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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Greetings Fellow Firefighters

Kenneth Hoover
President



What a great annual Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial Services held on May 19-20, 2018, at the Auxvasse Elementary School. I believe this is the most important activity I am involved in every year.

As they have done for many years, Chief Greg Lubbert and crew, Central Callaway Fire Protection District spent many hours cleaning all of the granite walls and other tasks the Thursday night prior to the services. Chief Lubbert and others have faithfully overseen this task year after year. Thanks!

Many hours were also given for the Candlelight Service and the Sunday Morning Services. Keith Smith, Warrenton Fire Protection District and Bill Albus, Little Dixie Fire Protection District/Missouri State Fire Marshal

office, worked many hours gathering information and developing the programs for both services. I thank both of you!

The Candlelight Honor Guard was provided by the Little Dixie Fire Protection District, and led by Lieutenant Bobby Tanner. Retired Director David Hedrick of the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute, did an excellent job with the message to over 200 attendees at the Candlelight Service. My continued appreciation goes to Blue Ice Productions and Chairman Keith Smith from Warrenton, Missouri. Who provided all of the recording and video services for the entire memorial, as they have done for many years at no charge to the Memorial Foundation. Many thanks to Greg and Rose Rosebrock. True friends of the fire service.

Our history this year was documented by Gail Hagans and Don Vaucher. Gail and Don are usually at every event and photograph all the activities and provide FFAM with prints and CD's and never ask for recognition or payment for their services. Thank you Gail and Don. Great photos!

This year we were honored to have Mr. J. Tim Bean, Fire Marshal for the State of Missouri attend and presented proclamations to the 2017 Line of Duty Death family members.

Fire Marshal Bean was our keynote speaker at the Sunday morning memorial service. Great job sir. Thank you! We were also honored to have Governor Eric Grietens attend and speak a few words of support.

Dr. Ron Baker, Memorial Foundation Board Member gave our opening invocation and as always did an excellent job. Dr. Baker willingly performs many tasks for the foundation, especially the display of the flags at the memorial site. Awesome display.

Our Honor Guard Commander again this year was Chief James Ludden from the Bolivar City Fire Department. Commander Ludden did an outstanding job coordinating Honor/Color Guard and Pipe and Drum members from many fire departments throughout Missouri. Thank you to Chief Ludden and members of the many Honor Guards and Pipe and Drum members for your service. Chief Ludden quickly accepted my request to oversee this important part of our services.

I appreciate all the memorial board members that helped in so many ways throughout both services by, reading of names, bell ringing, and placing of

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FIRE MARSHAL'S UPDATE

Tim Bean
State Fire Marshal

Missouri Division of Fire Safety



Greetings from the thirteenth floor! Having trouble with the fact that six months of this year has come and gone. What?

Judy and I would like to express a hearty Independence Day to one and all. I'm glad the *Declaration of Independence* was signed which allows us to become the United States of America, the greatest nation on God's earth. Take a moment with me and read or sing *God Bless America*...

God Bless America, land that I love,
Stand beside her and guide her through
the night with the light from above,
From the mountains to the prairies, to
the oceans white with foam, God Bless
America, my home sweet home, God
Bless America my home sweet home!

I don't ever want to lose sight of how great my nation is!

Several things have transpired here in Jefferson City since the last newsletter. First of all I have a new boss, Governor Mike Parson, and a new Lieutenant Governor Mike Kehoe. I have had several question my status as your state fire marshal. Governor Parson has communicated that I will continue serving as your State Fire Marshal. I am pleased with that decision, and look forward to continuing to serve you, and work alongside Governor Parson.

A new budget was signed on June 30, for 2018-2019. We are pleased with this year's budget and appreciate the support of the House and Senate to the division. Some of the highlights of the budget, pay raises for the facilities inspectors, along with the fire investigators. The firefighter training and education fund was fully

funded. On a sour note, the workman compensation bill was not funded this year. We will pursue getting it funded next year for you.

The Education Commission met and awarded contacts to several of our training partners, so training should be coming to you for free! I would ask you to contact your State Representative and Senator and thank them for funding this for you!

While on the topic of training, Deputy Chief Trapani informed me that this year will be a record year for firefighters obtaining State Certification. Her unit is estimating nearly 5,000 state certifications will be obtained, equating to nearly 4,000 individual certifications. I feel this proves the Missouri fire service believes in being educated about their job as a firefighter. This training helps us make better decisions, which allows us to better serve our customer. The best part I appreciate, we become safer, which allows us to go home to our families and friends! Way to go everyone, and thank you to all of our training division team for working so hard to make this happen.

We will be introducing legislation again this year on setting the definition of what a Missouri Firefighter should be. If you have comments or concerns on this please reach out to me. We will be pursuing the cancer legislation again this legislative session. If you have any legislative issues we can help you with, contact us please.

SOUND THE ALARM

Here is a positive update from the Red Cross. Over the last 365 days there has been 12,380 smoke alarms installed in our state. It is working folks. We have had 15 more fire departments join the program to help **SOUND THE ALARM**. Keep up the excellent work with this program, and if you are not part of it, you should be! We are at 52 fire deaths so far this year, and not one working smoke alarm! We have a job to do out here in our state.

Thanks for all each of you do across our great state, I appreciate you. If there is anything I or the division can do for you call us. If you have an event you would like me to attend get with me, I enjoy visiting our Missouri fire service.

Remember, "Best boots on the ground, and leave things better than you found them."

J. Tim Bean
State Fire Marshal



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BOARD of DIRECTORS *Meeting Minutes*

FFAM JUNE 3, 2018 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, June 3, 2018, at the Missouri State Fair Fire Department in Sedalia, Missouri.

President Hoover led the *Pledge of Allegiance*. Then asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Chief Jim Silvernail.

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 3 Larry Jones, Madison West Monroe FPD; District 5 Terry Plumb, Southern Stone FPD; District 6 Gary Berendzen, Cole Co FPD; District 7 RB Brown, Union FPD; District 10 Greg Brown, Eureka FPD.

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS

District 3 Steve Gentry, Rob Erdel, Little Dixie FPD; District 4 Jonathan Evans, Lincoln FD; District 14 Glen Dittmar, South Central Buchanan County FD.

OTHERS

Historian Kay Asher, Wentzville FPD.

GUESTS

Gail Hagans, MU FRTI; Larry Eggen, Johnson County FPD; Doc Kritzer, Memorial Foundation; Harriett Vaucher, Eureka FPD; Charlie Peel, Southeastern Randolph FPD; Joshua Koepke, Kansas City FD; Holden Peel, Madison West Monroe FD; Dale Arnold, Central

Jackson Co FPD; Timothy Mattox, North Central Carroll FPD; Chris Thompson, Holts Summit FPD.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

The 2018 convention minutes will be approved at the 2019 convention.

FINANCIAL REPORT

President Hoover asked for a review of the April–May 2018 financial report. Terry Wynne moved to accept the financial report presented. Terry Plumb seconded the motion and all approved.

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL GUEST(S)

Gail Hagans with MU FRTI advised that Summer Fire School was very successful. There were a few new classes that went well. 250–300 attended. Shuttle rides were offered to anyone who wished to attend the Fire Fighters Memorial Services in Kingdom City which were held during the same time.

Hagans was congratulated on the start of her thirty-third year with MU FRTI.

Fire Marshal Tim Bean with the Division of Fire Safety was unable to attend however, an email report from him was read by Secretary Miller.

The biggest issue is the appointment of the new Governor but he feels that his position as the Fire Marshal is secure. Governor Grietens didn't sign the new budget so it is in a holding pattern until Governor Parson signs it.

Workers compensation funding is in the budget, so he will let everyone know if

it gets signed. \$1 million was allocated.

CORRESPONDENCE

Glenn Dittmar wanted to share with everyone that Andrew Chamberlain with Banner Fire Equipment is offering a complete Class A Uniform for \$280. Chamberlain can be contacted at 314-757-4576.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1st V.P. Larry Jennings presented a proposal to invest some of the existing funds into higher interest-bearing certificates of deposit. Discussion followed. Greg Brown moved to accept the proposal and to allow Larry Jennings to invest the funds as would best serve the organization. Terry Plumb seconded the motion and all approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Secretary Miller advised that her laptop computer crashed and the repairs for the aged computer were significant. She asked the Board for a one-time purchase, up to \$2,500, for the purchase of a new computer and software. Glen Dittmar moved to authorize a one-time purchase up to \$2,500 for the purchase of a new computer and software. Greg Brown seconded the motion and all approved.

President Hoover advised that Monty Thompson has requested the appointment of Joshua Koepke of the Kansas City Fire Department to District 11 Assistant Director. Greg Brown has requested the appointment of Harriett Vaucher of the Eureka FPD to District 10 Assistant Director. RB Brown moved to accept the appointments. Jonathan Evans seconded the motion and all approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AWARDS COMMITTEE

Larry Jennings reported on behalf of Joe Jennings that nominations are due

February 28, and can be submitted at any time. There were very few award nominations received this year so departments are encouraged to get nominations submitted.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Larry Jennings reported that the Contingency Fund is over budget by \$28.15. No adjustments to the budget category will be made at this time and it will be reviewed at the end of the year.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE

No report was given.

