

NCSFA History Book Supplement

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Introduction

This document was created by Mike Legeros and contains supplemental materials for the North Carolina State Firefighters’ Association (NCSFA) history book, *Illustrated History of North Carolina State Firefighters’ Association – 1887 to 2021*, that was published in June 2022. The book was designed, written, and researched by Mike Legeros, and completed the first phase of an NCSFA history project started in December 2018.

Corrections

Page 8 – Wrong name: “Perry Barnett, Samuel Gordon, and **W. E. Winslow** were among the 22 passengers killed.” The correct names of the three firefighters killed were Charles Barnett, Perry Barnett, and Samuel Gordon.

Page 23 – Misspelling at bottom of page: “**Noth** Carolina State Firefighters’ Association”

Page 35 – Misspelled name: “Chuck **Wentworth**.” Correct name is Chuck Whitworth.

Page 48 – Alternate spelling in top caption: “The NCSFA **cancelled** their convention”

Page 74 – Montage of officers includes a portrait of Harry Nissen, Winston-Salem Fire Chief. He’s not a past officer and was inadvertently included in the two-page montage of photos.

Page 80 – This date is incorrect: “history project started in **December 2019.**” The project started in December 2018.

Page 80 – Misspelling at top of page, second column: “Tarheel **firefigher** issues.”

History Text Sources

The written history starting on page 6 incorporates text from the following sources:

- Response to the Address of Welcome by Mr. George McNeill, from the 1927 conference proceedings, page 11.
- *North Carolina State Firefighters’ Association (NCSFA) – Brief History*, Tim Bradley, internal document, December 2021.
- *North Carolina State Firemen’s Association, A Brief History*, Paul Miller, from the program for the 1912 conference, August 2012, pages 15-21.
- Timeline of the North Carolina State Firemen’s Association, Kris Wyatt, internal document, March 2018.

Specific additional sources include:

- *The Organization of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, as Told in the Minutes Recorded at the Time, Together With a Brief History of the Past Fifty Years*, author unknown, from the program for the 1927 conference, pages 7-8.
- *Raleigh’s Part in the History of Development of the North Carolina Firemen’s Association*, Sherwood Brockwell, State Fire Marshal, from the proceedings of the 1936 conference, pages 20-22
- Remarks on the history of the Jaycee Burn Center, Horace Moore and Johnnie Stackhouse, from the 1972 conference proceedings, pages 129-136.
- Remarks on the history of the NAFC, _____ Perry, from the 1982 conference proceedings, pages 35-39.
- Remarks on the history of the NCSFA, _____, from the 1987 conference proceedings, pages ____.

People at SAFRE – Photo Credits

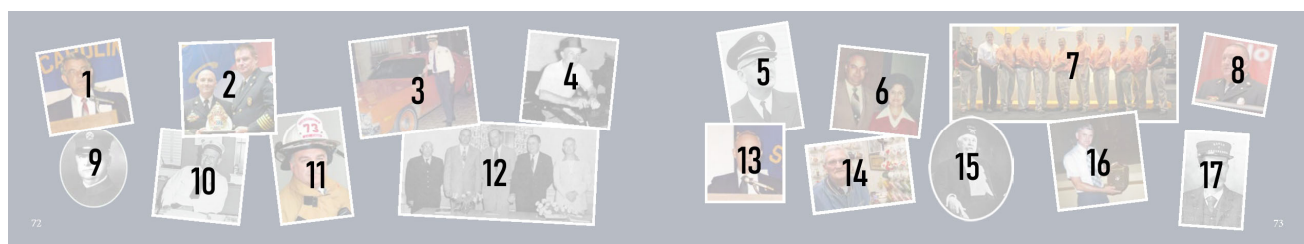


Credits for photos on pages 34 and 35:

IWP	IWP Photography
LW	Lee Wilson
MJL	Mike Legeros



Montage of Officers – Photo Credits



Credits for photos on pages 72 and 73:

	Pictured	Photo Credit
1.	Leo Cayton (Canton)	NCSFA, circa 1980s
2.	Quentin Cash (Cherryville, Shelby) and Scott Rogers (Nash County)	IWP Photography, August 2021
3.	Bill Hudson (Asheville)	AFD
4.	Officers	<i>Hose & Nozzle</i> , 1955
5.	Ed Glover (Lumberton)	<i>Hose & Nozzle</i> , 1958
6.	Glenn Jernigan (Faison) and wife	NCSFA, circa 1980s
7.	Officers and staff at SAFRE	Laura Beth Greene, July 2015
8.	Thomas Cole (FD13, PGFD, NCAFD)	IWP Photography, July 2015
9.	Harry Nissen (Winston-Salem) Note: Chief Nissen is not a past NCSFA officer and was inadvertently included on these pages.	WSFD
10.	Calvin Wyrick (Greensboro)	<i>Hose & Nozzle</i> , circa 1950s
11.	Jeff Cash (Cherryville)	
12.	George Gardner (Greenville)	<i>Hose & Nozzle</i> , circa 1950s
13.	Horace Moore (Snow Hill)	NCSFA, circa 1980s
14.	Donald Whitaker (Pleasant Garden)	Mike Legeros, December 2019
15.	A. M. Clark (Southern Pines)	From 1912 proceedings

