

WINCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT
1977





City of Winchester

— FIRE DEPARTMENT —

HAROLD E. DAILEY
Chief

126 NORTH CAMERON STREET, WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601
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To: Mr. Wendell L. Seldon
Winchester City Manager

Members of the Common Council
City of Winchester, Virginia

I hereby submit the 1977 Annual Report for the Winchester Fire Department.

The department responded to 641 fire calls with a total estimated fire loss of \$721,443.00 as compared to \$924,800.00 loss in 1976. This is a decrease of approximately \$200,000.00, however, I feel it is still much too high for a community our size. If we are to continue to decrease the fire loss figure, we must continue our efforts in fire loss management, code enforcement, and public education in fire safety. We were fortunate in that we did not have a fatality in 1977.

VOLUNTEER: (Unpaid Professionals)

The attitude and training of the volunteers has truly earned them the title of Unpaid Professionals. The President and Assistant Chief of each of the companies have emerged as true leaders, and deserve a great deal of credit for the success of the department.

Assistant Chief Ed Loy is to be commended for his devotion and hard work in maintaining Sarah Zane Company 3 as a viable fire company. A paid driver was assigned to Sarah Zane in March, and two drivers were hired in July. This put them at full strength for paid drivers until December when a vacancy occurred. This vacancy will be filled as soon as possible in 1978.

The volunteers logged 233,249 man hours of duty, 13,435 man hours of training, 12,999 man hours on fire calls, and 3,144 man hours on public service. The 233,249 man hours on duty by the volunteers would require an additional 77.7 paid men to cover the same hours, using a 60 hour week 50 weeks a year.

Volunteer drivers covered for a great deal of the holiday, sick leave, and vacation time.

We have 9 volunteers enrolled in the Fire Science Program at Lord Fairfax Community College.

PAID PERSONNEL:

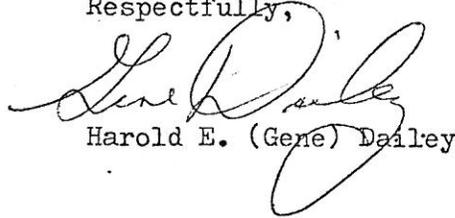
The paid men carry out their station duties as well as building pre-plans, pre-assignments, testing hydrants, and work in the training program. The paid men are very important to the overall operations of the department. They assist the volunteers in any way they can to make the companies run smoothly.

We have 13 paid men enrolled in the Fire Science Program at Lord Fairfax Community College. With the 9 volunteers, we have a total of 22 men enrolled as compared to 10 last year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the company presidents, the volunteer battalion chiefs, the paid officers, the volunteers, the paid men, and especially my secretary, for a job well done. It is this group of people working together as a department, that allows the citizens to feel at ease, knowing that any emergency will be handled in a professional manner.

The members of the department serve without considering their own personal safety or inconvenience, and their devotion is unequalled.

Respectfully,



Harold E. (Gene) Dailey

WINCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

PERSONNEL

Chief	1
Captain	1
Lieutenant	1
Sergeant	1
Firemen	14
Secretary	1

EQUIPMENT

FRIENDSHIP COMPANY 1

Wagon	1	1968 American LaFrance, 1000 GPM
Tanker	1	1966 Ford, 500 GPM Pump and 1500 Gallons Water
Utility	1	1965 Chevrolet, Light Unit and Deluge Set

ROUSS COMPANY 2

Truck	21	1969 Pirsch, 100' Aerial Ladder
Truck	22	1941 Pirsch, 75' Aerial Ladder
Wagon	2	1969 Pirsch, 1000 GPM Pumper
Engine	2	1956 American LaFrance, 750 GPM Pumper

SARAH ZANE COMPANY 3

Wagon	3	1967 Ford, 750 GPM
Engine	3	1951 FWD, 750 GPM

SHAWNEE COMPANY 4

Wagon	4	1977 American LaFrance, 1500 GPM
Engine	4	1968 Ford, 1000 GPM
Salvage	4	1967 Ford

SOUTH END COMPANY 5

Wagon	5	1974 Seagrave, 1000 GPM
Engine	5	1962 Seagrave, 1000 GPM
Brush	5	1972 Ford

