

THE TAILGATER

CNY CHAPTER SPAAMFAA®

DECEMBER 2014

Home of the Belle Isle Reserve Fire Company

SEASONS GREETINGS & BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CNY CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH – 6:00 P.M.

Hayner Hoyt Offices
625 Erie Boulevard West
Syracuse, N.Y. 13204

RSVP to Mary Thurston

By Friday, December 5th

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\$20 Per Person

Make checks payable to CNY SPAAMFAA & send to Mary Thurston at 4828 Cedarvale Rd., Syracuse, NY 13215

MENU

- ❖ LONDON BROIL
- ❖ ROASTED CHICKEN
- ❖ ZITI
- ❖ ROASTED POTATOES
- ❖ HONEY GLAZED CARROTS
- ❖ SALAD, ROLLS & BUTTER
- ❖ DESERT & BEVERAGES

PLEASE BRING NON PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS AND/OR HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES, Etc. FOR DONATION TO THE SALVATION ARMY (Suggested value of \$10) IN LIEU OF GIFT EXCHANGE

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The CNY Chapter thanks the **Mattydale Fire Department** for hosting the November meeting. CNY Members **Paul Dufault** & **Shirley Mott**, assisted by their friend **Emma McNamara**, prepared our traditional and delicious Thanksgiving meal. Mattydale Chief **Brian Falise** was on hand to welcome us to their department.

HEALTH & WELFARE

Mike Waters continues to convalesce at the East Side Manor in Fayetteville. **Gary Colella** was at the Mattydale meeting sporting a cast on his right ankle after taking a tumble off a ladder. Gary had better stick to ground operations and leave the ladder company duties to someone else. **Tom Laun** is doing well after recent knee surgery.

ELECTION OF 2015 CHAPTER OFFICERS

All CNY SPAAMFAA Chapter members in good standing are eligible to vote for the 2015 Chapter officers. The ballots will be counted at the Christmas Party on Thursday, December 11, 2014.

If voting in person please bring your ballot with you on December 11th.

If voting by mail, please complete your ballot and mark the outside of the envelope **BALLOT** and mail to arrive by December 9th.

Mail to:

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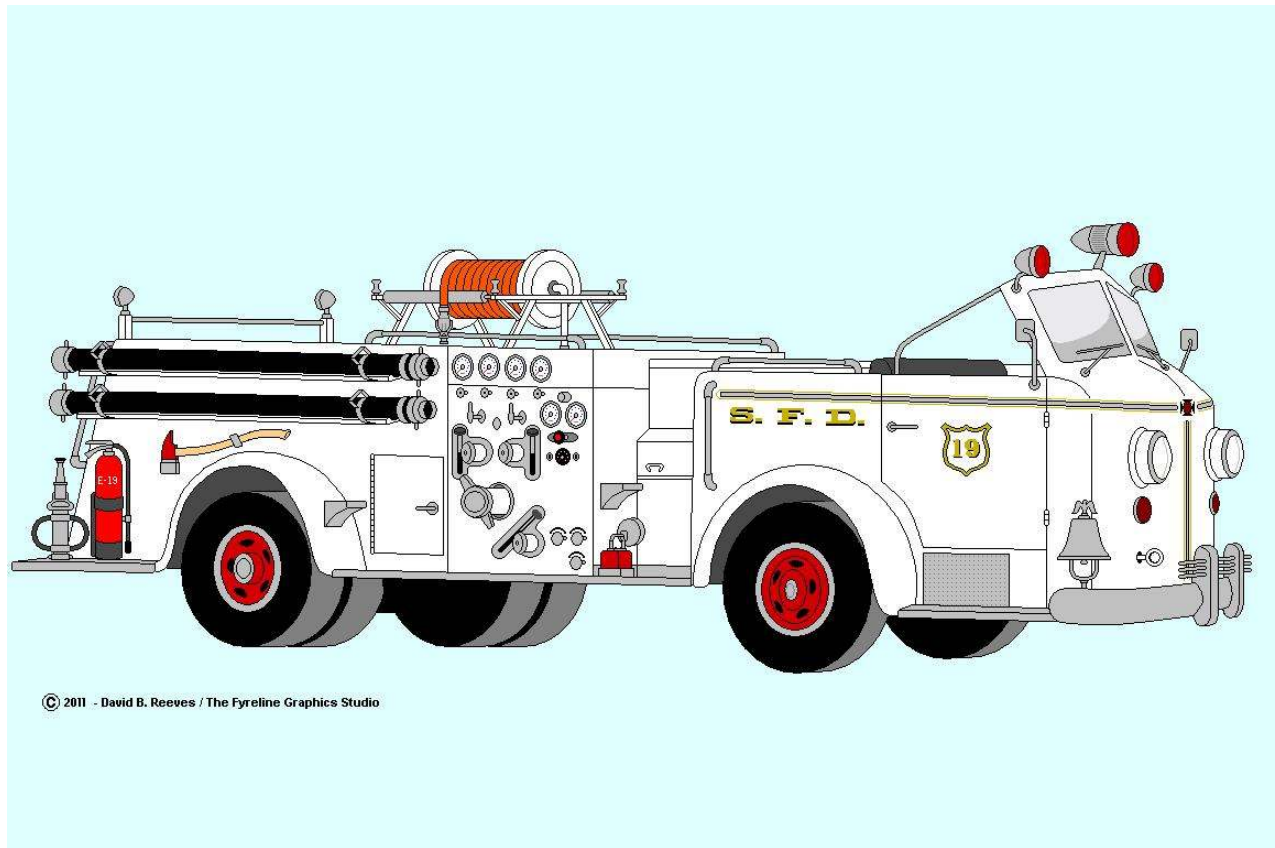
BALLOT FOR 2015 CNY SPAAMFAA CHAPTER OFFICERS	
PRESIDENT – VOTE FOR <u>ONE</u>	
Patrick Gannon	
Write In:	
VICE PRESIDENT – VOTE FOR <u>ONE</u>	
Gary Colella	
Write In:	
TREASURER – VOTE FOR <u>ONE</u>	
Gary Thurston	
Write In:	
SECRETARY - VOTE FOR <u>ONE</u>	
Fuzzy Taber	
Write In:	
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY - VOTE FOR <u>ONE</u>	
Mary Thurston	
Write In:	
DIRECTORS – 2 Year Terms – VOTE FOR <u>TWO</u>	
Mary DeSalvo	
Donald Herb	
David Sinclair	
Write In:	

We have all probably seen some unusual “repurposing” of antique rigs, but here is one spotted at the 2012 Albuquerque International Balloon Festival. Owned by Ty Young of Albuquerque, New Mexico, the 1941 American LaFrance is now outfitted as a hot air balloon chase & recovery vehicle. No that isn’t a smoke ejector on the tailboard, but a balloon inflation fan.



Photos by Dick Sparrow

2015 MUSTER



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ARTWORK FOR MUSTER T-SHIRTS - DRAWING OF SYRACUSE ENGINE Co. 19 By Dave Reeves

Muster Chairman **Gary Thurston** reports that planning is well underway for the 2015 National Convention and Muster. Details are being finalized for a trip to the Rochester area New York Museum of Transportation and a new edition of the popular Syracuse Firehouse Tour is in the works. Arrangements have been made with the host hotel and other activities are being planned. Since we need to have the information in to National SPAAMFAA by December, many of the final schedule details will be discussed at the December meeting & Christmas party.

TENTATIVE 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 11, 2014 – 6:00 P.M. - Christmas Party & Elections Hayner Hoyt offices
(See Page 1 for details.)

TENTATIVE 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE - FIRM DATES & TIMES TO FOLLOW

NO JANUARY & FEBRUARY MEETINGS

March Onondaga Hill FD

April Fayetteville FD

May Dewitt Fire Department

YOUR 2015 DUES ARE PAYABLE NOW

PLEASE RENEW IN A TIMELY MANNER

GET A FRIEND TO JOIN THE CNY CHAPTER

MEMBERS ON THE LOOSE

EAST MEETS WEST AND VIEWS SOME EARLY SPAAMFAA HISTORY

The CNY Chapter has members spread around the continent, including Florida, Georgia, Missouri, Wisconsin, Virginia, Ontario, Canada, but our westernmost members are **Chuck & Stacy Kahler**, from Federal Way, Washington, near Seattle. You should remember the outstanding presentation, the "Rest of The Story" they put on at our 2011 National Convention & Muster. At the time CNY members **Andy & Linda Henderson** & the Kahlers made plans to get together out on the west coast. Three years later it happened. Chuck is currently a Battalion Chief with South King Fire and Rescue in Federal Way, Washington. He left the Seattle Fire Department in 1980 for South King and currently has a total of 44 years in the fire service.

