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Old Fire Farts of York County PA

4th Quarter Meeting will be held on November 12th

Our 4th Quarter Meeting is scheduled on November 12th at the Greater Hanover Area Fire Museum located at 134 E. Hanover St in Hanover, PA. We will discuss our Muster, Christmas Party, Wreath & Poinsettia Fund Raiser, Nomination Committee for two Officer openings in 2018, a location and date for our March Flea Market and more. Our 2018 Memberships will be accepted at the meeting. Hope to see you all there. Come and check out the new Fire Museum.

THE 4TH ANNUAL YORK FIRE MUSTER A SUCCESS

I want to thank everyone who could help in any way possible on the York Fire Muster. We had 40 pieces of Motorized Fire Apparatus, 6 Hand Drawn Apparatus, 12 Fire Flea Market vendors, 8 Food vendors and other safety displays. Our Firefighter Skills Challenge was a big hit and we had 12 participants who competed. Thanks to Mike Anderson for his help in running this first-time event. We could not of done it without our sponsors: SPAAMFAA, Seagrave Fire Apparatus, Glick Fire Equipment, Collins/Wagner Ins., York Revolution Baseball Team, The York Water Co., Thornton Chevrolet, Manchester Township, York County Youth Development, Charles Webb, and Dave Hoffnagle, The Radio Man. **The Apparatus Winners were:**

Best Hand Drawn Pumper - 1940 Lewisberry's Coffee Grinder from York Fire Museum **Best Hand Drawn Hose Reel** - 1900 Rumsey Union Fire Co., Dover, PA **Best Motorized 1900-1925** - 1925 Ford Model T/Hand Pump from Goodwill Fire co. Jacobus, PA **Best Motorized 1926-1939** - 1936 Seagrave owned by Terry Fix **Best Motorized 1940-1959** - 1948 Mack owned by Rescue Fire Co., Dallastown, PA **Best Motorized 1960-1979** - 1966 Mack C-95 owned by Louis Schaller **Best Motorized 1980-1999** - 1981 American LaFrance Squirt owned by Bob Zercher **Best Motorized 2000-2016** - 2005 KME Rescue owned by Community Fire Co., Yorkanna, PA **Best Brush/Mini Truck** - 1979 Chevy Pierce owned by Jim Atkinson **Best Privately Owned** - 1956 Mack B TDA Ladder owned by The Lloyd Family **Best Organization Owned** - 1952 Ward LaFrance owned by Shiloh Fire Co. York, PA **Longest Distance** - 1976 Seagrave Ladder owned by Mark Olsen from Virginia **People's Choice** - 1982 Mack CF Lincolnway Fire Co., owned by Lincolnway Fire Co.

SEAGRAVE AWARDS:

Pre-1950 - 1937 Seagrave owned by Tim Cosgrove Jones.
1950-1970- 1956 Seagrave owned by Joe D' Amoni
1971-1992- 1975 Seagrave owned by Chuck Rhodes
1993-2017 - 1975, refurbished in 95, FWD Seagrave owned by Mike Whitzel
Aerial/Squad - 1980 Seagrave 100' Aerial owned by the Brown family
Best Seagrave in Show - 1966 Seagrave owned by Eddie Schwartz.... **see Page 2**

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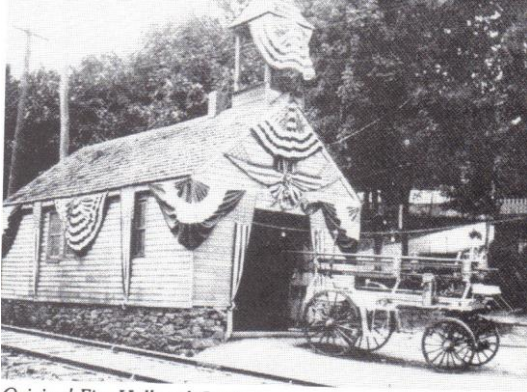
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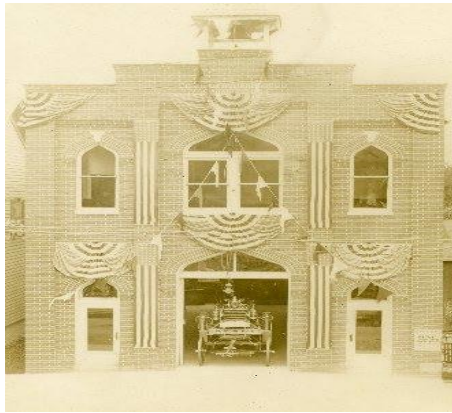
1. You can renew your 2018 Membership now, the application is on the Facebook Page.
2. Help with our November fund raiser, our wreath and poinsettia sales. Call 717-885 0395 to order or get an order form.
3. Looking for a Pres.-Elect and Trustee for 2018.
4. Christmas Party Dec. 10th.