CLASSIFICATION OF INCIDENTS - 1977

	Auto	Grass-Brush	Single-Family Dwelling	Multi-Family Dwelling	Commercial	Industry	Institution	Other Misc.	Total
<u>January</u>	2	3	29	7	8	5	7	9	70
<u>February</u>	5	15	10	5	5	6	3	15	64
<u>March</u>	10	11	12	5	5	1	1	15	60
<u>April</u>	8	11	4	4	3	5	4	14	53
<u>May</u>	7	14	3	8	6	5	5	16	64
<u>June</u>	5	5	3	5	3	4	2	10	37
<u>July</u>	4	7	7	2	2	3	4	12	41
<u>August</u>	5	7	7	1	3	3	2	3	31
<u>September</u>	3	4	2	4	8	2	1	9	33
<u>October</u>	8	3	12	3	10	1	1	18	56
<u>November</u>	7	2	10	4	11	2	0	22	58
<u>December</u>	7	5	21	7	7	2	2	23	77
<u>TOTAL</u>	71	87	120	55	71	39	32	166	641

A FIREMAN'S WIFE

A Fireman is something very special. The thing that makes him special is that he is a human being...with something extra. He is the kind of human being that will lose his temper and kick the TV when the Redskins don't win. He sleeps too much when he's home, doesn't cut the grass until it blocks his view of the road. He doesn't seem to have any sympathy for you because you have to clean house, or because you break a fingernail. Typical husband. Typical man...and therein lies your answer. MAN. That's what you married. An individual who has great strength in his convictions. A person who has a genuine love of his fellow man. What else but love could make a man risk his life going into a burning house whether to save a man, woman, child...or a little dog. He drives a huge fire truck or tanker at a dangerous pace because he knows every second counts. And his life...well sure, it counts...somewhere down the list. Some people think a Fireman must be super-strong---some think he must not be a very sensitive person. How can he see death, destruction, suffering, and tremendous grief and act as though nothing is happening? No tears, no panic---just a job.

Well, he's not super strong and he's not insensitive. And nobody knows it like you do. You see him cry when the hospital tells him that the baby he saved from a burning house died anyway of smoke inhalation. You've gone with him to take clothes and food to a family who lost their home in a fire. You've sat up watching the late movie with him on nights when he couldn't sleep. Did you ever wonder why he couldn't sleep? Could it be that when he closes his eyes he sees fire, or automobile wreckage with bodies lying all around, or the small blue eyes of a two year old boy he pulled from a swimming pool? And you know he doesn't sleep all day because he's lazy. It's because he was up all night the night before putting out brush fires set by little boys with nothing better to do. You've seen him so tired he could hardly walk. You've helped him recuperate from burned eyes, broken toes, broken legs, burned hands, strained muscles.

But now---now, you sit in the waiting room of the hospital. And there's nothing you can do to help. Why? Because at 3:00 in the morning some nut thought it would be fun to call in a false alarm. And your man...your Fireman...responded, as he always does. And then, a lonely woman, ran a stop light. The driver of the fire truck missed her but hit the concrete embankment of the overpass. Now he may be dying, and for what? You know for what. Because the false alarm could have been real. Because the woman in the car did not deserve to die. But mostly because the man you love is a Fireman, in every sense of the word. He wanted to be a Fireman. It is his life. You understand. Because you are....a Fireman's Wife.

Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

January 3, 1978

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report 1977

TO: Chief Harold E. Dailey

1. The attached report is submitted to the Chief of Winchester for the total fire operations of Friendship Fire Co. for the year 1977.
2. This report gives a breakdown of total calls, standbys, responses by men to the fireground, equipment used, training, & mileage of apparatus.
3. Because of an active assistant driver program, our station is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year even in event of sickness or vacation incurred by the 3 paid firefighters at our station.
4. With the relocation of our Company in December of 1976 to the Eastern part of the city, we've experienced a reduction in the number of fire alarms in the year 1977, but in the process of doing this, we have greatly improved the fire protection on this side of the city. This has been accomplished by having a quicker response time to calls, natural barriers such as the railroad tracks no longer affect or hold up our equipment, and most important to the citizens, a complete co-operation of our members in furthering there skills in firefighting by intensive in-station training, devotion of many long hours in the station between calls, and a mutual agreement by all of us that being a firefighter is a continuing process of learning regardless of the amount of calls we run or how routine they may seem.