The early SPAAMFAA connection dates back to the spring of 1967, when SPAAMFAA Founder **Dick Horstmann** journeyed west to the State of Washington to attend the *Seattle Fire Buff Society's Second Annual Antique Fire Apparatus & Grand Concours d'Elegance* on Lake Washington. This was the theme of the "Rest of The Story" presentation. Dick was so impressed by this event he returned to Syracuse determined to stage a similar event, and thus the CNY Chapter's *Northeast Antique Fire Apparatus And Muster* was born.



While in Seattle in 1967, **Dick Horstmann** drove one of the group's apparatus in the show, a 1924 ALF pumper, which is the white apparatus in the photo above. **Chuck Kahler** is on the left and **Galen Thomaier**, owner of the ALF is on the right. Galen's father **Boyd** started the Last Resort Fire Department and along with the late **Bill Waldo** came to one of our musters, probably in 1971. Chuck mentioned the trip east in his 2011 presentation. Chuck also owns an ex-Seattle Fire Department 1946 Kenworth pumper, shown on the right.



While visiting the **Kahlers**, the **Hendersons** also toured **The Last Resort Fire Department**, which in cooperation with the Seattle Fire Department operates The Last Resort Fire Department Museum located in the former Fire Station 10, which also houses the Seattle Fire Department Headquarters.

The Last Resort Fire Department officially began in 1969 when a handful of dedicated individuals banded together to form what is now the largest collection of antique motorized fire apparatus in the Pacific Northwest. The "LRFD" is a non-profit, charitable corporation, dedicated to the acquisition, restoration, preservation and display of classic antique motorized fire apparatus. The group's rigs can be seen in parades, car and truck shows, fire station dedications, fire prevention exhibits and the annual Fire Festival in Seattle's Pioneer Square. The LRFD's primary mission has always been the preservation of Seattle Fire Department history.

Their collection is comprised of several unique Seattle fire apparatus, including Seattle's only Ahrens-Fox, which was fully restored in the mid-1960's, and three of Seattle's tillered aerials, their *last* wooden aerial, a 1929 Mack, their *first* metal aerial, a 1937 Seagrave, and their last "conventional-cab" tillered aerial, a 1969 Kenworth/Maxim. They also have the Seattle's last city-service ladder truck, a 1950 Kenworth, and what is believed to be the oldest surviving Seattle motorized fire apparatus, a 1913 Seagrave City Service Ladder as well as Seattle's only Bulldog Mack, which is yet to be restored. Their maintenance facility was built in 1973, and currently houses 12 of the groups rigs, including pumpers, city service ladder trucks, and tillered aerials.



Part of the Last Resorts Fire Department's collection. On the far left is a 1969 Kenworth Maxim Aerial from Seattle Fire. This is the rig from the 1978 two hour television "Emergency" episode, *The Most Deadly Passage*. Next is a 1969 Kenworth 1750 GPM Pumper from Seattle Fire, a 1940 Kenworth 750 GPM Pumper from Snohomish Fire, in Washington State, and on the right a 1930 Mack 1000 GPM Pumper from Seattle Fire.



Inside Seattle Fire Department's original Station 10, now their museum. Two of the rigs preserved are the Kenworth pumper on left and one of six unique B21 enclosed cab Mack's ever made by Mack with Hall Scott 1091 cubic inch motors and 1500 gpm pumps. The Kenworth also has the big Hall Scott motor.



Seattle Fire 1907 American LaFrance Metropolitan 2nd Size steam pumper attached to 1916 Seagrave 2-wheeled - front drive "K tractor."

For more information on the Last Resort Fire Department, and the Museum, visit their website, www.lastresortfd.org

For a short video of the Last Resort Fire Department made in 2013, containing video clips as far back as 1989 go to

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7u2JKrQZVow>

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December 11th – 6:00 PM
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