claytonmo.gov



FIRE PREVENTION POSTER WINNERS



Poster Contest - 3rd & 4th Grade: 3rd place winner from Marthasville VFD

District 7 Director RB Brown, Anah Barthe and Fire Chief Jeff Backhaus



Vanessa Graham, Beaufort Leslie FPD



Elizabeth Simily, Union FPD



Aubrey Witte and Ella Weber, Washington VFD

FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL SERVICE – MAY 19TH, 2013



CENTRAL TANEY COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

1st Annual Sporting Clays Tournament Held at Ozark Shooters On October 26th, 2013



Bring The Family for a day of Fun! 100 round Sporting Clays tournament. Games for kids! Lunch for everyone. Gun raffle. Lots of Raffles! Team and Individual Prizes, And a traveling fireman's Cup for teams with 3 or more Firefighters on them.

All proceeds will go to the Firefighter's Association of Central Taney County Fire Protection District and will be used toward a training facility.

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REGISTRATION:

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Safety Meeting **9:15 p.m.**

Shooting Starts **9:30 p.m.**

Lunch and Awards To Follow

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Includes: 100 Sporting Clays
Door Prizes
Lunch
Team and Individual Prizes!

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Shooter #1 (Lead contact for the team)

Name: _____

Team Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Shooter #2:

Name: _____

Shooter #3:

Name: _____

Shooter #4:

Name: _____

Shooter #5:

Name: _____

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS A TRAINING FACILITY



History's CORNER

A TRIBUTE TO AN OLD AND DEAR FRIEND

by Bill Westhoff

The first time I met John Sachen my immediate reaction was that he was an overly zealous two way radio salesman who wanted an in, to be able to sell his products at our Summer Fire School. That was way before there was any product displays or commercial activities attached to fire school and I was somewhat skeptical but listened to his pitch. He really got my attention when he offered at no charge to set up a complete radio system for us to use during fire school to coordinate all the activities, including several portables and a base station.

This was in the mid 1970's and Fire Service Training had little equipment of their own and usually had to borrow or "liberate" things from local fire departments to accomplish their training mission. Needless to say, having a reliable radio system was a great improvement. I am not sure but I do not think any of that demo radio system ever made it back to the communication company that John represented.

I had no way of knowing at the time what compassion and enthusiasm this man had for the fire service, but it didn't take me long to find out. After that first fire school John became a "fixture" around Columbia and the State representing the best anyone could offer in the area of instruction.

There are a million "John Sachen" stories and you can visit almost any fire station in the state and hear one or two. The day after I received the sad news of his passing I was at the headquarters station of the Western Taney County Fire District here in Branson visiting with Chief Chris Berndt and he pointed out a huge picture that hangs in the entrance of their offices of an 8000 gallon fuel tanker on fire on



Highway 76 near Branson. John was at their department teaching one of his many "Ignitable Liquids and Class B Foam" classes when the fire occurred. In his normal "take charge" fashion, John took the classroom to the field and put the fire out.

In one of my articles in the newsletter several months ago I used this picture (lower right) about flammable liquid and foam fire training at the Summer Fire School. Those classes were back in the dark ages when the Summer Fire School was conducted in Columbia. John, Louie Gray and several of the long standing regulars would show up in Columbia days before the actual school started to do things like build this temporary training prop. It was put together with mostly junk that we stored in an area at the University's South Farms.

In the caption of this photo I called this home made prop the "John Sachen Memorial Bulk Plant" and made several nice comments about John and his dedication to instruction. Two days after the newsletter was mailed out he called me to thank me for the recognition.

I remember clearly some of his first words were..."I won't keep you long, just wanted to thank you for the nice comments". As anyone who knew John knows, there were no brief conversations with him any time you were discussing any fire subject. About an hour later, we got off the phone after reminiscing about lots of subjects and lots of locations in the state where we had conducted classes together and had great times.



The John Sachen Memorial Bulk Plant

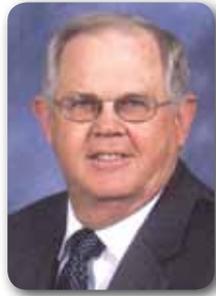
One of those stories concerned a fire that had occurred during one of the many Summer Fire Schools in Columbia. The fire was in a huge USDA office and storage building at the University South Farms in the Boone County FD jurisdiction. I was the County Fire Chief at the time, as well as the fire-training director for the University. Naturally, a big fire during fire school attracted the attention of lots of fire school students and instructors. Since John would drive half way across the state if anyone would keep something burning long enough to get there, he was one of the first on the scene. We were not particular in those days about what your bunker coat said on the back and if you had gear you were in the fight!

