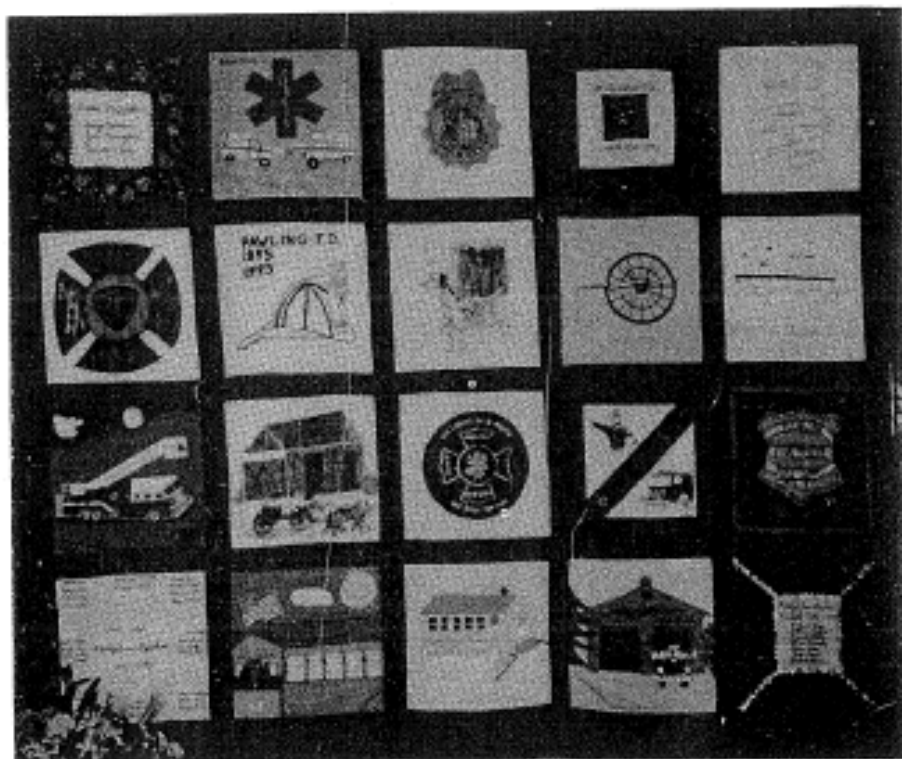


*100th
Anniversary
1895 - 1995*



**PAWLING FIRE DEPARTMENT
PAWLING, NEW YORK**

GEORGE B. NICKERSON



In Memory of George B. Nickerson, Member of the Pawling Fire Department, who gave his life in the performance of duty March 10, 1932.

"Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

JOHN D. CUNNINGHAM



In Memory of John D. Cunningham, Life Member of the Pawling Fire Dept., who gave his life in the line of duty Dec. 6, 1966.

"Lord what is man, that you notice him. The son of man that you thought of him? Man is like a breath: his days like a passing shadow."

NICHOLAS TASKA

In Memory of Nicholas Taska, Member of the Pawling Fire Department, who gave his life in the performance of duty February 5, 1969.

"Faithful below he did his duty, but now he has gone aloft."



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in 1895 a group of unselfish men, willing to give of themselves freely, without regard for life, met to assist their village to become a better place for the residents. They formed the Pawling Fire Department, and elected Wm. G. Tice, President; Wm. Elliott, Vice-President; George Daniels, Secretary; and Wm. J. Carey, Treasurer. They had their first regular meeting a week later on August 14, 1895. By-laws were read and adopted. The Department then elected officers as follows: Chief Engineer, B. F. Burr; Ass't Chief, George W. Gibney; Recording Secretary, George A. Daniels; Financial Secretary, J. A. Kline; Treasurer, A. C. Hurd; Foreman (Hook and Ladder Co.), J. A. Kline; Foreman (Hose Co.), Sam Mason; Ass't Foreman, John Rooney.

