

THE ROAD TO WHERE WE ARE NOW

WINCHESTER FIRE & RESCUE
AN OVERVIEW OF THE PAST
FOUR DECADES

ROOTS

- 1764 BUCKET BRIGADE ALARM BELL WAS WHERE CITY HALL IS TODAY
- HAND PULLED ENGINES & REELS, HORSE DRAWN ENGINES
- *FIRES ARE EXTINGUISHED BY PUMPING WATER THROUGH HOSES AND DIRECTING IT VIA NOZZLES*
- ORGANIZED: FRIENDSHIP 1831, UNION 1833 BECAME ROUSS 1877, SARAH ZANE 1840, SOUTH END 1895, SHAWNEE 1953
- 1947 WINCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

THE 60's

- CITY 4 ½ SQ MI POPULATION 10,000
- 4 FIRE STATIONS 2 EACH CALL
- DIAL "O" FOR FIRE
- BY 1969 300 CALLS PER YEAR
- STA 5 152 CALLS IN 1964
- VOLUNTEER CHIEF WITH 2 ASST.'S
WARDEN EACH COMPANY

CAREER STAFF

'60's

- 2 PER STATION AND AN INSPECTOR
- CALLED DRIVERS OR ENGINEERS
- HIRED BY THE VOLUNTEER STATION
- 24 HRS ON 24 HRS OFF WITH LUNCH AND DINNER HOUR AND A KELLY WEEK-END EACH MONTH
- ALL VOLUNTEERED AT THE STATION
- 77 HOUR WEEK \$4,000 SALARY

THE GOOD OLE DAYS

- WINC VOL FF'S ASSOC PROVIDED RADIOS FOR APPARATUS AND CHIEFS' AND FUNDING FOR THE TRAINING CENTER
- TRAINING CENTER FOUNDED 1966
R COMER J HAWSE N POPE
- FIRST SCBA, PRE-CONS AND MATTYDALES 1962
- FILTER MASKS OUTLAWED
- SMOKE REMOVAL BUT NO VENTILATION
- GUTTERLINES WERE THE RULE
- BACK STEP RIDERS
- HOUSE SIRENS
- 1 1/2" PRE-CONNECT FOG 100 GPM FIRST
- ONE MAN CREW

HIGH PROFILE FIRES AND CAREER MEN OF THE ERA

'63 400 S LOUDOUN ROW HOUSE
EAST LN HOUSE WITH FATALITY

'64 N KENT ST LIVESTOCK YARDS

'66 MILLWOOD AVE DUFFS REBEL, N CAMERON VA. AEROSOL,
CLOUSER AND PATTONS MOVING, APARTMENTS

'67 STONEWALL AVE HOUSE WITH FATALITY

'69 S LOUDOUN PALACE THEATRE
MILLWOOD AVE R C PLANT

RETIRED AFTER A CAREER IN THE WFD:

L. BROWN (D) S. DYKE (D) L. McDONALD (D)

L. McKEE (1) '83 D. SEABRIGHT (2) '87 F. GENIOUS (3) (D)'90

E.M. LILLIS (LT/CAPT) '99

1970's

- '71 ANNEXATION 9 ½ SQ MI 19,000 POPULATION
SHAWNEE FIRE CO 5TH CITY STATION
- '72 3" SUPPLY HOSE FAZED IN
ASST FIRE INSPECTOR PART TIME ROUSS DRIVER SCBA OF SCOTT,
SURVIVAIR AND MSA VARIETY
- '75 FIRST CAREER FIRE CHIEF
3RD MAN EACH STATION
DEPT UNIFORMS, OFFICE 126 N CAMERON,
VOL B/C PROGRAM, NUMBERING OF STATIONS,
VENTILATION PRACTICED, PRE-CONNECTED DELUGE SETS,
PRECONNECTED HYDRANT SLEEVES, 2 PIECE ENG CO MENTALITY W& E,
357 ALARMS LOGGED
- '76 FIRST PROMOTIONAL EXAM CAPT, LT, SGT
5 INCH HOSE
- '77 FRIENDSHIP RELOCATED, ROUSS DECIDED TO GO ALL TRUCK CO,
CAPT LILLIS' CAREER IN PUBLIC EDUCATION BEGAN TUTOR FIRE
BRIGADES, 5TH GRADE PROGRAM, TV SPOTS ON SAFETY, PUPPETS,
"SAMMY SMOKE ALARM AND MEAN MATCH"
STARTING PAY \$8,000. 56 HOUR WEEK
- '78 CENTRAL DISPATCH EMERGED

HIGH PROFILE FIRES AND CAREER MEN OF THE ERA

- '71 S STEWART ST WINC SURGICAL CLINIC WITH FATALITY, 500 HIGHLAND AVE ROW HOUSE
- '72 CEDAR CREEK GRADE BAUSERMAN OIL
- '73 2564 WILSON BLVD APT WITH 2 FATALITIES
- '76 2200 ROOSEVELT BLVD HOUSE WITH 2 FATALITIES, BERRYVILLE AVE ACME, MILLWOOD AVE DUNCAN BROS TIRE
- '77 PICCADILLY ST SWIMLEY FURNITURE (FIREHOUSE MAG), S BRADDOCK ST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH (BELL), CAMERON ST MARKET STREET CHURCH

