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# PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

## Greetings Fellow Firefighters

**Kenneth Hoover  
President**



I hope everyone had a good Christmas and wish all of you a great 2020. The winter weather has been very pleasant.

1st Vice President Larry Jennings and Secretary/Treasurer Jaime Miller completed and presented the FFAM 2020 budget to the Board of Directors at the December board meeting and it was approved. They both worked very hard to present a balanced budget. Thanks for your hard work.

Here we are in the first couple weeks of the new year and many activities are already being planned for 2020. Some of those include; FFAM board meeting in Sedalia on February 2, Winter Fire School in Columbia on February 7, 8 and 9, Mo-Chiefs Conference at Big Cedar, in Branson on February 27, 28, and 29. FFAM Convention in Kearney on May 1, 2 and 3. Our Annual Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Services on May 16, and 17 in Kingdom City. Many long hours are being expended to ensure all of these

events will be worthy of your participation. I hope to see many of you at these events. Please forward any non-LODD to me so they can be honored in our memorial services.

I would like to encourage everyone to nominate individuals and departments for the many awards that FFAM has to offer during its annual convention. Remember, the deadlines for nominations are February 29, 2020. I know there are many that are worthy of these awards, they just need to have someone nominate them. We have; scholarships, *Fire Department of the Year*, *Chief of the Year*, *Fire Fighter of the Year*, *Life Saving*, and many more. Please take the time today and go to the website and download and complete a nomination form and return it to Joe Jennings at Johnson County Fire Protection District. Joe chairs the Awards Committee for FFAM.

All our FFAM Committees have been meeting and making plans for 2020. If you

have any items you would like for us to consider, please let one of the committee chairpersons know. We are here to serve our membership and to make FFAM an organization you desire to belong to. As I have appointed the committees, I have tried to make sure that every area of the state is equally represented. If you have a desire to serve and want to be considered for a certain FFAM committee, please let me know. Thanks to all that presently serve and spend many hours to better our organization.

I am looking for several items for our Annual Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Service; I will need two (2) ladder trucks, honor guards, pipers, and drummers. If you are interested in any of these, please contact me at 573-473-4001 or chief-hoover@sbcglobal.net.

I will need an Honor Guard Commander for the 2020 Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Services. Please contact me if you are interested helping in the area of service.

Please contact me if you have an honor/color guard that would like to participate. We invite all honor/color guards to join the memorial services remembering our fallen brothers and sisters.

As always, I am available at the above phone number and e-mail address. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need anything.

Stay safe my friends and I am wishing each of you a great 2020. May God bless each and every one of you.

**Kenneth Hoover**  
President  
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

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# FIRE MARSHAL'S UPDATE

## Missouri Division of Fire Safety

Tim Bean  
State Fire Marshal



Greetings from the thirteenth floor, Happy New Year from Judy and I and the seventy team members of the Division of Fire Safety. We wish each and every one a healthy, productive and safe 2020. We appreciate getting the opportunity to serve the great State of Missouri and each of you. An example of our service to Missourians in 2019 is that we drove over 1,274,737 miles across our state keeping it safe. That took 100,808 gallons of gas, but the greatest part of this is everyone went home safe and sound and that makes me happy!

I am also very proud to report, that we as the Missouri Fire Service did not lose one firefighter to an emergency event! From the 25,000 firefighters and the 847 fire departments registered in our state, responding to over 426,812 emergency calls for help that is a phenomenal success. According to NFIRS, we responded to the following: 69% Rescue/EMS, 11% Good Intent, Service Calls 8%, Fires 3%, HazMat 3%, and Miscellaneous/False Calls 6%. Neighbors helping Neighbors.

I ask myself, how does this awesome accomplishment happen? Three things come to mind, training, education and application. When you hear the tone, you shift your mind to that response mode and commit to becoming the best boots on the ground at that time. Which, in most cases will allow you to leave things better than when you found them! Anything less than that, we should not accept.

So, thank you! To each and every one of you who are committed to that mission! I encourage you to continue providing quality professional service to our state residents or anyone else who enters our great state. May God bless you and continue to keep you in 2020!

January 8, will begin the 101st session of the General Assembly for our Missouri legislators. We will be busy for the next five months securing the Division of Fire Safety's budget. We will also be working on getting funding appropriated for the worker's compensation grant, which assists fire department associations (volunteer), with their worker's compensation premiums. I will remind you there is funding available through the Missouri Department of Conservation, which will assist your association (volunteer) or department with worker's compensation premiums. Contact Ben Webster at 573-522-4115, Ext: 3113 or ben.webster@mdc.mo.gov.

Firefighter/first responders health and safety work related illnesses including cancer and PTSD, are topics our legislators will be hearing bills on again. We hope we gain support in this growing need among our first responder and public safety communities.

Save the date! The 2020 State Firefighters Day at the Capital will be March 18. The rotunda ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. The Division, along with support from MoChiefs, will provide lunch following the rotunda activities. We strongly encourage everyone to come, join your other fire service brothers and sisters, and meet with your State Representative and Senator. Your presence goes a long way, trust me.

In closing, I would like to pay tribute to retired Assistant State Fire Marshal Greg Carrell. Greg served 33 years for the Division of Fire Safety, twelve of those as Assistant State Fire Marshal and three of those as Acting State Fire Marshal. I want to again thank you for your many years of service to our state and to the Division of Fire Safety. You were a tremendous asset with your institutional knowledge and wisdom. I wish you health and true happiness in your next chapter of life.

Stay Safe and feel free to contact me at any time at 573-751-1742 or Tim.bean@dfs.dps.mo.gov or come visit us at the thirteenth floor.

J. Tim Bean  
State Fire Marshal  
Division of Fire Safety



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# BOARD of DIRECTORS Meeting Minutes

FFAM DECEMBER 1, 2019 MEETING • SEDALIA, MO

Draft • Final Approval at Next Meeting

President Ken Hoover called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri to order at 9:00 a.m., Sunday, December 1, 2019 at the Missouri State Fair Fire Department in Sedalia, MO. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OTHER OFFICIALS

### OFFICERS

President Ken Hoover, Little Dixie FPD; First Vice President Larry Jennings, Johnson County FPD; Second Vice President Grant Oetting, Higginsville FPD; Secretary Treasurer Jaime Miller, Johnson County FPD #2.

### DIRECTORS

District 1, Terry Wynne, Galt FPD; District 2, Greg Wright, Shelbina FD; District 4, Joe Vaughn, Pleasant Hill FPD; District 5, Terry Plumb, Southern Stone FPD; District 6, Gary Berendzen, Cole County FPD; District 7, RB Brown, Eureka FD; District 10, Greg Brown, Eureka FPD; District 11, Monty Thompson, Kearney FPD.

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District 3, Rob Erdel, Little Dixie FPD; District 3, Charlie Peel, Southeastern Randolph FPD; District 4, Jonathan Evans, Lincoln FD; District 5, Shelby Honea, Southern Stone FPD; District 7, Andrew Caldwell, Boles FPD; District 10, Harriett Vaucher, Eureka FPD; District 14, Glen Dittmar, Dearborn Area FPD.

### OTHERS

Past President Keith Smith, Warrenton Fire Protection District.

### GUESTS

Tim Bean, Missouri Division of Fire Safety; Billy Smith, North Central Carroll FPD; Joe Jennings, Larry Eggen, Johnson County FPD.

### AGENDA

President Hoover asked for additions to the agenda. RB Brown moved to accept the agenda as presented. Terry Wynne seconded the motion and all approved.

### MINUTES

President Hoover asked for corrections to the October 6, 2019 meeting minutes. RB Brown moved to accept the minutes as presented. Gary Berendzen seconded the motion and all approved.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

President Hoover asked for a review of the September-October 2019 financial report. Monty Thompson moved to accept the financial report presented. Glenn Dittmar seconded the motion and all approved.

### REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUEST(S)

State Fire Marshal Tim Bean with Missouri Division of Fire Safety thanked FFAM for their support of the stair climb. \$15k was raised and donated to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation.

Eric Hartman has joined DFS in the training division. He will be taking John Loveless' place as Loveless has moved to investigations.

The new process to request training through DFS has been going well. 80% of the funds have already been obligated.

Assistant State Fire Marshal Greg Carrell will be retiring in January. A reception will be held December 4, at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Firefighter Day at the Capital will be March 18, 2020. The opening ceremony will be at 11:00 a.m.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary Miller advised a "thank you"

letter was received from the Division of Fire Safety for the stair climb donation.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

### NEW BUSINESS

Charlie Neubert submitted a request for Honorary Membership status. Discussion followed. Monty Thompson moved to grant Charlie Neubert Honorary Membership with FFAM. Glenn Dittmar seconded the motion and all approved. The Membership Committee shall work on specific guidelines for Honorary Membership.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### AWARDS COMMITTEE

Joe Jennings reminded everyone that the awards deadline is February 28. The committee has requested additional funds for 2020 to increase the grant awards.

#### BUDGET COMMITTEE

Larry Jennings presented the proposed 2020 budget. Discussion followed. Monty Thompson moved to approve the 2020 budget as presented. Terry Plumb seconded the motion and all approved.

#### BYLAWS COMMITTEE

No report was given.

#### CHAPLAIN COMMITTEE

Jaime Miller presented the report on behalf of David Hedrick who couldn't attend. MU FRTI Winter Fire School, February 7-9, 2020, will be hosting some classes of interest to Fire Chaplains. Check the WFS brochure or the MU FRTI website for more information on: *Compassion Fatigue, Moral and Spiritual Injury in the Fire Service, and Challenges of the Firefighter Marriage.*

Reminder the Annual Missouri Fire Fighters Memorial Services will be May 16-17, 2020 in Kingdom City, MO.

The next MFCC annual meeting and training session is scheduled for September 14-15, 2020 in Kansas City, MO.

The Federation of Fire Chaplains 2020 annual national conference has been set for October 25-29, 2020, in Atlanta, GA. More information on the conference will be available on the FFC website in the near future ([ffc.wildapricot.org/](http://ffc.wildapricot.org/)).

#### CONTEST COMMITTEE

Gary Berendzen advised they would be buying new hose prior to the 2020 contest.

#### CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Monty Thompson advised that the Kearney convention committee is meeting tomorrow. All preparations are going well.

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE

No report was given.

#### FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE

RB Brown challenged all departments to sponsor a poster contest in their communities and to get those posters entered in the FFAM poster contest. The submission deadline is the Friday of convention.

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Greg Brown reported that the legislative session starts January 8. The Fire Service Alliance will be meeting December 19. Issues include cancer, critical illness and workers compensation.

The fire service needs to educate and develop a new culture when it comes to exposure to contaminants in gear and clothing. Some practices are no longer acceptable, wearing dirty gear, etc. This will be a difficult process in the legislation. Prevention screenings are very important and departments need to push their personnel to get regular screenings to help control the situation of exposures. There are resources available to departments to help.

March 18, 2020, is Firefighter Day at the Capital. Get to know your legislators and everyone is encouraged to attend.

Fire department workers compensation grant funding approved by the legislation

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was allocated through the Missouri Department of Conservation instead of the Division of Fire Safety. MDC has no authority to administer the grant, so they are working with DFS to develop guidelines for the process. \$250k was allocated. Language will be sent out December 1, to departments around the state on how to apply for the grant, up to \$2,000 per department. Tax based entities are not eligible to apply.

#### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Grant Oetting reported the following membership counts: 493 Directors/Councilman; 313 Retired; 23 Associate; 11 Sustaining; 21 Corporate, 350 Fire Departments; 6444 Active; 20 Educational; 95 Juniors; 3 EMS Department, 80 EMS individuals.

He also reported that FFAM may have a booth at the next Missouri APCO and MONENA conferences for 9-1-1 entities.

#### NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Keith Smith advised that Director

positions up for election in 2020 will be Districts 1, 3, 7, 11 and 14.

#### NVFC COMMITTEE

Rob Erdel attended the NVFC fall meeting in Georgia. There is a new National Firefighter Registry aimed at tracking firefighter cancer. The process takes 15-20 minutes. Medical resources are available, and this registry will be a way to track cancer in the firefighter profession. You need to tell your physician if you are a firefighter so they can do necessary screenings as firefighters are at a higher risk due to exposures. Mass decontamination, two sets of bunker gear and two Nomax hoods are all suggestions on ways to prevent exposures.

There will be a standards committee to review changes for NFPA regulations.

NVFC does have available health and safety classes online and they will also send an instructor to your department.

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE



# 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

**Grant Oetting**

Greetings, I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. The FFAM continues to be busy as always representing the Missouri fire service all over the state. The FFAM has attended many events across this state which included several retirements of many fire service chiefs.

On December 4, 1st Vice President Larry Jennings, Assistant Director Josh Koepke, and myself traveled to Jefferson City to attend the retirement ceremony of Assistant Fire Marshal Greg Carrell. Greg has been in the office for 33 years, serving not only as the assistant fire marshal for the state but also as our fire marshal for several years. Greg has been icon for the Missouri fire service for many years and has been a great instructor to us the young generation. Thank you Greg for what you have done over the years, you will be greatly missed.

On December 20, 1st Vice President Larry Jennings, Director Joe Vaughn, Assistant Director Jonathan Evans and myself traveled to Clinton to attend the retirement ceremony of Fire Chief Leo Huff who served the department for 46 years. Chief Huff had gone thru the ranks of the department starting out as a firefighter. He started the emergency medical services for the department and also got the department a new ladder truck. Thank you Chief Huff for what you have done for the Missouri fire service and the citizens of Clinton, you will be missed.

Later that day I traveled to the Lee's Summit Fire Department to help with their annual boot drive that helps needy

families in the Lee's Summit area. In the three days the department held the boot drive, the men and women of the IAFF Local 2195 and its Chief Officers of the Lee's Summit Fire Department raised a new record of \$31,642. They were greatly humbled by the generosity of the community. Great job Lee's Summit fire, I am proud to be a part of this team.

Before we know it MU FRTI Winter Fire School will be here, the dates for this are February 7-9, in Columbia. There are numerous new classes, blended learning classes and web classes for your choosing. Make sure to come by the booth at the expo and say hi while you are there. We would love to meet our members or anyone that would love to be a member.

March 18, is Firefighter Day at the Capitol. This is a great way to hear the issues the fire service faces today and also to meet your fire marshal office and the people that represent your area at the Capitol. Mark your calendars now.

In closing I would like to remind departments that the FFAM is here for you. If you need anything please call us, we are here to serve you. That includes attending your events or any help that you need. I can be reached by email at [grant\\_oetting@yahoo.com](mailto:grant_oetting@yahoo.com) or cell 660-229-4525.

Until next time, be safe my brothers and sisters.



**Lee's Summit Fire Department raised a new record of \$31,642**



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By Knob Noster Fire Department

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KNFD started this tradition in 1998 with old Engine 1 and a very short list of deliveries.

2019 has been our best year so far with 56 deliveries within the City Limits of Knob Noster.

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## NOTE FROM THE FIRE MARSHAL'S WIFE

By Judy Bean

When someone says, "Be present," the present moment tends to run into the next present moment and into the next until becoming a blur of moments turning into a day, a week, a month... years. Then we wake up one day and ask, "Where did it all go?"

Well, thank the Lord for the still-frame of the camera. That photograph you stumble upon of the moments years later to remind you. You were present at that moment! The memories around that still-frame moment start to form and suddenly you are time-warped to an event that was formed by many more moments. You had forgotten you were present in at that time.

In the year 2019 I went through tons of old photos. I mean tubs of old photos. I wasn't swiping the phone to see pictures, I was not looking at the computer downloads, but real hold-in-your-hands photos. I can remember, as I am sure any of you born in the fifties like me can, the camera. Pictures were captured in this handheld box and when the film was all used up, it was pulled out in a neat little roll and taken to a shop that specialized in developing all your precious moments. You did not have the luxury of immediately looking at the film to make sure you got the shot you wanted. You had to wait. Sometimes you had to wait days to see your masterpieces or mess-ups. There was no recreating those moments with digital magic. Either the "Kodak moment" was preserved or lost, and your control ended with the click of the camera.

All my personal remembrances, while going through my tubs, made me ponder all of you in the fire service. Memories of structure fires, scenes, events, vehicle wrecks, years of service blurred into the next crisis, the next shift, the next need, the next save, and the next loss. Forgotten or blurred by time, until the memory gets triggered by a picture or story. All those moments were lived by someone being present in them.

With 2019 came several retirement gatherings. Many had old photographs and mementos of life being recognized. Many shared stories that one picture would stir up and then evolve, with much input from the ones who had also been present in that moment in time. The stories remind us of the past that was present for others. Even if we didn't live those moments, we got to appreciate the events and the effects they had on our future moments.

Memorabilia is tangible articles and objects that can be shared with the ones that come after us. So, in the year 2020 pull out those cameras, phones, ipads, whatever, and catch the present moments in still frame. So that one moment down the road of moments, you can pause, hold them in your sight, swipe the phone gallery to witness, through the blurring of time that you lived, you played, you worked, you laughed, you cried, you helped, you saved. The moments of clarity that you were present without even trying to master the task of being present.

Here is to the memorial in Kingdom City that is evolving to hold the Missouri Fire Service memorabilia and hold-in-your-hand photographs. All of us will get the benefit of seeing, hearing and learning how the past has affected our present, and eventually our futures, in the world of firefighters.

Cheers to 2020!





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**SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Larry Eggen reported that the scholarship submission deadline is February 28.

**STATE FAIR COMMITTEE**

Monty Thompson reported they are looking into purchasing a trailer for the 1929 engine.

**WEBSITE COMMITTEE**

No report was given.

**NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for the next newsletter will be January 1.

**HISTORIAN REPORT**

No report was given.

**FIRE FUNERAL TEAM REPORT**

Harriett Vaucher reported the team has two new trailers. One will be in Kansas City and one will be in St. Louis.

**EMS FUNERAL TEAM REPORT**

Ken Hoover advised he attended the recent EMS conference and accepted an award on behalf of FFAM as recognition for the organization's assistance to the EMS Funeral Team.

Greg Wright reported that the trailer donated to the team is done. They are responding to Harrisonville today to assist with services for a firefighter paramedic. They had a great turnout at the EMS conference. Honor guard training will be in October in Osage Beach. More information will be sent when available.

**FOUNDATION REPORT**

Keith Smith reported that the brick is on the front of the building and the windows and doors are in. Phase 1 is almost complete and fund-raising efforts continue for Phase 2.

2019 Memorial Service DVD's are available for \$10. Contact Keith if you would like one.

# A MESSAGE FROM THE



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

Larry Jennings

Well by now we are all already busy with our 2020 projects and life happenings. I hope everyone had the opportunity to connect with friends and family and offer assistance to your communities during the various holidays closing out last year.

Let's talk about a new year and new things in this edition. Since we are after the "official" setting of your New Year's resolutions this hopefully will be something you can work out that will be more easily obtainable. The normal resolutions seem to deal with weight loss, less tobacco use, less alcohol, more time with family, less stress at work and various other related topics. The reality is those resolutions often fall by the wayside within a short time, but we will resolve in 2021 to do a better job at addressing those issues.

So let's talk about some "new" things that you can work on. Have you sought

RB Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Glenn Dittmar seconded the motion and all approved.

President Hoover adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jaime Miller".

Jaime Miller  
Secretary  
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

out any new training over the last year or years? If not, maybe this is the year to do so. None of us is ever totally prepared for all aspects of this profession no matter how long we have been around. With this in mind how about we each take a few extra minutes and seek out and complete some new training. Knowledge is never a bad thing and in this profession it might just be something that keeps you alive. There are numerous opportunities out there whether located within striking distance of your location or perhaps on that crazy thing that got invented called the internet. It is amazing how many things are available online that are useful. Just remember not all online resources are credible. So be careful out there and being able to attend face-to-face training is an even better avenue.

Have you embraced the simple tasks placed before us to help reduce some of the cancer causing exposures? If not, maybe now is the time to work on those "new" concepts. How hard can it be to start doing some gross decontamination at fire scenes, not taking part in re-habilitation without cleaning our hands and faces, wearing our SCBA and PPE properly or laundering our PPE regularly? All of these items can be fairly simple and if they are not already part of your or your department's normal operations make this year the year to do these "new" things.

Have you worked on your leadership skills recently? Keep in mind that we each, from the Chief to the brand new member have a part in making sure that leadership works. Remember that having a title does not necessarily make you a leader. Although some respect should be given to those with a title, the respect given a leader is earned. If the brand new members don't understand who the leader is, where do you see their career heading? If the "leaders" don't lead then where do you see your department headed? Take the time and work on your leadership skills. There is training that can help and those that are currently "leaders" should never forget to mentor those around you so they can appropriately fit into the leadership plan both long and short term.

What have you done recently to reach out to your community and offer support beyond during their time of need? Remember those community members you serve are the ones that provide you with the opportunity to serve including the equipment and facilities you have. This is true whether you are municipal department, fire district or association. There are so many things that we can do to make sure our communities know we exist and for them to understand our worth and why it takes money from them to make the services available. If you haven't changed your business model recently to embrace the community and put yourself out in front of the locals then this is time to try out some "new" techniques of engaging those around you.

Where is your agency at on recruitment and retention? It is likely, from what almost every professional journal article indicates, that your agency struggles from time to time to get new members or to keep the ones you have. Wages, time commitment and busy lives all can play a part in why people come or go, or maybe don't even join to begin with, but what are you doing as an individual or as a department to encourage recruitment or retention? Although some people don't look at it this way, a fire department is really a business in many respects. Yes, we are not selling bobbles for people to take home and we may be the only "show" in town, but we are still a business. When you look around at the "standard" businesses in your area do you notice that they are constantly doing things to "sell" themselves to the public as the best option for shopping or services? That same concept can be applied to the fire service so maybe this year you should step up your game on "new" ways to "sell" your agency to recruit or retain members.

How do you get along with your neighboring emergency services organizations? Some of us will say all things are great and we work well together. Sometimes this is the concept, but is it reality? What you do and how you perform are vital to getting along with the neighbors. Whether it be interaction with law enforcement, other fire agencies, EMS or EMA and other



similar services do you really get along as well as you think? Maybe this is the year you try something "new" and reach out to your neighbors and interact away from an emergency scene. Joint training opportunities and maybe informal social gatherings can go a long way to making sure you really are as mutually cooperative as you think you are. Get to know your neighbors, make sure you each understand what the other's capabilities are BEFORE it is time to perform. Things will likely go better and you will find it is easier to work with others when you are all on mutual footing.

