

*50 years
of Memories*



**Barnard Exempt Firemen's
Association, Inc.**

360 Maiden Lane

Greece, New York

**THIS PAGE IS DEDICATED TO THOSE
MEMBERS, PAST AND PRESENT, WHO
HELPED BUILD THIS CLUB, SERVED
ON COMMITTEES, HELD AN OFFICE,
PROMOTED THE GOOD AND WELFARE
OF THIS ASSOCIATION,**

AND

**TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND THEIR
FAMILIES, WHO HAVE SUPPORTED
THIS ORGANIZATION OVER THE
YEARS — WE ARE GRATEFUL!**

PREFACE

For years the volunteer fireman, closely knit by the bonds of common responsibility in protecting the lives and property of his neighbors, has looked forward to retaining the fellowship, of the men with whom he served in the years to come. It was with this thought in mind that an "Exempt Firemen's Association" would be formed. Any fireman having served with the Barnard Fire Department could still retain this fellowship, once he left the active group, if he so desired.

Exempt, as referred to in this publication is a person who has served five (5) years in the volunteer fire service. New York State requires a volunteer fireman to serve five (5) years prior to receiving his "Exemption Certificate".

In the State of New York the word "Exempt" fireman has a history reverting back to the early days of firefighting. Communities, its citizens, and the State of New York, in an effort to show their gratitude to the volunteer firefighters, in their respective areas, enacted legislation providing a small portion of real property tax exemption. (This exemption does not apply in the Town of Greece.) The thought also existed that these men who were serving or had served their community should be exempt from jury duty. Laws were enacted, and to this day, exempt firemen are still accorded these privileges where possible.

It was during the late 1930's that several people were interested in joining the Barnard Volunteer Fire Department. To make room for new recruits, several members having served the required five (5) years as an active fireman, applied for their exemption papers. Wishing to continue the fellowship of the men they so faithfully served with in the past, they decided to create a Benevolent Association of Exempt Firemen.



JOHN KOHN

It was on December 17, 1934 that an organization meeting was called by John G. Kohn, Jr. at the Dutch Mill on Dewey Avenue. It was stipulated that none other than Exempt Firemen from the Barnard Fire Department would be allowed to attend. John Kohn was elected temporary Chairman of this meeting. He then declared the meeting open under the order of election of officers, and stated the purpose this meeting was for forming an Exempt body of the Barnard Fire Department. The following officers were elected:

President	John G. Kohn, Jr.
1st Vice Pres.	Wesley Cunningham
2nd Vice Pres.	Fredd Shedd
Secretary	Edward Wendell, Sr.
Treasurer	Warren Dettman

Board Members	James Pickworth	Ch.
	William Howe	Co-Ch.
	Fred Conway	
	Frank Stickel	
	Eli Thompson	

— 1935 —

It was on January 28th that this Exempt Firemen's Association held their first meeting at the Barnard Fire House. President John Kohn presided, and the Treasurer Warren Dettman reported that there was a balance of \$1.22 cash on hand. There were, of course, numerous suggestions for fund raising discussed.

There was a discussion on how the incorporation of this Association should be handled. Seth Cole, a legal advisor of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York was contacted. It was agreed that he be retained to draft a bill to handle the corporation. George Baist, a member of the St. Paul Blvd. Exempt Firemen's Association and a member of the State Association Law Committee, who had been invited to this meeting, suggested to the membership that a bill be introduced to the State Legislature in Albany.

The following bill was presented:

ACT OF INCORPORATION

STATE OF NEW YORK

No. 1790

Int. 1627

IN ASSEMBLY

February 21, 1935

Introduced by Mr. P. R. TAYLOR — read
once and referred to the Committee on
Internal Affairs.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Barnard Exempt Firemen's
Association of the Town of Greece, Mon-
roe County, New York.

*The people of the State of New York, rep-
resented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as
follows:*

Section 1. A corporation by the name of
"Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association of the
Town of Greece, Monroe County, New York"
is hereby created. It shall be composed of such
exempt volunteer firemen, as defined in section
two hundred of the general municipal law,
who have acquired such status by virtue of
having rendered service in the fire department
of the Barnard fire district of the town of
Greece, Monroe County, New York

The Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association was incorporated for the relief, aid, and assistance of the members thereof, and their families, who are disabled or indigent, and the promotion of the welfare of the volunteer fire service in the Barnard Fire District.