FIREFIGHTERS' BEGINNING THEIR CAREER:

'71/72 L. MILLER ® T. EDWARDS ® '75 W. BRAITHWAITE ®
F. WRIGHT '77 S. DeHAVEN ® T. BRAITHWAITE

1980's

- L. MILLER REPLACED H.E. DAILEY AS FIRE CHIEF, ORIGINAL SGT TO OFFICE, 3 NEW SGTS FOR STA OFFICER/DUTY OFFICER ROLES
- '81 STATION 5 EXPANDED/REMODELED
- '82 779 ALARMS ANSWERED, 18 CAREER FIREFIGHTERS AND A SECRETARY, MANY VOLUNTEERS
- '83 CAREER RE-ORGANIZATION LT TO CAPT
SGTS TO LT, STATION 3 (SARAH ZANE) CEASED TO FUNCTION, DEPARTMENT SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE EVALUATION DEVELOPED, EXPLORER PROGRAM, FIRE ENGINE TRAIN COLLISION
- '84 IDEA OF ACCOUNTABILITY, GREEN HATS FOR NEW FF
- '85 BEGAN ICS ON THE FIREGROUND (CIRCA), ADOPTED IFSTA TRAINING, RIDING THE BACK STEP AND HOUSE SIRENS FADE OUT, 1 3/4" HOSE EMERGES

MORE 1980's

- '86 FLSA REGULATIONS ADHERED TO, 52 HOUR WORK WEEK, NO MORE VOLUNTEERING FOR CAREER, STARTING PAY \$13,500.
- '87 DEPARTMENT SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE TESTING (ANNUAL RE-CERT)
948 ALARMS ANSWERED
- '88 ENTIRE CAREER DEPT CERTIFIED 1ST RESPONDERS N. NEWLIN PRIME TRAINER
- '89 PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAM DEVELOPED, FIRST RUMBLINGS OF HAZ MAT TEAM, MERGER/CONSOLIDATION COMMITTEES WERE ACTIVE WINC/FRED, THE DEPT HAD 20 CAREER FIREFIGHTERS WITH 2 SECRETARIES AND 94 VOLUNTEERS

HIGH PROFILE FIRES AND CAREER MEN OF THE ERA

- '83 RT 608 TIRE FIRE, GAVIS HOUSE, VALLEY AVE HOUSE LIEU, CAPON VALLEY FURNITURE
- '85 NATIONAL AVE APT WITH FATALITY
- '86 N BRADDOCK ST APT WITH FATALITY
- '87 PARKWAY ST HOUSE WITH 2 FATALITIES CAMERON ST STICKLEYS' GARAGE
- '89 PICCADILLY ST FAR EAST RESTURANT

FIREFIGHTERS BEGINNING THEIR CAREER:

'80 F MOORE ® J. HAINES ® '84 G. GANOE
'86 D. WHITACRE '87 N. NEWLIN '88 K YOST
'89 T. SHILEY C. SHIMP

1990's

- '90 FIRST CAD IMPLEMENTED, INFANCY ICS, WINC VOL RESCUE SQUAD JOINED THE WFD, 19 CAREER FF'S COMPLETED HM IIE OFFICERS HM IV, DEPARTMENT RE-NAMED WFRD
- '91 HAZ MAT 4 AND THE TEAM IN SVC, ALL CAREER CERTIFIED EMT-A, 3337 INCIDENTS RESPONDED TO, 27 UNIFORMED FIREFIGHTERS WITH 2 SECRETARIES AND MANY VOLUNTEERS STARTING PAY \$20,500
- '92 MEDIC 4 BEGAN LIMITED SVC—STA 5 AND 1 WOULD BEGIN LIMITED EMS SVC OVER THE NEXT COUPLE YRS, DECLINING VOLUNTEERISM WAS NOTED AND WORKSHOPS TO ADDRESS
- '93 4" HOSE APPEARED AND WAS FAZED IN TO ALL, FORMAL RECOGNITION OF THE NEED FOR AN ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM AND SAFETY OFFICER
- '94 4157 INCIDENTS , STA 5 ACQUIRED AN AMBULANCE
- '95 VOLUNTEER SAFETY AND RECRUITMENT OFFICER APPOINTED, DISASTER DRILL WITH WMC, GAS SENTRY DONATED BY SHEN GAS
- '96 CHILD SAFETY SEAT INSTALLATION STARTS TODD, WAYNE, EDDIE, INTERACTION WITH HISPANIC COMMUNITY FOR P/R, CADET TRAINING PROGRAM TO PREPARE FOR POTENTIAL PART TIME - LARRY, DARRIS, SHANNON WERE GAINED