Respectfully,
Scott Cullers.

Scott Cullers
Assistant Fire Chief

Company 1

Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report 1977
Company 1

1. Total Calls: 335
2. Response of Equipment:

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>WAGON 1</u>	<u>TANKER 1</u>	<u>UTILITY 1</u>
Jan	38	20	14
Feb	34	10	10
Mar	15	8	7
Apr	19	5	7
May	28	6	5
Jun	23	3	7
Jul	21	1	5
Aug	13	3	4
Sep	20	4	2
Oct	25	1	2
Nov	26	5	1
Dec	26	5	3
Total:	<u>298</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>67</u>

3. Personnel at the scene of fires:
1,859 members
4. Personnel at station on standbys during fires:
489 members.
5. Man hours in training:
1,741 hours
6. Public Service Calls:
15 calls, 180 hours
7. Hose Used:

<u>Booster</u>	<u>3"</u>	<u>2½"</u>	<u>1½"</u>
15 times	9,200'	7,000'	3,700'
8. First Due Calls:
75
9. Assist Calls:
260
10. Total Pump Time:
42 hours & 7 minutes

Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report 1977
Company 1

11. Fire Equipment Used:

24' Ladder	2 times
12' Ladder	3 times
Axes	5 times
Scotts (breathing apparatus)	42 times
Attic Ladder	4 times
Dry Powder Extinguishers	5 times
Portable Pump	4 times
Generator	6 times
Deluge Gun	1 time
Smoke Ejector	8 times
Pike Poles	7 times
Handlights	5 times
K - 12 Saw	1 time
High Rise Pack	1 time
Haligon Tool	10 times
Extension Cords	4 times
Salvage Master	2 times

12. Average of Men Per Call :

7.1 members

13. Mileage of Apparatus:

<u>WAGON 1</u>	<u>TANKER 1</u>	<u>UTILITY 1</u>
2,937.4	1,019	1,269.1

14. Total Man Hours Spent in the Station :

54,750

15. Total Man Hours on the Fire Scene:

3,039

16. Total Man Hours on Standby at the Station:

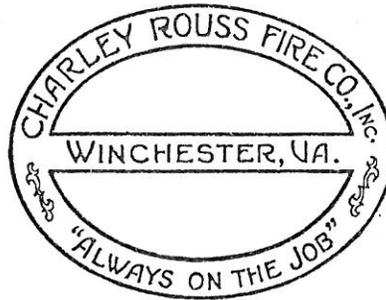
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Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TRAINING Hrs.</u>	<u>RESPONSES</u>	<u>STAND-BYS</u>
Fred Geanious	91	90	14
Tom Edwards	138	135	11
Chris Allan	88	114	15
Scott Cullers	166.5	102	16
Ron Barley	44.5	116	18
Bill Stinson	20	120	43
Dick Miller	136.5	110	42
Dennis Fiddler	62	13	5
Steve Cooper	105	41	44
Chuck Ewing	102.5	69	11
Tim Stowe	20.5	33	13
Mike Hughes	137	96	23
Rick Lloyd	10	24	9
Rick Fechtman	83.5	94	24
Dan Collins	122	214	34
Mike Seabright	63.5	87	19
Bill Seabright	7.5	27	9
Gary McDonald	36	23	13
Frank Moore	97.5	63	24
Bill Sardelis	0	61	11
Tim Markley	10	22	11
Donnie Palmer	6	18	33
Fred Shoemaker	0	2	7
Doug Loy	0	4	1
Ed Smith	3.5	15	3
Phil Dellinger	46	15	8
Mark Lipscomb	54	21	9
Dale Barr	76	49	14
Jim Phalen	16.5	45	8
Larry Pressgrave	0	1	1
	<u>1,741</u>	<u>1,859</u>	<u>489</u>

ORGANIZED PRIOR TO
MAY 20, 1789



MOTORIZED
MAY 3, 1907

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

Chief Gene Dailey
Fire Department Headquarters

Dear Sir:

This report briefly summarizes our company's activities, training, and accomplishments for the year of 1977.