CHAPLAIN COMMITTEE

No report was given.

CONTEST COMMITTEE

Rob Erdel reported that everything went well during the contest however, participation was down. He wanted to remind members that a contest team doesn't have to all be from the same department as long as they are FFAM members, so everyone is encouraged to get with their department and neighboring departments and get teams put together for next year.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Larry Jones reported that he hasn't received any final report yet from St. Joseph FD. Discussion was held on the location of the 2019 convention. Festus might be willing to host but they won't be able to confirm until the next meeting. Terry Plumb reported that he was also been speaking with Tri Lakes Fire Fighters Association about possibly hosting.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Gail Hagans reported that she is working with Rick Dozier and Kyle Arnold to possibly host the Grain Bin Extrication training during the state fair.

FIRE PREVENTION COMMITTEE

RB Brown reported that all winners will be invited to the fair. The 2019 theme has not yet been announced.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Greg Brown reported that the new Governor took office on Friday, June 1. Governor Greitens signed 77 bills on Friday before his resignation including

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an EMS bill, false lien bill and federal reimbursement. The 9-1-1 legislation passed but wasn't signed yet. The budget also hasn't been signed. \$1 million has been allocated for workers compensation funding in the proposed budget. The restructure of the Fire Education Commission didn't pass. The presumptive cancer legislation is still in the works. He will send out a final legislative report in a couple weeks.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

2nd V.P. Grant Oetting reported the following membership counts: 468 Directors/Councilman; 280 Retired; 23 Associate; 13 Sustaining; 17 Corporate, 334 Departments; 6284 Active; 11 Educational; 88 Juniors.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

No report was given.

NVFC COMMITTEE

Keith Smith was unable to attend but an email report from him was read by President Hoover.

They have launched a special insert program in USA Today which reaches an estimated 182 Million readers plus the usual NVFC Social Media outlets. The print and digital campaign was launched May 25. Three specific articles are featured:

1. Meeting the Needs of America's Unsung Heroes
2. The Importance of Addressing Behavior Health in Firefighters
3. Fire Departments Need Volunteers to "Step up and Suit Up".

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Larry Eggen reported that there have been some issues with all required documentation not being submitted with the scholarship applications received. He wanted to remind everyone that the application guidelines must be followed, and the required documentation must be submitted, no exceptions. Those not submitting the required documentation will be disqualified.

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NEWS FROM DISTRICT



11

**Josh Koepke
Director**

Greetings from the west side of the state! I am hoping that everyone is having a fantastic summer thus far.

I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the second assistant director for District 11. I am incredibly grateful and humbled for this opportunity and hope to serve you all well.

I started my fire service journey in the winter of 2008 as a volunteer with the Edgerton Trimble Fire Protection District (2008-2012). There I was introduced to the FFAM organization by Chief R. Deckman. Eventually I served with the combination staffed fire districts of Smithville Area Fire Protection District in 2015, Plattsburgh Fire Protection District from 2015-2016, and Pleasant Valley Fire Department. I was granted a full time career opportunity with the Kansas City Missouri Fire Department in the winter of 2011 under the leadership of Retired Chief R. "Smokey" Dyer. Currently I am assigned to a squad company within the organization.

As a FFAM member this will be my fourth year attending and working the Missouri State Fair which is August 9-19.

Since 2008 I've become more involved with promoting FFAM and the mission we strive for. As of May 2018, District 11 Director Monty Thompson, from the Kearney Fire Protection District graciously appointed me to the assistant director filling the second vacancy of District 11. I look forward to working along side with Director Thompson and Assistant Director Ryan Miller in serving the fire protection districts and departments within the Platte, Clay, Jackson, Ray, Lafayette, Carroll, and Saline counties that make up our wonderful District 11.

If you have any questions, or would like me to come visit your organization, or attend a benefit training etc. Please contact me via email at ffamdistrict11@yahoo.com and I'll do my best to accommodate around my shift schedule. My contact info can be found on ffam.org under the officers/district link.

As a reminder we are getting into the heat of summer and I encourage each of you to stay hydrated and watch your fellow brother and sisters while training and when on calls. If anyone from my district is attending the fair in Sedalia, Missouri, in August, I encourage you to come to the firehouse by the rabbit barn introduce yourself and the department you are with.

Other news out of District 11; I have been able to evaluate several regional fire academy classes that have finished up with a total of forty-two newly trained firefighters from those courses that are eligible to test with the Division of Fire Safety for certification.

Best regards and have a safe summer.



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STATE FAIR COMMITTEE

Steven Gentry reported that numerous applications were received, and acceptance/rejection letters would be mailed out next week. The next work weekend is July 13-15.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE

No report was given.

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the next newsletter will be July 1. Fire prevention posters will be reprinted in the next newsletter due to an error in the previous issue.

HISTORIAN REPORT

Grant Oetting reported that everything was moved from Kay Asher's basement to Kingdom City on June 2. Fifteen people representing eight departments assisted with the move. The safes will be moved in the near future.

FUNERAL TEAM REPORT

Harriett Vaucher reported that the public announcement systems might have to be replaced in all of the trailers due to the government changing the frequency on the equipment. Greg Wright reported that Stan East with La Plata FD passed away in May and his memorial service will be July 7.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Keith Smith was unable to attend but an email report from him was read by President Hoover.

Gail Hagans has accepted the open seat appointment to the Foundation Board of Directors. We are now back to fifteen members.

We honored fifty-two names in this year's Candlelight and Sunday morning services. Three were LODD, one from 1849. We continue to discover LODD names and we will continue to honor them regardless of date. Both services were held inside the Auxvasse Elementary School due to weather. The Governor attended, with two-hour notice but that is how they roll, and spoke in the morning service. Dave



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Hedrick was our candlelight speaker and Fire Marshal Tim Bean was the Sunday morning keynote speaker.

We continue to struggle with the discovery and notification of those which have served and passed. The foundation's goal is to honor all that have served, but we cannot present what we do not know. Please spread the word in contacting the foundation with this information. In the May 2019 service we will honor all that we know from 2018 and up through January/February of 2019 if the family would desire to move forward versus waiting until the following year. We will also go back up to three years in honoring of names. In 2019 we will accept anyone missed from 2016-2017. A listing of those recently honored will be sent to the FFAM newsletter.

Following the Sunday morning service, the weather cleared, and we were able to have a kick-off ground-breaking for the museum on the grounds at the memorial at 1:00 p.m. Three donation checks of \$10,000, \$5,000 and \$1,000

were presented during this ceremony. FFAM President Hoover presented a moving opening statement and we moved some sod. An architectural elevation of the proposed redesigned museum was revealed at the FFAM Convention and on-site for the ground-breaking. The foundation is working with Casco Architecture and Engineering out of St. Louis on the design work. Project is proceeding toward a design package release for bids.

Doc Kritzer reported that a couple of bricks have been corrected and that more 8x8 bricks are needed.

Glen Dittmar moved to adjourn the meeting. Greg Brown seconded the motion and all approved.

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

Jaime Miller

Jaime Miller, Secretary
Fire Fighters Association of Missouri

A MESSAGE FROM THE



**1ST
VICE
PRESIDENT**

Larry Jennings

Greetings! I hope each of you are having a tolerable summer and have had the opportunity to get away with family or friends for even a brief break from the normal day to day of our hectic lives as servants to the public.

This time let's talk about hats and tee shirts. So immediately, the thought crossed your mind that the old guy has officially lost it because what could hats and tee shirts have to do with the fire service anyway? Stick with me on this one and just maybe I am not as far gone as some may think.

Have you ever given much consideration to why people join the fire service. Whether it be on a paid full time agency or a completely volunteer agency where personnel don't even receive a stipend of some sort? Well think about it a minute, because there has to be a reason buried somewhere in the history and future of this profession. We have examined this issue from time to time on a local basis and I think we may have discovered why people keep agreeing to join a dangerous, often thankless, dirty, stressful, mind numbing, time consuming and physically demanding profession... it has to be the hats and tee shirts that have our stunning, yet not really unique, logo proudly displayed.

We partially came up with this theory when we noticed a few new members that joined, got the hat and tee shirt, and then somewhat rapidly didn't reappear and eventually departed our agency. Our only explanation that made any sense was that they just wanted the hat and tee shirt, which of course they failed to return, so

they could proudly wear it around town and garner that respect, remember we talked about respect last year, that is generally bestowed on fire personnel.

The second portion of our theory was based on those members who received the coveted hat and tee shirt and then actually showed up on a regular basis, but tended to not be an "active" member. Even though they were not very active, those members still proudly wore that hat and tee shirt and made sure everyone knew they were part of the agency.

So after forming a hypothesis and testing our theory in the finest tradition of the scientific method of investigation, 921 reference for those familiar, we realized although it sounded good it really did not appear that hats and tee shirts were the real reason people join this profession.

Most people enter the fire service out of a pure desire to help others, give back to the community, to be a part of a service organization and other similar reasons. Others enter the profession because it is a job with a paycheck. I am sure many of us have worked with those individuals that were there simply because they were getting paid or because they wanted that awesome hat and tee shirt. I am also sure that when working with some of those people you saw a lack of enthusiasm, passion or desire to do the best they could in a profession they were proud of.