	Pictured	Photo Credit
16.	Robert Powell (Charlotte)	NCSFA, circa 1980s
17.	Harper Elam (Greensboro)	From 1895 proceedings

SAFRE Memorabilia – Captions

Captions for memorabilia on page 65:



1. Logo
2. Badge
3. 2010 program
4. 2013 program
5. 2013 program
6. 2008 program
7. Coin
8. 2011 program
9. Badge
10. 2011 program
11. 2014 program
12. 2014 program
13. 2015 coin
14. 2016 web page
15. 2014 program
16. 2019 web page
17. 2012 program
18. 2014 program
19. BBQ throwdown logo
20. Badge
21. 2019 coin
22. 2021 sticker
23. 2016 display graphics
24. 2016 badge
25. 2018 course catalog

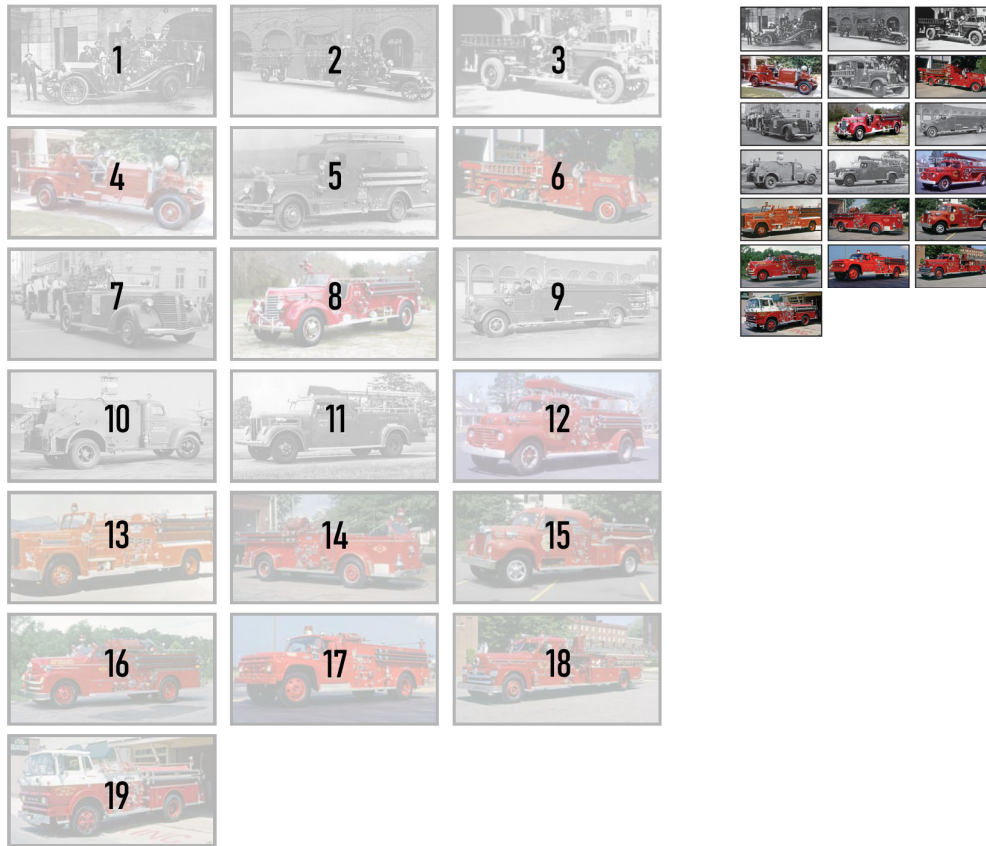
Scenes from SAFRE – Photo Credits

Credits for photos on page 66:



IWP	IWP Photography
KA	Kate Autrey
LBG	Laura Beth Greene
LW	Lee Wilson
MJL	Mike Legeros

