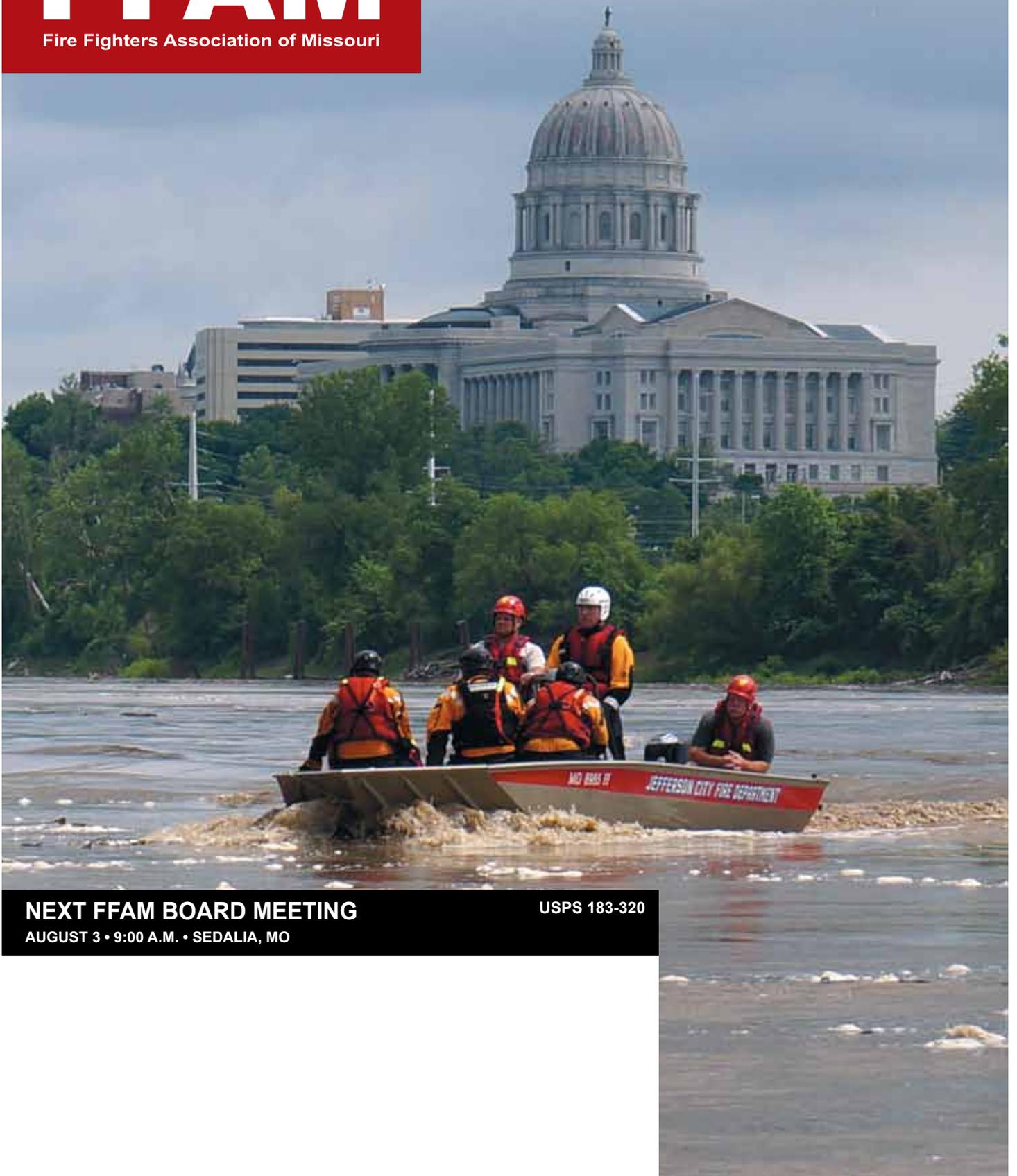


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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Greetings Fellow Firefighters

**Kenneth Hoover
President**



This article brings me to the annual Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Services held on May 17 and 18 in Kingdom City. I believe this is the most important activity I am involved in every year and I will commit a large portion of this article to it.

Many hours of preparation took place not only with the grounds but with the programs. A workday was conducted on May 10, Lt. Steve Nichols and firefighters from Little Dixie Fire Protection District headed up the workday and many items were worked on. Helpers also came from Boone County Fire Protection District, Galt Fire Protection District, South Central Buchanan County Fire Protection District, Braymer Fire Department and Callaway County Commission. I thank each of you.

As they have done for many years, I thank Chief Greg Lubbert and the Central Callaway Fire Protection District who spent many hours cleaning all of the granite walls and other tasks the Thursday night prior to the services.

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

The Candlelight Honor Guard was provided by the Little Dixie Fire Protection District. Chaplin Robby Jernigan from the Marshfield Fire



Chaplain Robby Jernigan of the Marshfield FPD delivering his message at the Candlelight Service

Protection District did an excellent job with the message to over 200 attendees at the Candlelight Service. A special thanks to Gail Fitzgerald from the Boone County Fire Protection District Pipes and Drums for her bag piping *Amazing Grace*, to Blue Ice Productions and Chairman Keith Smith from Warrenton, Missouri who provided all of the recording and video services for the entire memorial, as they have done for many years at no charge to the Memorial Foundation. Many, many thanks to Greg and Rose Rosebrock.

Each year our history is documented by Don Vaucher. Don is at every event and photographs all the activities and provides FFAM with prints and CDs and never asks for recognition or payment for his services. Thank you Don and Harriett.

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FIRE MARSHAL'S UPDATE

Greg Carrell
Assistant Fire Marshal



Missouri Division of Fire Safety

Welcome to what will soon be the dog days of summer. Fireworks season is coming to a close, but the fair and festival season is just beginning to hit its peak. You may not all be aware the Division is responsible for issuing permits for all amusement rides operated in the state. Amusement rides, both fixed rides and those traveling from fair to fair, are required to undergo an annual safety inspection before being allowed to operate. You should find a current operating permit in the form of a sticker affixed to any properly permitted ride. Division inspectors conduct spot safety inspections of the rides at locations around the state. These inspections are not only performed on the equipment, but also the operation of the ride to insure all safety protocols are followed by the ride operator. Anyone having concerns or questions about an amusement ride should contact the Division.

The Division, working through the Fire Education Commission, recently awarded contracts for over \$456,000 to 14 training partners for no cost firefighter training. Approximately \$66,000 of that amount came from the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund and is earmarked for hazardous materials training. A large portion of the training funding is the result of money collected through the Division's permitting of Missouri's 1,200 fireworks retailers.

In the past, I know some regions of the state have had difficulty hosting training, usually due to low classroom attendance. I would like to personally challenge every region to take advantage of the no cost training our partners offer. If a department recognizes a need not addressed in the training opportunities currently offered, I would like to hear your thoughts. The Commission has made every effort to provide topical

updated training opportunities relevant to Missouri's fire service needs.

And finally, while currently the grass is green and it seems we have rain somewhere in the state daily, we are still just a few windy days away from the return of dry, hot and humid conditions. Heat related injuries to responders peak during these months. I ask that we all take a moment to not only watch ourselves as we respond to emergencies, but also consider conducting periodic checks on the elderly in our communities.