The greatest accomplishment of Company 2 for 1977 was the planning and purchase of an 85' aerial platform from the Pierce Manufacturing Company. A committee of 10 men spent 12 months working on the specifications for this piece of equipment. After traveling as much as 200 miles to other cities to view equipment of this kind, the committee decided that due to higher buildings, and greater rescue problems in Winchester, this truck would be a good replacement for our 1941 aerial ladder. Our greatest problem as a company is just beginning, as this piece of equipment will cost approximately \$225,000.00 and will have to be raised by community support. This aerial platform will be the most sophisticated piece of fire fighting apparatus in the Northern Virginia area. Our company hopes by this addition to our equipment, we will give the citizens of Winchester and surrounding communities the best possible protection they could have. The unit will take about 14 to 16 months to build, and we now have a delivery date of December, 1978.

During this year our volunteers have trained a total of nearly 2600 hours in schools and colleges on a state-wide, local, and even out of state level, with 6 men completing a state aerial school, and 4 men completing college courses in fire sciences.

The personnel at Company 2 feel that with our training, and the purchase of our new piece of equipment, 1977 will have been a year of great advancement for the Winchester Fire Department toward our goal of being a leader in the fire service of our state.

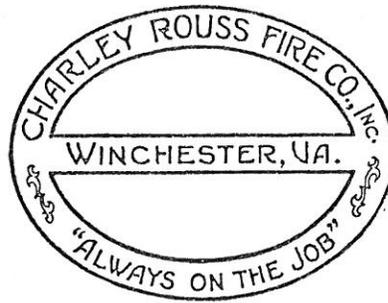
Respectfully,

Raymond F. Campbell, Jr.

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Assistant Chief, Company 2

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TOTAL HOSE LAID BY WAGON & ENGINE 2

1 1/2" Hose	650'
2 1/2" Hose	2400'
3" Hose	2250'
Booster Hose	250'

EQUIPMENT

Air Mask	54	Used
Smoke Ejectors	43	times
Lights & Generator	37	times
Salvage Equipment	12	times
Forceable Entry Tools	8	times
Co ² Extinguisher	5	times
Back Packs	2	
Ring Saw	2	
Hand Tools	21	

EQUIPMENT RUNS & MILEAGE

Truck 21	310 Calls	728	Miles
Truck 22	16 Calls	40 1/2	Miles
Wagon 2	72 Calls	195	Miles
Engine 2	16 Calls	37	Miles

TOTAL PUMP TIME

Wagon 2	31 Hrs. 5 Min.
Engine 2	12 Hrs.

LADDERS USED - TRUCK 21 & 22

Folding Roof	12 times
16' Straight	8 times
24' Extension	7 times
35' Extension	9 times
Aerial-Truck 21	7 times
Aerial-Truck 22	2 times

NUMBER OF CALLS RUN BY COMPANY 2

333 of 641 City Calls

AVERAGE MANPOWER PER CALL

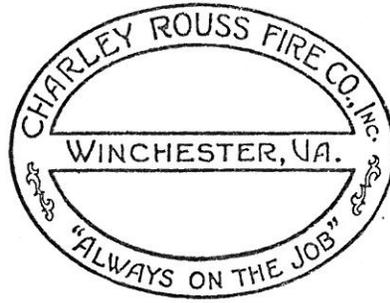
9 Men Per Call

TRAINING

2453 Training Hours

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TOTAL FIRE CALL ATTENDANCE 1977

