St. Matthews Fire Protection District

1977

This is one of many sections that contain information, documents, letters, newspaper articles, pictures, etc. of the St. Matthews Fire Protection District. They have been collected and arranged in chronological order. These items were collected, organized and entered into a computerized database by Al Ring with the help of the St. Matthews Fire Department Alumni Association, Inc. The Association's members are Rick Albers, A. E. "Bill" Andriot, III, E. Gar Davis, Clarke Fenimore, Jack Monohan, Mike Noon, Russ Rakestraw and Al Ring.

The purpose of this "collection" was to create the background and research for the book *St. Matthews Firefighters, 84 Years of Firefighting in St. Matthews, Kentucky*, written by and published by Al Ring in 2004. The collection is continuing today, so if you should have old or new information on the St. Matthews Fire Department, please contact Al Ring.

All graphics have been improved to make the resolution as good as possible, but the reader should remember that many came from copies of old newspaper articles. This also applies to other items such as documents, letters, etc. Credit to the source of the documents, photos, etc. is provided whenever it was available. We realize that many items are not identified and regret that we weren't able to provide this information. As far as the newspaper articles that are not identified, 99% of them would have to be from one of three possible sources. *The Courier-Journal, The Louisville Times* or one of the *Voice* publications.

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The Association would like to thank the St. Matthews Fire Protection District and various newspapers including *The Courier-Journal, The Louisville Times, and The Voice-Tribune*. Our appreciation is also extended to the various citizens and firefighters who contributed to the gathering of this information.

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January 6, 1977, *The Voice*:

Fires damage 3 local homes

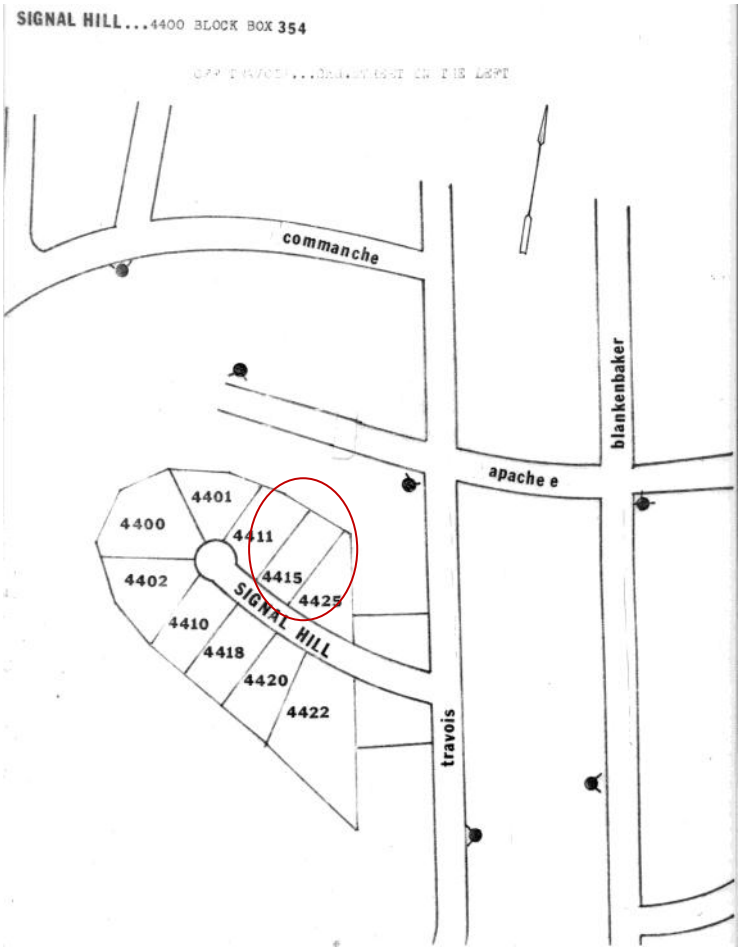
House fires in recent weeks caused substantial damage to three Brownsboro Road-area homes.

Wednesday, Dec. 22, the home at 5836 Brittany Woods Circle owned by Aileen Guenther was gutted by fire.

Harrods Creek Fire Chief Leonard Heydt said the family reported smelling smoke about 4 a.m., but saw no evidence of fire until they turned in the alarm at 6:45 a.m.

Another fire occured on Monday this week at the home of James Carr, 57 Harwood Road. The family was about to take the Christmas tree down, but turned on the lights for "one last look," Heydt said, when "something happened." The tree burst into flame and the family was able to get it under control with a garden hose by the time the fire department arrived.

St. Matthews fire fighters reportedly confined fire damage to one room in a Tuesday morning fire in a home on Signal Hill Road, in Indian Hills Cherokee Section.



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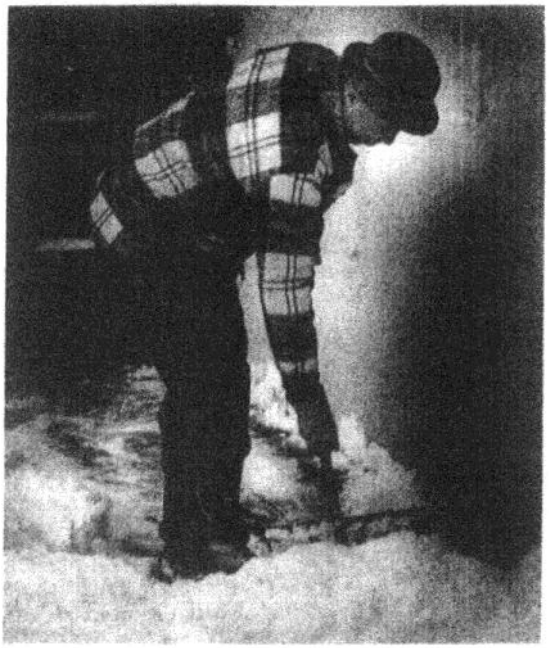
January 13, 1977, *The Voice*: **January 10 had 8" snow.**



GEORGE BURCH shoveled snow behind a business on Frankfort Avenue Monday. Burch was among many digging out after eight inches of snow accumulated Sunday. (Staff photo by Judith Berzof)

City can't cut fire lane fine

By Robin Garr III
Managing Editor

St. Matthews Mayor Bernard F. Bowling wants to take it easy on fire lane parking violators, but the law won't let him.

At Tuesday's St. Matthews City Council meeting, Bowling asked councilmen to ratify his orders to Police Chief James Burton, cutting the standard fine for fire lane parking from $10 to $4.

Bowling said the request resulted from complaints by local merchants, who were upset because local police cracked down on the fire lane violators during the Christmas shopping season.

The mayor said the fire lane parking law is necessary for safety, and should be enforced. But since the local fine for parking next to a fire hydrant is $4, and the fine for parking in a "no parking" or "no stopping" zone is $4, he thought it was out of line for the fire lane fine to be $10. Bowling said Police Judge Thurston Crady agreed with this.

But City Atty. J W Jones, answering a question from Councilman Harry Hargadon, said the $10 fine is set by state law. The city may fine more than state law requires, but may not fine less.

Councilman John Barker said he thinks most of the city's traffic fines are too low. "I know we don't use our court to raise money," Barker said. But he noted that only 3 per cent of city revenue comes from court fines and costs. He thinks most suburban cities take in more money from their courts.

Councilman Harry Jones and Bowling reminded Barker that, in any case, the new state district court system will replace the local police courts Jan. 1, 1978.

The council agreed to have a committee study the entire city traffic fine structure as soon as the new committees are organized. (A separate story about the committee organization is elsewhere in this week's newspaper.)

In other business at Tuesday's meeting, St. Matthews City Council:

• Agreed to pass three amendments to county-wide zoning regulations, but postponed discussion on a fourth amendment.

The three that will be formally passed at the council's Jan. 25 meeting govern zoning for day-care centers and nurseries; flood-plain construction; and minimum lot size.

The fourth amendment, technical changes in laws governing subdivision of land, was deferred for more study. City Engr. Marion Comstock said most of the changes are routine (one simply requires that plans be signed in waterproof ink). But Councilman Bob Dorsey wanted to be sure that the changes wouldn't raise development costs, resulting in increased prices to the consumer.

• Honored three coaches from St. Matthews schools who led their teams to state championships. Receiving keys to the city and "Knight of St. Matthews" certificates were Trinity football coach Dave Moore, Trinity cross-country coach Rich Rostel, and Waggener's girls' cross-country coach Juan Walker.

• Heard Councilman Barker commend Bowling for "one heck of a snow job," clearing the city streets after Sunday's 8-inch snowfall. "You get a lot of criticism, but not the thanks — you did one heck of a job," said Barker.

Bowling said Works Supt. Hobert Strong and the city public works employees worked through the night Sunday and Monday, catching occasional naps at City Hall.

Despite the extra work of snow removal, garbage collection lags only one day behind and should be caught up by overtime work this weekend, Bowling said.

"It has been a tremendous challenge — the men in the works department are the ones who deserve your thanks. When you see them, pat 'em on the back," Bowling said.

• Approved installation of a street light at 3342 Dayton Ave. Eleven neighbors had requested the light two months ago, but action was delayed because the planned location was unusually far from a source of electricity.

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January 13, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol, Fire Assn. was held on Jan.13,1977.

Directors present:

Geo. Miller
Tom Jerry Smith
Bill Andriot
J.C.Nuckols
John Monohan
Marty Kamer

Minutes of meeting held on Dec.9,1976 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Smith, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Monohan gave a financial report. Motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Smith, that we invest $10,000 in Certificates of Deposit at Stock Yards Bank for 4 years.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer.

Marty Kamer

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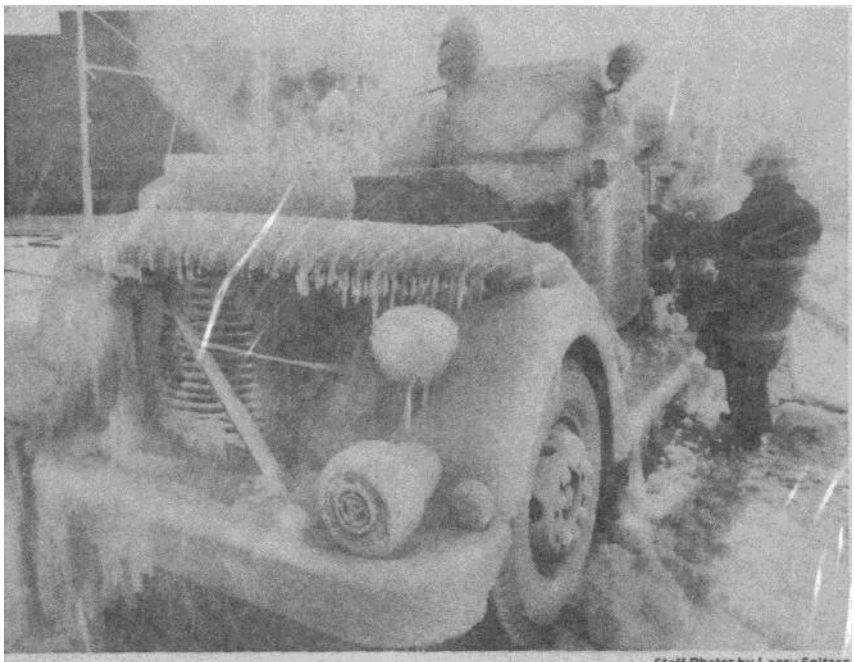
January, 1977, Courtesy John Stich, LF&R, January 1977: Brinley Hardly —Louisville, Fire L-7 and 6 lapped over for the city -12 degrees



Staff Photos by Larry Spitzer

An increase in fires accompanied the cold weather, creating problems for men such as Matthew M. Kaelin and Walter H. McMeans at right.

A fireman's winter: Hot, and very cold

By BOB HILL
Louisville Times Staff Writer

Louisville and Jefferson County firemen can best describe their winter's work in two words: Brinly-Hardy.

The city firemen who fought the spectacular blaze Jan. 16 at a Brinly-Hardy Co. building at Preston and Market streets, faced difficult conditions: freezing water lines, icicles hanging from helmets — and intense heat.

In varying degrees, that's been the story for firemen throughout the county this winter.

According to Louisville Fire Department figures for January 1977, the 20 county fire departments answered 458 calls, 90 more than in January 1976.

The Louisville figures show that from September 1976 to January 1977 the 30 city fire stations answered 2,954 calls, up more than 10 per cent over the like period a year ago. The number of residential fires was up 25 per cent, many due to faulty heating equipment.

Louisville Times files show that 17 people were killed in apartment or house fires in the county from October 1976 through January 1977.

In addition, Fire Department personnel worked almost constantly for weeks either trying to keep the 6,000 city hydrants from freezing or thawing those that had. Extra men had to be hired and equipment secured to keep the lines open.

Col. Lawrence Luvisi, an assistant fire chief, estimated the Fire Department has incurred about $95,000 in extra expenses because of the severe winter. Almost $21,000 of this occurred at the Brinly-Hardy fire, where a wall collapsed, burying and damaging equipment. Thousands of feet of fire hose froze and their rubber linings cracked during that fire. They cannot be used again.

Luvisi said the other expenses were for extra tire chains, snow tires, special hydrant antifreeze and for renting steamers to keep equipment thawed.

"We learned a lot," he said, "I thought we coped with it very well, and now we have the equipment to handle it."

Col. Jack Zinniger is commander of the Fire Department's 2nd Platoon, the unit that handled much of the Brinly-Hardy fire. Firemen from the city's two other platoons also were called to the fire, or worked as backup units.

Zinniger said this winter is the worst he has seen in his 28 years with the department.

"Surprisingly morale has stayed high," he said. "That goes for all firemen. The guys just realized what they had to do and they've done it all winter."

He told of firemen working with ice an inch thick on their mustaches and eyelashes coated with ice. He said trucks have been frozen into the ice, and hoses had to be returned to the station on a flatbed truck because they could not be

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January, 1977, Courtesy John Stich, LF&R, January 1977: Brinley Hardly —Louisville, Fire L-7 and 6 lapped over for the city -12 degrees

Firemen's winter has been both hot and extremely cold

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thawed. Hydrants became frozen mounds of ice. He said the Brinly-Hardy fire was so intense it almost created a fire storm — a whirlwind of fire — and yet many firemen suffered frostbite.

"The men know they did a good job," he said. "It's a seat-of-the-pants thing. I told them they did a great job, but they didn't have to be told. The potential was there for the whole block to burn up. But through hard work and the grace of God they brought the story to a successful conclusion. It's a source of pride. I'm still proud about it."

For a time after the Brinly-Hardy fire, Sgt. Duke Tinker was known around Truck Co. No. 1 at 11th and Jefferson Streets as "Iron Fingers." Tinker got the nickname the hard way. Two fingers on his right hand were frostbitten as he sprayed water for 1 1/2 hours in the minus 13-degree temperatures. He missed 21 days of work.

"My left hand was all right but I lost the feeling in my right hand," he said. "My fingers turned red, then white and then got ghastly looking. After about 35 minutes I lost all feeling in them."

Tinker, 37, has been a fireman almost 12 years. He is a tillerman on a hook and ladder truck. He's the man who steers the rear end of the truck through traffic and then directs water at the fire from a ladder often 50 to 100 feet above the ground.

"My boots were frozen to the platform we stand on," he said. "I had to kick them loose to get out."

Tinker said an Emergency Medical Services technician had to cut his right glove from his hand.

"They examined it close, said, 'Oh, oh,' and told me to get to the hospital," he said.

It was two weeks before feeling returned to his fingers. Tinker said he could tap them on a table and they sounded like wood. One doctor said Tinker may have to have parts of two fingers removed, but the fingers are somewhat better now. The feeling has returned, but dead skin is peeling off.

Tinker went back to work as a tillerman about 10 days ago.

"We all moan and groan about the weather," he said. "But when the fire buzzer goes off we're gone again."

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January 27, 1977, *The Voice*: **The accident happened January 21 and STMFD responded.**

1-21-77	9 30 P	10 02 P	8801-02-04 8855	32	17	2360	8801	US 60 & Shelbyville Plaza	(Trapped Passengers) Auto Accident		

1 dead, 4 hurt in US 60 mishap

A Plainview-area woman was killed in a Friday evening auto accident on Shelbyville Road in St. Matthews. It was the first accident fatality in the city for more than a year.

