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# Neighbors Helping Neighbor



1957 Ladder Truck — 65 Feet



FIRE DEPARTMENT — 1934

First Fire Truck — 1929 Model A Ford



1968 Rescue Unit



1949

500 G.P.M. Pumper

*1930-40 Years of Service - 1970  
Your Volunteer Fire Department*

## - Dedication -

This book is dedicated to the two men who were charter members of the department and are still members. Also, it is dedicated to Ed (Pop) Shafer, an Honorary Member, and Mayor of McConnelsville at one time. Pop assisted greatly in the early years. He bought the firemen their first coats, and donated the boat used in drownings. He maintained his interest until his death, and his body was carried to the cemetery on one of the fire trucks and laid to rest with an honor guard of the firemen.

### Charter Members who are still living:

Frank Howard  
Dana Walker  
M. M. (Duke) Sears  
Jimmie Flanagan, Jr.  
Gerald Price  
Dallas Scott  
Lawrance Partesius



EDSEL MILLER was one of the Fifteen Charter Members, and over the years served as Assistant Chief, Secretary, Trustee, and is at present Treasurer of the M & M Fire Department. Edsel has also over the years driven various pieces of equipment and at the present time is one of the drivers of Truck No. 5 which is the Ladder Truck.



CARL WARNE also was one of the Fifteen Charter Members, and like Edsel served various positions in the Department. Carl was Fire Chief in 1950 when the Department was twenty years old. Carl, during World War II, worked as paid fireman at the Cambridge State Hospital.



## Your's and Our

### Fire Department -- 1970

Since coming into the Fire Department 10 years ago, I have watched it grow as it did in the 30 years prior to this.

In the last 10 years we have purchased all new protective equipment for our men such as coats, helmets, boots. We have purchased 4 new trucks with the finest equipment available on them, also 5000 feet of 2½ hose, 2000 feet of 1½ hose, new boat and motor, 2 resuscitators, 3 portable pumpers, portable generator,

new radios, scuba equipment for farm ponds and strip mine ponds. This is just some of the major equipment we have bought that is required for our department to stay in the classification of 6, which is very good, but this is still not good enough for us. We are still striving to get into Class 5, which you could count all the Volunteer Fire Departments in the state on one hand that are in this classification. The equipment is just half of the Fire Department. You have to have men to man and operate the equipment efficiently. This we have. Every man in our department is a dedicated fireman. This is something that gets in your blood and you can't get it out. As you can see we have 2 men that have been in 40 years, 2 men 30 years, 4 men 18 years, and 2 men 15 years. There has been a lot of hard work and long hours and little sleep in all those years, but they are dedicated to one thing and that is the Fire Department and the public. I can remember watching a few of these firemen at their meetings and training when I was just 5 or 6 years old, when I used to go to the fire meetings with my Dad.

Firefighting has changed a lot in the last 40 years. Looking back on the log of the 30's there were 10 to 20 fire calls a year, now we have 70 to 90. Why do we have so many more calls — because of the communications we have now is so much better. There was a lot of times property burned down before the Fire Department could be notified. There are 10 times the amount of cars on the road, more industry, and an average of 5000 more people in Morgan County on week-ends in the summer, camping and fishing. Also, our squad or emergency runs keep getting greater every year. We are fortunate in our department to have our own first aid instructor, our own State T & I fire instructor, and our own radio service man and our own pump mechanic. As you can see there is a job for everyone in the department.

We meet every Wednesday night. One night in each month is used to clean the fire house and trucks, and the other 3 are used for training, truck maintenance or inspection of buildings.

Anyone is welcome anytime to come in and look around and see what your donations do for us. I also want to take this opportunity to pay tribute and congratulate Edsel Miller and Carl Warne for 40 years of service, a record that is unbelievable, also at this time I want to thank Past Chiefs Howard Conkle, Dorsel Kincaid, and Put Bragg for the help they have given me on making decisions and running the Fire Department. Also thanks to Art Balding for the wonderful job he has done as our Fund Raising Chairman. Keep it up Art! Also a big thanks to the merchants, industry, utility companies and especially to the United Telephone Company for their fine telephone service at no charge to us. Thanks to the Morgan County Herald and Craft Printers.

At this time the Fire Department wants to thank the Malta and McConnelsville Villages Councils, the County Commissioners, all the township clerks, and trustees and the Sheriff's Department for working hand in hand with us. Also a big thanks to all the Fire Departments in Morgan County for their help.

It takes all of these people working together to make a Fire Department.

In closing I want to thank every member in the Fire Department for the wonderful support you have given me. "A great bunch of fellows to work with." Let's make the next 40 years as great as the past 40.

TERRY BRAGG  
Chief



In an age of such things as Jumbo Jets and of men walking on the moon and returning safely, to all but a few the growth and accomplishments of a small town Fire Department would be a trivial thing indeed.

However, if someone who could actually foretell the future had told our little group in 1930 that in forty years we would have an independent organization, free from any political subdivision, with an enormous amount of equipment for the saving of lives and fighting fires with 30 well trained men to use all of this, not one person could have believed any part of it.

In the beginning we needed so many things, but the village seemed to be out of funds and our own treasury was so depleted that at times the hat was passed around to pay for incidentals.

This last move proved to be rather painful at times because we were in the great depression.

We solicited cistern cleaning and made a little money having dances at the town hall, but the most encouragement and financial help came from E. D. Shafer. This fine person bought most of our original protective clothing and the steel boat that we used in dragging operations so many years.

This writer happens to remember doing quite a lot of coughing from smoke inhalation. In a short time he handed me a smoke mask. This mask held a sponge that had to be wet before using. This, of course, did not compare with our Scott Air Packs but sure beat nothing.

In our early years with our small amount of equipment, we were lucky to have had only one disastrous fire, that being the lumber yard in upper Malta in October 1932 and it proved much worse because the nearest hydrant was choked with mud causing some of us to get burned and losing some hose and one of our big nozzles the local Civic Club had bought us.

For several years, we averaged about 3 drownings each summer and with our hooks and steel boat we became very efficient in the recovery of bodies of victims.

During the past 40 years this writer has seen some good and many sad things happen, the worst being so many drownings. Buildings can be re-built.

I feel it an honor to have been a part in the building of our department to where it is today and I earnestly hope it continues to grow in the future.

A good Volunteer Firemen must have a combination of community spirit, be willing to do a lot of work without pay and a strong desire to see his department prosper. Most of the many members I have worked with have qualified.

I have been asked why I have spent all these years in the department and the only answer I have is that I have never lost interest.

Sincerely, EDSEL A. MILLER, Treasurer



Edwin D. Shafer was, at the time of his death on April 17, 1949, the oldest native-born resident of McConnelsville. Interested in civic affairs, Mr. Shafer had served on the village council and, after the death of the mayor, William McKibben, was appointed to fill that office to which he was elected three times—the last in 1931.

A member of some of the early fire organizations of the village, Mr. Shafer was keenly interested and one of the principals in the organization of the Malta-McConnelsville Volunteer Fire Department in 1930. His gifts of rubber coats, a steel boat for rescue work in drownings, smoke masks, numerous other items of equipment and substantial sums of money were important factors in keeping the organization going during its early years.