Be safe and enjoy your summer.

Greg Carrell
Assistant 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, June 1, 2014 at the State Fair Fire Department in Sedalia, Missouri.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OFFICERS

President, Kenneth Hoover, Little Dixie FPD; Second Vice President Charlie Neubert, Highlandville Rural FPD; Secretary Treasurer, Jaime Miller, Johnson County FPD; Sergeant-at-Arms, Rex Reynolds, Southern FPD of Holt County; Past President, Keith Smith, Warrenton FPD.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

District 1, Terry Wynne, Galt FPD; District 2, Greg Wright, Shelbina FD; District 3, Larry Jones, Madison West Monroe FPD; District 6, Richard Gordon, Cole County FPD; District 7, RB Brown, Eureka FD; District 11, Monty Thompson, Kearney FPD; District 14, Rick Dozier, Southern FPD of Holt Co.

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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 11, Roger Meyers, Concordia FPD; District 14, Glenn Dittmar, South Central Buchanan County FD.

GUESTS

Greg and Brenda Carrell, Missouri Division of Fire Safety; David Hedrick, Gail Hagans, MU FRTI; Larry Eggen, Larry Jennings, Joe Jennings, Kathy Borgmeyer, Johnson County FPD; Donald Vaucher, Harriett Vaucher, Eureka FPD; Steve Gentry, Little Dixie FPD; Joyce Thompson, Kyle Arnold, Kearney F&R; Brian Zinanni, Clayton FD; Greg Harrell, Sedalia FD; Grant Oetting, Higginsville

F&R; Kyler Oliver, Savannah FD; Cy Fields, Paris Rural FPD; Sam Whanger, Eureka FPD; Scott Olson, Alma FPD; Donnie Rogers, Chillicothe FD.

AGENDA

President Hoover asked for additions to the agenda. Greg Wright moved to accept the agenda as presented. Charlie Neubert seconded the motion and all approved.

MINUTES

There were no minutes for approval.

FINANCIAL REPORT

President Hoover asked for a review of the April 2014 financial reports. Rick Dozier moved to accept the financial reports as presented. RB Brown seconded the motion and all approved.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUEST(S)

David Hedrick with MU FRTI reported that the 82nd annual Summer Fire School will be held June 4-8.

Their fiscal year ends June 30. MU FRTI presented 650 classes to 13,000+ students. Funding for 2014-15 will stay the same through the Missouri Extension. No changes are expected.

The Fire Safety Commission will be meeting with MU FRTI in June regarding a funding proposal for training requests.

Acting State Fire Marshal Greg Carrell with the Division of Fire Safety reported that \$684,000 is approved right now for funding. 13 proposals have been received from different vendors for class offerings.

MO Chiefs will be meeting next week in Cape Girardeau for training.

The Division has filled the Training Tech position and a new investigator has also been hired.

The legislative session has ended. DFS is still going through bills to see what applies to the fire service.

Parking validations are still being used.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Miller presented a proposal to become a distributor for Jones & Bartlett Learning. As a distributor, FFAM would be able to make available all Jones & Bartlett Learning fire and EMS training materials to its members. Discussion followed. Rick Dozier moved to become a distributor for Jones & Bartlett Learning. Charlie Neubert seconded the motion and all approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Larry Jennings recommended not waiting until February to make award nominations. Nominations can be submitted at any time throughout the year.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

President Hoover reported that budget requests will need to be submitted to the committee by the August meeting.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

No report was given.

CHAPLAIN COMMITTEE

If anyone is interested in joining the chaplain program, contact David Hedrick.

Brian Zinanni, Team Coordinator with the Missouri Fire Service Funeral Assistance Team, reported that \$75K was raised to offset the cost of the National Fallen Firefighters Survivors Conference

held in Clayton, MO in May. There were volunteers from across the state who assisted with the weeklong event. Many thanks were extended to everyone who contributed.

CONTEST COMMITTEE

Richard Gordon reported he would be reviewing the contest site for the 2015 convention.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

The dates for the 2015 convention are May 1-3 at Tan-Tar-A. President Hoover advised that the convention and contest committees will need to meet at the convention site before February and report back to the board. The board will not be meeting at the host site in February as done in the past. The February meeting will be held in Sedalia.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

No report was given.

FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE

RB Brown reported Marthasville Volunteer FD was overlooked in the previous newsletter article regarding the poster contest so a correction has been made on the website. All poster award recipient checks have been delivered. The new theme is *Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives. Test Yours Every Month.*

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

No report was given.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

2nd VP Neubert reported the following membership counts: 409 Directors/Councilman; 261 Retired; 18 Associate; 12 Sustaining; 12 Corporate, 349 Departments; 7512 Active.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Keith Smith reported that there are still no recommendations for open director positions. President Hoover advised he is working on filing the position in District 12.

NVFC COMMITTEE

Keith Smith reported that Lighthouse Uniforms is now required to go through the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for all needs. He also advised



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SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Grant Oetting reported he would be meeting with recipients to get photos. President Hoover suggested that steps be taken to assist recipients with attending the convention.

STATE FAIR COMMITTEE

Monty Thompson reported application approvals are ready to be sent with 17 new members joining the department. The next work weekend July 12-13.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE

Secretary Miller reported that the website has been updated.

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the next newsletter July 1.

HISTORIAN REPORT

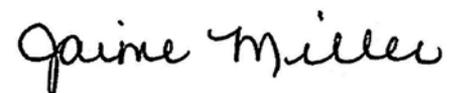
President Hoover reported that Kay Asher has had a procedure on her back

and is resting at home and hopeful of a full recovery.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Keith Smith reported the annual memorial service was May 17 and May 18. There were 43 non-LODD and 5 LODD recognized. 240 attended the candlelight service and 300+ attended the Sunday morning service. DVDs will be available in four weeks. The Foundation is looking at options for providing a firefighter statue to the families of survivors.

Charlie Neubert moved to adjourn the meeting. Richard Gordon seconded the motion and all approved. President Hoover adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.



Jaime Miller, Secretary
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

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Again this year we were honored to have Director Jerry Lee from the State of Missouri Department of Public Safety attend and presenting proclamations to the 2013 Line of Duty Death family members.



Sunday morning speaker, survivor Heidi Packard

Ms. Heidi Packard, a survivor herself, was our keynote speaker at the Sunday morning memorial service. I heard many compliments and I believe Heidi had a very good message. Thank you Heidi and I extend an invitation to you for any of our future events.

Director David Hedrick from the Fire and Rescue Training Institute gave our opening invocation and as always did an excellent job. David always accepts my request to help and I appreciate his can-do attitude.



Our Honor Guard Commander this year was Chuck Beaty from the St. Joseph Fire Department. Commander Beaty did an outstanding job coordinating Honor/Color Guard and Pipe and Drum members from many fire departments throughout Missouri. Thank you Chuck and the members of the many Honor Guards and Pipe and Drum members.

I really appreciate all of the Memorial Board members that helped in so many ways throughout both services by reading of the names, bell ringing, and placing of wreaths and turnout gear.

A special thank you goes to Rich and Pam Gordon for hauling the chairs from Jefferson City to use at both services and then returning them for us. And again Don Hahne and Steve Paulsell performed *Taps* flawlessly to close our services.

