



City of Winchester

— FIRE DEPARTMENT —

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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 1978 Annual Report for the Winchester Fire Department.

The department responded to 651 fire calls with a total estimated fire loss of \$271,410 as compared to \$721,443 loss in 1977. This is a \$450,033 decrease over the 1977 fire loss, and a \$653,390 decrease over the 1976 loss. The \$271,410 fire loss occurred in property with an estimated value of \$10,161,600. This would indicate that the department saved property valued at \$9,890,190.

Arson was a serious problem in 1978 as it accounted for more than one half of the total fire loss for the year. Through renewed efforts of the fire department and the police department, we hope to form an "Arson Team" to combat this problem. Major Rudolph and I both feel the team concept is our best course of action at this time.

Central dispatch became a reality in 1978, and has played an important roll in improving fire protection in the city. We now have direct communications with mutual aid companies and cross communications with most of the organizations supplying emergency services to the area.

The attitude and training of both volunteer and paid continues to improve and has gained the department respect throughout the State. The volunteer drivers continue to cover for a great deal of the holiday, vacation and sick leave for the paid men. A copy of the annual report of each company is included and will show the tremendous volume of man hours spent in training, suppression, duty and public service.

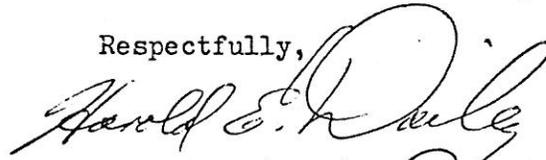
We have 7 volunteers and 12 paid men that have either completed or are presently enrolled in the Fire Science Program at Lord Fairfax Community College. Captain L. A. Miller is also an instructor in this program.

The Volunteer Battalion Chief program has been a great help in running the department. Most of the chiefs have attended specialized officer seminars in the city, completed Fire College Weekend in Pennsylvania, and other courses throughout the State.

The fire service is a very complex and complicated field of endeavor. It takes the combined efforts of the company presidents, the volunteer battalion chiefs, the paid officers, the volunteers and the paid men to allow the department to function as a unit. My secretary also plays a very important part in this unit, serving as both a paid employee and a volunteer, even having given up several weekends to assist the department in conducting fire schools during the past year.

The attitude and devotion of the members of the Winchester Fire Department is unequalled, but without the support of civic groups, businessmen, city government, and each individual citizen, we could not do the job. A FIRE SAFE COMMUNITY is a community where everyone is involved in fire prevention.

Respectfully,



Harold E. (Gene) Dailey

HED/bch

WINCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

PERSONNEL

Chief	1
Captain	1
Lieutenant	1
Sergeant	3
Firemen	12
Secretary	1

EQUIPMENT

FRIENDSHIP COMPANY 1

Wagon	1	1968 American LaFrance, 1000 GPM
Engine	1	1952 Mack, 750 GPM Pumper
Tanker	1	1966 Ford, 500 GPM Pump and 1500 Gallons Water
Utility	1	1965 Chevrolet, Light Unit and Deluge Set

ROUSS COMPANY 2

Tower	2	1978 Pierce, 85' Aerial Platform
Truck	21	1969 Pirsch, 100' Aerial Ladder

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

PUBLIC FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION AND PREVENTION PROGRAM

Winchester, a modern yet historical city more than two centuries old, has a present population of some 22,000. This northern Virginia city, in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley, has a well-balanced economy which includes industry, agriculture, and general business. Some of its modern business concerns are housed in heavy timber buildings, well over a century old, in the old section of the city. These factors emphasize the pressing need for PUBLIC FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION AND PREVENTION PROGRAMS.

Winchester's Fire Department consists of a paid chief, captain, lieutenant, three sergeants, twelve firemen, a secretary, and 150 trained volunteer firemen. Ten pumpers, two ladder trucks, a brush truck, tanker, and salvage unit constitute the department's fire equipment which is kept in five stations within the city.

While the vital function of Public Fire Safety in the fire service is obvious, it was only last year that the need in Winchester was fully realized. Last year, Lt. Eddie Lillis was assigned the duty of Public Fire Safety Officer for the department. Two major points were impressed upon him. The first was that an on-going program was desperately needed; and second, there was no money in the budget to implement such a program. With this realization, Lt. Lillis accepted the responsibility and immediately began contacting civic clubs, nursing homes, the hospital, and all industries. Next he requested information from localities throughout the nation on their public fire safety programs. Once the programs were received, he reviewed each and combined the best points of each with his own ideas to develop an outstanding program.

