



BOX ALARM



MARCH / APRIL 2023

Welcome to Rhode Island
home of the

SPAA MFAA



SUMMER CONFERENCE AND MUSTER
July 11th to the 15th
Crown Plaza Hotel Warwick

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Greetings Members,

I hope you are all staying busy this winter, muster season will be on us before we know it.

The date for our annual muster is in planning . The Shriners made this change due to there being a conflict with booking. Since they provide the venue to us at no cost, we have to work around their other events. The parade route will be the same as last year, all the details will be forthcoming.

There will be no meeting in March. Both venues we had in mind are not available. Additionally, the majority of the executive board has personal and professional conflicts on that date.

I also want to extend my appreciation to Dan Harris. Dan has volunteered to take over the MAFAA website and has done an excellent job

Doug Boudrow, President, MAFAA

TRUSTEE REPORT

The election results are in, and I pulled out a win in the unopposed election! I will be your SPAAMFAA District 1 trustee for the upcoming three years. This will be my second 3-year term and will bring me to the term limit set in the SPAAMFAA by-laws. Over the next three years I will be looking to identify candidates to take over as District 1 Trustee. If you think you would want to be a district trustee, let me know.

The next big event for SPAAMFAA and our district will be the 2024 Summer convention in RI. Rich Quetta, and his team have put together an amazing schedule of events. I hope to see many MAFAA members in attendance supporting the RI chapter.

SPAAMFAA is working on setting up the future conventions, and there looks to be some great places to visit in the upcoming years. This is a great opportunity to meet new members, and see different apparatus. I have enjoyed my trips away, and look forward to many more.

Enjoy the rest of the winter,

Brian Anderson Jr.

District 1 Trustee

NEWSLETTER UPDATES

Members,

Had to hold off on getting this issue out due to some date changes for events. Info in this issue on the upcoming Summer Convention in Rhode Island.

If anyone has photos from events such as musters or parades that they want published please send them along. I will try to get them in. Would be good to fill in the newsletter with some current stuff.

Mike Zarrella, Newsletter Editor,

MAFAA newslettermafaa@comcast.net

MAFAA RADIO CALL SIGNS

MAFAA now has a radio frequency. This can be used by any member for communication to and from events, and during parades. Contact Ralph Harris for car assignments and rules, more information. CFD24C1@charter.net

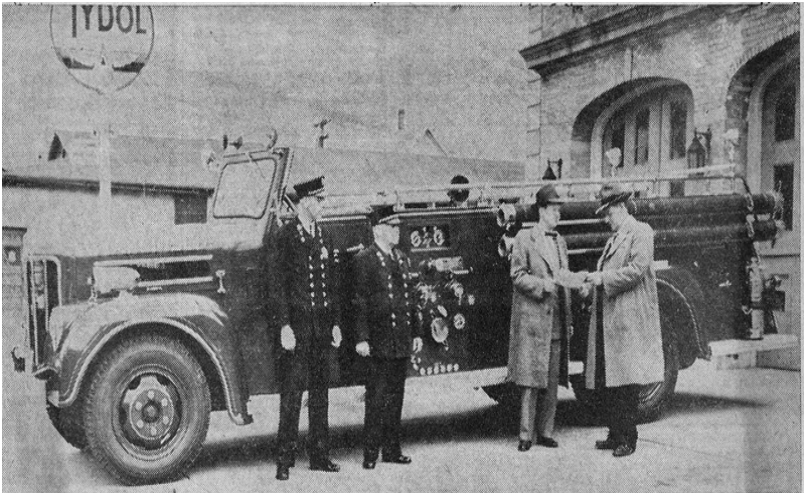
As of 4/5/22 MAFAA Radio Call Signs: 158.400 MHz 114.8 PL Narrow Band

Car 1	Doug Boudrow	Car 10	Dave Amiot
Car 2	Jim McGonagle	Car 11	Jay Chatterton
Car 3	Tom Fitzgerald	Car 12	Brian Huss
Car 4	Chris Clark	Car 13	Don Lennerton
Car 5	Ralph Harris Sr.	Car 14	Kevin Beaulieu
Car 6	Ralph Harris Jr.	Car 15	Brian Anderson
Car 7	Daniel Harris	Car 34	Rich Hamilton
Car 8	Gary Fleischer	Car 37	Gordon Holstrom
Car 9	Joe Lennerton	Car 121	Justin Holstrom

MONTHLY MEETINGS

March
Is canceled.

