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2009-2010
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JOHN BOMAR
NSVFA National Volunteer Fire Council, Nebraska Alternate Director

As your Alternate Director to the NVFC I have attended:

Four Northeast Mutual Aid Association Meetings

Five Mid-Nebraska Mutual Aid Meetings

Five Elkhorn Valley Mutual Aid meetings

January 9th Valentine Winter supper

January 22nd Gering banquet

January 30th Pierce Fire and Rescue Banquet

February 12th and 13th t NSVFA board meeting Grand Island

February 19th, 20th and 21st Les Lukert Conference

March 7th North Platte Fire Banquet

March 13th Meadow Grove Fire and Rescue awards night

March 20th Battle Creek supper

April 10th Howells Fire Steak Fry

April 17 Battle Creek Fire and Rescue Dance

April 26th thru May 2 Washington, DC NVFC Spring Meeting

July 20th Plainview steak fry

August 13th Pierce Chicken Feed

September 11th Mid-Nebraska Training in Albion

September 12th Leigh benefit for firefighter how was hurt

September 22nd thru 25th NVFC Fall meeting Minneapolis

October 10 Kearney for Nebraska Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service

Oct 14th thru 24th NSVFA board meeting and annual conference Chadron

John Bomar, NVFC Alternate Director

2009 -2010 Summary of Activities
JOEL E. CERNY
NSVFA 1st Vice President

10/15-18/09 NSVFA Annual Conference Norfolk
10/18/09 Pancake Feed Scribner VFD
10/23/09 State Networking Meeting Des Moines, Iowa
11/19/09 Madison VFD Appreciation Dinner Madison
11/20/09 Nebraska State EMS Board Meeting Lincoln
11/20/09 Northeast Nebraska Firefighters Assoc. Pierce
11/25/09 Butler County Mutual Aid Ulysses
11/30/09 Dodge County Mutual Aid Hooper
12/02/09 Tri County Mutual Aid Boys Town
12/11/09 Fire School & E-Board Meeting Kearney
1/09/10 Valentine VFD Appreciation Dinner Valentine
1/12/10 Legislative Breakfast & E-Board Lincoln
1/22/10 Gering VFD Appreciation Dinner Gering
1/23/10 North Bend Community Appreciation North Bend
1/25/10 Washington County Mutual Aid Blair
1/27/10 Butler County Mutual Aid Abie
1/30/10 Schuyler VFD Appreciation Dinner Schuyler
2/05/10 Northeast Nebraska Firefighters Assoc. Scribner
2/08/10 Hearing for LB780 Lincoln
2/13/10 Fire School & E-Board Meeting Grand Island
2/19/10 Snyder VFD Fish Fry Snyder
2/19-20/10 Les Lukert Conference Grand Island
3/6/10 North Platte VFD Appreciation Dinner North Platte

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3/17/10 Nebraska State EMS Board Meeting Columbus

3/20/10 Schuyler VFD Steak Fry Schuyler

3/26/10 Scribner VFD Fish Fry Scribner

3/29/10 Northeast Mutual Aid Emerson

3/31/10 Butler County Mutual Aid Bellwood

4/10/10 Howells VFD Steak Fry Howells

4/25-5/2/10 NVFC Annual Conference Washington DC

5/07/10 Northeast Nebraska Firefighters Assoc. Snyder

5/17-23/10 Nebraska State Fire School Grand Island

5/26/10 Butler County Mutual Aid Brainard

6/8/10 Bellwood VFD Regular Meeting Bellwood

6/11/10 Nebraska State EMS Board Meeting Lincoln

6/12-13/10 Iowa Firefighters Memorial Serv. Coralville, Iowa

7/17/10 NSVFA Pre-Conference Planning Meeting Chadron

7/20/10 Plainview VFD Steak Fry Plainview

7/28/10 Butler County Mutual Aid Bruno

8/01/10 Northeast Nebraska Firefighters Assoc. Battle Creek

8/07/10 Fire School Meeting Grand Island

8/10/10 Bellwood VFD Regular Meeting Bellwood

8/21/10 E-Board, Legislative, Caucus Mtg. Schuyler

8/28/10 Bob Larson Funeral Gering

8/28/10 Dodge County Training Day North Bend

8/29/10 Chuck Vyhlnaek 50th Celebration Crete

9/10/10 Nebraska State EMS Board Meeting Lincoln

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9/17/10 Candidate Meeting Kearney