Station of the Month

Our station this month is the Citizens Fire and Hose Company #1. Formed at a meeting in the Borough Band Hall in Dec. of 1899 with 72 members and incorporated on Jan. 8, 1900. The first Fire Station was a frame building located parallel to the Ma & PA Railroad. The first piece was a Hand Drawn Hose and Chemical Carriage purchased in March 1900. In 1911 a 30 X 60 2 1/2 story building was built on the West side of Main St. and became the new Fire Station.

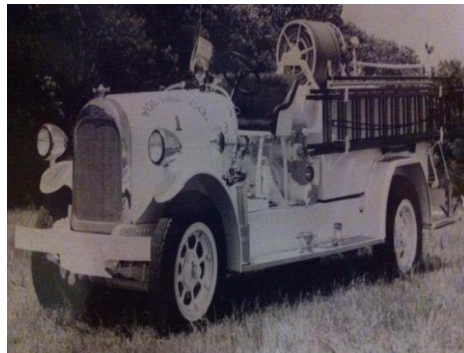


Original Fire Hall and Carriage



1922 REO (l to r) George Spangler, Emmanuel Taylor, Jr.

Here are the first two Fire Stations and the 1st 1922 motorized REO Fire Engine. Here are some more photos of the history of the Yoe Fire Company, Station #36.



Congratulations to Yoe Fire Co. for a great history of serving their community. Living up to their motto, **“We Strive To Save”**.

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PUMPING WINNERS:

- Hand Drawn - The Hornet II from the York Fire Museum
- Motorized - 1st place 1936 Seagrave owned by Terry Fix
- 2nd place 1973 Mack CF owned by Chuck Strouse
- 3rd place 1972 Mack CF owned by Rick Eckert

Congratulations to Clayton Hose, a 2nd Lt. with Community Volunteer Fire Co. #1, Station 38 of Yorkana Pa. He had the best overall event times at the 1st Firefighter Skills Challenge held at the 4th Annual York Fire Muster.

November Fund Raiser

We will be selling wreaths and Poinsettias again this year. If you would like to order it is simple. We are selling 22" & 16" live wreaths as in the picture. Just ask your family, friends and neighbors if they would like one. If they do the prices are 22" = \$20 and 16" = \$18, collect the money and send a list of how many and what sizes with the money to Greg Witmer 1641 Northview Rd. York, Pa 17406. If you can sell poinsettias they are 7" for \$14 or 6" for \$12. Colors are Red, White, Burgundy, Ice Punch, and Red/White mix. Make a list and send it and money to Greg as above. If half of our members would buy a wreath and a poinsettia we would make a profit of almost \$300.00.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

It's soon time for our Annual Christmas Party. It will be held on Dec. 10, 2017 at 1 PM. It is tentatively going to be held at the Liberty Fire Co. North York, Station # 25. There will be music, games, fun, fellowship and of course food for all and a special guest. Bring your children, grand-children, and if you have them great-grandchildren. We need to know if you're coming and how many will be attending so we have plenty of food and prizes. Call Bob at 717-885-0395 after 5 pm to let him know how many are coming.

SHIRTS ON SALE:

Christmas is only 57 days away: We have this year's Fire Muster Shirts on sale at reduced prices. I will have the shirts, patches, and dash plaques at the meeting on Nov. 12th in Hanover.

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| Tees: (Small, Med., Large) = \$14 | (3XL - 4XL) = \$16 |
| Long Sleeve Tees: (Small, Med., Large, X-Large) = \$15 | (2XL - 3XL) = \$17 |
| Sweats (Small, Med., Large, X-Large) = \$19 | (2XL - 3XL) = \$21 |
| Hoodies: (Large, X-Large) = \$24 | (3X-Large) = \$26 |