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SOUTHERN MARYLAND VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION
Business Meeting of July 29, 2013

President Shirley Copado called the meeting to order at 1928 hours at Newburg RS/ VFD.

Invocation was given by Mike Bowen Assistant Chaplain.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Shirley Copado.

Welcome by Vice President of Newburg RS/VFD John Henry Thomas.

The meeting was recessed for dinner at 1930 hours by President Copado.

The meeting was reconvened at 2030 hours by President Copado.

Appreciation was given to Newburg RS/VFD Auxiliary for the dinner.

Roll call was called by Secretary Darby Byrd (see attached)

President Copado introduced the Past Presidents and guest (see attached)

Officers in attendance: President Shirley Copado, 1st VP Robert Allen, 2nd VP George Hayden, Secretary Darby Byrd, Treasurer John Wathen.

Guest Remarks:

MSFA President Jackie Olson thanked everyone for their support. She has established four new committees. MSFA Executive Committee will meet on Saturday August 24th at Mount Airy.

MSFA 1st VP David Keller told everyone that "it was an honor to serve this great association. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you."

MSFA 2nd VP Johnnie Roth, stated "Thank you for the invitation and it is a pleasure to be here with you this evening. Thank you for your continued support and he is always looking for help. Congratulations to Lexington Park RS of their 60th Anniversary and to Hollywood VFD on a successful carnival"

MSFA Trustee Danny Carpenter said "we need your help at the company level to make sure that the paperwork for line of duty deaths are getting completed in a timely fashion. Please visit the website for additional information or call any one of the Trustee at any time".

MSFA Secretary Doyle Cox said "Thank You".

MSFA Executive Committee Dan Stevens-see detailed attached report.

MSFA Miss Fire Prevention Dani Crane stated, " Good evening. It is a pleasure to serve as the MSFA Miss Fire Prevention. My goal is to implement my project of a lesson plan aligned to state guidelines with objectives for teachers. Please check your cars before you lock your doors to make sure that your children are out. Please contact me if you need any Fire Prevention support."

MSFA PP Paul Sterling-"Thank you."

2nd VP MSFA Candidate Robyn Sheldon Hahn stated, "I am running for the office of 2nd VP for the

MSFA. I would appreciate your support in OC in June of 2014.”

Minutes:

Minutes for May 2013 convention were distributed. Motion made by Jeff Williams, Indian Head VFD and Second by Tom Hutchinson, Bel Alton VFD to accept with corrections from the floor. Butch Frazier is from La Plata VFD not Cobb Island VFD, . Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: (attached)

Motion made by Lynn Gilroy, La Plata VFD and Second by Bill Cooke, Waldorf VFD to pay the bills. Motion passed.

Officer's Reports-Turned into Secretary. (See attached)

Committee Reports:

Auditing-Phil Ridgell-no report.

Awards-Tom Flint stated, “Thank you for your participation in the Awards. He had a problem with the delivery of the pins and badges. Please call for any help.”

By-laws-Robert Allen, 1st VP no report.

Camera-Dan Emmart reported that they are looking for someone from Charles and Calvert to help with taking pictures at events.

Campaign-John O. Gatton, PP-no report

Code of Ethics-Tom Mattingly, PP-no report.

Directory-Bill Cooke, PP reported that you need to contact your county representative with updates. New directories will be given out at convention in September 2013.

Emergency Medical-Joanie Williams, PP-see report attached.

Fire Prevention-Jeff Williams, PP reported, “I know deep in my heart that there should be more awards coming to Southern Maryland. I would like to remind everyone about the new smoke detector laws and make sure you are spreading the word.”

Hall of Fame-John O. Gatton, PP no report.

Historical Preservation-Bill Cooke, PP reported that banquet programs are coming in better and would like to have two copies if possible. Also I have 5 binders that have been put together for display.

Motion by PP Danny Davis and seconded by PP Doyle Cox to give the Historical Preservation committee a working fund of \$100.00. Motion passed.

Honor Guard-Mike Quade-not present.

Liaison LA-SMVFA-2nd VP George Hayden reported that the next meeting of the LASMVFA is October 2, 2013 at Mechanicsville VFD..

Legislative-Danny Davis, PP-no report.