Ronnie Baker	91	John Hawse	1
David Bock	137	David Jeffcoat	57
Sam Battaglia	17	Wilbur Jeffcoat	6
Ricky Bock	169	Cam Jenkins	75
Sam Bock	236	David Jenkins	89
Donnie Bowers	37	Tom Keefer	53
Jimmy Boyd	188	Chester Lauck	141
Scott Brown	53	Donnie Lauck	1
Ross Broyles	52	Kenny Lewis, Sr.	123
Steve Burcham	63	Kenny Lewis, Jr.	114
Butch Campbell	90	Denny Martin	34
Ronnie Carter	128	Russell Mason	7
Red Clark	21	John Morgan	60
Paul Coffman	50	Gary Owens	98
Paul Cooper	17	Kirby Reed	32
Steve DeHaven	142	Donald Seabright, Sr.	212
Mike Doran	42	Donald Seabright, Jr.	19
Darrell Dorsey	68	David Schultz	39
Jody Dorsey	48	Jim Shipp	80
George Dove	30	Robert Smallwood	1
Danny Farrell	6	Gary Smallwood	1
Bernard Groves, Sr.	3	Rocky Stern	92
Bernard Groves, Jr.	16	Earl Williams	52
Mike Hart	73	Bill Wagner	3
Bill Hawse	16		

SARAH ZANE FIRE COMPANY, Inc.

ORGANIZED 1840

301 North Loudoun Street * Winchester, Virginia



January 19, 1978

TO: H. E. Dailey, Fire Chief
FROM: Ed Loy, Assistant Chief Co. 3
SUBJECT: Yearly Report

The following report briefly surmises the activity, both emergency and non-emergency, of the Sarah Zane Fire Company, Inc., for the year 1977.

The year of 1977 started out as another difficult year for the Sarah Zane Fire Company. At the beginning of the year the Sarah Zane was still operating around the clock on an all volunteer basis. As the new year moved into February the future of the company began to look better. The City hired one paid man to serve at the Sarah Zane. On February Fourteenth, Lester McKee transferred from the South End Fire Company to the Sarah Zane Fire Company. This move made the first city-paid firefighter for the Sarah Zane in sixteen months.

With Firefighter McKee working the day shift, the remaining two shifts were manned by volunteer drivers. A great deal of credit should be given to Firefighter McKee for his personal dedication and attitude in helping the company regain it's present standing.

As the year progressed, the City funded two additional paid firefighters, Tommy Wolfe and James Darr, Jr., to the Sarah Zane staff. This enabled the Sarah Zane to operate around the clock with paid personnel giving our volunteer drivers some well deserved free time. The volunteer drivers still fill in on a regular basis so that our station has not been out of service once for sickness, vacations, or holidays of our paid men.

However in December, Tommy Wolfe announced his resignation to work with the Fairfax County, Virginia Fire Service. Once again our volunteer drivers were called upon to fulfill the job and came to the call. At present we are still operating with a volunteer driver until a new applicant is hired by the City.

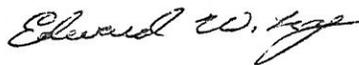
The year has been a very rewarding one for the Sarah Zane. All of the men work well together in an atmosphere that is second to none. I feel That the success that the Sarah Zane has made is due to the effort, dedication, and cooperation of all those men involved both paid and volunteer.

We have continued to train intensely and strive for a more efficient fire deaprtment to enable us to serve the community to the best of our ability. We have also started regular bingo parties to help with the financing of the company. Undoubtedly the newest asset to the Sarah Zane is it's Ladies Auxillary which was formed this year. The ladies have worked hard both with in their own organization and along with the men for the betterment of the Sarah Zane Fire Company.

In summary, we are all proud to be the Sarah Zane Fire Company and to be a part of the Winchester Fire Department. For the coming year we do not want to maintain what we have but instead we aim to set our goals higher to better improve our department, Engine Company 3.

A break-down of our emergency activities is provided on the following pages.

Sincerely,



Edward W. Loy
Assistant Chief Co.3

<u>Total Fire Alarm Response:</u>	353
<u>Total Public Service Response:</u>	10
<u>Man Hours Expended:</u>	
Man hours at station:	37,441 hr. 3 min.
Man hours for fires:	2208 hr. 42 min. or 6 hr. 16 min. per call
Man hours for public service:	98 hr. 10 min. or 9 hr. 49 min. per call
Man hours expended total:	39,747 hr. 55 min. or the equivalent of 13.249 paid men working a 60 hour week
Total training hours:	2775 hr. 30 min. or a monthly average of 231 hr. 18 min.

