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# PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

## Greetings Fellow Firefighters

**Kenneth Hoover**  
President



Spring is just around the corner and I am sure all of us are ready for its arrival. It has been a busy winter with many activities that we all attended. I know I am ready for the season to change and for the life to return to the trees and grass and for things to come alive again.

Winter Fire School was a huge success thanks to MU Fire and Rescue Training Institute's hard work. Thank you for the commitment to educate and keep our emergency service personnel safe.

My thoughts at this time are to encourage everyone to participate in the grand opening of Silver Dollar City's "Fireman's Landing". They have spared no expense in this dedication and I appreciate the opportunity they have extended

to the FFAM to be one of the lead fire service organizations to help them celebrate this milestone in their history.

Please take this time to take your family to Silver Dollar City and be a part of history in the making. They are planning numerous activities in our honor. Please contact your district director for more information or contact Dr. Ron Baker from the Memorial Foundation or 2nd Vice President Charlie Nuebert. They both have worked many hours making this event possible. Thanks men.

Our annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial service is quickly approaching on May 16 for the Candlelight Service and May 17 for the Sunday morning services.

Please consider this your personal invitation to participate in the honor guard, bag piper, antique fire equipment, and any other task you desire. Just let me know please. I am looking for a commander for the honor guard, so if you are interested please let me know.

Lake Ozark area fire departments are busy putting the final touches on our upcoming annual convention. If you have not done so, please send your registrations in as soon as possible so they can plan accordingly.

Also if possible please send your contest registrations in so everything can be ready for Saturday morning. I hope there are many teams competing for the bragging rights as the best in the state. We all have so much fun competing and just being together as a big family.

Again, anyone wishing to participate or help with the annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial service, please contact me at 573-581-6235 or [chiefhoover@sbcglobal.net](mailto:chiefhoover@sbcglobal.net).

Everyone have a great and safe spring. As always, your officers and board of directors of FFAM are always available if you have a need. Please contact one for assistance.

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# FIRE MARSHAL'S UPDATE

**Greg Carrell**  
Acting State Fire Marshal



## Missouri Division of Fire Safety

As I write this article, I am looking out over the snowy fields of Big Cedar Lodge trying to convince myself that spring is just around the corner. At home, I have seen the signs of the impending spring; birds flying north, crocus blooming along the sidewalk and robins arriving in flocks. After what seems to have been a long winter, I welcome the thought of spring. Spring has to be one of my favorite seasons. A time of growth and renewal; not just for the trees, grass and flowers, but also of the spirit.

I can hear some asking, "Ok Greg, where are you headed with this thought?" Last article I mentioned my New Year's resolutions, to train and get into better shape. So far, those goals are coming along well. But, I have found times in the last few months that I let the winter doldrums play a role in my personal and work life. Spring gives me a chance to examine how well I have performed and try to renew my resolve to perform my duties better and focus my energy on growth. Not just personal growth, but the growth of our division and Missouri's fire service.

I was reminded of this very thing a week ago when I had the privilege to testify in a hearing on a legislative initiative that would give a tax deduction to volunteer firefighters who achieve a minimal level of training each year. I heard volunteer firefighters described as "selfless", "dedicated" and "community minded," words I echoed in my testimony to the committee hearing the legislation. I'm not certain the bill will become a law. But, I found great pride as I watched the committee members nod their heads in agreement with the sentiments being shared. I know at times it can be difficult to remember your volunteering is appreciated. In that hearing I saw that it was appreciated.

Providing protections to volunteers and volunteer retention in the fire service are two things which I feel deeply about.

We will support proposed legislation containing changes to Missouri's Line of Duty Death benefit. These changes will result in it being less burdensome on the family of a fallen firefighter to receive the state benefit as well as mirroring the Federal benefit guidelines.

I promise I will continue to push to bring these messages to those who can make a difference in how the fire service grows in Missouri.

In February, the division was honored to be present as several community colleges came together to discuss firefighter training and education. The outcome of that meeting was community colleges will begin to work on providing equality of training through a more standardized curriculum for those choosing to attend a community college with a goal of obtaining a degree in a fire science discipline. We will keep you informed on how this progresses, but the concept was well received and bodes well for Missouri's fire service.

As spring approaches, the opportunities for training also increase. I will be out and about the state, popping in on courses

presented by our contracted training vendors. If you see me in class, be sure to take a moment to introduce yourself and please share your fire service experiences with me.

Remember April 15 is Firefighters' Day at the Capitol. Consider coming to Jefferson City to show your support for our fire service. It is the "one voice" of the fire service that will help us advance the causes important to all of us.

Finally, I want to remind each of you once again of the importance of coming home after each emergency call. Your families, friends and communities rely on you for so much. Please remember your obligations to them as you perform your duties.

I hope all of you find a renewal of spirit and growth in the upcoming spring.

Stay safe.

Greg Carrell  
Acting State Fire Marshal

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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, February 1, 2015 at the State Fair Fire Department in Sedalia, Missouri.

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

President Kenneth Hoover, Little Dixie FPD; First Vice President Tim Bean, West Plains FD; Secretary Treasurer Jaime Miller, Johnson County FPD.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

District 1, Terry Wynne, Galt FPD; District 2, Greg Wright, Shelbina FD; District 6, Richard Gordon, Cole County FPD; District 7, RB Brown, Eureka FD; District 11, Monty Thompson, Kearney FPD.

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District 1, Janet Cain, Braymer FR; District 2, Vernon Cash, Shelbina FD; District 4, Jonathan Evans, Lincoln FD; District 6, Gary Berendzen, Cole County FPD; District 10, Greg Brown, Eureka FPD; District 11, Roger Meyers, Concordia FPD; District 11, Ryan Miller, Norborne FPD; District 14, Glenn Dittmar, South Central Buchanan County FD.

**GUESTS:**

Past President Keith Smith, Warrenton FPD; Historian Kay Asher, Wentzville FPD. David Hedrick, MU FRTI; Larry Jennings, Larry Eggen, Johnson County FPD; Donald Vaucher, Harriett Vaucher, Eureka FPD; Grant Oetting, Higginsville F&R; Holden Peel, Norborne FPD; Rick Johnson, Knob Noster FD.

President Hoover advised for the minutes to reflect that a quorum was present.

**AGENDA:**

President Hoover asked for additions to the agenda. Glen Dittmar moved to

accept the agenda as presented. Tim Bean seconded the motion and all approved.

**MINUTES:**

President Hoover asked for corrections or additions to the December 7, 2014 meeting minutes. No corrections were made. Terry Wynne moved to accept the minutes as presented. Greg Wright seconded the motion and all approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

President Hoover asked for a review of the December 2014 financial reports. Tim Bean moved to accept the financial reports as presented. Monty Thompson seconded the motion and all approved.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUEST(S):**

David Hedrick with MU FRTI reported Winter Fire School will be held February 6-8. Registrations are still being accepted. There is a higher enrollment this year so far. The new grain engulfment rescue simulator was received this week. Train-the-trainer courses will begin in March. MU FRTI is looking for corporate partnerships to help with funding materials so that the training can be offered free to departments. The approximate cost for an 8 hour training will be \$3,500. MU FRTI is currently taking interest requests however, no classes are being scheduled yet. The simulator is strictly a rescue prop and not a fire prop.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

No correspondence was received.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Chief Jennings reported that he has been working on the SAFER grant. The application period is February 9 – March 6 for the 2014 grant period.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Secretary Miller presented information from Billion Auto Group which offers

state bid concessions for firefighters. The auto group is located in Iowa as well as several other states. Billion Auto Group would like to advertise in the newsletter and make available their discount program to FFAM members. Discussion followed. The Board authorized to proceed with advertising and the benefit program for FFAM members.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS****AWARDS COMMITTEE:**

Larry Jennings advised that a couple of nominations have been received. The nomination period ends February 28.

**BUDGET COMMITTEE:**

1st VP Bean advised that the Sprinkler Coalition Board will be holding a symposium March 10 in Columbia. The symposium is aimed at educating the fire service on sprinklers. The board is attempting to raise funds for the symposium. 1st VP Bean moved that the FFAM help sponsor the Sprinkler Coalition Symposium with a \$250 donation. Terry Wynne seconded the motion and all approved.

**BYLAWS COMMITTEE:**

Secretary Miller advised that the proposed bylaw changes are in the current newsletter and will be presented for approval at the convention.

**CHAPLAIN COMMITTEE:**

David Hedrick reported that the Missouri Fire Chaplain's Corp conference will be May 4-5 in Arnold, MO. There will be an introduction course for fire chaplains as well as CEU's. Greg Wright reported that a training course, "Grieving Behind the Badge" will be held Oct. 16-17. More information will be available at convention.

#### **CONTEST COMMITTEE:**

Richard Gordon reported he has viewed the contest site and there will be adequate room. The committee would like to get as many pre-registrations as possible to help expedite the process.

Gordon also discussed possible joint fundraisers with Honor Flight and the FFAM. The Honor Flight group will possibly be hosting a Poker Run from the Memorial and may request assistance from FFAM members. He will present more information as it becomes available.

#### **CONVENTION COMMITTEE:**

The dates for the 2015 convention are May 1-3 at Tan-Tar-A. President Hoover advised that a 2014 expense report has been received from Jeffco regarding the 2014 convention. The committee showed a profit of \$7,482.65 with 10% given back to FFAM for a total of \$748.27.

#### **EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**

Larry Eggen advised that he and Rick Dozier will be attending a train-the-trainer program hosted by the Missouri Propane Association in Prescott, AZ. The training is completely funded and will allow them to bring the program back to Missouri with the intention of hosting the training to Missouri departments. More information will be provided as it becomes available.

#### **PREVENTION COMMITTEE:**

RB Brown advised that he is working with the State Fair Committee on the cost of providing tickets and wrist bands to the State Fair for the poster award winners.

#### **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:**

Greg Brown advised that the new legislative session is running. The Governor's budget included \$200k less in firefighter training so they are currently working on getting the funds added back into the budget.

HB 714, HB 444, HB 275, SB 210 and SB 233 are all fire service, 9-1-1 and EMS related bills that are currently being reviewed. He will continue to send out legislative reports each week with pertinent information relating to each of these.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Secretary Miller reported the following membership counts: 346 Directors/Councilman; 184 Retired; 10 Associate; 10 Sustaining; 11 Corporate, 263 Departments; 5174 Active. Letters of recommendation for the Silver Dollar City Fireman's Landing opening day are still being accepted and can be sent to Ron Baker or a District Director.

#### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE:**

Keith Smith has confirmed that those directors up for election in 2015 will run again.

#### **NVFC COMMITTEE:**

Keith Smith advised that he will not be attending the benefit summit in Oklahoma City in February.

NVFC is currently working on several surveys aimed at getting goals and ideas for the organization.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:**

Grant Oetting advised the scholarship deadline is February 28.

#### **STATE FAIR COMMITTEE:**

Monty Thompson advised that the 2015 State Fair is August 13-23. Missouri State Fair FD applications are now being accepted.

#### **WEBSITE COMMITTEE:**

No report.

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

The deadline for the next newsletter March 1.

#### **HISTORIAN REPORT:**

Kay Asher advised she has 11 more boxes of items to go through most of which are

badges and uniforms. She is currently looking at a separate storage unit to move the items to.

#### **FOUNDATION REPORT:**

Keith Smith advised that discussion is being held on the cut-off for death submissions for the memorial. The current deadline is December 31 but the committee is looking at extending the deadline. Discussion followed. Terry Wynne moved that FFAM supports the Memorial Foundation's consideration for moving the submission date. Greg Wright seconded the motion and all approved.

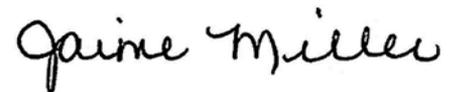
A special thanks to Harriett Vaucher for the Maltese Cross vases for the Memorial.

Doc Kritzer is taking information for engraving so get your information in ASAP.

Friday, February 6, Texas Roadhouse in Columbia will be donating 10% of sales back to the Museum Project.

Richard Gordon advised that the Auxiliary is accepting t-shirt donations for the t-shirt quilt that will be raffled off during the convention.

RB Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Glenn Dittmar seconded the motion and all approved. President Hoover adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.



Jaime Miller, Secretary  
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

## **FFAM — BENEFIT BEAT**



Low cost Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance can be purchased any time throughout the year by any member and doesn't have to be purchased only at membership renewal time.

Contact Secretary Jaime Miller at [ffam.jmiller@gmail.com](mailto:ffam.jmiller@gmail.com) for more information

# UPDATES FROM THE STATE MUTUAL AID COORDINATOR

By Sherril Gladney, State Mutual Aid Coordinator

Lots of snow on the ground as I type this, but fingers and toes crossed that spring is right around the corner.

The beginning of the year always means administrative chores, so let me use this opportunity to remind everyone that per Missouri statute RSMo. 320.271, all fire agencies in the state must register with the State Fire Marshal. Failure to register may impede a department's ability to purchase items from State Surplus Property, and/or make a department ineligible to receive some grants. We've changed the registration this year to a totally online process and have received good feedback that the process is easy to use. Furthermore, it will allow the user to re-enter the record at any time for editing, and next January will provide the option of checking a "No Changes" box in lieu of filling out a whole new form. To start the process, go to the [www.dfs.dps.mo.gov](http://www.dfs.dps.mo.gov) home page and click on 2015 Fire Department Registration. Note: K9 Mutual Aid Registration is also now available online!