John and I had a quick conversation at the command post (the back of my station wagon) about something he had read about in "Fire Engineering" called a "trench cut". At that point I was willing to try about anything cause this thing was going south in a hurry. John rapidly became in charge of the "roof sector" and we gave this new process a try. To make what could be a several page story shorter, after about three trench cuts, we finally ran out of roof and the building was a total loss. My fellow instructor and friend Ed Munday had a favorite philosophy in which he said, "There are just some buildings that God has destined to burn down." This was one of those buildings.

Of course, after spending the entire night at the South Farm Fire, we still have a fire school to conduct the next day.

So that hour phone conversation was the last time I had a chance to visit with my friend about what a fabulous life we have had in the service to others. There are hundreds of fire fighters and fire officers across this state and nation who have learned from John that foam works if you know how to apply it and buildings will fall on your head if there is a fire in the attic. But most of them also learned what passion and dedication he had for our profession. Passing that passion along to others will be his greatest legacy.

RIP my friend.



THE MUSEUM PROJECT

BY RON BAKER

Thank you to all who purchased flags for the "Fire Fighters' Field of Flags" for the Memorial Service and through Flag Day. While the original plan was to take the flags down and mail them to the purchasers after Memorial Day, we had to change plans. My wife and I had a family health emergency that we had to tend to, thus, the flags remained on display until Flag Day. My apologies for not getting them mailed out. I hope to have them ready to mail by the middle of July. We sold 72 flags and posted 104 flags. If you saw them your would agree, it was quite an impressive sight. I want to thank Todd Pritchett, Bart Houseworth, Randy Bell, and Shawn Pettigrew (Fulton Fire Department) for helping post the flags. Also helping with the posting was Doc Kritzer, Diana Kritzer, and Donna Baker. Shawn Pettigrew and Matt Dodd (Central Callaway Volunteer Fire Department) assisted by Kim Fitzsimmons (Holts Summit VPD) for taking pictures of the display. We will definitely do this project again next year. Literally thousands of people saw it as they drove by on I-70.

I received word recently that our Museum Project has been approved by the Missouri State Employees Charitable Campaign. State employees can now designate our project and have funds withheld from their paychecks. I will have more information in the next newsletter as the program does not begin until August.

Work is progressing on our Fire Fighters' Museum website. We will have information about the Memorial, Museum Project, Kneeling Fire Fighter Statue as well as various fund raising possibilities, including, "Foot In The Door"; Project 343; Fire Fighters' Field of Flags; and Raffle items. Among the raffle items we will be offering are: genuine fire fighters'

helmet (donated by Franco) and autographed by NASCAR driver Carl Edwards; a firefighter statue autographed by Carl Edwards; a firefighter statue mounted on a solid walnut base; framed posters; firefighter themed Precious Moments figurines; a framed print of a tiger oil painting (Titled: MIZ – SEC); an autographed CD from David Nail, a rising country music star; and numerous other items.

I would like to begin a display of patches for the project. I have a number already, but would ask others to send theirs to me to include. One such patch was sent to me by a battalion commander in the FDNY (who lost several of his fire fighters in the World Trade Center). He took the patch from off his uniform and sent it to us for our display. Send your patches to: Dr. Ron Baker, P.O. Box 245, Fulton, MO 65251.

Thank you for the support and encouragement you have given me. I recognize the slow progress, but with your help and support, the opportunity is there.



MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY ASSOCIATION SUMMER CAMP

by Shawna Robinson, The Daily Journal

To celebrate her 8th birthday, Madalyn Raith of Fredericktown had streaks of blue in her blonde hair. She said her aunt dyed it for her to celebrate the big day.

“It’s actually teal color,” she said, spelling it out. “T-E-A-L.”

Madalyn is attending her second Muscular Dystrophy Association summer camp. This year the camp for the St. Louis Association of MDA is being held at Pinecrest Camp, in rural Madison County.

Madalyn’s counselor for the week is Olivia Henson from Troy, Ill. On her first morning at camp, Madalyn said she was excited for what the week would hold in store for her. On her first night she was able to enjoy a campfire treat.

“We made s’mores,” she said. “I got a little messy with the marshmallow all over my face.”