Marie Ross, 57, of 10703 Linn Station Road, died of multiple injuries in the emergency room at Baptist Hospital East, where she had been taken by St. Matthews police after the accident at 9:21 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21.

According to the report taken by police, Mrs. Ross was a passenger in the car driven by her husband, Robert J. Ross, 46. The Ross auto was turning left from Shelbyville Road into the Shelbyville Road Plaza entrance between Bramton Road and Stonehenge Drive. There is a left-turn lane but no traffic signal at this location.

Their car was struck by the auto being driven east on Shelbyville Road by Donald L. O'Connell, 22, of 2918 Bowman Ave. The Ross car was hit on the right side near the passenger area where Mrs. Ross was seated.

Both cars were heavily damaged and had to be towed away; they were taken to Mac's Wrecker Service, 11509 Shelbyville Road.

In addition to Mrs. Ross, all five persons in the two autos were injured and taken to Baptist East by St. Matthews police. Ross, O'Connell, and Lewis DeVuono, 57, and his wife Hallie, 51, of 10225 Shelbyville Road, suffered multiple injuries according to the police report.

O'Connell was transferred to General Hospital, and the DeVuonos were admitted to Baptist East, all in serious condition. Ross was treated and released at Baptist East.

A spokesman at Baptist East said Mr. and Mrs. DeVuono both remained in intensive care but were in stable condition and improving late Tuesday.

O'Connell was in satisfactory condition at General Tuesday.

St. Matthews Police Chief James Burton said he wouldn't comment on probable cause or apparent fault because the coroner's inquest is incomplete and later litigation can't be ruled out.

However, the police report did not indicate speeding or use of alcohol or drugs by either driver. No charges were filed.

Mrs. Ross, the former Marie K. Bauman, was buried Monday in Cave Hill Cemetery. In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Donna Lawson of Pittsburgh and Sue Palazzolo of Cincinnati, and five grandchildren.

The family requested that expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to Horsebourne Christian Church or the individual's preferred charity.

1 killed, 4 are injured in 2-car crash

1-21-77

Marie Ross, 57, of 10703 Linn Station Road in eastern Jefferson County, died in Baptist Hospital East at 12:15 a.m. today of injuries received in a two-car accident last night. The accident occurred in front of the Shelbyville Road Plaza Shopping Center at 9:20 p.m.

Four other persons were injured, three seriously, in the crash.

St. Matthews police reported the accident happened when Robert J. Ross, 46, husband of the dead woman, driving west on Shelbyville Road, tried to turn into the shopping center at Stonehenge Drive.

The Ross auto was struck in the right side by an eastbound auto driven by Donald L. O'Connell, 22, of 2918 Bowman Ave., the police said.

There is no traffic light at the accident site, according to the police.

O'Connell was reported in serious condition at General Hospital with multiple injuries.

Also in serious condition from internal injuries were Lewis J. DeVuono, 57, of 10225 Shelbyville Road, and his wife, Hallie, 51, both in Baptist Hospital East.

The DeVuonos were passengers in the Ross vehicle. O'Connell was driving alone.

Ross received minor injuries and was treated at Baptist Hospital East and released.

No charges were filed.

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February 1, 1977: The new map books the department had been working are ready. The maps, drawn by A. E. (Fireman Bill) Andriot, Jr. were much more detailed than the previous books and provided an outline of each piece of property on each street with address ranges.

February 17, 1977, *The Voice*:

St. Matthews fire alarms

St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Department has responded to these recent alarms, according to the department's official records:

Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 503 Ahland, auto.

Thursday, Feb. 3, at 5608 Apache, alarm malfunction.

Friday, Feb. 4, at 4151 Shelbyville Road, light ballast.

Friday, Feb. 4, at 4214 Shelbyville Road, auto.

Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 4012 St. Ives Court, dryer.

Wednesday, Feb. 9, at 4015 Alton, oven.

Thursday, Feb. 10, at 4025 Massie Ave., gas leak.

Saturday, Feb. 12, at Shelbyville Road and Browns Lane, wires down.

Former STMFD member.

Fenimore announces fiscal court candidacy

By Robin Garr III
Managing Editor

Clarke E. Fenimore made it official last night.

Fenimore, 38, of 4083 Gilman Ave., St. Matthews, announced he's joining the growing crowd of Democrats who are trying to oust fellow Democrat Tom

CLARKE FENIMORE

C. Helm as "A" District County Commissioner in the May 24 primary.

Sylvia Watson, 38, of 2 River Hill Road, and Franklin J. Chambers, 58, of 3401 College Drive, previously had announced their candidacy for the Democratic nomination against two-term commissioner Helm.

Although Fenimore's announcement comes late in the season, he's been thinking about the election for some time. These newspapers listed him as a possible candidate early in December.

In fact, Fenimore said in an interview this week, he's been thinking about the commissioner's post ever since December when he and his political allies successfully ousted the long-time Democratic party leadership in the St. Matthews-Middletown-area 47th Legislative District.

said. "We have fine communities out here with good local officials. County government needs to listen to the input and discover the needs of local communities, not just sit downtown and say 'here's what we're going to do in "A" District'."

Fenimore said he feels the county's 21 suburban volunteer fire departments deserve more direct support from Jefferson County. The bulk of their financing comes from property taxes paid by suburban property owners.

According to Fenimore, residents of the City of Louisville receive police, fire and garbage collection for their property taxes. Taxpayers in (unincorporated) Jefferson County receive only county police protection of these three government services; fire protection is taxed separately and garbage is contracted privately.

Fenimore said he felt it would be irresponsible to propose a specific program or discuss funding new county government services "without getting in there, getting a true, legitimate breakdown of where the money actually comes from and where it's going. For a politician to offer programs without this knowledge is to hoodwink the public."

Fenimore also mentioned abortion as a moral issue that personally concerns him. "There is no way in good conscience I would vote to spend county money for an open abortion clinic," he said. He recalled recent controversy before the commissioners voted not to allocate county money for a second-trimester elective abortion clinic at General Hospital.

Fenimore serves as chairman of the Louisville Urban Renewal Commission despite a widely publicized effort by Louisville Mayor Harvey Sloane to oust him as a nonresident of the city.

He is the president of Ky-Inna Turf Supply Co., a Bluegrass Industrial Park firm selling golf course equipment. He is a member of the Bluegrass Park Optimist Club, American Turners and the Louisville Nurserymen's Association. He is a member of the Kentuckiana Football Officials' Association.

A graduate of Western Kentucky University, Fenimore and his wife, Alberta, have three children.

Recalling that battle against former 47th District Chairman Don Ernst, Fenimore recalled, "We kind of made a decision [illegible] rebuild the 47th, get it back into the perspective it should be, and give the Democrats a voice on a grass-roots basis. To do this, you have to provide for the people at the local level."

He says he wants to apply the same grass-roots principle of contact with the party and the people in "A" District, which includes all the eastern third of the county east of Bardstown Road.

In an unusual variation of election law that took effect with the 1975 election, the three commissioners in Jefferson County are elected by voters only in their own district in the primary election, but run in the county at large during the November general election.

Fenimore pointed out that this process makes the candidate accountable to the people of his own community as well as the whole county.

"I personally feel the 'A' District commissioner should be a person who has all the concepts, thoughts and needs of the people in mind," he said. "He has to be responsive to the characteristics, thoughts and needs of each community within the district."

The district, ranging from Fern Creek through Jeffersontown to St. Matthews, Middletown, Anchorage and Prospect, is generally thought of as being above average in income, Fenimore observed.

Yet it also includes Berrytown and Griffytown, mostly black rural communities near Anchorage where income are low and much of the housing is substandard.

"This area has had community development projects going on for years," Fenimore said. "It seems stymied. They can't get the program going — the people are used, maybe — they need help, cutting the red tape, getting down to brass tacks and getting the job completed and done.

"This is a segment of the population that feels abandoned — they're appeased a little from time to time, then forgotten."

Fenimore said the continued independence of suburban communities is something he feels strongly about. The vast majority of Jefferson County's 76 suburban cities lie in "A" District.

"Not all big government is good," he

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February 20, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Feb.20,1977.

Directors present:

Geo. Miller
Bill Andriot
Marty Kamer
John Monohan

Minutes of meeting held on Jan.13,1977 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that minutes be accepted.

Mr. Monohan gave a financial report.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Monohan, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect

Marty Kamer

March 10, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on March 10,1977.

Directors present:

J.C.Nuckols
Bill Andriot
Geo. Miller
Tom Jerry Smith
Marty Kamer
John Monohan

Minutes of meeting held on Feb.20,1977 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Smith, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Monohan gave a financial report. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Smith, that we invest $10,000 in Certificates of Deposit for 4 years at Liberty National.

Mr. Nuckols made a motion, seconded by Mr. Monohan, that the Board give their approval for Mr. Andriot to proceed on making plans for a dinner-dance for the firemen. Motion voted on and so carried.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Monohan, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

Marty Kamer

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March 9, 1977, Accident:

3-9-77	2 57/A	3 03/A	8844	72	17	2400		8802	726 Breckenridge Lane	Auto Accident

Car hits tree, killing woman, 20

A 20-year-old St. Matthews-area woman was injured fatally when her automobile crashed into a tree off Breckinridge Lane, near Hillsboro Road, about 2:55 a.m. today.

Beverly Jean Glasscock, of 607 Fatima Lane, died of multiple injuries while being taken to Baptist Hospital East, deputy coroner Robert M. Adams reported.

According to St. Matthews police officer Larry Bishop, the accident happened as Miss Glasscock was driving north on Breckinridge Lane. She was alone.

Bishop said the auto struck a tree about 6 feet to the right of the pavement. He said there were no skid marks, and a preliminary investigation didn't indicate what caused the accident.

He said neighbors heard the crash and called police.

Miss Glasscock was a cashier for Allied Sporting Goods.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Glasscock Sr.; her grandmother, Mrs. Thelma Vogt; two brothers, David B. Glasscock, of Chicago, Ill., and Robert A. Glasscock Jr.; and two sisters, Mrs. Stephen Schmidt, of Lexington, and Miss Cheryl Lynn Glasscock.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Christ Lutheran Church, 9712 Taylorsville Road, with entombment in Resthaven Memorial Park Mausoleum.

The family will be at Highlands Funeral Home, 8321 Taylorsville Road, from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday.

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March 11, 1977: The department hosted the Firefighters, Inc. Association meeting.

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March 24, 1977, *The Voice*: Former STMFD member.

Will Lausman, civic leader, dies at 82

William H. (Will) Lausman Sr., 82, of 201 Fairfax Ave., died early Sunday, March 20, at Kentucky Baptist Hospital.

Long active in St. Matthews-area civic and church activities, he was the founder and a charter member of Bethel United Church of Christ in 1922, and served as president of the church council for its first 15 years.

The church honored Lausman by dedicating its chapel in his honor last Aug. 22. He also had formed the first men's club at the church, and organized St. Matthews' first Boy Scout troop, also at the Bethel Church.

He also had been chairman of the board of the St. Matthews YMCA; the Y's day camp, "Camp Lausman," was named in his honor in 1967.

He retired in 1960 as a general agent after more than 35 years with the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Co. of Philadelphia. In that connection, he had been a member of local, state and national life underwriters' groups, and was past president of the Louisville organization. He also had organized the Life Insurance and Trust Council of Louisville.

WILL LAUSMAN

He was a former officer of the Evangelical Hospital Association and Methodist Evengelical Hospital Association.

Until shortly before his death, he worked every day as a part-time employee of St. Matthews city government, helping administer activities of the St. Matthews Community Center.

Talking about Lausman before Tuesday's city council meeting, Mayor Bernard F. Bowling recalled how active he had remained. "Four years or so ago he was out hunting doves with us out on Six Mile Lane. He was knocking doves down at age 78.

"If you live to be 82 you have a lot of opportunity to make a lot of friends or make a lot of enemies. He made a lot of friends," Mayor Bowling said.

Lausman is survived by three daughters and a son, 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; two brothers and two sisters.

The funeral was Tuesday morning at Bethel United Church of Christ, with burial in Cave Hill Cemetery. The family requested that any expressions of sympathy take the form of contributions to the Bethel United Church of Christ Memorial Fund.

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March 24, 1977, Special Board meeting:

Special meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn was held on March 26,1977 at 10 A.M.

Directors present:

J.C. Nuckols
Geo. Miller
Tom Jerry Smith
John Monohan
Bill Andriot
Phil Grauman

A discussion was held as to the procedure on assestments.

Mr. Miller made a motion that the Chief be authorized to purchase all items pretaining to fire fighting, up to $500, without bringing before the board for their approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Nuckols and so carried.

Also discussed at this meeting were three possible ways of operation of this Fire Dept.

1. By becoming a Fire District
2. Selling dept. to City of St. Matthews
3. Continue as is

More information in regard to above matter will be discussed at next regular meeting.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

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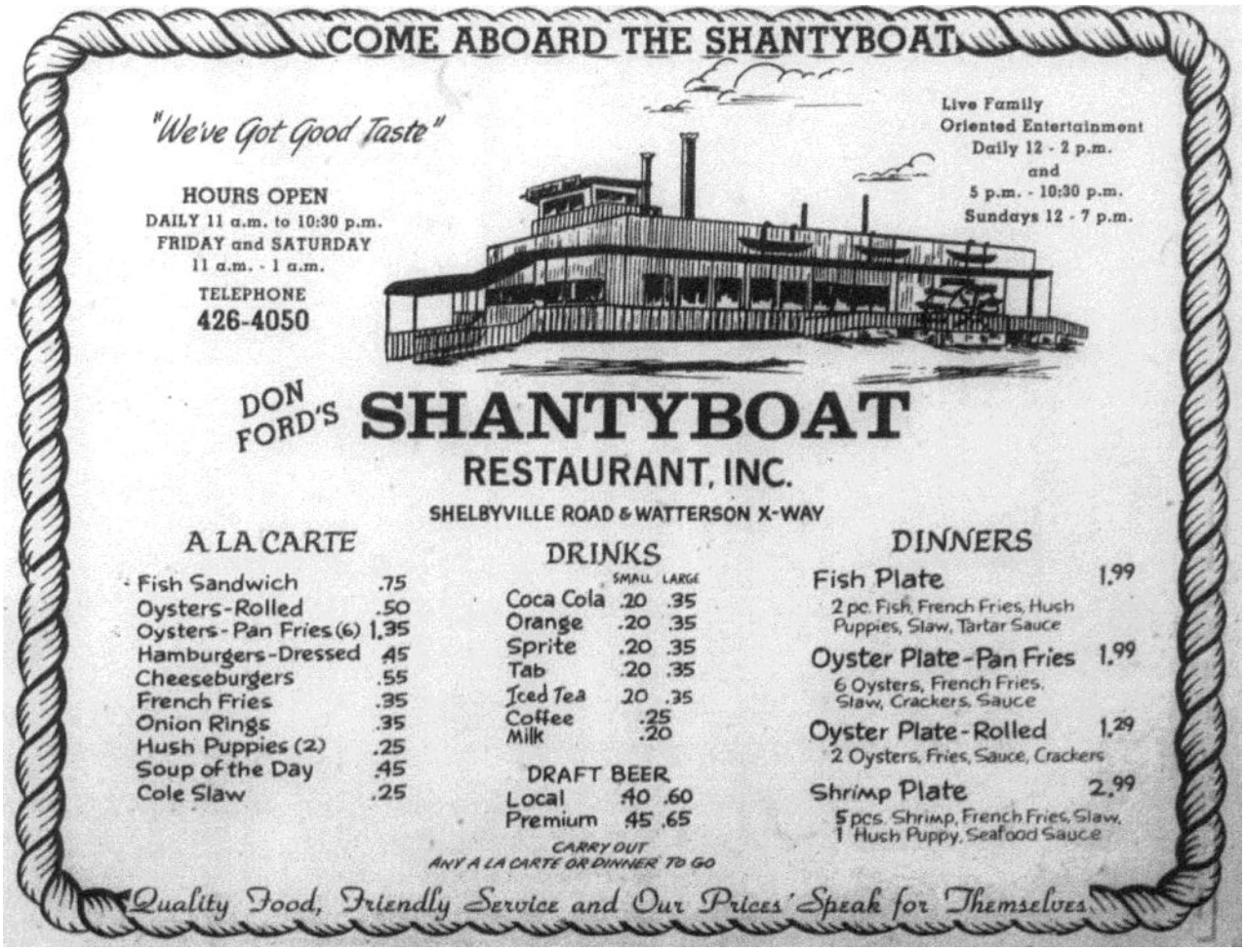
April 14, 1977, *The Voice*:



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April 14, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on April 14,1977.