On September 4, 1895, the Annual Meeting of the Department was held with Sam Mason as Chairman. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: W. F. Dye (Chief Engineer); T. E. Roberts (Ass't Chief); George A. Daniels (Rec. Sect'y); John C. Gardener (Financial Sect'y); Joseph A. Kline (Treas); Sam Mason (Foreman-Hose Co.); John Rooney (Ass't); Charles Bouton (Foreman-Hook and Ladder); R. J. Kimlin (Ass't).

Officially, the Department came into being on October 1st when sanctioned by the Village of Pawling at a meeting on that date. The organization was composed of thirty-nine charter members, and twenty honorary members. A special meeting was called on November 18th, and the members voted to name the two companies. The Hose Co. chose the name *Liberty Hose Company No. 1*, and the Hook and Ladder group *Union Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1*. Committees were appointed to procure furniture and fixtures for the Department meeting room.

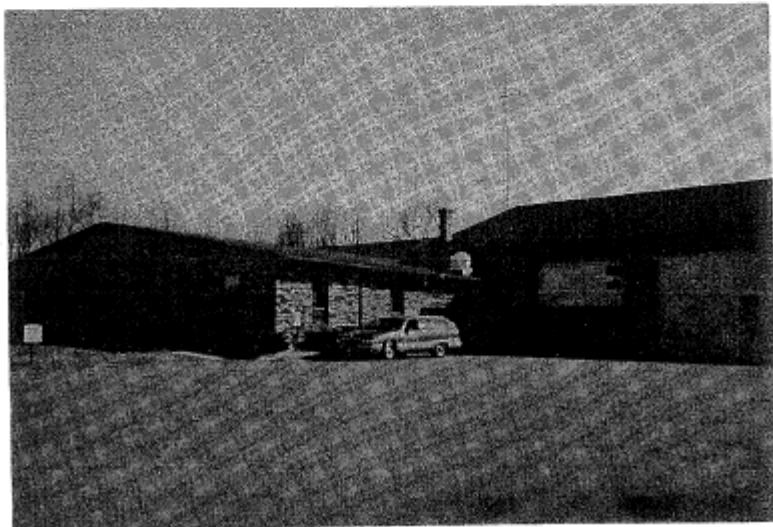
The firemen now occupied fire quarters on Oak Street. The first floor housed the apparatus, consisting of a hook and ladder truck, two hose carts, 1,000 feet of 2.5-inch hose, with fire and ball nozzles. Overhead, on the second floor, was a room 25 feet square, furnished with tables, 60 chairs, lamps, and a base-burner stove for use of the members. There was then a membership of 45 members with an additional 30 honorary members.

The village had been divided into fire districts, and a map had been made, locating the fire hydrants, along with a code of signals, previously agreed on. With 32 hydrants located at convenient points in the village, 6 fire nozzles, 2 ball nozzles, one oyster nozzle, a pressure of over 100 lbs. to the square inch, and a hook and ladder truck, the Pawling Fire Department felt they were well equipped.

Arrangements were made for the 1st Annual Ball and Reception, to be held at the Dutcher House on New Year's Eve, December 31, 1895. The proceeds were to be used for more furnishings along with the purchase of uniforms and other equipment. The Annual Ball became a regular event. Several couples from nearby towns joined in and had an enjoyable time. The members of the



STATION 1



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Department congratulated the people of the village, as they were always ready to aid the firemen on all occasions.

Uniforms for the Department were ordered on May 11, 1896. Forty outfits at \$18 each, and caps at \$1.50 were soon received, thus the firemen were ready to take part in any and all parades and public affairs.

In the early days, the Pawling firemen protected an area roughly one square mile (the Village of Pawling) with hand-drawn equipment. The hose carts carried several hundred feet of 2.5-inch hose, and it took at least six husky men to draw the equipment to the scene of a fire. There were no paved roads, no adequate lighting at night, and when the men got the hose-cart rolling the possibilities of an accident were many; but, luckily, there were few of these.