Those that are there for the paycheck alone or maybe the hat and tee shirt add some value to our agencies, but they are often the ones that are on the forefront of doing things that really don't shine a positive light on our profession overall, remember we talked about image once before. So what do we do to make the job more than a paycheck or a hat and tee shirt? The answer to that question can be a bit complex at times and quite honestly I am not sure anyone has completely resolved the issue.

We have all heard discussions about identifying and meeting the needs of the various generations that work in the profession and those we are hoping to

attract and the complexity of that process. We have even gone to classes and done extra reading on how to achieve this goal, but have we succeeded in meeting those needs? What about the long term employee, paid or volunteer, that was the absolute text book example of what little children dream about in being a fire fighter, but then morphs into the employee that is just there to be there or wear the hat and tee shirt and has lost that passion once held? What are we doing to ignite that flame in those employees?

If as an agency you have not looked at these issues and started taking some action to find remedies, you may be working towards being an agency that struggles to achieve the service model expected by the citizens providing you with apparatus and equipment. If as an individual member of the fire service you are not looking at these issues and doing what you can on your own to address them, you may then be part of the problem.

I don't have the magic answers and over the years my agency has lost members and currently operates with fewer members than we traditionally maintained. When we read about the falling membership numbers in the fire service across the nation we are assured it is not our fault, but simply a consequence of how busy and somewhat disconnected our society has become. I am fairly certain when many of us started in this profession we were juggling many different pieces of life; marriage, children, full time or secondary part-time jobs, school, home care and paying the ever present bills we receive. Through all of that we still found time to work in this profession so I don't totally buy in to the theory that people are just too busy today.

I know many things have changed that don't always make the fire service an appealing occupation. Training is one of those items often touted as a big obstacle due to the time required. No matter the change, we can each make a difference in how the changes are received. "Back in the day," we surely had as much training as we do today or we likely wouldn't



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have understood how to stay alive while putting out fires, performing rescues or tending to the sick and injured. Today we sometimes look at training a little different as it has become more “mandated” and less something being sought out to make you the best you could be. The same type and amount of training was taking place in the past, we just didn’t have to put an emphasis on it as it just appeared it was something everyone was willing to do.

I will equate this to my local experience when the *Incident Command System* (ICS) first reared its official head in our area. There was some reluctance in using the “new” concept as it was “change” and we all know the fire service sometimes resists change. After we got started we slowly realized that the ICS was really what we had been using since back before horses were pulling the fire apparatus, we just didn’t call it ICS. Think about it a little, someone was in charge at incidents, someone assisted with portions of the direction of the incident, and others

performed the various tasks and then at some point the person in charge said everything was good and let everyone leave the scene. So as it turns out, just like the “new” ICS we were apparently already informally using we have all already been doing training, but with more emphasis placed on it today some have become reluctant to embrace the “new” expectations.

So what are we each doing to balance the “required” elements of the fire service, which robs us all of available time, against igniting the passion in those just here for the paycheck or the hat and tee shirt? Do you enter the fire station each time with a positive attitude and at least act like you are excited to be there? Do you take part in all activities, not just the “cool” things? Do you mentor new members or take the extra steps to engage the existing members? Do you look for innovative ways to make your agency a vital part of your community that people clamor to become a part of? If you answered

even one of the above with a “no” or “not often” then you are not doing your best to make the fire service more than just a hat and tee shirt or even just a paycheck.

Take some time, look around, re-engage yourself and work towards improvement even if you think things are fine the way they are. The moment we think everything is fine is generally the time we are starting towards that decline in the enthusiasm, engagement, training, participation and eventually the loss of members. Do what you can to avoid becoming or allowing anyone else to just be here for the hat and tee shirt!

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

Be Safe!

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wreaths and turnout gear. Also, to all the extra help moving everything to the school at the last minute.

A special thank you goes to Gary and Sheri Berendzen for hauling the chairs from and to Jefferson City, and to the other individuals that helped set up the chairs for use at both services. Again, a special thanks to Glenn Dittmer and Janet Cain that come every year to help with anything asked of them. Also, to Don Hahne and Steve Paulsell who faithfully for many years have performed *Taps* flawlessly to close our services.

Ladder trucks were provided by Chief Russell Hamilton of the Union Fire Protection District and Chief Gregg Lubbert of the Central Callaway Fire Protection District to fly the US Flag at the entrance to the memorial services at the school. Thanks to all!

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

Thank you to the FFAM Auxiliary for providing and distributing the ribbons. To Dr. Baker and his wife for the Field of Flags. The Baker's represent us all over the state, and I appreciate their support.

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

I understand another excellent Summer Fire School was presented in Columbia by the University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute. Congratulations to Kevin Zumwalt and staff.

The FFAM State Fair Fire Department Committee has been working many hours preparing for the 2018 State Fair. A work weekend is scheduled on July 13-15, 2018.

TRACKING FIREFIGHTING EXPOSURES

By Jeff Strawn, Firefighter Cancer Support Network

Any record of exposure is better than no record. Currently there is no national guidance for the collection and reporting of exposures to toxicants, including carcinogens or tumor-promoting agents. Exposure reporting guidelines exist for hazmat incidents, but guidelines need to be developed and implemented for exposure to chemicals, toxicants and carcinogens from incidents other than those covered by traditional hazmat guidelines. Firefighters need to change their perception and acknowledge that structure, vehicle, dumpster and even wildland fires contain the same chemicals and toxicants, sometimes in greater concentrations, than in hazmat releases and exposure records need to be maintained for all of these exposures.

Certainly the establishment and maintenance of exposure tracking systems needs to be the primary responsibility of the fire department, but each individual firefighter needs to ensure that they are also tracking their own exposures. Each firefighter should establish their own method of capturing this type of information, using personal computers, mobile devices or even index cards, if for no other reason than having a backup.

The IAFF and several state union organizations, such as the California Professional Fire Fighters, have established cancer registries and/or exposure tracking systems for their members. While some of these systems have been available for many years, utilization by individual firefighters can still be significantly enhanced as the definition of toxic and carcinogenic exposures expands to include more and more incidents. In states where cancer presumptive legislation has been implemented, having exposure records bolsters the case of the impacted firefighter as more and more cases are being challenged and existing presumptive legislation is coming under re-examination.

To ensure better protection and prevention, retired firefighters and volunteers who leave service should also be included in these tracking systems for following long-term health status changes, longevity and cause of death. General cancer registries must be updated to capture both an individual's primary and secondary work history, including specific types of hazardous volunteer work, such as firefighting.

Everything is shaping up for another great time at the 2018 Missouri State Fair. A full staff of FFAM members from throughout the state have been selected to work and I am looking forward to another great time seeing old friends and making new ones. Donnie Rogers will serve as the fire chief again this year.

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

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



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SAFETY FIRST

By Mark Woodward

Safety must be a top priority at your fire department. A major concern for any fire department is drug and alcohol use by the members. Workplace safety is severely affected when volunteers are responding or working after consuming alcohol, illicit drugs and illegally-obtained prescription medications.

- Are volunteer firefighters regularly responding to scenes after drinking?
- Have volunteers responded to the scene, clearly under the influence?
- Is alcohol being used on fire department property?
- Has drinking or impairment cause problems for your department?
- Does management condone impaired volunteers because, “we need the help?”

Unfortunately, many fire departments across Missouri have not addressed alcohol use with regard to emergency responses or group events at the station.

These thoughts may help your organization develop a stronger policy on alcohol and drug use by the volunteers:

- It’s perfectly legal to consume alcohol. Just don’t respond or drink on fire department time or property.
- Drinking and driving is illegal. Do not respond after drinking any alcohol.
- Never allow or condone impairment while driving or working at an emergency scene. Forty percent of all fatal crashes in Missouri involve drugs or alcohol.
- Volunteer firefighters are considered employees and are covered by your workers compensation insurance policy. A preventable injury can cause your insurance costs to rise significantly, preventing your department from purchasing needed equipment or upgrades.
- Your fire district may already have an existing drug and alcohol-free workplace policy. Please review it annually, and make sure your volunteers are provided a written copy. Work with your insurance agent or carrier to stay abreast of state drug testing legislative

MISSOURI STATE FAIR FD REQUEST

By Jonathan M. Evans, Captain of EMS Operations, Missouri State Fair FD

It’s getting to be that time of the year again. Keeping true to the motto of the Missouri State Fair Fire Department, “Mutual Aid at its Best,” we are once again requesting donations of EMS supplies for the 2018 operations. As some of you know this winter we experienced a significant loss of supplies when a water pipe burst and flooded our supply closet.

Due to the nature of our operation being eleven days a year, the flooding was not found until several days after the pipe burst. The water damage resulted in a catastrophic loss of supplies. Supplies lost include all of our airway supplies, all of our bandaging equipment for bleeding control, Emergency OB kits, and other miscellaneous supplies. Being a volunteer organization we rely on donated supplies to provide a quality of care that the patrons of the fair have come to expect with an EMS response or in first aid for treatment.

Listed below are the supplies that we lost and need to replace for our 2018 operation.

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Ace Wrap Bandage
CAT Tourniquets
Quick Clot Gauze
6” Olaes Bandage



changes. Review this document regularly with all volunteers. Enforce this policy and follow through with disciplinary action when it’s discovered volunteers were drinking prior to responses or at the station.