You may have also received an email from our office requesting you submit a Radio Frequency Sharing Agreement. A few clarifications:

- The Division of Fire Safety Radio Frequency Sharing Agreement is not the same as the MOSWIN agreement. The Division's agreement addresses the use of frequencies licensed to the Division of Fire Safety and utilized for mutual aid responses.
- If you have not submitted an agreement in the last two years, you most likely need to submit the latest version which was updated to reflect the mandated narrow banding which went into effect in January 2013.
- The agreement is not limited to use by fire agencies; any public safety agency can apply.
- Dispatch agencies can represent all their user agencies in one Frequency Sharing Agreement, if they already have user agreements in place with those agencies.

With spring weather comes the potential for an active wildland fire season. There are a lot of tools out there for predicting fire potential, and we encourage the use of these tools. Some useful websites are listed below:

National Weather Service Fire Weather:  
[www.srh.noaa.gov/ridge2/fire/](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ridge2/fire/)

EA Day 1 Fire Weather Outlook:  
[http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive\\_services/outlooks/Day1.png](http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive_services/outlooks/Day1.png)

EA Day 2 Fire Weather Outlook:  
[http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive\\_services/outlooks/Day2.png](http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive_services/outlooks/Day2.png)

EA Weekly Outlook:  
[http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive\\_services/outlooks/EAWeeklyOutlook.pdf](http://gacc.nifc.gov/eacc/predictive_services/outlooks/EAWeeklyOutlook.pdf)

EA 7 Day Fire Potential Outlook:  
<http://svinetfc3.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/11>

National 7 Day Fire Potential Outlook:  
<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/staticmap.html>

Should a fire situation become less than manageable, remember to utilize mutual aid earlier rather than later. Become familiar with your area and regional mutual aid coordinators, and don't hesitate to reach out and request assistance. Mutual aid coordinator information can be found at <http://dfs.dps.mo.gov/programs/resources/mutual-aid-contacts.asp>

As always, be safe and – in the spirit of optimism – enjoy the beautiful weather!



**Robert B. Brown**  
Director  
District 7

## FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE UPDATE

The FFAM Convention is May 1-3. If your department or district will be entering posters for the Fire Prevention Contest, the posters have to be entered by the opening ceremony of the convention. Posters will not be accepted after the ceremony.

I want to preemptively thank the FFAM Auxiliary for judging the masterpieces again this year.

There is a change this year in how the winner will be receiving the prizes for winning their division. Each winner will receive their prize at the Missouri State Fair, August 13-23. The winning entry's

family will get free entry into the fairgrounds and each artist will receive their prize money. Each winner will also receive a free day at the Midway carnival.

If your department has the honor to have sponsored a winning entry, please help make contact with the parents. More information will be provided to each winning entry on how to claim their day at the State Fair.

Have a great and safe spring!

Robert B. Brown, District 7 Director  
Fire Prevention Committee Chair

# Enter **The Missouri One Call System** "Safe Digging Month" Banner Promotion to Win a **V-Watch** Personal Voltage Detector



Missouri One Call is a non-profit public safety organization. Displaying a banner and helping us promote the "Safe Digging" message serves a common purpose for both of our organizations by educating the public on the importance of preventing damages to underground facilities.



## Only the first 100 fire stations

requesting a banner will be entered into the drawing. The drawing will be conducted by Jaime Miller. The winner will be announced in the May/June FFAM newsletter.

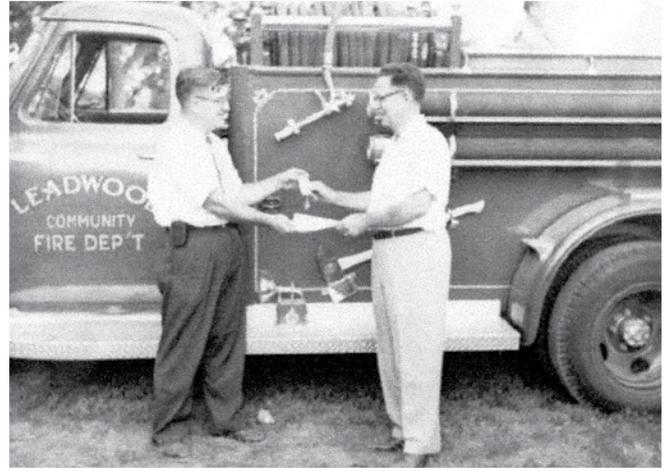
MOCS ask that you at least display the banner for the entire month of April which is

## National Safe Digging Month.

1. Go to the MOCS website [www.mo1call.com](http://www.mo1call.com)
2. Click on the "Fire Station Banner Promotion" link on the lower left hand side of the home page.
3. Fill out the order form and submit.
4. Missouri One Call will then mail you a 4' x 8' banner. **FREE OF CHARGE!**
5. Mount and display your banner in a local high traffic area.
6. To complete your entry, submit a photograph of the banner by:
  - Snapping a photo of the banner on your phone and sending the photo and a text message identifying your fire station to 573-228-4225 or by
  - Sending a photo as an attachment to an e-mail along with a message identifying your fire station to [davej@mo1call.com](mailto:davej@mo1call.com).

**If you still have a banner from last year, just put it back up and submit a photo to be entered in this year's drawing.**





## In Search of Leadwood, Missouri's First Fire Truck (1953 Ford) Leadwood Community Fire Association

This truck bought new in 1953 to cover parts of Missouri - an hour south of St. Louis in St. Francois Co., MO.

### Truck Specific Details:

- ~ 1953 Ford F-600 VIN F60-R3U-10834
- ~ Two wheel drive – 500 gallon tank – Red in color
- ~ Barton American Marsh UA-50 front mount pump in which was a 500 gallon per minute pump
- ~ It was built by Tower Fire Apparatus in Freeburg, Illinois
- ~ V8 flathead 239 cu.in. engine number 8RT-10834
- ~ 5 speed transmission with a two speed axle

### A few details of the truck that isn't like most fire trucks:

- ~ It only had one compartment on each side of the truck behind the rear wheels.
- ~ It did have a running board down the sides. The running boards were between the front wheel and rear wheel fenders with no separation. It also had a tail board.
- ~ The truck was traded/sold to a company in the Springfield, MO area.

I'm not sure if it was sold afterwards as a fire truck or sold to someone to convert it into something else such as a tow truck, log truck, flatbed farm truck, or etc.

Please contact Kevin Lewis with any information.  
THANKS!

If this fire truck is found in a fire house, field, barn, salvage yard, or whatever please let me know.

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# CALLING ALL FIREFIGHTERS:



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# MISSOURI STATE FAIR VOLUNTEER FD UPDATE

By Robert B. Brown, Fire Chief, Missouri State Fair Fire Department

Hello, from the Missouri State Fair Volunteer Fire Department! If you have not been following the Missouri State Fair's website, concerts have begun being announced. The Fair has announced Def Leppard, Styx and Tesla. This is an indication of a great lineup being formed. There have been some great acts the last few years which has increased attendance. With an expected increase in attendance we are planning for an increase in call volume.

The Missouri State Fair Volunteer Fire Department (MSFVFD) has begun accepting applications to work during the 2015 State Fair. Applications may be submitted up to the last day of the FFAM Convention. The 2015 Fair is scheduled for August 13-23.

If you have never heard of the MSFVFD, we are the only fully operational fire department in the United States that operates for only 11 days each year.

If you are interested in working with an elite group of volunteers be sure to submit your application. Applications are available in this newsletter and on the FFAM's website.

If you would like more information about the MSFVFD find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/mostatefairfire](http://www.facebook.com/mostatefairfire). We will also be providing information on upcoming work details at the firehouse.

I hope to see some new faces in August. Until we meet again, have a great and safe spring.



## NEWS FROM DISTRICT



**2**  
Greg Wright  
Director

Hello from District 2. A lot has been going on and is coming up in District 2. First off, LaPlata firefighter Jeff Crow was honored at a special presentation on February 2. Firefighter Crow, at an accident scene on January 11, was able to save several EMS personal as he got them out of harms way when a car lost control and struck an ambulance. Jeff himself was injured and I was able to meet him at the winter fire school equipment exposition. Thank you Jeff for your heroic efforts and saving members of our public safety family.

Well, winter fire school is in the books. Great to see everyone. A big turnout for classes and the expo. Don't forget summer fire school will be coming up shortly so make sure you check that out.

Several organizations are holding fund raisers around the district. My wife and I attended the Ewing Fire Department pancake and sausage breakfast and boy was it good.

Here are some dates coming up that you need to mark on your calendar. April 11 is the big grand opening of Firemen's Landing at Silver Dollar City in Branson. May 1-3 is the annual FFAM conference at the Lake of the Ozarks. Make sure you get registered for that and get your teams ready for the competitions. The 2015 Missouri Firefighters Memorial Service is May 17 and 18 in Kingdom City. The application for the Missouri State Fair Fire Department is out now. Make sure you check that out. I have worked at the fair for the last 2 years and it has been something that I again am looking forward to. firefighters, EMTs, and paramedics are all needed so get your application in.

The Fire Funeral Team have been out several times throughout the state. Let's keep all our public safety members, fire, law, and EMS in our prayers. The Missouri EMS Funeral Response Team is inviting all firefighters, honor guards, and individuals that would be interested in honoring our fallen brothers and sisters to their annual conference, October 16-18, at the Lake of the Ozarks. The general session, *Grieving Behind the Badge* will be taught by the Sweeney Alliance. More information will be at the FFAM Conference so make sure you stop by the FFAM booth for that information.

As always, make sure you check out the website for all the benefits that FFAM has to offer. And if you are having something in District 2 let me know. I would love to come and help support your organization.

Till next time be safe.

George "Greg" Wright  
District 2 Director  
Shelbina Fire Department

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# Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

FEBRUARY 1, 2015

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Meeting called to order by Diane Hanes at 9:05 a.m.

## PRESENT:

Diane Hanes, Galt FPD; Jessica Miller, Norborne FD; Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD; Sheri Berendzen, Cole County FPD; Sherry Hoover, Little Dixie FPD; Pam Carsten, Cole County FPD.

Diane asked if everyone reviewed the December 2014 meeting notes; no changes, corrections or updates are needed. Theresa made a motion to accept the meeting notes, Sheri seconded, motion passed.

Financial report reviewed. Income of \$195 for membership dues, expenses for a donation to Burns Recovery Support Group for \$241 and a donation of \$1,500 to the Missouri Fire Service Funeral Assistance Team. Leaving us with a new balance of \$2,595.46. Jessica made a motion to accept the financial report as read, seconded by Pam, motion passed.

## OLD BUSINESS

Jamie Miller indicated we could use the FFAM trailer to store the auxiliary items such as flags, canopy, etc. Check with Susan to see if she has the auxiliary banner which will go in the trailer also.

Diane and Sheri audited the financial records, they were found to be in order.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### MEMBERSHIP

Nothing to report.

### HISTORIAN

Need to ensure we have space for the history books, projector and a screen at this years convention.

### AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Nothing to report.

## BY-LAWS

Second reading for by-law change Rule #9 is being removed as read, "Upon the death of any member of the Auxiliary or their immediate family member, a memorial of \$30 will be sent by the Auxiliary".

## NOMINATION

Nothing to report.

## POSTERS

The judges are lined up to do the judging at convention. Diane suggested we have a list prepared to indicate by department and how many posters each department provides.

## CONTEST

Ready for convention.

## CONVENTION

Diane is working closely with the convention committee. Pam has the raffle tickets, silent auction sheets, and will be there to set up on Friday for the auxiliary tables. At this time there will not be a Friday night meeting for the auxiliary unless President Chris determines it necessary for something. There will be a Friday night officers meeting only to

discuss last minutes convention details. Time and place to be determined.

## FUND RAISING

Sheri indicated we have enough items to sell at fire school and convention. A suggestion is to have an alcohol wheel barrel raffle next year.

## MEMORIAL

Ribbons will be purple, they will be ready for memorial this year.

## NEW BUSINESS

Still waiting on flags for the flag ceremony. The officers will execute flag ceremony if smaller flags are not available by convention.

## OPEN DISCUSSION

Sheri got feedback for the meeting notes to include who was in attendance. Theresa will do this.

Jessica made a motion to adjourn meeting, seconded by Pam, motion passed. Meeting adjourned 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Theresa Cox

Secretary/Treasurer 2014/2015

## SILENT AUCTION REQUEST

Did you know the Auxiliary Silent Auction is one of our main fundraisers for the year?

With the monies raised the auxiliary has been able to make sizeable donations to the Burn Recovered Support Group, Memorial Fund, Missouri Fire Service Funeral Assistance Team, and to the National Fallen Fire Fighters Survivors Conference.

Please help us continue by donating to the silent auction this year. We are looking for silent auction items from any and all departments, auxiliaries, or individuals. Your donated silent auction items are how we can continue financial support for organizations who need our help. If you have any questions please contact any auxiliary officer.

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## AN UPDATE FROM THE



# 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

**Charlie Neubert**

**W**ith spring just around the corner activities will begin to pick up in the FFAM world. We start with April 11 and the grand opening of Fireman's Landing at Silver Dollar City. Opening ceremonies will start with a parade inside the park at 9:30 a.m. on the square and then make their way down to the landing.

Silver Dollar City has spent over 8 million dollars for this new attraction that will be dedicated to Firefighters around the world. This is going to be a major

event for the FFAM and all members are granted free admission into the park from March to May with a department ID and /or your FFAM membership card, plus a huge discount for family members.

**“It will be exciting to see this large group of firefighter brothers and sisters together in one location!”**

We have been telling everybody about the “sea of blue” walk on April 11 and many firefighters are planning to attend that day. It will be exciting to see this large group of firefighter brothers and sisters together in one location! This is going to have nation press coverage and worldwide precipitation. This time of year is World Feast at Silver Dollar City and at least one member from each nation will be joining us, and SDC will be checking to see if any of those people might be a volunteer firefighter as well. So, wear your uniform and join us!

