



THE VOLUNTEER



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ALABAMA ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS

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2nd ANNUAL FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION DAY

June 2, 2012 will be a special day at the Alabama Fire College! The second annual Firefighter Appreciation Day sponsored by the Rural Community Fire Protection Institute will be hosted by District III and the Alabama Fire College. Planning is underway for various activities for firefighters and their families, including an antique fire truck display, a firefighter competition (events listed on page 4), vendor displays, the new AFC Mobile Fire Training Unit, the Fire Safety House, and many other activities. The activities will be held on Saturday, June 2nd from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm.

At 2:00 pm, the delivery and presentation of a very significant piece of steel from the World Trade Center will take place. (See story inside edition.) This steel is being presented by the Terry Ferrell Fund to the Alabama Joint Fire Council to be placed with the 9-11 Remembrance Memorial at the Alabama Firefighter Memorial on the campus of the Alabama Fire College.

This will be a very special occasion for the Alabama Fire Service. There will be a formal presentation ceremony with honor guards and special guest speakers. Please plan to attend.

Lunch will be provided by the Organized Seafood

Association of Alabama, who provided the wonderful seafood for the Monroe County Appreciation Day last year. Please complete and return the registration form in order for them to prepare for the number of people in attendance. There is **NO CHARGE** to attend Firefighter Appreciation. The count is only requested to help with preparation for the event.

See you at the Alabama Fire College on June 2nd!



FAREWELL TO A FIRE SERVICE LEADER “THE VOLUNTEER” IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF JOHNNY ALBERSON

Throughout his three terms as President of AAVFD, Johnny Albersen and I walked the halls of the Alabama's State House promoting fire service legislation. Although we were friends from way back, we became closer during this time, and he told me that I would one day be standing in his shoes. I am now serving my fourth term as AAVFD President.

As 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 states, “...that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are



comforted by God”, Johnny brought with him a peaceful, comforting leadership style that was effective in moving our Association forward. He was a man of conviction and stood true to his convictions at all times in all situations.

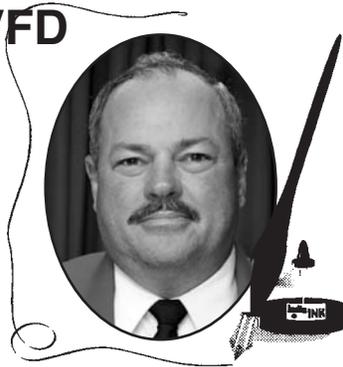
Johnny was my friend, and he was respected by all who knew him across the state of Alabama. He left us a legacy that we endeavor to continue in our work and in our lives. Johnny, I look forward to seeing you in Glory Land.

Chauncey D. Wood III, AAVFD President

FROM THE AAVFD PRESIDENT'S DESK

by

Chauncey Wood



Whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away. James 4:14

Everybody I know is a procrastinator to some degree. We may not put off everything, but we certainly do put off some things that are either distasteful or difficult. The Bible teaches us that we have no guaranteed number of days on this earth. Any moment of life might well be our last. That fact should teach us to appreciate the days we have and to make the best use of each moment.

If there is some act of kindness you think to do, then do it while you can. If there are loving words to be spoken or written to friends or family, then do it while you are able. The time for regret is terribly long. Our past President and my predecessor, Johnny Leroy Alberson said to me on many, many occasions; **"make each day count!"** We should feel compelled to do the things we ought to as we have the opportunity.

The regular session of the Alabama Legislature began Tuesday, February 7. The first few weeks were fairly tame. Thus far, most of the attention in both the house and senate has been on trying to deal with the fact that our state is, to put it in plain terms, **"broke as a haint."** More than \$300 million in windfalls supporting the general fund won't be available this year. The citizens of Alabama will be badly hurt. It may be an understatement to say that it's not a good time for the **"faint of heart"** to be in leadership roles in state government. It will take a courageous stand by those in power to say to the citizens of Alabama that more revenues are needed for both the education and general fund budgets. There are reports of a total reorganization of state government, and while that might be a good thing, it's not the final word on our states financial problems. Governor Bentley has prorated all state agencies that receive general fund monies by 10.62 percent. This immediately affects **OUR** partner, The Alabama Forestry Commission and cuts to our RCFP grant check for the 2012 fiscal year. We can no longer afford to ignore the reality that revenues must be found. It's my opinion that increasing sales and income tax rates shouldn't be an option. That leaves property tax increases and closing corporate tax loopholes as the most logical sources of new revenues. It's high time for our legislators to step up to the plate; tough times call for tough decisions but it's an opportunity for them to lead our state in the right direction. I fully believe Governor Robert Bentley is the man with the courage required to take on this battle. But if he does, he will need lots of help!!

Representative Richard Laird, Our fire caucus co-chair has introduced a constitutional amendment that will let the voters decide on whether or not to increase the state property tax by half a mill. **HB 275** would raise about \$28.1 million a year. It

raises the state property tax from 6.5 mills to 7 mills. Eighty percent of the money would go to the already strapped general fund for the non-educational services that would help programs such as our rural community fire protection VFD's, Seniors Meals on Wheels, Mental Health and Medicaid to name a few. Ten percent would go to the annuity fund for the firefighters and ten percent would go to the peace officer's annuity and benefit fund. For owner-occupied homes, the proposed tax increase would cost an extra \$3 a year for a residence appraised at \$100,000, \$5.50 a year for \$150,000 home and \$8 a year for a \$200,000 home. **Contact your member of the house and ask for their support for HB275.** "Remember, VFD's save a lot of property across the State, by doing so we save a lot of claims that would be going to insurance companies!"