The lieutenant made his own transparencies and arranged his own slide programs. This material, we feel, is not only as professional as any that can be purchased; it is actually better since its content is local and the community can relate to it. Area fire extinguisher companies cooperated so completely with Lt. Lillis in loaning films dealing with the use of fire extinguishers and breathing apparatus that they finally said, "Just keep them; if we need them, we'll give you a call."

The local cable television station agreed to give Lt. Lillis thirty minutes on its Library Data Line to present his Fire Safety Program. He appeared on the program so often that the station offered him his own show.

Lt. Lillis now appears on local television on the third Tuesday of each month and covers such subjects as holiday safety hints, smoke detectors, electrical hazards, home fire safety, EDITH, cold weather check-up safety, summer safety hints, babysitting safety, fireworks, first aid, and emergency dialing. Each show is taped and is available at the Handley Library for re-showing.

Lt. Lillis worked with the fire brigades at the hospital and at such industries as O'Sullivan Rubber Corporation, Rubbermaid Commercial Products, and Ashworth Brothers where he developed programs involving evacuation, fire prevention, emergency dialing, alarm systems, fire extinguishers, breathing apparatus, flammable liquids, and smoke detectors. Because he was at the hospital so frequently training the fire brigades and new employees, they eventually taped his program and now show it to all employees.

The lieutenant's programs have thoroughly impressed upon the public the need for smoke detectors in the home. This has been the most successful phase of his program and involves the entire department. Last year, the Winchester Rotary was impressed enough to spend \$500 for smoke detectors for the elderly and the underprivileged. Lt. Lillis took advantage of the opportunity, to not only install the detectors, but to talk to the recipients about general fire safety, EDITH, and fire prevention. He let the public know that he would install smoke detectors and receives requests daily.

He conducts monthly classes within the Winchester Pre-School System instructing them in Stop, Drop, and Roll; crawl, electrical safety, stove safety, and safety with matches. He also has spot programs designed for children in the first through fourth grades. In September, he initiated a six-week program for the fifth grade in the Winchester school system. This program was included in the school curriculum; it reached 242 students and was tremendously successful. The program, sponsored by the Independent Insurance Agents of Winchester and the C & P Telephone Company, was successful in reaching, not only the children, but the parents as well.

Lt. Lillis established monthly programs in the nursing homes, homes for the aged, and at the jail. He presents a special training program for the local government employees. He conducts classes for and speaks to many groups, clubs, and organizations such as the 4H, FFA, Senior Citizens, Izaak Walton League, Northwestern Workshop, and the Kiwanis, Moose, Lions, Exchange, and

Rotary Clubs. Once the Kiwanis and Exchange Clubs became aware of the need for training aids, they jointly purchased and donated three Danger House Fire Safety Kits---the Fire Basic Safety Kit, Petroleum Safety Kit, and the Electrical Safety Kit.

Local radio stations and newspapers have cooperated in giving practically unlimited time or space for the promotion of smoke detectors, fire safety tips, and wood stove safety. As a result, the department receives frequent requests from the public for inspections of wood stove installations; the same applies to chimneys and fireplaces. This affords the department one more opportunity to promote fire safety in the home.

By the end of 1977, Lt. Lillis had reached 12,000 people in and around Winchester. He no longer had to seek listeners. The demand for public fire safety had become so great that he could not keep up with his schedule. By March, 1978, with thirty-five classes and his other departmental duties, Lt. Lillis simply could not continue the program without assistance. He sent a memorandum to all paid and volunteer firemen requesting that anyone interested in public fire safety education contact the office. This brought a response from six firemen who volunteered their time and efforts to the program.

Because of their interest and the outstanding presentations and suggestions they brought to the program, they have reached an additional 9,000 people since July, 1978.

I feel the Public Fire Safety and Prevention Program in Winchester is one of the best I have seen. It is a continuing program and we will improve it as we go. The fire loss is down since the program started, however, there are many factors involved and it is too early to say just how much the program has affected fire loss.

