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## **Meeting Notice**

The next Western Meeting will be:

**May 14, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**(Second Saturday due to**  
**Harrisburg Fire Expo)**

**NOTE LOCATION CHANGE**  
**DUE TO SCHEDULE**  
**CONFLICT**

**Jefferson VFC**  
**Greene County**

**1483 Jefferson Road**  
**Jefferson, PA 15344**

From Pittsburgh: Take 79 South to Exit 4 (Rough Creek). Make a left on Rt. 19, and another left onto Rt. 221. Go approximately 4 miles to Rt. 188, and make a left onto Rt. 188. You will travel approximately 4 miles to Jefferson. Go through town and the fire hall will be on your left.

Or:

Take Rt. 70 West to Toll Road 43 West. Follow Rt. 43 until it becomes Rt. 88, and continue south on Rt. 88 through Fredericktown to the town of Dry Tavern. Make a right onto Rt. 188 and travel approximately three miles to the fire hall.

## **Convention Plans for August** **Convention in Somerset Underway**

Our friends at Somerset VFD are working hard to plan a good convention for us in August this year. A full schedule of activities will be published in the July 2022 edition of *The Western Gazette*, but we wanted to provide you the following information to assist you in your planning:

**Dates:** The convention will run from Thursday, August 4, 2022 to Sunday, August 7, 2022.

**Banquets:** The High Hatters and Old Timers Banquets will be on Thursday, August 4. The awards banquet (awards and scholarship presentations) will be on Friday, August 5 at 6 p.m.

**Battle of the Barrel:** Will be at 8 a.m. on Saturday, August 6. Registration forms will be mailed with the July newsletter, with a July 31 registration deadline.

**Business Meetings and Election:** All business meetings and the annual election will be held Friday, August 5.

**Memorial Service:** The annual memorial service will be at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, August 5.

**Parade:** The parade will be on Saturday, August 6. Apparatus judging will be at 1 p.m., with the parade beginning at 6 p.m.

**Registration:** Will occur at the fire hall on Friday and Saturday.

A list of hotels and group rates is published on the reverse side of this newsletter.

## **Dues Payment Deadline:** **July 31, 2022**

Both company and individual member dues are due at that time.  
Please be sure to make payment so that you remain eligible for membership benefits.

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## Convention Lodging Information

Somerset VFD has arranged for the following special group rates for lodging. Rooms are blocked for August 4 to August 7, 2022. Reservations can be made by calling the hotel and informing them you are with the Western PA Firemen's Convention.

Comfort Inn  
202 Harmon St, Somerset  
814-445-9611  
\$100 per night

Holiday Inn Express  
132 Lewis Drive, Somerse  
814-701-2762  
\$129 per night

Quality Inn  
215 Ramada Rd, Somerset  
814-443-4646  
\$109.99 per night

Fairfield Inn  
117 Tollgate Rd, Somerset  
814-701-2829  
\$139.00 night

Hampton Inn  
324 Laurel Crest Drive, Somerset  
814-445-9161  
\$116.00 per night

## Other Special Events:

### **Harrisburg Fire Expo**

May 21 and 22, 2022

Harrisburg Farm Show Complex

Visit us at the show!!