Tough times - or opportunity? The situation is what it is and it won't change on it's own. **"Do more with less,"** is often heard. With challenge comes opportunity! I'm a firm believer in the old adage that "what gets recognized gets repeated." First responders pride themselves in doing the job right the first time so it wont have to be done a second time! **OUR** AAVFD legislation and other legislation that the Alabama joint fire council voted to support is moving on the fast track in both the house and senate. Committee meetings have been wall to wall and now we are at the half way point of the 30 day sessions. (See page 6 for a complete list of our bills and othen.)

In closing, I want to offer our heartfelt condolences to Elaine Alberson and sons Garrow and Lloyd and their families in the untimely passing of our past President Johnny Alberson. Mr. Johnny passed away on Valentine's Day, February 14th at the young age of 72. Knowing Mr. Johnny as I do, he's sitting in the drivers seat of the heavenly fire truck with the pedal to the metal! **"Well done, good and faithful servant."** Matthew 25:21.

Until next time, I remain at your service and may God bless our association and you!

Stay alert, stay safe, stay alive!



Life member Vernon Maroney was recognized by AAVFD for his service as AAVFD Chaplin at Limestone County Association annual Awards Banquet. L - R: President Chauncey Wood, Maroney, Limestone County President Derrick Gatlin, and Secretary Paige Crouch.

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FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION DAY REGISTRATION

Date: June 2, 2012

Location: Alabama Fire College

Please send your registration to: District Three Association
Chairman Billy Doss
14312 Bear Creek Rd
Duncanville AL 35456

Registration is FREE! We ask for your registration in order to get a count for the "Organized Seafood Association" that will be providing fresh seafood for lunch.

Our Fire Department is: _____

Please PRINT name of each Individual:

FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION DAY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 1st

1:00 PM - 6:30 PM - Registration at Fire College
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM - Cook out at Fire College

HOST HOTEL

**Ramada Inn, 631 Skyline Blvd, Tuscaloosa AL
35405 - 205-759-4431 - \$ 59.00 per night**

SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd

7:00 AM - Registration opens at the Fire College
7:30 AM - Team Captain meeting for competition teams
8:00 AM - Competition starts, vendors, displays and other activities open
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM - Lunch
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM - Awards

2:00 PM - till

Formal presentation of the piece of steel from the 9-11 World Trade Center collapse from the Terry Farrell Fund to the Alabama Fallen Firefighters memorial.



FIREFIGHTER APPRECIATION DAY COMPETITION

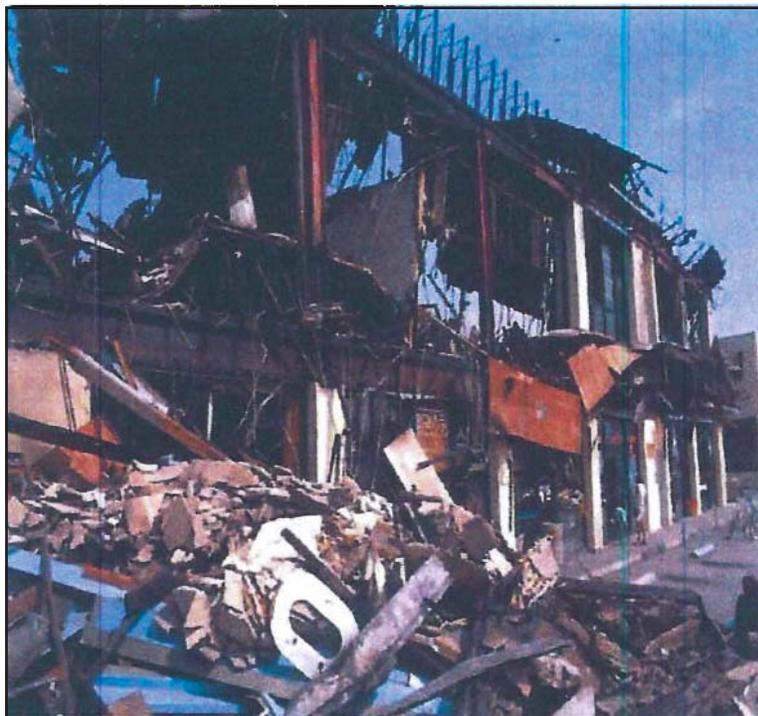
Competition Chairman Joey Boyd announces the following events will be held at Firefighter Appreciation Day on June 2nd at the Alabama Fire College:

- Hose Lay 1
- Air Pack Relay
- Obstacle Course

Come on teams! Time to practice! See you in June!

The Next time they ask?!

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Alabama Association of Volunteer Fire Departments



2012 AAVFD LEGISLATION

1. **HB1/SB9 - WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE:** Require the Commissioner of Insurance to regulate the maximum annual payroll per fire fighter or rescue squad member for the purpose of setting workers' compensation rates for volunteer fire departments of rescue squads, or combination departments.
2. **HB185 - TAX EXEMPTION:** Provide sales tax exemption (excluding school taxes) for AAVFD and County Volunteer Fire Associations, AL Association of Rescue Squads, County Rescue Squads and Fire Districts that do not come under the auspices of their County Commission.
3. **HB186/SB326 - PROVIDE FOR AL FORESTRY COMMISSION LOANED EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL BY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS:** Amend Section 9-3-18 to allow a fire department to dispose of state-owned property obtained through the AL Forestry Commission in any manner it chooses.
4. **HB188 - AL FIREFIGHTERS ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND:** Amend to provide for a voluntary annual fee (\$3), less an administration fee (not to exceed 3% of revenues remitted to fund), on each property and casualty insurance policy issued.
5. **HB275 - AL FIREFIGHTERS ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND:** Constitutional amendment to levy additional one-half mill annual state ad valorem tax to be distributed evenly between AL Firefighters Annuity Fund and AL Peace Offices Annuity Fund
6. **HB316/SB336 - SPRINKLER SYSTEM PERMITS:** Allow State Fire Marshal to issue permits to certified potable water single family dwelling fire protection sprinkler contractors.
7. **HB335/SB134 - ESTABLISH ALABAMA FIRE COLLEGE INDEPENDENT STATUS:** Clarify that the Fire College is an independent institution of postsecondary education under the Personnel Standards Commission. Also provides for representation of AAVFD and AL Association of Fire Chiefs on the Commission.
8. **HB366 - LINE OF DUTY DISEASES:** Would authorize blood and saliva testing of any person who exposes a law enforcement officer, firefighter, first responder, or corrections officer to a contagious, infectious, and communicable disease during the course and scope of the law enforcement officer's official duties.