Motor Apparatus Over the Decades – Expanded Captions

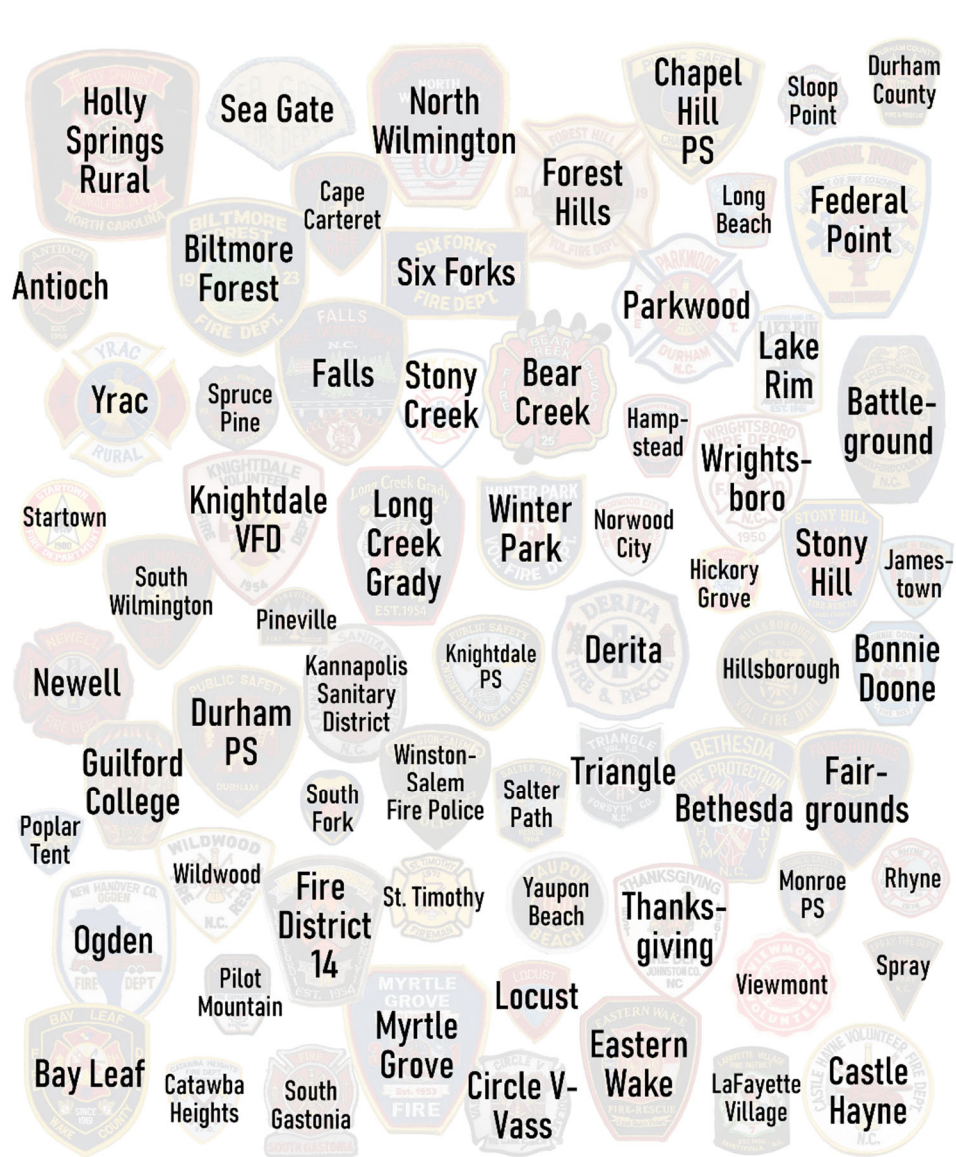


Shown on page 78:

	Department	Year/Make/Model	Photo Credit	Notes
1	High Point	1910s ALF	HPFD	
2	Asheville	1923 ALF	Courtesy Buncombe County Public Library	Shown 1923
3	Wilmington	1920s ALF	Courtesy Dr. Robert M. Fales Collection/ New Hanover County Public Library	
4	Biltmore Village	1925 Ahrens Fox	Andrew Messer Collection	
5	Charlotte	1935 Mack	Courtesy Harvey Eckart	First closed-cab apparatus in US
6	Wilmington	1938 Seagrave	Mike Legeros Collection	Shown 1973
7	Raleigh	1939/1916 ALF	<i>News & Observer</i>	Shown 1953
8	Burlington	1940 Oren	Thomas Hermann	
9	Durham	1947 Mack	Courtesy Durham Herald Company Collection/UNC Chapel Hill	Shown 1949

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10	Raleigh-Durham Airport	1946 IHC/Bean	Courtesy Durham Herald Company Collection/UNC Chapel Hill	Shown 1955
11	Marion	1946 Maxim		
12	Benson	1950 Ford/Howe	Shaun P. Ryan	
13	Greensboro	1955 Oren	GFD	
14	Wallace	1953 ALF	Mike Legeros Collection	Shown 1976
15	Winston-Salem	1955 Mack	Mike Legeros Collection	Shown 1974
16	Kinston	1956 Seagrave	Mike Legeros Collection	Shown 1976
17	Kill Devil Hills	1960 Ford/American	Thomas Bair/Micah Bodford Collection	Shown 1982
18	Charlotte	1959 Seagrave	Micah Bodford Collection	Shown 1978
19	Smithfield	1963 GMC/ALF	Mike Legeros Collection	Shown 1978