Ladder trucks were provided by the Marshfield Fire Department and the Union Fire Protection District to fly the US flag at the entrance to the memorial walkway. Washington Volunteer Fire Company and Charles Staats provided their antique trucks again. Thanks to all.

We also appreciate the Staff for Life Medical Helicopter and flight crew for its fly-over and salute to our fallen comrades.



Luce and Rich Myers playing and singing *A Fireman's Heart*

A special thank you to Luce and Rich Myers for the singing of *A Fireman's Heart*.

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

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

There were many, many more that helped in some way, and I thank each one of you.

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I apologize if I have forgotten anyone, as I surely have, because it takes so many to get ready for such an event. To those that I did not mention by name, I appreciate your faithfulness every year.

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

The FFAM State Fair Fire Department Committee has been working many hours preparing for the 2014 State Fair. A work weekend was conducted on May 30 and 31 with many firefighters in attendance helping. Thank you for your service and commitment to the success of FFAM. Another work weekend will be held on July 11, 12, and 13 at the fire station.

Everything is shaping up for another great time at the 2014 Missouri State Fair. A full staff of FFAM members from throughout the state have been selected to work and I am looking forward to another great time



seeing old friends and making new ones. Chief R.B. Brown has worked diligently and invested many hours selecting and preparing his staff to lead and provide the professional fire and rescue/medical services that the patrons of the Missouri State Fair have become accustomed to.

I am very thankful to have all of the FFAM officers, directors and assistant directors, committees and many others serving the needs of the fire service of Missouri.

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

Kenneth Hoover, President
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AN UPDATE FROM THE



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Tim Bean

Summer time... Schools out, vacations, kids sleeping in, vacation bible schools, cook outs, family reunions, creek swimming, hay hauling, yard mowing, fishing trips, camping in a tent, sunburns, ticks, chiggers and mosquito, bonfires, fireworks, fairs, motorcycle rides, air conditioners, driving with your window down, ok, ok, enough already! Right? Just reflecting on my summer days growing up.

I have Fox news on in my office while I type this, not everybody in this world

will be having a good summer. So don't forget how blessed we are as we celebrate our independence in a few days. Take time and appreciate what you have, who you have, and get out and take advantage of your summer with your family and friends.

Stay safe out there, and maybe I'll see you sometime at the upcoming state fair.

J. Tim Bean,
1st Vice President



THE MUSEUM PROJECT

BY RON BAKER

Check Out The New
Museum Website!
MissouriFireFightersMuseum.org

I apologize for missing last month's newsletter. I could blame it on old age, but too many use that one. I'll just confess, I forgot, but I haven't forgotten the project to build a firefighters' museum for Missouri firefighters. First, I want to thank individuals and businesses who purchased flags for the *Firefighters' Field of Flags* at the memorial in May. While we only sold about 30 flags, we displayed 53. Several people who saw the flags from the interstate stopped in to get a closer look and some who came while I was present asked questions about it. This gave me the opportunity to share your project.

Raffle items on the website, www.missourifirefightersmuseum.org include a print of an oil painting of bible and boots, the print is numbered and autographed by the artist; a picture frame for firefighters, frame yourself or someone else; and a leather helmet shield with

"343" on it. Raffle tickets are only \$5 each or 3 tickets for \$10 and all proceeds go to the museum project. I encourage all of you to purchase at least 1 ticket and to pass the word on to others. Items are pictured with this article.

One of the questions I get asked almost every time I share the dream is this; "What do you have to put in the museum when it is completed?" I have heard of lots of items that are being kept in people's homes, garages, storage units, etc. What a shame it would be if these items were lost, stolen, or otherwise destroyed. A part of the Missouri fire service would be gone forever. With the building of a museum, that part of your history will be preserved in one central location for all to see. If you have such items, would you send me a picture and brief description so I can use these in future newsletter articles as well as on social media to call attention to our dream. Thank you in advance.

Recently I went on vacation in the smoky mountains. While there, I saw a firehouse golf (miniature golf). I took several pictures and plan to use some of them in future articles.

Thanks again to the Fruitland Fire Protection District for their donation of a 1964 Chevrolet (bumper pumper) fire truck. It is now on display next to the memorial in Kingdom City. It helps create awareness of your project.

Thank you again for the opportunity to represent you to various communities and groups. If you know of groups I can visit and share with, please email me at ffammuseum@gmail.com or call me at 573-220-8344.



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FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE UPDATE

Hello to all of you from the east side! I hope your summer has been great, safe and enjoyable. It is hard to believe the Missouri Sate Fair is getting close; before long fall will be making its entrance. As time goes by we are getting

closer to Fire Prevention Week and before I go any further on the subject I need to correct a mistake. During the convention a district entered posters for the contest and they were not mentioned in the past newsletter. So to the Marthaville Fire Protection District, thank you for your time and please accept my apologies for my mistake. In an attempt to better recognize our poster contest winners, the Fire Prevention Committee is looking at how to judge the posters prior to the convention to allow the winners to be present

at the convention. There will be more to come when a decision is made.

The 2014 Fire Prevention theme is *Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives*.

Have a great summer. Be safe and have fun and remember fire prevention is ongoing, so spread the word. Thank you for your time.

Robert B. Brown

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NEWS FROM DISTRICT



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Greg Wright
Director

Hello from District 2. We wish to welcome Vern Cash as the new assistant director for district 2. Vern has been a firefighter for many years and if you have stopped by the State Fair Fire Department you probably have seen him.

It was great to see everyone at the FFAM conference in Festus. Lots of vendors, great competitions, a huge banquet with a

great speaker, and a big congratulation to all the winners.

The 2014 Missouri Firefighter Memorial Service was held May 17 and 18. A good crowd attended the candlelight and the memorial service as we honored 5 LODD and 43 firefighters that served the fire service. If you have never been to the service, mark your calendar for the 3rd Sunday in May 2015.

On a separate note the museum fundraising is still continuing on. Purchase a brick and also check out some other ways that you can be a part of helping us reach our museum goal.

Departments in district 2 have been busy with both structure and natural cover fires, as I am sure everyone has been. Several departments have done their fund-raisers. Several departments got together and did a helicopter dual landing zone training in

May in Shelby County. Multiple departments got together and did a pipeline break drill on June 7.

State fair is coming up August 7-17. Make sure you stop by and say hello.

Some of our fellow firefighters and dear friends in the fire service need our prayers in several ways. Please include them in your prayers.

Remember district 2, if you have anything going on give me a call at 660-415-7990 which is my new cell number or you can always e-mail me at gwright000@centurytel.net.

Till next time be safe.

George "Greg" Wright
District 2 Director
Shelbina Fire Department

Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

JUNE 1, 2014

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President Chris Slaughter called meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

OLD BUSINESS

Chris Slaughter discussed per the 2014 convention in May we were adding three new committees; Memorial Service, Silent Auction, and Posting of Colors.

Diane Hanes from Galt volunteered to chair the Memorial Service committee. This committee will ensure the ribbons are prepared for the Memorial Service.

Theresa Cox suggested the Silent Auction committee be the existing Fund Raising committee. This committee is responsible for the silent auction, 50/50 raffle, sale of various items (tumbler, jewelry, angel pins, etc), quilt auction and such to raise money for the Auxiliary. Theresa suggested this committee be co-chaired together by Pam Carsten and Sheri Berendzen. Both agreed to co-chair together.