April 2nd 10 am
@ Brockton Fire Museum
216 North Pearl St.



MANSFIELD GETS NEW MAXIM FIRE ENGINE — Left to right: Deputy Chief Lawrence Buck, Chief Roy Martin, Town Manager Ervin Welch and Leighton Maxim. Manager Welch is shown receiving the papers for the \$15,000 750-gal. pumping engine from Mr. Maxim the Maxim company in Middleboro. — Sun photo by Adams

Mansfield, Ma Courtesy of Howie Smith

SPAAMFAA SUMER CONVENTION SCHEDULE

Wednesday, July 12, 2023 (Day 1)

7:30am Registration Opens

8:30am Trolley leaves for Newport Mansion Tour.

9:00am SPAAMFAA Committees Meeting

11:45am SPAAMFAA Board of Trustees Luncheon

1:00pm-5:00pm - SPAAMFAA Board of Trustees meeting

7:00pm Seminar #1 — Riverside Mill Fire — PFD Deputy Asst.
Chief Bill Giannini

8:00pm — 11:00pm Opening Night Meet & Greet in Hospitality
Room

Thursday, July 13, 2023 (Day 2)

7:30am Registration Opens

7:30am Bus leaves — “West Bay Fire Museum/Station Tour”

2:30pm Buses Return from museum day tour.

4:00pm Begin boarding buses for “Newport Night Excursion” to
Wires & Fires

Newport Museum with outdoor BBQ.

7:30pm Bus departs Newport for return to Crowne Plaza

8:00pm Seminar #2 — History of Providence Special Hazards Uni

Friday, July 14, 2023 (Day 3)

7:30am Registration Opens

7:30am Bus leaves — “East Bay Fire Museum Tour & Waterfront Fireboat Demo”

2:30pm Buses return from day tour.

4:00pm Begin boarding buses for “Providence Night Excursion”
Outdoor Steak Fry

at Prov. Firefighter’s Hall.

7:45pm Bus begins boarding to depart Providence FF’s and return to Crowne Plaza

8:30pm SPAAMFAA Membership meeting

9:30pm Chapter Presidents meeting

9:30pm - 11:00pm Hospitality Room

Saturday, July 15, 2023 (Day 4)

8:00 Registration Opens

9:00 Muster begins

10:00am Opening Ceremony

3:00pm Muster ends

6:00pm Cocktail Hour (cash bar)

7:00pm Banquet

2023 EVENTS

*April 22-23- Allentown, Pennsylvania: Union Historical Fire Society Annual Spring Melt Fire Memorabilia Auction (Sat) & Flea Market (Sun).

*July 12-15 The SPAAMFAA Summer Meeting will be hosted by the Rhode Island Fire Apparatus Society in Warwick Rhode Island



This is just a local sample of the events scheduled. For a complete list, go to the link below. <http://www.cafaa.net/anita/anita.html>

It is strongly advised that you contact the sponsors of these events to be certain they are still scheduled. Bad weather, lack of participants and vendors may cause rescheduling, cancellation or change of venue.



Anita Ford's Best On The Web
Nationwide Listing of Musters, Parades and Special Events

New Engine 2 Installed At Beacon Street Station

Hundreds of residents and small fry from one end of Beacon street to the other gathered at the Beacon Street Fire Station last night to witness presentation ceremonies for the new Engine 2.

Fire Chief Herbert F. Travers, the Board of Fire Engineers, Box 4 Associates, retired firemen, police officers and the firemen who will man the new engine stood at attention as the Maxim 1000-gallon pumper was installed in place of the 30-year-old Lafrance truck.

