

ODHFS
Northern Region Newsletter
August 2020

Recent News:

The Northern Region was able to attend a couple of July 4th Parades. Rick Pearsall had his 1954 Mack at the Purcellville parade.



Several members attended the Middletown Parade.
Chuck and Karen Walton with their Palmetto Dunes Willys Jeep
Chuck Malone with his North Mountain Willys Jeep
Bruce Harding with his Goochland Mini Pumper, along with Mike Sanders.



Three ODHFS trucks and 5 members attended the Front Royal parade this year on July 15th.
North Mountain Willys Jeep Chuck Malone
Goochland County Mini Pumper Buce Harding
Leesburg Seagrave Engine Jimmy Csizmadia
Also attending were Paul Lamp and Mike Sanders



We had a request made by the Fairfax County Fire & Rescue Retirement Association to see if we could provide a few antiques for a drive past parade on July 18th for retiree Stephen “Mugs” Meyer, who is battling pancreatic cancer. ODHFS members Mark Olsen with his 1977 Hahn/LTI Manassas VFD, The McCuin Family with their 1976 Hahn Rockhill VFD and Mike Paris with the McLean VFD 1970 Pirsch. Great job folks!



New Member:

I would like to welcome Mark Allen to the ODHFS and the Northern Region. Mark is a member of the McLean Volunteer Fire Department and arranged for the MVFD to donate its older excess trophies to the ODHFS to be repurposed as needed.

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 11th Mission BBQ Chantilly VA 11 AM to 2 PM
9/11 Remembrance in conjunction with the FCFRD & FCPD

Sept. 24-26 Tri-State Antique Truck Show
Stonewall Ruritan Club / Frederick County Fairgrounds
Clear Brook, VA
www.tri-state-antiquetruckshow.com
For more information call Scott Shifflett: 540-478-4389

~~Sept. 26th Flint Hill Volunteer Fireman's Parade. Line-up at 11 AM, parade rolls at 12 PM.
See attached flyer for more info.~~ **CANCELED!**

Antique Spotlight – Elkton, Virginia

It is not very often when you find a fire department purchases a car dealership building and converts it into a fire station. Such is the case in Elkton, Virginia in Rockingham County, located not far from Harrisonburg. Elkton has been operating out of this station for a handful of years and apparatus space is plentiful at Elkton Fire Station 30.

Included on the apparatus roster is a very nice 1949 Mack Type 45 equipped with a 500 gpm pump and carrying 500 gallons of water. It carries Mack serial number 45S-1519 and was Elkton's first fire truck.

This Mack has been a bit of a challenge determining the exact model year. Different sources say 1949 and 1953. After doing some research and receiving historical information from different resources researching Mack serial numbers close to the Elkton Mack, it is believed that the late 1949 or early 1950 time frame is accurate. If you have any additional information on this Mack, please email me directly at mnsand23@gmail.com.

By the way, the 1949 Mack is on the Elkton apparatus roster with three Seagrave fire trucks, a unique Grumman tanker, and other interesting apparatus found at Elkton's two stations. You can see their fleet as well as several trucks no longer in service here: <https://mnsand.smugmug.com/Virginia/Rockingham-County-Virginia>. You will find two folders for Elkton's two stations on this link.



The Ashburn Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department in Loudoun County, Virginia, is starting a new tradition of creating a yearly Christmas ornament. This is a fund-raising activity for the department. A great way to start - with a 1980 Hahn engine. Thought I would share this with the group as there is a limited number available. The 1980 Hahn has been fully restored.

If interested in the ornament: <https://ashburnfirerescue.org/product/2020-limited-edition-avfrd-christmas-ornament/>

More photos of the Hahn found on this link: <https://mnsand.smugmug.com/Virginia/Loudoun-County-Virginia/Station-6-and-22-Ashburn/>

Mike Sanders