



IN THE NEWS



Congratulations!

Congratulations Chief Virgil Potts on his recent recognition for 50 Years of Service Award presented by Trustee Keith Fisher during the 2024 Annual Lawrence-Allison Fire Protection District Christmas Party in Lawrenceville, Illinois.



Robert H. "Bob" Coleman (86), a cherished pillar of the Morris community and a beacon of service and dedication, passed away peacefully in his hometown on January 15, 2025.

Bob served the Morris Fire Department for 52 years, holding the position of chief for 35 years. The City of Morris benefited from his expertise as Fire Marshal from 1985 to 2021, and his legacy includes being the longest-running Grundy County Deputy Coroner, a role he held with honor for 61 years. A Staff Sergeant in the US Army Reserve, Bob embodied the values of leadership and responsibility.



William "Bill" Osborne (67), of Peotone, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, January 11, 2025. He was a longtime member of the Peotone Fire Protection District retiring after 32 years at the rank of Battalion Chief. He was a trustee on the Manhattan/Peotone Fire Protection District Board. He worked for Nicor for over 30 years, retiring in 2015.



Sheron Bortell (75) of Forest City passed away on November 12, 2024. She is survived by her husband Eldon of Forest City. Sheron served the Forman fire Protection District as the Administrative Assistant for 24 years. She retired from the position on October 10th, 2024.

Sheron served her community through various organizations, including several years as a den mother for the cub scout troop. She also served as the village clerk of Forest City for many years.



Congratulations Frank Lane, Fire Chief with the Mechanicsburg Fire Department who retired on December 7th after 48 years of service.

Legislator of the Year



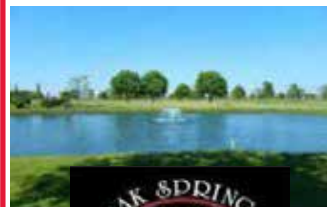
IAFPD 2024 Legislator of the Year Senator Michale Halpin 36th District. The interests of our members are important when legislation is proposed and considered in the General Assembly. It is Senator Halpin's accessibility and cooperation with our legislative team and serving as lead sponsor on essential legislation, IAFPD recognized his efforts during Veto Session Fall 2024.

IAFPD FOUNDATION GOLF OUTING

Friday, August 15, 2025 - Oak Springs Golf Course, St. Anne, IL

Sponsor a Hole or Arrange a Foursome

Mark your calendar now for a fun day of...outdoor recreation and fund-raising event in support of the IAFPD Foundation's Scholarship Program. One of Kankakee County's premier golf courses, Oak Springs Golf Course is situated in the midst of the rolling hills and forested plains of beautiful St. Anne. Golfers marvel at the natural beauty and majestic surroundings while being challenged by the par 72 course.



Registration opens at 10:00 am,
Shotgun start at 11:00 a.m
Games, Lunch, Dinner,
Prizes & Fun!

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!