In May we have the convention at the Lake of the Ozarks and that group has

been working hard to make sure we all have a good time. A new twist to the parade and rides on several fire boats are just a small part of what is going to be part of a convention to remember for sure!

The Fallen Firefighters Memorial ceremony is in May, look in this issue for more information. Also several departments will be having barbecues around the state, Summer Fire School, Firefighters Day at the Capitol, EMS week, and yes warm weather. So make sure to read every article in the paper so you stay informed.

Stay Safe and see you very soon.

Charlie Neubert  
2nd Vice President



# THE MUSEUM PROJECT

BY RON BAKER



[MissouriFireFightersMuseum.org](http://MissouriFireFightersMuseum.org)

The past few months have been very busy getting ready for the grand opening of “Fireman’s Landing” at Silver Dollar City in Branson. They have invited FFAM to be front and center for the opening ceremony on April 11. Selections are being made for 13 firefighters and families to be special guests and honorees at the ceremony and Charlie Neubert has done a fantastic job of working directly with SDC on the logistics. I am hoping that FFAM can flood SDC on the 11th for that great ceremony. I have had the privilege of seeing the partially finished area and am eager to see the completed location. It will be an area dedicated to you who serve in communities all over Missouri and beyond, and remind children how much you do to serve. There will be 6 specially designed activities for children, all centered around firefighters, and 4 additional rides for all others. Station #3 is the centerpiece and has an authentic “bell” on top. Make your plans to bring your family to SDC on the 11th of April and take part in this memorable event.

Silver Dollar City has announced that all firefighters will receive free admission to SDC between March 15, date the park opens for the season and May 3. Also

included are discounted tickets for up to 4 family members. Proper ID must be presented at the gate, ID parameters can be found on their website. Not only are they offering free tickets for firefighters to SDC, but also free tickets for firefighters on the showboat Branson Bell, same inclusions as for SDC. What a deal!

**“Silver Dollar City has announced that all firefighters will receive free admission to the park between March 15, date the park opens for the season and May 3.”**

Those of you who came to Winter Fire School will remember we had a promotion with Texas Roadhouse for Friday night, February 6, for every person presenting a flyer that we had available at the expo, Texas Roadhouse donated 10% of your purchase to our museum project. Last week they presented me with a check for \$500. I had hoped we would do better, but since it was a last minute promotion, not too bad. Next year we may try to get the information in your registration packet so you will know and can make plans. We also had a fund raiser on January 29, but I haven’t gotten the results of that. Thanks to Texas Roadhouse for their help.

On the opposite page in this newsletter is an order form for flags for the “Firefighters’ Field of Flags” to be on view just before the memorial service in Kingdom City. Flags will be posted the week before the memorial and remain posted until flag day in June. Wouldn’t it be great if we had a flag from every

department in Missouri? Orders need to be placed by May 1. Flags are 3x5 polyester and cost \$35. You can memorialize an individual, honor, and show appreciation for a person, department, or veteran. An attractive tag will be attached to flags purchased. If you want the flag to be sent to you after it is taken down, please add \$5 to cover shipping.

I want to express appreciation to all who have helped in any way. Your input is much appreciated.

Dr. Ron Baker  
Director of Development/Public Relations



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**Deadline for ordering flags is May 1, 2015!**



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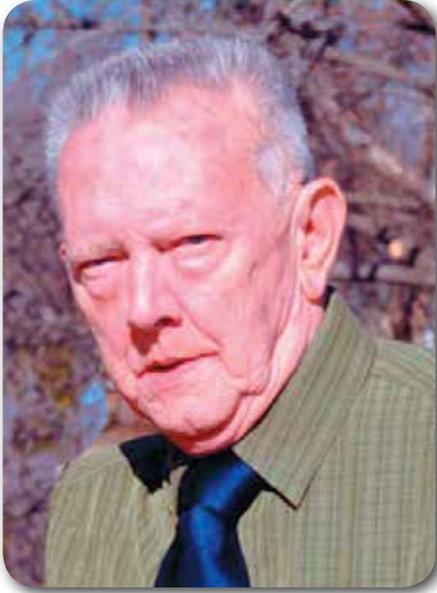
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## JUNIOR JOHNSON

January 27, 1942 - January 20, 2015



**R**oy Francis Johnson Jr. "Junior", age 72, of Lamar, Missouri, died unexpectedly Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at Barton County Memorial Hospital.

Junior was born January 27, 1942, at Lamar, the only child of Roy F. and Gladys (Needham) Johnson. He graduated from Lamar High School 1960 and was a life-long resident. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Junior worked for more than 25 years as a supervisor for O'Sullivan Industries and was proud to have been a Lamar

## EDWARD RATHERT

February 18, 1924 - January 29, 2015

**E**dward H. Rathert, 90, Pacific, passed away Thursday, January 29, 2015, in Pacific, Missouri.

Ed, son of the late Elmer Rathert and wife Jennie, nee Caudau, was born in St. Louis. He received his education from Pacific High School. Ed was united in marriage to Lena Graf, and after her passing, he married Bernadine Prichard.

Edward was retired member of the Pacific Fire Protection District and served as a member of the Robertsville Volunteer Fire Department from 1952 to 1972 when the Pacific Fire Protection District was formed. Edward then served as a volunteer with the District until retiring in

1992, with 12 of those years as a Board Member of the District.

Ed is survived by one daughter, Sue Myers, Fenton; one son, Kenneth Prichard, Robertsville; two grandchildren, Cathy Bearden and husband Jim, and Mike Prichard and wife Andrea, all of Robertsville; seven great-grandchildren, Lilly, Blake, Molly, Brett, Brooke, Will and Bree; one niece, Carol Wiseman, Branson; other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lena Rathert; his second wife, Bernadine Rathert; parents, Elmer and Jennie Rathert; and one brother, Elmer Rathert.

firefighter for 50 years. Always active and interested in his community, he served as an EMT and designed the patch currently used by Barton County EMS. Junior was an active member of Lamar Metro Club, was a 3rd Degree Mason and 32nd Degree Shriner Abou Ben Adhem, as well as an officer in Eastern Star, loved working on cars and was a ham radio operator. He was a devoted member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Lamar. Junior will be remembered by many for his famous chili. He earned many awards throughout his years in chili cook-off competitions, highlighted by being named National Chili Champion.

On February 16, 1962, at Lamar, Junior married Dixie Lee Fasken, and she survives of the home. Also surviving is a son, J.R. Johnson, Lamar; a daughter, Margie and husband D.J. Short, Warrensburg, Missouri; five grandchildren, Austin Johnson, Cheyenne Johnson, Warner Short, Lambert Short, and Velie Short; and a host of friends.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Bell Restoration Fund of St. Mary's Catholic Church, in care of Daniel Funeral Home.



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# BOBBY LEE COLEMAN

February 1, 1972 - February 11, 2015



After graduating, he was united in marriage on June 1, 1990, at Kinfolks Ridge Baptist Church to the love of his life, Melinda Underwood. They are the parents of 3 wonderful children.

Bobby was a man of God. He was a devoted member of the Kinfolks Ridge Church where he served as deacon and youth minister.

Bobby served his community as a Caruthersville Fireman, as an engineer and held the badge number of 726.

He is survived by his wife, Melinda Underwood Coleman, 3 children; Kayla Coleman, Kelli Coleman, and Bobby Lee Coleman, III, his mother, Zera Coleman, 2 sisters; Teresa Abbott and Peggy Carver, 2 brothers; Christopher Coleman and Michael Coleman and 2 godsons; Kouper and Karsynne Wallace. As well as so many other relatives, and many, many friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Bobby Lee Coleman, Sr.

**B**obby was born February 1, 1972, in St. Louis, Missouri. He was the son of the late Bobby Lee Coleman, Sr. and Zera Hudgens Coleman.

Departed this life on February 11, 2015. Age; 43 years and 10 days. Bobby was a graduate of Caruthersville High School. He was in the class of 1990.

A large photograph showing two fire trucks with their ladders extended to hold a large American flag. A line of firefighters in uniform stands in front of the trucks. The background shows a clear sky and some buildings.

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## FIRE DAMAGES HERCULANEUM SENIOR LIVING CENTER

At 5:45 a.m. on January 5, 2015, the Herculaneum Fire Department was dispatched to an alarm sounding at Autumn Ridge Senior Living facility, a multi-story residential facility in Herculaneum. Immediately, Jefferson County 911 Dispatch received multiple phone reports of visible flames on the exterior wall and roof of the building. The alarm was quickly upgraded to a first alarm assignment resulting in mutual aid assistance from the Festus Fire Department, Crystal City Fire Department, Dunklin Fire Protection District and the Joachim-Plattin Ambulance District.

In route from his home, Assistant Chief Chris Baker sees visible flames and requests a second alarm response from Rock Community Fire Protection District, Antonia Fire Protection District, Mapaville Fire Protection District and a second apparatus from the Festus Fire Department. At the same time, an EMS MCI is dispatched by the Festus Fire Dispatch. At 5:51 a.m., the first Herculaneum apparatus

arrives on the scene to find flames from a third floor apartment balcony and into the roof structure above the apartment. Herculaneum firefighters quickly attacked the fire from outside using a 1 3/4" pre-connected line. Firefighters are informed that all residents have been safely evacuated from the building by the facility staff. The facility staff was able to safely evacuate 93 residents with only two minor injuries reported. Fire crews conducted primary and secondary searches of all three floors in three building wings. No additional residents were located in the structure.

As additional units arrived on the scene, an aerial ladder was used to completely extinguish the fire. Fire damage was contained to the outside balconies of two apartments and the roof structure above. Minimal fire damage occurred in the apartments. The fire was reported under control at 6:36 a.m. All evacuated residents were transported to Mercy Hospital-Jefferson in Crystal City by Joachim-Plattin ambulances, a private bus company and the facility bus.



Fire scene investigations were conducted by the Jefferson County Fire Investigation team and the Missouri State Fire Marshal Office. The cause of the fire was determined to be accidental in nature. The final fire crews left the scene at 10:00 a.m.

As a result of the fire, smoke and water damage, the facility remained closed for four weeks. Residents were allowed to return to the unaffected wings in early February, while residents in the affected wing will remain displaced for approximately four months.

## COLE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AWARDS

The Cole County Fire Protection District held their 2014 annual service awards banquet. The annual event shows appreciation to the firefighter's for their years of service and dedication to the district.

There is another aspect that really stands out with the 2014 service awards. We recognized 11 firefighters who have given 205 years of service to the district. The combined years of service of district personnel are over 1,200 years. This in itself shows the commitment to the district by its personnel in the aspects of training, call response and the rewards of helping others in their time of need.

The following firefighters were recognized for years of service:

- 5 years, Bradley Lepper
- 10 years, Jason Bittle, Blake Bopp, Eric Berendzen
- 15 years, Jason Hammann, Josh Hammann
- 20 years, Scott Kempker
- 25 years, Rich Gordon
- 30 years, Gary Berendzen
- 35 years, Jim Call
- 45 years, Donnie Braun
- Firefighter of the Year, Jimmy Buechter
- Officer of the Year, Steve Cearlock
- Special Recognition Award, Shelby and Clint Braun
- Outstanding Community Service Award, Gary Berendzen

### DEPUTY CHIEF'S 10 MOST WANTED:

The following firefighters responded to the most calls.

Galen Hammann, Justin Braun, Gary Berendzen, Steve Barnes, Jason Hammann, Robbie Hammann, Jimmy Buechter, Bradley Kempker, Kyle Carwell and Rich Gordon.

### PERFECT ATTENDANCE IN TRAINING AWARDS:

Donnie Braun, Gary Smith, Galen Hammann, Robbie Hammann, Kyle Carwell, Nathan Luebbering and Mac Kennedy.

Please contact Steve Cearlock, Public Information Officer at 573-635-0966 if you have any questions. Thank you.

## NEW MOBERLY FD ENGINE

The Moberly Fire Department recently took delivery of a 2014 Pierce Saber PUC Rescue Engine. This apparatus was purchased from Schuhmacher Fire Equipment in Washington MO, working with salesman Dan McDonald. The rescue engine is equipped with a 1500 GPM pump, 1000 gallon water tank, 30 gallon Class A foam system, and has six seated positions in the cab. It is equipped with a 26 inch extended front bumper, which allows for two hydraulic hose reels and extrication tools to be pre-connected for deployment. The apparatus is powered by a Cummins ISL9 400 HP engine. The cost of the apparatus was \$410,000 and was purchased through HGACBuy, a GPO cooperative in Galveston TX.



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## TWO DEPARTMENTS DISPATCHED FOR IMMINENT BIRTH

On May 10, 2014 Boles Fire and Meramec Ambulance District were dispatched for an imminent birth. Upon arrival the crews found a mother had given birth to a 26 week gestation premature infant. The crews intubated and performed CPR on the scene and en-route to Mercy Hospital in Washington Missouri. This was the youngest infant ever treated at the ER at Mercy Washington. The infant was then flown to St. Louis. The infant is now 8 months old and doing excellent at home with his family.



## BOLES FD AWARDS BANQUET

The Boles Fire District had its annual Awards Banquet on January 24, 2015. During the banquet, service awards were presented to the following: Chief Jim Casey and Assistant Chief Bill Strothkamp received 35 year service awards; Firefighter Mike Wussow and Chad Fallert received 5 year service awards; Fire Inspector Doug Allen, Firefighter/ Paramedic Joseph Sam Johnson, and Firefighter Larry Clements Jr. received 10 year service awards.



