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Hello to all fire departments. This is Robert Scott, chairman of the Fire Prevention Committee for the Southwestern Association of Volunteer Firemen. Next year the 115th annual convention will be hosted by Highland Hose Co. from August 2-5, 2023, in Derby, N.Y. Once again, we look forward to a wonderful convention where we gather with other fire and EMS members, have fun through the comic parade, dugouts, trainings and meetings, and to honor people with the memorial service and the awards presentations.

I am writing to remind fire departments that in the awards ceremony, usually held on the Friday morning of convention, one of the awards is for the fire prevention booklets. Your fire department, no matter its size, is encouraged to put together a fire prevention book, showcasing all that you've done over the previous year. Enclosed is a letter to show you what the judges look at when they judge the books. Please give your completed fire prevention book to your SWAVF County Director, listed below, before June 2, 2023. Each county director will bring the fire prevention books to our SWAVF quarterly meeting on Sunday, June 4, 2023 which will be at the Highland Hose Volunteer Fire Dept at 1424 Highland Parkway, Derby, N.Y. 14047. The Fire Prevention committee will meet to judge the books, and the winners will receive their awards at the convention during the awards ceremony.

I look forward to seeing you at the convention next summer and to be amazed by what your department has done for the betterment of your communities through your fire prevention efforts.

Director- Erie County: Willie Nelson: 9385 Scott St., Angola NY 14006, 716-545-1908

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If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at either of the numbers listed in the top right corner of this letter. Stay safe and thank you for all that you do through the fire service for your community. Hope to see you at convention.

Sincerely,

Robert Scott

Fire Prevention Committee Chair