MSFA Low Interest Loan-John O. Gatton, PP-see attached report.

MSFA Executive Committee-Dan Stevens-already reported. (See attached)

Nominating-John O. Gatton, PP-no report.

Police-Fire-Rescue-Robert Allen, 2nd VP reported, “If you have a loss then you need to contact the SMVFA President first and then she will contact the Spiritual Leader and then Robert Allen. “

Safety-Mark Carrico-see attached report.

Standards-President Shirley Copado reported that she was to receive a letter from Lexington Park Rescue Squad requesting to be reinstated.. Motion by PP Bill Cooke, Waldorf VFD and seconded by Keith Fairfax, Bay District VFD. Motion passed. Letter is attached.

Training-Dan Stevens-see attached detailed report

Ways and Means-Pam Simmons-no report

Web Page-Tom Flint reported that he has done a lot of work updating pictures. Any problems please contact him.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

President Shirley Copado presented a letter making Charles Wills the Chair Emeritus of the EMS Committee. Letter attached.

Good of the Organization:

Mr. Hedges and Mr. Eastburn of Bryans Road VFD are celebrating 64 years of service.

50/50 Raffle: Host company \$174.00 won by Butch Frazier, La Plata VFD.

50/50 Raffle: Association \$210.00 won by Patrick Hassler, Prince Frederick VFD.

Next meeting: September 30, 2013 at Potomac Heights VFD.

Benediction was given by Mike Bowen, Prince Frederick VFD.

Motion made by Charles Will, Potomac Height VFD and second by PP Bill Cooke, Waldorf VFD to adjourn.

Respectively submitted,

Darby Byrd

Darby Byrd, Secretary SMVFA

Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association

ROLL CALL OF COMPANIES

Date: July 29, 2013 Newburg RS/VFD

	Bay District VFD	7
	Bel Alton VFD / EMS	2
	Benedict VFD / RS	4
	Bryans Road VFD / RS	3
	Calvert County ALS	1
	Calvert County Dive Team	0
	Charles County Dive Rescue	1
	Charles County MICU	1
	Cobb Island VFD / EMS	5
	Dentsville EMS	4
	Dunkirk VFD / RS	4
	Hollywood VFD	2
	Hollywood VRS	5
	Hughesville VFD / RS	4
	Huntingtown VFD / RS	0
	Indian Head VFD / RS	4
	Ironsides VRS	2
	LaPlata VFD	4
	Leonardtown VFD	5
	Leonardtown VRS	3
	Mechanicsville VFD	5
	Mechanicsville VRS	2
	Nanjemoy VFD	0
	Newburg VRS / FD	5
	North Beach VFD / RS	3
	Potomac Heights VFD / RS	3
	Prince Frederick VFD	6
	Prince Frederick VRS	3
	Ridge VFD	4
	Ridge VRS	3
	St. Leonard VFD / RS	1
	St. Mary's ALS	0
	Second District VFD / RS	5
	Seventh District VFD	2
	Seventh District VRS	5
	Solomons VRS / FD	3
	Tenth District VFD	2
	Waldorf VFD / EMS	6
	TOTAL	119

Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association

Past Presidents in Attendance

Date: July 29, 2013 Newburg RS/VFD

		OTHER OFFICE HELD	
	Raymond Bowen		1957
	Allan Bowen		1959
X	B. Kennedy Abell, Jr		1960
	Vernon D. Horsman, Sr		1962, 1976
	Jack Dorsey		1964
	Warren D. Gott		1970
X	Charles W. Wills		1971
	Leon Cullison, Jr		1972
X	John O. Gatton, Sr		1974
X	William F. Cooke		1975
	William W. Olsen		1979
	Clarence D. Carpenter, Jr	PP MSFA	1981
	Herbert Dowell		1982
	Luther A. Della, Jr		1983
X	Joseph H. Cooper		1984
X	Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr	PP MSFA	1986
X	C. Daniel Carpenter III		1988
X	C. Daniel Davis, Jr	PP MSFA	1989
	Robert E. Collins		1991
X	Carl B. Scully		1992
	J. Raymond Lankford		1993
	William R. Massey		1994
	Donald F. Hall		1996
	William D. White		1997
	P. Robert Balta	PP MSFA	1998
	William J. Jenkins, Jr		1999
X	Wayne T. Higdon		2000
X	Joseph A. Cooper		2001
X	Doyle E. Cox	PP MSFA	2002
X	Lynn D. Gilroy		2003
	John O. Gatton, Jr		2004
X	James Mattingly III		2005
X	Jeffrey Williams		2006
X	Joan W. Williams		2007
	Monty Parks		2008
	Jimmy Rose		2009
X	William G. Wilkerson		2010
X	William "Billy" Jones		2011
	Charles Shaw		2012
			2013
			2014
			2015