My last "new" thing is working at the Missouri State Fair Fire Department (MSSFD). If you haven't done this in the past I encourage you to try something new and submit your application to work some or all of the fair. The services provided during this event are no less significant or professional than those you are providing locally whether you are a career, combination or volunteer agency. The MSFFD is as good as the people

that are willing to work so take that leap and do what you can to help it continue to do the outstanding work that has been performed for many years.

So with all of these "new" things available it would appear that we each can pick out one or more to spend some time and energy on. I think you will find these "new" things more obtainable than a few of the New Year's resolutions made in good faith. Try a few and see how things go. You might be surprised at the impact these have on you personally and on your agency.

As always, if I can be of assistance please contact me.

Be Safe!

# NEWS FROM DISTRICT



**11**  
Josh Koepke  
Director

Happy New Year from the West-side of Missouri! The Directors of District 11 hope you all had a great and safe holiday season with friends and family. We all know and hear it every year, the “new year, new me,” commitment but how many personally follow through with it more than a month or two? Can we take that saying and expand it to not just ourselves, but how about, “new year, new us.” As a department or district or even just a shift/station. I’ve heard it every January around the firehouse table of what a company wants to improve on, but fails to implement. Let’s change that for 2020. Whether it’s improving the public perception, training habits, daily station life for the career/combination department or the monthly station life of the volunteer districts, etc.

I challenge every station to set goals and make strides to reach them. Once reached, set another goal to work towards. Some examples could include simple company drills i.e. pumping, followed by drafting,

then relay pump to feeding a master stream, gear drills, and RIT training are a few. Public perception could simply include uniformed personnel for public events or when at the station. I am in no way saying badge collar brass and button-down shirts. What looks professional if worn with station pants rather than shorts or jeans. Or clean jeans look more professional with a polo than jeans with rips and holes. Even taking an extra 15 or so minutes to wash and clean the inside the apparatus. Either when getting back from a call or leaving for an event can make a station look outstanding. Especially if you have multiple stations going to the same event. Be the one that shows up clean and ready to present. Not only does it show pride and ownership in your crew and station, but the public will see you take pride in the units their tax money provides and that your crew pays attention to details.

Another great way to improve public perception, is if you do a big training like an auto extraction tanker shuttle or are fortunate enough to get a house to train in. Invite the news media to come do a story. Let me tell you from experience, I did this personally at a car fire training with a local newspaper that was doing an article. We went to the chief and got permission of course. A quick run down of tactics and how to advance and flow the nozzle then put him in full gear with SCBA and put him on the nozzle, with three senior firefighters, and told him to put the car out. Let him experience that evolution and he was surprised of the gear weight and how

cumbersome the movement and nozzle reaction was. We ended up with a great article out of it. Same thing with board or council members, if they’ve never interacted with the department/district. Get them out there. That’s the best way to curb the negative perception that fire personnel do nothing but sit around. That would be a great goal to obtain in 2020, because sites like hitting it hard from the yard does not do our industry any favors. It unfortunately feeds the career vs. volunteer mentality that I would like to see erased, since we all do the same job. Some are granted to collect a check, while others do it for free. My beliefs are that 90% of the volunteers do it for the correct reasons and not those we see on the negative media sites.

As company officers of career or volunteer maybe start grooming your crews to move up or fill in maybe start with those non-emergency or even medical calls. Have your members that sit backwards start being the company officers and work up to car crashes, dumpster/car fires, and so forth. The chief officers can do the same with captains and groom them to fill in the chief spot when your on vacation or at work and unable to respond to the pager. For the call it’s our responsibility as leaders and mentors to challenge our crew members to continue to grow and be ready to step into the next role at the department. Whether as driver, line officer, or even administrative/training, it’s our job to guide and prepare them.



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In other news coming from of District 11, Kearney Fire is hosting the 66th annual state fire convention May 1-3. We hope all can make it. I've talked with a few people that are affiliated with the committee and it sounds like this is going to be a great event. Information is on their Facebook page, FFAM 2020. We need teams for the firefighter challenge games. Get with your members and neighboring departments and put a team together and come take home an award and bragging rights for your department. There will be a fire truck display on Saturday, May 2, and if you or know someone that is interested in coming out and displaying a apparatus, contact Alan at [aaltis@kearneyfire.org](mailto:aaltis@kearneyfire.org).

We still have tickets for the side of beef that's going to be raffled at convention, only 1,000 being sold. If you are interested contact myself or any of the districts representatives and we can get you taken care of. The raffle benefits the state fire museum in Kingdom City, next to the fallen firefighter memorial. So support a good cause and get meat for the freezer!

District 11 also has the Kansas City April F.O.O.L.S conference from March 29, to April 2. Lots of great hands-on training at this conference and guest speakers including Chief Billy Goldfeder. If you are able to go sign up, the information can be found on their Facebook page, "Kansas City April F.O.O.L.S conference." They had an awesome turnout last year and heard lots of good things about it. Also we have Winter Fire School at MU FRTI in February. They are hosting an unbelievable amount of great classes this year and don't forget the Friday night expo of equipment. It's always a good time.

FFAM renewal is underway, make sure your department gets renewed and pass along to the neighboring fire and EMS department/districts and dispatch centers. If anyone has questions about the organization reach out to myself or any of the 26 directors throughout the state. Our contact info can be found on the FFAM.org website under the district link.

Be safe and have a good start to 2020!

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## Missouri Public Safety Medals Nomination Deadline: February 29, 2020

As first announced on November 13, the deadline to nominate a first responder for a Missouri Public Safety Medals has been advanced to February 29, 2020. The change has been made so that Public Safety Medals winners can be honored with their awards closer to when they performed their heroic acts. The new nomination deadline going forward will be the last day of February for heroic acts performed the year before. Previously, the deadline was March 31.

Last year's ceremony for heroic acts performed in 2018 was held on October 7, 2019, more than 18 months after some of the events leading to the awards took place.

Nomination forms and additional information about the awards, including who is eligible to make a nomination, is

available at: <http://dps.mo.gov/medal/>. There is a different nomination form for each award. All nominations must be postmarked by February 29, 2020.

For award purposes, public safety officers or first responders must be individuals who serve a public agency, with or without compensation, as a firefighter, law enforcement officer, emergency responder or emergency management personnel, including EMTs and paramedics. State and local corrections and court officers are also eligible.



**Make Your  
Nominations:  
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# NVFC

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER FIRE COUNCIL

## UPDATE



Keith Smith

**H**aving the opportunity to attend the NVFC fall meeting in Georgia I realized that we in Missouri are not alone in the volunteer fire service. Most topics discussed carry over state to state nationwide. We as volunteer departments and organizations all have similar issues that we deal with daily. This is a great chance to learn from each other and work together to stay focused on issues at hand.

Committees report to a general assembly of actions and directions they are working on for the good of all. Some of those reports are below.

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Addresses upcoming meetings, places, dates, sponsors and such. They are scheduling out four years in advance. The upcoming fall meetings will be in North Carolina, Kansas City, Wyoming and New York. Along with logistics of meeting locations, they are adding the concept of training for the meetings. This year Lyons brought a live fire demonstration allowing participants to attack simulated vehicle fire. They also allowed firefighters from Augusta area to come and participate.

### STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Working on issues that are evolving over qualifications of firefighters, recertification, and how to enact and sustain such programs in volunteer area without adding hardships on smaller departments with low funds. Most agree that there is

a need for the concept, and designing and implementing will certainly be a lengthy project. Then there would be more issues as to state to state carry over. Also, as we see standards and revisions, a process change is taking place. Formally when a standard committee would meet, normally one standard at a time is looked at. The process is being changed to try and go over multiples at one setting. This is to save dollars on reserving spaces and travel expenses. The hardships this creates is the need for more involved people to be able to attend at the same time. The NVFC is looking at this and deepening their pool of volunteers to set on these committees.

### HEALTH AND SAFETY

This encompasses a very large portion of work in the NVFC. This committee is planning to divide into separate areas and basically having directors over each unit. The help line is run under this committee which is the mental help numbers for volunteers. Previously the company that maintain this line for the NVFC promised to keep firefighter type personnel manning the phone lines. They feel they can no longer do this. It is very important to the NVFC that these persons should have that background. This number will be switched to a different company that agrees to man it as such. On average the help line is used 45 times a month and this number doubles around the holiday season, so it is important to keep this up and running to their expectations.

### HOMELAND SECURITY COMMITTEE

Looking to enhance the criteria development of volunteer departments to make it easier for departments to file with government programs. They are also looking at the push for physical requirements for firefighters. They feel this shouldn't be placed on volunteer departments as it makes it harder to recruit and keep volunteers in the service. It is not applied now, and they are promoting against it becoming one. With new technology in cell phones having talk modes there is becoming an issue with phones being considered a tool for departments. The discussions from this is that government is against money as grants going

to purchase cell phones due to the possibility of being used for more than the purpose of fire service.

### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Priority to work on Length of Service Awards Program programs and how they are taxed. We feel these programs are for retention purposes and if taxed inappropriately that it will lessen their impact. As most see, any major legislative movement is very slow and no real movement on programs is happening.

### RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Biggest program that is very active. *Make Me a Firefighter* program ran through a grant and is on it's second grant. While the push started as a recruitment program and worked well, this grant period is working on retention and how to track the success of program. The committee will be very involved in reworking United States Fire Administration Recruit and Retention guide which has not been reworked since 2007. Again, there is concern over volunteers and how they operate. This committee is trying to launch an idea concept to define volunteers and duties of and how they interact with government entities around them.

### WILDLAND COMMITTEE

Work hard on securing a corporate sponsorship from Anheuser-Busch to donate drinking water to needed areas. Anheuser-Busch agreed to originally donate one million cans and has already moved that to 4.5 million after seeing the need. If you are in an area that needs this there is an application process through NVFC to ask for it.

### EMS AND RESCUE

Under EMS and Rescue there was an overview of committee actions going on. There is some for paramedic level requiring a college degree. Again, the level of schooling and cost will hurt the departments that provide paramedic level of care as a volunteer. There was discussion again on state to state qualifications not being the same. This affects those that respond at or around state lines and what they can and cannot do. Also discussed was a trial group for EMS that operate

in rural areas. This will entail on scene treatment in the field being overseen by a doctor at a facility via phone or electronic device. The concept is to save money from transport to a facility and minor care being done on scene. The largest thing to overcome is unreliable networks phone or other in the field. This study is designed to last about four years. Also discussed was increased reimbursement from Medicare and Medicaid for ambulance runs. The feeling is to get more money it will take more paperwork and information that may not be getting captured now. Reporting and recording work must be improved by the service providers to make this possible.

There was a lot of discussion of cancer in the fire service. According to studies, 63% of all firefighters will get cancer. NVFC is promoting training to reduce these odds. Eleven Best Practices is a program with 11 principles to reduce or mitigate the risk of cancer in firefighters. This for most in the fire service means we need a mind-set and culture change to the way we do business. This program was a joint effort from International Association of Fire Chiefs volunteer combination officer's section. NVFC health and safety and training committee, Fire Service Occupational Cancer Alliance, Firefighting Cancer Support Network and support from California Casualty. There are 11 practices laid out to follow in order to reduce this risk. We know no one can jump in and change 11 practices overnight but we feel that this is important enough that today you should start adopting one then move to another until you get all 11 practices.