SUPPORTED LEGISLATION

1. **HB5 - EXPANDS STATE FIREFIGHTER DEATH BENEFIT:** Provide death and disability benefits due to certain occupational diseases for firefighters employed by the state; and to provide that the state must prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the condition was caused by some means other than the occupation disqualify the fire firefighter from benefits.
2. **HB11 - HEALTH INSURANCE FOR LODD SURVIVING SPOUSE/DEPENDENTS:** Would allow surviving spouse or dependants to continue to be covered by the SEHIB plan and the cost would be paid from the State Treasury.
3. **HB89 - STATEWIDE E-911 BOARD:** Would replace existing Commercial Mobile Radio Service Board, provide for establishing and collecting a single statewide emergency telephone service charge replacing all existing charges, and provide for the distribution of funds to local communications districts and commercial mobile radio service providers.
4. **HB187 - AL ASSOCIATION OF RESCUE SQUADS:** Allow minimum voluntary \$2 income tax contribution by check off on annual income tax returns.
5. **HB579 - FIREWORKS:** Provide for permits and fees issued by the State Fire Marshal and grants authority to regulate the sale of fireworks and to seize and destroy illegal fireworks.
6. **SB410 - AL ASSOCIATION OF RESCUE SQUADS:** Add \$3 (refundable upon request) to each state and local ad valorem tax bill on real property.

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PIKE ROAD FIRE DEPARTMENT THANKS ITS VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS



The Pike Road Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary coordinated the annual Appreciation Dinner for the Pike Road Firefighters on February 25, 2012. Firefighters were honored for their many hours they willingly donate throughout the year protecting the Town of Pike Road and surrounding communities.

Highlights of the evening included a video presentation that included a collection of firefighters and ladies auxiliary members' busy year, hard work and dedication to the Department. The presentation was created by Pike Road Volunteer David Hughes.

Several dignitaries spoke brief words of support for the dedicated group of firefighters. Chauncey Wood, President of the Alabama Association of Volunteer Firefighters, said "he is proud of the fact that Pike Road Fire Department ranks among the best in the state. God bless you for what you do."

Art Faulkner, Director of Alabama Emergency Management Agency, said "the fire department provides a valuable service to the community. When most people run from danger, you run to danger risking your lives. We can not thank firefighters enough for saving lives and protecting property."

Allen Rice, Director of the Alabama Fire College, said he is proud of the number of Pike Road volunteers who have successfully completed courses through the fire college to better serve their community and keep members of this strong Department safe. He also thanked the members of the Pike Road Fire Department who assisted Tuscaloosa with the tornado disaster relief efforts.

Ed Paulk, State Fire Marshal, gave a brief overview of the two legislative bills currently being discussed in the legislative session - the Alabama Fire College bill and the sprinkler system bill. Paulk also commended PRVFD for their excellent service and commitment to the citizens of Pike Road.

Other dignitaries in attendance included Pike Road Town Councilman Chris Dunn and County Commissioner Reed Ingram.

Pike Road Fire Chief, Mike Green, took a moment to recognize all firefighters in attendance. Chief Green and John

Scanlan, Asst. Fire Chief, presented certificates of recognition to each volunteer firefighter from Governor Robert Bentley. Chief Green also offered a special thanks to the ladies auxiliary for their hard work and support to the Department and Community for the past three years and for coordinating the dinner. Certificates were also presented from Governor Bentley to the ladies auxiliary members.

Chief Green presented several firefighter awards during the occasion. The following firefighters were honored during the event.

Justin Memory was presented the Ironman Award. He has been very involved in the community activities that the Department attended this year including playing Smokey Bear for Governor Bentley. Justin is a certified Volunteer Firefighter and First Responder. He is a student at AUM. Justin is dependable and very involved with the Department.

Outstanding Service Award was presented to Britt Grubbs. Britt has been volunteering with the Department for several years. He started going with his dad to the fire department meetings when he was eight years old. Britt is a First Responder and Certified Volunteer Firefighter.

The Chiefs Award was given to Harvey Guffey. Harvey has been with the Department for two years. Harvey devotes time and energy to the Department. He is always willing to go the extra mile to see that fire hose is tested and maintenance of Station 5 is complete. Harvey is a great example for all to follow.

Barry Glassford was named the 2011 Pike Road Firefighter of the Year. Barry began volunteering at the age of sixteen as a junior firefighter. He has met every challenge and exceeded every expectation. He is not a big talker but his actions speak louder than words.

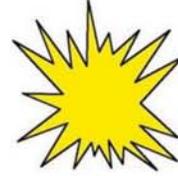
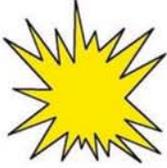
This annual event is one of the small ways of saying thank you to the men and women of the Pike Road Fire Department for their dedicated service to the Community. If you are interested in joining this dedicated group, please contact Station 1 which serves as headquarters at (334) 271-1048 or visit our website at www.pikeroadfire.com for further information.