Response Per Call: 7.639 men (per call average)

Miles Traveled:

Fire Alarms	1094.5
Public Service	18
Total	1112.5

Equipment Usage:

<u>Equipment Used</u>	<u>Number of times used</u>
Pumps on apparatus	52 times for a total of 76 hr. 52 min.
Portable pumps	0
Hydrant	56
Booster tank	46
Draft	0
Light plant	22
Protective breathing equipment	155

Back packs (high rise)	4
Smoke ejector	31
CO ₂ extinguisher	11
Dry chemical extinguisher	2
Handlights	22
Floodlights	3
Axes	6
Hand tools (forcible entry)	25
Ladders 24' extension	13
12' straight	4
Attic	6
Rope	2
Pike poles	15
Pneolator	2
Quic Bar	12
Cord reels	6
Hose	
3"	25,850 ft.
2½"	17,800 ft.
1½"	13,000 ft.
Booster	3,150 ft.
Total	61,850 ft.
Wagon response	338
Engine response	35

Figures involve 31 firefighters and 6 senior members (non-firefighters)

Man hours expended does not include:

1. Firefighters responding directly from home to assist other companies on the fire ground.
2. Firefighters attending fire related unrecorded training.
3. Expended man hours stand-by (regular working hours) by three paid men.



SHAWNEE FIRE COMPANY
2333 Roosevelt Blvd
Winchester, Virginia 22601

January 1, 1978

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report year 1977
FROM : Asst Fire Chief Lee C. Holler, Jr.
TO : Chief H. E. Dailey
Winchester Fire Department

1. The attached report is submitted to the Fire Chief, Winchester, VA. for the complete operations of the year 1977.
2. This report covers all calls answered for the apparatus, milage, the equipment used, man hours at the scene and station, and training.
3. In May 1977 we placed in service a new 1500 GPM American-LaFrance with full equipment for a class A pumper (Wagon 4). The 1000 GPM Young/Ford was designated as the back-up piece (Engine 4) this is still a class A pumper. We also have the Salvage Unit in service.
4. New equipment purchased during 1977 is as follows: 4 new air masks, 12 pr of boots, 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " nozzles, heat detector, chain saw and replacement items for the salvage unit. (salvage covers, brooms, squeeeges, light cords and added one bottle to the cascade system to make this a five bottle system).
5. We also have other than the paid personnel, four volunteer drivers for wagon 4, seven for the engine 4, and eleven for the salvage 4. This makes company 4 staying in service while one apparatus is at any emergency.

DISTRUBUTION:
2 - Chief Dailey
1 - Sect'y file
1 - Co. 4
1 - A/C Co. 4

Lee C. Holler, Jr.
LEE C. HOLLER, JR.
Asst Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report 1977
 DATE : 1 January 1978

1. Total of calls:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Wagon 4</u>	<u>Engine 4</u>	<u>Salvage 4</u>
Jan	30	0	45
Feb	21	0	39
Mar	16	0	26
Apr	30	0	25
May	26	0	29
Jun	6	10	14
Jul	18	4	20
Aug	11	4	13
Sep	14	3	17
Oct	16	2	27
Nov	18	3	27
Dec	24	12	40
	<u>230</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>320</u>

2. Milage of Apparatus:

Jan	55	0	162
Feb	182	0	293
Mar	75	0	168
Apr	83	0	143
May	156	0	180
Jun	20	34	77
Jul	24	16	106
Aug	30	7	60
Sep	59	9	79
Oct	46	2	145
Nov	65	8	143
Dec	67	42	192
	<u>892</u>	<u>118</u>	<u>1748</u>

3. Man Hours on the fire scene: 1952 hours

4. Man Hours at Station (Standy while emergenciês) 1540 hours

5. Man Hours Training: (This includes State sponsored, local and also training at other locations as Arlington, Harrisonburg, Front Royal Virginia, Charles Town, WV and Williamsport PA.)

3541 hours of training.