It is time to realize that cancer in the fire service is an epidemic and that immediate actions need to be taken. Along with the realization of cancer in the fire service, the Center for Disease Control will be implementing a study for this. This program will be funded by the US government. Basis for the study is to track all types of firefighters of all demographics. The goal is to have 200,000 firefighters sign up for the study. The program is started now but actual sign up is not open. This should take place sometime in 2020. The

sign-up process will be an online survey for firefighters to fill out and expected time to complete is 15 to 30 minutes. Once you are registered if at anytime you are reported as having cancer your information will be moved into the firefighter study. States are already required to report all cancers so this reporting as a firefighter will be a supplement to the study. Once the sign-up time is open, we will relay the information. In the last board meeting at FFAM I reported this was open and that is not the case. After several emails we have confirmed from CDC that the website is open but not the registration period for firefighters.

Strategic plans for the National Volunteer Fire Council are being made through the year 2021. Most programs are in current grant periods and will continue. The director advises they have received five new grants for upcoming projects. Also, as a cost savings for NVFC they have moved to a virtual office. Even at the fall meeting we saw this. When you signed up for the meetings you could install an application on your phone. As you moved thru the different meetings all the information you needed was in the application. It worked great and was a lot easier to keep track of everything you needed at every meeting.

Attending the meeting were 61 directors representing 39 States. A change to membership dues was announced. NVFC is going to a direct \$18 per independent membership charge and FFAM is supporting this. In your FFAM membership package there is also information on joining the NVFC.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments you would like addressed please feel free to contact Keith Smith or myself, Rob Erdel. Our contact information is on the FFAM website. Thank all of you for what you do daily for your community and your State. Be careful and have a great year ahead.

## 2020 FFAM SCHOLARSHIPS

By Larry Eggen, Scholarship Committee Chairman

**D**o you have a high school senior in the family? Are you a member attending college or a vocational/technical school for continuing education? The Fire Fighters Association of Missouri has four high school scholarships and two continuing education scholarships available for their members. To start the application process, please visit our website at [ffam.org](http://ffam.org) and then select the scholarship tab.

The applications must be completed, and all required documents must be received by February 28, 2020. Successful applicants will be notified before the 2020 FFAM Convention. We would like for all winners to be present at the convention for the awarding of the scholarship.

If you have questions about the scholarship program or wish to have scholarship information sent to you, please contact the FFAM Scholarship Chairman Larry Eggen via e-mail at [leggen@jcfpd.net](mailto:leggen@jcfpd.net).



# MISSOURI FIRE SERVICE FUNERAL ASSISTANCE TEAM

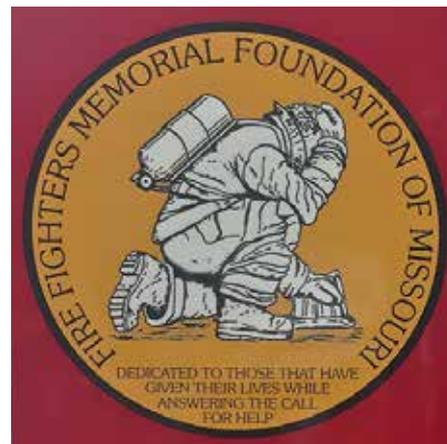
By Brian Zinanni

As 2019 draws to a close, and we ring in 2020 with hopes of a better year. I wanted to take this opportunity to share with you some updates about our team. Earlier this year, the funeral response team was honored by State Fire Marshal Tim Bean and Governor Parson at Firefighters Day at the Capitol. It was my great pleasure to accept, on behalf of our amazing team, this recognition. Each of our five response teams is served by a dedicated crew of volunteer team members, who make it their mission to honor, with dignity and reverence. Without the tireless efforts of these team members, we would not be able to fulfill our mission.

This year has been a very active year for our team members. In following with our beliefs that all who serve should be honored appropriately, we were called to provide service level honors for 37 firefighters who were proudly serving, or had served their communities and fellow

man. Sadly, we were also called to serve six families, whose loved ones paid the ultimate sacrifice, by providing Ultimate Honors for those who served and sacrificed their lives in the Line of Duty.

For those of you who follow us on Facebook or through our website, you have seen the activity of our team. We are also involved in supporting the fire service in ways that may go unnoticed. This year, we participated in a state-wide meeting regarding firefighter cancer, and how we as Missouri fire service must do a better job of acknowledging and dealing with this horrible disease within our profession. The topic of cancer is difficult, for many reasons. Current Missouri laws provide little to no support to our firefighters and their families, as they face this horrible disease. We even struggle to identify what cancers are due to firefighting versus the general public who also develop cancer related illness. I left the meeting with many more questions



than answers, but also with the faith that this topic has the attention of nearly every fire service organization that exists in Missouri. Each who are committed to doing everything in their power to “do better.”

This year has also brought new gifts to our team. We are in the process of placing in service two brand new response trailers. Through the generosity of Missouri’s fire service, we were able to save up enough money to purchase these units to replace two of the original response trailers. This completes the “fleet” upgrades we have been working on for the past several years. With this phase complete, we are now turning our focus on adding a sixth response trailer. This trailer will be unique, in that it will respond only on Line of Duty responses. Our vision is to purchase professional stage equipment to use as risers and platforms, with safety side-rails, to help us place caskets on top of fire apparatus in a much safer manner. Professional staging equipment is very expensive, but we feel this is the gold standard we must strive for. We anticipate the costs to get this sixth unit in service and fully functional, at \$25,000. I would love to fulfill this last phase of our upgrade project by this time next year.

We never charge for our services. Our teams function solely on the donations we receive. I want to take a moment to thank Retired Captain Dale Hart, who is



a member of the St. Louis based team. Dale has facilitated our one and only annual fundraising event, our golf tournament. This golf tournament has provided much of the equipment we have in service, and serves as our only regular funding source. Dale puts long hours into the prep work for the golf tournament and does much of the leg work on his own. Thank you Dale!

**“I want to take a moment to thank Retired Captain Dale Hart, who is a member of the St. Louis based team.”**

This past November, we partnered with the EMS Funeral Response team to provide joint training to our team. The two-day *Ultimate Honor* program was presented and afforded our teams an opportunity to work together and hone the skills necessary to better serve. During this conference, we recognized long time team members Chief Larry Jones, and his wife Ann. They have served with our team since its inception and never turn down an opportunity to assist organizations in honoring one of their members. I hope you will join me in thanking Larry and Ann for their years of outstanding service.

In closing, I can only say thank you for the trust you have placed in our organization. Thank you in advance for supporting us as we improve our service with our new Line of Duty Death trailer.



## GERALD “JERRY” RALPH JURGENSMEYER

April 23, 1962 - December 6, 2019

Gerald “Jerry” Ralph Jurgensmeyer age 57, of Montrose Mo. Passed away peacefully on December 6, 2019, at St. Luke’s Hospital in Lee’s Summit, Missouri.



He spent his life in the Montrose area, graduating from Montrose High School in 1980. After completing his education, he began a life-long career in agriculture, caring for his family’s Century Farm. Jerry worked for 27 years at the MO-KAN sale barn, where he was proud to be the longest currently tenured employee. Jerry was dedicated to his community becoming a member of the Montrose Volunteer Fire Department in 1995, serving as a Volunteer Firefighter for 24 years until his untimely passing. Jerry enjoyed the comradely with his many friends on the department and members of the community. Jerry was a hard worker, who always helped anyone in need, and he enjoyed spending time with his families. Jerry will be deeply missed by his many family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Ralph Jurgensmeyer. Jerry is survived by his mother, Blanche (Tenholder) Jurgensmeyer of Montrose, MO; siblings: Rita (Dale) Price from Grain Valley, MO, Ken (Gail Donlon) Jurgensmeyer of Lakeland, FL, Ruth (Frank) Hays Grain Valley, MO, Jane (Jim) Gregory of Overland Park, KS; along with 10 nieces and nephews; 10 great-nieces and nephews; along with many cousins and good friends

The family suggests any MEMORIAL donations be made to the Montrose Fire Department.

## UNSER EDWARD BROCKMAN

June 8, 1998 - December 18, 2019

Unser Edward Brockman, 21, of Cole Camp, passed away Wednesday, December 18, 2019, near Cole Camp. He was born on June 8, 1998, in Sedalia, Missouri, a son of Roger and Thaney (Fox) Brockman.



He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Cole Camp, where he was baptized on July 19, 1998, and confirmed in his faith on May 6, 2012. Unser attended the Lutheran School Association and was a 2016 graduate of Cole Camp R-1, where he was an active member of the FFA, the FFA trap team, varsity basketball, National Honor Society, and the president of his senior class.

He was passionate about the Brockman Family Farm, hunting, his family, and the love of his life, his fiancé, Laurel. He was employed by the Missouri Department of Transportation in Cole Camp and was a member of the Cole Camp Fire Department.

He is survived by his parents, Roger and Thaney Brockman, his brother Kinser Brockman, fiancé Laurel Larimore and her parents Tracy and Joani, his Nana, Ranella Fox, his great-grandmother, Frances Fox, Uncle David (Judy) Brockman, Aunt Mary Ellen (Dwane) Davis, Uncle Levi (Mindy) Fox, and his cousins, Andy (Jessica), Riley (Cassandra), Addison, Maddox, Lane, and Colt.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Vernon and Darlene Brockman and Carl Fox.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, December 23, 2019, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Cole Camp, with Pastor Gregory Truwe officiating. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery, near Cole Camp.

Pallbearers are Kinser Brockman, Andy Brockman, Riley Brockman, Tanner Oelrichs, Codi Eckhoff, and Alex Pritzel. Honorary pallbearers are members of the Cole Camp Fire Department.

Memorials may be given to Bethlehem Cemetery, Cole Camp Fire Department, or the Lutheran School Association in care of Fox Funeral Home, PO Box 37, Cole Camp, MO 65325.

## PAMELA KAY CARSTEN

August 28, 1951 - December 30, 2019

Pamela Kay Carsten, 68, of Jefferson City, passed away on Monday, December 30, 2019 at University of Missouri Hospital and Clinics. She was born on August 28, 1951 in San Francisco, California, a daughter of the late John and Kay (Fox) Carsten. She was united in marriage on October 30, 1986 to Richard Gordon at Ha Ha Tonka State Park near Camdenton, Missouri.



Pam's father was a medic during World War II and a field representative for the American Red Cross. This background would prove instrumental in the path that Pam would follow thru life. The family moved to France when she was young and Pam was taught French by her caretaker before ever learning English. The family resided in Germany and many, many states before settling in Missouri.

Pam graduated from Jefferson City High School. She began her 35 year EMS career in Fenton, Missouri. Pam worked for several agencies during her career including Boone County EMS, Miller County EMS, Still Hospital Ambulance Service, Jefferson City EMS and Cole County EMS. She was a certified flight nurse and spent many hours in the helicopter going from emergency scenes to the hospital. Many days a thankful individual would approach Pam and thank her for saving their life or making a hard situation easier.

Pam enjoyed reading western romance novels. She found time to spend in the garden and had her own personal greenhouse. Pam found peace in crocheting and made hundreds of items over the years. She cherished the little ones and made baby blankets for all her co-workers and friends who found themselves with a new bundle of joy. Pam loved spending time with her family and treasured the memories created with them.

