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TEENAGE BURNING DESIRES

WHS students thrived on excitement. They did not mind living dangerously. And, like most, they loved the self-satisfaction which accompanied "good samaritan" action.

Perhaps this was why so many guys were volunteering for the fire department. David Greene, Charlie Sullivan, Jason Chapman, Jason Lyons, Richie Avant, Lemuel Seigler volunteered for the Colleton Rural Fire Department. Spenser Bodison, Marty Stallings, Nathan Bristow, and Matt Hooker were a part of the Green Pond Volunteer Fire Department.

The volunteers cannot go into a burning house unless they are over 18. However, there was just as much to be done on the outside — changing air pacs, pulling hoses off the other trucks, and clearing the way for the firemen. In fact, the actual fire was a small portion of their responsibilities as volunteer firemen. Their job consisted of changing hoses, cleaning trucks, going to fires, and their favorite job (psyche) cleaning burnt houses.

Why did they give their time and energy to their community?

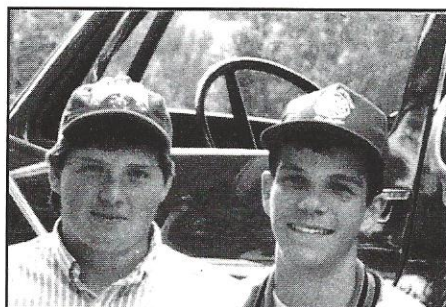
"I have been interested in firefighting as long as I can remember. And, chances are that I may become a firefighter in the future," said Charlie Sullivan.

"Being a fireman gives me a sense of responsibility," said Spenser Bodison.

"Many of my friends wouldn't get up at 2:00 in the morning for a fire, but there is no way I'd sleep through it," said David Greene.

Whatever it is, they can't resist it — they are TAKING THEIR CHANCES!!

— Senior Hallie Gregory



The station, the fires, the excitement — We want to be a part of this forever!" Volunteer firemen Charlie Sullivan and David Greene.