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Guests in Attendance

Date: July 29, 2013 Newburg RS/VFD

LA-SMVFA OFFICERS

	PRESIDENT Elaine Quade		
	1 ST VICE PRESIDENT Tara Wood		
X	2 ND VICE PRESIDENT Donna Demarr		
	SECRETARY Darlene Wood		
	TREASURER PP Kimberly Sullivan		
	CHAPLAIN PP Barbara Sue Nelson		
	GUARD PP Dottie Katz		

MSFA OFFICERS

X	PRESIDENT Jackie Olson		
X	1 ST VICE PRESIDENT David Keller		
X	2 ND VICE PRESIDENT Johnie Roth		
X	TRUSTEE C. Danny Carpenter III		
X	SECRETARY Doyle Cox		
X	EXECUTIVE COMM REP Dan Stevens		

MD FIRE & RESCUE INSTITUTE

	Regional Director Amber Leizear		

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OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

	Duane Svites		

ELECTED OFFICIALS

OTHER GUESTS

	Danielle Sullivan-So, MD Miss Fire Prevention		
X	Dani Crane-MSFA Miss Fire Prevention		
X	PP MSFA Paul Sterling		
X	Robin Sheldon Hahn-MSFA 2 nd VP Candidate		



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SOUTHERN MARYLAND VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Activities of the President:

May 5, 2013

May 7, 2013

May 9, 2013

May 14, 2013

May 14, 2013

May 15, 2013

May 29, 2013

May 29, 2013

June 4, 2013

June 5, 2013

June 8, 2013

June 13, 2013

June 13, 2013

June 15-21, 2013

June 16, 2013

SMVFA Parade, Leonardtown

LVRS Drill

Attended the Congressional Fire & Emergency Services 25th annual awards ceremony, Washington, DC

BOCC of St. Mary's meeting to receive proclamation for EMS Week

LVRS Board Meeting

sent sympathy card to Jeff Dickey

and get well card to Leonard King

sent get well card to PP Jimmy

Mattingly

sent sympathy card to family of John

Kneessii of NB VFDRS

Attended prayers for James Stine @

LaPlata, gave medallion

Attended LA-SMVFA meeting @

Leonardtown VFD

Attended fund raiser for MVFD &

HVFDEMS @ MVFD

Attended prayers for Teddy Wathen

of Leon VFD @ Mattingley Gardiner

FH

Fund Raiser for LA-LVRS at Olde Pub

MSFA Convention/Conference in

Ocean City, MD

MSFA Executive Comm. Meeting 0900

June 20, 2013	MSFA Executive Comm. Meeting 0900
June 27, 2013	Training at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital - TOR
June 29, 2013	Installed the officers at SMC ALS Banquet at LVFD
July 8, 2013	Convention meeting Prince Frederick
July 9, 2013	Attended Board Meeting @ LVRS
July 10, 2013	Executive Board meeting of SMVFA @ LVRS
July 16, 2013	Attended Business Mtg @ LVRS
July 20, 2013	Installed officers at LPVRS Installation banquet
July	Get Well cards sent to Diana Gunther & Deacon L'Heureux Sympathy Cards sent to Deacon L'Heureux & William Olsen
July 25, 2013	Attended the distribution of the check for NFFF at Mission BBQ, California.
July 26, 2013	Installed officers of Benedict VFD/RS
July 27, 2013	Installed officers of La Plata VFD

Respectively submitted,



Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association

2nd Vice President Report

May 13, 2013 attended Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association meeting at Bryans Road Fire Department.

May 16, 2013 attended Charles County Board of Fire and Rescue meeting at the Charles County Government Building.

May 30, 2013 attended Charles County Cadet Banquet at La Plata Fire Department.

