

FP2 - TIP 'O THE WEEK # 88

THE PICTURES BUTTON



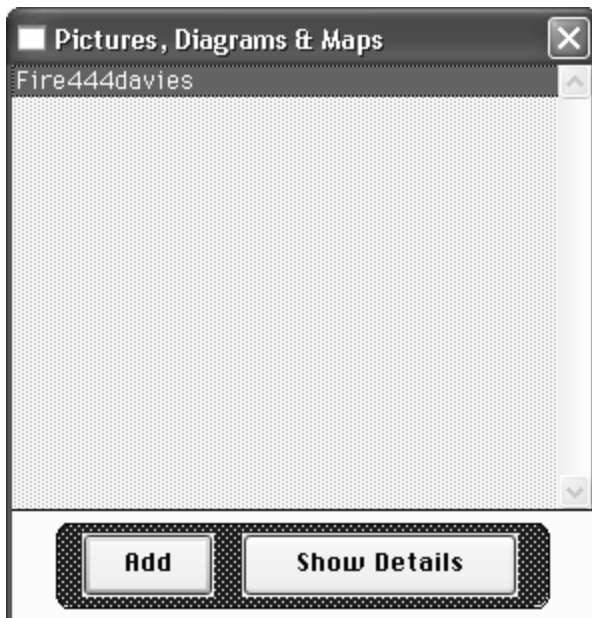
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A number of the FirePro 2 components will store picture images to create visual records to support and enhance the comprehensiveness of written data. You may choose to store sketches, photographs, maps, and floor plans (.jpg format) in the picture files that are available in the following areas of the program:

- Properties
- Incidents
- Inspections
- Operational Guidelines
- Inventory
- Firefighters

A number next to the pictured button indicates how many pictures are associated with the record already. Clicking on the Pictures button will open the following window:



Double-click on a line, or select a line and click Show Details to display the selected image. This button will only be present if there are existing pictures in this list. Clicking the show details button will bring up the screen with the image.

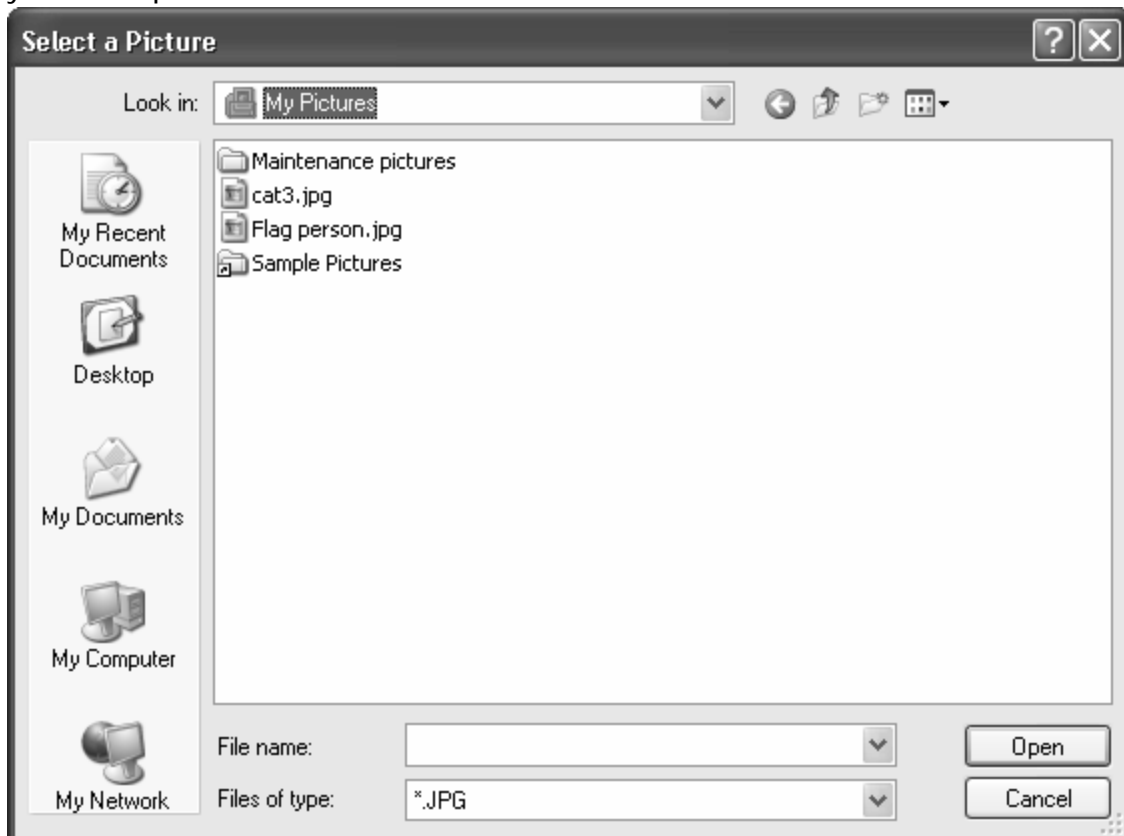


To add a picture to the record, click the "Add" button.

The buttons at the lower right of the screen will show a "Select Picture File" button.



Click this button to bring up a window where you can select the image to attach from your computer.



When you have found the image, double click on it or click on it and then click the "Open" button to add it to FirePro.

Give your picture a meaningful and unique name in the "Title" field, or the current directory path of the photo will be used as the name. How you decide to name your images is entirely up to you.

All images added to FirePro 2 will be stored in a folder entitled, "Pictures" that will automatically be created in the same folder as your department's datafile [yourtown.df1] the first time you add a picture. The exact location of the Pictures folder and the size of the file can be viewed on the bottom of the pictures screen once an image has been saved. In the screen shot above, the size is recorded as 83823 bytes, and the location is:

C:\FIREPRO\Data Files\Pictures\2.jpg

Click the "OK" button to save your image to the FirePro folder and associate it with the current record.

Caution: DO NOT move, re-name, or delete the files that have been created in the Pictures folder. Doing so would result in FirePro being unable to retrieve the picture for you.



Quote of the week:

"Few will have the greatness to bend history itself; but each of us can work to change a small portion of events, and in the total; of all those acts will be written the history of this generation." *Robert Kennedy*