



*a chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Appreciation of Antique Motorized Fire Apparatus in America*

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**The next meeting** of the Society will be held at The Cincinnati Air Conditioning Co., 2080 Northwest Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45231, Tuesday Oct. 20, with the now expected repast furnished by our host prior to the 7:30 PM business.

**September Meeting Recap:** The Society is solvent (always good to know) according to Treasurer Tieman. Under old business Secretary Wilder is going to see if he can arrange for Chip Lytle to get samples of the clothing items we wish to consider for purchase. Your editor requested that the dates for the 2016 indoor flea market, and his auction be set and he recommended Friday March 25 and Saturday March 26 with the auction to be Friday evening. This was approved by a vote of the members. Your editor had also attempted to resign as editor of "THE JOKER" due to some frustrations with getting the September issue to press. This action was not accepted (and consequently you are stuck with me.) A date of January 16<sup>th</sup> was proposed for the annual holiday gathering, but with no volunteers to organize the event this was tabled and will be revisited in October. There were 22 members and one guests, Mr. Jon Hampton in attendance.

**SPAAMFAA:** Dues are to increase to \$30.00 for 2016 and if you wish to receive a paper copy of the Silver Trumpet there will be an additional \$5.00 charge. A discussion regarding the coverages provided by SPAAMFAA's insurance is also ongoing with, no doubt, more to come.

**New Member:** Michael Hannigan, recently retired chief of the Lebanon, OH. Fire Department was in attendance. Chief Hannigan is the proud owner of a 1949 Mack pumper, Reg. No. 1360, x-Montclair, NJ. Good to have you aboard!

F.A.R.M. Show by Mark Rembis

The apparatus display by Miles Greenwood members held Sept. 19 at Oeder's Lake in conjunction with the F.A.R.M. show turned into a pump-in with a total of 4 rigs moving water during the day. There were 9 pieces on display, including the Brown family's Hope steamer, 2 ex Frigidaire fire tractors, an IHC-Howe piston pumper and Monica Janning's venerable 1918 ex U.S.Q.M.C. American La France.

The highlight of the day was when the 1918 put on a pumping demonstration after many years of static display!! Those members displaying apparatus were Scott Flynn, Chip Lytle, Paul and Doug Tieman and Monica Janning.



**Fire Museum:** Several members of the Society participated in another meeting this time with UC's college of Design, Art Architecture and Planning students, to keep the revitalization and improvement program for the museum moving forward.

**Pre-Planning:**

- \* January 16, 2016 (Tentative) Miles Greenwood Holiday Party @ C.F.M.
- \* February 17 – 20, 2016, SPAAMFAA Winter Convention, Houston, TX by Texas Gulf Coast Chapter.
- \* March 25 & 26 Miles Greenwood Society Flea Market & Howard Kuhnell's Fire Memorabilia Auction to be held at Cincinnati Air Conditioning Co. 2080 Northwest Dr. Cinti., OH 45231
- \* April 23 – 24, 2016 Spring Melt Flea Market & Auction, Allentown, PA. By the Union Historical Fire Society.
- \* April 30, 2016 Jackson Flea Market, Jackson Mich. 200 W. Ganson St., Jackson, MI 49202
- \* June 5, 2016 Miles Greenwood Society 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Fire Heritage Muster, 10:00 AM to 3:00PM Spring Grove Cemetery, 4389 Spring Grove Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45223



One of those rigs at Randy Koorsen's private museum that appears to demonstrate some willingness to move into the mechanized era, but maybe not completely! I wonder if the salesman said, "You lads get her there and she'll pump". That doesn't seem to be a ringing endorsement though; so probably not!