He had been extremely active for his age and never failed to ride a truck when the company was responding to a call, and became nationally famous for this record. His death was due to a fall he sustained two years previously while trying to climb on a moving fire truck which was leaving the station on a call.

Mr. Shafer was a son of the late Daniel and Charlotte Lansley Shafer who established the Shafer Bakery in 1853. Ten years later, Daniel Shafer lost his life by accidental drowning when the river was high and he was using a skiff to deliver bread to Malta. The bakery was continued by his widow until 1877 when her sons, E. D. and W. D. Shafer, became the owners. In 1890, the firm erected the brick building on West Main Street, now occupied by Balding's Carry-Out store.

In 1908, upon the death of his brother, W. D. Shafer, Edwin D. purchased the interest of the former's estate and, with his son, Fred, for several years continued the business under the name of E. D. Shafer & Son. One interesting anecdote related by Mr. Shafer was that when the news of the assassination of President Lincoln reached town, the minister of the Baptist (Seventh St. Church of Christ) church came to the back door of the bakery where Mrs. Shafer and Edwin were working, and relayed the news. Mrs. Shafer became so affected by the tragic report that she almost severed her thumb with the knife with which she was cutting dough.

A lover of the out-of-doors, Mr. Shafer was a member of the old gun club of the 1880's and, being a crack shot, took numerous prizes in their "shoots." In addition to his civic and sports interests, he was a director of the First National Bank for several years and he was, also, donor of a monument which marks the site of the crossing of the Muskingum by General John Morgan and his men in Civil War days.

On October 2, 1882, Mr. Shafer was united in marriage with Henrietta Woodie Barker, daughter of Charles L. Barker, prominent McConnelsville merchant, and Rachel Maxwell Barker. The late Mrs. Linnie Stanton, wife of the late Thomas J. Stanton, for many years president of the First National Bank, was a sister.

At the funeral of Mr. Shafer, members of the fire department served as pallbearers and a fire truck was used, caisson-fashion, to transport the casket and remains to the cemetery.

No organization in our community deserves more praise and appreciation than our Malta-McConnelsville Volunteer Fire Department.

Over the years these men have spent countless hours of hard work and training to become one of the finest fire fighting and rescue units in the State of Ohio.

These unselfish and dedicated men willingly respond to any emergency call night or day three hundred sixty-five days a year without pay.

Through the constant efforts of this department fire insurance rates have decreased since 1957. Further decreases are promised pending minor changes which are being planned and worked on at the present time. While all property owners benefit from this rating, business men and commercial property owners have saved thousands of dollars over the year. These men not only fight fires but are constantly fighting for the betterment of our community.

No business man or resident of our Twin Cities should ever forget the gratitude and cooperation we owe these firemen, who give so much and expect so little in return.

JIM FINLEY

Jim Finley Ford

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## The following men and their employer help to supply the manpower for the M & M Fire Department

Terry Bragg Chief Bragg's Furniture & Appliance	Edsel Miller Treasurer Miller's Furniture Store	John Finley Training Officer Sutphen Fire Equip. — Mayor	Gene Masterson Masterson-Fox Insurance
Clayton Woodward Assistant Chief Clevite Corporation	Jim Murray Captain Construction	David Bailey Morgan Local School	Robert Nesselroad Central Market
Ben Almendinger Trustee Almendinger Service	Dorsel Kincaid Captain Muskingum Valley Grocery	Ted Bragg Bragg's Furniture & Appliance	Ronald Newberry United Telephone
Bill Drake Trustee Lawrence & Nesselroad	Putnam Bragg Captain Morgan Highway Department	Robert Brock Brock's Auto Parts	Harry Reed Reed's Flower Shoppe
Kenneth McInturf Trustee Central Ohio Coal	Don Palmer Lieutenant Morgan Local School	Buck Calendine D & B Service	Richard Smith Midway Trailer Sales
Howard Conkle Secretary State Automobile Insurance	Dana Nesselroad Lieutenant Lawrence & Nesselroad	Leonard Clifton Clevite Corporation	Bob Thompson Columbia Gas of Ohio
		Jack Cornell Clevite Corporation	Carl Warne Retired
		Lloyd Drake Ohio Power	Junior Weaver White Chevrolet
		Dean Fox Central Ohio Coal	Jerry Johnson McConnelsville Village

## THE FIRST EQUIPMENT

In 1929 the Village of McConnellsville bought a Model A fire truck. It was equipped with two 35 gal. soda-acid pressure water tanks with hose reel for each tank. It carried a few ladders and about 600 feet of 2½ inch hydrant hose and the usual small fire fighting tools. It replaced the old hand-drawn hose reel cart.

At first it was a matter of who got there first, climbed aboard the truck and away they went to the fire. There was no organization, no assignment of position, or training.

On March 1st 1930 a meeting was held in the mayor's office and a group of eleven men formed the beginning of the fire department. In the next month or so four or five more men were added to the roster. Officers were elected, as noted elsewhere in this booklet, specific job assignments were made, and instructions began. The first major fire the men had was when the lumber mill burned in Malta.

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In 1931, with money made by having dances, the men bought an old Nash chassis and on it built a ladder-hose truck. Cost was about \$550.00 and a lot of work by the firemen.

## THE FIRST FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION BY THE FIREMEN

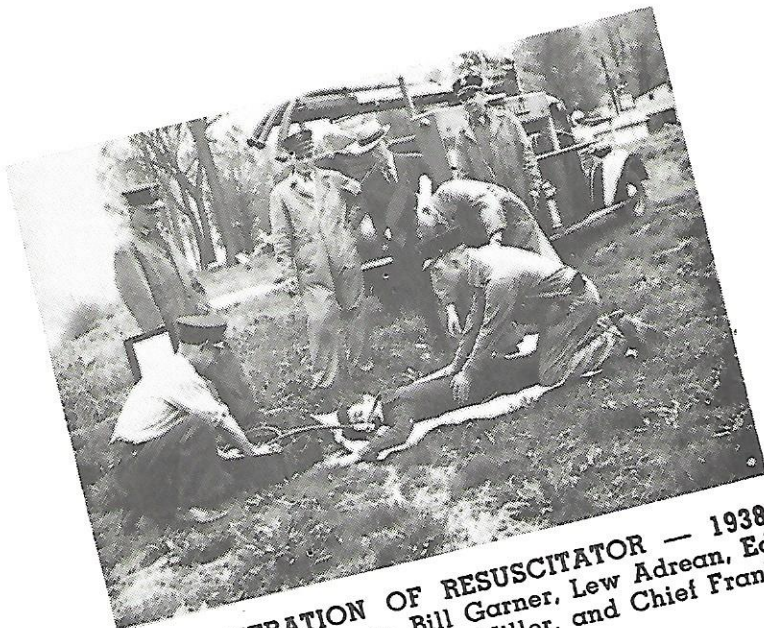
In the first years the firemen attempted to make money to buy boots, more hose, etc., by having dances, hauling water, cleaning cisterns and other jobs.