WINCHESTER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Summary of Incidents

January - June, 1978

	Auto - Truck	Grass - Trash	Single Family Dwelling	Multi-Family Dwelling	Commercial	Industry	Institution	*Other	Total Calls Per Month
JANUARY	10	-	28	2	8	3	4	13	68
FEBRUARY	2	-	21	4	7	2	1	19	56
MARCH	8	1	10	4	3	2	2	20	50
APRIL	8	10	15	1	3	3	2	21	63
MAY	11	1	14	2	7	2	5	21	63
JUNE	8	1	1	3	6	2	2	26	49
TOTAL	47	13	89	16	34	14	16	120	349

Assist Frederick County 41

Accidental Alarms 17

False Alarms 12

*This category covers washdowns at accidents, fuel oil spills, downed power lines, storm damage, broken domestic water lines, outside gas leaks, and assistance to other emergency services with manpower and specialized equipment.

Fire loss for this period in 1978 totaled \$140,510. For the same period in 1977, the loss was \$700,893. Calls numbered 349 in 1978 and 346 in 1977. These figures reflect a considerable decrease in the amount of fire loss even though the number of fire calls remain comparatively the same. This would indicate that the department is arriving on the scene with enough equipment and trained personnel to prevent any further damage after its arrival.

The best measure of a fire department is how much damage occurs after its arrival. The fire department has no control over a fire at its inception—only from the time that a call is received. A fire doubles in size every minute which emphasizes the importance of getting the manpower and equipment on the scene as quickly as possible.

Causes of fires in the City of Winchester for this period in 1978 are listed. This list does not include auto fires, grass fires, or those in the "Other" category.

Heating/cooking equipment	42
Electrical	33
Incendiary - suspicious	12
Chimney	12
Smoking/matches	1
Children and matches	0

The majority of heating/cooking equipment fires are caused by the improper use of kerosene space heaters and the improper installation of wood stoves. The few fires caused by central oil heating equipment reflect a lack of maintenance by the owners.

The causes of fire nationally rank as follows:

Electrical	161,940
Smoking/matches	120,540
Incendiary - suspicious	101,820
Heating/cooking equipment	91,800
Children and matches	66,840
Open flames	63,080
Flammable liquids	19,540
Lightning	19,460
Spontaneous ignition	13,540

In a comparison of the causes of City fires with the national ranking, it would appear that our public education program in fire safety and enforcement of the Fire Code has been beneficial. There has been only one fire caused by smoking/matches and none caused by children, open flames, or flammable liquids.

It must be remembered that what is a crisis to one person may seem insignificant to someone who is not involved. To the Fire Department, each call is an emergency and is handled professionally to its conclusion regardless of whether it is a cat in a tree or a building fully involved in fire.

Summary of Incidents

July - December 1978

	Auto - Truck	Grass - Trash	Single-Family Dwelling	Multi-Family Dwelling	Commercial	Industry	Institution	* Other	Total Calls
JULY	6	4	7	4	3	1	1	19	45
AUGUST	7	1	7	2	5	3	0	22	47
SEPTEMBER	9	2	5	5	5	1	2	15	44
OCTOBER	10	9	6	1	7	1	1	16	51
NOVEMBER	2	5	8	6	9	1	5	15	51
DECEMBER	5	5	15 ^a	2	1	2	1	33	64
TOTAL	39	26	48	20	30	9	10	120	302

Assist Frederick County 49
 Accidental or Malfunction Alarms 25
 False Alarms 7

Fire loss for July through December of 1978 was \$130,900 as compared to \$140,510 in the first six months of the year. Arson accounted for \$121,000 of the fire loss from July through December of 1978.

THE FIREMAN'S 23rd. PSALM

The Lord is my Fire Chief, I shall not want;

He makes me lie down in clean squad rooms.

He leads me beside the still engines;

He restores my goals.

He guides me along the right roads for alarms sake.

Even though I travel in the dark morning hours,

I will fear no evil;

He'll always run with me;

His sirens and bells, they comfort me.

He prepares my abilities before me,

In the presence of life's fires.

He annoints my work with good equipment;

My runs overflow with encouragement.

The watchfulness of his mercy and kindness,

Shall follow me all the runs of my life;

And I shall dwell within the bounds

Of His eternal firehouse---forever!

Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

January 15, 1979

FIRE OPERATIONS REPORT - 1978

- I. The attached report is submitted to the Chief of the Winchester Fire Department for the total fire operations of Friendship Fire Company for the year 1978.
- II. This report gives a breakdown of total calls, standbys, responses by the men to the fireground, equipment used, training and mileage of apparatus.
- III. During the year of 1978, we added four more men to our volunteer ranks as assistant drivers. Because of this, our station is opened 24 hours a day and 365 days a year in the event of illness or vacation incurred by the 3 paid firefighters at our station.
- IV. During this previous year, we suffered a bad accident involving Wagon 1, with two firefighters being injured. Fortunately, neither were seriously injured, but the equipment was not so lucky. Wagon 1 was out of service for approximately six months which entailed having it sent back to the factory to be refurbished. Because we had no back-up Engine at the time, we had to rely on the other companies in the city to come through for us until we purchased an Engine. During this time, all four other companies in Winchester offered their help to us which we at Friendship greatly appreciate. Two companies in particular, Shawnee Fire Company and Rouss Fire Company both loaned us a piece of equipment in order to keep our station in service with a Class A pumper. We at Friendship knew that this put a hardship on these companies, but both Shawnee and Rouss had confidence in us to use their equipment. After several months, we purchased a 1952 Mack with a 750 gallon per minute pump for our Engine and were able to return the other equipment. To this date, the Mack is still running as Engine 1. This is a prime example of the teamwork, togetherness, or the unity within the Winchester Fire Department. No longer do we function as separate fire departments, but as one large company, all here for the same reason; the protection of life and property in the City of Winchester.

Respectfully,

Scott Cullers

Scott Cullers
Chief, Friendship Company 1

Friendship Fire Company No. 1, Inc.

Winchester, Virginia 22601

FIRE OPERATIONS - 1978

TOTAL CALLS - 298

FIRST DUE CALLS - 122

ASSIST CALLS - 176

TIME ON TOTAL CALLS - 9,394 Minutes

AVERAGE TIME PER CALL - 32 Minutes

CALLS PER PIECE OF EQUIPMENT:

Wagon 1 - 245

Engine 1 - 6

Tanker 1 - 40

Utility 1 - 36

TIME PUMPED - 37 Hours and 30 Minutes

FIREFIGHTERS AT THE SCENE - 1,300

FIREFIGHTERS ON STANDBY - 550

AVERAGE NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS PER CALL - 6.2 Firefighters

HOSE USED:

3" Hose - 7,650 Feet

2½" Hose - 6,200 Feet

1½" Hose - 2,700 Feet

Booster Hose - 15 Times

MILEAGE OF APPARATUS:

Wagon 1 - 1,675 Miles

Engine 1 - 1,367 Miles

Tanker 1 - 1,715 Miles

Utility 1 - 697 Miles

TRAINING - 1,632 Hours

TOTAL MANHOURS SPENT IN STATION - 59,759 Hours

FIRE EQUIPMENT UTILIZED:

24' Ladder - 10 Times

Generator - 8 Times

Axes - 6 Times

Smoke Ejector - 10 Times

Scotts - 56 Times

Pike Poles - 12 Times

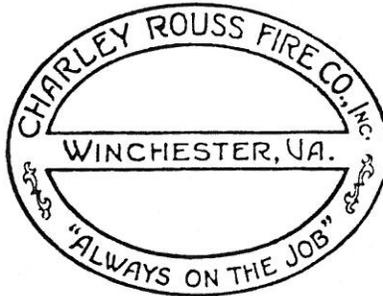
Extinguisher - 7 Times

Handlights - 25 Times

Halion - 13 Times

Hi-Rise Pack - 5 Times

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MAY 20, 1789



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MAY 3, 1907

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

Chief Gene Dailey
Fire Department Headquarters

This report is a brief summary of our company activities, training, and accomplishments for the year 1978. During the year, the Rouss Fire Company has been involved in a complete reconstruction of its fire fighting efforts to become the only Truck Company in the City of Winchester. In order to accomplish this goal, we took out of service and sold our 1969 Pirsch Pumper and our 1956 American LaFrance Pumper. During 1978 we also sold our 1940 Pirsch Aerial Truck.

Our volunteers have trained a total of nearly 2,027 hours in schools and colleges on a state-wide, local and out of state level. This training was intensively directed toward the many duties of a truck company at the fire scene. We also had five members successfully complete Fire College Weekend in Pennsylvania.