Gone But Not Forgotten – Index



Note: For a comprehensive list of former fire departments in North Carolina, see these research notes by Mike Legeros at <https://legeros.com/history/nc/departments.pdf>

Back Cover - Captions



Shown on the back cover:

	Pictured	Photo Credit
1.	Unidentified tournament team from the 1898 conference proceedings.	
2.	SAFRE graphic from 2021.	
3.	Program cover for the 1905 conference and tournament in Winston-Salem.	
4.	SAFRE parade in 2013.	Lee Wilson photo.
5.	Kenly's 1944 Ford/Oren in magazine ad.	
6.	Portrait of Paul Miller and other artifacts at the business office, May 2022.	
7.	Chaplain Lauren Sharpe and others at the 1980 conference in Asheville.	NCSFA photo.
8.	Ribbon for starting judge at the 1892 tournament in Asheville	Courtesy Raleigh Fire Museum.

	Pictured	Photo Credit
9.	Raleigh roster from 1967.	
10.	Jamie Fulk at SAFRE in 2013.	Laura Beth Greene photo.
11.	NCSFA patch.	
12.	Louisburg Fire Department.	LFD photo.
13.	Albemarle Fire Department in the early 1920s	AFD photo.
14.	Badge from the 1901 convention in Charlotte.	
15.	<i>NC Fire Service News</i> , Vol. 1, No. 1, July 1972.	
16.	Roanoke Island's 1974 Ford tanker in 1982.	Thomas Bair photo from Micah Bodford Collection.
17.	Sign at business office, May 2022.	
18.	Memorial to Secretary John Miller, from the 1953 conference proceedings.	
19.	Whisett Quint 31 at the 2006 conference in Greensboro.	David Raynor photo.
20.	Proceedings from the 1981 conference in Boone.	
21.	Proceedings from the 1932 conference in Hamlet.	
22.	James McNeill Memorial in Fayetteville, from the 1931 conference program.	
23.	Fire college in the 1950s.	<i>Hose & Nozzle</i> photo.
24.	Winston-Salem's 1955 Seagrave tiller in 1974.	Mike Legeros Collection.
25.	Group photo at the 1921 conference in Gastonia.	Courtesy Paul Brown.
26.	SAFRE course catalog cover, 2021.	
27.	Kinston hose wagon at the 1915 tournament	Courtesy New Bern Fireman's Museum.
28.	Minutes from the 1959 conference in Durham.	
29.	Draper's new pumper delivered to Leaksville in 1961.	Courtesy Michael Patterson.
30.	NCSFA challenge coin.	
31.	Annual report cover, 2015.	
32.	Kannapolis Fire Department, undated.	Courtesy Cabarrus County Public Library.
33.	Delegate badge from 1914 conference in Wilmington.	
34.	Sponsorship program flyer, circa 2000.	
35.	Pipes and drums band in SAFRE parade, August 2013	IWP Photography photo.
36.	Fire college in 1972.	<i>NC Fire Service News</i> photo.
37.	Herbert D. Garmon Scholarship Award application, circa 1990.	
38.	Bessemer FD sign at Greensboro Fire Station 56, May 2022.	Kevin Gray photo.
39.	Durham Highway's first fire engine.	DHFD photo.

Production Notes

Version 1.0 of this book was produced using a combination of Adobe InDesign and the Mixbook web-based editor. The initial print run was 1,500 copies, printed by Mixbook.

The project took three years and six months, from project start to book completion. Here are some facts and figures:

- 101,100+ words and 185+ pages of research notes compiled
- 24,800+ files and 825+ folders of project files, totaling 136 GB
- 94 surviving conference proceeding books, from 1892 to 2001, used as primary source
- _____ pages of board minutes, from 1970s to 2010, used as primary source
- 1,400+ newspaper clippings compiled about past conventions, as secondary source
- 120 surviving issues of *Hose & Nozzle*, 48 surviving issues of *Tarheel Firefighter and Carolina Rural Fireman*, and 37+ surviving issues of *Fire and Rescue Journal* compiled, as secondary sources
- 152+ portraits found of past presidents and other former officers and staff
- 530+ portrait files created, to produce the 152+ final versions
- 234 portraits found of fallen firefighters.
- 650+ photos, portraits, and pictures of artifacts are featured in the book.
- 10,000+ words in the book's written history section.