- If your fire department is part of a

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ASSESSMENT SUPPLIES

Stethoscopes
Electrodes

OTHER

Sharps Containers
IV Supplies
OB Kits

They say that it takes a village to raise a child, well it also takes support from our members and agencies across the state to make the operation at the State Fair a success. Through donations of supplies and personnel donating their time to come work we are able to provide a high quality professional service and be the best boots on the ground for the patrons of the fair.

municipality, the work comp insurance for your city most likely requires post-injury drug and alcohol testing. Please review your city’s safety manual or employee manual with volunteers.

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ARE YOUR DRIVERS TRULY QUALIFIED?

By Don Cox, Educational Specialist for VFIS

“Back in the day,” when you joined the fire department many of us were placed in the driver’s seat as long as we had a valid driver’s license. In today’s litigious society and with national data that continues to reflect a high rate of emergency vehicle collisions, how we qualify drivers has changed.

The University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute offers a number of quality driver training classes. Those classes may prepare you for the Missouri Department of Public Safety driver/operator certification program which helps substantiate a member’s ability to drive and operate an emergency vehicle. That “certification” is a one-time certification that does not require any continuing education or future assessment. Obtaining the Missouri certification is a good practice and should be implemented for your driver/operators but there is a difference in your Emergency Service Organization (ESO) “qualifying” your drivers.

A comprehensive emergency vehicle driver program demonstrates your organization’s culture of safety for your firefighters as well as the general public that encounters our emergency vehicles on the street. An internal qualification program starts with a Standard Operating Policy that clearly identifies the attributes the employee must have before driving your emergency vehicle. It is a policy rather than a guideline because there is not flexibility in its application. The SOP should include, but not be limited to:

- a) Minimum Age to drive ESO vehicle
- b) Mandatory Valid and Current Driver’s License Submittal to Administration
- c) Mandatory reporting of moving violations to the ESO Administrator
- d) Initial Qualification Requirements (training, testing and documentation)

- e) Identification of Supervisor that is Responsible for endorsing the qualification
- f) Violations/Incidents that could cause the driving privilege to be suspended
- g) Current Medical Evaluation requirement
- h) Refresher training/testing required to maintain the qualification

Refresher qualification is not required by the State of Missouri but has annual training has become a best practice nationwide. VFIS recommends a minimum of annual refresher training for qualified drivers and NFPA 1451- section 5.2.1 actual states that refresher training shall be conducted “not less than twice each year” Additionally NFPA 1451- section 4.3.10.2 states that drivers shall be “reauthorized annually” .

Did you realize that in 2016 more fire fighters died while responding to or returning from alarms, seventeen deaths, than fire fighters operating at fires, fifteen deaths.

Currently the State of Missouri exempts a fire fighter from acquiring a commercial driver’s license, Code of State Regulations Section 12 CSR 10-24.305 identifies various CDL exemptions and your local legal representative should be consulted to ensure your drivers are complying with the appropriate state statutes. How long will various states maintain certain CDL exemptions when, as indicated above, the statistics illustrate a high rate of tragic emergency vehicle fatalities?

Follow our profession’s best practices and ensure all of your drivers are properly qualified and certified and that “Everyone Goes Home.”

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- Work comp benefits could be reduced 50% or even denied when alcohol or drugs are determined to be a factor in an injury.

Do you make excuses for impaired volunteers? Be careful. Your department, city management or fire board can incur civil liability and criminal charges after an incident, or when employees were found operating on a scene after alcohol or drug use. For example:

- Fire truck crash due to impaired driver;
- Member of the public is injured due to a preventable incident involving alcohol;
- Equipment is damaged or a coworker is injured due to an impaired volunteer;
- Extensive Missouri State Highway Patrol involvement in the incident;
- Media becomes involved, including your local newspaper;
- Social media exposure and local coffee shop talk.

It’s 2018 and our volunteers deserve fire department leadership that promotes safety, education and training. Your community deserves it, too. The internet provides fire departments with more training and policy resources than ever before.

We achieve safety by:

- Providing regular, documented training on equipment, gear and trucks.
- Promoting and enforcing basic safety policies, like requiring seat belt use, reviewing written safety rules and drug and alcohol-free workplaces.
- Providing and requiring the use of protective equipment like SCBA, turnout gear and high-visibility vests.

Safety is a moral and ethical obligation. It’s management’s duty to protect volunteers by equipping them properly and providing training on proper fire and rescue scene practices.

For more information on drug and alcohol-free workplaces, please visit www.worksafecenter.com or contact Mark Woodward at 573-289-5990 or mwoodwar@mem-ins.com.

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Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018

SEDALIA, MISSOURI

Meeting called to order by President Diane Hanes at 9:04 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Diane Hanes, Galt FPD; Theresa Cox, Wentzville FPD; Sheri Berendzen, Cole County FPD; Ann Jones, Madison West Monroe FD; Chris Slaughter, Warrenton FPD; Angela Fields, Paris FPD; Joan Fields, Paris FPD; Carissa Mueller, Holts Summit FPD; Kerrie Mattox, North Central Carroll FPD; Barbara Mattox, North Central Carroll FPD; Shelia Arnold, CJCFFD; Laura Peil, SEFD; Missy Erdel, Little Dixie FPD; Kay Asher, Wentzville FPD; Angela Campbell, Kansas City FD; Patricia Sharp, Kansas City FD; Dawn Eddings, Kansas City FD; and Francine Termini, Kansas City FD.

MINUTES

Diane asked if there were any changes or comments for the December 2017 meeting minutes. No changes were brought forward. Theresa made a motion to accept the meeting notes, seconded by Angela, motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

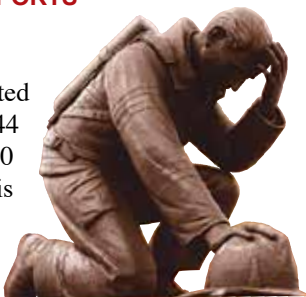
There were deposits of \$ 2,829.00 and expenses of \$ 634.63 and the ending total of \$ 8,964.80. Missy made a motion to accept the financial report, seconded by Carissa, motion passed.

We had four members from the Kansas City Fire Department Auxiliary come and visit with us and asked questions about joining the auxiliary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP

Theresa reported that we have 144 members and 20 departments at this time.



AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Diane is this year's winner of the *Auxiliary of the Year Award*. She spoke on the honor of receiving the award.

POSTERS

Diane spoke about poster contest. She said that the rules on the contest are on the website.

CONVENTION

Jessica was not able to attend the meeting, so Ann spoke about 2018 convention. At this time the 2019 convention has not been set.

HISTORIAN

Chris has taken some pictures. She was looking into doing an album of pictures she has already. Sheri was pictures for the 2018 Candlelight Service and Memorial Service.

AUDIT

Was completed at the time of the convention and it was declared the checkbook was balanced.

BY-LAWS

Was tabled at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

Carissa from Holts Summit FPD spoke on how the State Fair EMS equipment and supplies were damaged or ruined by a water leak in the storage closet where it was all stored. Some of the supplies are donated each year, but with the extensive damage to the supplies and equipment the State Fair Fire Department is asking for donations or supplies. It was discussed to donate \$1,500 to the cause. Chris made a motion to give \$1,500 to the State Fair Fire Department EMS to help replace what was lost and it was seconded by Ann, motion passed.

Theresa spoke on how the FFAM members helped move all the historical items that were stored in Kay Asher basement up to the memorial site basement storage area to store until the museum is built.

Kerrie made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Angela, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. Next meeting is to be August 5, in Sedalia, Missouri.

Respectfully Submitted;
Sheri Berendzen
Cole County FPD
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CARROLL COUNTY TANKER SHUTTLE

By Billy Smith, Fire Chief, North Central Carroll Fire Protection District

Practice, practice, practice! That's what training is all about and with the warm weather of the Summer comes more opportunities for outdoor training. That is exactly what happened on Saturday, June 23, in the Village of Tina, Missouri. With Bogard, Missouri, being geographically in the center of Carroll County and the headquarters of North Central Carroll Fire Protection District, my department is called upon a lot to help our neighboring departments in Automatic Mutual Aid. We are a very rural agricultural community operating Station 1 in Bogard and Station 2 in Tina. The water source we have for rural fires is mostly ponds. We have several dry hydrants throughout the county.

huge success. It was a success because of training and networking with surrounding departments. We depend on each other. Thanks to all who participated.

We even had guests from as far away as Paris FD and Madison FD come to observe. The FFAM Second Vice-President and good friend, Grant Oetting from Higginsville FD came to show his support. Then as we were taking a group photo, another familiar face appeared. Missouri State Fire Marshal Tim Bean arrived. What a surprise! We were very impressed with the dedication and support this man has to his "boots on the ground" in our great state.



