

15th Annual Silent Parade

October 9, 2009

September 9, 2009

Chief Thomas Freeman
Lisle-Woodridge FPD
1005 School Street
Lisle, IL 60532

Dear Chief Freeman:

The Downers Grove Fire Department, with cooperation from the Villages of Hinsdale, Clarendon Hills, Westmont, Downers Grove and Lisle, will host the 15th Annual Silent Parade as a tribute to fallen firefighters and fire victims. This will also conclude Fire Prevention Week activities.

The parade will take place on Friday, October 9, 2009, at 1900 hours. Staging of fire apparatus will be at the Hinsdale Fire Department at 1830 hours. The staging information is attached. A memorial service will follow at the parade's conclusion in Lisle. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

In acknowledgement of 15 years of fire service participation in this annual tribute, the five hosting fire departments will provide hot dogs and drinks during staging in Hinsdale this year. A commemorative dash plaque will be presented to each vehicle in recognition of the 15th anniversary of the parade.

This impressive parade has become a tradition in our area. We are inviting all departments to participate in this tribute to those who have lost their lives due to fires. If you are able to send any apparatus, please contact Public Information Officer Marsha Giesler at (630) 434-5986, or Department Secretary Pat Pinelli at (630) 434-5980.

Please help us to make this year's parade the best to date.

Sincerely,



Jim Jackson,
Acting Chief
Downers Grove Fire Department