According to the MDA website, www.mda.org, the organization was founded in 1950 and is one of the world’s leading nonprofit health organizations, funding research and health care and support services covering more than 40 neuromuscular diseases affecting more than a million Americans.

The summer camp is for children ages 6 to 17 who are affected by any of the 40 neuromuscular diseases. This year 61 campers enjoyed a week at Pinecrest with days full of fun and activities. There were also 75 volunteers at the camp. Each camper has a one-on-one counselor who stays by their side during the week.

Fred and David Yates, the father and son team who oversee operations of Pinecrest, expressed it was an honor for their facility to be chosen to host this year’s camp, which began on Sunday and ran until Friday.



David said during registration on Sunday campers were eagerly looking around and asking for their friends they see each year during their week at MDA summer camp.

“We are absolutely thrilled to have them here,” said Fred.

David said it’s been a busy year of preparation at the camp to make sure everything would be ready for the campers when they arrived.

Monica Meriwether is a healthcare service coordinator with MDA. She expressed her gratitude to Pinecrest for the work they had done to prepare for the camp.

“Our experience has been nothing but positive. This is a new working relationship. They’ve bent over backwards to help us and accommodate us,” she said.

Due to the uniqueness of the camp experience for the children, Meriwether said the preparations to host a camp of this type can be a little daunting.

“We want to make sure that everything is available to the campers,” she said. “Pinecrest has done nothing but do that to the best of their abilities.”

Each camper is able to attend the summer camp at no cost to their families.

“The day camp ends is probably the day we start planning for next year. The kids are already looking forward to next year the minute they are driving out of camp,” said Jeanine Schierbecker of MDA. “It takes a lot of work and a lot of effort from a lot of different people.”

The first thing most people think of when hearing about MDA is the Labor Day telethon.

“If people are familiar with the telethon, this is where you can see the money really makes a difference,” said Schierbecker. “People can grasp what a great program this is for the kids.”

And the kids also express what the week means to them as well.

“They say this is the best week of the year ... it’s better than Christmas,” said Meriwether.

Theresa Gabriel is also a health service coordinator. She says the St. Louis region for MDA encompasses a large area. Campers from Kentucky, southern Illinois, and mid-Missouri were at Pinecrest.

“That’s another reason why they enjoy camp,” explained Gabriel, in that it helps them to reconnect with their friends.

Gabriel said she made multiple trips to Pinecrest in the time before camp began. She said the size of the camp made it a good fit for the MDA.

“We have a lot of kids who are eligible to go to camp — more than 200. This camp can grow with us as more and more kids want to attend,” she said.

The camp had a full week of activities planned. The football team from Anna-Jonosboro were at camp on Monday to help the campers with boat building. A group of volunteers with White Castle were also lending a hand. One special guest on Monday was Fredbird from the St. Louis Cardinals. He went from camper to camper as they worked with their groups on making boats.

On Thursday morning local fire departments — and a few from the St. Louis area — visited with campers. The campers participated in a BINGO game where they had to find certain items on their card to win.

Fredericktown Fire Chief John Clark said one of the campers came up to him and asked, “are you a fire chief?” “After he marked his spot on his bingo card and headed away from me, his dad walked up to me and said, ‘you don’t know how big of a thing that is for him to ask you that. He never talks to anyone,’” Clark recalled.

Gabriel said one thing that stands out about camp is the confidence it gives to those who attend. She told the story of



a young man who spoke at the national MDA convention. He is a Notre Dame graduate and was there to speak about what camp meant to him.

“His story was about how he gained confidence attending camp. He always thought he could only have his family to help care for him. When he went to camp and saw that others would be able to help him, it gave him the confidence he needed to see he could be out on his own,” she said.

Head Coach Brett Detering of the Anna-Jonesboro Wildcats told how he brought his team to Pinecrest to assist at the camp as a part of their B.M.O.C. program ... Be Men of Character.

Detering explained the team has chosen to support MDA. They had made a goal to raise enough money this year to send six kids to camp. The cost for one camper to attend is \$800.

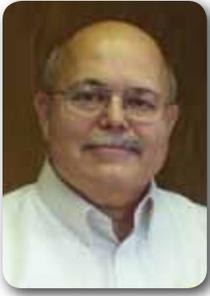
The reason for the squad choosing MDA is because of Detering’s son. “I have a son who has Muscular Dystrophy, so I’m familiar with the organization. He’s not quite 5 yet, so he’s not eligible to attend camp,” he said.

The team will have a “white-out” game on Sept. 13. Players will be looking for sponsors and fundraising towards reaching their goal of sending kids to camp.