June 16 thru June 18 attended the Maryland State Firemen's Association Convention held in Ocean City Md.

June 20, 2013 attended Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association Planning Committee meeting in La Plata.

June 29, 2013 attended Installation Banquet for Bryans Road Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.

July 1, 2013 attended Charles County EMS Executive meeting at SMRTC in La Plata.

July 2, 2013 attended Charles County VFA Executive meeting at SMRTC in La Plata.

July 8, 2013 attended Charles County VFA meeting at Charles County Dive Team.

July 10, 2013 attended meeting with Executive Officers for SMVFA at Leonardtown Rescue Squad.

July 15, 2013 attended Charles County Chief's meeting held at SMRTC in La Plata.

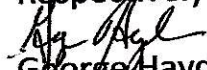
July 18, 2013 attended Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association Planning Committee meeting in La Plata.

July 24, 2013 attended Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association Planning Committee meeting in La Plata.

July 26, 2013 attended Installation Banquet for Benedict Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad at Waldorf Jaycee hall.

July 27, 2013 attended Installation Banquet for La Plata Volunteer Fire Department held at their station.

Respectively submitted,


George Hayden

Deceased Members

10 Known deaths in 2013

05/27/2013	John Kneessi	North Beach VFD
05/31/2013	James McGuire Stine, Sr.	Cobb Island VFD
06/02/2013	Edward "Eddie" Catterton, Sr.	Dunkirk VFD
06/12/2013	Theodore Richard :Eddie: Wathen	Leonardtown VFD

Members who are sick

John Nelson 7th DVFD St. Mary's County
Mark Buhl Bay District VFD
Bobby Medinzki Leonardtown VFD
DJ Mills, Waldorf VFD

Special Prayer Request

John Shifflet (Danny Carpenter's son-in-law)

SMVFA Activities Report 2013

5/14	Offered prayers and Memorial Service at the Law Enforcement Appreciation Day
5/22	Attended and offered prayers at the St. Mary's County Fire/EMS Tech School graduation and awards banquet
6/1	Attended the SMVFA Appreciation Picnic
6/4	Offered Firemen's Prayers for James Stine, Sr. of Cobb Island VFD
6/13	Offered Firemen's Prayers for Teddy Wathen of the Leonardtown VFD
6/15-19	Attended the MSFA Convention in Ocean City including the Officer's Banquet, the Memorial Service and other convention programs
6/29	Attended and offered prayers at the SMC Advanced Life Support Installation and Awards Banquet
7/5	Suffered Acute Myocardial Infarction which has restricted me to very limited activities

Respectfully submitted,

Deacon George L'Heureux, Chaplain
July 28, 2013



Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association

Assistant Chaplain Report - Calvert County

July 29, 2013

Deceased Members

5/27/2013 - John Knessi North Beach VFD

6/2/2013 - Edward Catterton, Sr. Dunkirk VFD

Prayer List

Deacon George L'Heureux

Shirley Menendez PFVRS

Vernon D. Horsmon, Sr. PFVFD

Warren Gott PFVFD

RAYMOND LANKFORD Solomons VRS+FD.

SMVFA / CCVFA Activities Report

May 4 - Attended the SMVFA Memorial Service and Awards Dinner

May 18 - Conducted the CCVFA Annual Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service

June 15 - June 19 Attended the MSFA Convention in Ocean City, Maryland including the Memorial Service, several meetings and Chaplains Breakfast

June 30 - Conducted the Funeral Service for John Knessi, NBVFD

July 6 - Visitation with Deacon George and his daughter at Washington Hospital Center

Chaplain H. Michael Bowen

SMVFA - Calvert County

Member - Federation of Fire Chaplains - Fellowship of Christian Firefighters - CFMI



Lexington Park Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc. Company 39



Station 39
21633 Great Mills Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-862-3331

Mailing Address:
P. O. Box 339
Lexington Park, MD 20653

Station 38
45945 Buck Hewitt Rd
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-9118

June 15, 2013

Southern Maryland Volunteer Fireman's Association
St. Mary's, Charles, Calvert Counties
11595 Terrace Drive
Waldorf, Maryland 20602

Dear Ms. Byrd,

On behalf of the Officers and members of the Lexington Park Volunteer Rescue Squad, we humbly request to rejoin the Southern Maryland Volunteer Fireman's Association. Although extremely disappointed with the outcome of the vote for a name change to reflect the inclusion of Emergency Services (Rescue Squads), leaving an organization that has made huge strides within the state and counties represented was an inappropriate choice for us. As with anything you want to see advanced, you must be a part of the solution. We respectfully request to rejoin and be a part of the organization so we become a part of the team continuing to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration to our request. We await your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia A. Davidson".