BEN BREMER

At a meeting in March the Barnard Fire Department offered this Association the privilege of operating a booth at their Annual Carnival. The President appointed Ben Bremer as Chairman of the booth that we were to operate and advised him to select his own committee.

At this meeting Fred Conway reported for the Law Committee that the incorporation bill had passed the assembly and was in the Senate Committee's hands. He looked forward to an early passage and signing by the Governor.

(The charter for the incorporation was signed by Governor Herbert H. Lehman, and became law on March 26, 1935.)

At a meeting in April, George Baist of the St. Paul Blvd. Exempt Firemen's Association, presented the membership with the incorporation certificate and the pen of the Governor used in the signing of this historical document. On the opposite page is a reproduction of this important document.

John Kohn spoke regarding the bell that had been donated to the Association by Harry Eldrige of the American LaFrance and Foamite Industries.



(This bell used by the presiding officer, at all meetings of this Association, is from the first pumper that was used by the Barnard Fire Department.

When this pumper was traded to the American LaFrance Company, makers of fire equipment, for a more modern piece of equipment, Harry Eldrige saved this bell and donated it to the Barnard Exempts.)

Harold Barrett and Henry Miller provided a suitable mounting for said bell. William Howe and Orin Judd were instructed to look into prices for engraving. This bell today has the names engraved on it of the Charter Members of the Association, of which there are forty-four (44).

Wes Cunningham spoke of an old-fashioned hand-drawn hose cart that could be secured and fixed up. He was given full power to act, and should select a committee to help him. Harold Timian was very active in securing the hose cart and was named to this committee. It was later divulged that this 25 year old hose cart belonged to the St. Paul Exempt firemen and was spirited away by the committee, later to be known as the "Stolen Hose Cart". Rivalry soon existed between these two organizations. St. Paul was anxious to get it back, and Barnard was eager to retain it. An agreement was made that whoever kept the cart the longest, in any one year, would have a dinner at the expense of the other association.

— 1936 —

The Hose Cart Committee reported the cart had been securely hidden. A set of rules set up between St. Paul and Barnard, had been agreed upon for recovering the stolen hose cart. Wes Cunningham gave the location of the cart, and informed the membership that anyone divulging its location would be fine \$5.00. A red



State of New York

Executive Chamber

This is to certify that the pen hereunto affixed was used by me in approving Assembly Bill, Introductory Number 1627, Printed Number 1790, by Mr. F. R. Taylor, entitled:

"AN ACT to incorporate the Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association of the Town of Greece, Monroe County, New York."

Became a Law March twenty-sixth, being Chapter 247 of the Laws of 1935.



G I V E N under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this twenty-sixth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five.

Herbert H. Lehman

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Walter T. Brown
Secretary to the Governor.

This is a reproduction of the original Charter of the "Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association", and the pen that the Governor used to sign it. This document is displayed in the office of 360 Maiden Lane Inc.

disc would be put up on the highway within one hundred (100) feet of the hiding place, and not over ten (10) feet above the ground. The committee would place this disc in the near future.

It was suggested that we hold a Monte Carlo party to raise funds, and have lunch and refreshments after the party.

John Kohn stated that a new ritual called for a Warden and a Chaplain and felt that they should be included in the Officers of this Association. It was also voted that the Treasurer be bonded for \$1000.00.

It was decided, at this time that we join the Firemen's Association of the State of New York, the Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association, and the Monroe County Volunteer Firemen's Association. Delegates for these Associations to be appointed at a later date.

It was proposed that since we had some extra funds, \$300.00 should be held in reserve for the Building Fund. There was some talk about building an Exempt Home but no action about building was taken at this time.

Wes Cunningham reported that some Town property was being foreclosed for taxes and suggested the Homesite Committee should look into a possible purchase offer being made.