As our greatest accomplishment for the year 1978, we feel that the delivery of our 85 foot Pierce Aerial Platform in December tops the list. With the capabilities of this piece of equipment, in addition with our other equipment and training, we at Company 2 hope to be one step closer to becoming one of the best Truck Companies in the State of Virginia.

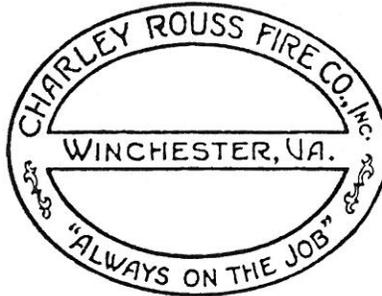
Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raymond F. Campbell, Jr.".

Raymond F. Campbell, Jr.

Assistant Chief, Company 2

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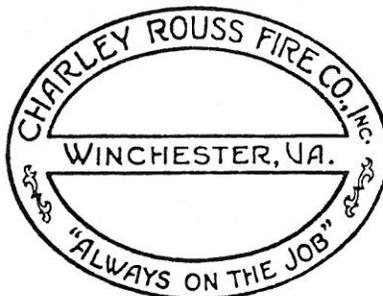
Total Alarms (City) 650 Company 2 Responded 261
Average Manpower per call 3.1 Men

<u>Response</u>		<u>Mileage</u>
Truck 21	259 Alarms	610 Miles
Truck 22	16 Alarms	30 Miles
Wagon 2	30 Alarms	87 Miles
Engine 2	2 Alarms	8 Miles
Car 2	4 Alarms	10 Miles

<u>Total Pump Time</u>	<u>Hose Used</u>
17½ Hours	5" Hose 600 Feet
	3" Hose 550 Feet
	2½" Hose 750 Feet
	1½" Hose 1200 Feet
	3,100 Total Feet

<u>Equipment</u>	
Aerial Ladder	14 Times
35' Ladder	8 Times
28' Ladder	3 Times
24' Ladder	2 Times
20' Ladder	3 Times
16' Ladder	3 Times
Folding Ladder	9 Times
Roof Ladder	5 Times
Light Plant	52 Times
Smoke Ejector	64 Times
Handlights	103 Times
Masks	88 Times
Pike Poles	68 Times
Salvage Equipment	56 Times
Tools (Other)	62 Times

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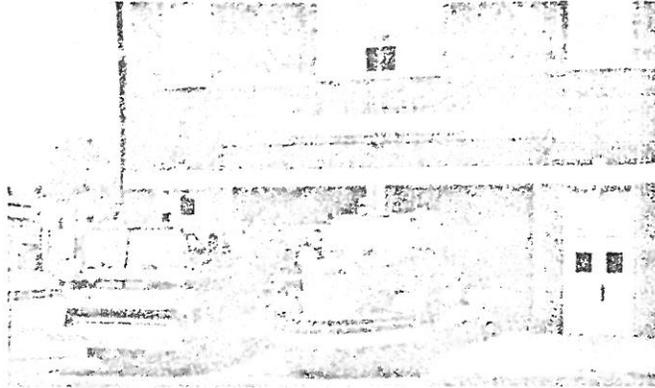
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<u>MANPOWER</u>	<u>ALARMS</u>	<u>MANPOWER</u>	<u>ALARMS</u>
Baker, R.	34	Keefer, T.	87
Bock, D.	171	Lauck, C.	55
Bock, R.	166	Lewis, K.	96
Bock, S.	177	Martin, D.	24
Bowers, D.	21	Seabright, D.	162
Boyd, J.	103	Seabright, E.	2
Broyles, R.	51	Shultz, D.	6
Campbell, R.	104	Shipp, J.	59
Carter, R.	85	Stern, R.	21
Clark, V.	35	DeHaven, S.	155
Cooper, P.	18	Funkhouser, A.	107
Doran, M.	92	Owens, G.	87
Dorsey, J.	18	Brown, S.	15
Dove, G.	13	Dorsey, D.	54
Hart, M.	57	Jeffcoat, W.	11
Jeffcoat, D.	52	Reed, K.	11
Jenkins, D.	46	Signor, S.	26
Jenkins, W.	46		

SARAH ZANE FIRE COMPANY, Inc.

