

TRUE VINE TIMES

Honoring our brother, VIC MILLER 50 years of service

What follows is a piece that was written by the Clarence Fire Company president in February of this year.

Tonight we are acknowledging Vic Miller who has achieved the prestigious milestone of 50 years of Active Service. On December 31, 2020 Vic completed 50 years of responding to alarms, and I can tell you that Vic is not even close to wanting to retire.

During his 50 active years, Vic has served the Clarence Fire Co. in many capacities. Vic has held the offices of Captain, Truck Captain, Communications Officer, and all 4 Assistant Chief positions - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. During his tenure as Assistant Chief, Vic served as Dayside Chief in Charge due to the other Officers work schedules .

Vic also served Administratively as our Company Treasurer , Fund Drive Chairman , and Commissioner for the Clarence Fire District.

Vic being who he is still felt a desire to do more. Vic served on numerous committees and is currently the Overseer of the Hallway Project. I think we can all be proud of the Past Chiefs wall, the 25 Year member display, and the Past Presidents display that he is currently working on.

Vic is currently working with Amherst Fire Control and the Town of Clarence to enhance the current Knox Box system. In the early years, our Fire company provided the EMS care directly to the patient, as well as the transportation to the hospital. Vic saw a way to enhance that care. He had designed and developed a bedside monitor which would monitor the patient's heart activity and count each beat automatically. This was powered by wall power at the hospital. Vic saw its usefulness for the Ambulance. On his own time, he made a unit to do that inside a vehicle and record on paper the EKG of the patient. I was put in our #8 (Emergency response Vehicle). This was the first to be used AS SUCH IN THIS AREA. It could operate on batteries, as well as the vehicles power systems, so that it taken to the patient. Subsequently an EKG could be stated upon arrival of the patient. A chart recording of the patient's EKG from our arrival and in the ambulance was provided to the hospital medical staff to accompany the patient. Today this is standard procedure, but back then is was considered cutting edge for patient emergency care.

**“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”
~Ephesians 2:10**



Jon Guerra - Kingdom of God
<https://www.youtube.com/>



“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”



**Pastor’s Challenge:
Continue to mature in God.
Know Him.
Know God’s character
Let His character become ours.
Let the Spirit work in us.
Exercise your spiritual muscle.**

Senior Spotlight

The following article was submitted by Ann Myers

Since I graduated in December, I have been busy with EMT class three nights a week. I enjoy the classes a lot and I am excited to serve on our Alden ambulance with this under my belt. The course is almost done so I have three tests I have to get through in order to get my certification. Throughout the past two years being at the Alden Fire Department I have been able to ride our ambulance and fire trucks a lot and gain that experience. For work, I am part-time at Mitchell's Greenhouses, cleaning at Alden Mennonite Church and nannying at the Davis family's house. Recently, the Lord provided a Subaru car for me through Cliff Albrecht, which has been a huge blessing. I plan to stick around in the fall and maybe in 2022 (Lord willing) attend a medical focused Discipleship Training School in New Zealand through YWAM.

(watch for upcoming features of our other CCAM graduates.)



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A Bit of Humor....

Marriage and Coffee

Shortly after tying the knot, a young married couple started arguing over who should make the coffee. Being a good Christian woman, the wife went to the scriptures for her answer. She said that the Bible specifically stated that men should be the ones to make the coffee.

Puzzled, the husband asked her where in the Bible it said that. Very confidently, the wife opened up her Bible and said: "It's right here—HEBREWS."

