



TWO YEARS TOO LONG

Our last Allentown Spring Melt was 2 years and 375 days ago. Not that we're counting, but now it's just around the corner, the weekend of April 23rd and 24th. Are you prepared? Have you reserved your hotel room? Did you complete and mail the vendor registration along with your check, reserving your space? Time is of the essence as few spaces remain.

When packing your clothes, don't forget packing material for your purchases, a 2nd set of vehicle keys in case the 1st set is dropped into your box of goodies, a stadium pad for the wooden chairs in the auction hall, an extra pair of comfy shoes for those hard-concrete floors, a camera for show and tell, business cards to identify yourself and a boatload of money. CASH IS KING! It gives you more negotiating power when buying a fire item that would look great in your collection!!

Reminder: Carbon Tetrachloride glass grenades are prohibited in the Agri-Plex.

The next meeting of the Union Historical Fire Society will be held on
Sunday, May 15th, 10 a.m. at Repaupo Fire Museum.

At 12 noon, attending members are welcomed to partake in
CLAFFAA's BBQ fundraiser, which UHFS has purchased 20 tickets.

A BIG Welcome to our New Members

John Kobell of Downingtown, PA who is interested in Philadelphia and Boston Helmets and Fronts

Harry Koppenberg of Reading, PA affiliated with the Reading Area Firefighters Museum

And the Reading Area Firefighters Museum

THE UNION HISTORICAL FIRE SOCIETY

ALLENTOWN SPRING MELT 2022

THE LARGEST FIRE ANTIQUE AND
MEMORABILIA MARKETPLACE IN THE U.S.



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Sunday, April 24, 2022

Opens at 9:00am

Agri-Plex at Allentown Fairgrounds
302 N 17th St, Allentown, PA 18104

Admission:

\$10 Contribution to the UHFS.
Children under 12 admitted at no charge.

Fire, Rescue and EMS Companies
turn old equipment into cash!
Call Tom or Cheryl D'Arcangelo
for details: 631.348.3787

Over 300 vendor spaces available offering:

- Gamewell Goods
- Apparatus Parts
- Helmets
- T-Shirts and Jackets
- Badges and Ribbons
- Certificates
- Radio Equipment
- Photos and Postcards
- Models, Kits, Toys
- Uniforms
- Bunker Gear
- Air Packs
- Hose and Nozzles
- EMS Equipment

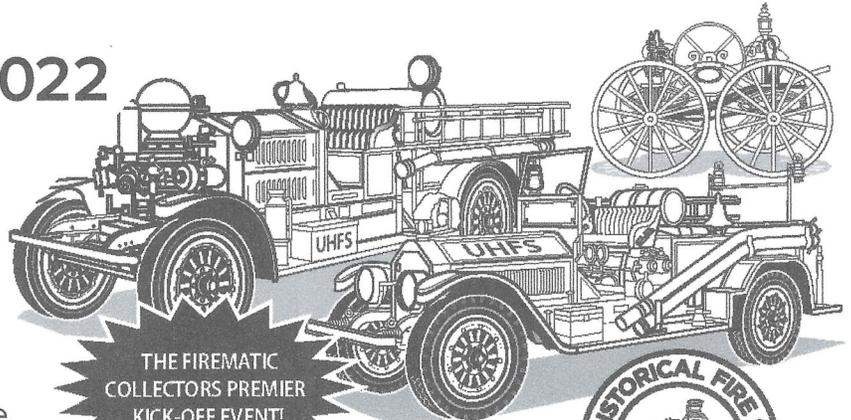
Outdoor new and used apparatus display area
available, call Tom or Cheryl D'Arcangelo 631.348.3787

Cost per space \$75

UHFS Members \$65 per space

All vendor spaces measure 8'x 10'
Allows ample space for selling and
storage. The parking lot surrounds
the building, no steps!

CDC Guidelines will be followed



The 33rd Annual FIREMATIC ANTIQUÉ AUCTION

Saturday, April 23, 2022

NEW 8:00am START TIME

NEW FRIDAY PREVIEW 12-3pm

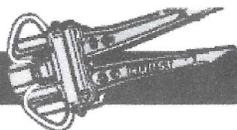
SATURDAY PREVIEW 7-8am

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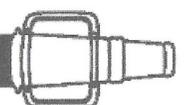
\$5.00 Contribution to the Union
Historical Fire Society

**Auction Presented by
The Eastmere Fireman**

Contact Brian Enterline for information
and consignments at:
brian@eastmerefirereman.com
(717) 648-4458



Food and Refreshments available!



Union Historical Fire Society
Annual Allentown Spring Melt Marketplace
BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER on April 23rd & 24th, 2022

Get ready for the annual Allentown Spring Melt Fire Marketplace and Auction at the Agri-Plex at Allentown Fairgrounds.