It was decided to have a big Fourth of July celebration, parade, games, food stands and various games with prizes.

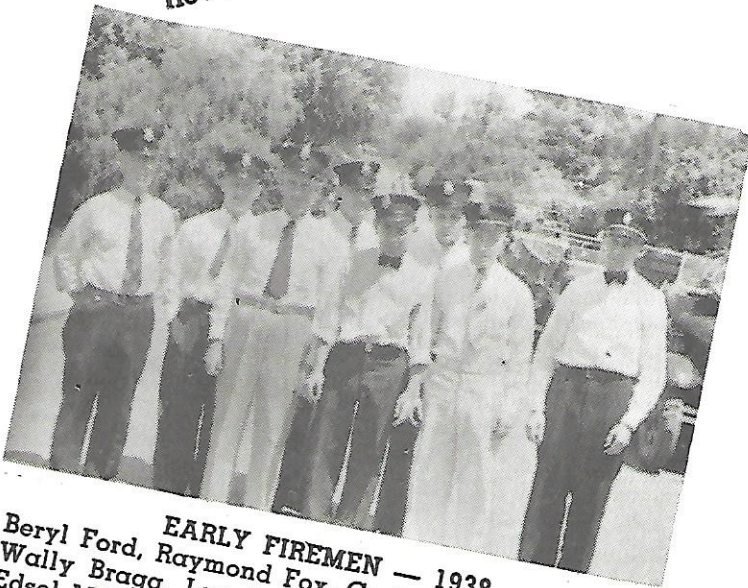
The celebration was well received, but when the receipts were totaled and the bills added up, it was found that instead of making money they had lost \$300.00. So the fifteen firemen went to a bank where each signed a note to borrow the money to pay the outstanding bills. In later years, the Firemen's Festival became very successful, which aided greatly in buying more equipment and supplies. These actions as noted elsewhere, have resulted in a saving of fire insurance cost of about \$20.00 per year on the average home in Malta-McConnellsville.

## INSURANCE ON MEN AND EQUIPMENT

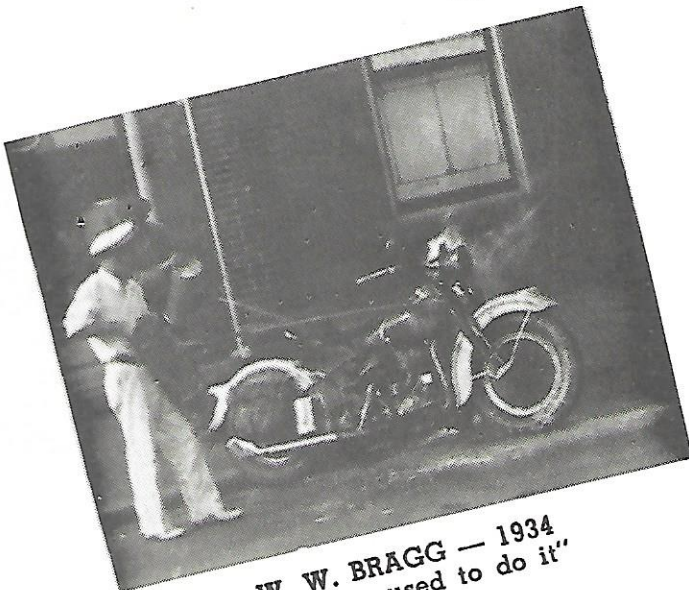
The firemen are covered by the Workmans Compensation Law and additional insurance. Liability and property damage insurance is carried on all fire trucks.



**DEMONSTRATION OF RESUSCITATOR — 1938**  
L-R — Wally Bragg, Bill Garner, Lew Adrean, Ed Shater, Beryl Ford, Edsel Miller, and Chief Frank Howard



**EARLY FIREMEN — 1938**  
Beryl Ford, Raymond Fox, Carl Warne, Gus Abel, Wally Bragg, Lou Adrean, Ass't. Chief Edsel Miller, and Chief Frank Howard



**W. W. BRAGG — 1934**  
"How we used to do it"



Christmas Baskets  
1938

## CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Since its inception the M & M Fire Department has given and delivered hundreds of food baskets at Christmas time to needy and deserving families. At first the money was raised by having dances, cleaning cisterns, etc. Later the redemption of sales tax stamps earned the necessary money. Now all the monies earned by the firemen as deputy sheriffs take care of this expense. No money donated by the people in the annual drive is used for this purpose. The Christmas list is prepared from names furnished by various organizations. About 45 baskets are filled each year.

## BUILDINGS

In 1930 an old coal company house from near San Toy area was bought, torn down, moved, and rebuilt as a meeting place for the firemen. It was located back of the court house, in front of the county building which housed the fire truck. Value about \$100.00.

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In 1945 the old meeting room was torn down and a two story brick veneer building was erected. The meeting room was upstairs and downstairs there was enough room for four trucks. This building cost about \$15,000.00 and a lot of work by the firemen. It was used until 1962 when the present fire house was built.

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The present fire house is 90 x 60 feet. It was built by Jesse Prewett, and with the lot cost \$33,500.00. It contains a meeting room, kitchen, rest and shower room, store room, an apparatus room, and room for the six trucks. There is a ladder-pumper truck, a four wheel drive grass fire truck with winch, two pumper trucks, a rescue-pumper, and a service truck. There are two fire boats.

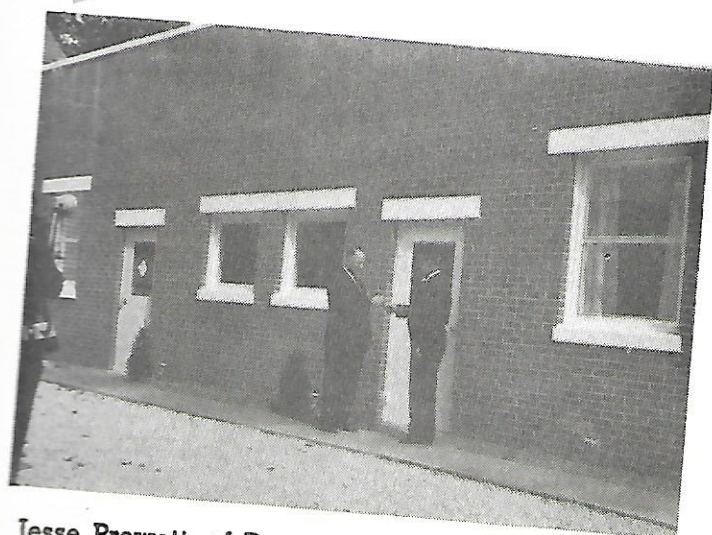
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In 1953 a storage building was erected on grounds near the football field. It is 30 x 50 feet, metal covered, and houses an old fire ladder truck and miscellaneous equipment. Cost \$3,000.00.

## TRAINING AND INSTRUCTIONS

Up to 1954 there was no fire training course available. The men learned by weekly practices, by visiting city departments, and by an occasional talk by a visiting officer from a city department.