Chris asked if anyone present wanted to chair the Posting of Colors committee. It was suggested to ask Melissa Dahms or Danielle Arnold to chair the committee.

Ann Jones suggested the Fund Raising Committee put articles in the two newsletters prior to convention as reminders asking departments or individuals for Silent Auction items for the convention.

POSTER CONTEST

Diane Hanes from Galt volunteered her department to judge the posters at the 2015 convention. She will ask if Little Dixie would want to judge with them again this year also. Diane will advise who will chair this committee from her department. It was suggested a sign in sheet be generated to formalize by departments and how many posters they bring to convention and a place for the winners. Theresa Cox volunteered to design the form needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEETING NOTE CORRECTIONS

The following changes noted from the Sunday May 4, 2014 Convention meeting notes; Lisa Williams is from Beaufort-Leslie not Warrenton, and one spelling error to change 'their' to 'there'. Pam Carsten made a motion to accept the meeting notes with the corrections mentioned, seconded by Diane Hanes. Motion passed.

TREASURER REPORT

Our beginning balance was \$2,377.24. Income was \$2,902.00 and expenses of \$927.47 leaving a new balance of \$4,351.77. Ann Jones made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report as read, seconded by Sheri Berendzen, motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP

None.

AUXILIARY MEMBER

None.

POSTER CONTEST

Already discussed.

NOMINATION

None.

HISTORIAN

At the next convention we need a clear wall or a screen to show the Auxiliary history slide show.

SERGEANT AT ARMS

None.

MEMORIAL

Pam Carsten let the group know seeing her son's name on the wall gave them peace and felt very honored.

CONVENTION

Sherry Hoover asked if there was any

decisions made on what donations were going to be made from our general funds. It was decided to wait to make this decision.

NEW BUSINESS

Ann Jones attended the NFFF Conference. She reported this event was awesome and inspiring. Ann praised the work Brian did to host such an event here in St. Louis. Ann suggested we invite Brian or Harriet to our meeting to speak about the NFFF needs.

Sheri Berendzen purchased a canopy from Wal-Mart for \$141.31. Pam made a motion to purchase this canopy for the Auxiliary, seconded by Diane, motion passed. Now looking for a professional FFAM Auxiliary graphics to attach on the canopy.

Need to inquire if the Auxiliary will sell the angel pins at the Memorial Services next year. Discussion tabled till next meeting.

The members commented on how much they enjoyed the variety of vendors at this years convention.

Ann Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sheri Berendzen, motion passed. Meeting ended 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Theresa Cox
Secretary Treasure 2014-2015

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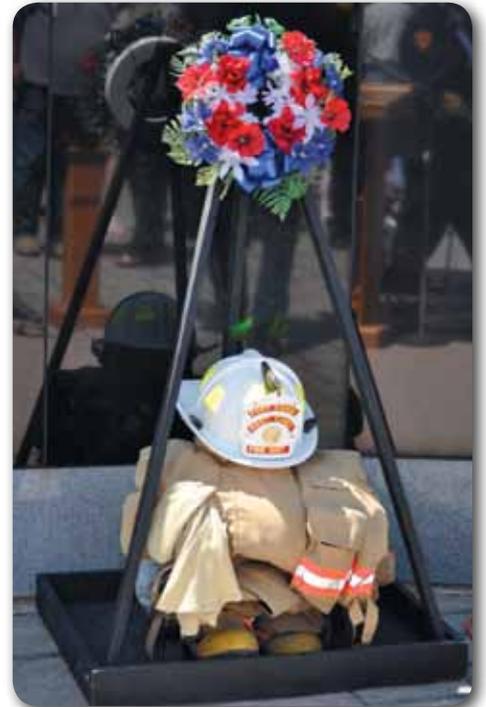
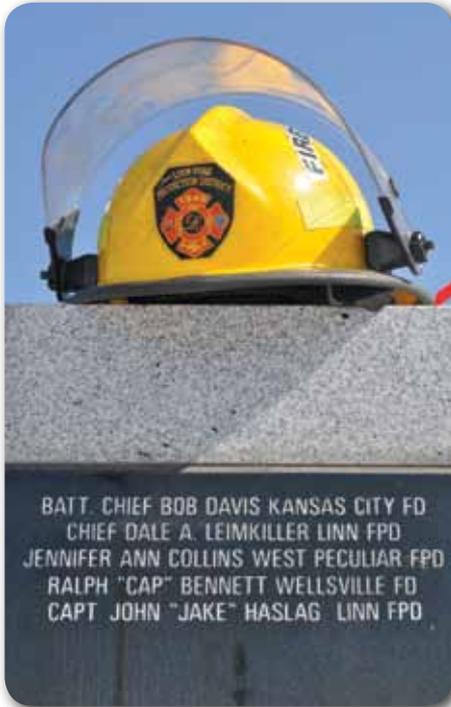


Marshfield FD Ladder Crew



Placing of Wreaths and Turnout Gear







History's CORNER

SO... HAVE THE SUMMER FIRE SCHOOL AT THE MISSOURI STATE FAIRGROUNDS... YOU MUST BE KIDDING!

by **Bill Westhoff**

Over the couple decades plus that I was at the University of Missouri Fire Training program I had lots of weird ideas that came to pass. Some of them worked out, and some were just a big flop.

Like the flyer that we mailed to all the fire departments in the state suggesting they “borrow” a school bus from their local school district and bring a bus load of firefighters to Summer Fire School. Duh! The idea of riding a school bus in July from Kennett was not one that was accepted, not even from Moberly or Rocheport! So much for cheap transportation.

Another “brain fade” of mine was to move the Summer Fire School from Columbia to the fairgrounds in Sedalia. One of the motivations for this move was that the University administration had just formed a new section of the Extension Division known as the “conference and short course unit”. All on campus activities such as the Summer Fire School would now be coordinated through this new unit. To fund the unit, the administration would require a one-dollar fee per day to be added to the registration fee to fund the unit. That upset me greatly at the time because we had always worked hard to keep the registration fee down for firefighters. The solution was to get out of Dodge and go to Sedalia.

Another motivation to go to the fairgrounds were the facilities available there. The agriculture building was new and air-conditioned and the bunks at the newly constructed fire station could be used for “low cost” housing for students.

The Summer Fire School at that time was still a three day affair, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The first year we tried this, our staff consisted of Bush Walden, our



The general session at the 40th Annual Fire School in Sedalia. Note the fire apparatus on display at the rear of the Agriculture Building. Also, I am sure that the individual adjusting the projector in the center of the picture is my dear friend Louie Gray. As many “old timers” will remember, Louie was ever present at fire schools, state fair activities and everything the FFAM did. He also served the state well as a member of the State Fire Marshal’s office for years. He is wearing his gold coveralls with the lettering on the back that reads Missouri State Fire School. There are lots of those hanging on old guys closets around the state, including mine.

coordinator, Tom Admire and myself as full time instructors.

As it turned out, we would have been better off to pay the university the three dollars per student out of our own pockets that to spend two weeks before and after, hauling all the crap needed to put on a fire school from Columbia to Sedalia and back. Had it not been for an army of volunteers and a lot of dedicated certified part time instructors, we would never have been able to pull it off.