The Homesite Committee reported that they had inspected the fifteen (15) acre McVean Farm at the end of Pomona Drive and found it quite desirable. Water and electricity was available. Fred Conway explained that the property was owned by heirs to an estate, and their attorneys would have to be contacted.

It was some weeks later that Fred Conway reported the McVean property could be purchased. The Committee was empowered by the Association to secure a ninety (90) day option to buy the said property.

— 1937 —



FRED CONWAY

A Home Site Committee had been appointed by the President of the Association consisting of Wes Cunningham, John Kohn, Eli Thompson, James Pickworth, and chaired by Fred Conway. After considering several locations such as the Falleson Farm, a plot at Mt. Read and Dorsey Rd., and the Whelehan property, this committee at the March meeting proposed to the membership that we purchase fifteen (15) acres of the McVean property at the end of Pomona Drive. Several offers and counteroffers were made. It was not until the May meeting that the committee reported an offer of \$3,000.00 for the fifteen (15) acres had been accepted.

In June, the Reverend William Doran, a priest at St. Charles Church on Dewey Ave., offered to donate a small frame schoolhouse to the Association which was gratefully accepted. This building was later moved to the Homesite location.

It was decided to open the Charter for thirty (30) days to allow not more than fifteen (15) members from outside the Barnard Fire District, who had received their New York State Exemption Certificates, to apply for full membership to strengthen our group. Glen Waring, Henry Mauer, George Burger, Hugh T. Hughes, Fred Coddington, A. Whitman Crittenden, George Welch, and Leon Cox applied for membership. Later, Emmett Cooper, Andrew Schell, Charles Englert, Alexander Kapel, Henry Miller, and Louis Phillips were also admitted.

— 1938 —

To commemorate the opening of the newly constructed Dewey Avenue from the Rochester city line into the Town of Greece, Barnard Exempts sponsored a

large parade and a street dance in the vicinity of Stone Road. Serving on this committee were John Fisher, Ben Bremer, Wes Cunningham, Ted Klee, and Fred Conway.

Plans for a proposed clubhouse were discussed, using the schoolhouse that was donated by the Reverend William Doran. This building was approximately fifty (50) feet wide and forty (40) feet long. It was planned so expansion to the west would be possible. Cement blocks were obtained from the ruins of the Chase Pavilion on Ridge Road, which was destroyed by fire. These blocks would be used in the construction of a foundation for our club.

At a dedication ceremony, Wesley Cunningham, then President of the Association, read the dedication message.



Pictured above from right to left: Cunningham, Supervisor Gordon Howe, Sheriff Albert Skinner, John Kohn, Fred Conway and a number of officers in the Association.

At the placing of the cornerstone, amusement was created as Gordon Howe wielded the trowel. By-standers good-naturedly commented on Howe's expert use of the trowel as Sheriff Al Skinner lifted one end of the cornerstone. "Put a little more cement over here, Gordon", directed the Sheriff. "I can see where I should have taken the job of holding the block", Howe shot back. When the job was finished, it appeared Howe had laid the cornerstone about an inch and a half higher than the adjoining one. Then Ted Klee discovered that Howe's job was perfect - it was the other stone that was off because it hadn't been cemented.

On June 4th, construction was started on the Barnard Exempt Firemen's Clubhouse. This marked a long cherished dream in the ranks of the local firefighters. For years the firemen had looked forward to a Clubhouse Center. When completed, the recreation facilities on the former McVean estate would be the full realization of the firemen's prayers. The small frame schoolhouse that had been donated, was then moved to the Homesite location and placed on its foundation.

Several members filled gullies and ditches around our building. Help was received from the active group, especially from John Fisher, Andy Schallfer, Albert Nihof and Jack Sterling. Because these men were so helpful, it was decided by the Association that all active members of the Barnard Fire Department were to be given an Associate Membership in our Association.

An Associate member was one who was a potential Exempt member serving in the Fire Service. He could attend meetings of this Association, if he so desired,

but had no voice or vote at meetings and could receive none of the benefits accorded a full Exempt member. This membership was originated to create interest in our Association in the early days, but soon lost its intent as active members became available.