In 1955 Carl Warne and John Finley attended a twelve week Ohio State fire training course



Jesse Prewett, of Prewett Construction, presenting keys for new fire house to Howard Conkle (Oct. 62)







Southeastern Ohio Fire School  
Stockport — 1968



Fire Dept. — 1943  
During World War II



Brown Manly Fire



Christmas Baskets

at New Lexington. Upon completion of the course they received Instructors Certificates. In 1967 Don Palmer took the same course and received his instructors rating.

All firemen receive the Red Cross first aid course, and Dorsel Kincaid, Don Palmer and Robert Thompson are certified Red Cross instructors. In addition to serving our local company, these men visit other departments in this region giving instructions. Each year they attend a Regional Fire School serving as instructors. The instructors receive refresher courses and frequent bulletins on new apparatus and fire fighting methods.

The emergency truck and personnel are on duty at the county fair and all home football games.

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The water storage facilities of both Malta and McConnelsville have been about doubled the past twenty years.

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All firemen serve as Deputy Sheriffs and carry the proper identification cards.

### COMMUNICATIONS

About 1953 a two-way radio was installed in the fire trucks, sharing the frequency and transmitter with the sheriff's department.

In November 1961 a fire department radio frequency was secured and all fire trucks were equiped with the two-way radio. At the sheriff's office and fire department base stations cross monitoring is done, so that by relay, communications can be handled between any trucks or cruisers.

Two powerful walkie-talkies are also carried on the fire trucks.

There is about \$7,000.00 invested in the radio service.

### FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS

The M & M Fire Department has protection agreements with all the townships in Morgan County and also Blue Rock Township in Muskingum County. It also has mutual aid pacts with the other fire departments in the county; Stockport, Pennsville, Chesterhill, Reinersville and Center Twp. Mutual aid pacts are also in effect with the following cities. Zanesville, Philo, Duncan Falls, Caldwell, Beverly, Lowell, Marietta, New Lexington, and Caldwell.



First Aid Equipment — 1966



Hambleton Feed Store Fire



River Rescue



Neighbors expressing...

## VALUE OF PROPERTY IN MORGAN COUNTY

According to tax figures in 1949 the value was over eleven million dollars. In 1969 the value had risen to over ninety-five million. This year it will rise to about ninety-eight million. The M & M Fire Department and the other departments in the county are now protecting almost nine times the value they were twenty years ago.

Some of the new or expanded properties that are protected are: The Clevite Corp., Taylor Woodcraft, J-Line, Central Ohio Coal, The new High School, Malta Mfg. Co., Parmiter Nursing Home, Mark Rest Center, and county fair buildings.

## INSURANCE COST SAVINGS

In 1957, with the purchase of the Pumper-Ladder truck, and with improvements in Malta-McConnelsville water storage and distributing system, the insurance rating was changed from Class 8 to Class 6. According to insurance authorities this change of rating is saving the average home owner about \$20.00 per year in insurance costs.

## WARNING SYSTEM

About 1930 a 5 HP siren was installed in the tower of the Opera House. It was an improvement over the tolling of the bell of the Court House clock. However, with the increased noise level brought on by increased car and truck traffic, by radio and television, and by air conditioning, it gradually lost much of its effectiveness. At the present time, four sirens are used: 10 HP at the County garage, 2HP at Almendingers in Malta, 2 HP on Bell Ave., and 2 HP at Kennebec and Poplar Streets in McConnelsville.

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The Fire Department phone is answered by the Sheriff's office and the initial sounding of the sirens is done from this office.

The sirens can also be sounded from the fire station, and if deemed necessary, the alarm is repeated.

# 1930 - 40 Years of Service - 1970

## Malta-McConnelsville Fire Department



Terry Bragg  
Chief



Clayton Woodward  
Assistant Chief



Ben Almendinger  
Trustee



Bill Drake  
Trustee



Kenneth McInturf  
Trustee



Don Palmer  
Lieutenant



Dana Nesselroad  
Lieutenant



John Finley  
Training Officer



David Bailey



Ted Bragg



Dean Fox



Gene Masterson



Robert Nesselroad



Ronald Newberry



Harry Reed



Howard Conkle  
Secretary



Edsel Miller  
Treasurer



Jim Murray  
Captain



Dorsel Kincaid  
Captain



Putnam Bragg  
Captain



Robert Brock



Buck Calendine



Leonard Clifton



Jack Cornell



Lloyd Drake



Richard Smith



Bob Thompson



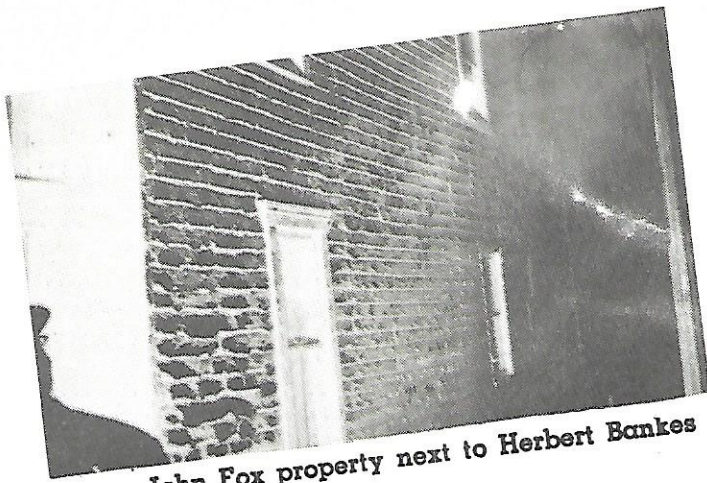
Carl Warner



Junior Weaver



Jerry Ish



John Fox property next to Herbert Bankes



Carl Warne, Edsel Miller, Howard Conkle, and Leonard Clifton (140 Years of Service — 1970)



1941 — 500 Gallon Pumper



## EQUIPMENT

In 1935 the department replaced the old Nash with a Ford V-8 ladder and hose truck.

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In 1941 the village bought its first pumper. It was an International truck with 500 GPM mid-ship pump and about a 500 gallon water tank.

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In 1945 the department received a Dodge pumper. It was, in general, about the same as the 1941 pumper and was replaced in 1949.

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In 1949 a GMC pumper truck with 500 GPM mid-ship pump was bought.

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In 1952 an emergency truck with 250 GPM high pressure front mount pump was purchased at a cost of \$7,500.00, this replaced a 1937 truck.

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In 1957 a 65 foot pumper-ladder truck was purchased. It carried 208 feet ground ladders and a 750 GPM pump mid-ship. This piece of apparatus was the main reason for the villages of Malta-McConnelsville being changed from Class 8 to Class 6, with a resultant savings in fire insurance rates to the residents of the villages. Cost \$30,000.00.

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An 1800 gallon tanker truck was constructed in 1958 at a cost of \$1,500.00.