Directors present:

Geo. Miller
John Monohan
J.P. Terry
Bill Andriot
Marty Kamer

Minutes of meeting held on March 10,1977 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Terry, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that minutes be accepted as read.

A Financial report was given by Mr. Monohan.

Mr. Monohan recomended that at our annual meeting in July, that Al Haeberlin be appointed as Chief, and also as a director on the board for one year filling in the one year term of Mr. Monohan. He also recomended that Frank Florence be appointed Asst. Chief. In addition he recomended that Al Haeberlin be appointed President of the Board for a one year term.

Mr. Monohan also recomended that the to be Chief and Asst. Chiefs be authorized to O.K. bills up to 500.00.
All bill for capital needs are to be brought before the board to get approval for payment.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Miller seconded by Mr. Terry, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.
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April 28, 1977, *The Voice:*

Newspaper/Microtext

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Developer files plan for Monohan farm

By Robin Garr III
Managing Editor

A major commercial and residential complex is proposed on the 141-acre Monohan farm on Browns Lane in St. Matthews.

The development, which could be complete within five years, would dramatically change the face of the city's southeastern quadrant, and could sharply alter local auto traffic patterns.

The rezoning applications and preliminary plans for the development, named "Cypress Station" after a stand of fine old cypress trees on the banks of Beargrass Creek on the farm, were filed yesterday, April 27.

Discussing the development plans with The Voice recently, landscape architect Campbell Miller pointed out two major new roads. One will link the south end of Hubbards Lane with Browns Lane just north of Sherburn Lane. The second will extend Kresge Way from Browns Lane east through the Monohan property, a four-lane parkway with central median, winding through the park-like flood plain of Beargrass Creek.

About 30 acres of rolling, forested land will remain undeveloped as common open space, Miller said. This property, the land subject to periodic flooding by Beargrass Creek, will be conserved as much as possible in its natural state.

Miller said the Monohan family requested the creek banks be left in a natural state rather than "channelized" into concrete banks, a legal alternative for dealing with the flood problem.

Miller said various land uses planned for the property attempt to be compatible with the farm's neighbors.

The residential developments are located next to residential neighborhoods along Alton Road in St. Matthews and Fairmeade East subdivision now under development.

The major commercial section is located near Sherburn Lane, adjacent to the Gaslight Square condominiums and Maligate apartments. A smaller commercial section, perhaps geared to medical and related services for Suburban and Baptist East Hospitals nearby, will be located around the new intersection of Hubbards Lane and Kresge Way.

An office complex will be located on the north side of Sherburn near Browns Lane. A new road connecting Sherburn with the new Kresge Way is expected to take most through traffic away from the presently congested Sherburn-Browns Lane intersection.

Two historic farmhouses on the Monohan property will remain, and will be sold to commercial users who will agree to preserve them, Miller said. A house not far south of Alton and Hubbards was built about 1847, while part of a house off Sherburn near Browns dates back to 1809, Miller said.

This home reportedly was built by a family of early settlers named Brown (no kin to the late financier J. Graham Brown, who also lived nearby). It was the early Browns who planted the old cypress trees, Miller said.

According to Robert O. Dorsey's "History and Pictures of St. Matthews," James Brown came to the area in 1799 or 1800 and established himself near the old Dutch Station on Beargrass Creek. He eventually owned all the land from Shelbyville Road to Taylorsville Road on the east side of Browns Lane. The original spiral staircase rises three stories inside the home, "Wildwood,"

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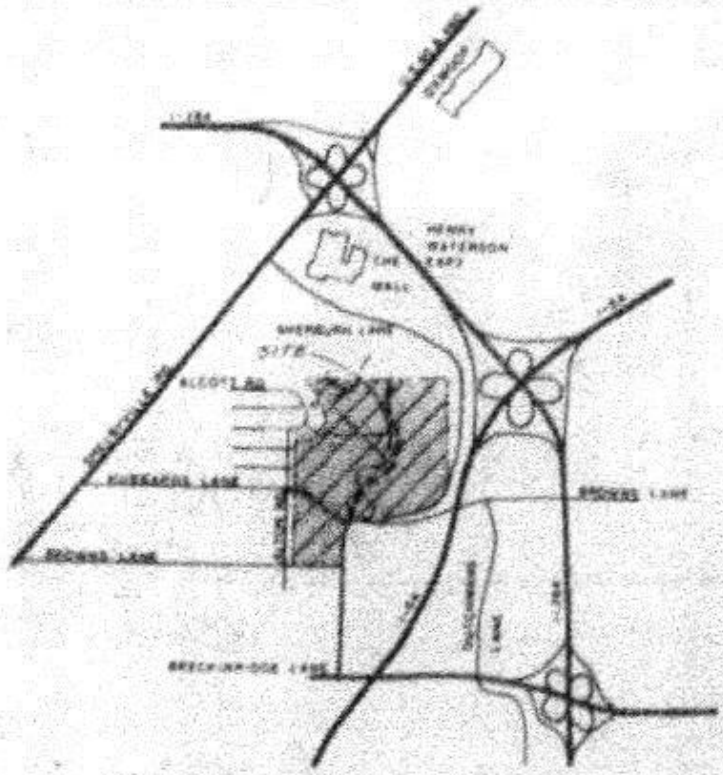

Map by Miller, Wilney and Lee

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April 28, 1977, *The Voice:*

Parade postponed

The St. Matthews Little League opening-day ceremonies will be a week late. The firetruck and pregame speeches originally scheduled last Saturday, but canceled because of rain, will be held Saturday, April 30.

This year there will be two parades. The National League will start at St. Matthews United Methodist Church, and the American League will start at Waggener High School. Both parades begin at 9 a.m.

The players and floats will wind their way through the residential areas and conclude at the Community Center on Ten Pin Lane.

Mayor Bernard F. Bowling is expected to make a brief speech before the games. Bob Domine, local sportscaster and coach of a senior league team, will be the parade's grand marshal.

Although rain postponed the American League games scheduled last Saturday, the National League was able to open the season Sunday. Knott's Shoes, last year's pennant winner, was upset by Byck's in the opener 11-8.

In the second game Lions Club walloped First National 13-5. The two preseason favorites — McDonald's and Citizens Fidelity battled in the finale, with McDonald's winning 4-2.

All teams will be playing weekly from now until August.

Plans are revealed for Monohan farm

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according to Dorsey's account.

The proposed developers are Cypress Station Joint Venture, made up of Louisville Home Federal Savings & Loan's LHF Service Corporation, and developer David Carney's Cypress Station, Inc.

Specifically, the development plan includes:

* Fifty-three "zero lot line" condominium units on 20 acres just south of Alton Road at Monohan Drive and Norbourne Boulevard. This concept, new to the Louisville area but developed by Louisville architects Miller, Wihry and Lee in Nashville, features privately-owned single-family and two-family units located on commonly owned land rather than individual lots.

* Eighty rental townhouse units located south of Alton Road at Browns Lane. Miller said they will be situated in such a way that not more than one apartment unit will be next to each present single-family house facing Alton Road.

* A total of 162,300 square feet of commercial space, tentatively in 10 buildings, around the new Kresge Way and Hubbards Lane intersection. There almost certainly will be traffic signals installed at that intersection, Miller added.

* A total of 205,200 square feet of office space, tentatively in 10 buildings, spread along Sherburn Lane near Browns Lane, partly surrounding the "Wildwood" home, which also will be zoned for office use.

* A large shopping center, tentatively with about 15 buildings and nearly a half-million square feet of space, lying between Sherburn Lane and the new Kresge Way in the tract's southeast corner.

Miller was hesitant to compare the proposed shopping center to the nearby Village complex on Dutchmans Lane, but noted that the proposal, like the Village, would accommodate businesses requiring separate and free-standing buildings rather than units in a traditional shopping center building.

Unlike the Village, the new development will lie to the side of the main road serving it, with auto access limited to a few points. Miller also said the Cypress Station developers plan to exercise more control over a consistent architectural style than the Village developers have done.

* Five single-family homes will be added, completing the Fairmeade East development already under way.

The developer's attorney is Mark Davis; the Monohans' attorney is Richard W. Iler. Miller, Wihry and Lee are the landscape architects. The property owners are Alice O. Monohan, Mary E. Houston and John M. Monohan Jr.

"The Hubbards Lane and Kresge Way extension were imposed by the Jefferson County Comprehensive Plan and master transportation plan," noted Miller. "But we have routed them in such a way as to minimize the impact on the creek area and give it a parkway character.

"There are a lot of beautiful, big and mature trees. We have tried to locate the roadways to preserve as many of them as possible."

If the necessary rezoning is granted, work on the roadways would begin as soon as possible, opening up the interior of the property so the land can be marketed, Miller said.

He was hesitant to estimate the total value the property might add to St. Matthews' tax rolls when fully developed, but agreed it would probably be in "eight figures." He said total development would depend on the market, "but our thinking is that it will be a five-year development."

Miller said the planners have had preliminary informal discussions with the Jefferson County Planning Commission and St. Matthews City Hall. Asked if officials there had shown a favorable attitude toward the plan, Miller responded, "I think that would be a fair statement."

The planning commission will schedule a public hearing to view the plans and hear arguments for and against the rezoning, after which it will make a recommendation. The final decision on the rezoning will be up to St. Matthews City Council.

"This property is one which has been held by the Monohan family for many years, and they are faced with the need to dispose of it as a result of the death of the elder Mrs. Monohan about three years ago," Miller said.

"From the community's viewpoint, it is fortunate that it is that way, because the Monohans have a long identification with their community and a very real concern for it. They have been very intent from the beginning that the property would be well used, but used in a manner that would be favorable for the community.

"That is the major reason why a basically conservation approach has been taken to the preservation of Beargrass Creek.

"In terms of the development's impact, I think it will have several very positive effects, in the sense that it will result in a considerably improved traffic circulation pattern.

"The preservation of the creek and the flowage easement will accommodate the storm flow increased as a result of the development in such a way that it will not affect anybody else downstream.

"I think the quality of the development will be positively and highly controlled. It will provide some new kinds of housing in the area that I think basically are needed, and it doubtless will add a considerable amount to the tax roll," Miller said.

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May 19, 1977, *The Voice:* Former STMFD member.

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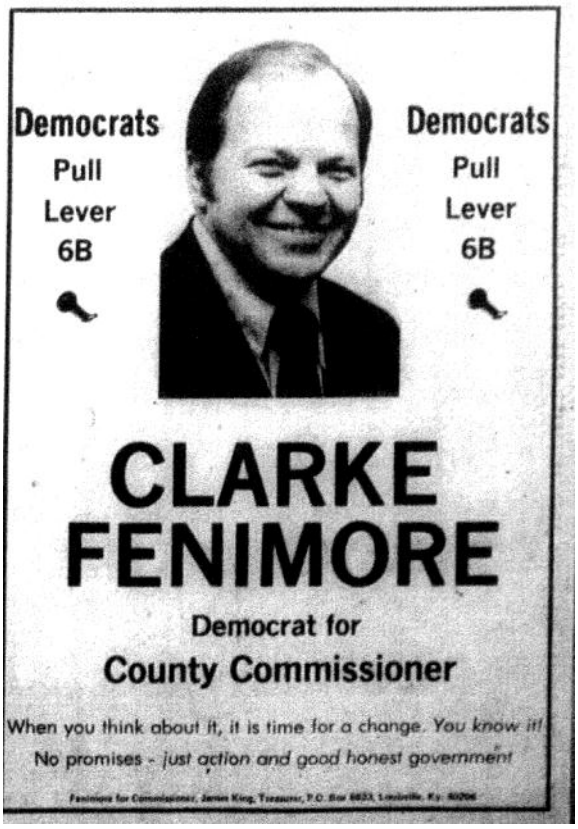

May 19, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on May 19,1977.

Directors present:

John Monohan
Geo. Miller
J.C. Nuckols
Marty Kamer

Minutes of meeting held on April 14,1977 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that minutes be accepted as read.

The financial report was given by Mr, Monohan. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Monohan, that $10,000 in Certificates of Deposit.

Mr. Monohan suggested that Al. Haeberlin, Jack Monohan and Frank Florence be invited to attend the June board meeting.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.
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May, 1977, Crusade: $20,567.49

ST. MATTHEWS FIRE ASSOCIATION — CRUSADE FOR CHILDREN 1977

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1977 FMC NIGHT

ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DEPT.

(A) Fire Run
(B) Meeting
(C) Training

Location/Subject CRUSADE
(D) Clean Up Date 8 20 77
(E) Company Detail Time _____ (AM)(PM)

OFFICERS	A	B	C	D	E
#33 Col. J. Monohan, Jr.	X	X	X	X	X
#28 Maj. F. Florence					
#16 Maj. A. Haeberlin	X	X	X	X	X
#36 Maj. J. Monohan, III	X		X		X
#52 Capt. A. E. Andriot, I					
# 5 Capt. J. DeHart					
#62 Capt. R. Rakestraw					
#38 Capt. Al Ring	X		X		X
#69 Capt. K. Strange	X		X		
#51 Sgt. R. Albers					
# 1 A. E. Andriot, Jr.					
~~# 8 Jim Andriot~~					
#10 G. Butts					
#64 Sgt. Charlie Davis					
#24 Gar Davis					
~~#11 Bill Dieckman~~					
# 6 G. Doyle					
#13 D. Engnehl					
#29 M. Engnehl					
#22 F. Florence, Jr.					
# 3 Sgt. Tim Golden					
#15 J. Hytken					
#23 T. Kaelin					
#20 Sgt. D. Kamer					
#57 M. Kamer					

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#55 Mike Noland				
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#41 P. Schneider				
#42 H. Schultze				
#43 A. R. Scott				
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#66 R. Tackett				
#14 Sgt. R. Unthank				
# 2 John Walling				
# 9 Joe Wheatley				
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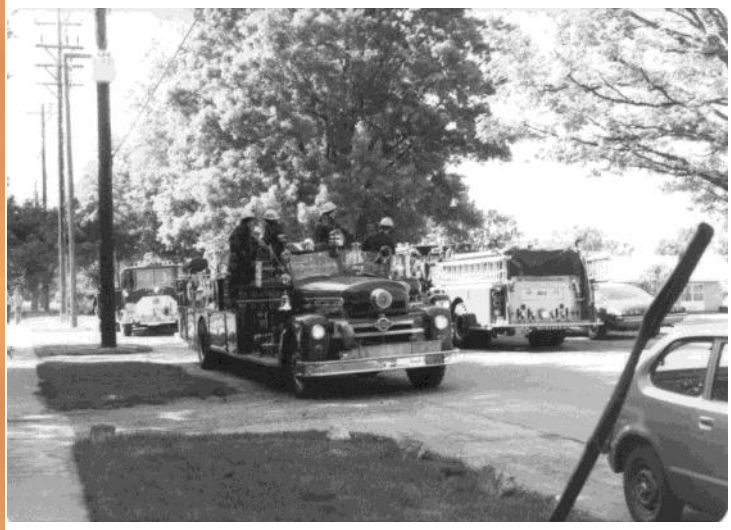

Pat Noland

Kenny Strange

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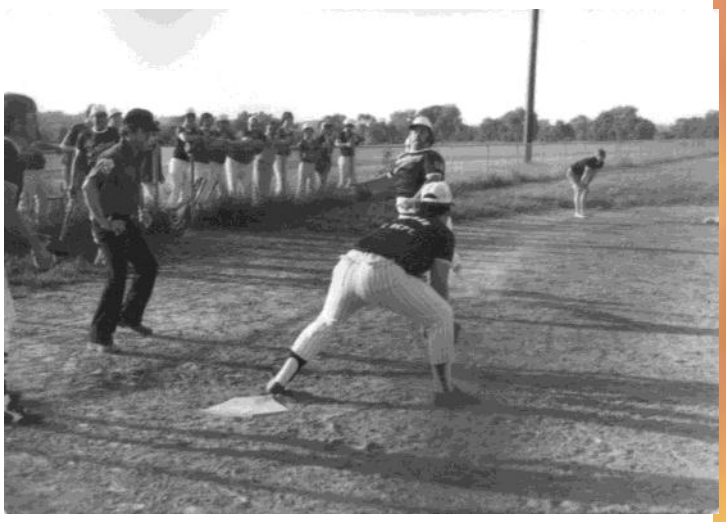