About 1900, Mr. Elmore Ferris, of the local lumber company, used a pair of jet-black horses in his deliveries around town, and often the team and driver would overtake the men on their way to a fire and would give them and the hose apparatus a tow to the scene. There was no pump attachment to the hose cart, the connection being made directly to the hydrants. The 100-lb pressure was more than adequate to contend with almost any fire. The insurance rates for buildings was lowered considerably after observers watched the department in operation by the end of 1895.

One morning, in September of 1900, it was reported that George Gibney was seen tearing through the streets with his horse and wagon attached to one of the fire hose carts. There had been no alarm, but everyone ran in the same direction and a big crowd had gathered on Henry Holmes' Corner (at Haight Street and Coulter Avenue) where a huge cloud of black smoke was arising. The fire was quickly extinguished and the house was saved by such quick action.

The members were doing a good job at this early date without protection for themselves. They were putting out fires at undue personal risk until 1897, when Mr. John B. Dutcher presented the department with complete outfits of rubber coats, hats, boots, and gloves for use at fires.

The Pawling Fire Department is generally credited with having started the Annual Tournament of the Harlem Valley Firemen's Association. This tournament was held each fall with several surrounding fire departments making a field day of fun with the companies competing in ladder races, hose races, etc. The initial one was in Pawling in 1900.

Of course, it is impossible to relate in this booklet many of the events of company activities over the period of 100 years. It is our aim to acquaint our friends with the more important parts of our history. Company records are, unfortunately, too scanty to make a detailed review. Therefore, we are compiling the most important and best remembered incidents during a century of having the opportunity to serve the people of the town. Many of the destructive fires will not be mentioned due to the almost impossible task of checking for dates and details.



STATION 2 - HOLMES



STATION 3 - QUAKER HILL

The department made its home at the Oak Street building until about 1915, when the apparatus and fixtures were moved to a building owned by John Colman on the corner of Memorial Avenue and Smith Street. The hose carts were antiquated as was the ladder truck. Pawling Village had advanced to where a later type of equipment was imperative. In 1922, the company inaugurated its annual carnival to gain funds necessary for the purchase of a pumper. An *American LaFrance* was bought in 1923. A 6-cylinder motored truck, this became the pride and joy of many local firemen for many years. With the new motorized equipment, the members now needed a more suitable location on which to build a new home. Carnival receipts were allocated to the building fund and in 1929 the site on Memorial Avenue (now presently used as the Pawling Municipal Building) was purchased.

The Annual Firemen's Carnival has always been a highlight of the season. The department members look forward to the enjoyment they are able to furnish persons of all ages. It is evident that these affairs are appreciated by the public's response given to the firemen. A block dance was formerly a feature, but has been discontinued. Many booths of merchandise, refreshments, rides for adults and children, with always one big prize, usually an automobile, given away. Presently, the carnival is started each year with a parade made up of visiting companies, usually around 30.

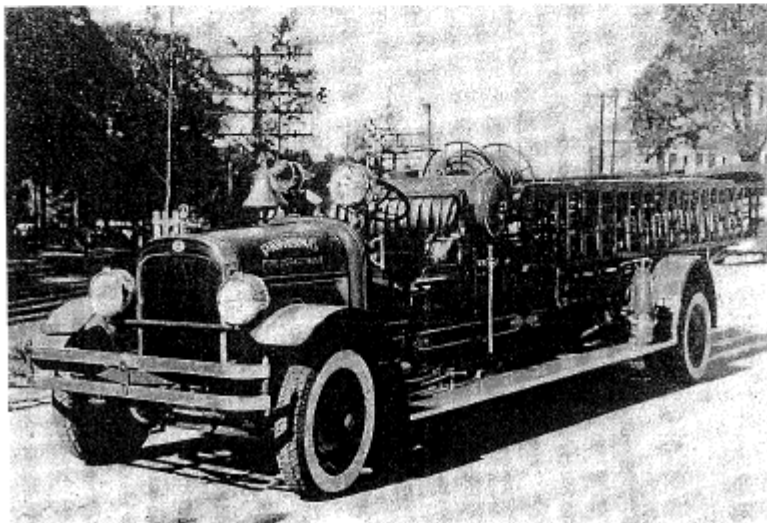
On January 9, 1930, the \$32,000 fire house on Memorial Avenue was dedicated. Three hundred persons jammed the building to hear the dedication ceremony. The firemen were complimented highly by the entire community for their progressiveness as the Fire Department contributed \$19,000 to the building fund and site which was valued at \$2,000 at that time. Speakers were the ex-chiefs and present chief of the department, as well as the chief from Poughkeepsie.