Patricia A. Davidson
Secretary



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SOUTHERN MARYLAND VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

July 10, 2013

Membership of the
Southern MD Volunteer Firemen's Association

Dear Officers, delegates/alternates,

I am recommending Charles W. Wills be bestowed the title of Chair Emeritus of the Emergency Medical Services Committee. Charles has given many years as Chair and also as an active member of SMVFA and MSFA.

Respectively submitted,

Shirley L. Copado
SMVFA President

7-29-13

**Maryland State Firemen's Association
Volunteer Company Assistance Fund
Meeting May 19, 2013**

The Maryland State Firemen's Association, Volunteer Company Assistance Fund meeting was hosted by the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department at noon on Sunday, May 19, 2013.

Secretary Pat Bowser did such a good job of her minutes I decided to submit them with my report. We had two (2) cases at the May meeting.

Case #05-2013 – Antietam VFD in Washington County:

This case was a hold over from the previous meeting because of seeking legal advice. Antietam VFD was requesting a grant in the amount of \$162,134.24 to remodel an old existing building for a Firehouse. Their request was approved and forwarded to the MSFA Executive Committee.

Case # 06-2013 Benedict VFD:

Benedict VFD was requesting a grant in the amount of \$350,000.00 for remodeling their current Firehouse. Since we did not have that much grant money left, we gave them a grant in the amount of \$87,866.00 and forwarded their application to the MSFA Executive Committee.

A telephone conference call with the Executive Committee was called for and Antietam's request was tabled until the June 16th meeting in Ocean City. Antietam's request was approved by a 9 – 3 vote by the Executive Committee.

Benedict was denied their request and I will let Dan Stevens, who is our Executive Committee Representative, explain their decision.

There was a meeting scheduled for July 28th but it was cancelled because there were no applications to act on.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 15th at noon at the Odenton VFD.

The meeting adjourned at 14:55 P.M.

Respectively submitted,



John O. Gatton, Sr.

Calvert/Charles/St. Mary's Counties Representative

MSFA
VOLUNTEER COMPANY ASSISTANCE FUND BOARD
Regular Meeting
Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.
Harford County
Sunday, May 19, 2013

The Volunteer Company Assistance Fund Board met on Sunday May 19, 2013 at the Hollywood Vol. Fire Department, Inc., St. Mary's County. Luncheon was served at 12 Noon with a meeting following at 1:00 p.m. Mr. John Gatton was our host at Hollywood. Thanks are always extended to our host and ladies auxiliary for their hospitality in hosting the day's meeting.

In light of both the Chair and Vice-Chair's absence, Pat Bowser, Secretary presided. She asked everyone's patience today as she also took notes for the meeting.

The following members were in attendance:

Joe Antoszewski
Craig Harmon

Pat Bowser, Secretary
Pete Lott

John Gatton, Sr.
David McQuay

Board members not in attendance were: Chair Gene Curfman, Vice Chair Jason Baer, Bill Lay, Darren Long, Joe Robison and Steve White.

The MSFA Representative present was: Executive Committee member Rodney Bowser.

The minutes from the previous meeting held at Joppa on April 5, 2013 were distributed to those members in attendance. The secretary noted that there were two attachments to the minutes which included discussion points when Treasurer Ron Siarnicki hosted a meeting at the National Fire Academy on March 8th and the presentation given by Craig Harman with the guidelines written in layman's terms.