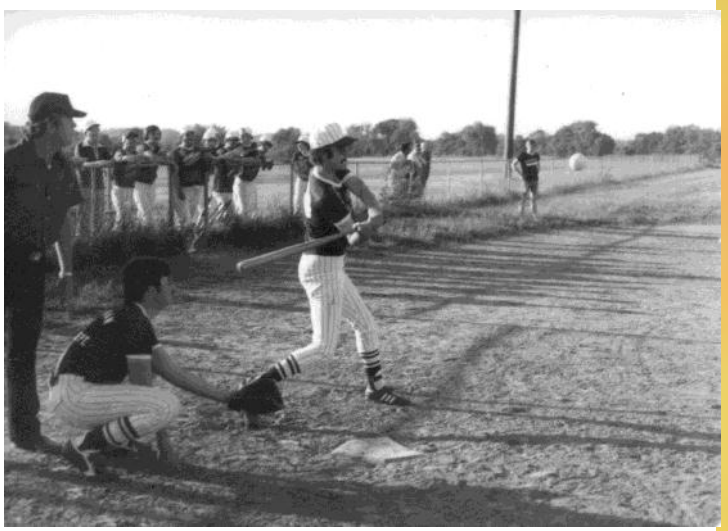

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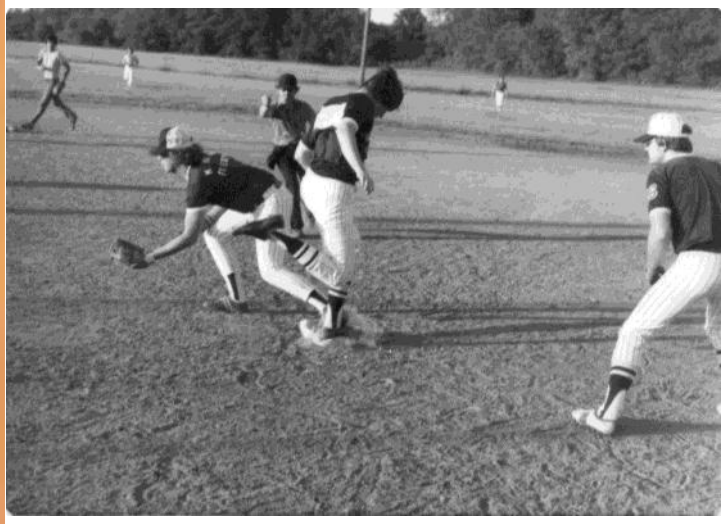

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1977, STMFD Photos:

8822 Betsy – 1931 Seagrave 500 gpm pumper

8821 – 1947 Seagrave 750 GPM pumper

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1977, STMFD Photos:

833 – 1963 Seagrave 1250 GPM pumper
(now owned by former member Rick Albers, 2007)

8834 – 1976 Mack 1500 GPM pumper

8835 – 1976 Mack 1500 GPM pumper

8836 – 1973 Mack 1500 GPM pumper

8844 – 1955 Seagrave 750 GPM quad

8855 – 1957 Seagrave 750 GPM quint with 75’ aerial ladder

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May 30, 1977: ***The Courier-Journal & Times*****,** by Richard Whitt & Richard Wilson: **160 bodies recovered in Newport fire; state's "worst tragedy," Carroll says.** On May 29, the Beverly Hill Supper Club burned to the ground killing 160 people, making it Kentucky's worst fire. I can find no stories or report that any of our firefighters went to help or even just look, which surprised me. I only mention it because of the history involved in firefighting in Kentucky.

(Notes from Rick Albers: Actually the fire was in Southgate and the Southgate VFD was first due but Newport, Ft. Thomas, Wilder, & Highland Heights were automatic mutual aid. Subsequently, fire departments from all over Northern Ky and Cincinnati were there.

On May 29, the Beverly Hill*s* Supper Club burned to the ground killing 160 people, making it Kentucky's worst fire. (The total death toll reached 168 with the last person succumbing to long-term injuries 30 years later). No St. MFD members participated in this fire. However, I have visited the site several times over the years, keeping a charred brick from the building. There still remains a small amount of debris overgrown with weeds. The site is strangely silent, even during the day with the traffic of I-471 below the western edge of the hill where this was. To this day it remains an empty lot although there have been attempts to develop it into a hilltop shopping center. The survivors of those killed that night have successfully fought off these attempts and want to erect a memorial there. However, the current property owner won't allow anything on the site. A memorial has been funded to sit on US127 at the bottom of the hill where the original driveway leading to the site intersects the highway.

This fire resulted in a major reorganization of the State Fire Marshal's Office and the enactment of tougher building and fire code standards.)

June 9, 1977, ***The Voice*****:**

Did traffic kill Giant Foods store?

By Robin Garr III
Managing Editor

Shelbyville Road traffic congestion was a key factor in putting Giant Foods of America out of business, a company official said this week.

The seven-year-old St. Matthews supermarket at 5015 Shelbyville Road will close its doors at the end of the day Saturday, June 11.

Walter Rothschild, vice president of Malone and Hyde, Giant's parent firm in Memphis, cited "economic reasons," based at least in part on traffic congestion at the market's Ten Pin Lane entrance.

"All I can tell you is that for economic reasons, we are closing Saturday. We make our decisions quickly, and we hope they're right," Rothschild said. Asked if traffic congestion was a factor in the decision, Rothschild said, "since you ask me, yes, it was."

However, the recent decision by St. Matthews City Council to rezone a commercial tract at the north end of Ten Pin Lane did not bear on the decision, Rothschild said. Current traffic, rather than anticipated congestion, was the key.

Giant had closed its delicatessen section and sold the delicatessen equipment several months ago. However, Rothschild said that move was not related to the decision to close the store.

James Payne, from Hyde Park stores in Memphis, another corporate member of the Malone and Hyde chain, was at the St. Matthews store Monday. He referred detailed questions about the closing to Rothschild. Asked about the influence of traffic congestion on the closing, Payne said, "that's v-e-r-y possible."

Nelson Jones, who has been Giant's store manager since January, said the seven-year-old, 60,000-square-foot store employs about 75 people.

Rothschild said all but about 10 of the employees were full-time. All but a few management personnel will lose their jobs. He said the corporation operates no other stores in Kentucky, and plans no new operation to replace Giant. The management people will be offered positions in the firm's Tennessee operations, he said.

Giant Foods opened seven years ago in the then-new Shelbyville Road building. At that time, it was publicized as one of the largest supermarkets in Kentucky, and the first to offer 24-hour operation. In recent years it had ceased the all-night store hours, however.

Malone and Hyde lease the building on a long-term basis from Dixie Associates, of St. Matthews, which leases it for Shelton Arterburn, the property owner.

Bruce Shinbach, Dixie's property manager, said that Malone and Hyde may have to find a new tenant for the property or continue paying rent, since their lease still has many years to run.

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Giant closes

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Shinbach estimated Giant had entered into a 20- or 25-year lease around 1970.

Rothschild said he knew of no specific plans for the building, and no one had contacted him about leasing it. Shinbach said he anticipated no problem, and claimed several real estate people had contacted him Monday after Giant's going-out-of-business advertisement appeared in the daily newspaper.

Unconfirmed reports at midweek had it that the IGA Foodliner grocery and Walgreen's drugs firms were taking a serious look at the Giant facility.

A spokesman for IGA President Randy Turnbull in Lexington would only say that Turnbull would issue no comment because "we haven't purchased it yet."

Shinbach said in his opinion as a St. Matthews resident, traffic congestion around the supermarket is seldom a severe problem. He also noted that Malone and Hyde, as of Monday, had not formally notified him of their intention to close, although he agreed the closing is a certainty.

Jimmy Yates, store manager of Kelly & Cohen TV and Appliance Center, next to Giant at 5021 Shelbyville Road, said he "hates to see 'em go. You know, any time you move a business, it's bad."

1977

June 9, 1977, *The Voice*: Note future firefighters, Charles McCune, Walter Ochs, Chief Bill Seng, Tony Thoman and John Volkerding.

Waggener's Class of 1977 graduates

Television newsman David Robinson addressed the graduating class of Waggener High School Thursday evening, May 26. Waggener's eighteenth commencement exercises were held at Louisville Gardens downtown.

The Rev. Dr. J. Altus Newell of St. Matthews Baptist Church presented the invocation and benediction, and Mrs. Donald Mosley played the processional and recessional on the organ.

Principal Arthur K. Draut presided over the awarding of diplomas.

Officers of the Senior Class of 1977 were Robert T. Noel, president; Dean H. Whitman, vice president; Barbara A. Lotz, secretary, and Terry A. Ouzts, treasurer.

The following are the 1977 Waggener seniors. A "1" denotes National Honor Society; "2" marks Beta Club members; "3" indicates National Merit finalists and semifinalists, and "4" indicates advanced program students.

Mark K. Anderson, Cynthia A. Asche, Elizabeth J. Bailor, Dwana L. Beckhart, Jan R. Behr, Jacqueline J. Bell, Jan M. Bell, Mary A. Bellucci, Cheryl D. Berry, Mary K. Berst 1-2, Cathy A. Binford, Harold W. Blackburn, Luis B. Bonela, Nola L. Bridges, Pamela A. Bronson, Jennifer D. Brown, David L. Buckner, Connie A. Calhoun 2, Karen A. Campbell, Victoria L. Carman, Michael A. Carter, Anthony G. Casebeer, Cynthia J. Cassady, Edward R. Cawthon, Lisa E. Chamberlain, Lenville E. Cole, Bryan S. Combs 1-2, Betty L. Conrad, Kathryn M. Coombs, Steven E. Cooper, Shawn D. Cosman 2, Cathy A. Costello, Stuart A. Coulter, Julia E. Coursey 1-2, Kenneth M. Cox, Andrew L. Crabtree, Sherree M. Crum, Lindy L. Cummins, Colleen E. Curran, Ann C. Currie 1-2, Rebecca L. Dall, Brian P. Daily, Charles L. Davis Jr., James W. Davis, Richard G. Davis, Teri J. Dedas, Teresa A. Detenber, Sharon K. Dillard 2, Deborah M. Dobiesz 2, Lewis M. Dodson Jr., Kelly W. Doyle 4, Richard D. Dukes, Donald R. Dunn, Margaret M. DuPre 1-2, Will A. Durham, Alexander C. Durig, Albert L. Earley III 1-2, Maurie D. Eaton, Susan M. Eckerle, Constance Edmondson and Joseph G. Eigelbach.

Mary L. Elder 1-2, Nancy L. Elder 1-2-4, Frances R. Ellery, Robert A. Eppler, Benjamin C. Esterle, Rhonda E. Etherton, Margaret E. Eubanks, Mary L. Frank, Anita L. Frazier, Clifford A. Galvin, Steven M. Garrett 2-3, Glen M. Gauld, Kenneth E. Gentry, Donna S. Giannola, Charmine D. Gibbs, Roni D. Glattstein, Mary J. Goettel, Gregory J. Goulet, Thomas K. Green, Mark A. Gregory, Judith D. Grigsbey, Jay L. Grossman, Terri R. Grossman 2, Gary W. Hahn, Mary C. Hall, Thomas J. Hammer, Russ H. Hampton, Lisa K. Hanes 1-2, Nancy J. Harpting, Sheila G. Harris, Mack C. Harwell Jr., Rebecca L. Hasty, Mark A. Haswell 2-4, Janet G. Haws, Karen E. Hazelrigg, Gary D. Head, Kimberly Head, David S. Heaps, Joseph S. Heil 1-2, Eva F. Heimerdinger 1-2, Debra A. Hendrickson, James Herd jr., William R. Herd, Kathryn S. Hitt 2, Glenn D. Hoback, Carol A. Hodge 2, Michele L. Hodges, Martin J. Hogan Jr., Myrle L. Horvitz 2, Julie L. Howard, Marty R. Howard, William B. Howell, William S. Howell, Susan L. Huffman, Linda A. Humphrey, Mark D. Isaac, Jerri L. Jackson, Julie A. Jackson 2, Sharon E. Jaffe 1-2, Cheryl A. Janes and Lou A. Jeffries 2.

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June 9, 1977, Board meeting:

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Directors present:

J.C. Nuckols
Bill Andriot
Marty Kamer
Tom Jerry Smith
John Monohan
Geo. Miller

Also present were Al. Haeberlin, Frank Florence and Jack Monohan.

Minutes of meeting held on May 19,1977 were read by Mr. Monohan. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Smith, that minutes be accepted as read.

A financial report was given by Mr. Monohan.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded byMr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
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Bill Andriot

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Financial report was given by Mr. Monohan. Mr. Miller reported that upon his recomendation, $10,000 was invested in Certificate of Deposit.

Mr. Monohan suggested that the salary for Mrs. Sharp be increased. A motion was made by Mr. Nuckols, seconded by Mr. Kamer, that Mrs Sharp's salary be raised to $425 per month. Motion voted on and so carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Kamer, that $5000 be invested in Certificate of Deposit. Motion voted on and so carried.

With the terms for Mr.Terry and Mr.Nuckols expiring on this date, a motion was made by Mr. Miller seconded by Mr. Monohan, that Mr.Terry and Mr.Nuckols be re-elected as directors, with terms expiring in July 1981. Motion voted on and so carried.

Mr. Monohan made a motion seconded by Mr. Kamer, that Albert Haeberlin be elected to fill the un-expired term of Mr. Hammer, which expires in July 1980. Motion voted on and so carried. Also Mr. Monohan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that Mr. Bill Andriot be elected for 1 year as a director representing the firemen. Motion so carried.

Directors and their terms are as follows:

John Monohan ----term expires 1978
Tom Jerry Smith--term expires 1978

D. Raymond
~~Phil Grauman~~ ----term expires 1979
Marty Kamer -----term expires 1979

Geo Miller-------term expires 1980
Al Haeberlin ----term expires 1980

J.P.Terry ------term expires 1981
J.C. Nuckols ----term expires 1981

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A Motion was made by Mr. Monohan that the following be elected for 1 year, with terms expiring July 1978. Motion seconded by Mr. Nuckols.

Geo. Miller, Chairman
Al Haeberlin, President
A.E.Andriot Jr., Vice President
Marty Kamer, Secretary
J.C.Nuckols, Treasurer
J.P.Terry, Process Agent

A vote was taken on above motion with all in favor.

Mr. Nuckols also made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that John Monohan be made an Honary ~~President~~ member of the Board, Motion So Carried.

The next order of business was the election of Chief and Asst. Chief. Mr. Monohan made a motion that the following be elected for a period of 1 year, with terms expiring July 1978.

Al Haeberlin, Chief
Jack Monohan, Asst. Chief
Frank Florence, Asst. Chief

Motion was seconded by Mr. Nuckols, voted on with all in favor.

At this point Mr. Monohan gave his thanks and appreciation for what the Board members and firemen did for him upon his retirement as Chief.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
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Albert "Al" R. Haeberlin

Firefighter August 3, 1954 to 1961, Lieutenant 1961 to 1963, Captain 1963 to 1968, Assistant Chief 1970 to 1977, Chief 1977 to 1983, Director 1977 to 1984

Born in Louisville March 28, 1936. They lived at 222 Chenoweth Lane, Ta-1814. He attended Holy Trinity, Eastern High School, and the University of Louisville Night School. He started with General Electric at an early age and stayed his entire career with General Electric until his retirement. He is married and has one son and one daughter and is a member of the Holy Trinity Church. He joined the Department in 1954 as a firefighter and has served as a Lieutenant, Captain, Assistant Chief, Chief and a Director.

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Franklin "Frank" R. Florence

Firefighter March 9, 1954 to March 24, 1964, 1974 to 1992, Lieutenant, Captain, Assistant Chief, Chief, Director, Trustee

Excerpts from: July 20, 1983: *The Voice*, by Carol Brandon Timmons: New Chief steers St. Matthews VFD. Veteran firefighter Franklin Florence was named chief of the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Department at a meeting last Wednesday of the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association Board of Directors.

The new fire chief is far from a newcomer to fire protection service. He has 30 years of firefighting experience to his credit.

Florence said he started working with the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Department in 1953 and then served for a volunteer department when he was transferred there. He's been back with St. Matthews for about 10 years, Florence commented.

He added that he's worked his way up from firefighter to a leadership role three times.