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TURKEY HEAVEN VFD RECOGNIZES LOCAL "MISS ALABAMA TEEN 2012"

On Thursday, January 12th Turkey Heaven VFD Chief Patrick Nolen presented Alexis Mahathy, a member of their Fire District, a certificate of recognition for being crowned Miss Alabama Teen 2012.

Chief Nolen stated, "It's an honor to be able to not only have someone from Cleburne County, but our community, to be crowned on the State level as Miss Alabama Teen 2012. Alexis and her dad Tony Mahathy, Pastor at Crumleys Chapel Church of God, her Mother, Mrs. Stephanie Mahathy, and her younger Sister Mariah Mahathy, all have a special part of this community and fire department. We appreciate the support they have shown us since they have lived here."

Ms Alexis Mahathy stated, "It is such an honor to be a part of this community and fire district. When Chief Nolen asked me to come I would have never imagined that they would have presented me with a certificate of recognition as Miss Alabama Teen." As Miss Alabama Teen, it is very important to be supported by your community, county, and state. "I would like to thank you for all you have done with kind words, sponsors, and encouragement. As I continue on

my journey as Miss Alabama Teen speaking on my platform for adoption, trying to influence and reach as many people as possible, I hope to make a radical change. Every child needs love! Right now I am working on a project by trying to build an orphanage in Columbia, South America and working with the Children's Miracle Network."

You can find more info on this on Alexis's face book fan page under "Miss Alabama Teen 2012". Please continue to "like" this page as well. Also, if you would like to sponsor the pageant, orphanage, or Children's Miracle Network please contact her at 256- 452-9487.

Mahathy also stated, "Again thank you for all you do as a person, community, and county. I will be competing in Miss America Teen in Tennessee on April 13-14, 2012 representing the state of Alabama. So please be looking out for me and remember with God, hard work, and perseverance anything is possible!"

To keep up with Alexis and her journey please go to facebook.com and search "Miss Alabama Teen 2012" and "like" her page.



Pictured are the members of the Turkey Heaven Volunteer Fire Department Firefighters and Ladies Auxiliary along with Cleburne County Commissioner Rex Nolen, Circuit Clerk Jerry Paul Owen and Ms Alexis Mahathy. Some firefighters and Ladies Auxiliary are not pictured.

TURKEY HEAVEN VFD HOSTED A BENEFIT TURKEY SHOOT TO RAISE FUNDS FOR NEW TANKER

On March 3rd Turkey Heaven VFD held a Turkey Shoot to help raise the matching funds for a new tanker they will be receiving through an AFG Grant. The department had 26 Rounds, with 15 participants on each round with an estimated crowd of 100 plus.

The winners received a Ham, Turkey, or a slice of hoop cheese. "We are very fortunate to have a very loving community, county, and surrounding areas that supports the fire departments like they do", Chief Nolen stated. "We had people from not only Cleburne County, but from Calhoun, Clay, and Randolph and other States, as well." The department appreciates everything that all of its supporters do, and we were very fortunate enough to have raised \$3,700.00 from the shoot.



SENATOR TOM BUTLER RECOGNIZED

AAVFD President Chauncey Wood and Second Vice President Derrick Gatlin presented retired Senator Tom Butler (Limestone & Madison Counties) with a Maltese Cross clock engraved with the inscription "In appreciation for your leadership and dedication to the Alabama Fire service in passing 11 Volunteer fire bills in 2010. Senator Butler served as Co-Chair of the RCFPI Fire Caucus."



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DISTRICT 1 MEMBERSHIP

CALHOUN		8 of 10
CHEROKEE	100%	13 of 13
DEKALB	100%	25 of 25
ETOWAH	100%	23 of 23
JACKSON	100%	21 of 21
MADISON	100%	17 of 17
MARSHALL	100%	18 of 18

DISTRICT 2 MEMBERSHIP

BLOUNT	100%	21 of 21
CULLMAN	100%	26 of 26
JEFFERSON		10 of 30
SHELBY		6 of 18
ST CLAIR		18 of 20
WALKER	100%	25 of 25
WINSTON	100%	11 of 11

DISTRICT 3 MEMBERSHIP

FAYETTE		5 of 13
GREENE	100%	14 of 14
HALE	100%	9 of 9
LAMAR	100%	10 of 10
PICKENS	100%	17 of 17
SUMTER	100%	19 of 19
TUSCALOOSA	100%	21 of 21

DISTRICT 4 MEMBERSHIP

CHAMBERS	100%	13 of 13
CLAY	100%	18 of 18
CLEBURNE	100%	12 of 12
COOSA	100%	10 of 10
RANDOLPH	100%	17 of 17
SUMTER	100%	19 of 19
TALLAPOOSA	100%	13 of 13

DISTRICT 5 MEMBERSHIP

AUTAUGA	100%	10 of 10
BIBB	100%	9 of 9
CHILTON		13 of 16
DALLAS	100%	15 of 15
MARENGO	100%	12 of 12
PERRY	100%	11 of 11
WILCOX	100%	10 of 10

DISTRICT 6 MEMBERSHIP

BARBOUR	100%	12 of 12
COFFEE	100%	9 of 9
DALE	100%	13 of 13
GENEVA	100%	10 of 10
HENRY	100%	6 of 6
HOUSTON	100%	17 of 17
PIKE	100%	9 of 9

DISTRICT 7 MEMBERSHIP

BUTLER	100%	16 of 16
CONECUH	100%	21 of 21
COVINGTON	100%	20 of 20
CRENSHAW	100%	12 of 12
ESCAMBIA	100%	21 of 21
MONROE	100%	15 of 15

DISTRICT 8 MEMBERSHIP

BALDWIN		19 of 31
CHOCTAW	100%	14 of 14
CLARKE	100%	14 of 14
MOBILE	100%	19 of 19
WASHINGTON	100%	19 of 19

