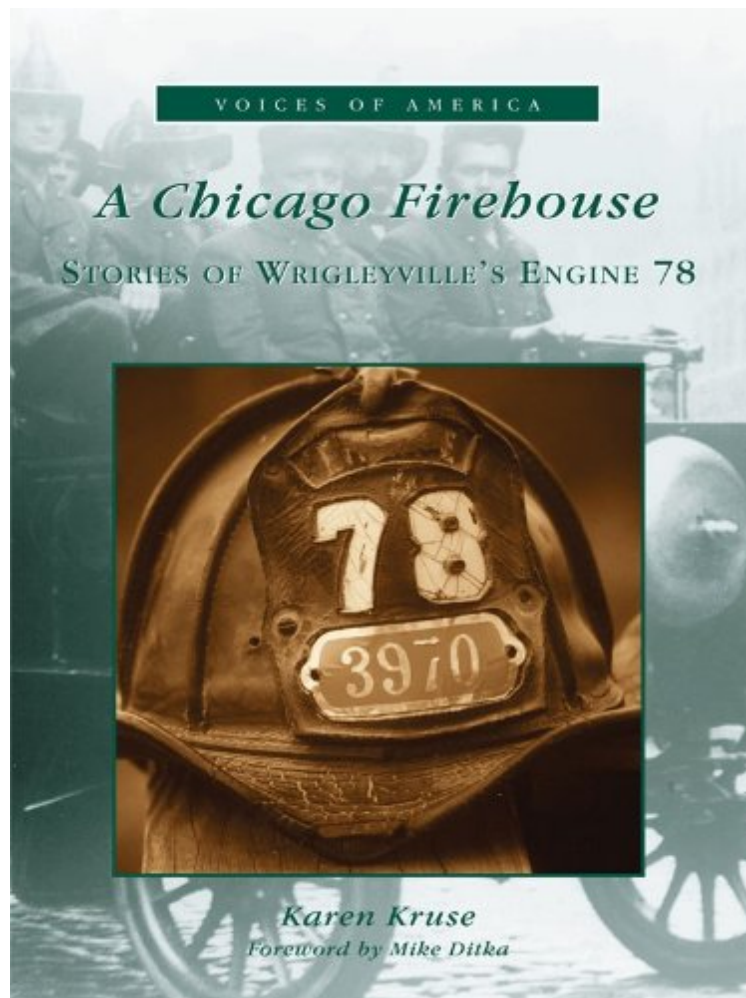


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Chicago Firehouse 78' Wrigleyville By Jerry Bridges I have been searching for a book on the CFD. This book is a partial history of this great city. My interest was personal. In my early years as a Firefighter, myself and three other firefighters used to travel to the CFD three and four times each year and spend a week in a station for the experience of fighting fires. I served in a smaller fire department and believe that if you want to be a good firefighter you need to train with the best. I probably have close to 4,000 hours fighting fires there. I served with some of the best firefighters in the world and thank them for that opportunity. That's where I first realized the true meaning of the "Brotherhood of Firefighters" Even though I was an outsider, I was treated like I was

one of them and a regular member of the house I served in. This book brings back the memories of that time. Very well written. I hauled way through the book before I realized that it wasn't written by a Firefighter of the CFD. But growing up so closely to her firefighter father, I understand how she gained her knowledge. I to have a daughter who grew up with the fire service who is currently a very dedicated and capable firefighter. Great job Karen. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. History book of a firehouse and neighborhood By BP110 book is nicely written, but readers should be aware that it is more of a history book than a book about firefighting. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. ok book - short on substance By J Dog this is a nice short little book with a few interesting facts. Not exactly a deep dive in any lives or firefighting.

From its humble beginnings in 1884 as a one-story frame building with one bay to house Hose Company 4 and its team of horses, Engine Company 78 has been the firefighting sentinel at the end of Waveland Avenue, sitting in the shadow of Wrigley Field. Using vintage photographs and moving stories from firefighters themselves, Karen Kruse captures the spirit and heroism of this historic Chicago landmark. Captain Robert F. Kruse served the Chicago Fire Department for 30 years, half of those at Wrigleyville's Engine 78. Growing up within the tight-knit firefighting community, Ms. Kruse records the dramatic and touching stories from her father's and his peers' experiences, and combines them in this volume exploring the unique history of Lakeview's firehouse, including a foreword by Mike Ditka and preface by Fire Commissioner James Joyce. With details about little known historic districts and a brief guide to Chicago's cemeteries and their relations to firefighters, *A Chicago Firehouse: Stories of Wrigleyville's Engine 78* relays in first-hand accounts some of Chicago's most fiery tragedies, the brave men who battled them, and the diversity of the neighborhood that housed them.