Assistant Chief Bill Strothkamp



Firefighter Mike Wussow



Fire Inspector Doug Allen



Firefighter Larry Clements Jr.



# History's CORNER

PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS I HAVE KNOWN AND LOVED!  
THE DEXTER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND AL BANKEN

by Bill Westhoff

For the remainder of the year, and maybe there after, depending on how long I last, we will be featuring individual people places and things around our great state. These articles will involve folks, departments and maybe even fire trucks. I would like to call this effort *People, Places and Things I Have Known and Loved!*

### AUTHORS NOTE:

When I was the Fire Chief of the Columbia Fire Department, let's just say in the 1980's, I had an experience that one might call a major career modification. I shot my first wife's lover in the driveway of our home north of Columbia. Needless to say, city governments do not take that kind of action lightly, nor does law enforcement of the courts. Never went to jail and he did not die, thank goodness, but did make me rather paranoid for a period of time. The deed took place in November and the following year at Winter Fire School in February I went over to visit some old friends and was still looking for a job, and a life.

One of the first people I encountered in the hall was Al Banken, the Chief of the Dexter Fire Department We visited a couple of minutes and his almost exact words were "You know the boys and I have been comin' to Columbia for fire school for years and the city is always nice enough to give us some cash to eat lunches and stuff on. We talked it over this morning and if I saw you they all wanted you to have this." At this point he pressed around \$150 in cash into my palm. These are the kind of folks I want to tell you about that I have known and loved!

A special thanks goes to Noreen Hyslop of *The Daily Statesman* for the following two articles that provide a lot of insight to the man and the department.



Dexter Fire Chief Al Banken with his wife Betty.

### FAREWELL, CHIEF

By Noreen Hyslop  
Managing Editor  
*The Daily Statesman*

It was at times an emotional tribute on a Sunday in early 2012, but one also laced with humor, as city dignitaries, friends and family came together in Dexter to honor Fire Chief Al Banken upon his retirement from the local department after a stellar 48-year career.

Several tributes were paid to Banken throughout the afternoon reception held in his honor at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church Parish Center, but perhaps none as fitting as that delivered by Gary Pride, retired employee of Poplar Bluff's Police and Fire Departments and longtime friend and colleague of Banken's. Pride currently serves as Three Rivers Community College's Public Safety Institute Coordinator.

Quick to credit Banken's leadership qualities over the span of nearly five decades,

Pride called his longtime friend a true "success story."

"Al Banken has inspired others to learn more, to do more, and to become more in their lives," Pride told the capacity crowd Sunday. "The measure of a man's career," Pride continued, "is not so much the things he has accomplished, but rather in the number of people who choose to mold their career after your example."

An example of true value, Pride said, has been continually set by Banken. Those values, he said, stand as a classic illustration for others to emulate.

Banken was 29 years old when he began his career with the Dexter Fire Department in 1964. The department consisted of one station and two trucks, with every firefighter a volunteer. A siren sounded in the downtown area summoned firefighters.

Thirteen trucks, generator auxiliary units and emergency equipment on mobile trailers are among the equipment utilized

in today's department, housed at two spacious fire stations on the east and west ends of town.

Banken is credited with playing an integral role in the department's growth, both in the improvement of its physical facilities and in its communication advancements over the years.

"Al has continually worked successfully with numerous agencies across the state over the years to improve the level of preparedness and is well respected across the region for his motivational skills and his willingness to help others," Pride commented.

Many of those "others" traveled the miles to wish the now retired Chief well on Sunday. Fire departments from across Southeast Missouri were well represented at the gathering, as were various emergency response agencies, including the Department of Conservation, the Dept. of Natural Resources and Sikeston's Dept. of Safety.

Banken's name has become synonymous with quality level training over the years. He is credited with continually coordinating classes on safety and newly developed fire-fighting techniques for his firefighters, often utilizing resources from the University of Missouri at Columbia, Three Rivers Community College and Southeast Missouri State University.

As a result, Banken is proud to state that in his 48 years at the department, not one firefighter's life was in peril while on duty with the department.

"Safety has always been my first concern," he said. "And more than anything I've done in the span of my career, I am proudest that we've never lost a firefighter in the line of duty."

Fire Chief Al Banken officially stepped down from his role at midnight Sunday. His name, however, will forever be in the books as having played a vital role in the city of Dexter's history. And as echoed by a grateful crowd of well-wishers on Sunday, he will always be "Chief."



**These four members of the Dexter Fire Department represent 151 years of service. From left to right: Fire Chief Don Seymore, Assistant Fire Chief Dave Rowe, Captain Dale Rowe and Captain John Jenkins.**

#### **4 MEN = 151 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE**

By Noreen Hyslop  
Managing Editor  
*The Daily Statesman*

If experience translates into quality, then the Dexter Fire Department is one quality outfit.

The local fire department has 28 members, only three of whom are full time employees. One is a part-time employee. In total, the roster represents nearly 400 years of experience. More impressive, however is the fact that just four members of the department, Fire Chief Don Seymore among them, represent 151 of those years.

Having the longest history with the department is Captain Dale Rowe, who signed on as a volunteer when he was 18 years old and married just three months. There was one fire station that consisted of a small block building situated near the city's train depot, and two fire trucks made up the fleet.

"We really did used to ride on the back of the truck to get to the fires, too. I rode all the way to Essex one time," Rowe recalls. He is entering his 44th year as a firefighter.

Not far behind Dale Rowe in tenure is his twin brother, Dave who is now serving as Assistant Fire Chief. He has 36 years on the department, 26 of which have been as a full-time employee.

With 37 years behind him is Captain John Jenkins, and Seymore who is beginning his third year as chief who has spent 35 years on the Dexter Fire Department.

Jenkins recalls that at the downtown station when he began as a firefighter, there was a siren on a pole, and there was a call system through the police dispatcher that notified firemen of a fire.

"Later we got CBs, but back then we'd either call dispatch to see where the fire was, or we'd just drive to the station. A lot of times, you could go to the station and just follow the water trail," laughs Jenkins. "We've all done that."

The four, along with the rest of the department, have been "on call," with boots by their beds for most of their lives.

"We've been called away from a lot of birthday parties and family gatherings," says Jenkins, and the others agree.

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# Annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial



**CANDELIGHT SERVICE**

**May 16<sup>th</sup>  
Dusk - 9:00 p.m.**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**

**May 17<sup>th</sup>  
10:30 a.m.**

## AN UPDATE FROM THE



**1<sup>ST</sup>  
VICE  
PRESIDENT**

**Tim Bean**

I don't know about the rest of you, but I am ready to start working on my tan! "global warming" hog wash, anyway, enough of that! It's been a busy first of the year around the West Plains area. We just finished the 2014-1015 Firefighter I and II class. Several of the students will

be taking their final state testing at the first of March. I would like to say to them and the instructors, job well done!

In a couple of weeks we will be opening and operating a new fire station #3. Everyone is excited, and it makes me feel good in the fact that, we will be able to serve our city and community better. Thanks to everyone that has supported us with this mission.

I was very pleased to see so many of our FFAM members that attended MU Fire Rescue Training Institute's (MU FRTI) 2015 Winter Fire School. I appreciate that we have an affordable, and quality fire school in the state that our firefighters may attend, keep up the excellent work MU FRTI! I was also encouraged

to see a large number of young firefighters in attendance. Also I appreciate our Secretary/Treasurer Jamie Miller for setting up our booth at the expo, and everyone that helped run it. I appreciate you all for that.

In closing, two things to mark on your calendar. First, our annual FFAM convention being held at the Lake of the Ozarks. Second, the opening of the Fireman's Landing at Silver Dollar City, come join me and lets have some good firefighter fun. Keep up the good work within your communities and stay safe.

J. Tim Bean  
1st Vice President  
West Plains

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“My wife refused to let me bring my pager to our wedding,” the chief laughs.

Seymore remembers when the foursome represented the “younger generation”.

“We were the ones always going for training and bringing back new methods to fight fires and new technology that wasn’t always readily adopted. We had to prove ourselves more than once.”

Training, the four agree, has been the key ingredient that has sustained the department’s reputation as a solid and cohesive response team whose members make up more than just a department.

Housed in Columbia, Missouri is the Fire and Rescue Training Institute, from which most of the department’s training derives.

“We used to have to travel to Columbia to receive special training,” says Assistant Fire Chief Dave Rowe. “We’re fortunate now in that most often now the instructors come to us, and training is conducted right here in Dexter.”

Much has changed about the methodology of fire fighting over the four decades and more that the Rowe twins, Seymore, and Jenkins have served.

“Homes and other structures aren’t built the way they used to be built,” Seymore explains. “A fire doesn’t burn like it used to. Today we have concerns with toxins and other dangers that weren’t even heard of when we started. There are a lot of things you have to know about the potential spread of the fire and the dangers that exist within specific structures, and that’s why continual training is so vital.”

Fire fighting equipment acquired over the years has been equally vital.

“When we started,” recalls Jenkins, “we used to enter a burning structure and just hold our breath till we couldn’t hold it any more and run out for air. When we got breathing apparatus, it changed everything.”

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Firefighters not only receive continual training with regard to new fire fighting techniques and equipment, but also in applications for rescue and extrication.

“That’s my special interest,” says Seymore, who admits to being drawn to the department’s Extrication Team as a young man.

“When the Extrication Team started,” Jenkins explains, “it mostly consisted of guys who worked in the automotive field, who knew mechanics, because it involved rescuing people from vehicles.”

The team was established in the early 1980s with a handful of interested fire fighting personnel and a used bread truck that was transformed into the department’s first rescue unit.

Today, that unit is a well-oiled machine that regularly is trained in every aspect of vehicle rescue. They are often called upon by neighboring department’s for

assistance and have gained the respect of units across southeast Missouri for their expertise in the area of emergency extrication and rescue.

As imperative to the department as its training and equipment is the camaraderie among its personnel. Within the department there seems to exist a “brotherhood,” a special bond that is evident both on and off duty, often interjected with humor, but always with the assurance that they have each other’s back at all times.

“You’ve got to have people you can trust, and we all have to work together,” Seymore notes. “We have a younger generation of firefighters, and then another group that’s more established, and then this group of senior members that somehow I’m now a part of. There’s an overall respect for each other in all we do that might sometimes be unspoken, but we each know it exists. If it didn’t, we wouldn’t be the department that we’ve become over the years.”



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## 2014 FFAM CONVENTION REPORT

### INCOME

Agency Assessment		\$13,500.00
Sponsorship		
1 @ \$5000		\$3,700.00
2 @ \$2500		\$2,620.00
Advertisement		\$9,600.00
Exhibitor @ \$50		\$1,500.00
Registration Total	747	
Registration @ \$10	326	\$3,260.00
Registration @ \$15	20	\$300.00
Organization Provided	401	
Banquet Total	359	
Banquet @ \$25	322	\$8,050.00
Banquet @ \$30	20	\$600.00
Organization Provided	17	
Raffle		\$800.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$43,930.00</b>

### EXPENSES

Band	\$	800.00
Guest Speaker	\$	12,392.00
Banquet	\$	10,546.85
Decorations	\$	566.34
Shirts	\$	3,370.50
Glassware	\$	2,165.82
Miscellaneous Supplies	\$	120.95
Banners	\$	660.00
Best Western	\$	923.89
Table Rental	\$	601.00
Plaques	\$	366.00
Shuttle Service	\$	775.00
Program Book	\$	2,680.00
Printer Ribbons/Cards	\$	479.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>36,447.35</b>

<b>Income</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>43,930.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>36,447.35</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,482.65</b>
<b>Amount Due FFAM</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>748.27</b>

### AGENCY ASSESSMENT

Each member agency was assessed a fee of \$750 which provided seed money for the organization. With this fee, each member listed on their 2014 membership roster would be registered providing a completed form was submitted.

### SPONSORSHIP

The sponsorship was reduced to the amount indicated to account for registration, banquet, exhibitor table and advertisement in the Convention and Fire Engine Rally program books.

### BANQUET

Banquet pricing includes bartenders and soft drinks charges for both Friday and Saturday evening.



# LAESA

## Lake Area Emergency Services Association, Inc.

### 2015 FFAM CONVENTION

### MAY 1-3, 2015

LAKE OF THE OZARKS,  
MISSOURI



## AGENDA

DATE	START	END	EVENT	LOCATION
Friday, May 1	8:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibit Set Up</b>	<b>Windgate Hall</b>
	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	<b>Board of Director Training</b>	<b>Salon C</b>
	12:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibits Open</b>	<b>Windgate Hall</b>
	12:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Registration Slot 3</b>
	1:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	<b>Fire Fighter Game Set Up</b>	<b>Hidden Lakes</b>
	5:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	<b>Auxiliary Meeting</b>	<b>60/61</b>
	7:00 p.m.	8:30 p.m.	<b>Business Meeting</b>	<b>60/61</b>
	8:30 p.m.	10:00 p.m.	<b>Parade in Conjunction with Car Show</b>	<b>Off Property</b>
	9:00 p.m.	11:00 p.m.	<b>Indoor Pool with Movie</b>	<b>Indoor Pool</b>
Saturday, May 2	9:00 p.m.	1:00 a.m.	<b>Dance</b>	
	8:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	<b>Fire Fighter Games</b>	<b>Hidden Lakes</b>
	8:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	<b>Registration</b>	<b>Registration Slot 3</b>
	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibits Open</b>	<b>Windgate Hall</b>
	2:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	<b>Fireboat Rides</b>	<b>Marina</b>
	5:30 p.m.	9:00 p.m.	<b>Dinner and Program</b>	<b>Salon B/C</b>
Sunday, May 3	9:00 p.m.	1:00 a.m.	<b>Dance</b>	<b>Salon B/C</b>
	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	<b>Exhibit Teardown</b>	<b>Windgate Hall</b>
	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	<b>Business Meeting</b>	<b>Parasol I</b>
	12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	<b>Stair Climb</b>	<b>Off Property</b>



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## **FFAM CONTEST FORM**

**Registration Deadline is 7:00 p.m. on Friday night of Convention**

**Department Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Team 1**  **Team 2**

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check One:** Firefighter Division  Female Division  Junior Division

Must be an FFAM or Auxiliary Member to participate.

