

THE SMOKE EATER

Old Fire Farts of York County PA

Annual Meeting Held 01/20/2016

The 2016 Annual meeting of the Old Fire Farts of York County PA was held at Liberty Fire Co. North York Borough on January 20, 2016. There were nine Active Members in attendance. At 19:15 we called the meeting to order followed by the pledge to the flag and a moment of silence. Officer reports were offered and in some cases passed out to attendees.

Treasurer Report, Robb Green submitted a financial statement that showed the 2015 year end finances showing a net result of \$2,829.41 and a sheet that showed the 2015 York Fire Muster with proceeds of \$800.00 going to the two fire museums leaving a net result of \$19.97.

Scholarship Program was discussed; we have \$1,000 available for a fire student and \$1,000 available for a medical student. Bob Sells took our scholarship of \$1,000 forward to the Fire Chiefs meeting to see if any departments have a responder who could use the scholarship. We got no response from anyone. The person who was awarded the scholarship in August decided not to go to school for Fire Science. The student who was awarded \$1,000 from the Zerbe Family also decided not to go to HACC to become a Paramedic. That scholarship is available as well and one of our members will be applying for that scholarship for this spring semester. We just sent a check for \$350.00 for our third student for her Paramedic National Certification at Lancaster County Public Safety Center.

Membership Report for last year, 2015 ended up with 47 Active Members of which 3 are Lifetime Members. We had 409 members on our Face Book Page. For 2016 we have 17 Active Members already with 7 Lifetime. We need to get more members because that makes up 2/3 of our annual operating income.

Up Coming Events:

2/6- Old Fire Farts Breakfast at Lyndon Diner 8:30 AM

2/21- Old Fire Farts Flea Market at old station #24 at 9 AM

7/10 – Meeting and Picnic at Eddie's Place.

Looking into a Blood Drive where our group would make money on collections.

Next meeting: Tentative April 20th site TBD.

Motion for adjournment. 20:30.

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Special points of interest:

1. We are scheduled to hold a meeting in April and President Jeff is working on a date and location..
2. Looking for a President- Elect candidate. Let President Jeff know if you're interested.
3. Meeting and Picnic JULY 10TH the Sunday after Pump Primers.
4. 2016 York Fire Muster on Oct. 2, 2016, this is the first Sunday in October.

2016 PURPOSED OLD FIRE FART'S OFFICERS

Purposed Slate of Officers:

President; Jeff Stauffer
President-Elect; Open
Secretary; Delores Hoover
Treasurer; Robb Green
Member-At-Large; Ed Schwartz Sr.
Member- At-Large; Lisa Stauffer

Committees:

Finance; Chair Robb Green

Public Relations/Commo.; Chair Dolly Hoover, Bob Straw,
Roy Gentzler, Dave Michaels

Scholarship Fund; Chair Glen Jansen, John Senft, John
Sanford, Mike Whitzel, Jeff Stauffer

Preservation/ Historical Reference; Chair Ed Schwartz Sr.,
Dick Lehr, Albert Shaffer, Chris Lockard

Fundraising Is Everyone's Role - Please Participate

The Old Fire Farts of York County PA is a fun group to belong to. It doesn't matter if you are an Active or Social member you still need to get involved in our fundraising. We were able to bring a Fire Muster back to York County after a 50 year absence. We gave funds to both Fire Museums in York County. We helped to make the Christmas a little brighter for three first responder families in 2014. All of this took funding and we made it through our first year with help from individuals and businesses within the community.

In order to continue this effort and to expand on it, we organized as an official non-profit corporation and can now sponsor our Fire Muster on our own and don't have to beg for support from others to make it happen. Everyone weather Active or Social needs to participate in the events we decide to do.

A BIG Thank You to the following organizations that donated to make our 2015 York Fire Muster happen: PENN WASTE, YORK EAST ROTARY CLUB, BREWERY PRODUCTS, YORK WATER CO., GLATFELTER INS., YORK REVOLUTIONS, THE FIRE STORE; KEVIN MOUL, THORNTON CHEVROLET; DOUG FREEZE, MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP RECREATION; GARTH ERICSON.. We still have a few shirts from the 2015 Muster to sell, sizes are S, M, and L.

What we do depends on you and your involvement

WE ARE LOOKING FOR
NEW FUND RAISING
IDEAS.

In July of 2016 we will be
able to get a license for
games of chance. Our third
York Fire Muster will need
to be funded.

Station of the Month

We select **Rescue Fire Company of Dallastown Station # 34** for their efforts to restore their 1948 Mack Fire Engine. There is lots of history and pride among their members. They already have restored some of their old pieces and continue to do. Congratulations from the Old Fire Farts.



2016 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE BE SURE TO RENEW

If you are renewing please check the appropriate block and fill out all the information so it is up-to-date.

If a NEW ACTIVE MEMBER please check the new member 2016 block and pay your \$25.00 dues.

You all have the opportunity to become a LIFE MEMBER for a onetime \$200.00 fee. We have 5 new Life Members so far in 2016.

The Future is built on the PAST

