



IN THE NEWS

IAFPD is honored to acknowledge Western Illinois University for a recent dedication and naming of the William P. McCamey Crime Lab to a friend, former educator and member of the IAFPD Board of Directors.

The McCamey Crime Lab, located on the fourth floor of Tillman Hall at WIU, is the result of a sizeable donation from Jody and Toby McCamey to honor their husband and son, William "Bill" McCamey, a professor within the School of LEJA from 1982 until 2012. McCamey taught courses and authored books in criminal justice management, fire administration and policing. He also taught and developed fire courses for the National Fire Academy and presented at the IAFPD Conference.

For nearly 50 years, the WIU Law Enforcement and Justice Administration (LEJA) has been recognized as one of the top criminal justice/public safety programs in the world. The School prepares graduates for careers across all sectors of law enforcement and public safety—from state and federal policing, to corrections and probation, to fire services and homeland and private security positions.



IN MEMORY



Carlyle. James H. Mahlandt (79) of Carlyle passed away on December 11, 2018. Jim joined the Carlyle Fire Protection District in 1960 and dedicated 58 years of service, serving as Fire Chief 1972-2015. Jim was a 32nd Degree Master Mason and the Shriners and owned and operated Beckemeyer Building Supply from 1978 to 1988.



Mazon. Darryl Punke (66) passed away November 12, 2018. Darryl was Trustee and former firefighter with Mazon Fire Department. He served the department for 39 years. Darryl and his wife of 46 years, Debbie Smith, owned and operated Punke's Plumbing for over 25 years. In 2002, Darryl got his "dream Job" as head of maintenance for NASCAR at Chicago Land Speedway where he retired in February 2018.



Seneca. Chief Jerry Sears (ret) passed away on December 9, 2018. Jerry had 45 years with Seneca Fire Department serving as a fireman, paramedic, as fire chief from 1984 to 2017. He was also a retired officer with the Seneca Police Department where he served 1977-2009.



Roscoe. Oscar Presley, Jr. (76) Retired Harlem-Roscoe Fire Dept. passed away, November 13, 2018. He opened Oscar's Barber Shop in 1966 and also joined the Harlem-Roscoe Fire Department, where he served for 42 years, 25 years as Chief. He was the first volunteer paramedic in Winnebago County, helped get the rescue trucks started in this area, served and was a founding member of the E911 Board, Winnebago Fire Chief's Association President). Oscar helped build HRFD Station #1, HRFD Station #3 and Training Facility which was named in his honor,



Champaign, Illinois – The Illinois Fire Service Institute (IFSI) hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on January 9, 2019 in cooperation with the Office of the Illinois State Fire Marshal (OSFM), to officially launch the release of four mobile trailers containing equipment essential for firefighting skills training. The trailers are deployed across the state and readily accessible to local fire departments as a no cost training resource. In most cases, the equipment will be allocated to training volunteer fire departments where resources or budgets may be limited.

The mobile trailers will enhance IFSI training efforts and increase the accessibility to essential firefighting skills training. The equipment and training will be coordinated through seven IFSI Regional Representatives who serve the firefighters and departments across Illinois.