ORGANIZED 1840

301 North Loudoun Street * Winchester, Virginia



Chief Gene Dailey
Fire Department Headquarters

The following is a brief summary of the activities, both emergency and non-emergency, of the Sarah Zane Fire Company for the year 1978. 1978 started out as a good year and has continued with few problems. In December 1977, firefighter Tommy Wolfe resigned his position to take a job with the Fairfax County Fire Department, therefore leaving a vacancy to be filled. Firefighter David Nixon came to work in March 1978. Dave came to Sarah Zane from the Shawnee Fire Company and with his background experience as a volunteer fireman, has proven himself to be a very important asset to Sarah Zane.

The year has been a very rewarding year and I feel that our success can only be contributed to the dedication and cooperation of both the paid and volunteer firefighters of Sarah Zane.

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

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

Respectfully,

Kenneth R. Lewis, Jr.
Kenneth R. Lewis, Jr.

Assistant Chief, Company 3



SHAWNEE FIRE COMPANY
2333 Roosevelt Blvd
Winchester, Virginia 22601

January 3, 1979

Subject: Fire Operations Report for 1978
FROM : Asst Fire Chief Lee Holler
TO : Chief H. E. Dailey
Winchester Fire Department

1. The attached report is submitted to the Fire Chief, Winchester, VA for operations of Co. 4 for 1978.
2. This report will cover all calls answered for the apparatus, milage, equipment used, man hours at station and scene and training.
3. New equipment purchased for the year and placed in service: Two 2½" fog nozzles; two leather helmets; two turn-out coats; a folding ladder and one rescue type first aid kit.
4. We now have, other than paid personnel, five volunteer drivers for Wagon 4; eight volunteer drivers for Engine 4; and twelve volunteer drivers for Salvage 4.
5. During the year the Ford 1000 GPM pumper was changed over to a Foam Unit. All volunteer drivers assigned to this unit are trained in foam operations.

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


LEE C. HOLLER, JR.
Asst. Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Fire Operations report for 1978
DATE : January 3, 1979

1. MAN HOURS at station waiting for any emergency (this includes working on maintenance, equipment, building, and waiting for any emergency to happen.)

Jan	4511	Jul	4035	
Feb	3162	Aug	4306	
Mar	3851	Sep	3801	
Apr	3692	Oct	5403	
May	3730	Nov	3685	
Jun	3499	Dec	5807	Total 49,481 hours.

2. MAN HOURS TRAINING This includes state sponsored, local and other locations fire training courses.

2083 hours of training.

3. TOTAL CALLS EACH UNIT:

Wagon 4 195 calls; Engine 4 26 calls; Salvage 4 261 calls

4. MILAGE OF APPARATUS FOR EMERGENCIES:

Wagon 4 686 miles; Engine 4 206 miles; Salvage 4 1413 miles

5. MAN HOURS ON THE FIRE SCENE:

1329 hours

6. MAN HOURS AT STATION: (waiting at standby for other emergency with other fire apparatus)

1127 hours

7. This Fire Company answered 49 Public Service calls in 1979. (pumping basements, wash-downs, rescue, etc.)

SUBJECT: Fire Operations report for 1978
DATE : January 3, 1979

8. HOSE USED:

<u>Booster</u>	<u>3"</u>	<u>2½"</u>	<u>1½"</u>
used 18 times	13,000 ft	3050 ft	7750 ft

9. EQUIPMENT USED:

Smoke Ejector	16 times
Masks	24 times
Light Plant	14 times
Portable lights	5 times
Cascade System	19 times
Heat Detector	8 times
Salvage Equip.	43 times
Deodorizer	3 times
Ladders	12 times
Portable pumps	46 times

South End Fire Company

COMPANY 5

17 W. MONMOUTH ST.

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

ORGANIZED 1895

VOLUNTEERS SERVING YOU

MOTORIZED 1922

February 12, 1979

CHIEF H. E. DAILEY
Fire Department Headquarters
Winchester, Virginia 22601

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Progress: The dictionary supplies us with the definition....
"a moving or going forward; advancement."

During 1978, the members of SOUTH END FIRE COMPANY afforded the Winchester community and its citizens another year of outstanding professional volunteer fire protection. Since its organization on November 3, 1895, the Company has persistently moved forward and advanced so people and property alike could be safeguarded from the perils of fire.