“I wanted our kids to come out here and see what camp means to these kids,” he said. “I know that for us, when we leave our kids will have a greater appreciation and will be changed in a positive way.”

MDA CAMP AT A GLANCE

- Organization started in 1950
- Supports services and care of those with any of 40 neuromuscular diseases
- More than 1 million Americans affected
- Regional camp held this year at Pinecrest
- Included 61 campers, 75 volunteers
- Cost per camper is \$800
- Cost covered by fundraising, free to campers



Director's Comments

David Hedrick
Director



University of Missouri Extension, Fire and Rescue Training Institute

The University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute (MU FRTI) is in the process of compiling statistics for the 2013 fiscal year (FY13) that ended June 30. Utilizing all programming and funding sources, the Institute estimates training over 13,000 fire and emergency service responders in FY13. MU FRTI was honored to play a significant role in providing needed training across the state; and we look forward to continuing to serve you, the Fire Service of Missouri, in this next fiscal year.

The month of June was an extremely sad month for the faculty and staff of MU FRTI with the passing of two of our personnel. After an extended illness, Fire Service Instructor John Sachen passed away on June 21st, 2013. Within a week, Regional Training Coordinator Lee Ireland passed away suddenly on June 26th, 2013. On behalf of the MU FRTI faculty and staff, I wish to express our sincerest condolences to John's and Lee's families, associated fire departments, and their many friends, colleagues, and former students.

John entered the profession of firefighting as a reserve firefighter in the early 1950s while still in high school. During his life John had a diverse career, serving as an instructor in the United States Air Force, working in the communication and electronics industry, and eventually serving as Chief of Fire Protection and Chemical Response with Mallinckrodt Chemical Company. John was a member of the Delta Fire Protection District, and served in a variety of capacities including Fire Instructor and Hazmat Officer. John became a guest instructor with the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute in 1978. He helped plan and teach in the first Winter Fire School

training event held in 1982, and remained on-board as a fire school instructor for many years. John served MU FRTI as an Adjunct Instructor, Industrial Training Coordinator, and as one of the Institute's Senior Fire Instructors. John was the recipient of the MU FRTI Instructor of the Year Award for 2006–2007. He taught a wide and diverse variety of courses and authored and developed a number of courses for the Institute.

Lee began his fire service avocation in 1969 with the Neosho Fire Department as a volunteer firefighter, driver, and captain. During his life he served with number of agencies and organizations, and willingly assumed leadership positions. Lee became an Adjunct Instructor with the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute in 1985. In 2002, Lee was appointed as one of MU FRTI's Regional Training Coordinators serving State Highway Patrol Region D (Southwest Missouri), a position he retained until his untimely death. Over the years, Lee was a consistent presence at MU FRTI Fire Schools. He served on the Command Team for both Winter and Summer Fire Schools. Lee was currently serving as a Region D Training Coordinator for MU FRTI at the time of his passing.

Both John and Lee touched many lives through their multiple roles in public service. Those who learned the profession of firefighting from them, were mentored and helped by them, were their fellow workers/firefighters, and their colleagues at MU FRTI will all cherish our memories of each of them. These men were dedicated and highly respected Fire Service Professionals which contributed much on behalf of many.

Missouri's Fire Service and MU FRTI have lost two highly skilled and dedicated individuals with the passing of Senior Fire Instructor John Sachen and Regional Training Coordinator Lee Ireland. In recognition of their service we offer the heart felt traditional fire service homage: God's Speed – well done thy true and faithful servants. A tribute with more information about the lives and careers of John Sachen and Lee Ireland can be found on the MU FRTI website under the "news" page at: www.mufrti.org.

Earlier in the month of June we saw reports that the number of Firefighter on-duty deaths in the United States for 2012 was a total of 64 firefighters. According to the National Fire Protection Association, this is the lowest level since tracking of firefighter statistics began in 1977. However, as we have seen in recent months there have been a number of firefighter deaths in the first half of 2013, including multiple firefighter fatalities in the explosion in West Texas in April. As I was writing this article I saw the shocking news reports regarding nineteen firefighter fatalities in Arizona as a result of the Yarnell Hill Wildland Fire north of Phoenix, Arizona. The firefighters were members of the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew, part of the Prescott Fire Department. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those affected by this tragic loss. One never knows what life or the next emergency call will bring. Please take every precaution in the performance of your firefighting duties, and work and train to provide the greatest safety possible for yourself, your fellow firefighters, and the citizens you serve.