9/18/10 Fire School Walk Through Grand Island

9/18/10 Scribner VFD 125 year Banquet Scribner

9/22-25/10 NVFC Fall Meeting Bloomington, Minn.

9/28/10 Elkhorn Valley Mutual Aid Winside

9/29/10 Butler County Mutual Aid David City

10/03/10 Schuyler VFD Pancake Feed Schuyler

10/06/10 Signing of Fire Prevention Week and Fallen Firefighter Memorial Sunday Proclamation Lincoln

10/06/10 Tri County Mutual (Sen. Lathrop) Ralston

10/10/10 Fallen Firefighters Service Kearney

This is a travel report that I have logged for the NSVFA in the year 2009-2010. I have been grateful for the opportunity to travel throughout the state, with an occasional trip outstate, to meet with the dedicated members of the fire service. I have enjoyed promoting the benefits of NSVFA membership and listening to the concerns of the firefighters and emergency medical responders. Several of the officers have car-pooled to various events to help defray costs and this also gives us a chance to get to know each other better. If there is ever anything I or the association can do for you and your department please don't hesitate to contact me. If you have a meeting or event that you would like any of us to attend just give us a call and we would be delighted to be there for you. Thank you for your support and I am looking forward to another great year representing the NSVFA in the best possible way.

Joel E. Cerny, NSVFA 1st Vice President

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RON CHADA
NSVFA Director of District 3

I was able to attend all the business meetings of the NSVFA E-Board, starting with our last conference in Norfolk on October 15th, and the 18th, on December 12th, February 13th, May 19th, and August 21st, most of which followed Fire School Committee meetings of which I also attended.

Over the past year, I attended 9 mutual aid meetings, most of which were in District 3, however, some were in District 1, and District 4 respectfully.

I was able to attend 5 Annual Firefighters Awards Nights, and I would like to "thank all departments for the invites, some of which I was unable to attend."

On October 11, 2010, I attended the Fallen Firefighters Sunday in Wood River.

In February, I attended the Holdrege Volunteer Fire Department One Day Fire School, of which always has great training available for us all.

I also was in attendance for the pre-conference meeting in Chadron on July 17th.

Since October of 2009, I have been to 32 different business meetings of local departments across this great state. That number is down from the past years; however, my job requires me to spend more time attending other meetings as well.

Since I am not seeking re-election to this position as District Director, I would like to say "Thank you" to all of you for your support over the past years and during my Presidency. Remember, I'm not going anywhere, just slowing down a little. To all the E-Board members of which I have had the honor of serving with, "THANK YOU" to Pam and all the others working in the office, holding this organization together, "Thank You" , to Jerry and Jim, as always, you do an outstanding job for this association, Norm, and John "thank you" for showing me around Washington DC and for the fine job you do for the NSVFA across this country.

Again, "Thank you" and I'm proud to be a member of the NSVFA !!!

Ron Chada
District Director, District 3

2009-2010 Summary of Activities
JIM EGR
NSVFA Legal Advisor

250 Telephone Conferences

35 Letters and E-Mails on various questions by Departments, Rural Boards, Cities, Etc.

18 Meetings with Rural Districts, Volunteer Fire Departments, Cities, Mutual Aids, Etc.

Attended October, 2009 Annual Conference as speaker and to assist Executive Board with legal matters.