**Hose Coupling:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(captain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

**Extend a Line:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(captain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

**Replace a Section:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(captain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

**Water Fight:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(captain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

**Bucket Brigade:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(captain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(alternate)

**Email Contest Registration and  
Release of Responsibility form to:**  
roberdel@ktis.net

**or mail to: Rob Erdel  
19761 ACR314  
Mexico, MO 65265**





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# REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR ALL GUEST WHO WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE:**

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_

Guest Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Chicken \_\_\_ Beef \_\_\_

**DISCOUNTED REGISTRATION DUE BY APRIL 1ST, 2015 (\$25 AFTER APRIL 1)**

Registration \$20.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet \$35.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION WITH BANQUET IS APRIL 24TH**

Registration For Conference Only Can Be Made Until Saturday At Noon

**Make Checks Payable To LAESA 2015 Convention**

Send Registration And Payment To:

Osage Beach Fire Protection District  
Attn: FFAM Convention  
1170 Bluff Dr  
Osage Beach, MO 65065

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E-Mail: [ffam2015@outlook.com](mailto:ffam2015@outlook.com)

Hotel reservations can be made at Tan-Tar-A Resort  
1-800-826-8272 Group Rates Apply

**OFFICE USE ONLY** Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_



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### EXHIBITOR DISPLAY BOOTH REGISTRATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Banquet: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

#### EXHIBIT TIMES:

FRIDAY, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. SATURDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup> 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

DESCRIPTION	COST	
Inside Booth Space is 8' Table	\$75 Per Space	
Outside Vehicle/Apparatus Display	\$75 Per Apparatus	\$50.00 Per Vehicle
Electric Supplied In Booth	\$50	

Number of Inside Spaces: _____ X \$75 = _____
Number of Apparatus: _____ X \$75 = _____
Number of Vehicles: _____ X \$50 = _____ Indicate:
Number of Banquet: _____ X \$35 = _____ # Of Chicken: _____ # Of Beef _____
Total = \$ _____

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## **2015 AD BOOK PRICING**

**For Questions Please Contact Fire Chief Dorhauer at 573-348-1221**

<input type="checkbox"/> Centerfold Ad (2 Page Ad)	\$1,200
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page, Full Color Ad	\$400
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page, Black and White	\$350
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Page, Full Color	\$300
<input type="checkbox"/> Half Page, Black and White	\$250
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page, Full Color	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter Page, Black and White	\$100

Customer/Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. # (if required): \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sales Rep Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Make Checks Payable To: LAESA Ad Book**

Send Payment To: Like Us On Facebook [www.facebook.com/2015FFAM](http://www.facebook.com/2015FFAM)  
 Osage Beach Fire Protection District Website At: [obfire.com/2015-ffam-Convention/](http://obfire.com/2015-ffam-Convention/)  
 Attn: FFAM Convention E-Mail: [us670@alphagraphics.com](mailto:us670@alphagraphics.com)  
 1170 Bluff Dr Hotel reservations can be made at Tan-Tar-A Resort  
 Osage Beach, MO 65065 1-800-826-8272 Group Rates Apply

### **ALL ARTWORK MUST BE SUBMITTED TO ALPHAGRAPHS BY APRIL 1ST, 2015.**

Send Artwork To: Attn: Firefighter Association Booklet or by E-mail: [us670@alphagraphics.com](mailto:us670@alphagraphics.com)  
 1140 Industrial Dr.  
 Osage Beach, MO 65065  
 (573)348-5900

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## **PARADE REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### **TYPE OF ENTRY**

Antique Fire Apparatus  Modern Fire Apparatus

Automobile (Fire)  Other  Magic Dragon Entry

**Parade Line up 7:00 p.m. at Tan-Tar-A Resort Friday May 1st, 2015**

**Parade route will be from Tan-Tar-A Resort to the Bagnell Dam in conjunction with the Magic Dragon Street Meet Nationals, join us for this one of a kind event.**

**Send Registration and Payment To:**

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### 1990 E-ONE HUSH PUMPER ENGINE

The City of Berkeley Missouri has declared the following apparatus surplus property, and is currently accepting bids for: 1990 E-One Hush Pumper, Engine-Detroit Diesel, Transmission-Allison, Mileage-118375, Hours-3832, Rear mounted engine, 4 person cab, 2 booster reels, 3 pre-connects, deck gun, wired for aftermarket generator, Hale 1500 GPM pump, 700 Gallon Water Tank, 50 Gallon Foam Tank.

Contact: Battalion Chief Jim Linhardt  
314-400-3602 or Linhardt@ci.berkeley.mo.us



### 1992 PIERCE DASH PUMPER/TANKER — \$35,000

The Pacific Fire Protection District will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of a used 1992 Pierce Dash Pumper/Tanker. Minimum bid of \$35,000.00. Truck may be viewed by appointment. Call 636-257-3633, ext. 12.

- 1992 Pierce Dash 4-door enclosed cab, top mount pump panel, hydraulic ladder rack.
- 1250 Gallon booster tank, 1500 gpm Waterous 2-stage pump. Pump test 11-2014
- Detroit 6v-92 motor 350 hp, Allison ht-740 automatic transmission
- Motor complete overhaul 6-2009, mileage 69,609. Hours 5,448.

- Current Mileage 78,085. Hours 6,084.

Truck comes with following equipment:

- 10" Newton dump chute housed in rear compartment
- Front suction and discharge in extended front bumper
- Pre-piped Akron deck gun with stacked tips
- 5-SCBA seats with brackets
- 2-10' pieces of hard suction
- 24' extension ladder, 14' roof, 10' attic on hydraulic rack
- Honda EM 5000 SX generator on pull out tray, connected to two 1500 watt extenda lites on sides of truck
- 1500 gallon porta-tank in hose bed compartment

- Onspot tire chains
- Kussmaul auto charger
- Code Three warning lights and siren, Q2 siren mounted on front bumper

Sealed bids may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Pacific Fire Protection District's Administration Office located at 910 West Osage, Pacific Missouri, 63069. Bids will be accepted until April 9, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. Bids will be opened at the Board of Directors meeting that evening at 7:00 pm. The truck will be available for pick-up on May 1, 2015. Form of payment must be cashier's check or money order. Truck is sold with no guarantees or warranties. The Pacific Fire Protection District reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, and also reserves the right to extend the bid process if so needed.

### PACIFIC FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ITEMS FOR SALE

The Pacific Fire Protection District is selling the following surplus equipment:

#### 3 POWER UNITS \$1,000.00 EACH

- Unit #1 - DPU60PH - Honda - DPU6000885
- Unit #2 - 2060 PU - Briggs - 17002
- Unit #3 - 2060 PU - Briggs - 12160

#### FOUR (4) REELS \$2000,00 EACH

- Hanney Reels
- Electric Rewind
- 100' Twinline Thermoplaste Hose
- 2 reels are 2008
- 2 reels are 2011

#### THIRTEEN (13) 32 FOOT HOSES - \$100

- 13-32' Twinline Hoses, various years
- Mix of rubber and thermoplastic

To inquire about an item call Chief Friedmann at 636-257-3633, ext. 12. Payment needs to be a check or money order. All items are sold as is.

# Certified Fire District Board Training

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## OPENING FOR A CAREER FIREFIGHTER / EMT POSITION

The Sugar Creek Fire Department has an opening for a Career Firefighter / EMT Position.

### REQUIREMENTS:

1. Minimum of 18 years of age.
2. High School diploma or equivalent
3. Must have and maintain a Missouri State Vehicle Operator's License / excellent driving record
4. No serious criminal record
5. Excellent work history and attendance record
6. Pass a written examination

### ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES MUST:

1. Must have Firefighter I & II Certification
2. Must have Hazmat operations Certification
3. Must have a (CPAT) Candidate Physical Abilities Test Certification within the last year

4. Must possess a maintain a Missouri State EMT Certification
5. Must pass a medical physical and drug screen.

### JOB DESCRIPTION:

Ability to lift heavy objects or persons in rescue, ability to climb ladders, and to haul hose and operate extrication equipment while wearing protective equipment. Ability to work outdoors in varying weather conditions consisting of extreme heat and cold. Shall respond to all emergency alarms, fire and ambulance, during tour of duty. Shall perform daily station work activities to include; maintenance of apparatus, grounds & stations and equipment. Shall assist in the day-to-day operation of the fire district business office. This shall include handling of correspondence, answering business and emergency phone calls. Shall assist in the fire inspection and fire prevention

programs. Work a shift schedule of 48 hours on / 96 hours off.

Applications are available on our website, city hall or at our station. All applications shall be submitted with all the proper documentation by March 13, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. to:

Sugar Creek Fire Department  
1001 Heroes Way  
Sugar Creek, MO, 64054

Successful completion of post-offer criminal background screening, physical, drug screening, is required. Starting salary for Firefighter / EMT is \$27,652.00 plus excellent benefit packages. The City of Sugar Creek is EOE

If you should have any questions please feel free to contact Chief Casey at 816-252-7058.



# Fire Fighters Association of Missouri Delegate Registration

2015 FFAM Convention Board of Directors business meeting

Sunday, May 3, 2015 at 9:00am

Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, MO

Fill out your delegate information and mail the registration form to the address below or submit to Secretary-Treasurer Jaime Miller at the Convention.

An FFAM membership card may be required for membership verification.

Mail to:

FFAM, PO Box 1153, Warrensburg, MO 64093

## FFAM BYLAWS: ARTICLE VIII – DELEGATES

**Section 1:** Each member fire department in good standing with FFAM shall be entitled to representation at the annual convention. A maximum of three delegates from each fire department shall be allowed. In the event any special meeting of this association is called, the number of delegates allowed shall be determined in the same manner as that of the annual convention. All Board of Directors shall be delegates at annual conventions.

**Section 2:** All delegates must be active members of good standing in FFAM and active or retired members of the fire department which they represent.

**Section 3:** No fire organization may be represented by proxy.

**Section 4:** Credentials of each delegate and alternate should be in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer or his/her designee at least one hour prior to the annual convention business meeting. These credentials shall be on forms supplied by the Secretary-Treasurer, and signed by the chief officer or his/her designee of the department the delegate represents.

**Section 5:** Alternate delegates may vote in the absence of the regular delegate.

**Section 6:** Any active member may take part in the discussion of all orders of business at the annual convention, with the exception of election of Officers, only a duly authorized delegate may place a motion or cast a vote.

**Section 7:** Only one vote shall be allowed to each delegate.

**Section 8:** The Secretary or Sergeant-at-Arms shall poll the delegates by number and department prior to the business meeting of the convention.

Department \_\_\_\_\_ FDID \_\_\_\_\_

Delegate (PRINT)

Alternate (PRINT)

1. \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

Chief (print) \_\_\_\_\_

Chief (signature) \_\_\_\_\_

# PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES #1 FOR 2015 FFAM

PROPOSED FOR CHANGES • PROPOSED CHANGES • NOTES (NOT TO BE PRINTED IN BYLAWS)

## ARTICLE I - NAME

This association shall be known as the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri also referred to as the FFAM.

## ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

Section 1. The purpose of FFAM is to promote the general welfare of the Fire Service and FFAM membership.

Section 2. To improve the relationship of the Fire Service with the general public, enlighten and educate the public with the usefulness and value of the services sponsored by FFAM.

Section 3. To promote education and research relating to all phase of the Fire Service and better prepare fire fighters for the challenge of tomorrow.

Section 4. To develop, gather and disseminate reliable information on subjects of interest to FFAM members.

Section 5. To create and maintain a fraternal feeling of common interest between members of FFAM and all fire service organizations of this state. It shall be our goal to sponsor benefits, events, education and activities which stir the brotherhood of fire fighters across this state causing them to desire to be members of FFAM

Section 6. To promote statewide mutual aid in the Fire Service.

Section 7. To promote adequate fire protection, serve every lawful means, promote virtues conducive to the well being of our members, departments and the general public.

Section 8. Promote the preservation of Missouri's fire service history.

## ARTICLE III - EXISTENCE

FFAM is to have perpetual existence.

## ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall consist of six classes:

1. Active Members
2. Honorary Members
3. Associate Members
4. Retired Members
5. Fire Departments
6. Sustaining Members

## ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall consist of the following sections:

1. Active Members
2. Honorary Members
3. Associate Members
4. Retired Members
5. Fire Departments
6. Sustaining Members
7. Corporate Members
8. Educational Institutions
9. Educational Members
10. Directors/Councilman
11. Junior Fire Fighters/ Cadet Fire Fighters

All memberships are non-transferrable.

### Section 1. Active Members

Shall be limited to fire fighters or employees of a FD ID registered fire department or support organizations in the State of Missouri. Active members shall be entitled to vote, hold office, attend all member meetings and have all privileges of membership. Any fire fighter who is currently a paid member of the FFAM, and their department is dissolved, can remain a member of FFAM as long as dues are paid yearly. Once said member fails to pay their dues, they will be considered dropped from membership and can only be reinstated; by serving with a fire department or fall into one of the other classes of membership.