Even Test Siren

But the neighborhood youngsters enjoyed the presentation more than the older folks. They clambered over the truck, poked their noses amidst the hose lines, the pumping valves, and even tested the siren. To them, the kids who continually chase the red engines, it is the pride of the street.

Attending the ceremonies were Alderman Joseph J. Grigaitis, chairman, and Councilman Everett E. R. Johnson of the City Council Fire Committee, Alderman-at-Large George A. Wells, and Ernest L. Maxim, manufacturer of the engine; Deputy Chiefs William M. Carrol and Roy H. Stevens, District Chiefs Edward J. Foley, John F. Nevins,

Arthur F. White, Joseph P. Fanning, and Stephen P. Kelliher.

After supper, served in the station's quarters, the new engine was backed into its position. It was manufactured by the Maxim Motor Co. of Middleboro, and is built to the same specifications as other received by the department this year. One new feature of this truck is the pump outlets are recessed into the engine's body.

Worcester, Ma 1948

Courtesy of Howie Smith



REPLACES OLD PUMPER

At installation ceremonies of the new 1000-gallon engine last night at the Beacon Street Fire Station. Left to right, District Chief Edward J. Foley; Alderman Joseph J. Grigaitis, chairman of the fire committee, Chief

Herbert F. Travers who installed Engine 2. Ernest L. Maxim of Middleboro, manufacturer of the truck, and Capt. John E. Gearin in charge of the oncoming night crew.

MARKET PLACE

Welcome to the new Marketplace.

Email me to list your wanted or sale items.

Email newslettermafaa@comcast.net

WANTED

Wanted: photo or slide collections of fire apparatus .

mzcp@comcast.net Mike Zarrella.

FD Patches from - Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine. Best contact info is:

Tyler Yalian 508-981-8384 T.yalian@yahoo.com

Front bumper for a 1955 Maxim any condition

wclark8@aol.com Bill Clark

FOR SALE

NEW PRICE: Ex-Norwell 1961 GMC 550 Gallon Pumper. The body has been restored to original condition. New seat covers have been installed. Tires have passed inspection. All lights work! Two nozzles on boosters. It has a big Federal siren, No extra equipment. It has been kept in a heated garage all of the time. Price reduced to \$22,000.00 or best offer. Contact Roger A. Leslie, 671 Webster Street in Hanover, MA. 02339 or 781-871-

Maxim bumper S series (some pit marks) \$75.00 Ralph Harris CFD24C1@Charter.net

Lynn 1951 Seagrave pumper. It has been sitting for a while but ran when parked. It comes with a lot of equipment. My phone number is 781-718-8489. Dave Chiaradonna



For Action ON THE FIRE FRONT

FWD Fire Apparatus Has The Tested Reserves That Count in Fire Fighting

Whatever the emergency calls for, the reserves are there with four-wheel-drive apparatus—reserve speed to gain precious minutes—reserve power to climb a steep grade—reserve traction to get through snow or mud-blocked streets—reserve safety for fast travel on wet, slippery pavements! The two driving axles of the FWD, delivering powered traction to the front as well as the rear wheels, give you ample reserves of all the fac-

tors that count in fire-fighting—speed-power-traction-safety. Cities from coast to coast value the plus performance available in FWD apparatus. FWD builds a complete line of fire-trucks—all types, all sizes—with rotary or centrifugal pumps in triple or quadruple combinations, aeri-als, etc. Write for literature.



FWD model KHS, 500 gallon pumper recently purchased by the City of Anchorage, Alaska.

THE FOUR WHEEL DRIVE AUTO CO., Clintonville, Wis.
Canadian Factory: KITCHENER, ONT.

One of a fleet of FWD 85-foot aerial ladder trucks in service for the City of New York undergoing test by the Fire Department engineers. The aerial ladders on these trucks are of anti-gravity design and are raised by spring bolts. Less than 20 seconds are required to raise the ladder to a vertical position and extend it to its fullest height. The special FWD tractor developed for this service provides for quick acceleration, high sustained speeds and extra safety in steering control.

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