1990'S CONT'D

- '97 20TH YR OF CAPT LILLIS' 5TH GRADE PROGRAM, 2 IN 2 OUT REGS REVIEWED, 22 YRS FPW IN ELEM SCHOOLS SAFETY MESSAGE, ECC UPDATED AND JOINTLY DISPATCHING WFRD/FCFD, STA 1 PUTS MEDIC UNIT IN SVC, 4481 INCIDENTS ANSWERED
- '98 STATION 3 LEAVES THE WRFD, EMS SERVICE IS NOW PROVIDED BY STAFFED MEDIC UNITS IN THE ENG COS (2 OF 3)
- '99 OSHA REGULATIONS IN THE FOREFRONT, 2 IN 2 OUT IS CLOSER, ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM ENACTED JAN 1, Y2K PREP, LOSS OF SGT TIMBROOK, LESSENING NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS, 40 UNIFORMED FIREFIGHTERS WITH 2 SECRETARIES COMPRISE THE DEPT, WORK WEEK IS 48 HRS

ERA HIGH PROFILE FIRES AND CAREER FIREFIGHTERS

- '91 N KENT ST P.W. PLUMLY LUMBER
- '92 PEPPERTREE APT
- '94 CHARLES ST HOUSE WITH 3 FATALITIES
- '95 WOLFE ST GRAND PIANO FURNITURE
- '96 JUBAL EARLY DR PARGOS' REST, MORNINGSIDE DR HOUSE WITH 2 FATALITIES, N LOUDOUN VALLEY LUMBER, S LOUDOUN RICE TIRE

FIREFIGHTERS BEGINNING THEIR CAREER:

'90 K. DUCKWALL E. McCLELLAN '94 M DeHAVEN

'95 T. ORNDORFF '96 L. BAKER D. RITENOUR S. ATKINSON

'97 S. KENSINGER D. KUSHNIR J. HENSCHER

'98 R. HOVERMALE C. STRAWDERMAN

'99 J. RITCHIE M CHIMENTO M. MINTSCHENKO

THE 21ST CENTURY

- WATER LINE UPGRADE FROM MIDDLETOWN
- '01 NEW ICS SYSTEM IN PLACE FEB 1, 9-11 AND A CHANGED WORLD, ANTHRAX SCARES, HOMELAND SECURITY AND GRANTS TO COME 4762 INCIDENTS ANSWERED
- '02 DEPT SECURITY POLICY, #1 RECRUIT ACADEMY WINC/FRED, ALL STATIONS USING THE SAME SCBA, TIMBROOK PUBLIC SAFETY BLDG OPENED
- '03 LT YOST NEW HM OFFICER, NEW UNIFORMS AND ALL PPE NOW NFPA COMPLIANT, HM DISASTER DRILL (FREEZING), NEW LEAK AND SPILL TRAILER, FIRE DEPT MEDIC TO SWAT TEAM, CAREER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, TOWN RUN UTILITIES PROJECT STARTS AUG
- '04 SHAWNEE MOVES TO NEW HOME, TALKS OF FEE FOR SVC, CONSOLIDATION TALKS, CERT, PAT AND SUE RETIRE
- '05 5711 INCIDENTS ANSWERED THE WFRD HAS 49 UNIFORMED FIREFIGHTERS, 2 SECRETARIES AND 60 (+) VOLUNTEERS STARTING PAY IS \$30,000 (+) AND THE WORK WEEK IS 48 HOURS NOT ALL SCBA ARE INTERCHANGEABLE
- '06 TEAM CONCEPTS, *FIRES ARE EXTINGUISHED BY PUMPING WATER THROUGH HOSES AND DIRECTING IT VIA NOZZLES*

ERA HIGH PROFILE FIRES AND CAREER FIREFIGHTERS

- '00 N LOUDOUN ST POST OFFICE
- '02 PICCADILLY ST 1ST BAPT CHURCH, BARKMILL APTS
- '03 FT COLLIER RD PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICE
- '04 FAIRMONT AVE HOUSE WITH FATALITY
- '05 W CORK ST APT WITH FATALITY
- '06 BERRYVILLE AVE HOUSE WITH FATALITY,
PEPPERTREE APT WITH FATALITY

FIREFIGHTERS BEGINNING THEIR CAREER:

'00 J.D. ORNDORFF '01 B. WILLIAMS S. BOHUS J. LUTTRELL
M.YOST '02 A. BALLENGER P.J. BURROUGHS D. BRINEGAR
K. LAYMAN L. CLOWSER '03 R. BURTON C. RICHARDSON
C. BIGGS B. BROWN D. HUGHES A. MOATS A. FUNKHOUSER
'04 S. GRAY G. PIERCE G. BOHUS B. HALL K. McALISTER
'05 M. GEARHART B. JOHNSON L. ZIRKLE J. WOLF C. YOST
T.J. VAUGHT

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

“THOSE WHO FAIL TO LEARN
FROM HISTORY ARE DESTINED
TO REPEAT IT”

GET INVOLVED AND BE PART OF
THE SOLUTION; HAVE A HAND IN
YOUR FUTURE-----AND
YOUR HISTORY!

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