Application # 2013—05 Antietam Fire Company, Washington County

Representatives of the company were present, and introduced were Robert E. Daveler, Treasurer; James Sprecher, Jr., Captain; and Ronald L. Horn, President. This was a second review for Antietam, as their application was tabled at the last meeting until a ruling could be made whether their application could move forward since they had a lease / purchase agreement with the City of Hagerstown for a term of 30 years, and if they own the property. The agreement was made two years prior. The company was requesting a grant in the amount of \$162,134.24 to complete their renovation project of their building. They reported the building, standing on the property when purchased, had underground storage tanks underneath. No one seemed to know why or how long the tanks were underneath. It was necessary to have the tanks removed and an environmental study and testing was to be completed before the renovation could continue. This additional step, which was not pre-planned took additional funds the company did not have. It was questioned if the previous owner, which was the City of Hagerstown, would be responsible for the removal and clean-up of the tanks. Captain Sprecher noted that the company took over the ownership and occupancy of the property and the city would not be liable as per their original agreement. It was noted that initially the City of Hagerstown did provide the company with \$200,000 to assist them with the renovation project.

It was noted that Michael Farlow, MSFA Attorney and Attorney General's Office Rep. David Porter have agreed that the lease / purchase agreement would lead to the eventual ownership of the property by the company and therefore, the application could move forward. It was also noted that a

justification would have to be submitted for a grant. The company reported they were financially strapped, and if a grant were not secured they may default on a loan.

They also reported trying to obtain a bond bill during the 2012 legislative session, however it died before moving out of committee. They tried again this past legislative session, and they did receive support of an \$85,000 bond bill.

It was also noted that their former Station was protected by the Historical Trust, so therefore the building cannot be sold.

Pat noted their actual project cost totaled \$665,840.00; the company provided \$418,706.00 matching funds, with the \$85,000 from the bond bill and \$162,134.00 from a VCAF grant would complete their project. The company noted their agreement that the figures were complete.

After considerable questioning, Craig Harman recommended approval of their grant request to the Executive Committee. Joe Antoszewski seconded the motion. The motion passed by a voice vote of the Board.

Pat noted that she would put together a letter, after approval by the Executive Committee to both Catherine Kelly and David Porter, as this was a unique situation and the current pre-closing and closing documents outlined may be different and if so, the Attorney General's Office would have to write it to suit this particular situation. It was also agreed that the letter include a request for progress payments to be made, as the company did not wish to seek a bridge loan if at all possible.

She noted that she would make contact with Exec. Comm. Chairman Ben Kurtz and Richard Snader, data system's coordinator to set up a conference call within the next few days to seek their approval. She noted that afterward she would send the application to the Dept. of the Military for processing. She thanked Antietam for their patience in working through the process with the VCAF Board to assure the process was done correctly.

Application # 2013-06 Benedict Vol. Fire Department & Rescue Squad, Charles County

Brian Cusick, President; Frank Cusick; and Mark Garner, member and architect represented the department.

President Cusick began by stating that Benedict did not have any business's within their area with the exception of two restaurants. Their building was erected in 1950 with only two bays and hasn't had any type of renovation since it was built. The department had a need for renovation and due to the revitalization within the county, and the lack of any other available property to purchase, it was agreed the only way to move forward was to renovate their current building.

Their original loan was with their bank and the loan was for \$4 million for a period of 40 years. It was noted that in Charles County, there is a \$160,000 cap on loans from the county and the county didn't have any funding available. He said they were seeking a \$250,000 grant from the VCAF Board so they could continue and finish their renovation. The original contract bid cost was \$4,532,000, most of which was from a bank loan. He said that Charles County would not allow the department to enter into any more loan agreements, therefore they were precluded from seeking another loan, which they said they may not be able to repay.

After questioning, Joe Antoszewski moved to grant them the remainder of our grant funds for FY'14, which was \$87,866. John Gatton seconded the motion and the motion passed by voice vote. Pat asked the department if this was acceptable, since it wasn't the entire amount of their request. The said it would be acceptable.

She noted that she would forward to them a pre-closing and closing outline, so they could indeed get their settlement documents together prior to the completion of their project. Pat also told the company they would receive a letter from her outlining the process after approval given by the Executive Committee sometime this week.

Pat made several remarks for the Board's information. She noted that Jason Baer would not be coming back in the new fiscal year and wondered what we could do from our board in appreciation for his many years of service and friendship to this board as well as the board of review. She knew it was at least 17 years of participation. It was agreed that each board member would sign the card passed around and each would contribute \$10.00 for a gift card of some kind.