"My goal is to continue to deliver the fire defense system in this community," Florence commented. "Because I know with the people we have, we can continue to deliver excellent service in the most cost effective manner. "And we have plenty of evidence to support it."

Florence maintains that the St. Matthews Fire Department is tops. He speaks proudly about it. He defends it. He is dedicated to it. "Our firefighters are second none," the new chief remarked. "They're good folks."

Prior to becoming a full-time, paid firefighter as he is now, Florence was employed by Upjohn Healthcare services. He also operated his own contracting and real estate businesses. Florence, 48, and his wife, Dodie, have five children: Ran, Steve, Sharon, Lisa and Brent.

July 23, 1992

REGIONAL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF AND AP DISPATCHES

St. Matthews fire chief quits

St. Matthews Fire Chief Franklin Florence resigned last night, effective at midnight tomorrow, after serving as chief since 1983.

James Graven, chairman of the fire district's board of trustees, said the board had unanimously accepted Florence's resignation following a nearly three-hour special meeting. The board also met in closed session for almost four hours last week, after which Florence said he planned to stay on in the district.

Graven offered no explanation for the resignation, saying only that Florence, 57, has "done a great job" and that the district has entered into a consulting agreement with him to make the transition to a new chief a smooth one.

St. Matthews Mayor Art Draut said last week that Florence told him he was being given a week to resign or be fired.

Florence would not say whether there had been any conflict between him and the board or the firefighters. "It's time to look for new things to do," he said. "We all deal with change all the time. I've given many, many years of service. . . . I'm proud of the many things we've accomplished."

Florence began work as a volunteer firefighter in 1953 and was named assistant chief in 1975.

Graven said he is appointing Maj. Bill Seng, who has been with the district about 15 years, as acting chief. Graven said he hoped to appoint a search committee for a new chief at the board's August meeting.

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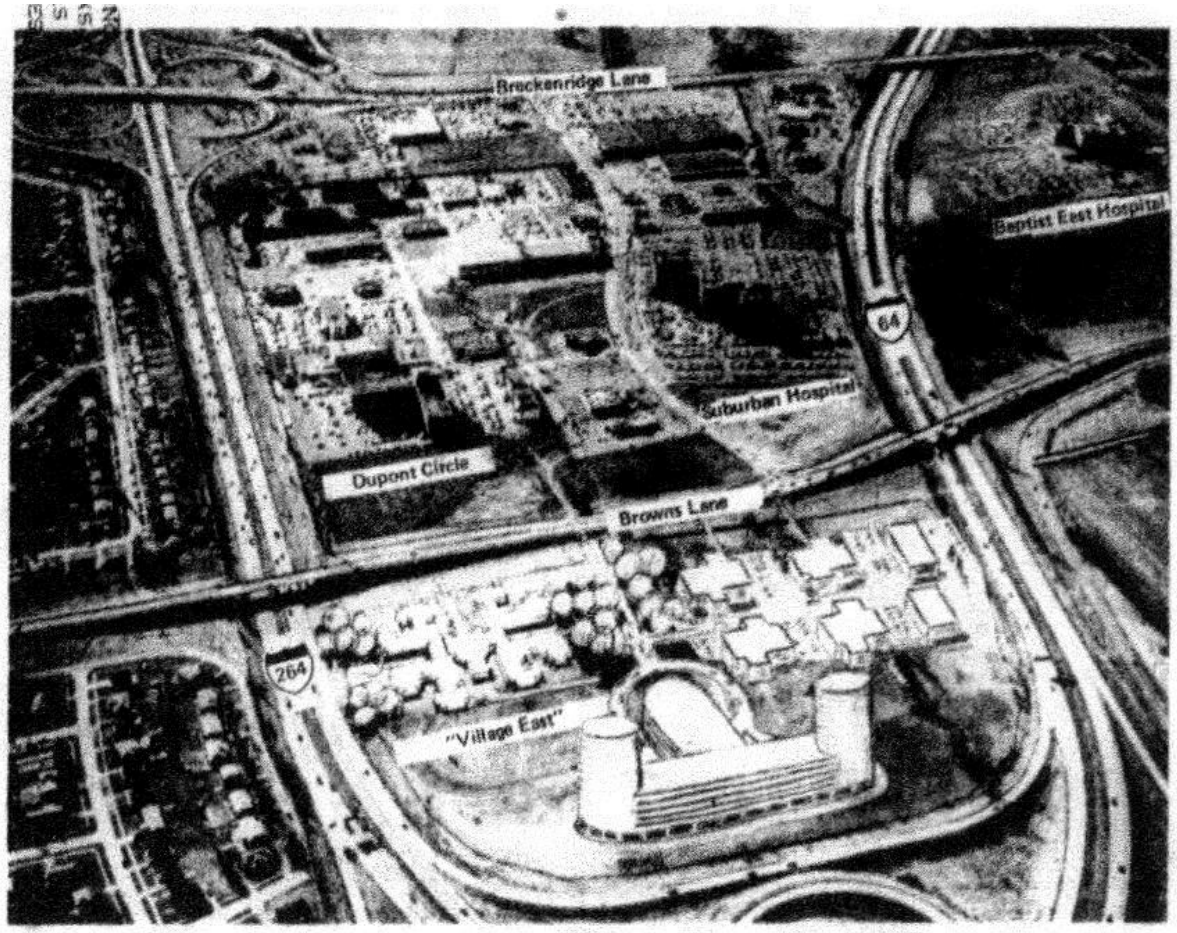
July 14, 1977, *The Voice*:



TWIN CYLINDRICAL TOWERS proposed by Martha Owens for "Village East" loom in the foreground of this artist's rendering, which looks westward from a point above the Watterson-I-64 interchange. The two office towers are joined by a T-shaped enclosed parking garage. Closer to Browns Lane on the 29-acre tract, six small office buildings are proposed (at right), and the 200-unit Independence Village housing complex for senior citizens is under way (at left). The busy Village commercial complex is beyong Browns Lane; development is expected to begin soon on a shopping center directly across Browns Lane from Village East.

Twin office towers on Browns Lane?

By Robin Garr III
Managing Editor

A pair of two 10-story office towers may dominate St. Matthews' southern skyline within three years, if developer Martha Owens' plan for the Kentucky Country Day Browns Lane campus are approved.

Mrs. Owens, who previously had announced plans for "Independence Village," a 200-unit senior citizen housing complex on part of the Country Day site, filed plans for the remainder of the 29-acre tract recently. This week, they will enter a revised plan for "Village East" with the Jefferson County Planning Commission, highlighted by the twin office towers.

The overal complex, which will be served by a single road entrance off Browns Lane midway between Dutchmans Lane and the Watterson Expressway, fills a semicircular tract nestled in the west quadrant of the Watterson - I-64 interchange.

The two 10-story towers, slightly reminiscent of Chicago's Marina City complex, will be linked to each other and to a small bank or savings-and-loan building with a giant, enclosed four- and five-story parking garage.

Around this complex, much of the eastern half of the tract will remain in lawn and trees.

The front part of the development, alongside Browns Lane, will include the senior citizen complex near the Watterson, and a lowrise office complex closer to Dutchmans and I-64. Preliminary plans show six 2- or 3-story office buildings totaling 158,204 square feet, plus 342 parking spaces, in this section.

Office space and senior citizen housing make up most of the complex; however the first floor of the office towers and parking garage will be zoned for retail commercial shops.

Mrs. Owens said they decided to file a revised plan — the earlier one had featured a sprawling two-story mall and surface parking rather than the towers and covered parking — "for a better use of the land in a more park-like setting, taking advantage of our exposure to the traffic while keeping greenery for the community." The newspaper also has been told that staff workers at the planning commission reacted negatively to the original plan, which left very little open space amid buildings and paved parking areas.

Mrs. Owens, who was a founder and long-time board chairman of Senior Citizens East, Inc., and remains a board member, said her interest in the Country Day property came first because of her interest in older people. She had been looking for a possible site for a senior-citizen housing complex for some time when she negotiated the first segment of the Country Day site.

This opportunity led her to development of the entire tract as a general-purpose office-commercial-residential facility. She previously has developed residential subdivisions in Southern Indiana, but says she hasn't been involved in a project of this scope before.

Development of this tract would fill in the last gap in the mushrooming stretch of high-priced land along the Watterson and I-64 on the south side of St. Matthews.

In addition to the existing Village, Executive Park, Mallgate, Shelbyville Road Mall and other commercial complexes, a major new development is proposed on the Monohan property along Sherburn Lane. Developer Beatrice Leslie plans a small shopping center on Browns Lane near Dutchmans.

And St. Matthews' recent approval of commercial and office zoning on developer Ronald Kerzen's property on Ten Pin Lane, now tied up in litigation,

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Open house honors Chief Monohan

The entire St. Matthews community and every firefighter for miles around are being invited to a reception honoring St. Matthews Fire Chief John M. Monohan Jr., who is retiring after 40 years with the department.

The event will be held from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, July 17, at the firehouse on Lyndon Way in St. Matthews.

Monohan, a member of the department since 1937, has been chief since 1941. When he first joined the department, the firefighters were located on Chenoweth Lane, near the present Chenoweth Square shopping center. In 1952 the company moved to St. Matthews Avenue, remaining there until moving into their present structure in 1970.

St. Matthews City Council passed a resolution this week honoring chief Monohan, and designating July 17-23 as a special week in his honor.

July 14, 1977, *The Voice*:

Twin tower

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would nail down the east end of a highly developed strip stretching along the expressways all the way from Beechwood Village to Breckenridge Lane.

Traffic on two-lane Browns Lane has been raised as an issue in other recent developments. In this week's issue of the St. Regis Park weekly newsletter, Councilwoman Evelyn Nordfleet warned residents of the Hikes Point city about the effect of St. Matthews-area developments on Browns Lane traffic, and called on residents to oppose any new plans that would cause more traffic problems in the area.

On the other hand, Mrs. Owens feels her proposed development will not impact traffic severely. She suggests the tract will emphasize office buildings, where workers commute in and out once daily rather than making repeated trips, and senior citizen housing, which she believes would generate less traffic than a typical 200-unit apartment complex. High-traffic commercial uses such as fast-food restaurants will not be sought in the retail section, she said.

Indeed, the entire Country Day tract, even though it contained a school, was zoned for apartments by St. Matthews when the city adopted county-wide zoning regulations in 1971. Without a zoning change, a developer could build a 1,000-unit apartment complex on the 29 acres.

Country Day is opening a new campus in the Springdale area in September, 1978, in addition to the Browns Lane campus, which houses its Lower School, the Upper School will vacate its quarters on Rock Creek Lane in Seneca Park. The Christian Academies of Louisville have announced plans to open their high school there.

In her formal application for rezoning, Mrs. Owens says the property is no longer suitable for all-residential use because of major changes in the neighborhood — particularly the development of the busy Village shopping complex across Browns Lane.

Changes in the area have raised property values to the extent that some commercial zoning is required to make use of the land economically feasible, she said. "It is unrealistic to think any other private school could move to this campus, pay the type of money required for this property, and financially survive."

Mrs. Owens said when the sale, now under way, is complete, she'll pay an average of $50,000 an acre for the entire tract. Everett Williamson, an assistant, said he couldn't even begin to estimate how much value the entire project would add to the city and county tax rolls.

Ground already has been broken for Independence Village, the senior citizen complex; construction is expected to be under way by fall, as no rezoning is needed for this portion.

If there's no snag in the rezoning, the office towers, parking structure and office complex will be under construction late in 1978, slated for completion within two years after that, the rezoning application says.

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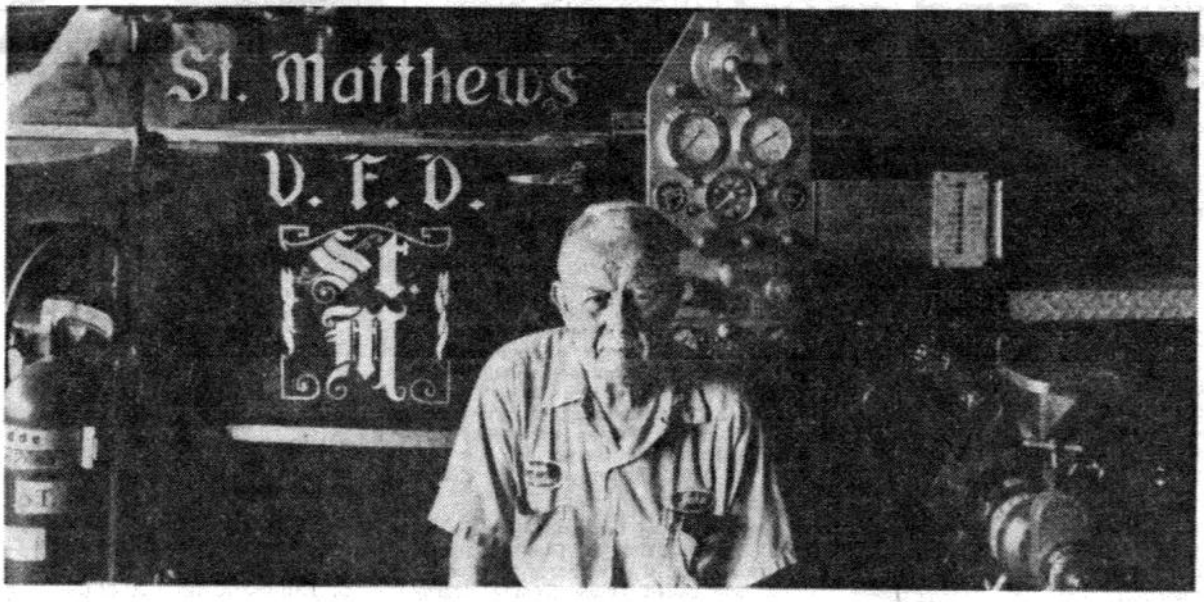

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John M. Monohan Jr., chief of the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association, is going to hang up his hat.

Going out of blazes

St. Matthews fire chief retiring after 41 years

By DELMA J. FRANCIS
Louisville Times Staff Writer

As he moved unhurriedly about the firehouse at 4114 Lyndon Way, "tying up loose ends" and dispensing dry witticisms, St. Matthews Fire Chief John M. Monohan Jr. seemed reluctant to let go of what has been a part of his life for 41 years. But the die was cast.

The 65-year-old chief of the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association, Inc., officially retired Wednesday. But he said he doesn't really know when his last day will be: He's staying around to ease the transition from his 36 years in the top job, which fell to Albert Haeberlin.

In an interview Thursday, Monohan said he had seen many changes and been through three moves with the rapidly growing department, which was founded in 1919.

When Monohan joined the department in 1936, it was operating out of its second home, a small, two-truck concrete-block building that looked more like a residential garage.

Today the department is in a large, modern building, opened in 1969, that houses eight pieces of fire equipment and has more space for equipment than the central firehouse in Lexington, Ky.

"Steady growth. That's been the biggest accomplishment of this department," Monohan said. "We've tried to grow faster than the community so we can provide adequate fire protection at all times."

Although it's in one of the geographically smaller fire-protection districts in the county, the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association serves an area of 35,000 people, Monohan pointed out.

In addition to St. Matthews, the department has contracts with about 15 5th- and 6th-class cities, including Beechwood Village, Richlawn, Bellewood, Windy Hills, Indian Hills and Winding Falls.

Only 55 firemen

But Monohan bemoans the fact that the department has only 55 firemen. "With 35,000 people in the area, only 55 of 'em are interested enough to belong to the department. We certainly could use more," he said.

Back in "the good old days," Monohan reminisced, "when we only had 12 or 15 firemen, a lot of people who didn't actually belong to the department would help us with fires. That's one way things have changed."

But that kind of assistance no longer would be acceptable, since firemen now must have quite a bit of training, Monohan said. That, he said, is how the St. Matthews department fights the age-old stereotype of the inept volunteer fire department.

"In our opinion, it doesn't matter whether you're paid or not. It's your training that counts. We have our own training here once a week, and on another night, we have instructors from the Louisville department, other departments in the state and specialists" in flammables.

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Monohan says he joined the department because "I guess I was just interested in the neighborhood and my neighbors. St. Matthews was a very friendly community then. You knew everybody. Now, you don't know anybody."

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Monohan and his wife Katherine have two sons, a daughter and 11 grandchildren. He is employed by Raque Food Systems.

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July, 1977, Tribute to Chief John M. Monohan, Jr.

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CHIEF JOHN M. MONOHAN JR.