The photos in this article capture some of the activities. The 1973 conference program featured Basic Firemanship, taught by a great instructor, Bob Palmer from Mehlville and Don Murray from Carthage. Firemanship II was taught by Deputy Chief Rich Lehmann from Osage Fire District in Buckner.

Rich was also the lead instructor for a number of forty hour Instructor Certification courses taught later by Fire Training. He was instrumental in the formation of a cadre of part time instructors who were and still are the backbone of fire training in Missouri

The registration fee for the 1973 fire school was seven bucks. If you could come up with another dollar a night, you could bunk in the fire station. There were a few problems with that arrangement, which I will cover in a future article.

This fairgrounds arrangement just lasted a few years and I can’t tell you how many. I do know that by 1975 we were back in Columbia, on campus, and without a one dollar a day fee! That is also the year the fire school went from a three day format to a five day adventure. But that is the subject for another article.

A very attentive audience and lots of empty chairs at the general session, including a young Bob Rennick, who at the time I think was the training officer at the Columbia Fire Department.



This is the registration crew at the 1973 Fire School. Jim White from Pattonville-Bridgeton Terrace Fire District in St. Louis County is on the left. Jim was very active in the FFAM and served as a commissioner for the State Fair Fire department for years. Next to him in his ever present white uniform cap is Deputy Chief George Barker from Liberty. George was our Deputy Chief at the Fire Grounds Fire Department for all the years I served as the State Fair Fire Chief.

To his right with just her 1973 style hairdo showing is Goldie Havens. She was the only full time secretary at *Firemanship Education* at the University in 1973 and an awesome individual. I am fairly sure that the slick haired guy registering with is back to the camera is the newly appointed Fire Chief of the Columbia Fire Department, E. Dean Holland.

A young and slender Bill Westhoff introducing speakers at the July 20, 1973 Fire School at the Missouri State Fair Grounds. The general session was held in the new Agriculture Building.



Chief Bill Steiner of the O'Fallon Fire Protection District and Missouri Edison doing a presentation on Firefighter Electrical Safety. Bill was one of my many mentors in the fire service and the Chief of my home town fire district. His son Eddie has a degree in Fire Protection from Oklahoma State University and son Art also served as the O'Fallon Fire Chief, as did my Dad and Grandfather.



Chief Bob Davis was a huge supporter of the FFAM and a member of the Fort Leonard Wood Fire Department. He also served as the Chief of Iberia Fire Department. He volunteered for everything, including driving the military pumper behind him from the Fort to be used for fire school.

AN UPDATE FROM THE



2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Charlie Neubert

Winter is over and I love it! Thanks to all of the directors who have helped to increase our membership. However, we have a lot more firefighters in this state that we have to reach out to and tell them about the FFAM. Membership is not just about having numbers but having endless friendships and resources that we all can benefit from. Let's keep this going and talk to your neighbors and other fire departments even if they are in other states. I also want to thank the departments for getting their membership yearly renewals in on a timely manor. It helps out more than you realize!

There are two other people I would like to thank, first is Jaime Miller. Our secretary works so hard for the board, officers, and the membership, day in and day out and does outstanding work! She is the person that keeps up with the membership list and all the paper work for renewals, board minutes, and newsletter, just to name a very few things she does. If you should ever run into Jaime please stop and say hi and thank her for all she does for the FFAM. Thank you so very much Jaime!

The other is Gail, from MU FRTI. She is one of those behind the scene kind of people that works hard and sits in the back row. Gail works with Jaime and puts together the newsletter you all get and are reading now. Gail has countless hours bringing this paper to all of you and has worked so very hard to bring a new look to the newsletter plus adding articles. Gail thank you for all you do, the newsletter has never looked so good!

On the State Fair front, we have all of the equipment lined up and ready to go! The

WILLIAM "BILL" CLEMENTS

July 8, 1946 — June 19, 2014

William "Bill" L. Clements, age 67, of Lamar, Missouri passed Thursday morning at Freeman Hospital West, Joplin, Missouri.

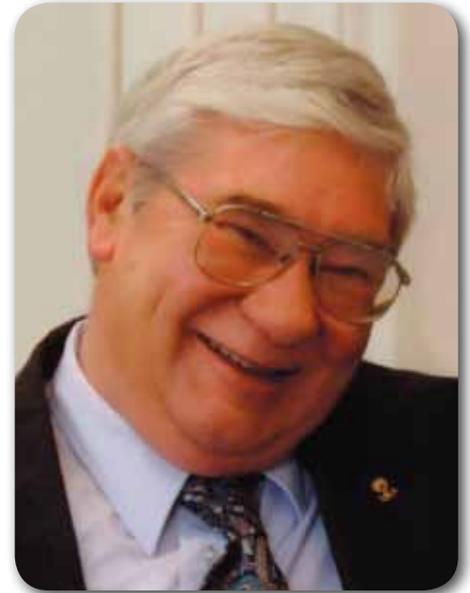
Bill was born July 8, 1946 to Ted Richard Clements and Ruby Thelma (Little) Clements at Lamar, Missouri. He graduated Lamar High School in 1966. He served his country in the US Army and was in Vietnam from July 1967 until July 1968. On July 1, 1967 he married Sue Jeffreys in Lamar, Missouri and together they raised two daughters. Bill retired from Thorco Industries where he worked as a supervisor. He was a member of Lamar United Methodist Church; member of the Firefighters Association of Missouri since 1978; member of Ozark Fire Chief's Association as a charter member since 1983; Lamar Fire Department for 43 years and served as Assistant Fire Chief for over 30 years. Bill was also a member of Elks Club, enjoyed woodworking, fishing, socializing, playing pitch and "tinkering".

Bill leaves behind his wife of nearly 47 years, two daughters and their husbands, Michelle and Chris Ferguson, of Joplin, Missouri and Carla and Scott Shapley, of Bentonville, Arkansas; two brothers, Don Clements, of Lamar, Missouri and Loyd & Beverly Clements, of Lamar, Missouri;

Chief will send out a list of the departments and people who have donated equipment for the fair in the next issue. I am looking forward to seeing my old friends again and this year we have several new people coming for the first time and I am excited to see them attend.

See you all at the fair.

Charlie Neubert,
2nd Vice President



one sister, Thelma and Don Selvey, of Lamar, Missouri; one sister in law, Dixie Clements of Lamar, Missouri; and three grandchildren, Samantha Ferguson, Nichole Tate, and Taylor Shapley.

Funeral service was held Sunday, June 22, 2014 at Daniel Funeral Home with Pastor Robb Hodson officiating. Burial followed at Lake Cemetery with Military Honors.

Contributions are suggested to the Donor's Choice in care of Daniel Funeral Home.



JAMES TIMOTHY “TIM” BONNER

March 3, 1951 — May 24, 2014

James Timothy “Tim” Bonner, 63, of Reeds Spring, Missouri died Saturday morning, May 24, 2014. Tim’s death came after a strong and determined battle with cancer. Tim was born March 3, 1951 in Springfield, Missouri to the late James Troy Bonner, Jr., and Marilyn Jane Haggard Bonner. He graduated from Selma Union High School in Selma, California before returning to Missouri to attend college at School of the Ozarks. He remained in the area near his family.