In 1934, a *Mack Pumper* was purchased to replace the *LaFrance* which suddenly and unexpectedly went dead on the way to a fire on Route 22. An emergency or squad truck was purchased by the department in December of 1937. This was equipped with extra gear, a portable pump, two large spot lights, and various first aid equipment. Being fully enclosed, it was capable of carrying 18 men. Then, in October 1940, the department voted to inaugurate an ambulance service. A new *Cadillac* ambulance, fully equipped with two beds, was put into service in 1941. New models have since replaced this unit. This service enabled the firemen to better serve the community.

A 500-gallon centrifugal auxiliary pumper was put into service in 1944. This *Dodge* truck had a pump and was fully equipped with tools to be used as a separate unit. The pumper was an O.C.D. war pump and was used by Hose Company 2 in Holmes. Due to difficulty of obtaining sufficient water in outlying districts, a new *Oren* pumper was purchased in 1952. This was specially built to specifications drawn up by the firemen. It was equipped with a 1,000-gallon booster tank, a 3,000-watt lighting system, wet water, foam, and a 2-way radio system tied into the Dutchess Count Bureau of Fires. In 1954, the department decided to modernize the hook and ladder truck with the result that the ladders and ladder racks from the old *Seagrave* truck were placed on a new 1955 *Ford* truck chassis.



1994 PIERCE 100 FT. AERIAL



1930 SEAGRAVE LADDER TRUCK

Spectacular and costly fires have been part of our history. One started on the night of May 29, 1951 in a large barn on Broadmeadow Farm, located south of Pawling Village on Route 22, when it was struck by lightning. The Thomas E. Dewey Farm near Pawling Reservoir was the scene of a large conflagration on July 8, 1955 when two barns and a shed burned. A third occurred in the village on February 5, 1969 when Trinity-Pawling School burned. The alarm sounded at 2:30 pm. On this icy cold day, it was a most disastrous fire, as a Pawling fireman, Nicholas Taska, lost his life. Seven fire companies from surrounding towns helped Pawling fight the entire south end of Cluett Hall. The ladder truck from Carmel was a great help, as was the snorkel truck from Brewster, which was used for the first time. It proved its worth when a Pawling fireman was lifted from the top floor, saving his life, as there was no other means of escape. By 7:30 pm the following day, the fire was officially declared out. The entire south half of the main building was burned out and great water and smoke damage to the entire building resulted.

In following years, many fires were fought, such as The Pawling Inn, in the heart of the Village, Heinchon's barn, Fred Haynes' barn on Reservoir Road, Charles Frumerie's barn on Harmony Road, three buildings on the George Stone estate on West Dover Road (the main house, a tenant house, and a barn). On December 6, 1966, a small shed on the property of the Harold Wright farm near Hurd's Corner, caught fire. Although the fire was small, on this cold morning, the roads were covered with snow and ice. This call will be long remembered since the paid driver of the department for the past 33 years, John D. Cunningham, suffered a fatal heart attack at the scene.

In January of 1967, the Village Board faced the problem of appointing a new paid driver for the fire department. After applications of qualified persons were solicited, Allen R. Rundall was appointed to fill this vacancy.