Since water has to be hauled to the fire by tankers, we train for water shuttle operations. On Saturday, June 23, we ran a drill. We pretended that the Tina Community Center was the fire. Carroll County E-911 toned out North Central as a drill, then per Automatic Mutual Aid protocols, toned out the surrounding departments for tankers. Tankers from Norborne FD, Stet FD, Carrollton FD, and the two from our own department participated in the two hour drill. Tankers dumped water into two port-a-tanks at the Tina community center. Then traveled approximately four miles to the fill-site at a dry hydrant where an engine refilled them. During the two hour drill, five tankers shuttled 30,000 gallons of water equating to pumping 250 gallons per minute. I feel the drill was a





After everything was put back in-service, my wife, Lachrissa Smith had a great meal prepared for all who participated. We enjoyed a fish fry and desserts and got to visit with our brotherhood.

So, all in all, a very successful day. Many lessons were learned. Lots of discussion was had on basic firefighter training from

Fire Marshall Bean, Region A Mutual Aid by Grant Oetting, and of course lots of stories shared about past calls. I hope everyone enjoys the rest of your Summer. Stay Safe, and stop by the Missouri State Fair Fire Department during the State Fair and visit.



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SOUTH METROPOLITAN FPD FIREFIGHTERS MEMORIAL

By Victor Adkins, Division Chief, South Metropolitan Fire Protection District

I am going to attempt to explain the time-line and process as to how this memorial project came about. The need and the people that came together to help us create such a wonderful monument.

It was mid-summer of 2017, when discussion were held with Chief Lee Stevens, Chief 1, and myself in regards to the need to have the memorial plan become a reality. At this point Chief Stevens handed the project over for completion and oversight out of my office. When the project was approved to move on we went out and made contact with local Boy Scout Troop 32. We were very lucky to have a grandson of a previous South Metro Fire Department member, Robby Keays, accept the challenge for his own Eagle Scout project. We decided to have several pre meetings to make sure, his Eagle Scout project would be followed correctly, and that his focus would be to create, and provide the walkway for the memorial grounds. When the first meeting was done, we nicknamed his portion of the memorial project, "Paving the Way."

During the bidding process, it was very important for us to ensure that the

contractors were willing to work with the Boy Scouts, and provide a learning and teaching experience, as well as allow the leadership skills they needed to portray. We picked KC Hardscapes to provide the building of the wall, and custom walkway maltase. The rest of the walkway for the memorial site Robby Keays and his Boy Scout troop were responsible for laying the pattern. The scouts project start date was in November of 2017, with their portion completed in less than a week. This included not only assisting with the pouring of concrete, floating the concrete and even how to run the concrete truck. Robby Keays was able to provide all walkway bricks that are in the memorial site, by securing a donation from a local supplier.

The commission of the bronze memorial statue sitting in the middle of the Maltese cross was initiated in October of 2017 by Liberty Artworks located in Dutzow, Missouri. A delivery time of the middle of April of 2018 was quoted. This statue has a custom shield designed especially for the department.

All the granite was donated to the memorial by the Freeman Monument Co. They

provided all the detail, and inscriptions to specifications and this also included the setting of the monument stones.

Granite Benches were paid for by local donations from the Raymore, and Peculiar Communities, and their names are inscribed in honor on these benches.

When we started this process I had gone out to many of the contractors that have been loyal to the fire district in services rendered in the past. We are and have been very humbled in the reaction of support and pure donation of product, and or services to assist us. All ground work for the memorial was donated. This included plants, trees, and day of memorial tents, and carpet. All concrete coring was also donated, all granite was donated, all pavers for the walkway were donated per Robby Keays and his efforts through Troop 32 here in Raymore. Even the assistance to help set the 500lb bronze statue in place was donated by equipment and time.

Our memorial honors and memorializes several groups of people. We needed to honor our past with past board members, and our fifteen year plus retirees, which





you will see in the pictures with our department emblem. The other tablet honors those that we have lost on the department either by active duty, meaning not on duty but just outside the line of duty criteria, and in the line of duty, which we have only one member we have lost as noted Chris Tindall. We hope to never add another name to that tablet. This memorial tablet has the flag with the thin red line.

The dedication date was June 26, 2018, and was held on grounds with approximately 150-200 people in attendance. Ceremonies started, at 10:00 a.m. with the order of events as noted below.

- National Anthem by local resident from Ray Pec School District Chely Stratton.
- Dedication speech by Fire Chief Lee Stevens.
- Presentation of monuments.
- Roll call of honor by Assistant Chief John King.

Closing remarks by Deputy Chief Robert Norman.

After the ceremony was completed we provided refreshments in the training building behind headquarters.

To finish with remarks it should be noted that we have provided a 20x20 plaque located on a stone pedestal that thanked the people responsible for the assistance and donations to make this all happen. It

was important that our fire district made sure the community had a sense of ownership in this project as well since it means so much to so many.

We are currently doing inscriptions in the memorial walkway for \$125 per brick, and I will attach a copy of the form we use for the community involvement purchases. The funding from the bricks will assist with the upkeep of the grounds, and any needed foliage changes. Thank you for considering us for the paper, it would have been great to have had you with us.



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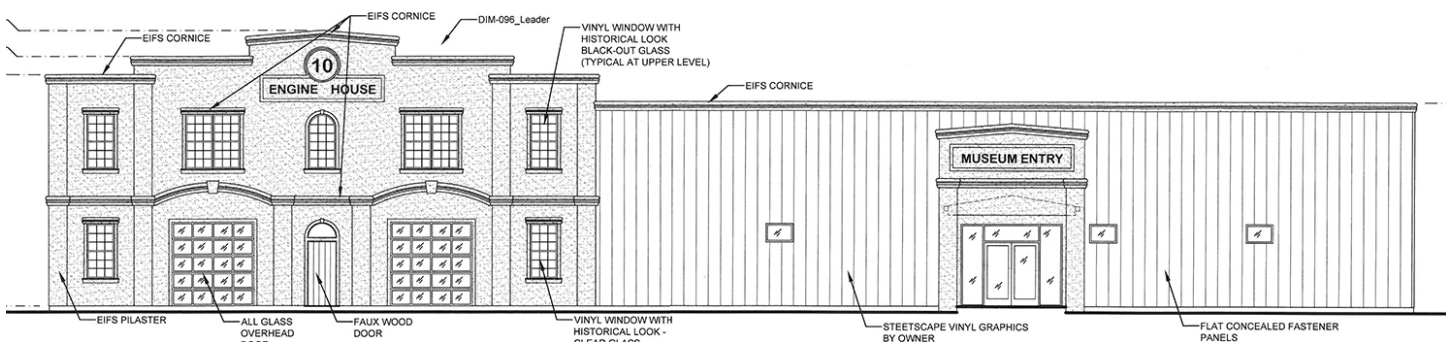


GROUND-BREAKING EVENT FOR MISSOURI FIREFIGHTERS

By Gail Hagans-Reynolds, FFAM Newsletter Coordinator



Following the 2018 Firefighter Memorial Services, the sun came out and provided a beautiful day for a ground-breaking! People gathered at the future museum site, brought shovels and dug earth! We are excited for this museum and expect great things to come soon. Many people, past and present, were mentioned that have made a huge impact on this project. It was a great end to the memorial services. Pictured are the Memorial Foundation members.



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History's CORNER

THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT HISTORY OF THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Bill Westhoff with Associate Editor and SFD Historian Steve McMurray



THE EARLY DAYS

Springfield's earliest days as a community included a volunteer fire department organized in the 1840's, beginning a rich history of service, compassion and valor.

1847

On August 9, 1847, the City Council and the Fire Commission drew up an ordinance to form the first recorded Ladder Company to cover the City of Springfield. The company consisted of seventeen members, a hand full of painters' ladders, and a two-wheeled cart that was pulled by two of the members. The seventeen members served as volunteers without pay, uniforms, or firefighting gear. Fires were fought in whatever clothes the men were wearing at the time. The men were highly respected by the community and in return, they took deep pride in the service they provided.

1867

As the City grew, more volunteers and better equipment were needed. The fire company added two wheeled hose carts to compliment the original ladder

cart. By 1867, the hose and ladder carts became too heavy to be pulled by the men. This marked the beginning of the horse drawn wagons. It also marked the first of four major fires that occurred on the public square. The fire originated in the Northwest corner of the square in a two story building the Clark's Store and the Union Press newspaper office. Since there was not a water system at that time, it quickly spread to the Union Hotel, the Watson, Staley & Company store, a saloon, a residence, two warehouses, and several other small buildings. The P. & W. Shoe Store was torn down to stop the fire from spreading further.

1879

On May 31, 1879, a volunteer fire department was established with George D. Emery elected as Chief. The volunteer fire department differed from the fire companies in that 8 of the men were "dedicated volunteers" which meant they lived at the firehouses to keep coal and wood on the fires. A North and a South fire company evolved with stiff competition between the two. The north station was located at the corner of Washington Avenue and Commercial Street. It was an old school

house ironically named the "Hosehouse School". The building was donated by George Everetts. The south station was located at 414 College Street on the "City Lot" where the farmers market was held and horses were tied.

1880

In 1880, the infamous Springfield Wagon Factory located at 313 West Mill Street caught fire. The general officers were totally destroyed by the blaze.