Tim leaves behind a wife of 27 years, Charlene Bonner, of the home, and five children; Ben Bonner and wife Carolyn of Reeds Spring, Toby Bonner of Branson, Jason Bonner and wife Rachel of Galena, Levi Jones and wife Alison of Galena, Carrie Padilla and husband Todd of Kimberling City. Also surviving is a brother Kim Bonner and wife Jackie of Fordland, step-mother, Beverly Bonner of Rogersville, a step-sister, Kelley Ritter of Strafford, and seven grandchildren Aaron, Courtney, Taylor, Cody, Justin, Shelby & Samuel. There are also many nieces and nephews and extended family and close friends, including the brotherhood of the fire department.

Tim spent 20+ years serving the community holding multiple roles within the fire service. In 1984, as a member of the Reeds Spring Volunteer Fire Department, he and several leaders from the southern

stone county area began the process of creating the Southern Stone County Fire Protection District, where he became the Chief. In 1995, he was hired by the Branson Fire Department as one of the original six full-time fire fighters in the City, and in 2001 he took an Assistant Chief position with the Battlefield Fire Protection District. Tim returned to Southern Stone County to serve as Assistant Chief, and eventually serving as a board member for the District. Tim was an adjunct instructor for the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute and dedicated his time to delivering training programs and mentoring a whole generation of fire fighters.

In addition to his time in the fire service, Tim was an Emergency Medical Technician who worked with the Taney County Ambulance District and at one time with St. John’s ambulance district. He also spent a short time as “Captain Jak” while working as a Captain for Ride the Ducks in Branson, and was the voice of the Saturday morning news on the local radio station KRZK 106.3 for a while. Tim finally returned to the City of Branson, working in the Building Department, where he officially retired in 2012. Upon his retirement, the City staff, including Mayor Presley, honored Tim by naming the Building Departments conference room after him.

Tim enjoyed long drives, hikes, reading, and spending time with family and friends. While completely committed to the careers he embraced, the time he



spent with his wife, children, and grandchildren was his greatest love. He will be dearly missed by his family and all those he touched throughout his life.

A funeral service was held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, May 31, 2014 at the Life Song Church in Reed Springs, Missouri with Pastors Rob Barringer and Joe Wolven officiating. Arrangements were held under the direction of Stumpff Funeral Home-South.

A visitation was held at 6:00-8:00 p.m., Friday, May 30, 2014 at the Life Song Church located at 360 Emerson Road, Reeds Spring, Missouri 65737.

In Lieu of Flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Reel Recovery c/o Dave Caravella at 1539 Gobblers Mountain Road Reeds Spring, Missouri 65737



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NEWS FROM DISTRICT



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Larry Jones
Director

What a great experience we all had at the 2014 FFAM Convention in Festus put on by Jefferson County. It showed us that the FFAM has had *60 years of Brotherhood In The Fire Service.*

The 2015 FFAM Convention will be hosted by the Osage Beach Fire Protection District on May 1-3, 2015. The host hotel will be Tan-Tar-A Resort in Osage Beach. There is some information on the FFAM website and you'll have to check back on it to keep up with all the 2015 convention news. If your department or a combination of departments are interested in hosting the convention, please notify any of the convention committee; Larry Jones, Monty Thompson, and Keith Smith. It is an adventure that you and your department will never forget.

The next project for FFAM is the State Fair held August 7-17 in Sedalia. If you have never been there, it is something you should do. No place else would you have the chance to work with firefighters from all over Missouri or just visit for a day and find out all they do at the State Fair.

Like everyone else, summer is a busy time but take time to be with your families and stay safe.

If either of us can be of help to you, please contact us at any time.

Larry Jones
Director of District #3
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Rob Erdel
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NFFS SURVIVOR CONFERENCE

by Brian Zinanni

Greetings! May 4-9, 2014 the State of Missouri hosted the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation's annual Survivors Conference. The conference was held in Clayton, Missouri and was attended by nearly 150 surviving family members of fallen firefighters from all across the United States.

As many of you may recall, we worked for nearly 18 months in support of this conference. With the generous support of Missouri Firefighters, nearly \$75,000 in cash donations was given to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation and used in support of hosting the conference. No organization has ever stepped up in support of the conference to the level Missouri Firefighters did. To say I am proud is an understatement!

Surviving family members gathered at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Clayton where they were greeted with an amazing gift bag containing all Missouri based products. That evening, participants attended a welcome reception where the photo booth, with all the props, was the perfect ice-breaker for those first time participants.

Survivors participated in various types of classes each day of the conference designed to help them take those painful steps forward. Peer support was given as well as creative outlets to help those attendees memorialize their loved ones. Lunch each day was served at Clayton Fire Department and proved to be a highlight for many in attendance. Good old fashioned fire house food seemed to win, over that of a fancy hotel. Special thanks to the Greater St. Louis Area Fire Chiefs Association for sponsoring and preparing Mondays lunch. Clayton & Maplewood Firefighters sponsored and served Tuesday's barbecue, and Wednesday's chili cook off was a huge success with chili being provided by Clayton, University City, Affton, and Rock Hill Fire.

While day time was spent in tough, hard, grief and support therapy – evening were meant for a lighter side of fun and entertainment. Survivors were treated to a Murder Mystery Dinner Theater courtesy of I.A.F.F. Local 2665 and I.A.F.F. District 2 members. Grants Farm generously donated their park to include a full tour of the park and a special appearance by Andrew the Clydesdale. Wednesday proved to be very fun as our guests were treated to an evening at City Museum. On Thursday, chartered buses transported our special guests to visit Anheuser Busch Brewery, the Arch, and a tour of Busch Stadium. Due to the generosity of Missouri Firefighters, all of these items were provided at no cost.

The positive response from survivors was amazing. The expressions of thanks are still coming in. While the survivors continue to thank us, those firefighters who volunteered their time to help at the conference have overwhelmingly expressed how honored they felt to be able to give back to those who have lost so much. The survivors thank us for our support, but I'm not certain who benefited more from the conference, those who attended or those who helped make it happen.

I would like to personally thank everyone who supported this conference in any way. From those who assisted us with donations, supported our fund-raising activities, and those who helped us with manpower. The combined efforts provided for an experience that will not soon be forgotten by those in attendance.

Thank you kindly,
Brian Zinanni,
Team Coordinator
Missouri Fire Service
Funeral Assistance Team

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Did You Know?

The Missouri Division of Fire Safety has approved the *Fundamentals of Fire Fighter Skills* and *Fire Officer: Principles and Practice* resources from Jones & Bartlett Learning. The Fire Fighter's Association of Missouri is pleased to announce that these training resources, as well as a complete suite of EMS and Fire resources from Jones & Bartlett Learning, are now available for purchase through their organization.

For a complete list of Fire training resources, please visit: go.jblearning.com/FireCatalog.

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PERSONAL ALERT SAFETY SYSTEM DONATED

Bolivar City Fire Department (BCFD) has been working in conjunction with Pattonville Fire Protection District (PFPD) to provide a much safer working environment on the fire-ground for BCFD firefighters. PFPD donated an entire Personal Alert Safety System to BCFD. This equipment is a Grace Industries TPASS system valued over \$50,000 with all the donated equipment. This system incorporates an incident commander's ability to directly monitor accountability, firefighters active pass alarms, and transmit an evacuation alert onto the fire scene through the TPASS system.