In 1955, a new truck was ordered for Pawling Station II, located in Holmes. This truck was a 1956 *Chevrolet* chassis with the body built by the Young Fire Fighting Co., carrying 850 gallons of water and a 500-gpm pump. In 1969 a *Dodge* truck was bought by the Town of Pawling Fire Commissioners to be used as a grassfire truck and utility vehicle in the Holmes area. Since the community was growing rapidly and the carnivals becoming more successful, the need for a new pumper was felt, in order to semi-retire the 1934 *Mack* pumper. A 1968 *Ford Chassis* with the body being built by *Oren*, with a 750-gpm pump and a 750-gallon tank with a one-inch booster hose was purchased. When the rig was delivered, 1500 feet of 3.5-inch hose and 2.5-inch couplings were also ordered.

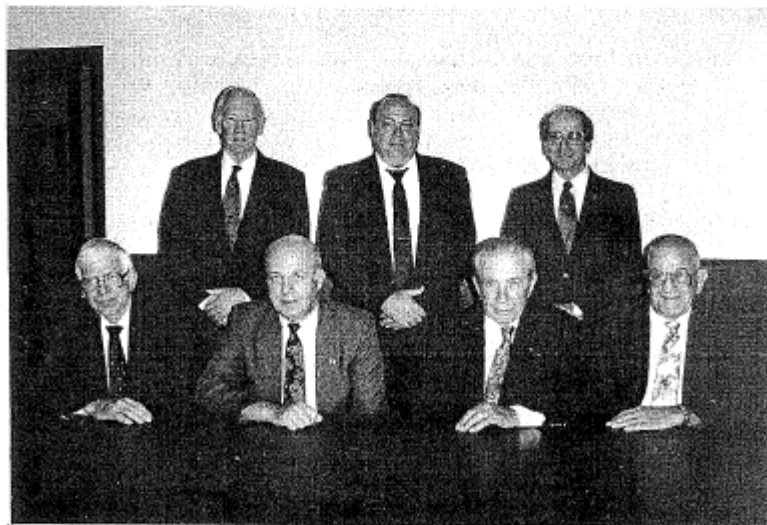
Several fire schools were held by the New York State Fire Division at Pawling to acquaint the men with new methods. Members of the ambulance crew also took special courses conducted by the Red Cross and at Dutchess Community College where actual experience was derived by working on patients in the Vassar Brothers Hospital emergency room.

In 1962, two new fire sirens were installed. The large siren on the main firehouse was replaced with a 10-horsepower siren, with the replaced one being given to Holmes Company. One was placed at the south end of the village and one near the northern border. An alerting system for firemen was



CHIEF OFFICERS

Front row (l. to r.): Everett "Skip" Reid, District Chief;
Garvin Brunow, Ass't. District Chief
Back row (l. to r.): George Green, Station 3 Chief;
Fred Lates, Station 2 Chief; Edward Osborn, Station 1 Chief



FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Standing (l. to r.): Richard Reid, Richard Muller, David Patchey
Seated (l. to r.): Richard Frost, Thomas Sage, Alonzo Weisel,
Eugene Daniels

started with *Plectrons* (home alerters) placed on order to be used for firemen outside hearing distance of the sirens. A base radio was purchased in 1968 and installed in the firehouse in order to have contact between the firehouse and the trucks.

As the department grew, the village had contracted for an addition to be built on the north side of the present firehouse in March of 1970. This would house the ambulance. A 1958 *Dodge Power Wagon* had also been purchased by this time to be used for grass fires and as a utility truck, carrying 80 gallons of water, portable *Indian* tanks, brooms, and shovels.

As fire fighting equipment became more technical and more equipment was needed for the town and village, a move was started to create a more efficient governing body. The village and town officials met to ask the State Legislature to pass a bill creating a joint fire district composed of the Village and Town of Pawling in 1979. The Pawling Fire Department realized the present firehouse (owned by the Village) was inadequate for training the men and housing the equipment. In that year the Fire Department became incorporated so that buildings could be owned by members of the Pawling Fire Department, Inc. The first president of the corporation was William Hines.

A grant was received from the Jennie R. and Oliver S. Donaldson fund to help build a new fire station on South Street. In the spring of 1983, construction began with the laying of the cornerstone. Movement of equipment was made the following year. Since Holmes already was a satellite station, it was proposed to construct a Fire Station III on Quaker Hill. This was to be called Mizzentop Fire Station and was formed in 1977. June of 1978 saw it dedicated with David Patchey as head.