DEPARTMENT CHANGES FROM VOLUNTEER TO CAREER

1897

On February 1, 1897, the volunteer fire department was officially changed to a paid department. The men worked a continuous duty schedule. For meals, one man would leave at a time to walk home or ride the trolley. For those living farther away, their wife would bring a meal basket to them. Each man was allowed one day off a week, providing no one else called in sick. Starting pay was \$75 per month for the chief and \$60 per month for the firefighters. Uniforms also became a mandatory requirement but were the responsibility of the firefighter. William Canada was named as Fire Chief to the newly organized department. During the next 16 years, George Everetts, Jack Smades, Hiram McGloughlin, Dan Savage, and Doug "Sherm" Reed served as Fire Chief. Additionally, there were several other persons appointed to serve as Fire Chief for a period of one or two days.



1901

In 1901, Springfield took delivery of its first steam fire engine. It would pump a whopping 35 gallons per minute. At the same time, the City paid the private water companies to install a total of 60 fire hydrants at a cost of \$50 each. The City was billed a monthly bill for each hydrant. (In 1999, Springfield has over 6,100 fire hydrants with most capable of delivering more than 1,500 gallons of water per minute. These hydrants are provided to the City by City Utilities at no charge.)

1902

A report by the Insurance Survey Bureau compiled a report on the status of the fire department. It noted the department had 1 chief, 14 men and two extra men, 11 horses, 5,600 feet of good hose, two ladder trucks, two four-wheel hose carts and two extra hose carts. Each man has one day a week off, and 2 men are off for meals at a time in each house. There are an average of 16-18 alarms per month. Station #1 was heated with coal, and had a gas stove for heated bath water and gas lighting. The alarm switchboard wiring was poor and has caused fire.

1906

In 1906, Station #1 was rebuilt on its same location with a beautiful two bay station which now faced North onto College Street rather than West.

1909

A blaze tore through the beautiful Baldwin Theater located at 318 St. Louis Street. The building was a total loss.

1912

In 1912, two additional stations were added to protect the growing City. Station #3 was located at 460 South National Avenue and its sister station #4 was located at 1902 North National Avenue. The one bay stations cost \$5,200 each and took 57 days to complete.

1913

On May 4, 1913, three 1913 American LaFrance motorized fire engines and an American LaFrance chemical truck were purchased. The chemical truck was state

of the art with two 55-gallon drums of Soda/Acid mix to propel the water to great heights. The chemical truck was stationed at Fire Station #1 and responded to all calls in the City while the other three engines were distributed to the other stations. In May of 1913, W.R. Price was named Fire Chief and would serve the department in that capacity for the next 32 years, the longest of any Chief to date.

The new equipment and Fire Chief quickly received their trial by fire. On June 9, only one month after their arrival, the Northeast corner of the square caught fire. Eleven businesses were totally destroyed. This fire is still known as "the big one", but it could have been much worse had the new engines not been in service. The fire loss was the first fire in Springfield's history to exceed \$1,000,000 in damages.

1919

In December of 1919, the firefighters organized as the "City Firemen's Union Local 152". The union was affiliated with the International Association of Firefighters.

1925

In 1925, three new 1925 American LaFrance 750 gallon per minute pumpers

with enough hosebed space for 900' of 2 1/2" hose.

1929

By 1929, the Chief of the Department was paid a salary of \$300 per month. Firefighters were still paid \$60 per month.

1939

In 1939, another major fire occurred on the City square. The fire began in the Newberry's Department Store.

1944

On May 1, 1944, Fire Station #5 was added to the growing list of stations.

1945

The last major fire on the square occurred on December 16, 1945. Eleven businesses were destroyed. Five firefighters were injured; two were hospitalized. In July, Marion S. Baker was named as Fire Chief to replace Chief Price who had served the department since the late 1800's.

1947

In January 1947, John W. Smyth took over as head of the department replacing Chief Baker. Later that year, the City enacted a pension plan for the firefighters and police officers. A firefighter would





be entitled to a \$100 per month pension for serving the City. The department had a total of 80 personnel within the fire department, of those, twenty-one were eligible to retire under the new plan. This also marked the first enclosed cab that the Department owned. The front seats were enclosed while the “jump” seats were only partially covered

1949

In 1949, another 100’ American LaFrance aerial ladder was purchased to help cover the growing City. The first 1,000 gpm pumper was also delivered. In December, Warren Hays was appointed Fire Chief to replace Chief Smyth. Chief Hays was the former Police Chief for the City of Springfield.

1952

In May of 1952, 12 year veteran Ray Fraker replaced Chief Hays to head the department. Later during the year, a new Fire Station #6 was added to the City. Located at 1201 South Campbell Avenue, Station #6 was a two-story, 2,520 square foot station. The station also included a six story drill tower (\$30,000) and a pump test pit.

TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS WITH TWO - WAY RADIOS

1954

This marked a huge turning point in the use of technology in the fire service with the installation of the first two-way, Motorola radios in apparatus. This allowed the apparatus to be in contact with the units while they were out of their quarters rather than only by telephone and alarm boxes. The department also purchased two Handy Talkies for the fire commanders to use at fire scenes.

1958

Two new Stations were added.

1960

Chief Fraker retires and is replaced by Harlen Boehm. Chief Boehm was a 20 year veteran of the department.

1968

In 1968, Fire Station #4 was relocated farther Northeast from the original one bay station. Now located at 2423 North Delaware Avenue, Fire Station #4 is a two bay, 3,367 square foot station.

1969

In 1969, Fire Station #9 was opened. Located at 450 West Walnut Lawn, the station is a 2 bay station with 2,590 square feet of living space. The station was built to provide faster responses to the growing south-southwest corner of the City.

1973

On January 1, 1973, a fire broke out in an abandoned rock quarry located at the corner of National Avenue and Trafficway. The quarry was currently being used as a dump site. The attendant at the payment shack was overcome by toxic fumes and died. Engines pumped night and day blocking the roads. Due to the thick smoke, neighboring businesses were forced closed for several months. Eventually, a water main was laid up to the edge of the quarry. The water level rose until the fire was officially declared out in February 1976, ending the longest fire in Springfield history.

1975

In April of 1975, Charles Grant became the newest Fire Chief of the Department. Chief Grant was promoted from the inspection bureau of the department.



1979

On February 16, 1970, a fire was reported at the Associated Wholesale Grocery Warehouse at 3201 East Division Street. It would end as the costliest blaze to date for the department, exceeding \$2.5 million. During the peak of the fire, several firefighters became trapped beneath a fallen roof. A valiant rescue was made and in the end, three firemen were injured; two critically and one was minor. Later in 1979, Fire Station #10 was opened. Located at 2245 E. Galloway Street, the station is a 3 bay station with 3,800 square feet of total living space. The station was designed to accommodate two fully manned companies.

1981

With the retirement of Chief Grant, William Penland was promoted to Fire Chief. Chief Penland entered the fire department in 1958.

1986

In 1986, Fire Station #2 was relocated to 608 West Commercial Street. The four bay, 4,439 square foot station was designed to house two fully manned companies and a Battalion Chief. The station was designed from the plans of Fire Station #10.

1987

Phillip Johnston was hired as the Fire Chief. Chief Johnston had formerly served as Fire Chief for the Chico, CA

Fire Department before accepting the position in Springfield.

1992

Assistant Chief Jim Dancy was appointed to replace Chief Johnston. Chief Dancy was a 23 year veteran of the department. 1993 The Police/Fire pension system went from a 2% multiplier to a 2.5% multiplier, causing an increase in the number of retirements. The department hired many new employees this year, including its first two female firefighters. 1996 In May of 1996, Steve Strader was appointed to replace Chief Dancy after his retirement. At the time, Chief Strader had served 19 years on the department.

SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT TODAY

As we moved into a new millenium, the Springfield Fire Department continued to see notable changes. Mobile computer terminals were installed to improve the efficiency of dispatching units to emergencies. Stations #1, 6, and 8 were replaced and a new station - fire station #12 - was built on the City's east side. The Department saw the loss of its dive team, but gained two technical rescue teams. The Department switched from light blue uniform shirts, to the dark blue you now see today and fire Marshals switched from 24-hour shifts to a 40-hour work week. The Springfield Fire Department also made the change from first responders



to EMT-B response to provide basic life support on medical calls. The Department established automatic aid agreements with several surrounding departments to improve response across the region. In 2006, Chief Dan Whisler retired and Barry Rowell was promoted to the top seat. Former Chief David Hall was then promoted in 2009, following the retirement of Barry Rowell. The Department reduced its ISO rating to become an ISO 2 department and in 2009 was Accredited by the Center for Public Safety Excellence. In 2012, the Department hired its first Fire and Life Safety Educator. Two of our most visible recent changes occurred in 2013. The Department adopted a new logo and began making the switch back to red fire engines, with the purchase of Engines 1, 2, 4 and 9. Along with those new engines came the use of Compressed Air Foam - a more efficient way to extinguish fires. Chief Hall retired in 2016, with Assistant David Pennington named Chief in May 2017.