Chief Ludden of the BCFD states, "This system is a huge asset to BCFD, our department would not be able to afford such a system if it were not to the generosity of PFPD. It is our intention that we will utilize this system throughout the entire county. So this is not just a donation to BCFD, but Polk County as a whole. This is also a great example of fire departments networking across the state to create a better fire service statewide. I am very thankful for our department to be the beneficiary for this donation and am excited to begin training and utilizing this system in the near future!"

SOUTHERN FPD HOLT COUNTY GETS NEW APPARATUS

The Southern Fire Protection District of Holt County in Oregon, Missouri recently took delivery of a new apparatus. The 2015 Ford F350 4x4 club cab truck was purchased from Walton Motors in Savannah and then taken to Kranz Truck Equipment in Kansas City where it was fitted with a new 9' Reading enclosed utility body. Haug Communications in St. Joseph did the installation of emergency lighting and equipment and then firemen changed over all of the equipment from its old ambulance to the new apparatus and put it into service on June 17. Truck #7 will be used primarily as the district's extrication and rescue truck, but it is also used as a tow vehicle for the district's new grass fire unit and their air and light trailer, as well as to haul extra manpower to a scene when needed.



In the late fall of 2013, the district also put into service Truck #8, its new grass firefighting apparatus. A 2014 Polaris 800 6x6 was purchased and equipped with a high pressure low volume pump slide-in unit complete with a 60 gallon tank and 5 gallon foam cell. A tandem axle trailer was also purchased to haul the unit to the scene. This unit will be used to assist firemen in fighting grass fires, which are normally a high percentage of their calls. This unit can be taken into areas where the brush trucks cannot get to as well as being a third brush truck when needed for faster more efficient extinguishment of fires. It seems to have already paid for itself this spring!

The district is proud to add these two new vehicles to its fleet to assist in protecting the citizens and patrons of the district and their property.

CHILLICOTHE RESCUE UNIT



From
Around
the
STATE

The Chillicothe Fire Department has purchased a 2014 Rosenbauer Rescue unit. The unit is on a Freightliner 4x4 chassis. The truck has a Rosenbauer rear mount NH (Normal/High) pressure PTO pump with automatic primer and

high pressure foam system, 300 gallon water tank, and 12 gallon foam cell, 15 KW "Smart Power Liberator" XRT generator/rescue tool system, (2) front bumper hydraulic rescue tool (100') reels, all LED lighting, ROM roll up doors, pull out trays, air bag storage, tool boards, stokes basket, Little Giant Ladder storage, and two Respond Ready tool boxes.

It also has the Rosenbauer EZ Climb rear access ladder to upper coffin compartments. (2) Wheel well speed dry storage compartments and (2) SCBA bottle wheel well storage. (2) 200' electric cord reels, (1) 100' air cord reel, (2) LED tripod lights, (1) Knight KL450 Command Light, and wireless portable Warn 9500 lb. winch with four receivers around the body. The purchase price for the truck is \$364,987. This truck will replace a 1997 (1) ton rescue truck.

KNOB NOSTER FD TOP 3 AWARD WINNERS 2013

The Knob Noster Fire Department has recognized their 2013 Top 3 Award Winners.

This award is given to KNFD's Top Three Responders of 2013, totaling statistics from Training Attendance, Call Responses, and PR Events.

Congratulations!

Chief Rick Johnson
Knob Noster Fire Department

From left to right. Firefighter Fire Responder Tim Merrill, Firefighter EMT Ben Fundaburg, and Firefighter First Responder David Dowell.



SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

by Grant Oetting

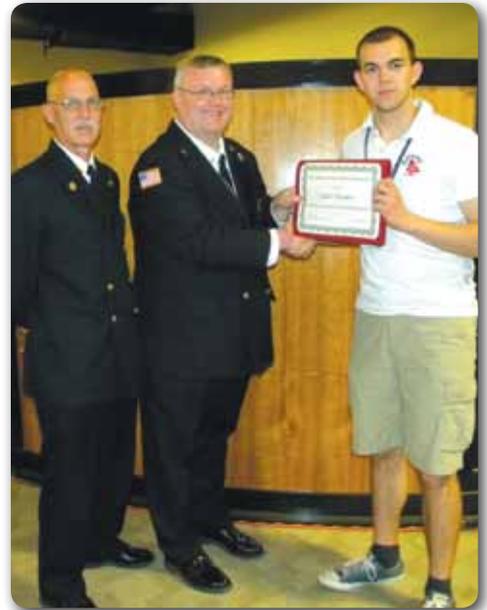
Hello everyone. I hope this newsletter finds everyone staying cool, as summer is upon us. In the last couple of weeks I have had the opportunity of traveling the state to award our recipients their scholarships.

It is always great to meet these great young people and what they have planned for their futures. While I am on the trip, I always ask these questions to them, 1, What do you think of the application, and 2, what can we do to make it easier for you? This is what I heard. They all thought the application was one of the easiest to fill out and that it was very straight forward. Glad to hear this, but in

the same token they also told me that we needed to get with the age and be able to submit the application online! This will be discussed at our next scholarship meeting along with any changes we need to make to the application, if any at all.

If you have any questions or anything you feel as members that we need to change on our scholarship form, the committee would love to hear your thoughts. Please contact me at the following information

Grant Oetting,
Chairman of the Scholarship Committee
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Left to right: Rob Schrage, Grant Oetting, Tyler Prater



Left to right: Lt. Shane Anderson, Father Mike Young, Grant Oetting, Recipient Rachel Young, Fire Chief Tom Jones



Left to right: Fire Chief Tommy George District 14 Director Rick Dozier Recipient Kyler Oliver, Grant Oetting, Firefighter Gary Oliver



Left to right: Assistant Director 2 Vernon Cash, Recipient Cassandra Geisendorfer, Grant Oetting, Fire Chief Mike Geisendorfer



Left to right: Assistant Chief Allen Wehmeyer, Assistant Chief Lisa Wehmeyer, Grant Oetting, Recipient Kara Wehmeyer, District 6 Director Richard Gordon

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DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

David Hedrick
Director

University of Missouri Extension, Fire and Rescue Training Institute



Another fiscal year has come to a close, and the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute (MU FRTI) was honored to serve as a state wide fire training resource to Missouri's fire departments during the year. The Institute saw an increase in the number of delivered training classes for FY14 as compared to the previous fiscal year. Encompassing all programming and funding sources, the Institute estimates FY14 training results will be over 670 classes delivered and over 13,000 firefighters trained. We look forward to continuing to serve you, the Fire Service of Missouri, in the new fiscal year.

A recent preliminary report from the United States Fire Administration (USFA) revealed 101 firefighters lost their lives in the line of duty in 2013. For several years, the number of line of duty deaths for firefighters was on the decline but a number of fires causing multiple firefighter fatalities in 2013 caused this number to increase. The fire and explosion in West Texas in April 2013 and the Yarnell Hill Wildland fire north of Phoenix, Arizona, in June 2013 were the most notable disasters claiming the lives of members of the fire service. Nineteen members of the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew perished in the Yarnell fire. As we observe the one year anniversary of the tragic loss of these firefighters, we need to remember that one never knows what life or the next emergency call will bring. Please take every precaution in the performance of your firefighting duties, and work and train to provide the greatest safety possible for yourself, your fellow firefighters, and the citizens you serve.

