

THE SPEAKING TRUMPET

NEWSLETTER OF THE BARE COVE FIRE MUSEUM

FALL 2018



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Wow! We are off to a quick start this fall with a lot going on and some great work taking shape. As usual summer flew by but not without some progress on the Bunny Wagon. We have a few new leaders for the project and they are very passionate about getting it completed sooner rather than later. You will usually see a few guys and gals in the barn

on a Wednesday night working away before it gets too cold later in the year.

On Wednesday, September 26th, members of five fire museums in Massachusetts met and collaborated at the Boston Fire Museum. The meeting went very well and each organization had a few key take aways. I learned most of the same challenges we face at BCFM takes place at the other museums, and everyone had suggestions on how to overcome. We plan on continuing the conversation and networking on an annual or bi-annual basis.

Thank you to everyone who helped out before, during and after the picnic on October 7th. It was a fantastic opportunity to work together, eat, mingle and enjoy the toys. I had a great time and hope you all did as well. I have some more ideas on how to build on this event next year. Ask me what I have in mind and how you can help.

We did miss the Barn Sale in June, so I wanted to be sure we didn't miss it in October. The Fall Barn Sale was held on Saturday, October 13th and we had quite a few volunteers on site for the day. My two girls loved running around checking everything out, they can't wait for

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Our horse of many colors was a huge draw for the MAFAA picnic. (Just kidding! The trucks were the draw.)

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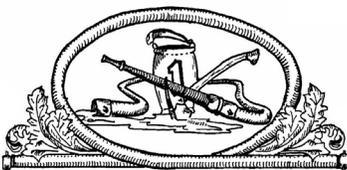
TRACY GAUDET

BARN SALE MANAGER

VACANT

BOARD MEETINGS

ARE HELD THE FIRST
WEDNESDAY OF EACH
MONTH AT THE MUSEUM.



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MATTIE TO JOIN THEM. ALTHOUGH WE ARE STILL IN SOME NEGOTIATIONS WE HAVE A GOOD CANDIDATE FOR THE BARN SALE MANAGER GOING FORWARD, SO MAKE SURE TO SAVE ROOM ON YOUR SPRING CALENDARS FOR THE BARN PREP NIGHTS.

ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH THE MUSEUM HAD A MUCH NEEDED UPGRADE TO THE BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM, IF YOU CURRENTLY HAVE A KEY AND AN ALARM CODE YOU WILL BE HEARING FROM ME.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO POSITIVE RESULTS IN REDUCING OUR HEATING BILL AFTER THE WINTER SEASON. WE HAVE A COMMITTEE WORKING ON SOLUTIONS TO DECREASE THE AMOUNT OF OIL USED WITHOUT SACRIFICING MINIMUM TEMPERATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR EXHIBITS. I HOPE TO HAVE POSITIVE RESULTS TO REPORT ON THE JUNE 2019 ANNUAL MEETING.

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE NOT AWARE, WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF REPAIRING SOME OF OUR MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT. ENGINE 2 AND 4 ARE IN NEED OF SOME WATER PUMP REPAIRS AND LADDER 1 NEEDS SOME BRAKE WORK. ALL THREE ARE CURRENTLY OUT OF SERVICE UNTIL THESE REPAIRS CAN BE MADE TO SAFELY OPERATE THE TRUCKS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR FALL AND WINTER ACTIVITIES, WHICH INCLUDES FOOD AND THE PATRIOTS SO STAY TUNED!

**CALENDAR
OF
EVENTS**

11/14 — BCFM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:30 PM

11/24 — QUINCY CHRISTMAS PARADE

12/12 — BCFM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 7:30 PM

12/30 — HOLIDAY POTLUCK, PATRIOTS GAME, BYOB 1PM TO 5PM

RESTORATION

Andy Addoms explained to Justin Holstrom (in great detail we can all assume) a part he had manufactured for our ongoing restoration efforts.



MAFAA PICNIC

Sunday, October 7th was our second annual co-sponsored BCFM–MAFAA Picnic at the museum and boy what a turn out! Grill Master Matt Sherman must have cooked 100 hamburgers. Check out our Facebook page for some videos and more photos of the event. This is becoming the museum’s can’t-miss event of the year.



OCTOBER BARN SALE

The October Barn Sale wasn't one of our largest sales, but still brought in some much needed revenue. Thanks to our volunteers who gave up a few Wednesday nights for prep work and their Saturday for the actual sale.

We are still seeking a replacement Barn Sale Manager. Please let Justin know if you want to know more about this position.



HINGHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT ARTIFACT LOAN

Hingham Fire Department was granted a request to borrow some museum artifacts for display at HQ.



BROCKTON TRUCK 144

Brockton's Union Truck 144 took a field trip back home to Brockton Firefighters Local 144's 100th Anniversary. It cleaned up quite well and we look forward to seeing her back all nice and shiny.

INSURANCE

Recently the board of directors reviewed our insurance policies to be sure we have proper coverage. Upon further review we are working towards increasing coverage with a small increase in cost. Throughout this process we have been notified members aged 73 and older are not covered by insurance and thus should not be driving the trucks.

OPEN HOUSE CHILD ID PROGRAM

On Sunday, September 9th we held an Open House that included the Child Identification Program. We had some pretty good attendance at the museum as the date also coincided with a Full Marathon running in Bare Cove Park. Dave Clark wanted to run in the race but we told him we needed him to show visitors around the museum.



OPEN HOUSE NOVEMBER 4TH

On Sunday, November 4th, the museum open its doors to coincide with the South Shore Half Marathon in Bare Cove Park. Being a beautiful fall day, we saw about 50 people come through our doors. The kids table was a huge hit!



BE A PART OF HISTORY SUPPORT THE BARE COVE MUSEUM

Since 1974, the Bare Cove Fire Museum has accumulated an extraordinary collection of artifacts, equipment, and documents that tell the story of the New England people who worked heroically to save lives and property.

Our latest restoration project at the museum is our Bunny Wagon. This 1938 Dodge/Maxim Forest Wagon gained its nickname because it is small and could "hop" over rough ground to fight brush, woods, and grass field fires.

To raise funds for this restoration and to help us improve the museum grounds, we are creating a brick garden at our front entrance. Please consider a tax-deductible purchase of a brick in support of the museum. The bricks can be engraved per your instruction, which could include your name, a friend or family member's name, a business name, or any other sort of tribute.



Please visit our website www.barecovefiremuseum.org to place an order or stop by the museum any Wednesday night from 7 pm to 9 pm to order in person.

MEMBERSHIP

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OR RENEWING A MEMBERSHIP?
PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR AN APPLICATION. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE
TO THE BARE COVE FIRE MUSEUM, 45 BARE COVE PARK DRIVE
HINGHAM, MA 02043, OR PAY ONLINE.

- ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP \$35
- FAMILY MEMBER (NO VOTING PRIVILEGES) \$15
- LIFETIME MEMBER \$500 (MAY BE PAID \$100/YEAR OVER 5 YEARS)

DONATIONS

THE MUSEUM ALWAYS WELCOMES DONATIONS IN ANY AMOUNT
TO HELP WITH OUR DAY-TO-DAY EXPENSES AND OUR ONGOING
PROJECTS. YOU MAY ALSO MAKE A DONATION ONLINE.

- \$25.00
- \$50.00
- \$100.00
- OTHER _____



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