



**Nevada State
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The PUMPER

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83rd Conference Edition Ely VFD

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Bill Gorselin your new NSFA director



This edition of the Pumper is dedicated to all who attended and all who made the 83rd NSFA Training Conference hosted by Ely VFD a great success

And

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE 84TH CONFERENCE IN
LAUGHLIN NV???**

It is said a picture is worth a thousand words. This edition is more pictures than words

I do have to apologize. I (Big Al) was in charge of the manipulative skills. I had the time record sheet at the dinner and I think I left it on the table. I know many wanted to know who they beat and who beat them. I can tell you the best time 1:58. Most were in the 2:30 area. Next year this will not happen. My guess is Richard (Toad) will smack me with a stick if it ever happened again. Co'mon to Laughlin and a push yourself to your limits. We will be able to tell you your time. I am going to see how my left knee stem cell goes. You may need beat someone older than Pat Irwin. I remember him having a great time.

Meet your new 2018 Director



William "Bill" Gorsline

Hello,

My name is William "Bill" Gorsline. I have been married to my wife Coralee for over 30 years. We have 3 children, and raise 6 more in Lovelock, NV.

We met in High School our senior year. I soon joined the U.S. Army and proudly gave 8 years of service. After receiving an Honorable discharge and using the trade I learned in communications, I was hired by Nevada Bell in 1996. Where I currently have been working for the last 22 years.

After moving back home to Lovelock where my wife and I wanted to raise our children, I felt like I needed to help the community. I needed to have that sense of pride, for family and community. I joined Pershing County Search and Rescue for 5 years. I then joined the Lovelock Volunteer Fire Department in December of 2005 where I am currently serving as Captain.

Sincerely yours,

William "Bill" Gorsline



To all that made NSFA Conference a great success

The Lovelock Volunteer Fire Department would like you to know how great you made the 2018 Conference, you were able to meet, compete, and listen to good speakers and Instructors” for Fire and EMS”. The friendship and camaraderie of all the different fire departments was very evident that we are all in this Fire world as a Family, it is a true commitment. Everything from watching the scholarships that were given out, to

Help the New Nevada Fire Fighters Memorial Every Time You Shop

Through the Smith's Food & Drug Inspiring Donations Program, everyone can help the new Nevada Fire Fighters Memorial located in Carson City, Nevada.



The Nevada State Firefighter's Association, in partnership with the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada, are proud to announce a long-term fundraising event in support of the construction and maintenance of the new Nevada Fire Fighters Memorial.

Smith's

Every time you shop*, 0.5% of your purchase at any Smith's or Kroger location will be donated towards the new memorial, through the PFFN's benevolence fund.**

See the PFFN's press release.

Make a direct donation or learn more about the Nevada Fire Fighters Memorial.

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3. Link your Rewards Card to your organization –
 - Enter your organization's number: **PD024** or at least 3 letters of your organization's name and click 'Search', select the organization and choose 'Save'.
4. You're all set; every time you shop at Smith's or Kroger with your Rewards Card, they will donate 0.5% of your total to the Professional Fire Fighters of Nevada for use towards the memorial. ***

***There is no cost to participate in this program, and you'll still earn fuel points on eligible purchases every time you shop. Not all purchases qualify; alcohol, tobacco, postage stamps, Smith's Gift Cards, re-loadable Gift and debit cards, lottery and promotional tickets, Western Union, fuel and sales tax do not apply.

Mark Flesher | President
Nevada State Firefighters Association



New Firefighter License Plate

The Nevada DMV has released the new Firefighter license



The new FF plate will replace the VF plate due to a stacked letter conflict between Volunteer Firefighters and Air Force Veterans. This conflict didn't bode well for anyone with either plate. If you shared a similar plate with an Air Force Veteran, you could get their speeding tickets and warrants for not appearing in court!

The new plates will be rolling out sometime in July and those of you who already have a non-personalized VF plate will automatically have one mailed to you for replacement.

As you may know, the fees for the now-retired VF plates and the new FF plates go towards training for volunteer firefighters in Nevada. So starting July 1, go forth and get your new Firefighter plates to help support volunteer firefighters across Nevada.

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We are extremely excited to announce that the 84th annual training conference will be held in Laughlin, with the Edge Water and Colorado Belle as the Host hotels. We have already begun looking at all of the great opportunities for success in Laughlin from the training spaces to the numerous recreational activities for any downtime you or your guests may have. We look forward to seeing each and every one of you at next year's conference in Laughlin and remember to keep an eye out for more information about next year's training activities, hotel accommodations, and recreational activities.