Early construction pictures of the Barnard Exempt Firemen's Club



Jim McDonald Karl Kohn

A flag raising ceremony, Sunday June 15th at 12:30 P.M., marked the formal opening of the new Clubhouse. The forty (40) foot flagpole and the flag were donated by R.S. Cunningham, a former town highway superintendent of the Town of Greece. Construction of the new home was carried out largely through the donations of labor and materials by the members of the Association, as well as by friends and residents of the area. Town officials also cooperated as individuals in contributing toward the erection of the building.



These workers were pictured as they placed the finishing touches on the new Clubhouse of the Barnard Exempt's. In the front row from left to right are Fred Conway, George Murphy, Harold Barrett, and Mickey O'Brien. In the rear are Bill Nowack, G. Korn, Jr., W. Smith, Al Lake, and Bill Howe.

John Kohn kept a record of members' working time on the building construction up to July 15th. Thirty-six (36) members assisted with at least four (4) and at times twenty (20) men on the job at the same time. 554½ hours were served, an average of 15½ hours for each man. Sand and gravel for the construction were donated by Supervisor Gordon Howe and Hugh Hughes.

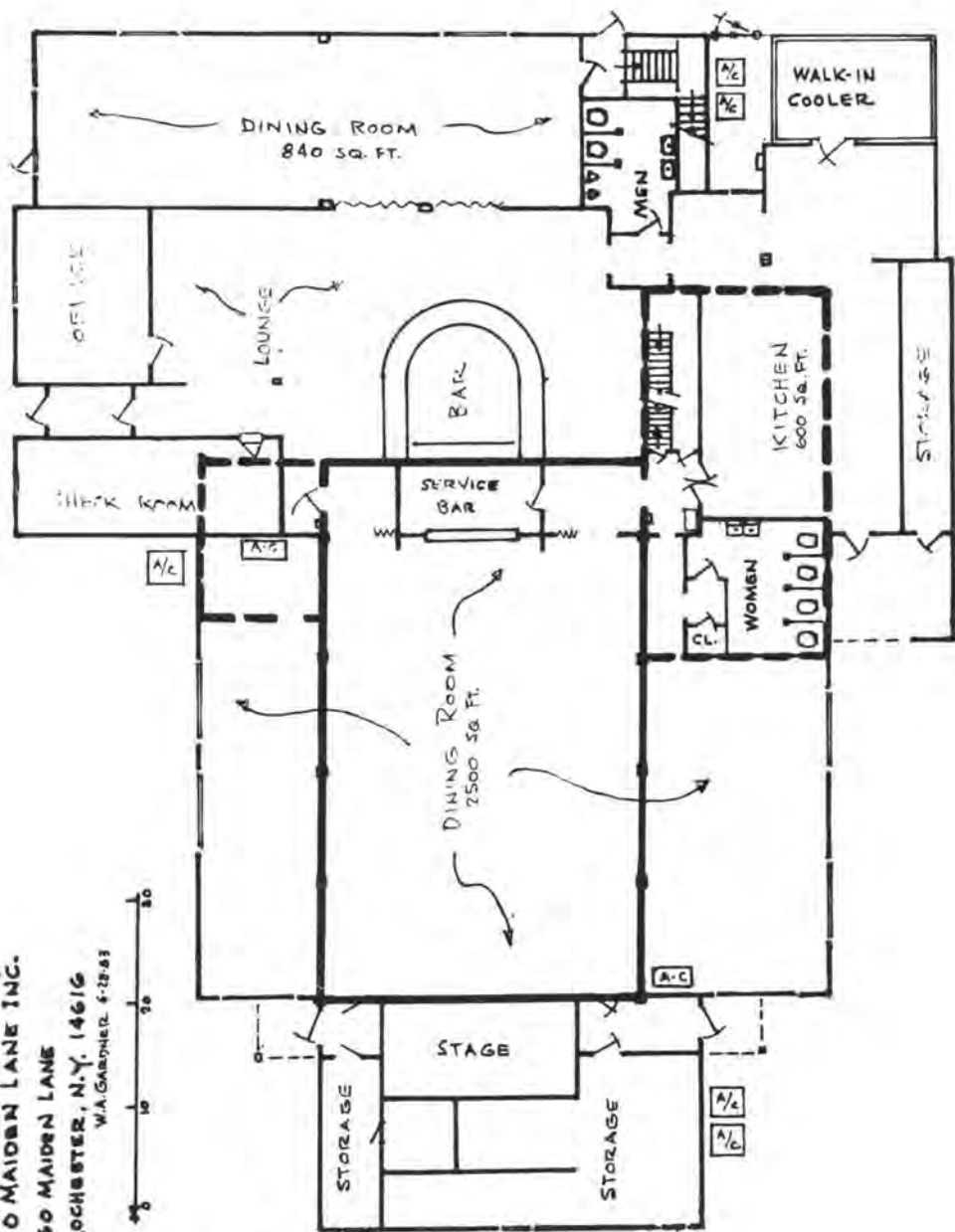
At a special meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association on July 18th, Fred Conway, Chairman of the Home Site Committee, reported that the roof of our new building was nearly complete, and the next meeting of this Association could be held in our new Clubhouse.