### Section 1. Active Members

Shall be limited to fire fighters, members or employees of an FDID registered fire department in the State of Missouri and pays dues as required. Active members shall be entitled to vote, hold office and have all benefits of membership. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board

of Directors. Any active member whose department is dissolved will have their membership transferred to a sustaining membership. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

### Section 2. Honorary Members

Shall be limited to persons whose outstanding contribution to the Fire Service deserves special recognition. They shall be approved by the Board of Directors. They shall hold membership for life and have all the privileges of active membership except voting and holding of an elected office. They shall not be required to pay dues.

### Section 3. Associate Members

Associate membership requires the individual to show proof of active membership in good standing with any recognized registered FD ID Fire/Rescue or EMS organization, recognized by the State Fire Marshal's Office or the Bureau of EMS of Missouri, as determined acceptable by the Board of Directors. Dues to be assessed at a rate twice that set for an active individual member. Associate members shall have all rights, privileges and benefits except voting and holding of office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or its Board of Directors. All associate memberships are renewed by January 1st each year.

### Section 3. Associate Members

Associate membership requires the individual to show proof of active membership in good standing with any FDID registered fire department or EMS service in the State of Missouri and pays dues as required. Members shall have all benefits of an active member except voting and holding an elected office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

### Section 4. Retired Members

Any fire fighter who has been a member

of the FFAM for 10 (ten) years prior to retirement with a minimum age of 55 or in the event that they become disabled, shall hold membership for life and have all the privileges of active membership except voting and holding an elected office. They shall not be required to pay dues.

#### Section 4. Retired Members

Any fire fighter, member or employee who is a retired member of an FDID registered fire department in the State of Missouri shall hold membership for life and have all benefits of an active member except voting and holding an elected office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors but may not chair committees. If the retired member's department is not a member, the retired member must show proof of retirement from their designated department. They shall not be required to pay dues.

#### Section 5. Fire Departments

An organization recognized with a FDID number from the State Fire Marshal's Office of Missouri. The personnel of such an organization may be career employees, volunteers, or any combination hereof, and function under the legal authority of the federal, state, county, municipal governments, public service district, incorporation association or fire protection district. Industries operating a fire department/brigade for the protection of an industrial plant site and fire support organizations are also included within the intent of this definition.

#### Section 5. Fire Departments

A fire department or fire protection district recognized with an FDID registration number from the State of Missouri and pays dues as required. The personnel of such an organization may be career employees, volunteers, or any combination thereof, and function under the legal authority of the federal, state, county, municipal governments, public service district, incorporation association or fire protection district. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 6. Sustaining Members

Sustaining Membership shall be

individuals, firms or corporations that desire to be a supporter of FFAM and pay dues as required. Membership is provided with all privileges except insurance benefits, voting and holding of elected office. Dues for sustaining members shall be set by the Board of Directors. The FFAM President at his/her discretion may appoint such individuals to committee positions but may not chair committees.

#### Section 6. Sustaining Members

Sustaining Membership shall be individuals, fire support organizations or industries operating a fire department/brigade that desire to be a supporter of FFAM and pays dues as required. Membership is provided with all benefits of an active member except insurance benefits, voting and holding an elected office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors but may not chair committees. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 7. Corporate Members

Corporate Members shall be businesses, firms or corporations that desire to be a supporter of FFAM and pays dues as required. Membership is provided with benefits set by the Board of Directors. Corporate Members are excluded from insurance benefits, voting and holding an elected office. Members may not serve on any committees. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 8. Educational Institutions

An institution recognized by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, technical school, private school or other educational institution and pays dues as required. Any educational institution that also has an FDID registration number through the State of Missouri shall fall under this category of membership. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 9. Educational Members

The students, educators and employees of such an institution recognized by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, technical school, private school or other educational

institution and pays dues as required. Membership is provided with all benefits of an active member except insurance benefits, voting and holding an elected office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors but may not chair committees. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 10. Directors/Councilman

Directors/Councilman shall be elected persons of a State of Missouri FDID registered fire department or fire protection district's governing body that function under the legal authority of the federal, state, county, municipal governments, public service district, incorporation association or fire protection district. Directors/Councilman members shall have all benefits of an active member except insurance benefits, voting and holding of office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors but may not chair committees. They shall not be required to pay dues.

#### Section 11. Junior Fire Fighters/ Cadet Fire Fighters

Shall be limited to junior fire fighters/cadet fire fighters of an FDID registered fire department in the State of Missouri and pays dues as required. Members shall have all benefits of an active member except voting and holding an elected office. They may hold an appointed position as directed by the FFAM President or Board of Directors but may not chair committees. Any junior fire fighter/cadet fire fighter member whose department is dissolved will have their membership transferred to a sustaining membership. Dues shall be set by the Board of Directors.

### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The Officers of FFAM shall consist of a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and fourteen elected members (referred to as "Directors") comprising the Board of Directors. They shall be nominated by the nomination committee or nominated from the floor and elected by majority vote

of the duly authorized delegates at an annual convention. The officers of the FFAM Board of Directors shall make up the Executive Board. All Officers and Directors must be active members of the FFAM. Nominations for office must be submitted before the convention by March 1st. Each nominee will be reviewed by the nominating committee to insure commitment and validity of candidate(s) before submission for election at the annual business meeting. Upon review, if a candidate is found to be ineligible or not in good standing with the FFAM, that nomination will be void for that year's election. All open positions and duly approved candidates shall be posted on the FFAM website no later than March 15th. In the event no candidate is nominated or in the event that a vacancy occurs in mid-term, it shall fall upon the President to present a name for office to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors. All Officers shall be elected for a term of two years. All Officers shall come up for re-election bi-annually. All Directors will be elected to three year terms.

## OFFICERS

The Officers of FFAM shall consist of a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and Sergeant-at-Arms also known as the Executive Board.

All Officers must be active members of the FFAM. All Officers shall not hold any other positions on the Board of Directors.

Officers shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by majority vote of the duly authorized delegates at an annual convention. Nominations for office must be submitted before the convention by March 1st. Each nominee will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee to insure valid membership of the candidate before submission for election at the annual convention. Upon review, if a candidate is found to be ineligible or not in good standing with the FFAM, that nomination will be void for that year's election. All open positions and duly approved candidates shall be posted on the FFAM website no later than March 15th. In the

event no candidate is nominated or in the event that a vacancy occurs in mid-term, it shall fall upon the President to present a name for office to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors.

All Officers shall be elected for a term of two years.

### Section 1. President

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. The President shall appoint all committees and chair persons of said committees, with Board of Directors approval, and be a member ex-officio of all committees with a right to vote only in the event of a tie. The President shall have the authority to call special meetings of any committee. The President shall have the authority to call special meetings of FFAM, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The President shall perform other duties as are customary for such an Officer. The President shall designate location, date and time of all board meetings. The President shall provide representation, direction and leadership of and for FFAM.

If the President's position is vacated mid-term, the First Vice-President will fill the position until the next election is held at the annual convention. A special election will then be held to fill the unexpired term of the President until the next regular election of the President position.

### Section 2. First Vice-President

It shall be the duty of the First Vice-President to perform all duties and assume the responsibilities of the President during the absence of the President or the President's inability to act. The First Vice-President shall serve in a support role to the President. The First Vice-President shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors with a right to vote. In the event the Secretary-Treasurer ceases being a member of the FFAM or is relieved of his/her office, the First Vice-President shall fill all duties until a successor to the Secretary-Treasurer has been elected or appointed and approved by the Board of Directors. The First Vice-President shall prepare and read the resolution at convention and

respond to the welcome at Convention. The First Vice-President shall chair the Budget Committee and submit a draft budget to the Board of Directors prior to January 1. The First Vice-President shall furnish a financial statement of FFAM in writing when requested by the Board of Directors and serve as checks and balances to the Treasurer.

### Section 3. Second Vice-President

It shall be the duty of the Second Vice-President to perform the duties and assume responsibilities of the President during the absence of the President and First Vice-President or their inability to act. The Second Vice-President shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors, with a right to vote and be chairperson of the Membership Committee. The Second Vice-President shall provide a membership report to the Board of Directors at all meetings. The Second Vice-President shall serve as Sergeant of Arms in his/her absence.

### Section 4. Secretary - Treasurer

It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurer to keep a complete and accurate record of the proceedings of the annual convention, any meetings of the Board of Directors. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have possession of all FFAM records, attend to the publication of reports, conduct official correspondence, and shall issue and keep a record of memberships. The Secretary-Treasurer may have the authority to if deemed necessary appoint person (s) (may be non-members) to act as assistant secretary with the approval of the Board of Directors. Secretary shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors, with a right to vote. The Secretary Treasurer shall provide data and support to all committees as required. The Secretary-Treasurer shall receive all incoming monies for FFAM and committees. All moneys paid to him/her virtue of his/her office, shall be carefully accounted for and promptly placed in depository designated by FFAM. The Secretary-Treasurer shall sign all checks or petty cash transaction issued or received by the FFAM. The Secretary-Treasurer shall maintain a surety bond for the faithful discharge and performance of his/her duties, it shall be an amount set

by the Board of Directors. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a member of the Budget Committee. The fee for said surety bond shall be paid by FFAM. The Secretary-Treasurer's salary shall be determined by the Board of Directors and reviewed ~~biannually~~ annually.

In the event that the Secretary-Treasurer's position is vacated, the Second Vice-President shall assume the duties until a replacement can be nominated by the Executive Board and approved by the Board of Directors.

#### Section 5. Sergeant-at-Arms

It shall be the duty of the Sergeant-at-Arms to maintain proper decorum at all meetings and the annual convention, admitting only such persons as are entitled to admittance and fulfilling all duties pertaining to a security and decorum Officer. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall have the authority if deemed necessary, to appoint as many assistants as necessary to the performance of his/her duties at convention. Sergeant-at-Arms shall supply to the President a list of certified delegates and alternates by name and department prior to the business session at the Convention. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall count and duly record votes. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be an assistant to the President at meetings in matters of security and decorum and be versed in Roberts Rules of Order. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be a member of the Board of Directors with the right to vote.

#### **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

The District Directors of FFAM shall consist of thirteen (13) District Directors who are elected or appointed. For the purpose of these bylaws, District Director is also referred to as Director.

All District Directors must be active members of the FFAM. All District Directors shall not hold any other positions on the Board of Directors.

All District Directors shall be elected for a term of three years.

#### Section 6. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of

thirteen district Directors, a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Sergeant-at-Arms. Board of Directors shall be elected for a term of three years. Board of Directors shall be re-elected on staggered terms to be due for re-election on their third anniversary. The State of Missouri will be divided into thirteen (13) districts with board members residing within the district, which they are elected to represent. All Board of Directors shall serve as members of the Membership Committee. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to supervise the conduct of the affairs of FFAM, promote its interests, and take such action as necessary to include the continued interest and welfare of FFAM. The Board of Directors shall continually visit fire organizations within their district and promote FFAM to the fire service personnel and discuss the benefits as provided to members of FFAM. They may present topics for discussion at the annual convention. The Board of Directors shall promote benefits for our membership. The Board of Director shall have the authority/responsibility to remove from office any officer or member of a committee who fails or is negligent in the performance of their duties, only after said officer or member of the committee has been notified by registered mail of the proposed removal and allowed to appear before the Board of Directors in their own defense. The Board of Directors shall insure a compilation review of the financial records for FFAM at least once a year, and settle all grievances between members and committees. In the event of vacancies in elected offices caused by resignation or otherwise, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to approve individuals proposed by the President to fill such vacancies, until approval of delegates at the next annual convention. They shall have the authority to allow necessary expenses of officers or members of committees when such expenses are in connection with the affairs of FFAM. They shall have the authority to determine the method of payment of all bills. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### *SECTION 6 NOW DIVIDED INTO SECTION 6 AND SECTION 10*

#### Section 6. District Directors

Directors shall be elected for a term of three years. Directors shall be re-elected on staggered terms to be due for re-election on their third anniversary. The State of Missouri will be divided into thirteen (13) districts with Directors residing within the district for which they are elected to represent.

Directors shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee and elected by majority vote of the duly authorized delegates at an annual convention. Nominations for office must be submitted before the convention by March 1st. Each nominee will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee to insure valid membership of the candidate before submission for election at the annual convention. Upon review, if a candidate is found to be ineligible or not in good standing with the FFAM, that nomination will be void for that year's election. All open positions and duly approved candidates shall be posted on the FFAM website no later than March 15th. In the event no candidate is nominated or in the event that a vacancy occurs in mid-term, it shall fall upon the President to present a name for office to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors.

The Directors shall continually visit fire organizations within their district and promote FFAM to fire service personnel and discuss the benefits provided to members of FFAM. Directors shall serve as a liaison between members and the Board of Directors.

#### Section 7. Assistant Board of Directors

Each of the thirteen Board of Directors shall appoint an Assistant(s) and a maximum of two assistants to assist them with their duties. The Board of Directors shall confirm all appointment(s). The Assistant Director shall fill in for the elected director in his/her absence and have full voting authority, only in the absence of his/her Director.

**Section 7. Assistant District Directors**  
Each of the elected or appointed District Directors shall appoint up to two assistants to assist them with their duties. The Board of Directors shall confirm all appointments. The Assistant Director shall act in place of the Director in his/her absence and have full voting authority in the absence of his/her Director.

Assistant Directors must be active members of the FFAM. Assistant Directors shall not hold any other positions on the Board of Directors.

**Section 8. Immediate Past President**  
The Immediate Past President shall be the Chairperson for the Nominating Committee. Meeting with the closest past Presidents, to form a committee of three. They shall, when called upon by the President, place the name or names of active members for nomination to fill positions open or up for re-election. The Immediate Past President may be a Director in the Association.