President's Thank You

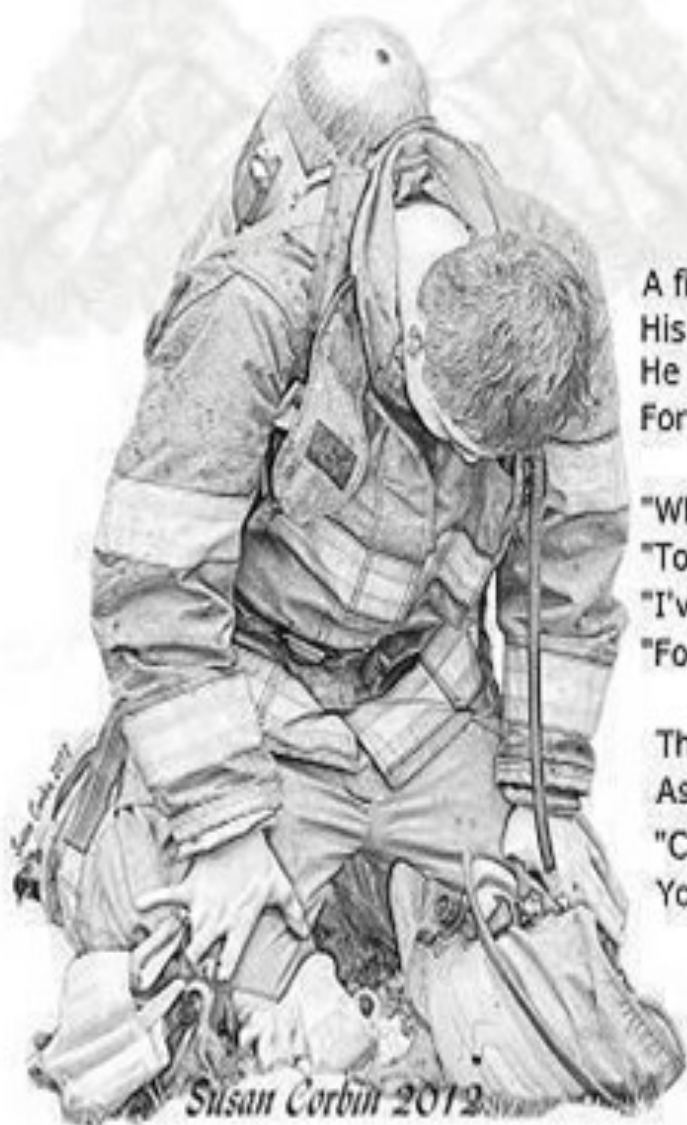
I would like to take the time to say thank you for all that participated in this year's NSFA annual fire training conference in Ely, Nevada. Your participation made this conference the success it was.



I would like to recognize the support and hard work that all of the Ely Firefighters and their families put into making this conference run smoothly, from registration and check-in, through the ghost train and trap shooting, all the way to Saturday night's banquet. I especially want to thank the cooks for the exceptional food that they provided throughout the week.

As always, a big thanks to all of our vendors for not only supporting the NSFA and our training conference but for supporting all the firefighters in our great state of Nevada. We wouldn't be able to keep all of our firefighters nearly as safe as they are without the gear and tools provided by you to keep us to the safety standards expected of public safety organizations.





A fireman knocked at the heavenly gate
His face was scarred and old
He stood before the man of fate
For admission to the fold.

"What have you done," Saint Peter said,
"To gain admission here?"
"I've been a firefighter, sir," he said
"For many, many years."

The Pearly Gates swung open wide,
As Saint Peter touched the bell.
"Come in and choose your harp, my son,
You've seen your share of hell."

- Author Unknown







The times they are a changing.

Ethan partnered with his dad beat Mike H and Pat I in the Corn Hole tournament

Ethan saved his money and bought a corn hole board. Kids like Ethan are our future!!









New Squads

Larry D. Haydu, Assistant Fire Chief "A2"

Clark County Fire Department

In these days of ever shrinking budgets fire departments are having to find new way to stretch the funding they have to make ends meet. This dilemma does not just strike the smaller departments across the State, but even impacts the largest like the Clark County Fire Department (CCFD). We have been faced for years with an aging fleet in our rural/volunteer division and an inability to keep pace with the replacement of our apparatus. One solution was to begin a refurbishment program for some of the apparatus that seemed viable candidates.

The CCFD began working with a local vendor, Fire Trucks Unlimited of Henderson Nevada when they were awarded a contract to refurbish the department's aging Rescues. To date the CCFD has refurbished nine department Freightliner Rescues and currently has two Pierce Engines being refurbished. The Rural project began when I identified 4, Type 6 light Engines (Squads) for the project. All of the vehicles are "Sisters" and were purchased new in 1995. While the vehicles were 23 years old, the "3D manufacturing" service bodies were in remarkably good condition having been originally constructed with 3/16 aluminum rather than the current day 1/8 inch. Working with our fleet Forman, we developed a statement of work for the units, which became a formal request for bid. Fire Trucks Unlimited once was awarded the bid for the refurbishment of the 4 Squads.