5. Hose used:

<u>Booster</u>	<u>3"</u>	<u>2½"</u>	<u>1½"</u>
37 times	16250 foot	5650 foot	7300 foot.

SUBJECT: Fire Operations Report 1977

DATE : 1 January 1978

6. Man Hours at station waiting for any emergency (this includes men working at station on maintenance, equipment, waiting for fires

Jan	4152	Jul	3430	
Feb	4418	Aug	3454	
Mar	4761	Sep	2802	
Apr	4868	Oct	3544	
May	4934	Nov	4344	
Jun	4649	Dec	5532	Total 50,888 hours

7. Fire Equipment used:

Smoke ejector	31 times	Salvage Equipment	41 times
Air Masks	22 times	Deodorizer	2 times
Light Plant	14 times	Ladder 24 ft	3 times
Portable lights	4 times	Ladder roof	3 times
Cascade system	6 times	Ladder attic	3 times
Heat detector	4 times	Portable pumps	7 times

8. Personnel on Fire Scene:

L. Holler	291	D. Franklin	144
J. Caton	331	P. Snyder	239
F. Wright	249	S. Hoover	390
R. Hess	240	J. Paige	253
M. Omps	215	R. McKay	191
S. Manuel	100	R. Smith	62
R. Coffman	117	D. Nixon	145
S. Harman	290	L. McKay	296
J. McKay	328	T. Wolverton	85
A. Sirk	229	T. High	197
R. Whitacre	229	G. Locke	88
M. Baptist	10	J. Bailey	88
G. Boyd	40	D. Bowers	47
D. Margan	32	J. Taylor	14
R. Whitacre	79	B. Sager	90
D. Morris	24	M. Rutherford	69
Z. Thomas	37	T. Hruska	19
M. Lowery	262	T. DeHaven	3

DRIVERS: Driver driving only, with total calls above.

J. Caton	153	D. Franklin	20
P. Snyder	61	S. Hoover	209
F. Wright	70	R. Hess	8
J. Paige	103	M. Omps	49
R. McKay	19	S. Manuel	21
R. Coffman	28	D. Nixon	17
S. Harman	14	T. Wolverton	9

South End Fire Company

COMPANY 5

17 W. MONMOUTH ST.

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

ORGANIZED 1895

VOLUNTEERS SERVING YOU

MOTORIZED 1922

January 16, 1978

CHIEF GENE DAILEY
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ANNUAL REPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS FOR 1977 SOUTH END FIRE ENGINE COMPANY 5

The year 1977 proved to be one that demanded steadfast dedication, participation and loyalty from the officers and membership of Company 5. Statistics reveal that 1977 fire emergency response reached an all time high, yet there was no loss of life and property damage was kept to a respectable limit in relation to overall alarm response. These factors reflect upon the professional attitudes of all city companies in the performance of their firefighting operations.

The citizens of Winchester should be proud of their fire department and firemen. The dedication put forth for the citizens of our community cannot be expressed in words nor financial reports, but it can be and has been expressed throughout the year in the form of hard work, gallant deeds and many hours away from home and family. For when a man becomes a fireman, his act of bravery has been accomplished; what he does after that is all in the line of work! Company 5 personnel spent hours upon countless hours working fund raising events to purchase equipment, maintaining equipment readiness and station housekeeping, in addition to training and just waiting for the alarm when ones life is placed on the line to serve someone in need.

I am proud to report that Company 5 was never out of service during this past year. Volunteer drivers assured station readiness during all vacation and sick leave periods when paid men were not available for duty. Particular mention should be made of the period prior to and during deer season when many members were either already on or scheduled for vacation. A public service emergency at one of the local industries (underground sprinkler system main broken) necessitated the need for city companies to perform on premises standby service in case of fire outbreak. Company 5 assisted in this operation and still kept the station in service at all times. Personnel response to the station was outstanding throughout the year when an alarm was sounded. Paid and volunteer firemen alike would man the station and place the second unit in service to cover any additional calls. This proved to be vitally important to our community as the company answered 20 back to back alarms while one unit was previously committed to a call.