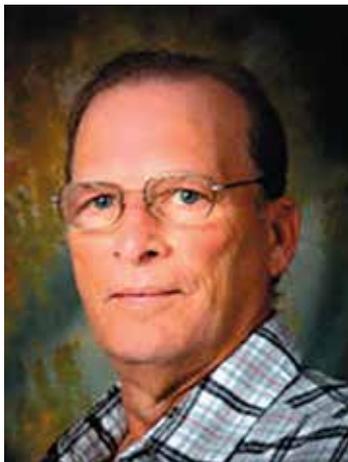
She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Rich; children: Michael Haslag (Janet) of Linn and Kristina Baker (Bret) of Wardsville; brother: John Carsten of Albuquerque, New Mexico; sister: Christine Bentsen (Mark) of San Antonio, Texas; step-children: Dannell Tyler (Joe) of Eugene and James Gordon (Emily Pankratz) of Brazito; 5 grandchildren; 6 step-grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren and many family and friends. Pam was preceded in death by her son: Jake Haslag.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Memorials in Pam's honor can also be made thru her GoFundMe Memorial Page... <https://bit.ly/39uWsP7>

# HARLAN EAGLESON

June 16, 1961 - November 15, 2019

Harlan Eagleson, age 58, passed away Friday, November 15, 2019 at Research Medical, Kansas City, Missouri.



Harlan was the son of James and Lois (Hancock) Eagleson. Harlan worked many jobs through the years; Perfecto Trailer Manufacturing., Stahls Manufacturing, Allied Signal for 19 years and Harley Davidson for 20 years. From 1980-present he was a part of the International Association Machinist Union and he was instrumental in founding the Employee's Rider Association for the Kansas City Harley Davidson Plant.

His passion was working for Johnson County Fire Protection District #2 beginning November 17, 1980. He served the District as a Volunteer Firefighter, District Fire Chief, Captain of Rose Hill Station #4 and on October 15, 2018 was hired as the District's full-time Assistant Fire Chief.

Harlan married his lifelong friend Karen Bilyeu on November 20, 1981.

Harlan is survived by Karen; his son Christopher Eagleson and wife Kristin; daughter Karell Eagleson Johnson and was Papa to Nevaeh, Maegan, Lauren, and Raelyn; mother Lois Hancock Eagleson; three brothers, Bob and Jan Eagleson, Martin and Becky Eagleson and Harold Eagleson and GJ Courtney along with numerous other relatives.

Harlan was preceded in death by his father James Eagleson, in-laws Jerry and Barbra Bilyeu, maternal grandparents Eugene and Arline Hancock, paternal grandparents Robert and Lucille Eagleson and grandson Raylan Eagleson.



# JERRY C. MCKENZIE

October 12, 1954 - October 22, 2019

Jerry C. McKenzie, 65 of Lewistown passed away Tuesday, October 22, 2019, at the Country Aire Retirement Estates at Lewistown, MO.



The son of John H. and Dora B. Nagel McKenzie was born on October 12, 1954 in rural Knox County, Missouri.

He was united in marriage to Winona Cottrell on September 16, 1978 at Lewistown, MO.

Jerry served as Fire Chief and currently as Assistant Fire Chief of the Western Lewis County Fire Protection District over the last 15 years. He was a certified stormspotter, a first responder and emergency manager. For many years he participated in Civil War re-enactment and he enjoyed building and operating radio control models. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and snowmobiling.

He is survived by his wife, Winona McKenzie of Lewistown, Mo.; three children, Kevin Wayne Krawl, Jennifer (Anthony) Davis and Joseph Adam McKenzie, all of Lewistown, Mo.; five grandchildren, Austin Davis, Keegan Daak, Autumn Davis, Kaylee McKenzie and Macy Viers; a sister, Joyce (Bob) Hail of Columbia, Mo.; brother, John H. (Nina) McKenzie, Jr. of Lewistown, Mo.; and several nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Clara Jane McKenzie, and brother, James Leon McKenzie.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 25, 2019 at 2:00 PM at Arnold's Funeral Home in Lewistown, Mo. with Rev. Sam Smith officiating. Burial was in the Lewistown Cemetery.

Visitation was held Friday from 12 noon until the time of services at Arnold's Funeral Home in Lewistown. Firefighters and EMS Honors were provided by the MO EMS Funeral Team, MO Fire Service Team and Western Lewis County Fire Protection District.

Memorials may be made to the Jerry McKenzie family or the Lewistown Fire Auxiliary.

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# DISTRICT 4 UPDATES

By Jonathan Evans

I hope that everyone has had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The holidays are a busy time for most of us. As things start to settle down and we return to our normal routines or begin new ones with our resolutions.

As I am writing this I am reflecting on the retirement ceremonies I attended this past year and realize that there are some big shoes to fill in the Fire Service. One of those is here in District 4, Fire Chief Leo Huff retired December 20, 2019, after serving the Citizens of Clinton for 46 years, 2 months, and 5 days. Congratulations Chief Huff on your retirement! We will miss the vocabulary lessons from the Hufftationary as your crew called it. Chief Huff had a way with words. One example was the word, "Woo Mow," now as most of you know that word is not found in Webster's dictionary but it is a word that his crews

know. To use it in a sentence, Chief Huff would tell one of the crew to go get the, "Woo Mow," from the truck. When the crew member would have a blank stare like what are you talking about Chief, he would say, "you know the tool that you pull the rope and squeeze the lever and it makes the Woo Mow noise." He was referring to the saw. This was just one example of the words the crews at Clinton Fire Department shared at the retirement ceremony and will leave a lasting impression for years to come.

Have you signed up for classes yet at MU FRTI Winter Fire School, February 7-9, 2020? This is a great opportunity to network with the vendors at the Equipment Expo, reunite with old friends and meet new ones, and listen to top quality instruction from fire service leaders from across the US. I would like to ask those who are attending to support the FFAM memorial

and museum project by dining at Texas Roadhouse on Friday night. The display of spirit and camaraderie is endless. There are classes for everyone and at every level. Even webcasts for those of us that are unable to make it to Columbia but have the desire to further their education. If you make it there and see me at the expo please say hello.

As we start this year off right by helping our neighbors and actually sticking to our resolutions, be sure that your beneficiary forms are current and get reviewed annually. If your department does not have one please feel free to contact me and I will assist you in getting the proper paperwork. As always if you have any questions or would like for me to come speak with your department or at an event please feel free to reach out to me at 660-221-6161 or by email at [ffamhollywood@gmail.com](mailto:ffamhollywood@gmail.com)

## FISHING RIVER FPD FFAM GRANT AWARD

The Fishing River Fire Protection District would like to thank the FFAM for choosing our organization as one of the recipients for the 2019 FFAM Grant Award. With the grant award we were able to purchase 22 traffic safety vests, some of them have FIRE on them and some have EMS on them to help identify everyone in what

could be a chaotic situation. This will also give every member a traffic vest to help keep them safe while working along the roadways of our fire district coverage area. We also were able to purchase seven Nomex hoods to provide to some of our members to add to their PPE protection equipment. We really appreciate that the FFAM

organization had chosen us as one of grant award winners. This will allow us to use the funds that would have been spent to purchase these items to be spent on other fire safety equipment that our members will need to be safe and provide protection to the people in our fire district.



## HOWELL COUNTY SERVICE AWARDS



Left to right: Assistant Chief Chris Wilbanks, Lieutenant Lee Arthurs and Fire Chief Joe Auffert. Chris and Lee both received their 10 year service pins at the dinner and the Fire Chief Joe Auffert presented.

## JOHNSON COUNTY FPD YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

District members were recognized for their years of service during the December 10, 2019, board meeting. Thank you for your continued service!



Left to right (Back/Middle): Chief Larry Jennings; Division Chief Ken Jennings, 20 Years; Jeremy Floyd, 25 years; Ben Burd, 5 years; Antonio Evans, 10 years; Lee Murry, 10 years; James Wilson, 10 years; Lt. H.R. Zellner, 10 years; Capt. Nick McDaniels, 10 years. Left to right (Front): Blake Rasmussen, 5 years; Chris Bueckers, 5 years; Stacey Langley, 20 years, retirement; Jimmy Tawzer, 15 years; Batt Chief James Fitterling, 25 years; Capt. Joe Jennings, 15 years; Assistant Chief Dee Bennett. Not pictured: Chris Gibson, 5 years; Larry Steinbach, 39 years, retirement.



# History's CORNER

PRESERVING OUR APPARATUS HERITAGE

By Bill Westhoff

Looking back over the last fifty or so years that I have been fortunate enough to have been involved in the fire service, lots of changes have taken place.



O'Fallon FPD 1927 Chevrolet Pumper

One of the major modifications has been the evolution of fire apparatus.

The first rig I remember riding on as a kid was a 1942 GMC/Central that is still in use today as a parade and PR piece in the O'Fallon Fire Protection District. It was purchased around the time my Dad was the fire chief there.

I viewed a Facebook photo recently that showed it in a fire apparatus parade at the 26th annual JEFFCO Apparatus Muster. The box on the running board with the

angled top was built by my Dad. It held several army surplus type parka coats with hoods for winter use by volunteers who would normally run out of their places of business on Main Street without their coats when the town fire siren sounded.

O'Fallon is also the proud owners of a 1927 Chevy front mount pumper purchased around the time my Grandfather was the fire chief.

### AROUND THE OZARKS

Branson has retained ownership of a 1937 beauty and uses it in the many parades and other community functions that occur in the community. Since Branson is definitely a tourist destination, they love parades! There is a huge Christmas season parade and one of the largest Veteran's Day parades in the state.

It looks like the Dodge dealer did well in South Missouri with three rigs on Dodge trucks.



O'Fallon Fire Protection District 1942 GMC/Central

### OUR FAMILY APPARATUS

The photo below shows the three apparatus that were in our collection at one time. We are now down to one rig, the 1939 Chevrolet/Central shown on the far right in this photo.

The 1948 American LaFrance was originally an engine from the Stillwater Oklahoma Fire Department and was in the Campus Fire Station when I was in



City of Branson's 1937 Dodge Pumper



The Family Collection

school at OSU. I rode the tail-board of that rig several times, as well as driving it as a reserve engineer. It was my intention to restore it to its original "white" color but sold it to a local insurance agent before I accomplished it.

The Chevrolet in the middle was purchased from Joe Jackson and is a 1948 one ton. Elaine and I donated that rig to "Kids Across America" for their camp in Branson.

The 1939 engine has been in our family for over forty years, 42 to be exact, with a purchase date of August 28, 1978, and has seen parade duty in Columbia, Missouri and Stillwater, Oklahoma and now Branson. It has been featured in dozens of weddings, including daughters and grand daughters as well as lots of kids and big kids birthday's. It is also unique that the rig and I share the same birth year.

My first view of it was when I was teaching a class for MU at the Montgomery City, Missouri Fire Department sometime in the mid to late 1970's. At the time I expressed interest in the truck but it was in use as a reserve unit. A year or two later the city clerk sent me a request to bid and we were the successful bidders and as the story goes, the rest is history.

When we purchased it, the truck was painted red. Several months after I took it home, I was speaking at a fire station dedication at Marthasville and had lunch with Jack Manning. At the time he was the chief mechanic for the St. Louis Fire Department. Earlier in life, he was a sales representative for Central Fire Truck Corporation in St. Louis.

I told him I had purchased the truck and his response was "it was one of the first white fire trucks he had seen built by Central." When I told him it was red his response was, "I'll have you know that I delivered that G.D. truck. We shot water over the court house and the son of a #%\$& was painted white." Shortly thereafter it was painted white and remains that color.