12 Nebraska Firefighter Articles

Attended and taught at the 2010 Nebraska State Fire School (one (1) day)

8/21/10 Attended Legislative Committee and Caucus Meeting in Schuyler\

Attended two (2) N.S.V.F.A. Executive Board Meetings since October, 2009

Attended Legislation Breakfast in Lincoln, Nebraska

Testify on the Mental Health Board for Workers' Compensation

Attended Benefits Summit Conference in Ohio in May (three (3) days)

Jim Egr
NSVFA Legal Advisor

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DAVID HEYWOOD
NSVFA 2ND Vice President

10/23/09	State Networking Meeting	Des Moines, IA
10/26/09	Dodge County Mutual Aid	Fremont
11/9/09	Regular Meeting	Dodge
11/18/09	Burt County Mutual Aid	Craig
11/19/09	Appreciation Dinner	Madison
11/20/09	Northeast Firefighters	Pierce
11/22/09	Hoses & Helmets Class	Ralston
11/30/09	Dodge County Mutual Aid	Hooper
12/02/09	Tri County Mutual Aid	Boys Town
12/3/09	Regular Meeting	Scribner
12/11/09	Fire School & E-Board Meeting	Kearney
1/9/10	Appreciation Dinner	Valentine
1/12/10	Legislative Breakfast & E-Board	Lincoln
1/22/10	Appreciation Dinner	Gering
1/25/10	Washington County Mutual Aid	Blair
1/26/10	Elkhorn Valley Mutual Aid	Madison
1/27/10	Butler County Mutual Aid	Abie
1/30/10	Appreciation Dinner	Pierce
2/1/10	Hearing LB 949	Lincoln
2/5/10	Northeast Firefighters	Scribner
2/13/10	Fire School & E-Board Mtg	Grand Island
2/20/10	Les Lukert Conference	Grand Island
2/25/10	Regular Meeting	Uehling

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3/3/10	Regular Meeting	Fremont Rural
3/4/10	Regular Meeting	Winslow
3/6/10	Appreciation Dinner	North Platte
3/13/10	Appreciation Dinner	Nickerson
3/15/10	Regular Meeting	Nickerson, Scribner
3/18/10	Wilber Henderson Funeral	Wymore
3/20/10	Steak Fry	Schuyler
3/25/10	First Reading LB 780	Lincoln
3/29/10	Northeast Mutual Aid	Emerson
4/10/10	Mentor Fire Prevention Meeting	Kearney
4/18/10	Appreciation Dinner	Linwood
5/17-5/21/10	State Fire School	Grand Island
6/12/10	Iowa Firefighters Memorial Serv.	Coralville, IA
6/28/10	State Forestry Open House	Lincoln
7/17/10	Convention Pre-Conference	Chadron
7/20/10	Steak Fry	Plainview
8/7/10	Fire School Meeting	Grand Island
8/10/10	Fire Sprinkler Class	Omaha
8/21/10	E-Board, Legislative, Caucus Mtg.	Schuyler
8/28/10	Bob Larson Funeral	Gering
8/29/10	Chuck Vyhlnaek 50 th Celebration	Crete
9/12/10	Anson Korte fund raiser	Leigh
9/17/10	Meeting	Kearney
9/18/10	Fire School Walk Through	Grand Island

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9/18/10	Scribner 125 year Banquet	Scribner
9/21/10	Elkhorn Valley Mutual Aid	Winside
10/06/10	Governors Proclamation	Lincoln
10/06/10	Tri County Mutual (Sen Lathrop)	Ralston
10/09/10	Pancake Feed	Winslow
10/10/10	Fallen Firefighters Service	Kearney

Listed above is the travel report that I have logged for the Association in the year 2009-2010. It has been a pleasure traveling across our great state and meeting the many dedicated firefighters we have. I have put on over 6,500 miles in an effort to promote your Association and listen to the concerns the Departments have. We as Association Officers have car-pooled as much as we could to keep our cost down. Please feel free to give me a call if you have a meeting or function you would like me to attend and I will try as hard as I can to be there.