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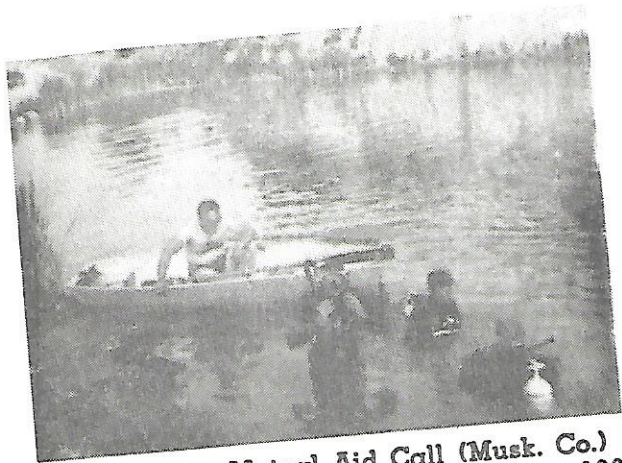
In 1960 a 750 GPM front mounted pumper with 800 gallon booster tank, front turret nozzle and foam system was purchased at a cost of \$27,000.00. It replaced the 1941 pumper and 1958 tanker.

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In 1968 an emergency apparatus truck was bought. It has a 500 GPM front mount pump. Cost \$21,000.00. Replaced 1952 emergency truck.

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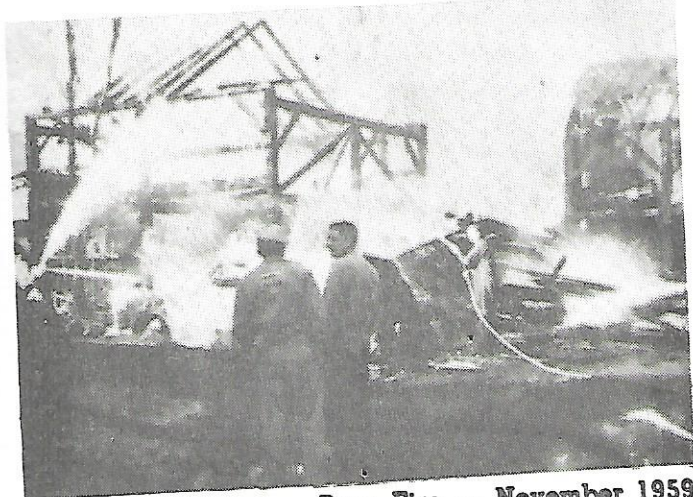
In 1970 a 1,000 GPM four stage triple combination pumper was purchased. It will supply four hose lines and also has high pressure fog system. This truck is as fine a piece of equipment as you will see in the large cities. It replaced the 1949 pumper and cost \$43,000.



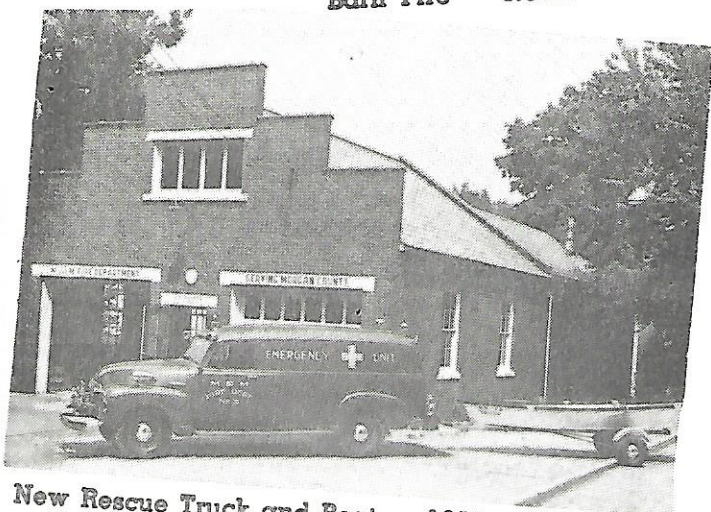
Mutual Aid Call (Musk. Co.)  
Truck Driver Drowning — 1966



Scuba Equipment



Barn Fire — November 1959



New Rescue Truck and Boat — 1953

## TRAFFIC RULES

State law requires you to pull to extreme right and stop, and remain stationary, upon the approach of any fire department equipment, when flashing red lights and/or sirens are being used. Please keep in mind too, that several trucks may be responding to a call, so don't move from your parked position until you are sure no more trucks are coming. Firemen going to the fire station in response to alarm in their private cars, equipped with flashing red light and siren, should be considered fire equipment.

Whenever the fire alarm sirens are sounded, all public traffic should pull to extreme right, stop, and remain stationary. This will aid the firemen in getting to the station and for the fire equipment to get to the fire. This action is for your own protection as well as that of the firemen. Obey the request or order of a fireman, for he is also a police officer.

## SCUBA DIVING EQUIPMENT

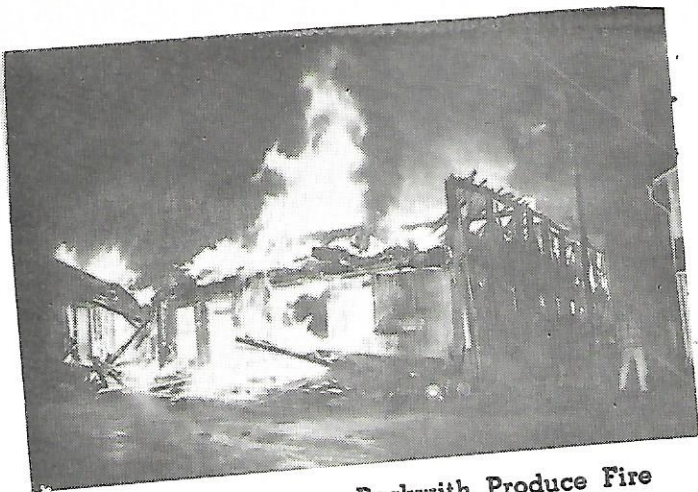
In 1966, because of the large number of farm ponds being built, and also, because of the Ohio Power camping sites being constructed with ponds or lakes, this equipment was purchased for the recovery of bodies.

Terry Bragg, Ted Bragg, and Dave Bailey received training and are qualified divers. The Fire Department owns two diving outfits and two more are owned by individual members. Total cost about \$1,000.00. There have been five incidents where it has been used and recently, at the request of Muskingum County authorities, they helped recover a body.