There was still another more recent addition to the family collection that didn't last near as long as the 39'. A couple of years after we moved to Branson I learned there was an annual huge antique car and truck auction there each year.

To make this story as short as possible, and as painless, I will just say I went there

and purchased the rig in the picture. Then went home to get the checkbook to pay for the truck and face the music with Elaine about the purchase. The most important part of this story is that I had failed to tell her I was even going to the auction!

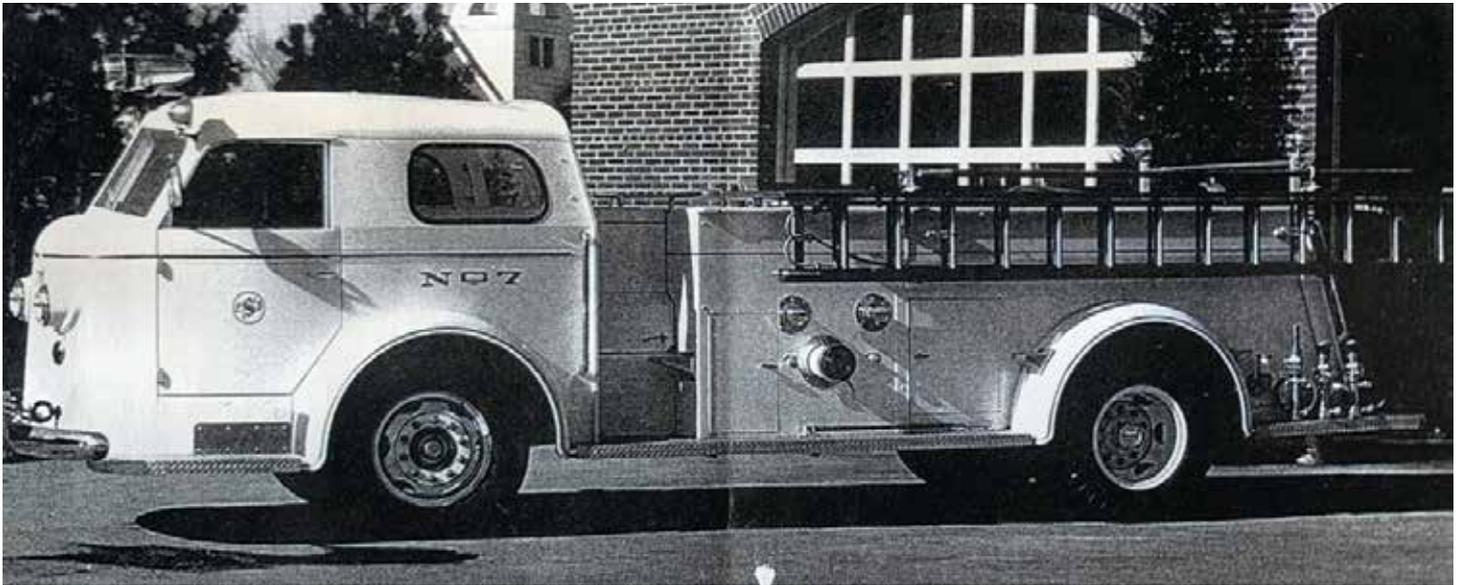
A couple of years later a dentist in Kansas City became the proud owner



**Ozark Fire District's 1946 Dodge/Central rig on display at the opening of Silver Dollar City's Fireman's Landing in March of 2015.**



**Since the City of Hollister is now part of the Western Taney County Fire District this rig has disappeared but I couldn't resist using this picture of this Dodge and the guys in their felt hats. It looks like the Dodge dealer did well in South Missouri with three rigs on Dodge trucks.**



Stillwater Oklahoma Engine 37 in all its glory in service at the Campus Fire Station, Oklahoma State University.



1939 Chevrolet/Central - Westhoff Collection



1966 Ford/Ozark Firemaster 750 front mount

of this classic for about half of the original purchase price. That incident brought about the demise of my fire truck collecting days.

Since this article got long quickly and was fun, I think we will repeat this subject for our next article. The most important reason is that there are really serious collectors in the state that have done truly epic jobs of finding and restoring some of their department's apparatus. The next article will feature their efforts in detail and most of these efforts have taken place in one of the most outstanding department in the state. Care to guess where?

# ENTER TO WIN \$5,000 WORTH OF STIHL® TOOLS

By California Casualty

California Casualty wants to thank Missouri first responders once again with a new Work Hard/Play Hard Sweepstakes. FFAM members can enter for the chance to win \$5,000 worth of STIHL® tools at [contest4heroes.com](http://contest4heroes.com).

First responders depend on the right tools to reduce their risk of injury and to get the job done quicker. That's why California Casualty, the trusted auto and home insurance provider of firefighters, EMTs and law enforcement officers across the country, is offering a prize pack of STIHL tools, the equipment that first responders count on.

"We're 105 years strong," said California Casualty Sr. Vice President Mike McCormick. "Our strength comes from the dedicated professionals who protect our communities. We owe them this thank you for all that they do."

California Casualty also congratulates Pennsylvania firefighter Kyle Albrecht, who was presented with a \$7,500 Garage Makeover from California Casualty in December. Kyle, who volunteers with the Nancy Run Fire Station, serving Bethlehem Township, is also a full-time 911 dispatcher. The award couldn't have come at a better time – Kyle and his wife recently bought their forever home and purchased a storage shed so that he could make the garage more useful.

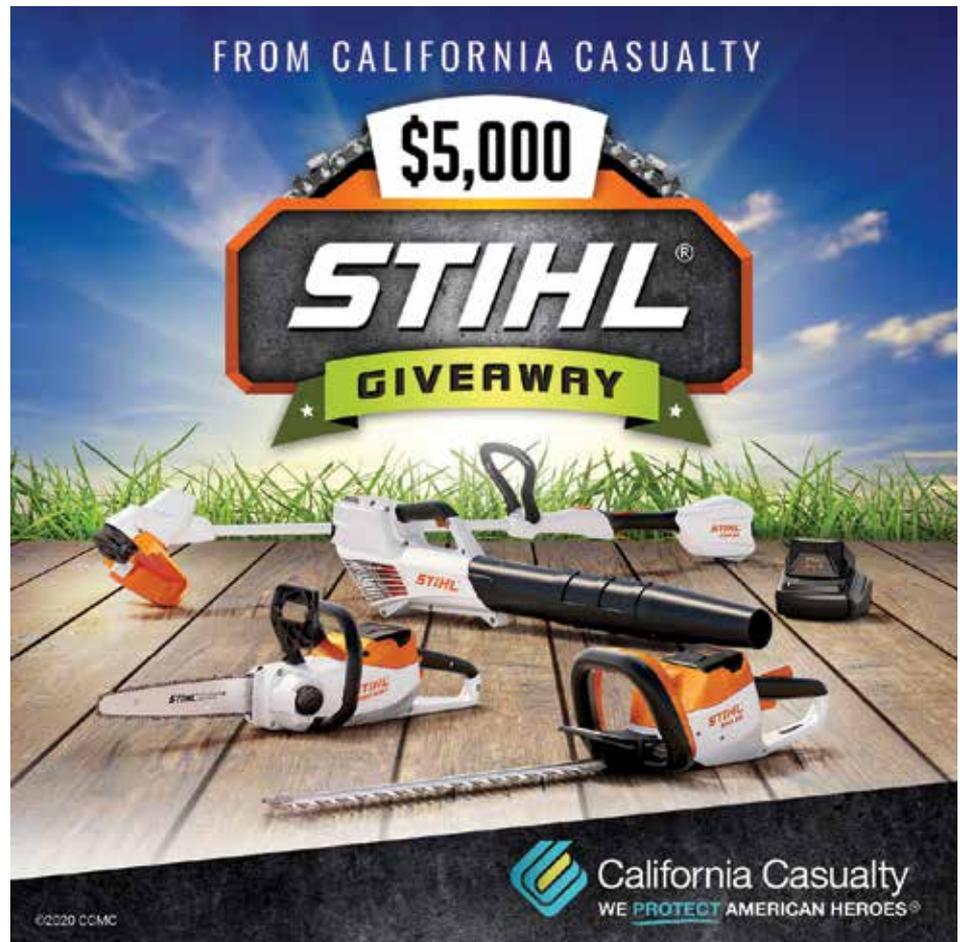
Other Work Hard/Play Hard sweepstakes from California Casualty have awarded public safety personnel Liberty Safes, DeWalt Tools, motorcycles, and cash. Past winners include an Oregon Police officer, Colorado Sheriff's captain, Firefighters from California, Nebraska, Ohio and Pennsylvania, and a California Highway Patrolman.

With a selection of chainsaws, trimmers, blowers, drills and safety equipment, what tools would you choose? California Casualty wants to give you the chance with the Work Hard/Play Hard \$5,000 STIHL

Tools Giveaway. The drawing is open to police officers, EMTs and firefighters, American heroes who work hard and risk their lives. Entries are being taken now through October 31, 2020, at [contest4heroes.com](http://contest4heroes.com). One lucky \$5,000 STIHL tools winner will be announced in November.

Headquartered in San Mateo, California, with Service Centers in Arizona, Colorado and Kansas, California Casualty has been providing auto and home insurance to firefighters since 1974 and to FFAM members since 1995. Founded in 1914, California Casualty has been led by four generations of the Brown family. To learn more about California Casualty, or to request an auto insurance quote, please call 1.800.800.9410 or visit [calcas.com/FFAM](http://calcas.com/FFAM).

\*STIHL does not sponsor or endorse this promotion.





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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

*\*Shuttle service will be provided to and from evening activities\**

START	END	EVENT	LOCATION
<b>Friday, May 1</b>			
8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.	Certified Fire and Ambulance District Board Training	Kearney High School
9:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	Vendor Set-Up	Kearney High School
12:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Convention Registration and Vendor Exposition Open	Kearney High School
1:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	Training Classes	Kearney High School
6:00 p.m.	6:45 p.m.	Opening Ceremony	Kearney High School
7:00 p.m.	11:00 p.m.	Dinner and Social Mixer <i>*Food and drinks provided</i>	Annunciation Center
<b>Saturday, May 2</b>			
8:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	Fire Fighters Contest	Kearney High School
8:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	Registration and Vendor Exposition Open	Kearney High School
8:00 a.m.	2:00 p.m.	Firetruck Show and Family Activities	Kearney High School
12:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.	Don York Memorial Golf Tournament	The Club at MariMack
5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	Social Hour	Kearney High School
6:00 p.m.	9:00 p.m.	Banquet and Awards Ceremony	Kearney High School
9:00 p.m.	12:00 a.m.	Dance <i>*Snacks and drinks provided</i>	Annunciation Center
<b>Sunday, May 3</b>			
9:00 a.m.		FFAM Business Meeting and Auxiliary Meeting	Kearney High School
		Closing Ceremony Immediately Following Meetings	
<i>*Shuttle service will be provided to and from evening activities*</i>			

**LODGING**

The following properties are currently accepting reservations. Be sure to mention you are reserving for the FFAM Convention.

**Quality Inn (816) 628-5000**

**Econo Lodge(816) 628-5111**

**Sure Stay Plus (816) 628-6800**

**Holiday Inn (816)635-1066**

**Comfort Inn (816) 628-2288**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE**

**FFAM2020.EVENTBRIGHT.COM**

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FFAM 2020 – Kearney Firefighters Association



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**REGISTRATION FORM**

One Form Per Person

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

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

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

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

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

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Register by April 17, to receive a free t-shirt. Registrations received after April 17, will not receive a t-shirt. Banquet only guests will not receive a free t-shirt.