SUNDAY, THE SEVENTEENTH OF JULY
1:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN
AT THE ST. MATTHEWS FIRE HOUSE
HE IS RETIRING AFTER 40 YEARS
OF SERVICE TO THE ST. MATTHEWS COMMUNITY

1977

July 17, 1977, Tribute to Chief John M. Monohan, Jr.

City of St. Matthews

Be it known by this Proclamation that...

John M. Monohan, Jr.

is awarded the noble title of

Knight of St. Matthews

for distinguished service & exceeding goodwill,
and is granted leave to wander
throughout the land enriching others
with tidings of the city's worth.

In appreciation, as token & seal of this title,
he is hereby presented a Key to the City
by the People of St. Matthews.

Done this 17 day of July, 1977
in the presence of
Bernard F. Bowling
Mayor

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July 17, 1977, Tribute to Chief John M. Monohan, Jr. **Courtesy Doug Monohan**

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July 21, 1977, *The Voice*:

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By Roger Harris
Staff Writer

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1977 Training fire with McMahan Fire Department. Rick Albers private collection.

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Jack Satton from McMahan & Keith McBride

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August 2, 1977:

ST. MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Staff Coordinator

Chief — Staff Coordinator

Corporate Duties
A. Administration
B. Financial & Purchasing
C. Paid Employees
D. Public Relations

Assist. Chief Monohan	1. Apparatus & Equipment Status 2. Alarm System & Radios 3. Advisor to Chief
Assist. Chief Florence	1. Training Program 2. Preplanning & Fire Fighting Surveys 3. New Members 4. Advisor to Chief
Major Russ Rakestraw	1. Water Supply – Location, Checking, Records 2. Maps 3. Working Fire Reports 4. Company Officer – 8855
Major Al Ring	1. Fire station – Complete 2. Company Officer – 8444
Captain Bill Andriot	1. Records – Personnel & Training 2. Insurance Coordinator 3. Injury Reports 4. Fire Fighter Activities 5. Company Officer – 8833
Captain Strange	1. Hose – Washing/Drying, Checking/Records 2. Company Officer – 8835
Captain Rick Albers	1. Personal Fire Gear 2. Community Relations Fire Prevention Program Schedule Community Events 3. Company Officer – 8836
Captain Wheatley	1. Air Systems & Scott Packs 2. Company Officer – 8834
Fire Inspection	1. Building Inspections & Records Bill Dieckman Richard Tackett

August 2, 1977:

ST. MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief - Col. Al Haeberlin
Assist.Chief - Lt. Col. Jack Monohan
Assist.Chief - Lt. Col. Frank Florence

8855

Major R. Rakestraw
Sgt. C. Davis
C. Kinberger (1)
M. Noon
P. Owens (1)
J. Walling (2)
Lt. R. Tackett (3)

8844

Major A. Ring
Sgt. R. Unthank
R. Florence
A. Scott
J. Wheatley
G. Doyle
Lt. W. Dieckman (3)

8835

Capt. K. Strange
Sgt. D. Kamer
P. Noland (2)
K. McBride
C. McCune
R. Helm

8833

apt. B. Andriot
Sgt. T. Golden
M. Noland (2)
M. Davis
J. Gravens
G. Soules

8836

Capt. R. Albers
Sgt. J. Woodring
M. Engnehl
T. Kaelin (2)
H. Koehler (2)
K. Monohan

8834

Capt. R. Wheatley
Sgt. G. Davis
J. Hytken (2)
B. Martin (2)
D. Reed
D. Mitchel

8822 & 8821
Aux. Equipment

Sgt. B. Andriot (1)
Sgt. D. Engnehl
H. Schultz
P. Schneider
J. Noon
M. Kamer

(1) Engineers
(2) Engineering Class
(3) Officer - Fire Inspection Only

A. R. Haeberlin
8/2/77

1977

August 2, 1977:

ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DEPT.

(A) Fire Run — Location/Subject 8-2-77

(B) Meeting — (D) Clean Up — Date

(C) Training — (E) Company Detail — Time _____ (AM)(PM)

OFFICERS	A	B	C	D	E
#33 Col. J. Monohan, Jr.					
#28 Maj. F. Florence					
#16 Maj. A. Haeberlin					
#36 Maj. J. Monohan, III					
#52 Capt. A. E. Andriot, III					
# 5 Capt. J. DeHart					
#62 Capt. R. Rakestraw					
#38 Capt. Al Ring					
#49 Capt. K. Strange					

	A	B	C	D	E
#51 Sgt. R. Albers					
# 1 A. E. Andriot, Jr.					
# 8 Jim Andriot					
#10 G. Butts					
#64 Sgt. Charlie Davis					
#24 Gar Davis					
#11 Bill Dieckman					
# 6 G. Doyle					
#13 D. Engnehl					
#29 M. Engnehl					
#22 F. Florence, Jr.					
# 3 Sgt. Tim Golden					
#15 J. Hytken					
#23 T. Kaelin					
#20 Sgt. D. Kamer					
#57 M. Kamer					

	A	B	C	D	E
#53 C. Kinberger					
#40 H. Koehler					
#32 B. Martin					
#12 K. Monohan					
#55 Mike Noland					
#30 Pat Noland					
#35 John Noon					
#31 Mike Noon					
#19 Pat Owens					
#41 P. Schneider					
#42 H. Schultze					
#43 A. R. Scott					
#34 R. Smith					
#66 R. Tackett					
#14 Sgt. R. Unthank					
# 2 John Walling					
# 9 Joe Wheatley					
#25 Sgt. Bob Wheatley					
# 4 Sgt. J. Woodring					
# Hicks					
# Davis					
# Knobb					
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1977

August 11, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Aug.11,1977.

Directors present:

Geo. Miller
J.C.Nuckols
Al Haeberlin
Marty Kamer
Tom Jerry Smith

Minutes of meeting held on July 13,1977 were read by Mr. Haeberlin. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr Smith, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Nuckols gave a financial repore. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that $5000 be invested in Certificates of Deposit.

Mr. Haeberlin requested that he be authorized to purchase uniforms for Fire Inspectors. Mr. Nuckols made a motion that Mr. Haeberlin purchase required number of uniforms for required number of inspectors. Motion was seconded by Mr. Smith, voted on and so carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Nuckols, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, authorozing Mr. Haeberlin to spend up to $300 to up-date front office. Motion voted on and so carried.
Also directors are to investigate the possibility of buying or leasing a Copy Machine. Their findings are to be presented at next board meeting.

Mr. Haeberlin reported that a problem exist in the basement where-by stored fire-fighting clothing is becoming mil-dewed. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith, that we purchase a dehumidifer capabale of servicing the basement area.

Mr. Haeberlin also reported that the up-stairs apartment is in need of painting and other repairs. It was decided that at the next board meeting the board members would visit the apartment and avaluate conditions.

There being no further business, moyion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Smith, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

Marty Kamer

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August 18, 1977, *The Voice*.

Arby's files suit over gasoline leak

By Judith Berzof
Staff Writer

The owners of Arby's Roast Beef Restaurant, 4170 Shelbyville Road, have sued DeHart's Sunoco Service, their across-the-street neighbors. The Arby's officials say they lost business when a gasoline leak last winter forced them to close their store for several days.

The suit was filed by officials of S.B.J., a Kentucky corporation which owns the Arby's, in June against Sun Oil Co., Inc., and the Sunoco Station operator, John T. DeHart Jr.

The station is located at 4169 Shelbyville Road, directly across the street from the Arby's. Last January Arby's and the nearby Sunoco service station closed for several days while workmen searched for a ruptured gasoline tank or lines responsible for the odor of gasoline fumes.

The suit, which will be heard in Jefferson Circuit Judge Curtis Written's court, claims the defendants owned or exercised exclusive control over the underground storage tanks, submersible gasoline pumps and related equipment at the business.

The complaint charges the defendants or their employees were negligent in that they permitted the gasoline pumps to be installed and used without approved leak detection devices.

As a result of such negligence, the complaint says gasoline escaped from the storage tanks or related pumping facilities saturating the earth around Arby's, causing "noxious and explosive" fumes to enter the restaurant.

The management of Arby's was forced to close the restaurant and to make modifications to its property in an attempt to remedy the hazardous condition, the complaint continues.

The Arby's officials are seeking $15,000 for what they say is loss of inventory, loss of goodwill, loss of profits and other expenses. They also are asking $15,000 in punitive damages, as well as court costs.

Attorneys for Sun Oil Co. and DeHart have denied the allegations in the suit, and asked the court to dismiss the complaint.

1977

September 8, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St.Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Sept.8,1977.

Directors present:

John Monohan	Marty Kamer
Al Haeberlin	Tom Jerry Smith
J.C.Nuckols	Geo. Miller
Bill Andriot	

Minutes of meeting held on Aug.11,1977 were read by Mr. Haeberlin. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Nuckols gave a financial report. A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Kamer, that $7500 be invested in Certificates of Deposit.

Mr. Haeberlin presented a list of Copy Machines and their cost. The purchase of a Copy Machine was tabled until later, pending further study.

Mr. Haeberlin also discussed some of his ideas on improving facilities within the Fire House and also the possibility of sinstalling lightning rods on the hose tower.

Mr. Monohan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smith, that we send one man from the Dept. to attend The International Association of Fire Chief' convention being held in Denver, Col. on Sept. 25 to 29.

After a visit to the apartment upstairs, all were in agreement to redecorating the apartment.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Millerm seconded by Mr. Monohan, that meeting be adjourned.

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September 1, 1977, Working fire at 306 Tyne Road:

Thanks St. Matthews VFD

Dear Editor:

I have sent the following letter to the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association:

My Wife and I wanted to give a sincere thanks to your men for your great job of extinguishing our house fire September 1, 1977.

Although we were out of town at the time, many of our neighbors have explained how quickly and effectively you worked. The special effort taken to protect our belongings not already destroyed by fire, was especially appreciated.

I'm sure as volunteers, your job is often unappreciated and thankless.

My Wife and I are thankful your dedication is there.

Ed and Sharon King
Tyne Road

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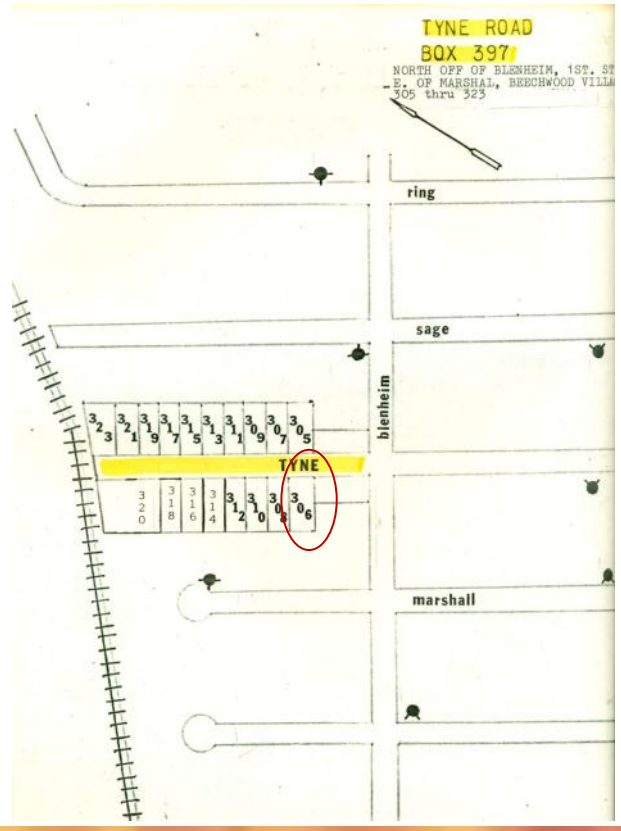

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LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA

ED KING, Supervisor • SUITE 600, LOUISVILLE TRUST BLDG., 1 RIVERFRONT PLAZA, LOUISVILLE, KY 40202, 502-587-0936

September 9, 1977

St Matthew Volunteer Fire Association
4114 Lyndon Way
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306 Tyne Rd.
Louisville, Ky. 40207

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September 19, 1977, Invitation:

THE HARRODS CREEK
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO THE DEDICATION OF
ITS NEW FIRE STATION
ON SUNDAY, THE TWENTY-FIFTH OF SEPTEMBER
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-SEVEN
AT TWO O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON
8905 U.S. HIGHWAY 42

OPEN HOUSE
FOLLOWING CEREMONY
UNTIL FIVE O'CLOCK

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September 22, 1977, *The Voice*:

Fire fighters, friend appreciate each other

By Kathy French
Staff Writer

Ray Marrillia wanted to show the St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Department his appreciation. Meanwhile, the firemen wanted to honor Marrillia. The mutual admirers got together Tuesday evening at the St. Matthews firehouse on Lyndon Way.

As he's done several times in the last seven years, Marrillia threw a party for the firemen. In recognition for the "good job they did, for the Crusade for Children," recalled Marrillia, he first entertained the fire fighters in 1970.

He rented a hall, provided food, drinks, door prizes, and had a quartet singing, a piano playing, and dignitaries speaking. The gala affair was repeated three times, until the crowd grew so huge that it "got out of hand," Marrillia recalled in an interview Monday.

Asked if the cost had become prohibitive, Marrillia was quick to respond, "we don't mind that. I'm tickled to death to be able to do it."

Two years have passed, and Marrillia recently decided it was time for another get-together. He said many of the "old timers," like "the kid next door," have rejoined the fire department.

Tuesday he fried bratwurst and brought a feast of cold cuts and salads. "We might have a beer or two," he added--Marrillia has owned the Top Hat Liquor Store for 23 years.

Before the party began, St. Matthews Fire Chief All Haeberlin made the businessman an honorary fire fighter and presented him with a plaque. "He is really dedicated to his community, and we accept his kindness," said the chief.

Marrillia was surprised, as he thought he was the one doing the appreciation. "I think we take the fire department for granted," he said. Last winter when it was so cold, he recalled, "I'd hear the siren and I'd pull up a blanket, but those guys were out there doing their job."

He says he's been fortunate that he's never needed the fire fighters' service; but "I know they'd be right here." He lived at 331 Sherrin Ave., Norbourne Estates, for 29 years, and "I don't know what we'd do without them."

Although he prefers to remain in the background, Marrillia shared a little information about himself. This merchant with his warm, friendly smile has hidden talents.

In 1945, he helped form the local barber shop quartet singers who produced the national champion Thoroughbred Chorus and the Sweet Adelines. Although he's no longer active with the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, "I sing bass when I'm asked — and I'm not asked too often," he joked.

He said that was enough about him. "I'd rather stay in the dugout."

Although he never wished to be a volunteer fireman, because "I can't climb," Marrillia "just wanted to show his appreciation for what the boys are doing."

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October 2, 1977, courtesy of Rick Albers: Water Ball

ST. MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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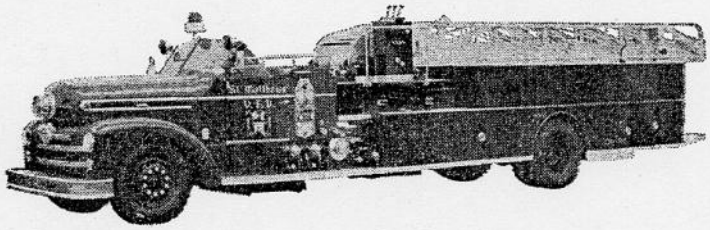

4114 Lyndon Way - P. O. Box 7283

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40207

The 1977 St. Matthews Fire Dept. Annual Waterball Tournament was held Sunday, Oct. 2. There were 14 teams participating, representing 9 area Fire Departments. Invitations were sent to some 30 Departments approximately one month prior to the event.

The overall winner of the Tournament was Team 2 of St. Matthews. The Second Place award went to Fern Creek Fire Dept. Team 1. The other Departments involved were Ballardsville, Buecnel, Harrods Creek, Lyndon, Pewee Valley, South Oldham and Zoneton.

The event was very sucessful and fun for all involved. The sales of food and registration fees netted us a profit of $131.84 after expenses paid. All players on each team are to recieve individual palques and the first and second place teams have recieved trophies made by Ross Engraving Co.

A Ladies Waterball Competition was held immediately following the regular tournament. This event was sucessful and well enjoyed by all.