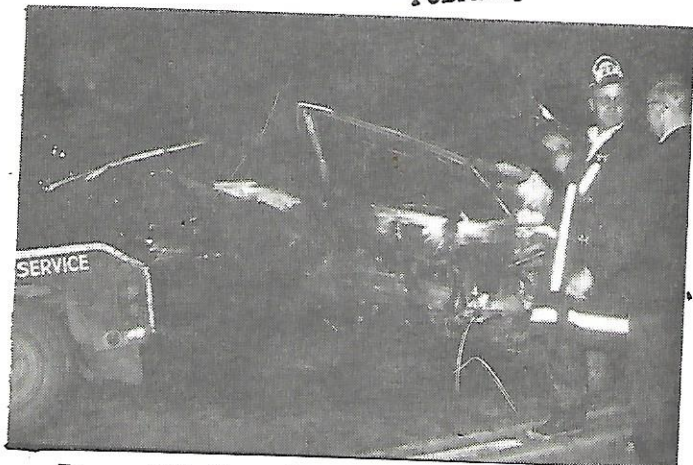
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## PAST AND PRESENT VALUE OF FIRE AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT OF THE M & M VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

1930 -- \$	5,000.00	1950 -- \$	75,000.00
1940 -- \$	35,000.00	1960 -- \$	150,000.00
		1970 --	\$225,000.00
		1930 -- 40 Years --	1970



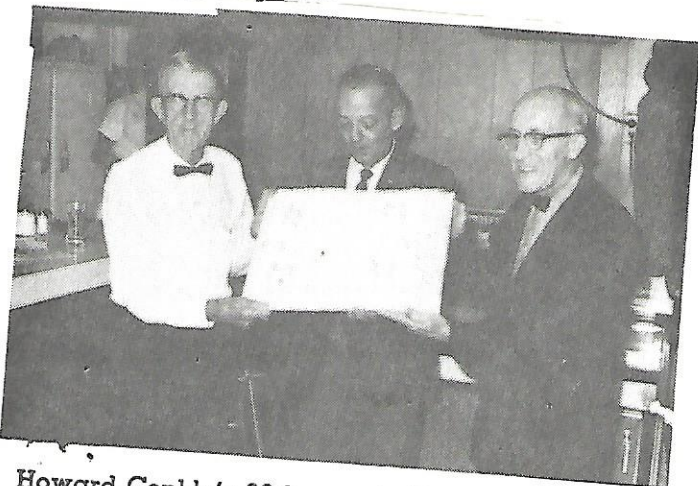
Beckwith Produce Fire  
February 1951



Roger Hill Auto Fire  
October 31, 1969



New Heart Resuscitator — 1970  
Howard Conkle and Edsel Miller



Howard Conkle's 30th year in F...

**MEN WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE M & M FIRE DEPARTMENT SINCE ORGANIZATION IN 1930**

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| * R. J. Ashton, Chief       | James Flanagan, Jr. |
| * Frank Howard, Ass't Chief | Roy Walker          |
|                             | Gerald Price        |
| * Carl Warne, Capt.         | Lawrence Partesius  |
| * Carl Scott, Capt.         | Lewis Adrean        |
| Dallas Scott                | Ty Henry            |
| William Garner              | John Parsons        |
| Dana Walker                 | Edsel A. Miller     |
| Duke Sears                  |                     |

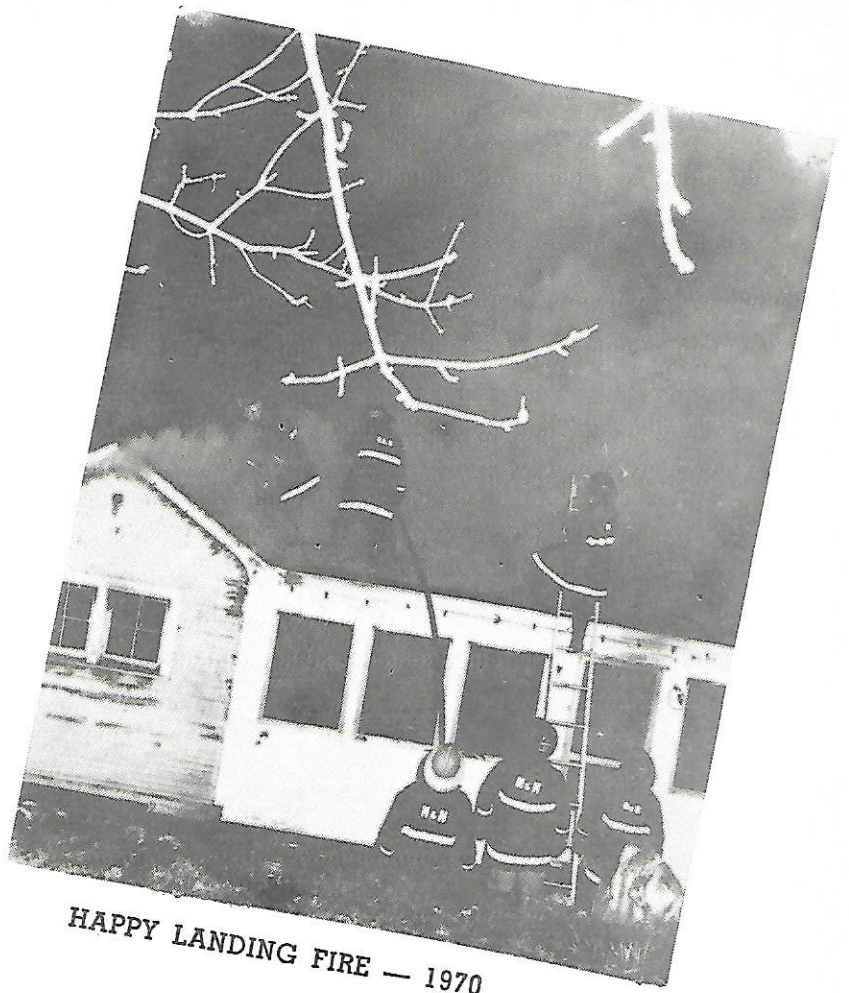
*The above men were charter members.*

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| Marshall Wade 31        | Charles Hottinger 53  |
| Ernest Scott 31         | Dow Walker 54         |
| Beryl Ford 31           | * Put Bragg 53        |
| Clarence Adrian 31      | Frank Smith 53        |
| Wallace Bragg 31        | Robert Brock 55       |
| Owen Marshall 31        | Kenneth McInturf 56   |
| Carl Miller 31          | Forest Hiviner 56     |
| Dwight Miller 36        | Clayton               |
| Thomas Kinney 36        | Woodward 56           |
| Charles Haynes 36       | Edsel D. Miller 56    |
| Ernest McInturf 36      | Berl Welch 57         |
| Robert Dutcher 36       | Ben Almendinger 57    |
| Walter Marquis 36       | Raymond               |
| Raymond Fox 37          | Campbell 57           |
| Emmet Shuler 37         | Don Drake 57          |
| Gus Abel, Sr. 38        | Rex Tolbert 58        |
| Harry Davis 38          | Robert Thompson 58    |
| Harry Robb 39           | Deverne Cordray 58    |
| Chester Johnson 39      | Harry Reed 60         |
| * Howard Conkle 39      | Russell Moore 60      |
| James Benjamin 40       | Jerry Davis 60        |
| Dwight (Eby) Balding 40 | Robert Pickenpaugh 60 |
| * Frank Bragg 40        | William Weith 61      |
| Kenneth Tomkins 41      | Eugene Calendine 61   |
| Leonard Clifton 41      | * Terry Bragg 61      |
| Forest Totman 41        | Andrew Taylor 62      |
| Clifford Hupp 42        | Don Graham 62         |
| Joe Aber 42             | James Murray 63       |
| Raymond Roberts 42      | William Brown 63      |
| Fred Price 43           | Lloyd Drake 64        |
| Kenneth Kimble 44       | Gene Masterson 64     |
| Ray Doak 44             | Bill Drake 65         |
| Richard McClure 44      | Dana Nesselroad 65    |
| Don Martin 47           | Ted Bragg 66          |
| Ed Ervin 50             | Richard Smith 66      |
| Dolph McInturf 50       | Robert Nesselroad 67  |
| Charles Boggs 50        | David Bailey 67       |
| Gus Abel, Jr. 50        | Junior Weaver 68      |
| John Finley 52          | Jack Cornell 69       |
| Dean Fox 52             | Ronald Newberry 69    |
| * Dorsel Kincaid 52     | Jerry Johnson 69      |
| Barney Scott 53         |                       |
| Dale Headley 53         |                       |