**Section 8. Immediate Past President**  
The Immediate Past President shall be the Chairperson for the Nominating Committee. The Immediate Past President may also be a Director in the Association. The Immediate Past President will not have voting authority unless he/she is also serving as a Director.

*\*SEE COMMITTEE SECTION FOR SPECIFIC DUTIES OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.\**

**Section 9. Historian**  
The Historian shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. The Historian shall attend meetings/conventions and maintain the history data of FFAM. Historian shall report on historical events of FFAM at meetings attended. Historian will hold the position until replaced by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

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**Section 10. Board of Directors**  
The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms and elected or appointed District Directors (Directors).

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to supervise the affairs of the FFAM, promote its interests and take such action as necessary to include the continued interest and welfare of the FFAM.

The Board of Directors shall insure a review of the financial records for FFAM at least once a year. They shall have the authority to allow necessary expenses of officers and members of committees when such expenses are in connection with the affairs of the FFAM. They shall have the authority to determine the method of payment for all bills.

The Board of Directors shall have the authority/responsibility to remove from office any officer or committee member who fails or is negligent in the performance of their duties, only after said officer or member of the committee has been notified by registered mail of the proposed removal. That officer or committee member is then allowed to appear before the Board of Directors to appeal the removal. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to deny membership to any individual, department, business or any other organization that it deems as detrimental to the mission, image and business practices of the FFAM.

In the event of vacancies in elected offices caused by resignation or otherwise, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to approve individuals proposed by the President to fill such vacancies, until the next election at the next annual convention.

The Board of Directors shall serve as members of the Membership Committee. The Board of Directors shall settle all grievances between members and committees. A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### **ARTICLE VI - DUES**

The annual dues of active members shall be in the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each fire department, plus seven dollars and fifty cents (7.50) for each fire fighter of the said fire department who wishes to be member of FFAM. Two dollars and fifty cents of each member's dues will be designated to the Fire Fighters Memorial/Museum and relinquish to the Fire Fighters Memorial/Museum Foundation, bimonthly. All dues are due and payable on the first day of January. Departments may join for two years at a time. If dues are not paid thirty days after the due date, the fire department, corporation or individuals shall be struck from the membership records of FFAM.

#### **ARTICLE VI - DUES**

Annual dues shall be as follows:  
Active Members - \$7.50; Honorary Members - no dues; Associate Members - \$15.00; Retired Members - no dues; Fire Departments - \$25.00; Sustaining Members - \$15.00; Corporate Members - \$50.00; Educational Institutions - \$25.00; Educational Members - \$7.50; Directors/Councilman - no dues; Junior Fire Fighters/Cadet Fire Fighters - \$7.50.

\$2.50 of each active member's dues will be designated to the Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation and will be paid to the Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation biannually.

All membership dues are due and payable on the first day of January of each calendar year. If membership dues are not paid by the set due date, membership will be void until such time as dues are paid. Membership dues are not prorated. Membership begins when dues are paid and received by the Secretary/Treasurer and ends December 31 of each calendar year.

#### **ARTICLE VII - ANNUAL CONVENTION**

Section 1. The FFAM shall assemble in

convention each year during the month(s) of April or May, in a location selected by the delegates of the previous convention. In the event circumstances occur which render it inadvisable to host the convention at the chosen location the Board of Directors shall select the place and date of the convention. Board of Directors and delegates in attendance shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 2. To be considered for hosting the annual FFAM Convention you must be a current member of FFAM. A delegation from the host Department/Community shall, at least 6 months prior to convention date, present written credentials from their chief requesting the honor to host the convention, along with the following: An invitation from the community leaders/officials requesting/welcoming the FFAM convention; An invitation from a minimum of two (2) civic groups/clubs of the community requesting/welcoming the FFAM convention; Documentation to prove adequate facilities and services to accommodate those attending, displays, a banquet with seating for a minimum of 500, provide documentation of motel/hotel with a minimum of 300 rooms in the area, and have adequate space available for the annual contest. All proposal submitted shall be reviewed by the Convention Committee and be presented to the Delegation for vote at the annual convention. The host chief or his/her designate will present a report of attendance, financials and a check in the amount of 10% of the profits from the convention at the June meeting following the convention.

#### ARTICLE VIII - DELEGATES

Section 1. Each member fire department in good standing with FFAM shall be entitled to representation at the annual convention. A maximum of three delegates from each fire department shall be allowed. In the event any special meeting of this association is called, the number of delegates allowed shall be determined in the same manner as that of the annual convention. All Board of Directors shall be delegates at annual conventions.

Section 2. All delegates must be active members of good standing in FFAM and active or retired members of the fire department which they represent.

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Section 3. No fire organization may be represented by proxy.

Section 4. Credentials of each delegate and alternate should be in the hands of the Secretary- Treasurer or his/her designee at least one hour prior to the annual convention business meeting. These credentials shall be on forms supplied by the Secretary-Treasurer, and signed by the chief officer or his/her designee of the department the delegate represents.

Section 5. Alternate delegates may vote in the absence of the regular delegate.

Section 6. Any active member may take part in the discussion of all orders of business at the annual convention, with the exception of election of Officers, only a duly authorized delegate may place a motion or cast a vote.

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Section 7. Only one vote shall be allowed to each delegate.

Section 8. The Secretary or Sergeant-at-Arms shall poll the delegates by number and department prior to the business meeting of the convention.

#### ARTICLE IX - RULES OF ORDER

The annual convention, special meetings, meetings of the Board of Directors, and committee meetings shall be conducted under the guidelines set forth in "Robert Rules of Order", unless specified otherwise in these articles. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall be responsible to see that these guidelines are followed.

#### ARTICLE X - COMMITTEES

FFAM shall have the following standing committees. The President may make and appoint temporary committees and their members as he/she deems necessary, with the approval of the Board of Directors. Committees that stand for two years or more shall be listed in these by laws. No one shall serve on more than 3 committees. (Numbered list under Article X has been listed in alphabetic order and Chaplains Committee added)

1. Awards Committee
2. By Laws Committee
3. Budget Committee
4. Chaplains Committee
5. Contest Committee
6. Convention Committee
7. Educational Committee
8. Fire Prevention Committee
9. Legislative Committee
10. Membership Committee
11. National Volunteer Fire Council Committee
12. Nominating Committee
13. State Fair Committee
14. Scholarship Committee
15. Web Site Committee
16. Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation of Missouri/Fire Fighters Historical Preservation Foundation of Missouri

Section 1. Awards Committee  
This committee shall establish what awards will be given at the annual convention as well as establish the rules of nomination for each award. They will make award selections based upon those rules. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

Section 2. By Laws Committee  
This committee shall review and propose update/revision as needed to the By Laws of FFAM. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

Section 3. Budget Committee  
This committee shall review all accounts and present to the Board a proposed Budget annually for approval and operation of FFAM. It shall be chaired by the First Vice President. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 4. Chaplain Committee

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The Chaplain's Committee shall work closely with the Missouri Fire Chaplains Corp and take care of any requested Chaplain's duties for FFAM. This committee shall have a chaplain for each Region/District of the state as a point of contact or the representatives/directors of the Missouri Fire Chaplains Corp may serve on this committee concurrently. This committee shall report to the Board of Directors.

This committee is comprised of lay and ordained chaplains of various faiths from across Missouri who are committed to caring for those who care for others by protecting life and property. This committee offers a wide array of services to members of FFAM to ensure that all firefighters are cared for in all facets of their lives. This committee is also available upon request to provide the immediate support of our families in time of need. The committee is active in FFAM events, leading services, and offering stress counseling.

#### Section 5. Contest Committee

This committee shall govern the fire activity contest at the annual convention. They will set rules of operation for each event scheduled. The committee will work closely with the host department of the convention to insure site feasibility. The committee shall have a maximum of five members.

#### Section 6. Convention Committee

This committee shall act as liaison between the Board and whoever is sponsoring the annual convention. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 7. Educational Committee

It shall be the duty of this committee to keep the association informed of all beneficial training in the State. It shall act as liaison between the Board of Directors, the Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute and the Missouri State Fire Marshal's Office. It shall also work closely with all training organizations

in the State. The committee shall have a maximum of three members

#### Section 8. Fire Prevention Committee

This committee shall act as liaison with all prevention organizations in the State including but not limited to the State Fire Marshal. It shall also be in charge of the annual fire prevention contest. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 9. Legislative Committee

It shall be the committee's duty to work with organization throughout Missouri that have similar fire legislation goals as ours. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 10. Membership Committee

This committee shall consist of all FFAM Board members and officers to be chaired by the Second Vice-President or his designee. Its duties shall consist of promoting membership for FFAM. The committee shall have a maximum of nineteen members.

#### Section 11. National Volunteer Fire Council Committee

This committee shall represent FFAM at all function and meetings of the National Volunteer Fire Council. They shall report on activities and issue of interest to our membership at each meeting of the FFAM. The committee shall have a maximum of two members.

#### Section 12. Nominating Committee

This committee shall consist of most recent past presidents that are available with the Immediate Past President as the chair. They will function on an "as needed basis" for any vacancy within FFAM, and operate under the direction of the President and the Board of Directors. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 12. Nominating Committee

This committee shall consist of the most recent past presidents that are available with the Immediate Past President as the chairman. They shall, when called upon by the President, place the name or names of active members for nomination to fill open

positions or positions due for election on the ballot to be presented at the annual convention. They will function on an as needed basis for any vacancy within the FFAM and shall operate under the direction of the President and Board of Directors. The committee shall have a maximum of three members. If the most recent three past presidents are not available to serve on the committee, the President shall appoint members, at his discretion, to fill any open committee positions.

#### Section 13. State Fair Committee

This committee shall represent FFAM for contract purpose with the State of Missouri to form, equip, operate and regulate the required protection for the Missouri State Fair. They will be overall responsible for the entire fire department operation and operates under the direction of the President and the Board of Directors. The committee shall have a maximum of five members.

#### Section 14. Scholarship Committee

This committee shall select the number of scholarships to be given by the Association, with the Boards approval. They shall set the rules of application, make evaluations, approve and award all scholarships at the annual convention. The committee shall have a maximum of three members.

#### Section 15. Web Site Committee

This committee shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining the web site for FFAM. The committee shall have a maximum of two members.

#### Section 16. FFAM shall have the following Foundations

##### 1. Memorial/Museum Foundation

Section 16. Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation of Missouri/ Fire Fighters Historical Preservation Foundation of Missouri

The Foundations shall have the responsibility of maintaining and controlling the Fire Fighters Memorial in Kingdom City and activities at the memorial site and shall have the responsibility of maintaining and controlling the site of

the future Fire Fighters Educational and Historical Preservation Center. They shall maintain the sites ensuring proper representation of the fire service for the State of Missouri and the FFAM. They shall fulfill all duties required to preserve the history of the fire service for the fire fighters in the State of Missouri. At least eight FFAM members shall sit on the fifteen member board. The Foundation shall report to the FFAM Board of Directors at each meeting and as requested.

**REMOVE THIS SECTION. MOVED TO SECTION 16.**

**Section 17. Memorial/Museum Foundation(s)**

The Foundation shall have the responsibility of maintaining and controlling the Memorial and activities at the memorial site. They shall fulfill all duties required to preserve the history of the Fire Service for the fire fighters in the State of Missouri. Maintain the museum and site ensuring proper representation of fire service for this State and FFAM. This Foundation will seat at least eight members of FFAM on the fifteen members board of this foundation. This Foundation shall make reports to the FFAM Board of Directors at each meeting and as requested.

**ARTICLE XI - ORDER OF BUSINESS**

The following shall be the regular order of business at all FFAM meetings:

1. Call to order and welcome guest
2. Roll Call of officers, directors, assistant directors, delegates and sign in of all guests
3. Approval of agenda
4. Approval of Minutes

5. File financial report for compilation
6. Report of Officers
7. Unfinished Business
8. New Business
9. Report of Committees  
(Committee reports have been put in alphabetic order)
  - A. Awards Committee
  - B. By-Laws Committee
  - C. Budget Committee
  - D. Chaplains Committee
  - E. Contest Committee
  - F. Convention Committee
  - G. Educational Committee
  - H. Fire Prevention Committee
  - I. Legislative Committee
  - J. Membership Committee
  - K. National Volunteer Fire Council Committee
  - L. Nominating Committee
  - M. State Fair Committee
  - N. Scholarship Committee
  - O. Web Site Committee
10. Foundation Report of Memorial and Museum
11. Election of Officers (only at conventions)
12. Selection of host location, date and time for next meeting.
13. Adjournment

**ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS**

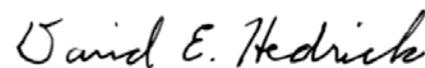
FFAM reserves the right to amend, change or repeal any or all provisions of these articles by a two-thirds majority vote of the delegates at any annual convention, after publication of the proposed amendment, change or repeal has appeared in an official publication of FFAM or has been published on the official web site of FFAM, at least 30 days prior to the convention.

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officers ample opportunities to enhance their professional knowledge, skill sets, and capabilities during this training event. Again in conjunction with SFS, the Midwest Wildfire Training Academy will be conducted in partnership with the Big Rivers Forest Fire Management Compact. This academy will provide important training in the specialized area of wildland firefighting. Please mark your calendars and come be a part of the training experience of Missouri's longest running fire school. For more information and to register to attend SFS, please visit our website at: [www.mufrti.org](http://www.mufrti.org).

We are looking forward to the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri (FFAM) 60th Annual Convention in Lake of the Ozarks, MO, May 1-3, 2015, hosted by the Lake Area Emergency Services Association, Inc. More information on the FFAM's convention can be found in this edition of the newsletter. The FFAM in partnership with MU FRTI will be conducting a Certified Fire District Board Training class as part of the convention on Friday, May 1.