The vehicles were delivered 2 at a time as to lessen the impact on operations. Each unit was disassembled, painted, all doors and hardware replaced or repaired, all existing diamond plate was polished, all lighting was upgraded to state of the art LED, new fire pumps were installed with new pump engines and plumbing, a totally new operators panel was fabricated including a new priming system and foam proportioning system. This refurbished body was then reinstalled on a new 2017 Ford F-550, 4 wheel drive chassis equipped with a 15K winch mounted on the front bumper.

Total time for the first two units was approximately 6 months, but that included ordering and delivery of the chassis from Ford. The next two units should be much faster as the chassis are already painted and waiting for the boxes to be refurbished. In the end, each of the units were completed for \$111K which equates to a savings of approximately \$75K per unit compared to the cost for new. This provided Clark County approximately \$300K in cost savings for the project. With the success of this program, we have already began looking at the remaining fleet to find other suitable candidates for refurbishment. We are also looking to expand the program and refurbish some of our older Urban Division Freightliner Rescue boxes and then mounting them on smaller light/medium duty truck chassis for new Rural Division Rescues. Where there's a will, there's a way!

Larry D. Haydu, Assistant Fire Chief "A2"

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VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS

REQUIREMENTS:

must be willing to risk life
save tax payer's \$137 billion per year
train for hundreds of hours
be very courageous
ignore what your brain tells you
respond 24/7
leave family at dinner table
get yelled at by angry motorists
wear a snow suit in summer
witness death and dismemberment
never know what your getting into
have balls of steel
have a day job
deal with people in pain
not be afraid of heights
keep a good attitude and...
be ok with not getting a thank you

Saturday afternoon a lightning strike started a 30.6 acre brush fire in moderate fuels in Trout Canyon. Members from station 70 were first on scene. The strike occurred on Forest Service property and was contained by Sunday afternoon by personnel from USFS, BLM and CCFD.





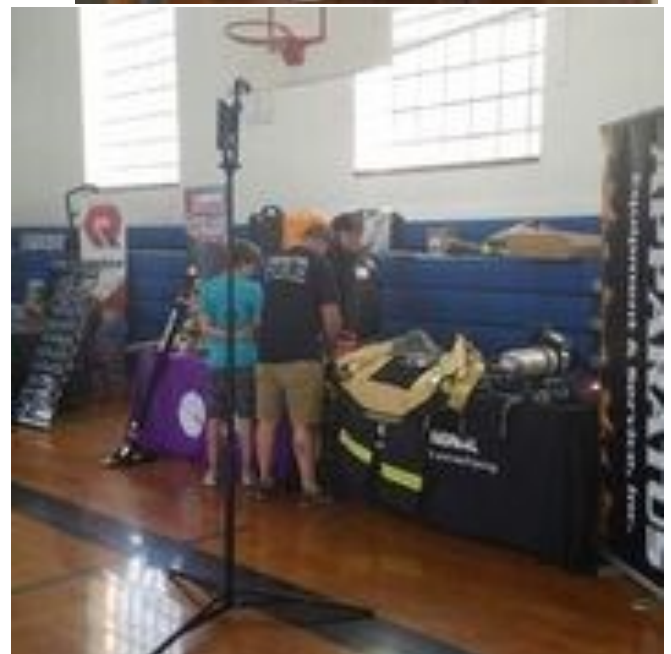


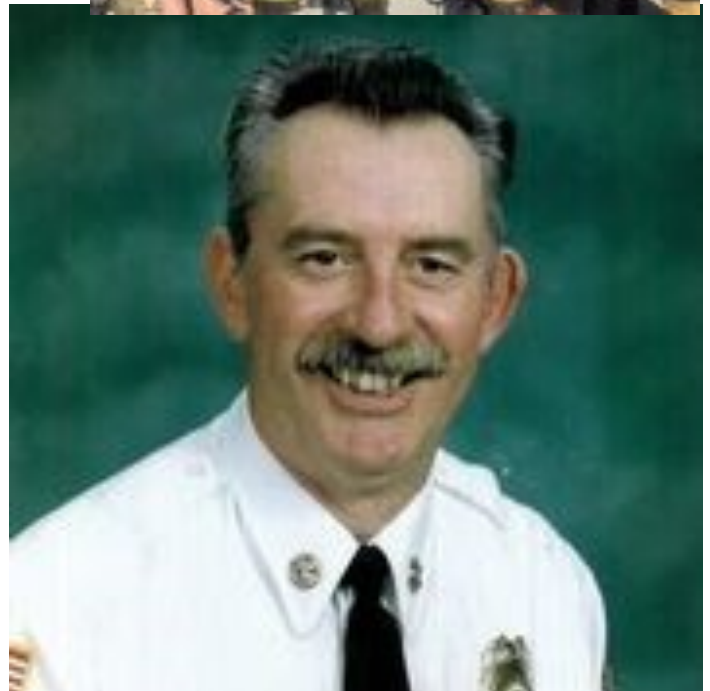














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