A group of firemen, to be known as Fire Police, was formed in 1980. The Rescue Squad of the Department was formed in 1971. Finally, after many years of women helping with refreshments and other duties, the Fire Dept. Auxiliary was formed in 1987.

After hard work, grants, donations, carnivals, etc., the mortgage for the new fire station on South Street was burned in 1986. This was a gala affair, with happiness, relief of debt, and a feeling of accomplishment. Naturally, new equipment, with modern facilities was needed to complete the task.

Major fires in the last 25 years were, thankfully, not as numerous as in prior years. A conflagration of two or three barns at the Paterno farm (corner of Dodge Road and West Dover Road) occurred in 1970. This was an exceedingly hard fight to be fought--no available water and an extremely hot, humid day.

In 1971 a house on Old Route 55 (near Stonehouse in West Pawling) burned completely with children trapped inside.

In 1974, the freight house, an extremely well-built old building, with the Agway Store attached, located at the end of Memorial Avenue, was discovered afire at night, which made it difficult to extinguish.



EXECUTIVE BOARD

Back row (l. to r.): James Osborn, Edward Osborn, Fred Lates,
 Garvin Brunow, George Green, James Nielsen
 Front row (l. to r.): Chester Dalzell, Treas.; John Thomes, Vice-Pres.;
 Allen Rundall, Pres.; Sharon Linske, Financial Sect.; F. Hap Kimma, Sect.
 Absent from picture: Everett "Skip" Reid and Peter Muller



LINE OFFICERS

Back row (l. to r.): William Riley, Captain Hose Co. 1; Marsha O'Connor, Lt.
 Station 2 Rescue; Heidi Grohmann, Lt. Station 3 Fire Police;
 Debbie Merrick, Captain Fire Police
 Seated (l. to r.): Vincent Galvin, Lt. Station 2 Fire Police; Charles Conklin,
 Lt. Station 2 Hose Co.; Charlie Nash, Capt. Station 2 Hose Co.;
 Jeffrey Wilcox, Captain Rescue Company
 Absent from picture: Joe McGee, Lt. Station 1 Rescue;
 Robert Smith, Capt. Hose Co. 2; Pete Muller, Lt. Hose Co. 3

In 1975, the house of the Zanaboni family on River Road was all aflame when the firemen arrived, which made it impossible to save.

In 1976, a large 3-story building in the center of the village became engulfed in flames. This was between the Dutcher House and the Palmer Building which is now known as Charles Colman Blvd. This was destroyed completely. It housed an antique shop, The Annex Florist Shop, and several apartments on the 2nd and 3rd floors.

The Utter Bros. Feed Store on Memorial Ave. (north end corner of Charles St.), was destroyed by fire. Since there had been an attached house, it resulted in the family being without living space.

In 1984, the large railroad station on Colman Boulevard burned. This old landmark formerly housed the freight station and a restaurant as well.

In 1985, The Stage Door Furniture Store on Route 22 was involved in flames. Several nearby companies helped at the scene.

In 1987 a major, spectacular fire occurred at which time Chertock's Department Store with three stories above the store for living quarters, along with the building to the south of this, the Karl Ehmer market with living quarters above, all were demolished. The fire traveled so quickly the persons living there hardly had time to evacuate. In fact, one man jumped from his window into a fireman's arms. This, also, was an old landmark on Charles Colman Blvd. and has never been replaced.

In January 1989 the Masonic Temple on Colman Blvd., next to The Lumelite Corp., burst into flame by an explosion when a car hit the gas tank at the side of the building. The firemen did an excellent job of protecting the Lumelite buildings. Unfortunately, the entire Masonic Temple was completely destroyed--with all its memorabilia. This was a severe loss. Being too costly for the owners to afford, there had been no insurance on the building. The Masonic Order, the Order of Eastern Star, and the Triangle Girls lost all their paraphernalia, including pictures and irreplaceable documents. To date (1995) no replacement has been able to be established.