Registration \$15     Banquet \$25.00    T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_    Total Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We are providing transportation to and from the hotels listed on our website on Friday and Saturday night. Please indicate which hotel(s) you are staying at and how many would like to use this service.

Hotel: \_\_\_\_\_  Friday  Saturday

Hotel: \_\_\_\_\_  Friday  Saturday

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: KEARNEY 2020 FFAM CONVENTION**

**SEND REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT TO:**

Kearney Fire and Rescue  
Attn: 2020 Convention Registration  
P.O. Box 341  
Kearney, MO 64060

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS:**

Please call: **816-628-4122**

Online Registration Available: [FFAM2020.eventbright.com](http://FFAM2020.eventbright.com)

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



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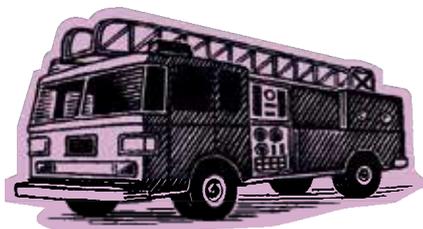
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### CONVENTION ADVERTISING RATES



#### THE QUINT PACKAGE

- Full Page Color Ad In Program
- Indoor Expo Booth
- Outdoor Expo Booth
- Banner At Entrance To Expo
- Logo On Contest T-Shirts
- Logo On Goody Bags
- Banner Space At Banquet
- 4 Banquet Tickets
- Special Program Recognition

**\$2,250 VALUE**

**\$2,000  
SAVE \$250**



#### THE PUMPER PACKAGE

- Full Page Ad In Program
- Indoor Expo Booth
- Banner At Entrance To Expo
- Logo On Contest T-Shirts
- 2 Banquet Tickets

**\$1,225 VALUE**

**\$1,000  
SAVE \$225**



#### THE TANKER PACKAGE

- Half Page Ad In Program
- Indoor Expo Booth
- Banner At Entrance To Expo

**\$625 VALUE**

**\$500  
SAVE \$125**



#### THE AMBULANCE PACKAGE

- Half Page Ad In Program
- Indoor Expo Booth
- Banner At Entrance To Expo
- Logo On Contest T-Shirts

**\$875 VALUE**

**\$750  
SAVE \$125**



#### THE BRUSH TRUCK PACKAGE

- \*Quarter Page Ad In Program
- \*Indoor Expo Booth

**\$325 VALUE**

**\$250  
SAVE \$75**

#### HAVE YOU PURCHASED A PACKAGE?

Upgrade Your Program Ad For The Difference In Price From Your Included Ad.

### A LA CARTE ADVERTISING

#### PROGRAM ADS

Back Cover	<b>\$1,000</b>
Inside Cover	<b>\$1,000</b>
Full Page	<b>\$750</b>
Half Page	<b>\$400</b>
Quarter Page	<b>\$200</b>
Eighth Page	<b>\$75</b>

#### EXPO BOOTHS

Indoor	<b>\$125</b>
Outdoor	<b>\$75</b>

#### FRIDAY MIXER SPONSOR

Only Three Available!  
Your Company Will Be Recognized by the DJ, Food, Or Drink Sponsor. **\$1,000**

#### SATURDAY DANCE SPONSOR

Only Three Available!  
Your Company Will Be Recognized By The Band, Drink Or Facility Sponsor. **\$1,000**

#### TROPHY SPONSOR

Only Three Available!  
Your Company Name On Firefighter, Auxiliary, Or Junior Firefighter Division Trophies. **\$500**

#### SHUTTLE BUS SPONSOR

Only Five Available!  
Your Company Banner On One Of Our Shuttle Vans **\$500**

#### GOODY BAG SPONSOR

Your Logo On A Bag Given To All Registered Convention Attendees. **\$300**

#### BANNER AT EXPO

Your Sign Or Banner Will Be Displayed At The Entrance To The School Where The Expo Is Held **\$100**



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**SPONSOR REGISTRATION**

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

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

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

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

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

Vendor Items				Sponsorship Items			
Description	Price	Qty	Total	Description	Price	Qty	Total
<b>Vendor Packages</b>				<b>Program Ads</b>			
Quint Package	\$2,000			Back Cover	\$1000		
Pumper Package	\$1,000			Inside Cover	\$1000		
Ambulance Package	\$750			Full Page	\$750		
Tanker Package	\$500			Half Page	\$400		
Brush Truck	250			Quarter Page	\$200		
<b>A La Carte Booths</b>				Eighth Page			
Indoor booth	\$125						
Outdoor booth	\$75 per vehicle			<b>Sponsorships</b>			
<b>Vendor Total</b>				Friday Night Mixer (3 avail)	\$1000		
				Saturday Night Dance (3 avail)	\$1000		
				Contest Trophy (3 avail)	\$500		
				Shuttle Bus (5 avail)	\$500		
				Goody Bag	\$300		
				Outdoor Sign at Expo Entry	\$100		
				<b>Sponsor Total</b>			

Vendor Total: : \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Due: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions call (816) 628-4122  
or visit our website. [www.kearneyfirefighters.org](http://www.kearneyfirefighters.org)

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**APPARATUS DISPLAY**

Application Form

Department or Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

Apparatus Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Description and/or History: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is this unit still in service?  YES  NO

Distance traveled to Kearney? \_\_\_\_\_ miles.

What date will the apparatus will arrive? \_\_\_\_\_

**TROPHIES AWARDED**

- Furthest Distance Traveled
- Oldest Apparatus
- Best in Show

Apparatus should plan to be on display from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Awards will be given during the firefighter's competition which will be held next to the display area. The apparatus display will be located at the Kearney High School, 715 E 19th St, Kearney, MO 64060.

**SEND APPLICATION TO:**

Email: [aaltis@kearneyfire.org](mailto:aaltis@kearneyfire.org) OR

Kearney Fire and Rescue Protection District  
201 E 6th St.  
Kearney, MO 64060

# MISSOURI STATE FAIR FIRE DEPARTMENT APPLICATION

## AUGUST 13-23, 2020

**DEADLINE FOR POSTMARKED APPLICATION IS JUNE 1, 2020.**

*All applicants must be members of FFAM before application deadline.*

**APPLICATIONS AND DRIVERS LICENSE MUST BE SENT TO MONTY THOMPSON.**

*Applications must be completed in full and readable or will not be accepted.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ department do hereby apply for the opportunity to participate in the operation of the State Fair Fire Department as follows.  
 My home Chief is \_\_\_\_\_ their phone # is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 If you cannot attend the dates chosen the application is submitted you must notify Monty Thompson.

**Please Indicate dates you are available and what position/duty you wish to be assigned. Shifts begin at 8:00 a.m. daily.**

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12	THURSDAY AUGUST 13	FRIDAY AUGUST 14	SATURDAY AUGUST 15	SUNDAY AUGUST 16	MONDAY AUGUST 17
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
TUESDAY AUGUST 18	WEDNESDAY AUGUST 19	THURSDAY AUGUST 20	FRIDAY AUGUST 21	SATURDAY AUGUST 22	SUNDAY AUGUST 23
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

The Commissioners and the Command Staff will make assignments from applications received.

Positions available are as follows: Adults-Engine Co., EMS, First Aid, Dispatch, Inspection, Kitchen, and Fire Safety Education and other duties may be assigned. Juniors may only sign up for Dispatch. You will be expected to accept assignments willingly.

**A copy of your current Drivers License or Non Driver Photo is mandatory.**

If the dates you are requesting are full you will be contacted for alternate dates for you to attend.  
 Due to staffing restrictions the FFAM reserves the right to refuse any application.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Each member will be issued ONE Duty Shirt and ONE Duty Hat at no charge and may order extra shirts at \$10 each (\$2 extra for 2x and larger) .

SHIRT SIZE (Check One):  S  M  L  XL  2XL  3XL  4XL EXTRA SHIRTS \_\_\_\_\_ X **\$10 EACH** (\$2 extra for 2XL and larger)

1 DUTY HAT PROVIDED (Check One):  S/M  L/XL

**The minimum age for Junior Fire Fighters is 16 years of age.** No more than 2 juniors from the same department at the same time.

**Parents signature for Junior Fire Fighters under 18 years of age:** \_\_\_\_\_

NOTIFY MONTY THOMPSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOUR AVAILABILITY CHANGES AFTER SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION.

**MONTY THOMPSON**  
 1908 Honeysuckle  
 Kearny, MO 64060  
 816-365-7187



# Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

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## AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Please indicate the award you are submitting a nomination for:

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> MERITORIOUS AWARD           | <input type="checkbox"/> AWARD OF VALOR            | <input type="checkbox"/> LIFESAVING AWARD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR     | <input type="checkbox"/> CHIEF OFFICER OF THE YEAR |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR | <input type="checkbox"/> YOUTH PROGRAM AWARD       |   |

Nominated Individual(s)/Department: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Person Placing Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Does the nominated individual(s)/department plan on attending the annual convention?  Yes  No  Unknown

### Nomination Statement and Supporting Documentation:

Include a nomination statement explaining why the individual(s)/department being nominated meets the specified criteria for the award. Include any other supporting documentation including, but not limited to, news articles, fire reports, witness statements, pictures, videos, power point presentations, etc.

- The nomination form must be included with the nomination statement and all supporting documentation. The nomination form and nomination statement must be typed or legibly written.
- Meritorious Award; Award of Valor; Lifesaving Award: The nomination is for events/incidents that occurred during the previous and/or current year.
- Firefighter of the Year; Chief Officer of the Year; Fire Department of the Year; Youth Program Award: The nomination is for events/incidents that are a cumulative achievement. There is no specific date range restriction.
- To be considered for any award, the individual(s)/department must be a current member of the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri and also a member for the year prior to the nomination.
- A complete set of award guidelines can be found at <http://ffam.org/committees/awards/>
- Award nomination deadline is February 28th

**Mail completed nomination form, nomination statement and supporting documentation to:**

For questions, contact: Chairman Joe Jennings at (660) 624-1195 or via email at [jjennings@jcfpd.net](mailto:jjennings@jcfpd.net)

FFAM Awards Committee  
PO Box 1153  
Warrensburg, MO 64093



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## PHIL SAYER LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION FORM

The Phil Sayer Lifetime Achievement Award, sponsored by VFIS, in conjunction with the FFAM, honors an individual whose remarkable achievements in the fire service and in their community exemplify outstanding performance.

Nominated Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Individual's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Individual's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Placing Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Does the nominated individual(s)/department plan on attending the annual convention?  Yes  No  Unknown

### Nomination Statement and Supporting Documentation:

Include a nomination statement explaining why the individual being nominated has attained remarkable achievements in the fire service and in their community.

Include detailed information including, but not limited to:

- Fire service history
- Department affiliations
- Dates joined
- Positions held
- Other pertinent department information
- Family information (spouse, children, etc.)
- Other service to the community, local government, state government or past honors and awards received.

**Mail completed nomination form, nomination statement and supporting documentation to:**

FFAM Awards Committee  
PO Box 1153  
Warrensburg, MO 64093

Include detailed information regarding the nominee's accomplishments and any other information that would be relevant to this award.