\* Served as Chief



LADDER TRUCK IN USE  
AT BILL JANES CHEVROLET FIRE



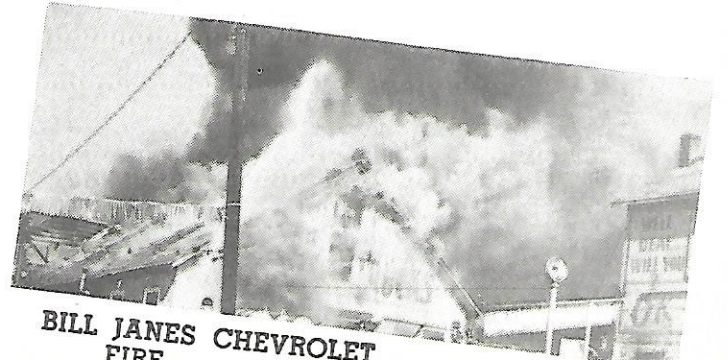
HAPPY LANDING FIRE — 1970



RURAL DALE FIRE



CLEMENS SOHIO SERVICE STATION  
FIRE — 1969

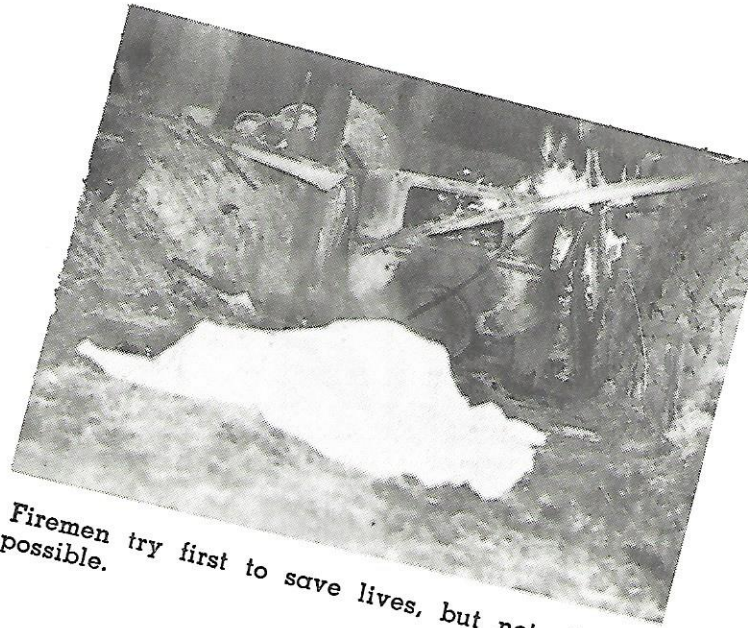


BILL JANES CHEVROLET  
FIRE





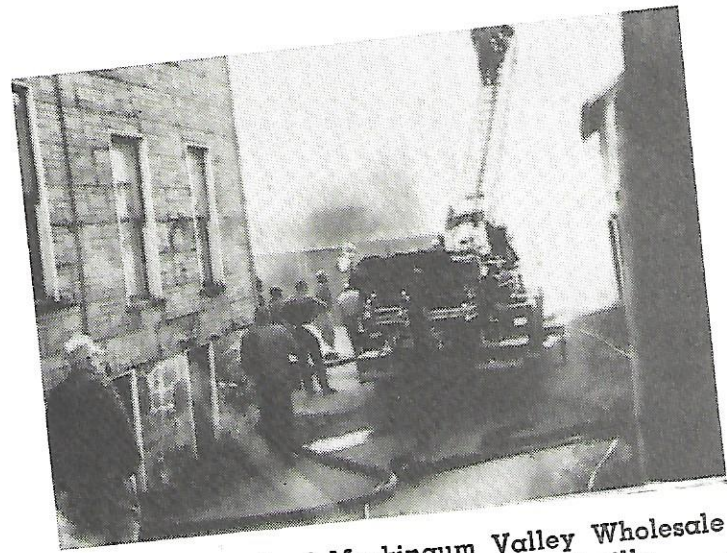
Bill Janes Chevrolet Fire



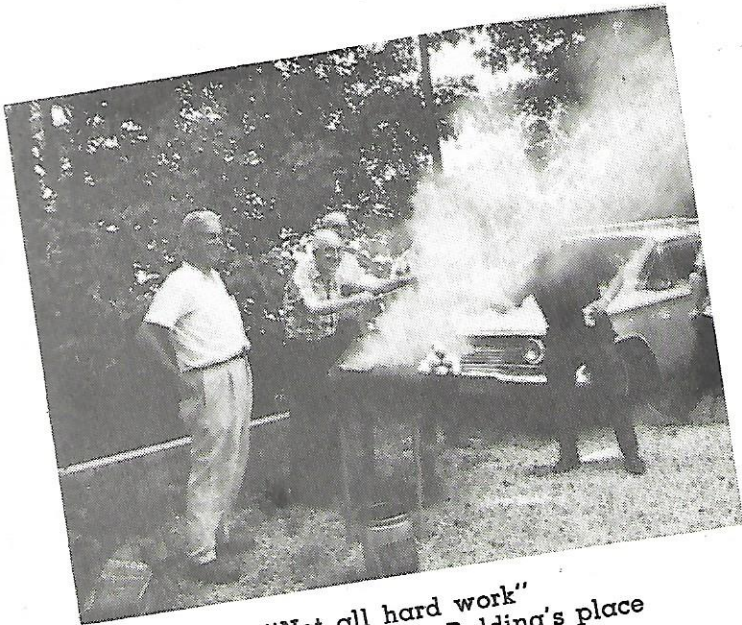
Firemen try first to save lives, but not always possible.