Pat also made noted of attending Baltimore Pike's annual banquet, which hasn't been held in sometime. She said she was privileged to attend and represent the Board at their ground breaking ceremony for their addition to their building. She said she was most proud of them and noted how hard they have worked to rebuild their company. She noted that five of their retired members had returned to help put the company back on their feet and one remained as the company treasurer.

Craig reported the Catherine Kelly and he would be hosting a seminar on the VCAF Program at the convention. He said he thought it was to be on June 17th at 11:00 a.m. or there about. He said he'd let us know the exact date and time for any member to attend.

Our next meeting was discussed. After discussion, the meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday July 28, 2013, pending any applications. Craig Harman will be our host once again at Odenton, Anne Arundel County.

With nothing further to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 14:55 hrs. .

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Bowser
Secretary

TRAINING REPORT
Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association
Newburg VRS & FD
July 29, 2013

The **Summer Schedule** is winding down, but the **Fall Schedule** is out and it is time to sign up for the classes. There is room in most of the classes so take a look and get your people signed up. Use the pre-registration form and either e-mail or fax it to the SMRTC. The schedule is refined with classes being added from time to time so please check the web site periodically for updates and corrections (MFRI.ORG).

Training Officers and Chiefs, please make sure you submit the training forms to the SMRTC for people that sign-up for classes. Please include the proper Log Number, the birthday, last 5 of the SS# and contact information for the student. Also please insure that students have the Medical Clearance if the class they are taking requires it.

The **2013 Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference** will be held at the John's Hopkins Applied Physics Lab in Laurel on Tuesday, September 24, 2013. The subject is, **Confronting Today's Challenges**. Sign-up on MFRI.Org.

Company Drills are available for the asking. Call the Training Center and give them a subject. If there is a **class that you need**, please ask. If you have 15 serious students we will work to get the class approved. We are rarely turned down if we have the people and there is no conflict. Please don't tell us you have the 15 if you don't. It causes a lot of work for us. If you don't have the 15 we may be able to recruit some students. Contact Kim Jones in Calvert (443-532-8516), Willie Watts in St. Mary's (301-481-8090) or Dan Stevens in Charles (301-751-3860).

As mentioned earlier I am no longer on the staff at SMRTC. **The Staff at the SMRTC is:** Coordinator Amber Leizear, Administrative Assistant Debbie Cornell, and Techs Dominick Troiano and Eileen Jenkins. I am still teaching and I am the Advisory Committee Representative for Charles County and Chair of the Southern Maryland Training Committee. If I can be of service please contact me.

Thanks,

Dan Stevens;
301-751-3860
stevensdj@hotmail.com

EMS Committee

July 29, 2013

The State EMS Committee will be meeting August 4, 2013 at Branchville. We will be discussing the Maryland EMS Plan 2013 Draft. There will be open meetings on the plan throughout the state. The meeting for MIEMSS EMS Region V (Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's and St. Mary's) will be held September 9, 2013 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at the Prince George's County fire services Building, Multipurpose Room, 6820 Webster Street, Landover Hills, Maryland. A copy of the draft will be available from the MIEMSS web site <http://www.miemss.org/>. Individuals wishing to comment on the Draft, but are unable to attend one of the meetings, may also submit written comments via email to EMSplan@miemss.org or by fax to 410-706-2138. Deadline for comments is September 30, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan W. Williams
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Safety report

7/29/13

1. Heat stroke: children left in automobile in extreme heat (handouts)
2. Firefighters safety during extreme heat call for extra manpower, Think about early rehab and calling for county a/c bus and cold water/ Gatorade.

MSFA Executive Committee Report

Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Assoc.

Newburg VRS and FD

July 29, 2013

The Executive Committee of the MSFA met twice during the Ocean City Convention. Outgoing President John Denver has his last meeting as President on Sunday June 16 and incoming President Jackie Olson had her first meeting on Thursday June 20.

Elections were held and Johnie Roth was elected 2nd Vice President. David Keller progressed to 2nd VP and Jackie was elected President. Congratulations to all the Presidents! We look forward to working with them.

Secretary Doyle Cox and Treasurer Ron Siarnicki were both re-elected. There are several new members on the Executive Committee from different parts of the State.

A few Departments in Southern Maryland did not submit their Statistical reports. I would encourage you to get those in. The form is on MSFA.ORG.