All the personnel from this Department who helped organize and participated in the tournament did a great job. I am grateful to them and I hope we can have another sucessful event again next year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rick Albers

Rick Albers, Captain

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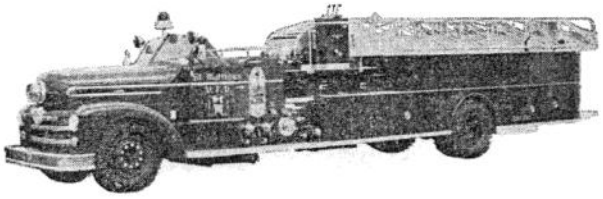

4114 Lyndon Way - P. O. Box 7283
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40207

The following persons from this Department played very important roles in helping to make this years waterball event a sucess. They are:

WATERBALL COMMITTEE:
Firefighter Joe Wheatley, Firefighter Pat Noland,
Capt. Rick Albers, Capt. Bill Andriot

PRACTICE SESSIONS:
Major Russ Rakestraw

TEAM 1:
Sgt. Tim Golden, nozzle
Capt. R. Albers, coach
Firefighter Tom Kaelin, backup nozzle
Firefighter Charles McCune, hoseman
Firefighter Mike Davis, hoseman

TEAM 2: (1st, place)
Capt. Bob Wheatley, nozzle
Capt. Kenny Strange, coach
Firefighter Kieth McBride, backup nozzle
Firefighter Kent Monohan, hoseman
Firefighter Gary Doyle, hoseman

KITCHEN & FOOD PREPARATION:
Firefighter John Noon
Firefighter Hugo Koehler

OFFICIALS & REFEREES:
Sgt. Bill Andriot
Sgt. David Kamer
Firefighter Joe Wheatley
Firefighter Pat Noland

P.A. SYSTEM & ANNOUNCER/SCOREKEEPER
Firefighter Mike Noland
Sgt. Ron Unthank

HELPED SET UP AND TAKE UP:
Major Al Ring, Sgt. Jim Woodring, Firefighter Jim Hytken,
Firefighter Mike Noon, Firefighter John Walling

BEER: Firefighter George Soules

"ORGANIZED FOR YOUR PROTECTION"

1977

October 2, 1977, courtesy of Rick Albers: Water Ball

Special Thanks to Chief Haeberlin, Lt. Col. Monohan, and Lt. Col. Florence for the support of the Department for this event.

The expenses for the operation of the kitchen are listed below as reported by John Noon and Hugo Koehler.

Bratwursts (96 lbs.)*	143.04
Rye Bread (20 loaves)	11.00
White Bread (2 loaves)	1.10
Buns (20 pkgs.)	11.00
Hot Dogs (24 doz.)	16.04
Grease (6 five quarts)	33.07
Ketchup (1 gal.)	2.58
Mustard (1 gal.)	2.00
Relish (1 gal.)	3.25
Chips (6 doz.)	10.08
Pretzels	5.04
Fuel for burners	2.46
TOTAL	$240.66

TOTAL TAKEN IN, SALES OF FOOD:	197.19
TOTAL TAKEN IN, EXTRA BRATS:	80.73
TOTAL	277.92
KITCHEN EXPENSE	240.66
PROFIT	37.26

The expenses for copies of invitations and paperwork reported by Sgt. Dave Kamer is $3.62

The expenses for trophies reported by Capt. R. Albers is $41.80

The total revenue from registration fees is $140.00

TOTAL REVENUE:	$417.92
TOTAL EXPENSES:	$286.08
TOTAL PROFIT:	$131.84

* used 30 lb - balance sold to individuals

KITCHEN MENU:

HOT DOGS	30¢
BRATWURSTS	50 ¢
SOFT DRINKS	25¢
BEER	50¢

1977

October 2, 1977, courtesy of Rick Albers: **Water Ball**

TEAMS PAID:

Buechel		$10.00
Pewee Valley	Team 1	$10.00
	Team 2	$10.00
Lyndon	Team 1	$10.00
	Team 2	$10.00
Fern Creek	Team 1	$10.00
	Team 2	$10.00
South Oldham	Team 1	$10.00
St. Matthews	Team 1	$10.00
	Team 2	$10.00
Harrods Creek	Team 1	$10.00
Ballardsville	Team 1	$10.00
	Team 2	$10.00
Zoneton		$10.00
	TOTAL	$140.00

SUGGESTIONS FOR 1978 WATERBALL:

1. Hold earlier in year (August).
2. Two Practice Sessions - none on day of event.
3. Start tournament at 10:00 a,m.
4. Require Participating Departments to register by a certain deadline, approximately two weeks before the event. This registration must be pre-paid and sent by mail or delivered to the firehouse by the deadline.
5. Lower the registration fee.
6. Obtain more media coverage.

REGISTRATION FOR 1977 WATERBALL

DEPARTMENT	NO. TEAMS	HOW RECIEVED	CONFIRMATION SENT	DATE SENT
HARRODS CK	1	Mail	Yes	9/21/77
Lyndon	2	Mail	Yes	9/21/77
St. M.	2	Verbal	—	—
Fern Creek	2	Mail ~~Verbal~~	Yes	9/29/77
Pewee	2	Mail	[illegible]	"
Buechel *	1	[illegible]	—	[illegible]
Ballardsville	2	Mail	Yes	9/29/77
So. Oldham	1	Mail	Yes	"
Zoneton	1	—	—	—

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October 2, 1977, courtesy of Rick Albers: Water Ball

PARADE PERMIT

ORDINANCE #15 SERIES 1954 SECTION 12C
ST. MATTHEWS, KENTUCKY

ME OF ORGANIZATION St. Matthews FIRE Dept.
DRESS 4114 LYNDON WAY
ONE NUMBER

RPOSE OF ASSEMBLY OR PARADE Waterball COMPETITION

TE AND TIME OF APPLICATION

TE AND TIME OF PARADE 9:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M. SUNDAY October 2, 1977

ACE OF ASSEMBLY St. MATTHEWS FIRE DEPT.

ACE OF DISPERSAL "

UTE OF PARADE OR MARCH, AND PORTION OF ROADWAY TO BE USED Sears AVE. BETWEEN Oechsli and LYNDON WAY.

RATION OF MARCH OR PARADE

MBER OF PERSONS AND/OR VEHICLES INVOLVED

GNATURE OR RESPONSIBLE PARTY APPLYING Patrick Noland
DDRESS 224 Bonnie Ave.
ONE NUMBER 896-0273

PPROVED C.J.S.

SAPPROVED

ASON FOR DENIAL

James W. Britton

IEF OF POLICE
. ATTHEWS, KENTUCKY

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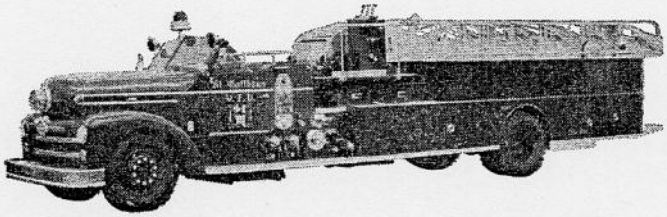
ST. MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

INCORPORATED



4114 Lyndon Way - P. O. Box 7283
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40207

Chief,

How about a day of fun, togetherness and getting wet? Sound like fun? I hope so, because we are inviting you and your department to our fourth annual waterball contest, to be held Sunday October 2,1977.

INFORMATION

Contest Date: Sunday, October 2 @ 11:00 A.M. Sharp
Rules: International Waterball Rules (Same as before)
Registration Fee: $10.00, Payable day of contest (per team)
Total Teams Accepted: 30 on a first come, first serve basis
Total Teams Per Dept.: 2

St. Matthews Fire Dept. will furnish all equipment needed. Each player must be in full turn out gear. Trophies will be awarded, refreshments will be available and the public is being invited.

The field will be available for practice the following times: Saturday,Sept 24, 9:00 A.M. to12:00 P.M., Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7:30P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and Saturday, October 1, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

To register, send letter to Sgt. David Kamer, St. Matt.Fire Dept. 4114 Lyndon Way (40207). Verification will be sent back to you. Be sure to state how many teams. We hope to hear from you soon.

Thank you,

Sgt. David Kamer

Sgt. David Kamer

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ST. MATTHEWS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

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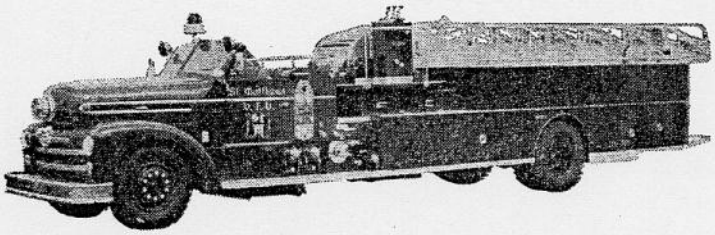

4114 Lyndon Way - P. O. Box 7283
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40207

1977 ST. MATTHEWS FIRE DEPARTMENT, WATERBALL CONTEST
CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION

This is a confirmation notice that the _____

Fire Department has _____ team(s) registered to compete in the 1977 St. Matthews Fire Dept. Waterball Contest, to be held Oct. 2, 1977 at 11:00 a.m. sharp.

$10.00 registration fee per team, payable before contest begins on Oct. 2.

All players must be in full turnout gear.

At. that time players will sign waivers, and sign up.

For any questions call the firehouse at 893-7825, 896-8812.

Thank you,

Rick Albers

Rick Albers, Captain

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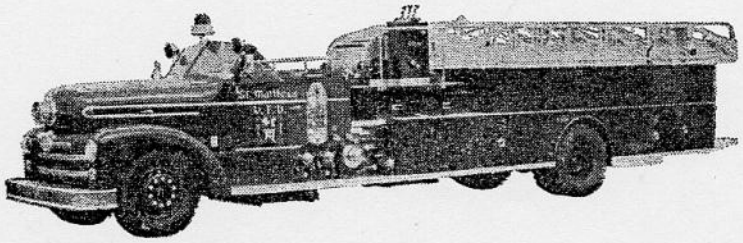


4114 Lyndon Way - P. O. Box 7283

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40207

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

If at all possible, the St. Matthews Vol. Fire Dept. would like for you to mention to your readers and listeners and viewers that the 1977 St. Matthews Fire Department Annual Waterball Contest will be held on Sunday, Oct. 2, 1977 at 11:00 a.m. sharp, at the St. Matthews Firehouse, 4114 Lyndon Way, behind the Sears Store.

Some thirty fire departments from the Kentuckiana area have been invited to participate. We would like very much for the public to see their fire department in action. There will be refreshments, and NO ADMISSION CHARGE.

We greatly appreciate your help in letting the public know of this event. It will be a day of fun for all.

If you have any questions you can contact the St. Matthews Fire Dept. at 893-7825.

Thank you,

Rick Albers

Rick Albers, Captain

1977

October 2, 1977, courtesy of Rick Albers: Water Ball

1977 Waterball Mailing List to the Media

NEWSPAPERS;

The Courier Journal & Louisville Times---525 W. Broadway 40202

Jefferson Reporter----111 Bonnie Ln. 40218

Shively Newsweek--- 4841 Dixie Hwy. 40216

The Voice Newspapers---3928 Chenoweth Sq. 40207

RADIO And TV

W A V E Radio and Television--- 725 S. Floyd St. 40202

W A K Y Radio---River City Mall #554 40202

WHAS Radio And Television---520 W. Chestnut St. 40202

W I N N Radio---3rd & Broadway Fincastle Bldg. 40202

W k l o Radio--- 307 W. Walnut 40202

W Q H I Radio---207 Sparks Ave. Jeffersonville, Ind. 47130

W L R S Radio---800 S. 4th St. 40203

W S T M Radio---Oxmoor Center 40222 7900 Shelbyville Rd.

W A M Z Radio---520 W. Chestnut St. 40202

W C S N Radio---307 W. Walnut St. 40202

W L K Y Television--- 1918 Mellwood Ave. 40206

1977

October 13, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Oct.13,1977.

Directors present:

Al Haeberlin
Geo. Miller
Marty Kamer
Bill Andriot

Minutes of meeting held on Sept.8,1977 were read by Mr. Haeberlin. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Haeberlin gave a financial report. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kamer, that $5000 be invested in Certificates of Deposit at Avery Federal Saving & Loan Assn.

Mr. Haeberlin presented three bids for the painting of the upstairs apartment. Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, that the bid of Al Ring's for $500 be accepted.

Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that we purchase a Zerox Copy Machine #660-1 at a price of $2085.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, that meeting be adjourned

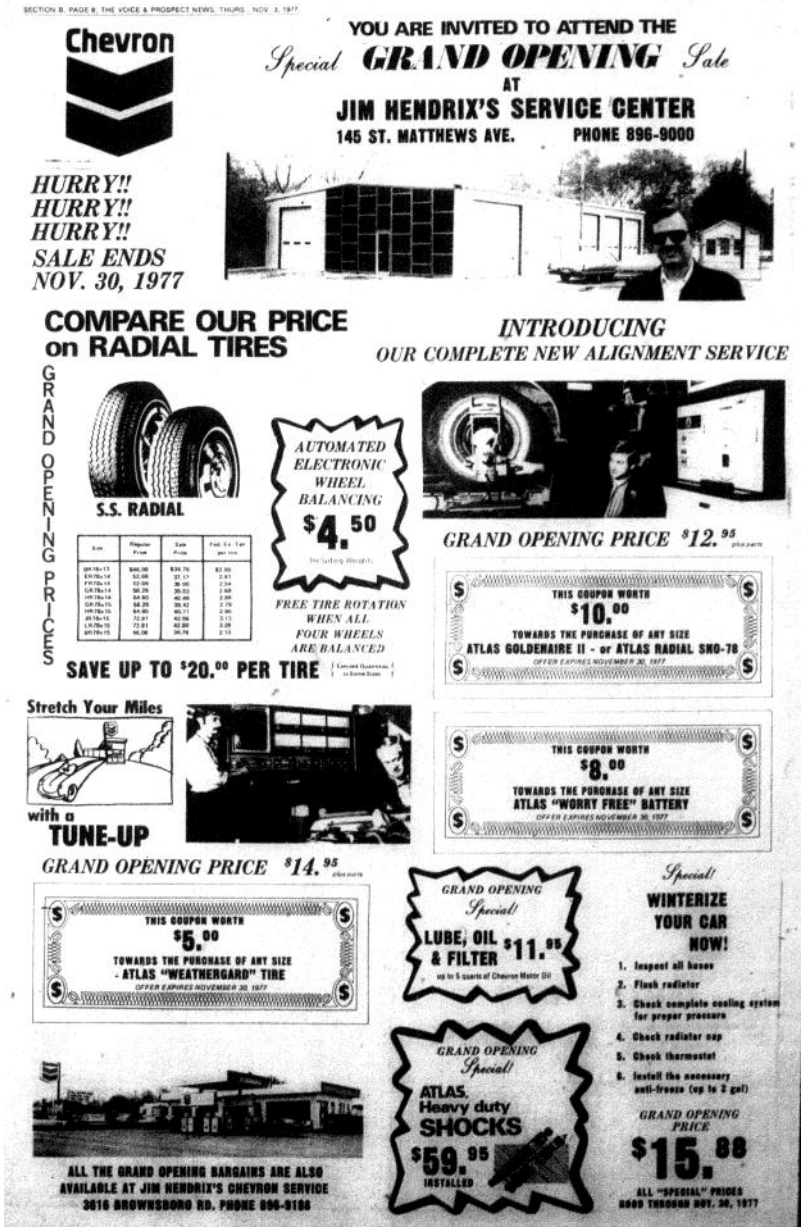
Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

Marty Kamer

NOTE by Al Ring: I have no clue what the other bids were for painting the upstairs, but STMFD got a very good price on the job, and I did a very good job. Note I did not become a painter.

1977

October 27, 1977, The *Voice*:
STMFD member.



1977

October 27, 1977, Board meeting: **New Board member Durward W. Maynard**

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Nov. 10,1977.

Directors present:

Al Haeberlin	Tom Jerry Smith
J.C. Nuckols	J.P.Terry
Bill Andriot	John Monohan
Geo. Miller	Marty Kamer

Minutes of meeting held on Oct.13,1977 were read by Mr. Haeberlin. Motion made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Andriot, that minutes be accepted as read.

Mr. Miller made a motion that Mr. Durward W. Maynard be appointed as a board member to fill the un-expired term of Phil Grauman. Said term espires July 1979. Motion voted on and so carried.

Mr. Nuckols gave a financial report.