On May 17th, MU FRTI presented our annual statewide training proposal to the Division of Fire Safety (DFS) and the Fire

Safety Education/Advisory Commission for consideration of funding for the delivery of various training courses. MU FRTI is pleased to announce that the Institute has been awarded over \$101,000 in state funding to support training initiatives for FY14. This funding will once again allow the delivery of "no-cost" training to firefighters across the state. The training will better prepare firefighters to handle fires and other emergencies in their local communities, thus enabling safer firefighters, safer citizens, and safer communities. MU FRTI looks forward to continuing their work with DFS and the Fire Safety Education/Advisory Commission to improve the fire service in the State of Missouri through education and training.

As we continue the planning and scheduling of training courses for this fiscal year (FY14), I encourage each fire department to contact your MU FRTI Regional Training Coordinator or the Institute to discuss your department's training needs and how the Institute can assist in providing courses to meet your training initiatives.

In May 2013, the Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation of Missouri held the 11th Annual Memorial Service. Despite a brief shower on Sunday before the memorial, the weather cooperated again this year for the services to be held at the memorial site. The services were well attended and provided a memorable tribute to honor the firefighters that had fallen in the line of duty this past year, as well as a remembrance of the current and former firefighters who had passed away during the year. As always, the Memorial Foundation did an excellent job on the ceremony; it will be a lasting memory to all those in attendance.

MU FRTI conducted the 81st Annual Summer Fire School (SFS) in Jefferson City on June 5th – 9th, 2013. The weather was great for SFS this year with temperatures only in the 80s. In speaking with a number of the students and instructors, they all commented on the fact that the moderate temperatures helped reduce the number of breaks (due to the mild

conditions) which allowed for extra opportunities for training activities. There were over 500 students, faculty, and staff participating in this year's training event. MU FRTI expresses appreciation to Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Jefferson City Fire Department, Big Rivers Forest Fire Compact, and the many individuals whose contributions continue to make SFS a grand success. As always, thank you to the SFS Command Team for their excellent job of providing safe and efficient operational activities during the event. The planning is already under way for the 82nd Annual Summer Fire School to be held in June 2014. We appreciate our partner organizations and the fire service personnel of Missouri for the continued support of this important training event.

As reported in the last edition of the FFAM Newsletter, MU FRTI moved to a new office location in April. The new address for MU FRTI is: 1110 S. College Ave, Columbia, MO 65211-3410. Phone numbers and e-mail contacts remain the same. We, along with our MU Extension counterparts, will be hosting an Open House on July 31st, 2013, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Special remarks will be made at 4:15 p.m. by Extension Administration. Please join us at the Open House and tour the new office location. More information will be forthcoming on our website.

We appreciate the continuing support of the state's fire and emergency service organizations, and most importantly you, the fire service personnel of Missouri. The MU FRTI staff and I look forward to continuing to provide quality fire and emergency service training programs to Missouri's emergency responders. For more information on MU FRTI, please view our website at www.mufrti.org or contact us at (800) 869-3476 or (573) 882-4735.

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Stafford Fire Protection District – 1st Annual Sporting Clay Tournament For MDA



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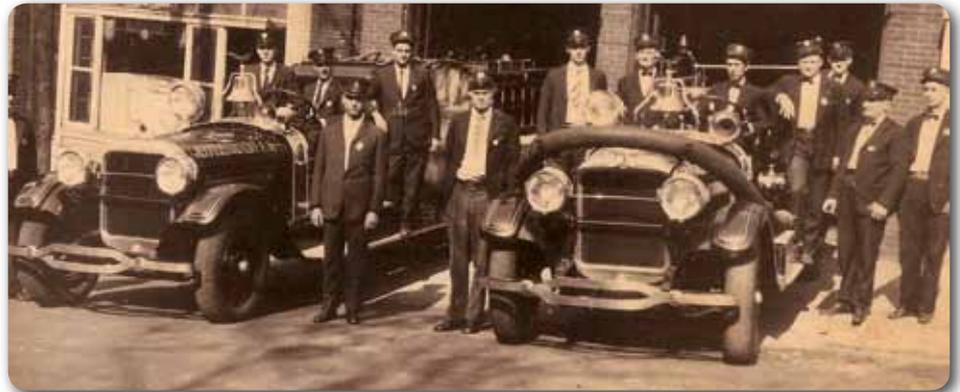
communities and helped form these fire companies.

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