

## Silent parade honors fallen firefighters, fire victims



Friday night the annual silent parade began in Hinsdale, starting at the Hinsdale Fire Department on Symonds and moving west along Chicago Avenue to Lisle. Dozens of fire vehicles from departments throughout the area made the trip, moving silently along the route with only their lights on. Before the start of the parade, firefighters gathered at the station for a service dedicated to their fallen comrades. Doug Carmichael from Bugles Across America played taps. In front of the Hinsdale station, department members set up a memorial to Deputy Chief Mark Johnson, who died in the line of duty in 2010. Along the route Hinsdale residents Kristen Fleming Newhouse and her husband, Keith, paid tribute to her great-grandfather Walter Fleming, a Hinsdale firefighter who died of injuries sustained while fighting a fire in town in 1946. (Jim Slonoff photos)