During the legislative session this spring, we were pleased to learn that Governor Nixon and the legislature both proposed

increases to the General Revenue Firefighter Training Fund in concert with the recommendations from the fire service agencies, organizations and fire departments throughout the state. At the close of the legislative session in May, this funding increase was approved as part of the final state budget and provides for increased training opportunities for the state's fire service.

MU FRTI submitted an annual state-wide training proposal to the Division of Fire Safety (DFS) and the Fire Safety Education/Advisory Commission for consideration of state funding. The proposal was based on a training needs survey that was conducted by our Regional Training Coordinators between January and March. MU FRTI is pleased to announce the Institute was awarded over \$125,000 in state funding to support training initiatives for FY15. The funding related to firefighter training funds was \$100,000, significantly up from the previous year. The Institute wishes to express our appreciation to DFS and the Missouri Fire Safety Education/Advisory Commission for their consideration and funding support for training along continued support of scholarships to MU FRTI's Winter and Summer Fire Schools through the Philip Sayer Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Unfortunately during the final week of June, the Institute learned that, as a result of the initial revenue shortfalls and budget concerns, the Governor has instituted withholding and restriction measures on various areas of the state budget, including firefighter training funds, to assure a balanced state budget. As a result of this, the Division of Fire Safety has had to reduce allocated firefighter training funding across the board

to all the training partners throughout the state. This resulted in a 15% decrease in firefighter training funds to each training provider. The good news is that does not mean the funds have been withdrawn but rather put on hold until there is an improvement in state revenue and budget. We hope that as the budget year progresses, state revenues will allow the withheld funding to be unlocked so it can be used to support firefighter training. Despite these state budget restrictions, MU FRTI looks forward to continuing working with DFS and the Fire Safety Education/Advisory Commission to improve the fire service in the State of Missouri through education and training.

In May 2014, the Fire Fighters Memorial Foundation of Missouri held the 12th Annual Memorial Service. There was beautiful weather this year for both the Saturday night and Sunday morning ceremonies. The services were well attended and provided a memorable tribute to honor the firefighters that had fallen in the line of duty this past year, as well as a remembrance of the current and former firefighters who had passed away during the year. As always, the Memorial Foundation and all the participating fire service personnel and honor guards did an excellent job on the ceremony; it will be a lasting memory to all those in attendance.

MU FRTI conducted the 82nd Annual Summer Fire School (SFS) in Jefferson City on June 4-8, 2014. Despite some thunderstorms that rolled through the area during the week, the weather in general was decent. There were over 500 students, faculty, and staff participating in this year's training event. MU FRTI extends sincere appreciation to Lincoln University, Jefferson City, Jefferson City Fire Department, Big Rivers Forest



MU FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING INSTITUTE

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DATE	COURSE	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
07/16	HMIR: Technician Refresher – Detection and Monitoring	St. Louis	David Neighbors	314-289-1934
07/18	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Cassville	Brad Harvey	417-846-4005
07/22	HMIR: Technician Refresher – Detection and Monitoring	Kirksville	Dave Ridgon	660-665-3734
07/25	Health and Safety Officer	Jackson	Gene Kerns	573-450-4174
07/26	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Vienna	Justin Weidinger	573-202-4012
08/02	Certified Fire District Board Training	Wright City	Larry Zuhone	636-745-2262
08/08	Incident Safety Officer	Jackson	Gene Kerns	573-450-4174
08/09	Fire Cause Determination and Arson Awareness	Arnold	Kevin Wingbermuehle	314-808-7564
08/19	Commissioning New Occupancies	Springfield	MUFRTI	800-869-3476
08/26	Fire Cause Determination and Arson Awareness	Hannibal	Bill Madore	573-221-0657
09/06	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Holts Summit	Kim Fitzsimmons	573-230-9876
09/06	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Perryville	Bernie Hoernig	573-513-6426
09/19	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Alton	Eddie Johnson	417-270-1169
09/19	Fire Cause Determination and Arson Awareness	Shelbina	Vernon Cash	660-651-9492
10/06	Incident Command for Highrise Operations	St. Louis	MU FRTI	800-869-3476
10/17	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	West Plains	Wayne Cormier	417-293-4211
10/17	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Richland	Mike Garrett	573-528-0279
10/18	Fire Cause Determination and Arson Awareness	Laurie	Ed Hancock	573-374-4442
10/20	Incident Command System for Structural Collapse Incidents	St. Louis	MU FRTI	800-869-3476

Fire Compact, and the many individuals whose contributions continue to make SFS a grand success. As always, thank you to the SFS Command Team for their excellent job of providing safe and efficient operational activities during the event. We also express our deepest appreciation to you, our students and participants, for your continued support for this important training event.

Thank you for your continued support of the University of Missouri's Fire and Rescue Training Institute. 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 the MU FRTI, please view our website at www.mufrti.org. If our staff or I can be of assistance, please feel free to contact us at (800) 869-3476 or (573) 882-4735.

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1995 FORD E350 AMBULANCE

The Southern Fire Protection District of Holt County is selling a 1995 Ford E350 Ambulance with a 7.3L diesel/auto with 166,565 miles.

Vehicle to be sold in as is condition through a bid process. Sealed bids must be received by the District by Wednesday, August 6th, 2014. Bids may be submitted to the District at P.O. Box 455 Oregon, MO 64473 and marked "truck bid".

For more information or to see the vehicle, contact Chief Troy Cotton at (660) 491-2004. The Board of Directors will open bids at their monthly meeting on August 7th and award a bid. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids.



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AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

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Check only one appropriate nomination:

Life Saving	<input type="checkbox"/>	Routine	<input type="checkbox"/>	Technical	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heroic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Department	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Department of the Year					
Firefighter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Firefighter of the Year					
Fire Chief	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Chief of the Year					
Meritorious	<input type="checkbox"/>	Meritorious Action					
Youth Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Program of the Year					

Nominee must be a member of FFAM

Nominated Individual/Department : _____

Department Affiliation: _____

Address : _____

City, Zip : _____

Phone : (____) - _____ - _____ Email: _____

Person Placing Nomination : _____

Address : _____

City, Zip : _____

Phone : (____) - _____ - _____ Email: _____

Department Affiliation : _____

Reason this individual/department should be honored for the award marked above. Please include any substantiating documents to support your nomination. (i.e. news articles, fire report, witness statements, pictures, video, etc..)

Does the nominated individual/department plan on attending the annual convention : Yes No

Internet or official entry form must be included with the nomination (copies are acceptable). Please attach additional pages if necessary. All entries must be type or legibly written.

To be considered for awards, the individual /department must be a current member of the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri for the nominating year and the year preceding the nomination. Does the nominee comply with these requirements? Yes No

Entry Deadline February 28th

When completed, please forward to :

Rob Schrage
Awards Committee
226 North Fifth Street
Festus, MO 63028-1911

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact one of the following committee members :

Rob Schrage 226 North Fifth Street Festus, MO 63028 314-623-5564	Joe Vaughn 208 South Texas Street Archie, MO 64725 816-686-4315	Larry Jennings 122 West Young Warrensburg, MO 64093 660-624-1918
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