Thank you for your continued support of MU FRTI. 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](http://www.mufrti.org)



David Hedrick, Director  
Fire and Rescue Training Institute  
University of Missouri Extension

# DON'T FORGET

# To Enter the Poster Contest

# PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES #2

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## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The Officers of FFAM shall consist of a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and fourteen elected members (referred to as "Directors") comprising the Board of Directors. They shall be nominated by the nomination committee or nominated from the floor and elected by majority vote of the duly authorized delegates at an annual convention. The officers of the FFAM Board of Directors shall make up the Executive Board. All Officers and Directors must be active members of the FFAM. Nominations for office must be submitted before the convention by March 1st. Each nominee will be reviewed by the nominating committee to insure commitment and validity of candidate(s) before submission for election at the annual business meeting. Upon review, if a candidate is found to be ineligible or not in good standing with the FFAM, that nomination will be void for that year's election. All open positions and duly approved candidates shall be posted on the FFAM website no later than March 15th. In the event no candidate is nominated or in the event that a vacancy occurs in mid-term, it shall fall upon the President to present a name for office to be reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors. All Officers shall be elected for a term of two years. All Officers shall come up for re-election bi-annually. All Directors will be elected to three year terms.

*Existing language above subject to change pending Bylaw Proposed Change 1.*

## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS/DISTRICT DIRECTORS AND DUTIES

The Officers will be elected to staggered terms under the adopted scheduled. At the first regularly scheduled election held following the adoption of this bylaw provision the President and Second Vice-President positions will be placed for election with those duly elected to serve a four year term with their successors being elected to four year terms.

At the first regularly scheduled election held following the adoption of this bylaw provision the First Vice-President, Sergeant-at-Arms and Secretary-Treasurer positions will be placed for election with those duly elected to serve a two year term with their successors being elected to four year terms. Following the first complete cycle of the adopted election schedule Officers will serve four year terms elected on the staggered basis as adopted.

\*Schedule of elections (not to be printed in bylaws but shown as an example)

2015 – Officers are also elected due to current bylaws. Bylaw change passes.

2017 – Elections for all officers. President & 2nd Vice President elected to a four year term. 1st Vice President, Sergeant-at-Arms, Secretary-Treasurer elected to a two year term.

2019 – Elections for 1st Vice President, Sergeant-at-Arms, Secretary-Treasurer to a four year term.

2021 – Elections for President & 2nd Vice President to a four year term.

2023 – Elections for 1st Vice President, Sergeant-at-Arms, Secretary-Treasurer to a four year term.  
Cycle continues



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# 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) has a busy training calendar scheduled through the end of the fiscal year, June 2015. So far this year, MU FRTI has 509 classes scheduled with 248 classes completed. Thank you for utilizing MU FRTI to meet your department/agency's training and resource needs.

Recently I read an article from Firehouse Magazine's E-News written by Associate Editor Ed Ballam, entitled *In Search of a Phillips Screwdriver*. In the article, he mentioned an incident where a new firefighter was asked to get a Phillips head screwdriver from the tool box. After several minutes, the young firefighter returned with both a Phillips head and a flat blade screwdriver. While this would normally bring criticism and comments from the officer and firefighters for the firefighter's lack of basic knowledge, the author viewed this as a training opportunity.

Fire department officers, especially training officers, need to realize that the general knowledge of our younger population and new firefighters has changed from what we traditionally have expected. Today's youth has access to significantly more knowledge than we did as young people, but they may not have the practical experience with basic tools and physical skills. This may be due to lack of opportunity to acquire this type of experience by means of working on cars or assisting with home repairs as they grew up like many of us did. I remember as a new training officer back in the 1970s that I assumed everyone had experience driving vehicles with manual transmissions. The fire department's vehicles at the time all had manual transmissions. When I began conducting driver/operator

training, I didn't include the basics of teaching driver candidates how to shift and operate manual transmissions as part of the steps in the training process. I soon realized that many of the younger firefighters had never driven cars with manual transmissions, and that I now needed to revise my approach to this type of training.

These examples illustrate that our newer generations of firefighters don't necessarily have the same background experiences and base mechanical aptitude as previous generations. As you develop training programs and company drills within your department, remember that the starting point needs to be inclusive of all experience levels so that everyone can learn and utilize the skills presented. New firefighters are eager to learn, they just need a common starting point to begin learning the job skills that will produce a safe and effective firefighter.

I and the MU FRTI staff were saddened to learn of the Line of Duty Death in January of Battalion Chief Christopher Tindall of the South Metropolitan Fire Protection District. He died in the line of duty on January 8, 2015. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and fire protection district for their loss.

After a number of years of challenging weather in early February, the weather this year was great for the 34th Annual Winter Fire School (WFS) and Fire Equipment Expo that occurred February 6-8, in Columbia. We had great attendance at the Fire Equipment Expo on Friday and we appreciate all the exhibitors for supporting the event and sharing the latest in fire apparatus and equipment. WFS provided over 100 course sessions with over 2,000 registrations.

The webcast option for WFS sessions has consistently provided a cost-effective way for fire departments to take advantage of training opportunities without travel expense; each year we've seen an increase in participation and this year was no different. As always, the success of WFS is due not only to the experienced instructors, effective command team, dedicated staff, our fire service partners and supporters, but most especially to the fire departments and individual student participants. We must express our deepest appreciation to you, our students and participants, for your continued support for this important training event.

The Missouri Association of Fire Chiefs (MAFC) held their Annual Conference in Ridgetale, Missouri in February. Retired Deputy Chief Michael Metro of Los Angeles County Fire Department once again provided excellent training sessions on current issues impacting the fire service along with programs on leadership development. MAFC held midterm officer elections this year and we congratulate their re-elected regional directors and newly elected officers of the organization. Chief Scott Frandsen of Mid-County FPD was elected as Vice President, Chief David Hall of Springfield was elected as Secretary, and Division Chief Jason Turner of Jefferson City was elected to fill the Region F Director's position that was opened when Chief Frandsen was elected as VP. The Institute looks forward to the continuing partnership and program initiatives with the MAFC.

On a sad note, MU FRTI's Instructional Support Associate Kyle Smith will be leaving MU FRTI at the end of March for family job opportunities in Florida. Kyle has been with the Institute since 1999.



# MU FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING INSTITUTE

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DATE	COURSE	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
03/20	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training		Billings	Mike Moore 417-299-0129
03/20	Farm Machinery Rescue		Fair Grove	Mark Raymond 417-773-8915
03/20	Strategy and Tactics for Initial Company Operations		Warrenton	Mike Owenby 636-456-8935
03/20	Killer in the Attic		Fenton	Joe LaPlant 636-343-9300
03/22	Decision Making for Initial Company Operations		Osage Beach	Steve Stafford 573-348-1221
03/21	Vehicle Rescue: Technician		Charleston	Danny Harris 573-683-3737
03/21	Killer in the Attic		Butler	Jim Henry 660-679-6323
03/21	Handling LP Gas Emergencies		Moberly	Robert Creed 660-691-0371
03/26	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training		Perryville	Bernie Hoernig 573-513-6426
03/27	Basic Pump Operations		Mansfield	Garland Fitzhugh 417-413-7922
03/27	Basic Pump Operations		Waynesville	Doug Yurecko 573-337-0445
03/27	Shaping the Future		Popular Bluff	Ralph Stucker 573-429-1314
03/27	School Bus Rescue		Lawson	Sam Moppin 816-820-5725
03/27	Vehicle Rescue: Technician		Linn	Ronald Hoffman 573-291-8597
03/28	Handling LP Gas Emergencies		Duenweg	Jeff Littrell 417-621-5054
04/02	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training		Iberia	Will Humphrey 573-793-6310
04/03	Basic Pump Operations		Shell Knob	Kyle Moore 417-342-3416
04/04	Managing Company Tactical Operations: Simulations		Warrenton	636-456-8935 636-456-8935
04/10	Vehicle Rescue: Technician		St. James	Bruce Parton 573-265-5112
04/10	Structural Fire Fighting Techniques		Westphalia	Jim Roark 573-680-9154
04/10	School Bus Rescue		Pittsburg	Brenda Vaughn 417-207-1235
04/11	Trench Rescue: Awareness		Waynesville	Doug Yurecko 573-337-0445
04/17	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training		Goodman	Keith Estes 417-489-1408
04/25	Preparing for Initial Company Operations		Jefferson City	Clint Hays 573-230-5721
04/24	Structural Fire Fighting Techniques		Savannah	Brian Roarty 816-262-6053
05/01	Certified Fire District Board Training		Osage Beach	MU FRTI 800-869-3476
05/09	Managing Company Tactical Operations: Simulations		St. James	Bruce Parton 573-263-1911
05/15	Principles of Building Construction: Combustible		Duenweg	Jeff Littrell 417-621-5054
06/19	Certified Fire District Board Training		Osage Beach	Monte Olsen 816-213-7108

During his time with MU FRTI, Kyle has done a great job of assuring the adjunct instructors and field classes have the necessary materials and resources. His job of managing the Institute's vehicle and trailer fleet has been exceptional. Many of you have had the opportunity to interact with Kyle on class schedules or purchasing manuals through our resource center. We appreciate Kyle's dedicated work at the Institute and will miss him as a valued member of the MU FRTI team. The Institute has conducted the search

process to fill the Instructional Support Associate position, and has selected Tim Hartz. Tim has a background in customer service along with shipping and receiving. He is also has a fire service background as a volunteer with the Boone County Fire Protection District. We look forward to Tim joining the program in late March to fill this important position.

Information is now available through brochures and on our website for the 2015 annual Summer Fire School (SFS).

SFS is scheduled for June 3-7 at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri. This year will mark the 83rd anniversary of this historic event. On behalf of the Summer Fire School Command Team and the faculty and staff of MU FRTI, I extend to you a special invitation to attend SFS. This year's event will continue the long-standing tradition of providing quality fire service training. The Institute is committed to offering firefighters and fire

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**MISSOURI STATE FAIR FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATION**

**August 13 –August 23, 2015**

**DEADLINE FOR FILING APPLICATIONS IS LAST DAY OF 2015 CONVENTION. MUST ALSO BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE FFAM BY MAY 1, 2015 SEND APPLICATIONS ONLY TO MONTY THOMPSON**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ (Dept) do hereby apply for the opportunity to participate in the Operation of the State Fair as follows. Enter desired duty selection in the blank under the date(s) you will be available for duty. My home chief is \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_. **If you cannot attend after your application has been accepted, notify Monty Thompson as soon as possible.** There will be no substitutions in personnel unless approved PRIOR to the opening of the fair.

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Positions available are as follows: **Adults-** Engine Co., Ambulance, First Aid, Dispatching, Inspection, Kitchen Duty and or Fire Safety Education. Other duties may be assigned. **Juniors** may only sign up for dispatching. You will be expected to accept assignments willingly. **\*\*\*A copy of current FFAM membership card and current MISSOURI DRIVERS LICENSE IS MANDATORY or applications will be returned.**

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**Application must be complete & READABLE OR will not be accepted.** All applicants must be members of the FFAM. The Commissioners & the Chief will make assignment of Officers' positions from the applications received & accept. If no specific assignment is desired, please check the date(s) you will be available or write your request in the box under the date(s) you will be available. **Duty for all companies begins at 8:00 AM each day.** The minimum age for Junior Fire Fighters is 16 years of age. No more than two (2) junior members may attend from any one department at a time.

**APPLICANTS FOR EMS MUST BE A STATE LICENSED EMT OR PARAMEDIC.** Each member will be issued a State Fair Fire Dept. shirt at no charge & will be allowed to purchase extra shirts if ordered on this application at a cost of \$10.00 each. Will you be interested in buying extra shirts? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_. Please give shirt size in above information even if you do not wish to purchase extra shirts. If the dates you have requested are already filled you will be contacted concerning alternate date (s). Due to staffing restriction the FFAM reserves the right to refuse any applications

**SEND WITH APPLICATIONS CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARDS (If Available), EMS LICENSE, MISSOURI DRIVER'S LICENSE. ALL OTHERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

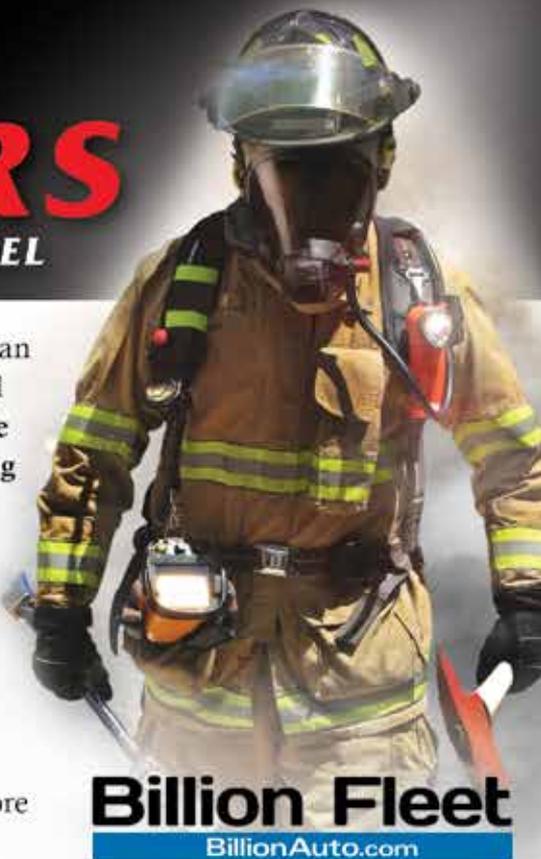
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