DISTRICT 9 MEMBERSHIP

COLBERT	100%	14 of 14
FRANKLIN	100%	13 of 13
LAUDERDALE	100%	14 of 14
LAWRENCE	100%	11 of 11
LIMESTONE	100%	13 of 13
MARION	100%	12 of 12
MORGAN	100%	22 of 22

DISTRICT 10 MEMBERSHIP

BULLOCK	100%	7 of 7
ELMORE	100%	20 of 20
LEE	100%	7 of 7
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MACON		2 of 10
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RUSSELL	100%	11 of 11

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Hydraulic Generator
Hydraulic Reel in Bumper



2001 E-One Cyclone 75' Quint
Cummins ISM 450 HP Diesel Engine
Allison Automatic Transmission
Hale 1500 GPM Pump, Foam System
480 Gallon Tank
8KW Hydraulic Generator



2000 Pierce Dash 105' Quint
Detroit Series 60 500 HP Diesel
Allison Automatic Transmission
Waterous CMU 2000 GPM 2-Stage Pump
500 Gallon Poly Tank
AMPS 8KW PTO-Driven Generator



1999 RD Murray / Spartan 75' Quint
Detroit Series 60 470 HP Diesel
Allison HD4060P Automatic
Waterous CSYBX 1500 GPM Pump
700 Gallon Poly Tank
CAF System with 50 Gallon Cell



1998 Pierce Dash 105' Quint
Detroit Series 60 470 HP Diesel
Allison HD4060P Automatic
Hale QSMG 2000 GPM Pump
300 Gallon Poly Tank



1996 Pierce Dash 105' Quint
Detroit Series 60 430 HP Diesel
Allison HD4060PR Automatic
Waterous 1500 GPM Pump
300 Gallon Poly Tank
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1996 Pierce Lance 75' Quint
Detroit 8V92TA 500 HP Diesel
Allison HD4060PR Automatic
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300 Gallon Poly Tank
Onan 6KW Diesel Generator



1992 Pierce Lance 65' Telesqurt
Detroit 450 HP Diesel Engine
Allison Automatic Transmission
Waterous 1500 GPM Two-Stage Pump
500 Gallon Poly Tank
Feecon Foam System



1991 E-One Hurricane 95' Platform
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Allison MD3060 Automatic
Hale QSMG 1250 GPM Pump
300 Gallon Poly Tank



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Onan Generator
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2000 Ford F550 Mini Pumper
Ford 7.3L Diesel Engine
Ford 5-Speed Manual Transmission
Darley 1000 GPM Side-Mount Pump
250 Gallon Poly Tank
Hale Foam Master A & B System



2009 Crimson / Spartan Rescue Pumper
Caterpillar C13 485 HP Diesel
Allison EVS 4000 Automatic
Waterous 1500 GPM Side-Mount Pump
500 Gallon Poly Tank
FoamPro 2001 System w/30 Gallon Cell



2006 HME Custom Rescue Pumper
Cummins ISL 350 HP Diesel Engine
Allison EVS3000 Transmission
Hale 1500 GPM Side-Mount Pump
700 Gallon Poly Tank



2002 KME Custom Rescue Pumper
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Hale 1500 GPM Top-Mount Pump
600 Gallon Poly Tank
FoamPro 2001 A & B System
Harrison 10KW Generator



2000 Pierce Quantum Rescue Pumper
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750 Gallon Poly Tank



2000 E-One Cyclone II Rescue Pumper
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Enclosed Pump Panel
500 Gallon Poly Tank
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2000 Pierce Arrow Rescue Pumper
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 Hale 1500 GPM Side-Mount Pump
 500 Gallon Tank, Foam System
 10KW Hydraulic Generator
 6 – 1500W Scene Lights



1997 Pierce Dash Rescue Pumper
 Detroit Series 40 Diesel
 Allison MD 3060 Automatic
 Waterous 1500 GPM Top-Mount Pump
 500 Gallon Poly Tank



1996 Pierce Saber Pumper / Tanker
 Detroit Series 40 320 HP Diesel
 Allison MD3060 Automatic
 Waterous 1500 GPM Top-Mount Pump
 1250 Gallon Poly Tank



1994 Pierce Saber Rescue Pumper
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THE TERRY FARRELL FIREFIGHTERS FUND

Terry Farrell was a member of Rescue 4/FDNY and Chief of the Dix Hills Volunteer Fire Department. Terry, along with 342 of his brothers, perished on September 11, 2001, in the World Trade Center attack.

A piece of the steel beam that was on top of Terry Farrell's body when he was found has been presented to the Alabama Fire Service. The dedication ceremony will be at 2:00 pm, following Firefighter Appreciation Day, at the Alabama Fire College, where it will become a part of the Fallen Fighter Memorial.

The Terry Farrell Fund was established to assist firefighters and their families with educational, medical and equipment needs. The Fund is operated predominately by

Firefighters, along with friends of the Fund. It supports the firefighters who serve our communities and operates on a volunteer basis in order to give back to our firefighting community.



INSPIRATION IN THE FACE OF DISASTER



L-R: District 9 Director Jimmy Looney, Garrett, President Chauncey Wood

Jeff McCormick and Garrett were recent visitors in the AAVFD office. Five-year-old Garrett, survivor of the tornado that hit Phil Campbell, spoke at the Legislative Prayer breakfast earlier that morning.

Garrett told of his experience while being buried beneath the wreckage of his demolished home. He said, "I can see Angels. They were all around me." Jeff observed that most children ask for their mother or daddy when they are scared or hurt. Garrett never asked for his parents. Garrett told us, "I knew where they were. Jesus stood in front of me, "the big Jesus, not the little Jesus" and told me that they were with him."