Other fires of smaller stature have occurred through these 25 years, but with modern equipment and well-trained fire personnel, they have been able to extinguish them before entire buildings were razed.

Fire-fighting equipment as of 1995 consists of:

Station I....1989 Pumper....1986 Utility Truck....1978 Tanker Truck....1994 Aerial Ladder Truck (100-ft.) Dedicated to Past-Chief Howard Britton....1992 Ambulance....1980 Emergency Van.

Station II....1975 Pumper....1984 Tanker....1991 Pumper....1988 Ambulance.

Station III....1978 Pumper....1979 Pumper.

The present firehouse on South Street, referred to previously, is, at present, adequate for all equipment. There is an extra-large apparatus room with modern gear such as hose washers and dryers as well as other conveniences. The building is accessible from four directions. The banquet room, along with



100th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Standing (l. to r.): Tim Kelly, Allen Rundall, F. Hap Kimma, James Nielsen,
David Patchey, James Utter, Chet Dalzell, John Thomes
Seated (l. to r.): Charlotte Whaley, Barbara Hauser, Bea Rundall,
Carol Reid, Debbie Merrick
Absent from picture: Edward Britton, Sharon Boo, Ronald Gallagher



STATION 1 - MORTGAGE BURNING - MAY 1986

its full-size bar, is the largest in the village. The accompanying kitchen is more than adequately equipped with all the necessities for meetings, weddings, training sessions, and, even, weekly Bingo. The firemen also have their private clubroom across the hall from an officers' conference room, which has private offices for the President and the Treasurer. Off the apparatus room, there are offices for the Chief, Rescue Squad, Fire Commissioners, as well as a radio room.

One of the most gala events ever held in Pawling was the great celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Fire Department, on May 21, 1995. The 100th Anniversary Parade had 70 fire departments, 47 marching units, 15 bands, and seven floats from various organizations of Pawling wishing the firemen "Happy Anniversary!" The parade marshals were Henry Walters and TV/Movie personality, James Earl Jones, a Pawling resident. The parade was spectacular and many more watchers than Pawling had seen in years lined the streets. Flags of blue and gold on the poles along the streets denoted the festive event. Tents were set up along the north end of Colman Blvd. to house the cooking of hot dogs, hamburgers, etc. sold at the "exorbitant" small fee of 50 cents. One tent housed a remarkable display of pictures of past fires, past chiefs, and good times had by the firemen, plus a quilt with blocks being sewn and designed by members and friends of the fire department, depicting fire equipment and related scenes. Several rides were brought in for the children to enjoy for free. It was day of fun, excitement, extra low prices for food for all to enjoy at the firemen's expense. Later in the evening a 50/50 raffle was given away. Cups were awarded to visiting firemen as well as the floats involved. Music was provided by Bob Casey, who also provided intervals of interesting information and banter. After dark, a fireworks display put on by the fire department was spectacular, being 3-times the normal length.

The final event of the celebration year 1995 was held at the Holiday Inn at Fishkill, N.Y. on October 28th. Beginning with hors d'oeuvres and dinner being served at 7:00 pm of either Prime Ribs or Chicken Florentine. There was an open bar from 6:00 pm to midnight as well as dancing throughout the evening by a 15-piece orchestra, with a disc jockey playing during intermissions. The firemen and one guest were provided all this for a nominal fee of \$30 per couple. Souvenir journals and specially designed mugs were given to each person to denote and remember the great 100th Anniversary of the Pawling Fire Department.

Although, none of us has made the entire past century, many remember back many years. We, the present firemen and fire ladies, having held carnivals and other functions (such as Bingo every Wednesday evening) are indebted for the loyal support and cooperation of the people of Pawling and surrounding communities.

Presently, the Department has 130 active members on its roster, along with 40 Associates, and a Ladies' Auxiliary of 27.