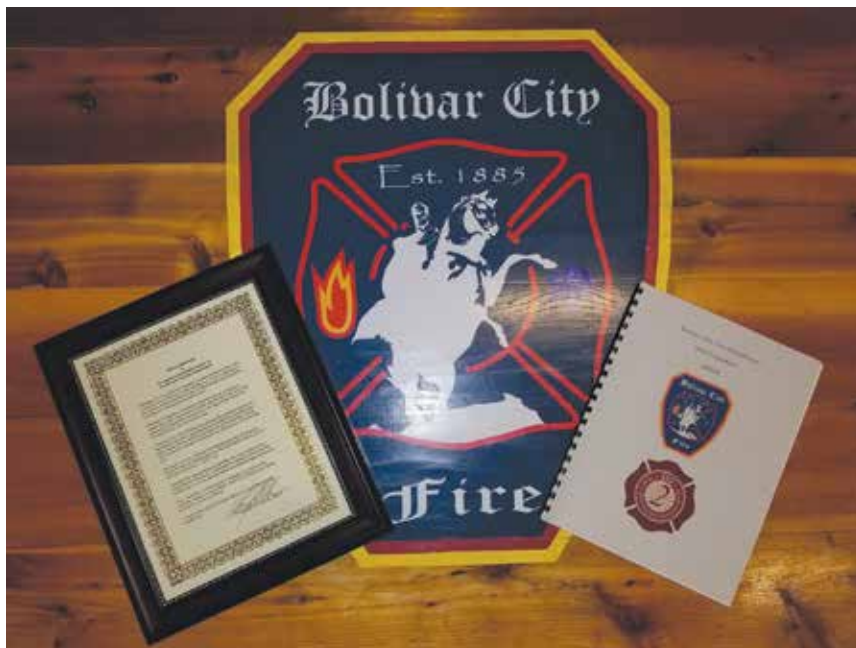
The Springfield Fire Department provides services in an 82+ square-mile area from 12 fire stations with a full-time staff of more than 220 dedicated professionals. We are an Accredited Department with an ISO 2 rating

BOLIVAR CITY FD EARNs ISO 2 CLASSIFICATION

The Bolivar City Fire Department (BCFD) is proud to announce that it has earned an ISO 2 Public Protection Classification (PPC) after the most recent evaluation, improving from the previous ISO 3 PPC. This PPC will take effect September of this year. BCFD received an overall score of 82.65 out of a total of 100 points, resulting in the ISO 2 PPC.

The men and women of BCFD strive every day to live our mission statement, "Our Family Helping to Serve and Protect the Lives and Property of Your Family." Earning this ISO rating, is another validation that shows our commitment to our mission statement.

"I am incredibly proud of the hard work and sacrifice of the firefighters and staff of the Bolivar City Fire Department who have made this remarkable goal a reality. It is because of their steadfast dedication to improving the quality of life in our community, not just through emergency response, but also in working with the community in the best practices of prevention / risk reduction that makes our city such a wonderful place to live and helped us achieve this goal. The fire service is unequivocally the best career in the world, one of integrity and valor and I have the great pleasure to work with the very best firefighters who live up to these values and who also meet the demands of a very challenging day and age in the fire service exceedingly well. We are blessed and thankful at BCFD for the support of our community and everyone who assisted us to reach this goal." Fire Chief, James Ludden



COLE COUNTY FPD 2017 AWARDS BANQUET

The Cole County Fire Protection District held their 2017 annual service awards banquet. The annual event shows appreciation to the fire fighter's for their years of service and dedication to the district.

There is another aspect that really stands out with the 2017 service awards. The District recognized six firefighters who have given 150 years of service to the district. The combined years of service of district personnel are over 1,300 years. This in itself shows the commitment to the district by its personnel in the aspects of training, call response and the rewards of helping others in their time of need.

The following firefighters were recognized for years of service.

- 5 years, Clayton Isenberg, Matt Prenger
- 15 years, Eric Berendzen
- 25 years, Alan Braun
- 45 years, Wayne Hammann, Steve Cearlock
- Fire Fighter of the Year, Norman Otto
- Officer of the Year, Nathan Luebbering
- Special Recognition Award, Kyle Rennick
- Outstanding Community Service Award, Scott Kempker

Deputy Chief's Top 10 Most Wanted. The following firefighters responded to the most calls: Justin Braun, Zack Rustemeyer, Steve Barnes, Galen Hammann, Gary Berendzen, Jason Hammann, Diana DeBrine, Robbie

Hammann, Scott Kempker and Jimmy Buechter.

Perfect Attendance in Training Awards: Donnie Braun, Zack Rustemeyer, Blake Bopp and Nathan Luebbering.

The District recognized the Ladies Auxiliary for their assistance to the firefighters.

The District is always looking for men and women who would proudly serve the community. Firefighting is a very rewarding experience helping those in need, whether it be educating children on fire safety, to extricating people from vehicle accidents, to extinguishing fires. If you are interested please contact the district office at 573-634-9011.

CAMERON FD NEW LADDER TRUCK



The City of Cameron Fire Department accepted delivery of a new 78' smart aerial in March of 2018. The aerial, a Rosenbauer Viper Ladder, was purchased from Rosenbauer South Dakota, LLC. The sale of the apparatus

was made possible through Heiman Fire Equipment. The ladder is equipped with a 1,500 gpm waterous pump, remote control aerial, 750 pound tip load, and 1,250 gpm waterway nozzle. The purchase of the apparatus was made

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possible by a ¼ cent fire department sales tax passed by Cameron voters in April 2016. The Cameron Fire Department is a paid-per-call fire department responding to approximately 350 fire and emergency related calls per year. The department provides protection for the City of Cameron and 144 square mile Cameron Rural Fire Protection District with a total population of approximately 18,000 residents.

DUENWEG MO VOLUNTEER FD GETS NEW PUMPER

The Duenweg Missouri Volunteer Fire Department has purchased a new 2017 new KME Commercial Pumper. The 2017 KME includes a top mount pump panel, a 1,000 gallon water tank and a 1,500 gpm single stage pump. Thanks, Chief Allyn Reding, Duenweg Missouri Volunteer Fire Department.



FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL

After the 2018 Firefighters Memorial Services in Kingdom City, Rhett Ketchum made a special request. Rhett had specifically asked Brian Zinanni if he could take his Daddy's flag home with him and naturally Brian made it happen. His father, Jesse Ketchum was with the Memphis Fire Department and died on May 29, 2017, (non LODD). Pictured to the left is Brian Zinanni and Greg Wright helping Rhett Ketchum fold his Daddy's flag.

A MESSAGE FROM THE



2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Grant Oetting

Greetings... What a busy time of year it is, we are thinking of summer vacations, going to the lake or just wanting to take time off to visit family and friends. The FFAM has been busy as well, lots of history happened since the last newsletter.

The first historical moment occurred at the Memorial Service on May 20. The memorial committee and several members of the fire service broke ground on the museum. This has been a long awaited project for years. After the ground-breaking occurred several donations were made towards that project. The donations totaled \$17,000. If you would like to make a donation towards this project please contact myself or and memorial committee member.



Kansas City Fire Department broke ground on their new Station 15 on May 22, 2018.

The second historical event occurred on June 2. The history of the Missouri fire service was moved from Kay Ashers basement and garage to the Memorial site in Kingdom City. This has always been a goal of Kays and her wish was made possible from members from seven different fire departments that day. The whole history was moved in just three and a half hours, from Wentzville to Kingdom City, and between rain storms. Thanks goes to Kays family especially Theresa Cox for having everything boxed up ready to go when the help arrived. Many thanks goes to the seven departments that

sent help that day, Southeastern Randolph County, Paris Fire Protection District, Warrenton Fire Protection District, Wentzville Fire Protection District, Madison West Monroe Fire Protection District, Little Dixie Fire Protection District and the Higginsville Fire Protection District. Thanks also goes to the FFAM Auxiliary for helping as well, and to the Kansas City Fire Department for offering to come to Kingdom City to help unload if they were needed.

Congratulations are in order for the Kansas City Fire Department and the Jefferson



Jefferson City Fire Department broke ground on their new Station 2 on June 13, 2018.



The history of the Missouri fire service was moved from Kay Ashers basement and garage to the memorial site in Kingdom City on June 2, 2018.

City Fire Department, both departments broke ground on new stations. On May 22, Kansas City broke ground on the new Station 15. Which is going to be located off Interstate 435, North of Worlds Of Fun. On June 13, Jefferson City broke ground on their new Station 2. Which will be located at the corner of East McCarty and Robinson. Both these stations will serve their communities well.

On May 31, I traveled to Sedalia to attend the Sedalia Fire Departments Promotional Ceremony. At the ceremony fourteen personnel were promoted including their new Chief Greg Harrell. Greg has always been a friend of the FFAM and we wish him the best in his new job as chief of the department.

Recently I was invited by the Carroll County firefighters to attend a water shuttle training and afterwards a fish fry at the Tina Community Center. On that day Carroll County tested to see how well they can shuttle water to a structure fire. All the Carroll County departments participated. I must say they did a great job and never ran out of water. This event was also attended by Fire Marshall Tim Bean. Thanks Chief Billy Smith for the invite.

Before we know it the Missouri State Fair will be here. The dates for the fair are August 9-19. Chief Donnie Rogers and his staff have been busy getting equipment

and supplies for this years fair. This is the biggest PR event for the FFAM.