- The nomination form will need to be included with the nomination statement and all supporting documentation. The nomination form and nomination statement must be typed or legibly written.
- To be considered for the award, the individual must be a current member of the Fire Fighters Association of Missouri and also a member for the year prior to the nomination.
- A complete set of award guidelines can be found at <http://ffam.org/committees/awards/>
- Award Nomination deadline is February 28th

**For questions, contact: Chairman Joe Jennings at (660) 624-1195 or via email at [jjennings@jcfpd.net](mailto:jjennings@jcfpd.net)**

\*The awards committee for this award shall be comprised of the FFAM Awards Committee members, two representatives from VFIS, an individual representing the Sayer family and an individual representing the Missouri Division of Fire Safety.



# DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Kevin Zumwalt  
Director



## University of Missouri Extension Fire and Rescue Training Institute

Happy New Year from MU Fire and Rescue Training Institute! For a few of us, it is hard to believe that 2020 is here. It seemed so far in the distance when we were younger. Many of us have now lived in two centuries; witnessed a few 500-year floods; remember black and white TV, before cable or satellite, used rotary dial telephones or an operator to place a call, and don't forget the fun of a party line! However, we have yet to witness flying cars, ray-guns and space travel as we thought would occur by now from watching television shows such as the Jetsons and Buck Rogers. Nonetheless, we made it and there is still so much to look forward to in the coming decade as science and technology advancements are helping to make fire-fighting safer and more efficient.

The big news here at the MU Fire and Rescue Training Institute is our annual Winter Fire School on February 7-9, 2020. This will be our 39th Annual Winter Fire School and has become known as the premier fire training event in the Midwest. If you are already planning to attend, I hope to see you there. If you

are still undecided, it is not too late to register, or even drive up on Friday to visit the Expo.

The Winter Fire School Equipment Exposition is one of the largest, continuous, equipment Expo's in the Midwest. The Expo will be open on Friday, February 7, 2020, from Noon to 9:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Executive Center. There is no admission fee to attend the Expo. With more space open this year participants will have access to more than 100 vendors, displaying everything fire related from T-shirts, boots, hand-tools, up to and including fire apparatus. Many state and national organizations will also be on hand to discuss member benefits and fire related topics.

The educational component of Fire School will be conducted on Saturday and Sunday, February 8-9, 2020. Over 70 different classes are being offered this year. National level instructors have reached out to MU FRTI requesting to teach at our fire school and you will find many listed on this year's agenda of classes. Instead of paying higher registration fees at national

conferences, you can hear them speak at MU FRTI's Winter Fire School for a fraction of the cost.

The bargain of the fire school is to attend via webcast and enjoy the class from the comfort of your home or from the fire station training room. Three classes are selected each year to webcast live from Columbia. You can purchase a single seat license for \$55; or, a site license for \$275. Courses selected for this year's webcast include: *Challenges of the Firefighter Marriage*, Anne Gagliano, author and lecturer and Mike Gagliano, Seattle Fire Department (Ret.); *In Honor of the Charleston Nine: A Study of Change Following Tragedy*, Dr. David Griffin, Charleston Fire Department; and, *Exterior and Interior Attack: What's the Difference*, Dennis Legear, Oakland Fire Department (Ret.) and Keith Stakes, UL Firefighter Safety Research Institute.

Beyond Winter Fire School, there are many no-cost training opportunities available throughout the state from MU FRTI to support local fire department needs. Thanks to funding from state agencies and private donors, there are over 100 classes scheduled and more are added weekly through the end of our fiscal year, June 30, 2020. To find out what classes are being offered and where, please visit our website at [mufrti.org](http://mufrti.org).

On behalf of the faculty and staff of the MU Fire and Rescue Training Institute, we wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. And remember...Train Safe, Be Safe!

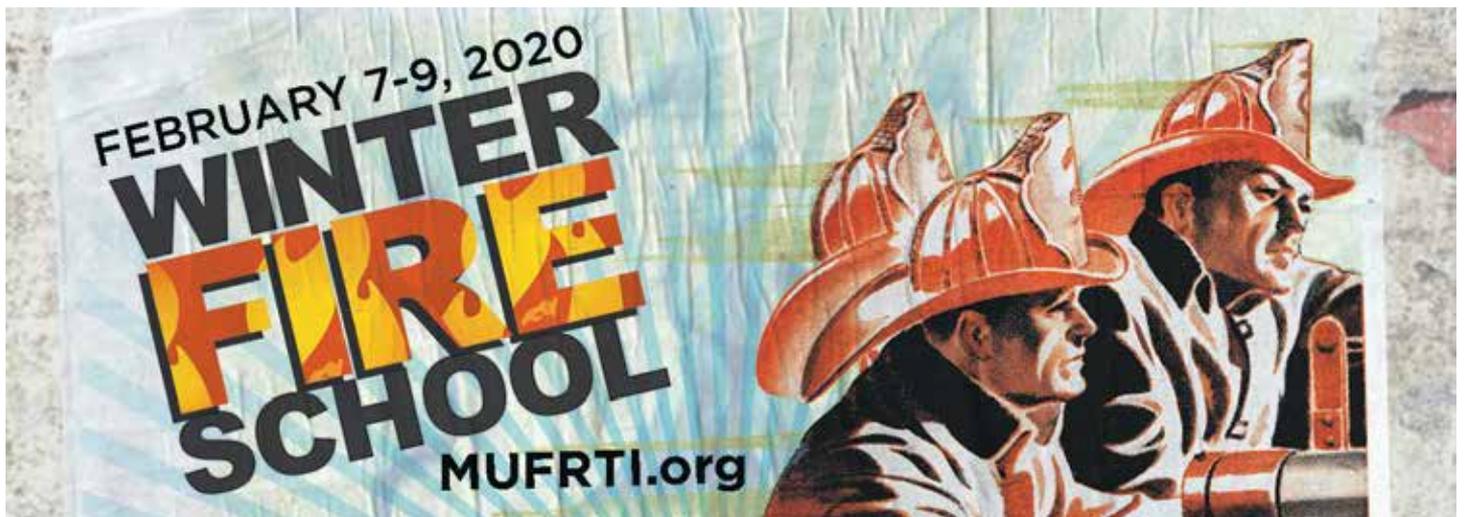
Kevin D. Zumwalt  
Director, MU FRTI

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DATE	COURSE	LOCATION	CONTACT	PHONE
01/20	Emergency Response to Ammonia Incidents	Union	Matt Tobbben	636-583-2515
01/20	Fire Officer I (Blended)	Belton	MU FRTI	800-869-3476
01/24	Structural Fire Fighting Techniques	Doniphan	Lance Pigg	573-707-0568
01/25	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Officer	Buffalo	Dalton Trippe	417-733-4313
01/29	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Officer	Kansas City	Jay Curless	816-452-4612
01/30	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Chief Officer	Chillicothe	Eric Reeter	660-646-2139
01/31	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Officer	Pacific	Gary Graf	636-257-3633
02/01	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Chief Officer	Gladstone	Sean Daugherty	816-423-4080
02/01	Fire Department Incident Safety Officer (Blended)	Joplin	MU FRTI	800-869-3476
02/04	Electric Vehicle Safety for First Responders	Ozark	Aaron Heaton	417-581-4436
02/14	Fire Department Medical First Responder	Doe Run	Jean Usher	573-466-9996
02/18	Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator: Mobile Water Supply	Rogersville	Travis Trent	417-752-4262
02/18	Structural Collapse Rescue: Awareness	Troy	Robert Shramke	314-565-0141
02/21	Basic Fire Fighter Skills	Malden	Charlie Cooper	573-276-8950
02/22	Emergency Response to Ammonia Incidents	Piedmont	Seth Deck	573-561-3217
02/22	Air Monitoring Techniques for Initial Company Operations	Waynesville	Richard Vengels	573-528-7379
02/22	Exterior Live Fire Skills	Urbana	Larry Senyard	314-249-0139
02/29	Vehicle Fire Fighting	Huntsville	Tony Bell	660-651-6592
03/02	Fire Officer I (Blended)	Chillicothe	MU FRTI	800-869-3476
03/03	Basic Pump Operations	Laurie	John Scheper	573-374-4442
03/04	Simulated Incident Management for First Arriving Officer	Rogersville	Travis Trent	417-753-4265
03/06	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training	Gainesville	Robert Peat	417-712-1761
03/06	Structural Fire Fighting Techniques	Caruthersville	Charlie Jones	573-359-5042
03/06	Lost Person Search and Rescue	Joplin	Steve Coats	417-624-2715
03/07	Vehicle Fire Fighting	Morehouse	James Whitley	573-380-3251
03/07	Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator: Mobile Water Supply	Branson	James Lannan	417-334-3440



# Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

DECEMBER 1, 2019

SEDALIA, MISSOURI

Meeting called to order by President Diane Wynne at 9:00 a.m.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Wynne, Galt FPD; Jessica Miller, Norborne FPD; Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD; Sheri Berendzen, Cole County FPD; Joyce Thompson, Kearney Fire; Joni Fields, Paris Rural FPD; Missy Erdel, Little Dixie FPD; Carissa Thompson, Holts Summit FPD; Laura Peel, SE Randolph FPD.

## MINUTES

Diane Wynne asked if there were any changes or comments or corrections for the October 4, 2019, meeting minutes. Theresa Cox made a motion to accept the meeting notes as written, seconded by Carrisa Thompson, motion passed.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Sheri Berendzen read the report with a total of \$6,867.37 in our account at the closing of the October meeting. There was no deposit and one expense for \$1,000 given to the Fire Museum, with a new balance of \$5,867.37. Jessica Miller made a motion to accept the financial report, seconded by Carissa Thompson, motion passed.

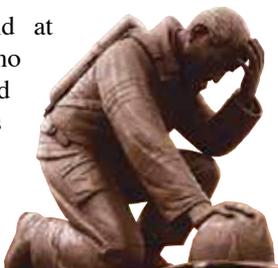
## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### MEMBERSHIP

Theresa Cox reported there were 24 renewal at this time. Theresa also announced that we have a new member and the department is Central Taney Co FPD.

### AUXILIARY MEMBER OR AUXILIARY OF THE YEAR

Jessica Miller said at this time there are no nominations. Said that nominations can be submitted to Diane Wynne, Shelia Nichols or herself.



## POSTER CONTEST

No news.

## CONVENTION

Joyce Thompson said at this time there was no new news to report. There will be no alcohol allow at the contest or banquet which is being held at the high school. Reminder convention will be May 1-3, 2020.

## CONTEST

There was no news to report about the contest.

## HISTORIAN

We will be without a historian until convention, at that time we will vote in a new historian.

## OLD BUSINESS

Sheri Berendzen reported the name tags are ordered.

The media policy is still being gone over by the fire fighters side.

Jessica said the tablecloths will be ordered soon and be here for the convention.

Ann was not able to attend so the reading of the by-laws is tabled at this time.

There will be a meeting in January about scholarships for the Phil Sayer Scholarships. Theresa and Carissa will be attending the meeting representing the auxiliary. Donation is being held until the January meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS

Audit needs to be done at the next meeting.

Theresa talked about a letter she received from Burns Recovered asking for a donation. Pam Carsten use to do a quilt and the money made off of it went to the Burns Center. Carissa made a motion to donate \$200 and second by Missy, motion passed.

Missy made a motion to adjourn meeting and second by Jessica. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. Next meeting is to held February 2, 2020.

Respectfully Submitted;

Sheri Berendzen  
Cole County FPD  
FFAM Auxiliary Secretary Treasurer  
2018-2019

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