David Heywood
NSVFA 2nd Vice President

2009—2010 Summary of Activities
NORMAN HOEFT
NSVFA National Volunteer Fire Council, Nebraska Director

Nov. 3 – Bruno – Funeral of Long time Firefighter Ed Kozisek

Nov. 9 – Museum and Memorial Garden Meeting

Nov. 19 – Madison Department Awards Night

Dec. 12 – NSVFA Meeting at Grand Island

Jan 15-16-17 – NVFC Executive Committee Meeting Green Springs, MD.

Feb 5 – Northeast Firefighters Meeting at Scribner

Feb 12-13 – Grand Island Meeting

Feb 15 – Museum Meeting at York

March 1 – David City Fire Department Meeting

March 6 – North Platte Department Awards Night

March 10 – Loretta Brott Funeral at Valentine

April 6 – Memorial Garden Ground Breaking at Kearney

April 16 – NVFC Conference Call

April 25 thru May 2 – NVFC Spring Meeting and CFSI Dinner at Washington D.C.

May 8 – Kearney Memorial Garden Meeting

May 10 – York Museum Meeting

May 19-23 – Nebraska State Fire School at Grand Island

June 14 – York Museum Meeting

June 16 - Omaha Funeral for Patrick Begley

June 17-18-19 – Pow-Wow and Museum Open

June 24 – NVFC Conference Call

July 8-9-10-11 – National Vol. Fire Council Executive Board Meeting Green Springs,
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July 12 – Museum Board Meeting

August 1 – Battle Creek Northeast Annual Meeting

August 7 – Fire School Meeting Grand Island

August 8 – Museum Meeting Kearney

August 10-11 – La Vista Fire Team USA (Sprinklers) Great Program Hosted by Papillion

August 14 – Kearney Memorial Meeting

August 21 – Schuyler, NSVFA Mtg, Legislative Mtg, Coalition Mtg and Joel & Rhonda Hospitality Mtg.

August 27-28 – Gering, For Bob Larsen Funeral

Sept. 12 – Kearney Museum Memorial Meeting

Sept. 18 – Kearney – Grill off at Museum

Sept. 22-26 – NVFC Fall Meeting Minneapolis MN

Oct 9-10 – Kearney Memorial Service and Dedication of Memorial Garden

Oct. 13-17 – NSVFA Conference at Chadron, NE

YOUR MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL GARDEN IS NOW OPEN!
PLEASE STOP AND VISIT!

Thank You for allowing me to serve you!

Norman E. Hoeft
Delegate to National Volunteer Fire Council

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WILLIAM "BILL" LUNDY
NSVFA Secretary - Treasurer

Members of the NSVFA, both Pam and I have had the pleasure to serve you as Secretary – Treasurer and Pam as the Administrative Assistant for the NSVFA. On average, I spend 10 to 12 hours per week in the office returning telephone calls, answering emails, supporting legislative endeavors of the NSVFA and coordinating activities of the NSVFA. I spend quite a bit of my time maintaining the computer systems and databases as well as performing the major accounting function including paying bills, expense reports, federal, state, and social security taxes and associated monthly quarterly and annual forms. The NSVFA office is continually looking at better ways to support the membership and offer new opportunities to increase the membership.

The following is a brief summary of my activities for the 2009-2010 NSVFA membership year.

OCTOBER 2009

- Attended post Annual Meeting NSVFA E-Board Meeting
- Attended York County Mutual Aid Meeting
- Attended Fire Training York Fire Department

NOVEMBER 2009

- Attended York Fire Monthly Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended York Fire EMS Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting

DECEMBER 2009

- Attended York Fire Monthly Business Meeting
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended NSVFA Fire School and E-Board Meeting

JANUARY 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York County Mutual Aid Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended York Fire EMS Training
- Attended Legislative Breakfast
- Attended Legislative Stance Meeting

FEBRUARY 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended York Fire EMS Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- Attended NSVFA E-Board and Fire School Meeting

MARCH 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York County Mutual Aid Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended York Fire EMS Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- Lobbied State Senators on floor of legislature concerning the Mental/Mental Bill LB780

APRIL 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended York Fire EMS Training
- Spoke at Sutton Fire Mutual Aid Meeting
 - Fire School
 - Legislative Issues

MAY 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- On Site at Fire School – Grand Island

JUNE 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting

JULY 2010

- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- Attended Pre-Conference Meeting Chadron
- Attended Snyder Volunteer Firefighter picnic
- Attended Exeter Volunteer Fire Department Meeting and invited them to join the NSVFA which they did.

