



a chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Appreciation of Antique Motorized Fire Apparatus in America
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Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! Dues are Due!

The next meeting will be held at Cincinnati Air, 2080 Northwest Dr., Cinti., OH 45231 on Tuesday Dec. 15. At 7:30 PM. If you leave home hungry, arrive early and partake of the food!

November Meeting Recap: The organization remains solvent with expenses being held to a minimum. Arrangements for the holiday party were completed. A reminder: the party will begin at 6:00 PM and the charge will be \$18.00 per person and must be paid in advance. Proper planning does not allow payment at the door. If you are interested in helping with set-up be at the museum at 4:30 PM. (I don't have a clue about a program.) We had a young guest, John Hampton with us at the meeting. Samples of the apparel available for purchase by the members was available. Secretary Wilder will be getting order forms to the members so that the forms may be returned at the December meeting. During the meeting it was decided to have all of the photo features prior to 2010 removed from our web site.

Pre-Planning: There will be NO January 2016 JOKER

- January 16, 2016 at 6:00 PM at The Fire Museum of Greater Cincinnati, the Miles Greenwood Holiday Party.
- February 17 – 20, 2016, SPAAMFAA Winter Convention hosted by the Texas Gulf Coast Chapter. (See the recent ENJINE-ENJINE mailing for details.)
- March 25 & 26 Miles Greenwood Society Flea Market & Kuhnell's Fire Memorabilia Auction, both to be held at Cincinnati Air Conditioning Co. 2080 Northwest Dr. Cinti., OH. 4523
- April 23 -24, 2016 Spring Melt Flea Market & Auction, Allentown, PA. by the Union Historical Fire Society.
- April 30, 2016 Jackson Flea Market, Jackson MI. 200 W. Ganson St. 49202
- June 5, 2016 Miles Greenwood Society 7th. Annual Fire Heritage Muster, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Spring Grove Cemetery, 4389 Spring Grove Ave. 45223
- July 9, 2016 20th Annual Antique Fire Apparatus Show 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Veterans Memorial Park, 75 N. Walnut St., Germantown, OH. By the Miami Valley Antique Fire Apparatus Association

Historical Note: On November 4, 2015 the Greater Cincinnati Police Historical Society and Vine Street Hill Cemetery held a rededication ceremony for the cemetery's Police and Fire Line of Duty Death Memorial.



The memorial honors the following Cincinnati Fire Fighters:

- Lt. Fred Hotel, killed August 5, 1920 at the Refiners Oil Company fire at South & Depot Sts. Along with three other firefighters in a sudden explosion.
- Marshal Peter Schraffenberger died in an accident at Ludlow & Brookline March 1, 1922 after the steering rod on his vehicle broke during a response.
- Fire Engineer Albert Klingler was killed November, 30 1929 after falling through the pole hole at Engine 17 while preparing to respond to an alarm of fire.
- Lt. John Kuhfers died of a heart attack during a ladder drill July 17, 1933 at the quarters of Engine 36.
- Fire Fighter Richard Spratt, detailed to Engine 39, died of suffocation at a fire at 834 Wehman during suppression activities on December 3, 1942
- Fire Fighter Lester Meyers responded to a fire on Belmont Ave. when he lost control of the apparatus on loose stone in the driveway to the Ohio Military Institute. The vehicle skidded off the road, overturned in a 20' foot ditch crushing him on October 17, 1951.