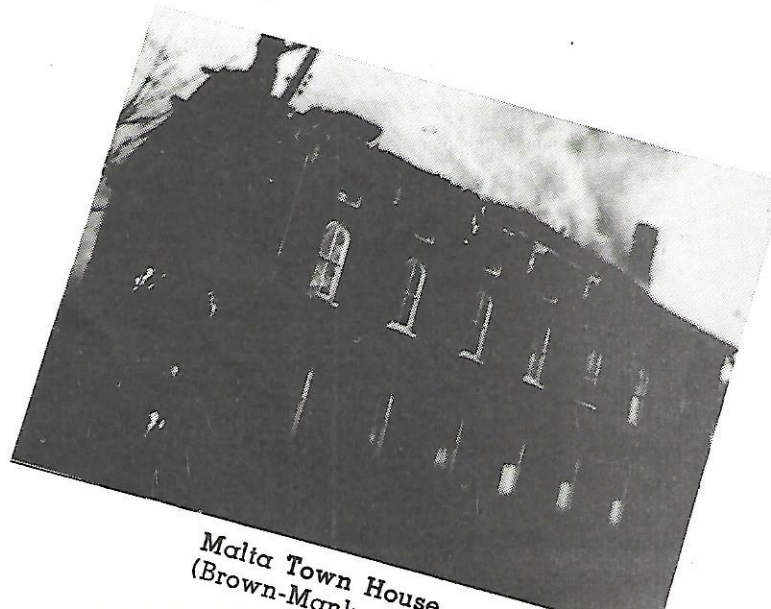
Tired Firemen  
(Mt. Airy Fire)



Barn Fire back of Muskingum Valley Wholesale  
and Elite Cleaners — McConnellsville



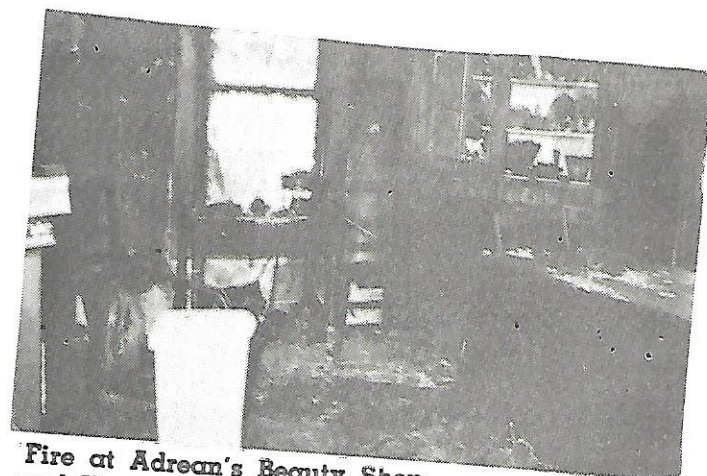
"Not all hard work"  
Steak Fry at Art Balding's place



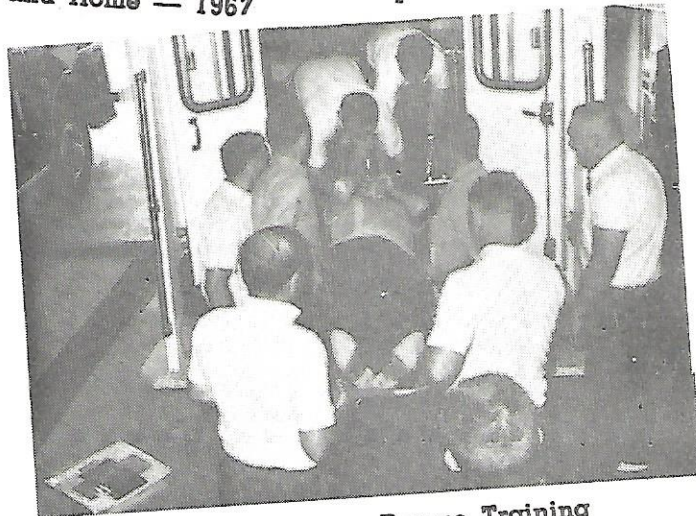
Malta Town House  
(Brown-Mon)



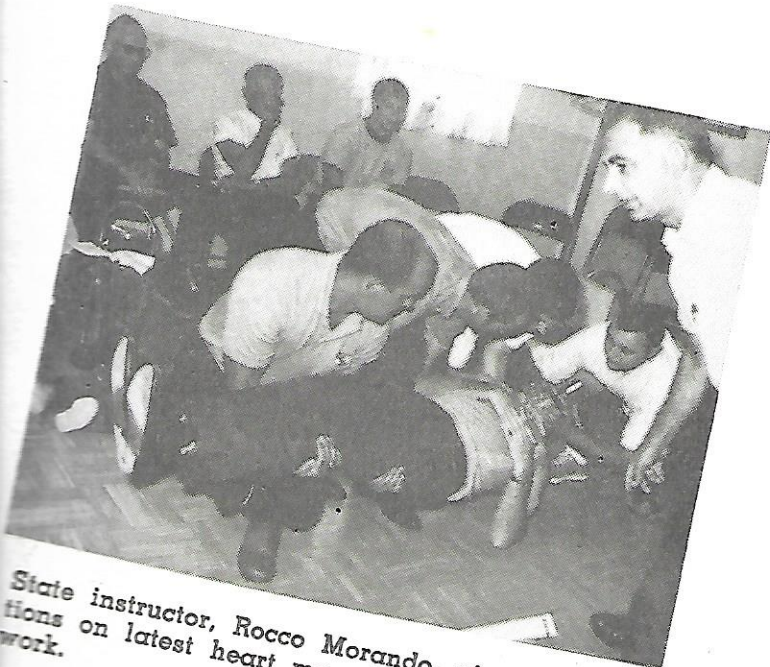
Mt. Airy Fire — 1970



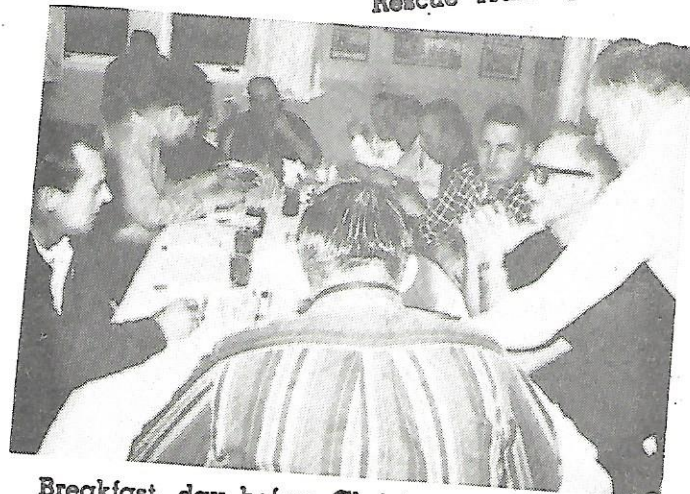
Fire at Adream's Beauty Shop and Home — 1967



Rescue Training



State instructor, Rocco Morando, giving instructions on latest heart massage and other rescue work.



Breakfast, day before Christmas



Learning the latest in rescue work

## A WORD OF THANKS

We, the present members of your Fire Department, want to express our thanks to the thousands of people who have supported our efforts during the past years. By your donations you have given us material support. By your votes you have elected trustees, councilmen, mayors, commissioners, and county officials who have without exception assisted us in many ways to see that you had the best fire protection possible. To the dozen or more fraternal, veteran, civic, church, school, and other groups who have helped us so much; we say thanks again.

We would be unappreciative if we failed to give our thanks and a "well done" to the firemen who have preceded us. Almost a hundred men have served before us. They laid the groundwork for our department, and over the years were continuously up-grading the department. To the wives and children of the firemen who give a silent prayer for the safe return of their loved one — when they answer the alarm — God Bless Them.



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**ART BALDING**  
(Fund Drive Chairman)