Garrett and his sister survived and are living with Jeff and his family. I told Garrett as he was leaving, "You are going to have a wonderful life." He looked back with his wise-beyond-his-years eyes and replied, "I'm going to have an **AWESOME** life!"

District 3 – Greene County

EUTAW VFD & TROOPERS AVIATION UNIT CONDUCT MOCK RESCUE OPERATIONS



Mock exercise of an injured fisherman played by Eutaw firefighter Richard Bishop,

The Alabama State Troopers Aviation Unit recently practiced rescue operations with Eutaw VFD and Greene County EMS units. The training simulated wilderness rescues, like those of a wounded hunter, injured logger or fisherman.

In rural areas, firefighters must be ready to execute rescues in remote areas where you have to walk-in equipment. These mock rescue operations help firefighters learn to work with the Trooper Aviation Unit to get the injured person out alive.

Eutaw Chief Bennie Abrams feels that the training exercise was helpful, allowing firefighters to learn how work with the state trooper unit within the system that is set up.



Injured Hunter is suspended from a helicopter simulating a wilderness rescue.

2012 AVAILABLE GRANT PROGRAMS

Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)

The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations. Since 2001, AFG has helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training, and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

- **Usually opens in August of each year, but varies.**
- **Website Link:** <http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/afggrants/index.shtm>

Fire Prevention and Safety Grants (FP&S)

The Fire Prevention and Safety Grants (FP&S) are part of the Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG), and are under the purview of the Grant Programs Directorate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency. FP&S Grants support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. The primary goal is to target high-risk populations and reduce injury and prevent death. In 2005, Congress reauthorized funding for FP&S and expanded the eligible uses of funds to include Firefighter Safety Research and Development.

- **Will open March 2012.**
- **Website Link:** <http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/fpsgrants/index.shtm>

Georgia-Pacific Foundation

How to Apply: In order to submit your organization's request for support, please do the following:

- (1) Take the Eligibility Survey
- (2) If successful, complete Georgia-Pacific's 2012 Grant Application
- (3) Send the completed proposal to the name and address listed on the application

• **Requests for support will be accepted between January 1st and October 31st. No requests will be accepted after the annual deadline. Requests should be postmarked by October 31st for current year consideration. Proposals should be submitted via U.S. mail to the address specified in the Grant Application. Requests are not accepted via email nor fax. All applicants will receive written response within eight weeks.**

Website Link: <http://www.gp.com/gpfoundation/grant/faq.html>

Fireman's Fund Heritage Grant (FFHG)

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Website Link: <http://www.firemansfund.com/documents/HeritageFireFAQs.pdf>

Previous Awards: <http://www.firemansfund.com/Documents/Heritage-Grants-List.pdf#page=3&view=fit>

State Farm's Safe Neighbors Grant

The State Farm grant applications for 2012 funded requests will be available from September 6 through October 7, 2011. One proposal per organization per year may be considered. (This should include all of an organization's needs for a 12-month period.) All grant requests must be submitted online. If approved, funding will begin in the 1st quarter of 2012. Information on the 2013 grant cycle will be available in January 2012.

Available soon. **Website Link:** <http://www.statefarm.com/aboutus/community/grants/company/company.asp>

Firehouse Subs Grant

Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation's mission is dedicated to improving the life-saving capabilities of emergency service entities in communities served by Firehouse Subs by providing funding, resources and support to public safety entities. The mission of the foundation is to improve the life-saving capabilities of emergency service entities in communities served by the Firehouse Subs chain of restaurants.

Applications are reviewed and recipients are determined on a quarterly basis. Eligibility for this program is limited to emergency service entities in communities served by a Firehouse Subs restaurant.

Deadline: Applications are accepted four times a year by March 15, June 15, September 15, and December 15. You will be notified once your Equipment Request is received. Allow 30-60 days for approval.

Website Link: <http://firehousesubs.com/Foundation-Overview.aspx>

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Contact Email: foundation@firehousesubs.com

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<http://firehousesubs.com/Foundation-Overview.aspx>

GOVERNOR BENTLEY ADDRESSES DESIGNER DRUG "SPICE" HEALTH CONCERN



A public hearing was held September 19, 2011 addressing the emerging health concern regarding the designer drug "Spice" or "Herbal Incense", and the rash of suicides following the use of this drug.

AAVFD President Chauncey Wood and Third Vice President Dan Hopkins accompanied Steve and Lori Murphree and Joe Clark, accompanied by Cleburne County firefighter Matt Carlisle, as they met with Governor Bentley. Both families lost their sons, who committed suicide after smoking "Spice".

According to the American Association of Poison Control Centers, more than 6,700 calls were made to poison control centers nationally in 2010 and in the first seven months of 2011. The Poison Control Center at Children's of Alabama reports receiving 67 calls from persons exposed to "K2" or "Spice" since October 2010.

Three victims were children 6 to 12 years of age, 15 were teenagers and 22 were in their 20s. 76 percent were male. Of these callers at least 56 were treated for toxic exposure to synthetic marijuana in hospital emergency rooms. Complaints have included hallucinations, nausea and vomiting, paranoia, and increased heart rate. Two families who live in neighboring counties in the area represented by Vice President Hopkins are each mourning the loss of their son, a victim of "Spice"

At the time, "Spice" could be obtained online, at conven-

ience stores/gas stations, head shops and tobacco shops. Although chemicals found in similar products were banned nationwide earlier this year, chemical compounds had been tweaked to bypass the law.

In response to the seriousness of this emerging and dangerous designer drug, Governor Bentley issued an executive order banning the sale of "Spice". State, county, and city law enforcement officials immediately began removing this from the shelves of all stores statewide.