I would also encourage you to support the Bessie Marshall Fund by selling tickets or simply make a contribution. This Fund is for us and many in this room have benefited from it.

The Convention was a success again this year thanks to the hard work of the Convention Steering Committee and the support of all the members.

At the Thursday Executive Committee meeting President Olson outlined her plan for the year ahead and announced a planning meeting for Committee Chairs on June 30. President Olson also presented the group with her vision for the year ahead and announced her plans to implement that vision.

The Executive Committee adopted a budget and it is balanced. Committee Chairs were given their approved budgets. They were also instructed to report on their goals and how they plan to accomplish them when we meet in August at Mt. Airy.

The VCAF has several million dollars and John Gatton is our representative. If you want some 2% loan money for apparatus or building projects contact John.

As I mentioned the next Executive Committee meeting will be held at the Mt. Airy VFD in Carroll County on August 24. It will convene at 0900 and will be a Saturday only meeting. Everyone is invited.

The Training Committee will be updating the Ten Year Training Plan during year. We will be visiting all of the regions to discuss training needs and issues. We will give you the date when we have it. Southern Maryland has always had a good turn out and we hope the same is true this year.

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With reference to awards at the Convention, we had several I would like to mention. I do not have them all. Delegate John Bohanan received the Senator Amoss Legislator of the Year award. Lynn Gilroy (La Plata) and Wayne Hardesty (Prince Frederick) were both inducted into the MSFA Hall of Fame and Bill Olsen (Waldorf) received the Marbery Gates Service Award for 50 plus years of dedicated and faithful service to the fire service. Kathy Lohman (Waldorf) won the LAMSFA "Honey Award". St. Leonard VFD received the Zembower Training Award for the 10th time. They averaged over 150 hour of training per member. It is worth noting that the award has been won by a Southern Maryland Department 21 of the 36 years the award has been given.

I apologize for not having the parade and fire prevention awards. I will try to have those at the next meeting.

Please call if I, or MSFA, can be of help.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association
Treasurer's Report
July 29, 2013



Beginning Balance as of May 4, 2013

\$ 15,910.49

Income:

50-50 - May Meeting	\$	359.00	
Ways & Means (Patches)			
Dues	\$	200.00	
Honor Guard	\$	1,043.99	
Award Reimbursement			
Total Income:			\$ 1,602.99

Expenses:

Ck 2331 - Stephen Winker (Honor Guard Shoes)	\$	155.00	
Ck 2332 - John Gatton Sr (HOF Expenses)	\$	52.56	
Ck 2333 - Chesapeake Trophies (Convention Awards)	\$	2,146.50	
Ck 2334 - Graves Uniforms (Honor Guard Uniform)	\$	888.99	
Ck 2335 - Golden Rule (Patches)	\$	402.00	
Ck 2336 - Chesapeake Trophies (50 Year Plaque)	\$	111.80	
Ck 2337 - Dyson Lumber (Repairs to Games Props)	\$	392.25	
Ck 2338 - Rick's Jewelers (Officer's Badges)	\$	100.00	
Ck 2339 - FL Anderson (Past President's Badge)	\$	47.00	
Total Disbursements:			\$ 4,296.10

Balance as of July 29, 2013

\$ 13,217.38

Account Totals:

General Account	\$	10,726.58
Honor Guard	\$	2,490.80
	\$	13,217.38

Respectfully Submitted,

Johnny Wathen
 SMVFA Treasurer

Southern Maryland Volunteer Firemen's Association
Treasurer's Report - As submitted by PFR Treasurer James Raley
July 29, 2013



Police Fire Rescue Statement as of July 29, 2013

Investment - Edward Jones Co.	\$	316,916.23
PNC Bank Certificate	\$	-
PNC Checking	\$	2,774.64
PNC Savings	\$	3,133.75
Total Income:	\$	322,824.62

Police Fire Rescue Statement as of March 22, 2013

			Inc/Dec from prior period
Investment - Edward Jones Co.	\$	313,584.70	\$ 3,331.53
PNC Bank Certificate	\$	-	\$ -
PNC Checking	\$	2,774.53	\$ 0.11
PNC Savings	\$	3,133.24	\$ 0.51
Total Income:	\$	319,492.47	\$ 3,332.15