Progress demands significant contributions from the members of a volunteer organization. Once again the membership graphically displayed its interests, attitudes and desires, all of which have made Winchester a better, safer place in which to live and work. In 1978, overall operations of the Company required in excess of 44000 man hours. 29000 hours or 65% of the total effort hours expended, were put forth manning the fire station in a fully ready state so an alarm could be promptly answered. Training, emergency and public service response, station and equipment maintenance and repair, committee and executive action sessions, and critical fund raising efforts rounded out the membership's dedication to serve.

Fund raising efforts must be recognized as a very critical and necessary factor in the successful operation of this Company. Spiraling costs for equipment, maintenance, utilities, fuels and insurance pose an increasing threat to the financial soundness of any volunteer organization. Only through the support and dedication of its members and pro-volunteer organization, state and local bingo legislation can we continue to provide the optimum in fire protection to the community we serve, at a cost that does not impact on the property owners' tax liability.

South End Fire Company

COMPANY 5

17 W. MONMOUTH ST.

WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA 22601

ORGANIZED 1895

VOLUNTEERS SERVING YOU

MOTORIZED 1922

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February 12, 1979

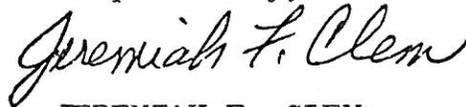
CHIEF H. E. DAILEY

As was the case in 1977, Company 5 was never placed out of service during 1978. Station readiness was assured each hour of every day by volunteer drivers whenever paid drivers were absent because of leave, sickness, vacation or holidays. Company spirit was again exemplified by making the hall available to the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. Christmas baskets were distributed to needy families in the area which were made available through company member contributions, and on the ball field the members participated in the Civic League softball competition.

Individual goals were reflected by four members who attended Fire Science Curriculum courses at Lord Fairfax Community College. Six members attended the Williamsport, Pennsylvania Fire College Weekend and twenty-seven men attended Virginia State Fire School conducted during September in Winchester, and an Officers Seminar offered in August.

Progress, advancement and moving forward are terms that have proved to be synonymous with the objectives of SOUTH END FIRE COMPANY. I would like to thank the Company's Executive Officers, my Line Officers and each member for his contribution in making 1978 a very successful year in the history of SOUTH END FIRE COMPANY.

Respectfully,



JEREMIAH F. CLEM
Assistant Chief

South End Fire Company

COMPANY 5

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MOTORIZED 1922

STATISTICS CALENDAR YEAR 1978

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>MAN HOURS</u>	
Training	2112.5	
Emergency Calls	1113.5	
Public Service	268.0	
Regular Duty	28945.0	
Station Clean-up	3031.0	
Station Maintenance&Repair	360.5	
Equipment Maintenance&Repair	1441.5	
Meetings (Monthly&Committee)	1894.5	
Fund Raising	5132.0	
Miscellaneous	130.0	
Total Hours -	44428.5	(This figure would represent the equivalent of 15 full time men working 56 hours per week for 52 weeks.)
Emergency Calls	372	
Public Service	40	
Total--	412	of 651 yearly City incidents (63%)

Average Men per Call - 7.3 Average Man Hours Daily - 121.7
 Average Man Hours Monthly - 102.8

APPARATUS

<u>Wagon</u> (1975 Seagrave)	<u>Engine</u> (1962 Seagrave)	<u>Brush</u> (1972 Ford)
1978 Miles	1433 Miles	869 Miles
295 Responses	83 Responses	50 Responses
33:23 Pump Time	8:00 Pump Time	8:30 Pump Time

HOSE UTILIZED TYPE/LENGTH

1½"	8700 feet	
2½"	1900 feet	
3 "	26750 feet	
5 "	2050 feet	
	Total -	39400 feet

EQUIPMENT UTILIZATION

Booster Lines	50 Times	Light Plant	53 Times
Cord Reels	9 Times	Overhaul Tools	34 Times
Extinguishers	8 Times	Portable Pump	1 @ 2:45
First Aid Equipment	6 Times	Salvage Tools/Equip.	12 Times
Forcible Entry Tools	35 Times	Small Tools	23 Times
Hand Lights	54 Times	Soft Sleeve	15 Times
Indian Tank	1 Time	Smoke Ejectors	10 Times
Hard Sleeve	7 Times	Submersible Pump	3 @ 3:45
Ladders	12 Times	Surviveair (SCBA)	78 Times