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WILDFIRE ON THE STATE LINE

Firefighters found out on a Monday afternoon in March that weather conditions were making it a chore to keep fires under control.

More than 75 acres burned near the Alabama-Mississippi state line in western Colbert County. Low humidity and gusty winds increased the risk of wildfires through north-west Alabama.

Although the area has had a lot of rain lately and the ground is wet, there has been a lot of wind and the vegetation is dried out. When vegetation is dry, humidity is low, and winds are strong, a fire can get out of control in the blink of an eye, and it can take a long time to bring it back under control.

Firefighters from Alabama and Mississippi, along with Forestry and a fire crew from the Natchez Trace Parkway, battled the forest fire for more than eight hours. Smoke would be seen for more than 15 miles.

The fire was hard to control because the wind kept changing directions, but Cherokee Department Firefighters were able to protect a manufactured home from the flames. Efforts to control the blaze were hampered by the wet ground, which caused some fire trucks to become stuck in the mud.

As the fire became too large for firefighters to control with fire trucks and hand tools, Forestry Commission bulldozers were called in plow trenches around the blaze to contain the fire.



Photo by Jim Hannon/TimesDaily

GOVERNOR APPOINTS MOTT AS FIRE COLLEGE COMMISSIONER



Congratulations are in order for one of our own, AAVFD past president and current RCFP Institute President Roy Mott! Governor Robert Bentley appointed Roy, effective February 13th, to the Alabama Fire College Personnel & Standards Commission for a term of 4 years, ending February 12th, 2016. Roy replaces David Boyd whose term

expired February 15, 2012, after serving 4 years on the commission as a Riley appointee.

Roy brings over 55 years of experience and knowledge in both the firefighting and communications field. He recently retired from the Alabama Forestry Commission (AFC) as Communications Chief/Technician and was previously Rural Community Fire Protection chief for over 16 years with the AFC under State Foresters C.W. "Bill" Moody & Timothy C. "Tim" Boyce.

Roy's experience as former Fire Chief of the Thomasville Volunteer Fire Department and his education, experience and training uniquely qualifies him for a leadership role as a Commission member. On behalf of all volunteers, **OUR** association commends you, and we know you'll represent the entire Fire Service to the very best of your ability!

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From Here and There

News of the Volunteer Fire Service from across Alabama

Samson VFD, Geneva County, purchased 30 new pagers using an \$11,000 grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation. Since 2005 when the Firehouse created the Foundation, it has donated more than \$337,000 to public safety entities in Alabama.

For the 82nd year, Monroeville Fire & Rescue honored their firefighters at their annual Award Banquet on October 6th. Clay Nettles is Firefighter of the Year. Ronnie Darby received the W. D. Pickens Award (named for former Chief) for excellence in all phases of firefighting. Rod Sims was awarded the Leadership Award. James McQuigg was chosen Rookie of the Year and the Brotherhood Award went to Rod Darby. Chief Billy Black and Ronnie Darby were given special Lifesaver Awards for their heroic efforts during a house fire in 2009.

Pea Ridge Fire & Rescue, Shelby County, celebrated the 40th Anniversary of service to their community on February 18, 2012.

Taxpayers can demonstrate support for firefighters through the Alabama Firefighters Annuity and Benefit Fund by making a contribution by using a check-off box on the bottom of the Alabama State tax form. Contributions to the fund will be used to support a retirement fund for volunteer and paid firefighters. This is an opportunity to go above and beyond to support your firefighters for the service that they provide to your community.

During the annual Awards Banquet, Chief Luther Godwin was honored with the Axe Award upon his retirement as Chief of Mexia VFD, Monroe County. Doug Smith was named Rookie of the Year and Adam McKinley and Eric McKenzie were honored as Firemen of the Year.

The 9-11 Memorial Stair Climbs honors firefighter who made the ultimate sacrifice on September 11, 2001. Pike Road VFD, Montgomery County, will be hosting "Alabama Remembers 11 Years Ago" to remember the 343 firefighters who selflessly gave their lives so others could live. Details of the event, scheduled for September 9, 2012 will be forthcoming in future issues of "The Volunteer".

Ariton VFD, Dale County, was awarded a \$95,000 USDA Grant used for the down payment, financing the balance, on a \$250,000 fully-equipped 2011 fire truck that was put in

service in January.

Pike Road VFD, Montgomery County, held their annual Awards Banquet on February 24, 2012.

Barbour County EMA is organizing county-wide VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster) teams to assist in the case of a natural disaster. VOAD will be using guidelines established by the Governor's Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives.

Limestone County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments Banquet took place February 18, 2012 in Athens.



Limestone County Sheriff Mike Blakeley presents the "Challenge Paddle" at First Annual Sheriff's Stew Cook Off to winner Tanner VFD. Asst Chief Danny Gatlin accepts the paddle.

The 2012 AAVFD Annual Conference will be held August 3-4 at the Alabama Fire College in Tuscaloosa. More details will be in the next issue of "The Volunteer". Vendor information may be obtained from Billy Doss at 205-247-4996 or doss1200@bellsouth.net to enable you to add this event to your schedule. Remember, Firefighters, please support our vendors who support AAVFD as we work on your behalf.

Volunteer Firefighters offer their time and service to their communities in many ways. Our 2005 AAVFD Firefighter of the Year and Life Member Charlie Dixon is an example of this service. Charlie was recently ordained as Deacon in his church, New Hope No. 1 Baptist Church on January 8, 2012. Charlie is shown with his Pastor, fellow deacons and AAVFD President Chauncey Wood.