At this time, ten volunteer drivers are qualified on all pieces of apparatus and five are in training. Of the five in training, three have qualified on one or more pieces of apparatus. The busiest month for alarms was January with 62 calls. The slowest was August with 25 calls. 1653 night duties were logged in station. 29 firefighters attended state training classes and 12 men participated in activities other than fire suppression throughout the year.

During Fire Prevention Week, an open house was conducted in an effort to educate our citizens in the prevention of fire. Adults and children alike from community nurseries, day care centers and scouting organizations toured the station and took advantage of an excellent program. Instructive movies were shown, literature distributed, equipment demonstrations made and lectures given in the field of fire prevention. Of particular interest was the "Stop Drop and Roll" demonstration put on for children. In addition to in station educational instruction, several members visited schools, day care centers and other institutions to provide similar fire prevention instructions.

This year as well as past years, the company aided the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign by making available the hall for the yearly Jerry Lewis telethon. The hall was also used by the XI GAMMA PHI chapter of BETA SIGMA PHI sorority for the purpose of raising funds for their benefit projects for the needy in the community. Company members were instrumental in Christmas food baskets that were delivered to several Winchester families on Christmas Eve.

Engine 5, our 1962 Seagrave 1000 GPM pumper has been removed from service and sent to the Seagrave factory in Clintonville, Wisconsin. This apparatus will undergo extensive refurbishing, involving diesel engine conversion, pump rebuilding, heavy duty suspension and the pre-piping of a recently added deluge gun. Upon its return to Winchester, it will greatly enhance the fire power and effectiveness of the city's firefighting capabilities.

During 1977, firemen from the five city companies united in a bond of fellowship on the fireground, at training classes, Battalion Chief and company President meetings as well as on the ball field, to demonstrate their ability to work and function as a team, always dedicated to the fire service of the City of Winchester. Overall communications and rapport between companies is excellent and this directly reflects the superb job done by you, your officers and men in making the fire department of Winchester the fine organization it is today.

I would like to extend to you and Mr. Ben Dutton a hearty thank you for the leadership, guidance and assistance afforded Company 5, as well as all city stations and firefighters.

Respectfully,
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COMPANY 5

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WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

ORGANIZED 1895

VOLUNTEERS SERVING YOU

MOTORIZED 1922

STATISTICS CALENDAR YEAR 1977

<u>CATEGORY</u>		<u>MAN-HOURS</u>	
Training		2,925.0	
Emergency Calls		2,866.0	
Public Service		443.0	
Regular Duty		25,418.0	
Station Clean-up		2,116.0	
Station Maintenance & Repair		652.0	
Equipment Maintenance & Repair		833.0	
Meetings (Monthly & Comm.)		1,563.0	
Fund Raising		5,200.0	
Miscellaneous		154.0	
	Total Hours	42,170.0	(This figure involves 41 men. Based on a paid man's work week of 60 hours for 50 weeks, the man hours involved would be the equivalent of 14 full time paid men.)
Emergency Calls	495		
Public Service	<u>21</u>		
Total	516		
Average Men Per Call	7.9		

APPARATUS

<u>Wagon</u> (1975 Seagrave)	<u>Engine</u> (1962 Seagrave)	<u>Brush</u> (1972 Ford)
5,050 Miles	1,005 Miles	1,822 Miles
397 Calls	92 Calls	109 Calls
53:00 Hours Pump Time	20:15 Hours Pump Time	16:45 Hours Pump Time

HOSE USED

1½" Hose	14,750 feet
2½" Hose	15,150 feet
3" Hose	37,800 feet
5" Hose	<u>1,100 feet</u>
	68,800 feet

(13.3 Miles of Hose)

MAJOR ITEMS USED

Booster Lines	92 Times	Indian Tanks	2 Times
Ejectors	8 Times	Light Plant	77 Times
Extinguishers (Dry & CO ₂)	13 Times	Portable Pump	2 Times @ 1:50
First Aid Bag (New)	2 Times	Salvage Equipment	19 Times
Forcible Entry Tools	13 Times	Small Tools	75 Times
Ground Ladders	19 Times	Soft Sleeve	29 Times
Hand Lights	30 Times	Survivair	104 Times
Hard Sleeve	6 Times		