After the 2020 cancellation due to the Pandemic and the 2021 cancellation due to the Agri-Plex being used as a Pennsylvania Vaccination Center, the Allentown Spring Melt is back and better than ever!

On Sunday April 24th at 9 a.m. the doors will open to the public to the largest fire memorabilia marketplace in the United States. Anything fire department related can be found in one place at this show. There is something for everyone including antiques, tee shirts, apparatus parts and gifts items. Vendors are always welcome bearing in mind the show is limited to fire related items ONLY.

If you are interested in becoming a vendor contact Tom & Cheryl D’Arcangelo by phone at (631) 348-3787 or email darcantq@gmail.com for more information. Applications can also be downloaded at unionhistoricalfiresociety.com.

Brian Enterline of The Eastmere Fireman is the auctioneer for the 33rd Annual Firematic Antique Auction to be held on Saturday, April 23rd at the Agri-Plex with the updated starting time of 8 a.m. Preview hours have been expanded to Friday, April 22nd from 12 to 3 p.m. and on Saturday from 7 to 8 a.m. In addition, preview items by visiting his website at eastmerefireman.com. Contact Brian by phone at (717) 648-4458 or by email at brian@eastmerefireman.com for consignment information.

Admission is \$5 to the auction and \$10 to the Marketplace as contributions to the non-profit Union Historical Fire Society (Delaware Valley Chapter of SPAAMFAA). Children under 12 admitted at no charge. Refreshments are available all weekend and parking is free. Because this is an indoor show, the weather is never a problem. SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS – get ready to return to the Annual Allentown Spring Melt Marketplace and Auction. CDC Guidelines will be followed.



BIGGER and STRONGER ... See you there!!

S.P.A.A.M.F.A.A. Winter Convention, Kissimmee, FL February 23rd -26th, 2022



Florida Antique Bucket Brigade was the convention host company. Displayed were 23 motored pieces of apparatus and 10 hand drawn. There were 34 vendors setup in the hall and 10-12 outside. The farthest apparatus came from MI, while the Best of Show was won by the Maryland Fire Museum.





MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL NOTICE

Membership dues can now be paid via PayPal. Click the link below which will take you directly to the UHFS website donation page.

<http://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1585234>

OR send check or money order payable to UHFS at PO Box 596, Havertown, PA 19083-0596

(cut here and return with your payment)

NAME: _____ Dues Amount: \$ _____

Individual: \$15 Family: \$25 FD / Organization / Group: \$35

Junior Members, Life Members, Distinguished Life Members, Honorary Members and Affiliate Members
are EXEMPT from paying dues, but donations are always welcome!!

If you have changes to your contact information, please complete.

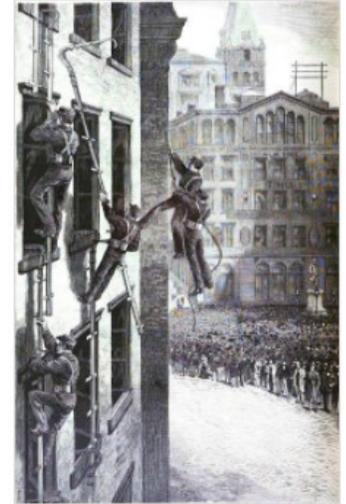
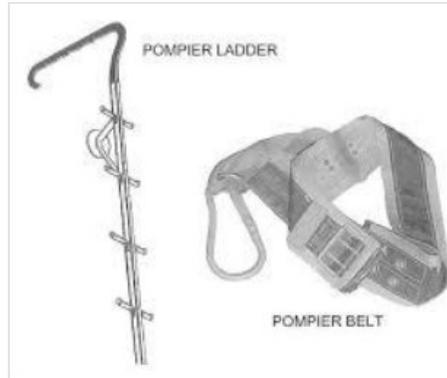
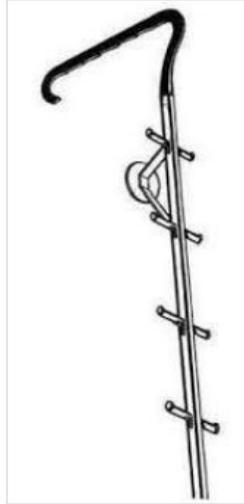
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THE POMPIER LADDER

The "[pompiers ladder](#)" (pronounced pom-peer) is probably named for French fire-fighters known as "Pompier" (pronounced pom-pee-yay). It is reported as "invented" by a St. Louis Lieutenant named Christ Hoell. In some fire departments across the country, it also became known as the "Hoell Rescue Device."



The entire article, written by member David Traiforos, of Hoell and the pompiers ladder can be found on the UHFS website under the newsletter tab or by clicking this link.



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