Often we need assistance from you, and you need assistance from us. We are, thus, grateful for your cooperation. Although it is our bounden duty to fight fires, help save a life, or just assist in time of need, it has been our privilege to serve you—and we thank you for your cooperation in our endeavors.



PARADE MARSHALLS JAMES EARL JONES AND HENRY WALTERS
WITH LIFE MEMBER EDWARD BRITTON DRIVING IN OUR 100TH
ANNIVERSARY PARADE - MAY 21, 1995



OLD-TIME BARTENDERS - BILL BUSH, DON BARDUA,
HOWARD BRITTON, JIM UTTER

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Samuel Mason
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W. W. Wright
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William Ludington
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Hiram C. Carroll
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George S. Holmes
John Gardner
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John E. Hunt
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James Cunningham
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Very Special Thanks

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RUINS OF FERRIS BLOCK FIRE 1892, MAPLE BLVD. (FORMERLY R. R. AVE.)



RUINS OF SHEFFIELD MILK FACTORY 1902

FIRE CHIEFS

Pawling Fire Department 1895 - 1995

WILLIAM G. TICE	JULES H. BRUNOW
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THOMAS H. SMITH	EVERETT "SKIP" REID
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A Salute To Our Neighbors

SHERMAN and CHIEF MIKE CRAWFORD
PATTERSON and CHIEF RUSTY MULKINS
DOVER and CHIEF BOB DUNCAN
BEEKMAN and CHIEF DAVE WYSOCKI
EAST FISHKILL and CHIEF DOUG SMITH

For their assistance, cooperation and loyal support on many occasions

1895 LIST OF MEMBERS 1995

In Order of Joining The Department

J. H. Ferris	W. C. Dodge	Clifford Trowbridge
William Trowbridge	Charles Townsend	H. A. Holmes Jr.
Gilbert Chapman	W. D. Stock	D. C. Lee
George O'dell	O. A. Barradell	George Williams
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Frank Roselle	Albert S. Cole	Clyde Mason
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William Hayes	William Downing	Henry F. Blessing
Joseph Burns	Joseph F. Haight	J. J. Hopper
James Baker	Thomas Clark	W. G. Tice
Lewis V. D. Smith	William Tracy	George Stock
A. Bondall	William P. Stock	John Crowley
Charles Walsh	Henry Renner	R. A. Norcross
Morton Haynes	Franklin Mulkine	William Gibney



JACOBY - HOWARD BLOCK FIRE 1932



TRINITY-PAWLING SCHOOL FIRE 1969

D. H. Burns
William F. Hale
Charles Young
Albert Dodge
H. A. Holmes
George L. Lucas
Merrick D. Green
Alfred Forscher
George Howard
Earl Slocum Sr.
Patrick Callahan
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Albert A. Johnson
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Winfield Ferris
Howard N. Allen
Henry Chudoba
George Britton
Charles Stark
M. B. Deady
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George Stock
T. H. Smith
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George B. Nickerson
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William Howard
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John Unger
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Charles Warner
William Hawkins
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James Cavanaugh
Claude H. Story
Dennis Murphv
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Edwin Hawkins
John Jones
Spencer Colman
William Wilkins
Leo J. Sheridan
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Clarence Bierce
Harry C. Colman
Raymond F. Sheridan
Robert McClelland
William H. Meldrum
Walter H. Burr
Henry Murphy

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C. Herbert Martin
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Ralph Powers
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Ray Lewis
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Lawrence Chase
Solomon Osborn
William J. Carey Jr.
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Joseph Orosz
Robert Congo
Flavius Landett
John Cunningham
Byron Smith
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T. E. Bennett
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Howard Burhans
William Giddings
Alex Giddings
Ralph Bierce
William Howard
Briggs Tompkins
Joseph Thomas
J. H. Brunow Jr.
Israel Smith
Amos Bierce
John C. Cooke
Elliott Rockwell
James Belcher
Gerald Osborn
George Chamberlain
Sylvester Burns
Floyd Mason
Theodore Goddard
Ray St. Auburn
Ronald Young
Kenneth Utter
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