Charlie and Chauncey in center of Deacons

JOINT FIRE COUNCIL EDUCATION DAY

The Alabama Joint Fire Council Education Day was held on the Capitol grounds in Montgomery on March 7th, in conjunction with the Alabama Fire College and Personnel Standards Commission. Legislators were treated to a bar-b-que lunch, while being given a glimpse of the technology available for firefighter training at the Alabama Fire College.

The Joint Fire Council is supporting legislation that the firefighter community believes will allow the Alabama Fire College to fulfill its mission to meet the needs of the fire emergency service community and operate more efficiently. This legislation has been unanimously endorsed by AFC & PSC Task Force (established by Representative John Merrill), AAVFD, AAFC, AFFA, and PFFA.

HB335/SB134, sponsored by Representative John Merrill and Senator Gerald Allen, respectively, clarifies that the Alabama Fire College is an independent institution of post-secondary education operated under supervision and control of the Alabama Firefighters' Personnel Standards Commission. The legislation clarifies lines of authority and eliminates duplication. It also provides for representation by AAVFD and AL Association of Fire Chiefs on the Commission.

SB134 was voted out of the House Education Policy Committee that afternoon, with many firefighters attending the committee meeting. This legislation passed by a vote of 95 to 0 on April 5th. It now awaits Governor Bentley's signature.



L-R: Front row - AAVFD Second Vice President Derrick Gatlin, District 10 Alt Director Mike Green, Third Vice President Dan Hopkins, District 9 Director Jimmy Looney, President and Joint Fire Council Chauncey Wood

Back row - District 3 Director and Joint Fire Council Billy Doss, AFC Executive Director Allan Rice, State Fire Marshal Ed Paulk, Joint Fire Council and AFC Commissioner Roy Mott, AFC Commissioner Howard Summerford, Asst State Fire Marshal Scott Pilgreen

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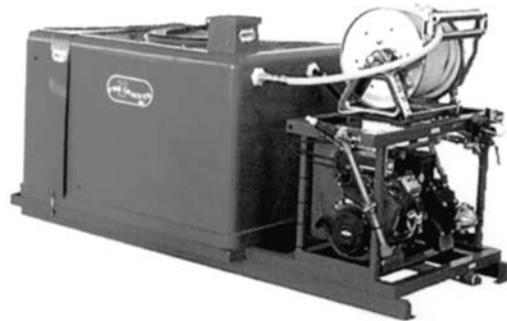
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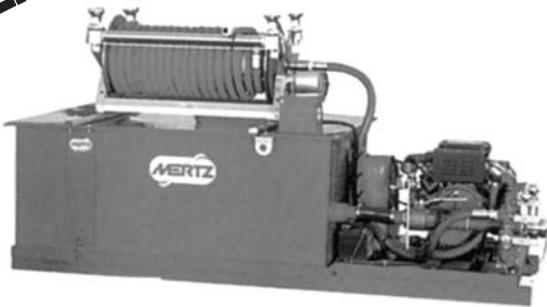
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THE BELL TOLLED

Frank Smith, Berlin VFD, Cullman County, passed away November 13, 2011. He was the first Chief of the department, and at 86 years young, he never failed to support the department he was instrumental in building into what it is today.

Chief Gary Lee Counselman, West Bend-Bethel VFD, Clarke County, passed away December 16, 2011. His department was incorrectly identified in the Oct-Dec issue of "The Volunteer".

Jim Frank Dingle, the founder of Shinbone Valley VFD, Clay County, passed away January 6, 2012. Department firefighters served as honorary pallbearers.

Deputy Chief Dave Skrobak, Craig VFD, Dallas County passed away January 15, 2012. He also served on the Board of Directors and was the last surviving founder of the Selma/Dallas County Volunteer Fire/Rescue Squad founded in 1971.

Russell Smith, Pleasant Groves VFD, Jackson County, passed away January 17, 2012.

James Thomas, Sylvania VFD, DeKalb County, died February 2, 2012 from injuries sustained in a vehicle accident.

Terry Lovelace, past chief of Central VFD, Lauderdale County, passed away February 7, 2012.

Johnny Alberson, retired Assistant Chief of Butler VFD, Choctaw County, passed away February 14, 2012. Johnny also served three terms as AAVFD President from 2005-2008.

James Harris, Lipscomb Fire & Rescue, Jefferson County, passed away February 16, 2012..

Steve Pope, Spring Garden VFD, Cherokee Co. Passed away March 20, 2012. He was a member of the fire service for 20 years.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to Tharptown Chief Doug Hatton, whose wife, Linda, passed away in January 2012.

Our sympathy goes to the family of Chief Lance Messer, Jones VFD, Autauga County, whose father passed away February 1, 2012 after an extended illness.

Wendell W. Mitchell passed away following an extended illness on February 4, 2012. His life was characterized by a life of public service having served in the Alabama Senate for 28 years. Through these years, he capably worked for the advancement of the volunteer fire service in Alabama. Our sympathies are extended to former Senator Mitchell's family.

We extend our sympathy to AAVFD Secretary Mary Sells whose mother, Carrie Calhoun Beall, passed away March 15, 2012.

We extend our condolences to Thomasville Firefighter Ken Knight and his wife, Becky, whose son, Petty Officer 3rd Class Andrew "Drew" Knight, was one of the four crewmen who perished on the Coast Guard helicopter that crashed into Mobile Bay on February 28th, killing all aboard.

If any Volunteer Fire Department (member or not) has a firefighter die in the line of duty or as a result of a line of duty injury (examples: at the scene, going to or from the scene), notify ONE of the following IMMEDIATELY, no matter what day it is or what time of day or night: Chauncey Wood – (334) 403-0301, William Neal – (334) 335-3643, Derrick Gatlin (256) 230-3526 or Dan Hopkins (256) 225-7230.

A copy of the booklet "Death In Line Of Duty" may be obtained from the Montgomery office.

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