

May 2008 Minutes R.F.A.

President Oliff called the May 5th meeting of the R.F.A. to order at 1950 hours with 44 members present.

Deceased members - Ed Flynn: Eddie reported Charles Adkins and Charles Helwig. A moment of silence was held for them and our troops in the Armed Forces.

The minutes of the March 3rd meeting – George Kenney: Read and approved.

Applications for membership – George Kenney: George Barksdale. Voted on and approved.

Sick Committee - Ed Flynn: Ed has added Charlie Burger to our sick list of Wendy Baden, Ed Beller, Jim Bojalad, Dan Collins, Tim Connors, William Coughlin, Ralph Creel, Fred Davis, Ed Dougherty, Charlie Drumming, Bill Kelly, Ralph Kennedy, Jim McIlvaine, Tom O’Conner, George Orme, Irvin Poole, Skip Ramsey, Raymond Roberts Jr., John Schellenberg Jr., Ed Simms, Walter “Steamboat” Smith, Gerald Tassa and Frank Wise Sr.

The Secretary/Treasurer report - George Kenney: Read and approved.

Vocal Alarm - Joe Healy: Any items of interest please send to him at RFANews@comcast.net.

Entertainment Committee – Joe Healy: The golf tournament is June 12th at the Marlborough Golf Club. WashingtonEmeralds.org/ or DCFD.com. The Emerald Society’s Pipe and Drums will be playing at St. Patrick’s Church, 619 10th St NW May 6th for the Blue Mass. Also at E-17 on Sat June 7th for the Jack Gerhart Dedication. See www.DCFDPipesandDrums.org/events.htm for other upcoming events.

Safety Committee - Tom Barnard: No report.

Honor Guard - Joe O’Neil: Joe brought up where we had many members at Tony Cones’ funeral.

Members attending their first meeting - None.

Local 36 - Ben Self: Ben has decals. Appropriate retired members are next to receive the long over due President Ford and Reagan funeral checks. Ben also talked about the last L-36 general membership meeting. Local 36’s contract status: mediation is next.

Retirement Board - Tom Tippet: Not present.

Old business - Butch is working with our attorney Andy Quinn on the longevity problem. Mayor Fenty is not cooperating at all on dealing with the longevity problem. BC/BS has finally been paid all monies owed by the DC Govt. (you don’t hear that too often!), so now Local 36 is working with a new carrier for a dental plan, effective July 1st hopefully.

New Business - The Florida Reunion will be held this year at the Great Western Waterfront Hotel Punta Gorda FL on Nov. 7th thru the 9th. Wally is working on the details. Check DCFD.com/Forms/FloridaReunion2008.pdf for updates.

The Picnic Committee’s chairman John Harney discussed the details of checking with 5 locations and it was voted on and approved to have the RFA’s 15th Fall Reunion Picnic on the last Saturday in September at Circle D Farm, Woodbine MD. Sonny Mullikin again volunteered his services. Details and letters to follow, but mark your calendars now for Sept. 27th.

Butch brought up that he'd rec'd an email from Dan Dugan that the Local plans to bring out a hard cover book that will add to the *100 Years of Glory*. (FYI: 1871 to 1971). So this book will record the history of the last 37 years of the DC Fire Dept. and will be in conjunction with the FFA. Plans are that the proof will be ready by 2009 in time for the Fire Buffs Convention which is being held next to Eng 3.

Good & welfare - The appropriate retired members should soon receive their Regan / Ford funeral checks. Jim Embrey brought up that Eng 9 and Tk 9 are now back in their U St quarters after a long 2 year renovation. Active members who are getting the \$25k buyout had the date changed on them. www.DCFD.com for details. Don't forget the retirement dinner May 15th at the Upper Marlboro fire house for Wayne Settle, Tim Redington, Bill Kady, AJ Winterwerp and George Barksdale at 5:30. Bill Mould brought up a reminder for the E-17 House Dedication honoring Jack Gerhart on June 7th at 1 PM. See DCFD17engine.com. Eng 17 requests a RSVP for people attending. Bill Wolf brought up that Darlene Glass (FFA) is currently at the National Rehab Center (next to the Washington Hospital Center). Calls, flowers etc would be welcomed. Dennis and his brother Ed are again having their *Kid's Care Classic Golf Tournament* on June 26th at Patuxent Greens Country Club. See DCFD.com/Forms/GolfClassic.pdf for more details. See the below attachment for the upcoming 2009 Commemorative Inaugural Badge Memo 2008-77.

Next month is our last meeting before the summer break.

There being no further old or new business, President Butch adjourned the meeting at 20:35 hours.
Typed slowly by Doug Wheeler



MEMORANDUM



Series	Number	Originating Unit	Effective Date	Expiration Date
2008	77	OFC	April 1, 2008	February 1, 2009

Subject:

2009 Commemorative Inaugural Badge

The 2009 Commemorative Inaugural Badge has been designed, reviewed and approved. Collinson Enterprises is now accepting orders for the 2009 Inaugural Badge. The purchase of this commemorative badge is restricted to all active and retired members of the Fire & EMS Department. The attachment contains a computer-generated rendition of this collectible as well as an order form containing the necessary ordering information. All orders are to be placed directly with Collinson Enterprises. Order forms will also be distributed to all Department facilities. Collinson Enterprises will ship the order directly to the individual. Orders will be received in time for the November election; however, the deadline for orders will be Friday, January 30, 2009.

In commemoration of this historic event, I am authorizing all members of the Department the option of proudly displaying the 2009 Inaugural Badge as part of the work and/or full dress uniform. This option will also apply to chief officers in lieu of the regulation breast badge. This authorization period will extend from Tuesday, November 4, 2008 through Saturday, January 31, 2009. On February 1, 2009, the provisions of Article XXI of the Fire & EMS Department Order Book will be in effect; specifically, that chief officers only are required to wear the regulation breast badge as part of the work and/or full dress uniform.

Dennis L. Rubin
Fire / EMS Chief

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