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## **WEST LAFAYETTE FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNIVERSARY**

**West Lafayette, Indiana- August 29, 2017-** The West Lafayette Fire Department is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of West Lafayette Fire Station #1 on Sunday, September 10, 2017, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The public is invited to help us celebrate this momentous occasion. There will be station tours, history lessons, food, even music (if you can handle the guys' singing).

The original volunteer West Lafayette Fire Department, which came to fruition in late 1894, was comprised of representative citizens, businessmen, and professionals. The department operated out of the West Lafayette Hose Co. #1 and Town Hall Engine House at 115 North Main Street (later changed to North Chauncey Avenue). On July 4, 1917, the men moved into their new, updated house: Fire Station #1 located at the corner of North and Northwestern.

West Lafayette Fire Station #1 is one of the oldest active fire stations in Indiana and one of only a few in the state with an active fire pole.

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