Mr. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, that turkeys be purchased and given to firemen and directors for Thanksgiving. Motion voted on and so carried.

It was decided, that if called, Mr. Miller and Mr. Monohan will arrange for a meeting with Mr. Paul Clark, andthan report back to the board members the results of said meeting.

There being no further business, motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Smith, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

Marty Kamer

1977

October 27, 1977, Board meeting: New Board member Durward W. Maynard

Durward W. "DW." Maynard

Director 1977 to 1984

About 1919 to April 14, 2004

Durward Walker "D.W." Maynard, 85, of South Louisville, passed away Wednesday, April 14, 2004, at Norton Audubon Hospital. Originally from Martin County, KY, Mr. Maynard was a graduate of the University of Louisville Law School and had practiced in Louisville for more than 52 years. He was a former president of the Louisville Bar Association and awarded an honorary doctorate from Appalachian State College, where he also attended. He was also a Mason and a Shriner. Survivors include his daughters, Ellen Aloisio and Nancy Flanagan; a son, David Maynard; a brother, Ken Maynard; and sisters, Wanda DeShazer, Phyllis George, Yvonne Campbell and Lois Bagaas. His funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Nunnelley Funeral Home, 4327 Taylor Blvd. (family-owned and operated), with burial in Evergreen Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

Published in *The Courier-Journal* on 4/18/2004.

DURWARD W. MAYNARD
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW
GREATER KENTUCKY BUILDING
225 SOUTH FIFTH STREET
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40202

1977

November 23, 1977, *The Voice*:
Long time friend of STMFD

Marguerite Gidden dies

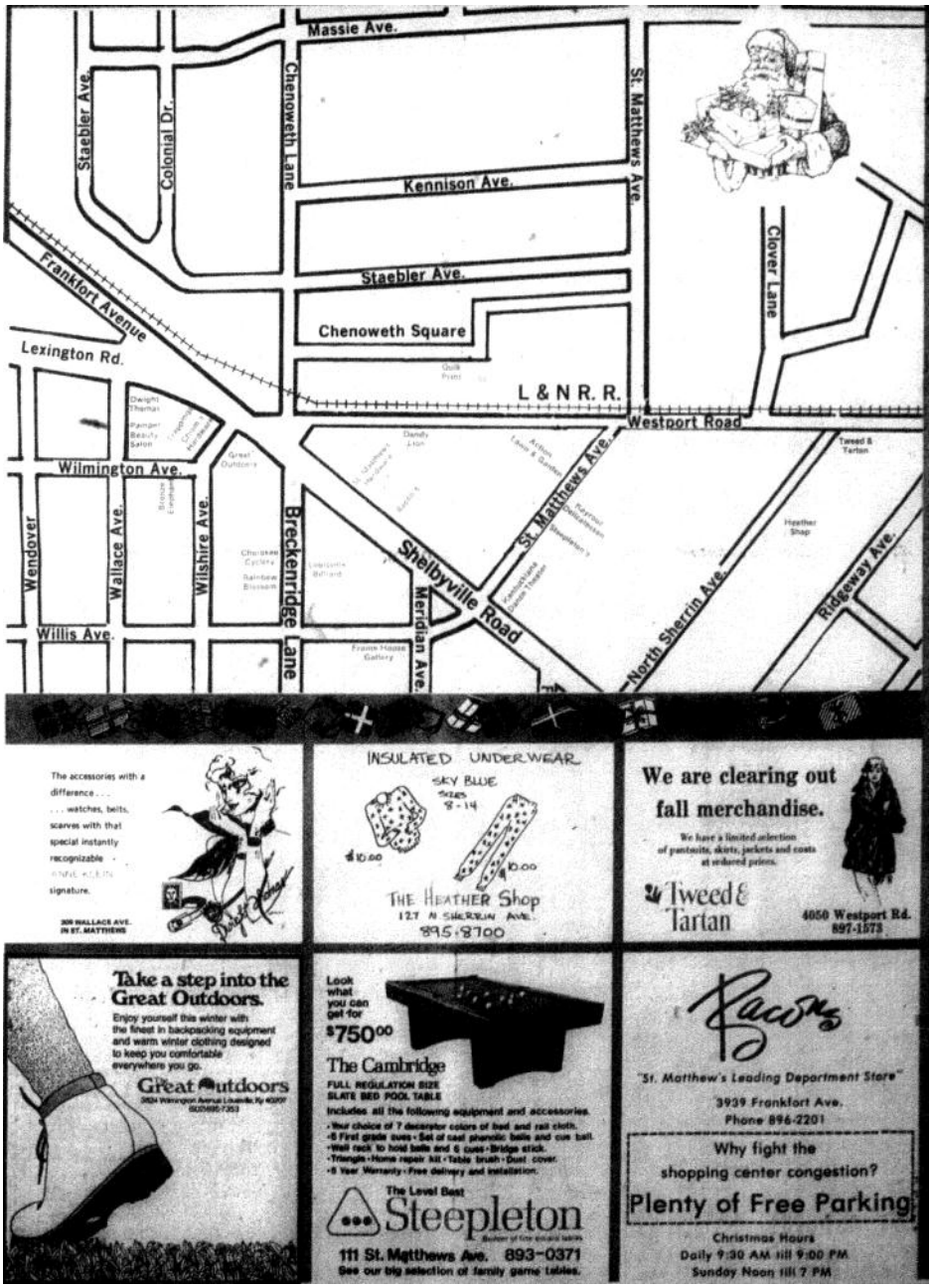
Marguerite Gidden, known to her friends as Missie, who lived at 415 Orsad Rd, died Sunday, Nov. 20, at 3 a.m. at Baptist East Hospital.

For the past 25 years she been in business with her sister, Sara D. Gidden at the Stauffer System, 119 St. Matthews Ave.

She was a member of the Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church, the Beautification League and Garden Club of Louisville, the Women's Club of Louisville, a charter member of the St. Matthew Business and Professional Women's Club. She also has served on the board of the Sidney Eline Memorial Library since its inception.

She was born in Greenville, Mississippi, the first of four children. Her survivors are Sara D. Gidden, her sister, and her brother.

The funeral was held at Ratterman Brothers, 3711 Lexington Rd., with the Rev. Richard S. Kauffman officiating. The body, was cremated and will be placed in the family plot in the Greenville Cemetery at Greenville, Miss.



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December 1, 1977, *The Voice*:

Future STMFD trustee.

King appointed St. Matthews treasurer

By Roger Harris
Staff Writer

The St. Matthews City Council appointed a new city treasurer and alcoholic beverage commissioner last week to replace the late John C. "Chet" Scheibel, who held both positions.

Appointed was Jim King, a cost accountant for National Distillers. King will serve until Jan. 1. Mayor Benard F. Bowling said King's service will be evaluated at that time and the council will decide whether or not to extend his appointment.

King, 227 Brown Ave., has lived in St. Matthews since July 1972. He said he applied for the positions after they became open when Scheibel died Thursday, Nov. 10.

King said his work as an accountant qualified him for treasurer. He has not held public office before. He said he was "grateful" for the appointment.

King's rate of pay won't be determined until after Jan. 1. The council needs to determine the amount of work involved before setting a rate, City Clerk Gretchen Kaiser said. Scheibel was paid a total of $300 per month for both positions.

Last week's council meeting began with a moment of silence in honor of Scheibel, who had served the city since 1952.

In other business the council unanimously passed two zoning change ordinances.

The first ordinance changes the zoning of two lots on Breckenridge Lane from R-7 apartment district to C-5, professional office district. John Clary, the property owner requested the change. He plans to change the buildings from apartments to offices, according to Marion Comstock, St. Matthews city engineer.

The other zoning change involves a strip of land on Lyndon Lane west of Thierman Lane along the Louisville and Nashville Railroad right-of-way. The area will be changed from C-N neighborhood commercial to C-2 commercial district. The city plans to pave the land to provide more parking space near city hall.

A petition asking for street lights on Sherburn Lane was presented to the council.

1977

December 8, 1977, Board meeting:

The regular meeting of St. Matthews Vol. Fire Assn. was held on Dec.8,1977.

Directors present:

Al Haeberlin
J.C.Nuckols
John Monohan
Geo. Miller
Durward Maynard
Bill Andriot

Minutes of meetnig held on Nov.10,1977 were read by Mr. Haeberlin. Motion was made and seconded that minutes be accepted as read.

Motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Miller, that Hams be purchased nad given to firemen and directors for Xmas.

Mr. Maynard gave a report on Church property value-no valuation available. -- as per attached letter.

Motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, to send letter to all churches asking for more help. Letter yo be drafted by Mr. Nuckols asking to increase $15 payments to $150 and $10 payments to $100.

Mr. Haeberlin reported that Windy ~~Mills~~ Ems. contract has been signed.

Mr. Nuckols gave a financial report. Motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Haeberlin, that $10,000 be invested in Certificates of Deposit.

Mr. Nuckols gave a report on repairing Fire house floor. Said floor to be repaired sometime in January or Feb.

Motion made by Mr. Monohan, seconded by Mr. Nuckols, that meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
Marty Kamer, Sect.

Marty Kamer

1977

December 8, 1977, Letter:

GREATER KENTUCKY BUILDING
225 SO. 5TH ST.

DURWARD W. MAYNARD
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW

(502) 583-3691
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40202

December 8, 1977

MEMORANDUM TO:

Board of Directors
St. Matthews Volunteer Fire Association

FROM: Durward W. Maynard, Attorney

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, I have conferred with Mr. Edward Mobley, Head of Real Estate Department of the Property Valuation Administrator of Jefferson County, Kentucky, concerning value of real estate owned by the Churches in St. Matthew, and was advised that neither their office, nor their predecessors in office, has ever placed an evaluation of the aforesaid properties, or any other church properties in Jefferson County, Kentucky.

1977

1977 Banquet: From Rick Albers private collection.

Front Row (left to right): Mel Zehnder, A. E. (Bill) Andriot Jr., Marty Kamer, Alan Ray Scott, Jack DeHart, Joe Wheatley, Brian Martin, Chris Kinberger, Chief John M. Monohan Jr., John Noon, Gary Doyle, Mike Noon, John Walling, Tim Golden, Mike Noland.

Standing (left to right): J. P. Terry, Mike Engnehl, A. E. (Bill) Andriot III, Ken Strange, Hugo Koehler, Harvey Schultze, Pat Noland, Bill Dieckman, Richard Tackett, Ran Florence Jr., Dave Kamer, Denny Engnehl, Tom Kaelin, Russell Rakestraw, Pat (Jessie) Owens, Rick Albers, Phil (Leaky) Schneider, Al Haeberlin, Kent Monohan, Mike Davis, Jim Hytken, Jack Monohan, Bob Wheatley, Chuck Kuhn, Frank Florence.

1977

COUNTY ALARMS 197-

	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUN.	JUL.	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
ANCHORAGE													
BLACK MUDD 3	36	23	34	26	26	21	28	29	24	43	28	34	352
BUECHEL	24	20	27	32	28	31	35	28	27	34	13	36	335
CAMP TAYLOR	27	25	22	22	17	27	17	19	26	22	10	21	255
DIXIE SUBURBAN	5	7	9	9	8	8	11	6	7	6	5	9	90
EAST WOOD	5	7	11	4	3	4	1	1	4	3	1	3	47
EDGEWOOD	27	27	33	32	17	34	27	33	26	30	19	30	335
FAIRDALE	20	22	54	35	33	36	35	30	22	27	19	25	358
FERN CREEK	20	14	35	26	22	17	24	18	12	25	21	37	271
HARRODS CREEK	17	11	19	13	18	23	11	11	9	16	14	17	179
HIGHVIEW	19	15	27	24	34	26	24	17	20	31	29	23	289
JEFFERSONTOWN	32	14	42	21	23	27	16	18	25	37	15	50	320
LAKE DREAMLAND	29	32	29	31	29	30	28	21	28	26	15	21	319
LYNDON	24	27	35	25	29	31	26	24	22	39	24	29	33[illegible]
McMAHAN	12	8	9	10	17	13	8	10	10	11	12	15	135
MIDDLETOWN	26	19	18	24	15	25	34	13	22	27	26	31	280
OKOLONA	55	52	61	53	34	62	51	43	44	56	41	63	615
ST. MATTHEWS	42	21	26	16	37	38	31	12	21	33	26	34	33[illegible]
SOUTH DIXIE	22	22	35	16	18	24	20	31	19	18	22	26	27[illegible]
WORTHINGTON	16	10	24	18	15	13	21	13	10	15	14	16	18[illegible]
TOTALS	458	376	550	437	423	490	448	377	378	499	354	520	5310

1977

Fire Statistics For 1977

Total number of fire runs:	358
Total working fires:	11
Back up City of Louisville:	5 times
Number of A. M. runs:	116
Number of P. M. runs:	242

Number of runs made by fire apparatus:

8801:	132
8802:	189
8803:	167
8804:	72
8805:	3
8821:	66
8833:	39
8834:	108
8835:	77
8836:	183
8844:	120
8855:	88

Types of fire runs:

House	131
Commercial	58
Automobile	49
Field & trash	12
Miscellaneous	97
Malicious false	11

WORKING FIRES

1/4/1977	11:57 a.m.	House, bedroom, 4415 Signal Hill Road
7/13/1977	7:45 p.m.	House, 3533 St. Germaine Court
8/8/1977	5:50 p.m.	House, 3316 Grandview Avenue
8/29/1977	3:07 a.m.	Garage, 3613 Hanover Road
9/1/1977	3:38 p.m.	House, 306 Tyne Road
9/7/1977	9:38 a.m.	House, 508 Macon Avenue
9/21/1977	9:43 p.m.	Garage, 127 Fairfax Avenue
9/26/1977	4:20 a.m.	House, 4603 Blenheim Road
12/4/1977	1:01 p.m.	Dress Shop, 1104 Dupont Circle
12/14/1977	1:43 p.m.	House, #57 Indian Hills Trail
12/31/1977	1:18 a.m.	House, 6428 Regency Lane

1977

Board Of Directors

A. E. Andriot, Jr.
Philip Grauman, left Nov. 1977
Al Haeberlin, joined July 1977
William D. "Bill" Hammer, end
Marty A. Kamer
Durward W. Maynard, joined Nov 1977
George E. Miller
John M. Monohan Jr.
J. Cecil Nuckols, Jr.
Dr. Tom Jerry Smith
James "JP" Terry

Officers

1977

Chief John M. Monohan Jr., to July, 1977
Chief Al Haeberlin, August, 1977
Asst. Chief Franklin R. Florence
Asst. Chief A. R. Haeberlin, Maj. to August, 1977
Asst. Chief John M. "Jack" Monohan, III
Major Russell "Russ" M. Rakestraw, August, 1977
Major Al Ring, August, 1977
Captain Rick Albers, August, 1977
Captain A. E. Andriot, III
Captain Jack DeHart (left July, 1977)
Captain Russell "Russ" M. Rakestraw, to August, 1977
Captain Al Ring to August, 1977
Captain Kenneth "Ken" L. Strange
Captain R. Wheatley, August, 1977
Lt. Bill Dieckman, August, 1977
Sgt. A. E. Andriot Jr., August, 1977
Sgt. Rick Albers to August, 1977
Sgt. Charile T. Davis
Sgt. E. Gar Davis August, 1977
Sgt. Denny Engnehl, August, 1977
Sgt. Tim Golden August, 1977
Sgt. Dave Kamer
Sgt. Ron D. Unthank, August, 1977
Sgt. J. Robert "Bob" Wheatley, to August, 1977
Sgt. James W. "Woody" Woodring, August, 1977

Firefighters

Jim L. Andriot
Gary Butts,
Gary Doyle
Paul G. Dillman
Mike Engnehl
Ran Florence
Rob N. Helm
Jim F. Hytken
Larry Heaphy
Tom Kaelin
Marty A. Kamer
Chris E. Kinberger, Sr.
Hugo Koehler
Brian Martin
Keith McBride, start September
Charles McCune
Sam McCune
Jim McGrath, inactive January 25
Kent Monohan
Mike E. Noland
Patrick H. "Pat" Noland
John L. Noon
John M. "Mike" Noon
Patrick M. "Jesse" Owens
Dwayne Reed
Ken C. Reising, Jr.
Philip "Leakey" Schneider
Richard Harvey Schultze
Allan R. Scott
Richard King Smith
Richard E. Tackett
John Walling
Joseph "Joe" Wheatley, January new