Speaking of supplies, the EMS section of the Missouri State Fair is in dire need

of EMS supplies. The station suffered a water leak this winter and most of their supplies were lost due to water damage. Please see Captain Jonathan Evans article in this newsletter to see what supplies they need. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

As this summer continues, remember to keep a eye on one another, especially when it has been as hot as it has. Remember to hydrate! When temperatures are high you should be drinking a quart of water every hour and make sure to monitor vitals on your personnel.

If you would like myself or your area director to attend your next event or if you have questions please don't hesitate to contact us. I can be reached by email grant_oetting@yahoo.com or my cell 660-229-4525.

Stay safe my brothers and sisters.



Sedalia Fire Department's new Chief Greg Harrell and Grant Oetting.

FIRE PREVENTION POSTER WINNERS

FIRST AND SECOND GRADE



FIRST PLACE: Dylan Wall - 1st Grade - Iberia



SECOND PLACE: Journi Vail - 2nd Grade - Iberia



THIRD PLACE: Raygen Crum - 2nd Grade - Paris

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE



FIRST PLACE: Annie Barton - 3rd Grade - Madison



SECOND PLACE: McKenna Shelton - 3rd Grade - Iberia



THIRD PLACE: Kiya Smith - 4th Grade - Little Dixie



FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADE



FIRST PLACE: Abigail Wheeler - 5th Grade - Paris



SECOND PLACE: Erica Loveit - 6th Grade - Galt



THIRD PLACE: Karlie McGee - 5th Grade - Madison

WHOOPS!

We had a misprint in the last issue and have printed the contest winners again. Sorry for any confusion.

1ST AND 2ND GRADE DIVISION

- 1st Place – Dylan Wall, Iberia FD
- 2nd Place – Journi Vail, Iberia FD
- 3rd Place – Raygen Crum, Paris FD

3RD AND 4TH GRADE DIVISION

- 1st Place – Annie Barton, Madison-West Monroe FPD
- 2nd Place – McKenna Shelton, Iberia FD
- 3rd Place – Kiya Smith, Little Dixie FPD

5TH AND 6TH GRADE DIVISION

- 1st Place – Abigail Wheeler, Paris FD
- 2nd Place – Erica Loveit, Galt FPD
- 3rd Place – Karlie McGee, Madison-West Monroe FPD



NEWS FROM DISTRICT 7

Robert B. Brown
Director

Hello from District 7, the east side of the state. Summer is here and she has been a little hot. How has everyone been handling the heat? I've heard many heat related calls in our area.

With it being Summer that means fair time. The Missouri State Fair is August 9-19. I'm asking all districts and departments that have poster winners, to please have your winners contact Jamie Miller and make arrangements to come to the Missouri State Fair.

Each winner and their immediate family will get passes to enter the fair. The winners will receive their prize money and passes for the "mile long midway," and be our guest for supper at the Missouri State Fair Fire Station. So I hope to see all the winners at the 2018 Missouri State Fair. Be our guest and have some fun.

This year's fire prevention theme is "LOOK. LISTEN. LEARN." Be aware fire can happen anywhere.

Attention all departments and districts when you go out to your schools and clubs, please make sure they know and follow the rules and regulations. This information can be found in the "fire prevention" drop down on www.ffam.org.

Have a great safe summer see ya at the fair.

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POSTER CONTEST RULES

1. The Poster Contest should be conducted by a FFAM member agency in their local schools.
2. There will be three divisions:
 - a. Grade 1-2
 - b. Grades 3-4
 - c. Grade 5-6
3. Sponsoring departments may submit top three posters in each division
4. All posters must meet the following requirements:
 - a. All posters must be the work of only one child.
 - b. Posters must be on 11x17 inches white heavy paper.
 - c. All work must be original.
 - d. The child's name, mailing address, grade, school, county and sponsoring agency must be on the back of the poster
 - e. Posters must incorporate and state the theme determined by the NFPA Fire Prevention Week.
5. The winning poster in each division will become the property of the FFAM

6. The following prizes will be awarded to the winners of each division:
 - a. 1st place in each category will receive \$75.00
 - b. 2nd place in each category will receive \$50.00
 - c. 3rd place in each category will receive \$25.00
7. The winning posters in each division will be displayed on the FFAM website, Division of Fire Safety website and on the website of the sponsoring agency (if available).
8. Prizes in each division will be awarded at the division winners' school immediately following the annual FFAM Convention by the local Fire Chief and the FFAM District Representative.

9. Judging of the posters will be based upon:
 - a. Presentation of the fire prevention theme (75%)
 - b. Artistic attributes (25%)
10. All posters must be submitted to the fire prevention committee no later than 7:00 p.m. on the evening of the opening ceremonies of the annual FFAM Convention.
11. The judges of the poster contest will be determined by the fire prevention committee.
12. The first place winners from each division will be announced during the Convention Banquet.

FFAM FIRE PREVENTION POSTER CONTEST

Artist Name: _____

School: _____

Mailing Address: _____

County: _____

City: _____

Sponsoring Agency: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Grade: _____

Phone: _____

MADISON FIREFIGHTERS' FIRE PREVENTION POSTERS

By Madison West Monroe Volunteer Firefighters

The Madison West Monroe Volunteer Firefighters were involved with the State Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

During the classroom day, the students were given time to make a poster that used the theme "Every Second Counts, Plan 2 Ways Out." They were put into different age groups and judged at the firehouse. These were the six students that sent posters to be judged at the state level:

- Third and fourth grades: 1st, Annie Barton; 2nd, Avery Carr; and 3rd Kaylee Knight
- Fifth and sixth grades: 1st, Karlie McGee; 2nd, Danielle West; and 3rd, Abbie Painter.

The Madison firefighters gave each of the winners a money award.

These six winners posters were taken to the 2018 Firefighters Association of Missouri's Annual Convention in St Joseph. There were seven different departments throughout Missouri that took 66 posters total to the convention. Of all those posters, Madison had two winners in the top nine for the state. In the third and fourth grades, Annie Barton won first and in the fifth and sixth grades, Karlie McGee won third. These students will receive from the FFAM: a money

award, free admission into the State Fair, a wristband pass to the midway carnival, and meals at the State Fair Fire Department cafeteria.

The Madison West Monroe Volunteer Fire Protection District want to thank all the teachers for taking time to have the students make their posters and the students that made the posters. The plans are to do this contest again next year.



Karlie McGee, Chief Larry Jones, and Annie Barton.



Kaylee Knight, Annie Barton, Avery Carr, Karlie McGee, Danielle West, and Abbie Painter.



DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Kevin Zumwalt
Interim Director

University of Missouri Extension Fire and Rescue Training Institute



Hello sunshine! Good morning world!
Two simple statements that we may take for granted these days.

Here I sit on my back porch of our vacation place at the Lake of the Ozarks preparing this editions article and I am in awe of nature's beauty. The rising sun, wildlife waking and starting their daily routines. Every morning starts the same...as a new day. Life is pretty simple and maybe we should take a moment to ponder the idea of learning from nature and start each day with a fresh start. Forgot yesterday's troubles and start today fresh!

Speaking of starting a new day, the Institute started this week in a new fiscal year. It was a "race to the finish" in the

month of June. We wrapped up 80 classes in the last 30 days capping a great year for our ability to serve the fire service with their training and educational needs. We look forward to publishing our annual report in August for all to see our success.

With our new fiscal year we are also looking forward to new opportunities and programs: We will be launching our newly updated *Fire Officer Certificate Program* and our *Associate Degree* partner program with Columbia College, both of which have been endorsed by the Missouri Fire Chiefs Association. We received notification from the Division of Fire Safety and the Fire Safety Education/Advisory Commission that our funding level for this fiscal year has

increased. Final details are still pending but we are excited and thank the commission for their support of the Institute and ultimately the fire service of the state. We have other exciting things in the works, so "stay tuned folks!"

I hope everyone had a great 4th of July celebrating the birth of our great country. Take pride in being an American and enjoy the summer! Now back to this peaceful morning and remaining vacation...

Train safe, Be safe!

Kevin D. Zumwalt, Interim Director
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07/19	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Sedalia	Daniel Shaw	660-851-7614
07/22	Boat Rescue Operations: Technician	Kansas City	MU FRTI	800-869-3476
07/26	Electric Vehicle Safety for First Responders	Malden	Charlie Cooper	573-276-8950
07/28	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Kennett	David Horton	573-717-6444
08/01	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Camdenton	Rob Odenwald	573-346-2049
08/03	School Bus Rescue	Hillsboro	Brian Gaudet	636-797-3619
08/03	Vehicle Rescue: Technician	Linn	Ron Hoffman	573-291-8597
08/04	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Hannibal	Shane Jaeger	573-221-0657
08/10	Basic Pump Operations	Millersville	Ray Warner	573-579-1223
08/14	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Lee's Summit		
08/17	Firefighter Friendly Thermal Imaging	Smithville	Dave Cline	816-813-3280
08/18	Vehicle Fire Fighting	Hayti	Glenn Whitener	870-740-8644
08/25	Vehicle Fire Fighting	Doe Run	Jean Usher	573-466-9996
09/07	Firefighter Friendly Thermal Imaging	Clinton	Mark Manuel	660-885-2560
09/08	Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Techniques for Emergency Responders	Robertsville	Brian Gaudet	636-797-3619
09/08	Emergency Vehicle Driver Training	Kennett	David Horton	573-717-6444



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