AUGUST 2010

- Attended the Northeast Mutual Aid Association Annual Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
- Attended York Fire Department Fire Training
- Attended Nebraska Firefighter Museum Meeting
- Attended Fire School Meeting

SEPTEMBER 2010

Attended York Fire Department Business Meeting
Attended York Fire Department Fire Training Auto Extrication SFMTD
Spoke at Utica Volunteer Fire Department Annual Chicken BBQ
Launched Constant Contact Email Manager

OCTOBER 2010

Attended Memorial Garden Dedication and Fallen Firefighter Service Kearney
Attended Annual Conference Chadron, Nebraska

William 'Bill' Lundy
NSVFA Secretary-Treasurer

2009-2010 Summary of Activities
GERALD M. STILMOCK
NSVFA Lobbyist

- 175 Telephone Conferences
 - 42 Written Correspondence and Memorandums
 - 52 Conferences
 - 101 Lobbyist Activities (Draft Testimony, Attendance at Legislative Committee Hearings, Conferences, Board Meetings)
 - 12 Legislative Alerts/Updates
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- 10/01/09 Conference with Senator Dubas, her staff and Rich Lombardi regarding recruitment and retention LR 182; meet with new Senator Bob Krist.
 - 11/20/09- Lobby Legislature during special session;
 - 11/20/09 Meet with Senator Lathrop regarding workers' compensation bill; conference with Senator McGill regarding volunteer firefighter issues before the Urban Affairs Committee;
 - 12/10/09 Attendance at interim hearing regarding LR 182;
 - 01/11/10 Prepare discussion points for senator appreciation breakfast;
 - 01/12/10 Senator Appreciation breakfast;
 - 01/14/10 Conference with Senator Cornett's staff and Auditor's office;
 - 01/19/10 Conference with Deann Haeffner, State Auditor's office;
 - 02/01/10 Attendance at Committee hearings;
 - 02/04/10 Testify at Committee hearings;
 - 02/18/10 Lobby senators regarding LB 949;
 - 02/19/10 Work on amendment to LB 949;
 - 02/19/10 Conference with Senator McGill, Committee Chairperson and staff.
 - 02/22/10 Conferences with Senator Krist and Senator McGill regarding LB 949; attendance at committee hearings;
 - 04/09/10 Conference with Mike Dwyer;
 - 04/12/10 Letters to John Falgione and Scott Josiah regarding interim study; letter to Chief Paul Petersen regarding interim study;

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- 04/13/10 Conference with Senator Lathrop; lobby L\$ 411;
- 04/14/10 Meet with Terry Phillips regarding fire sprinklers;
- 05/12/10 Conference with Professor Bob Blair and Professor Jerry Diechert regarding UNO study;
- 05/20/10 Attendance at Fire School in Grand Island; attendance at Board meeting and emergency caucus meeting;
- 05/21/10 Attendance at Fire School in Grand Island, attendance at opening ceremonies and area representatives meeting;
- 06/03/10 Correspondence regarding UNO study;
- 08/21/10 Prepare information for legislative summit; attendance at legislative meeting and emergency responders caucus meeting;
- 08/23/10 Meet with Dr. Scott Josiah;
- 08/30/10 Organize conference call regarding fire sprinklers;
- 09/15/10 Conference call on LR 384;

In this past legislative session, I participated in lobbying activities concerning several different issues. Those legislative issues included income tax credit for volunteer fire and rescue personnel; restore taxing authority to fire districts; MFO funding; prescribed burning; and dwelling sprinklers.

Gerald Stilmock
NSVFA Lobbyist