The first meeting in the new Clubhouse was held August 8th, 1938 with President Wes Cunningham presiding. Secretary, Ted Klee; Treasurer, Warren Dettman; Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Fred Conway; and thirty (30) members were in attendance. Chairman of the Building Committee, Fred Conway, reported that the electrical work would start soon, and he had secured a donation of paint for the ceiling. He also asked for volunteers to help dig the cellar. Dayton Smith said that when work started on the bar, he and Mrs. Smith would like to help with the mirrors.

Fred Conway reported progress was being made on the building. Ten (10) hours were spent laying the cement floor on the porch. Warren Dettman said he was waiting for the Rochester Gas and Electric Company to determine where the lines were coming into the property so he could locate the meter box.

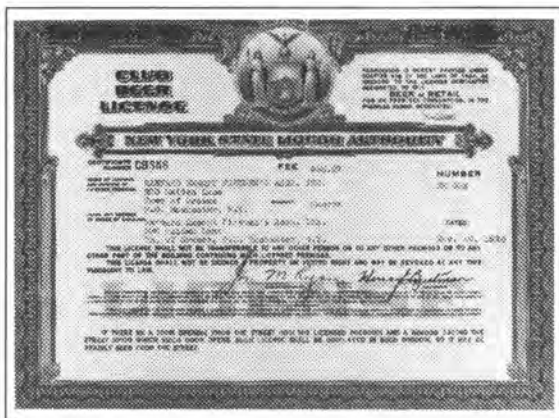
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Heavy lines indicate the original building - compared to our present building.

President Wes Cunningham suggested the need for a House Committee to help consolidate the operations of the Club. He appointed Ben Bremer as Chairman and instructed him to select the balance of his committee. Fred Conway reported the purchase of a bar and the way had been cleared for a beer license that would be available by November 1st. Shown at the right is our first beer license.



At a meeting of the Trustees, it was voted that the Association borrow \$3,000.00 from Judge Frank Fisher of Mt. Read Blvd. and give him a bond and a mortgage on our property. The existing mortgage held by the McVean estate would be paid off and discharged with part of the proceeds from the Fisher loan, and the rest used to pay some outstanding bills.

The action of the Board regarding the Fisher loan was explained to the membership. Chairs and tables were to be purchased and a heating unit, including registers and cold air returns, were to be installed.



An addition on the back of the present building with a ladies and men's room, kitchen, and cloak room was constructed. Shown working on the addition in the picture above are: Bill Horrocks, Clarence Ropeter, G. Kuhner, Bill Nowack, Roy Wright, and James McDonald.

A nickel slot machine was purchased at this time for our amusement.

Fred Conway suggested that we hold Saturday night parties with an orchestra



for dancing. Tickets were to be twenty-five (25) cents for each person. First the members don old clothes to assist in erecting the new addition and later dress to enjoy a social evening in the hall already completed. Mrs. Lake, Auxiliary President, Herb Schwind at the saxophone and John Fisher, Drum Corps President, substituted for the orchestra in the accom-

panying picture at a combined party of the Fire Department, Ladies Auxiliary, and Drum Corps.

It was suggested that the new addition to the north side of our present building should be twenty (20) feet by forty-two (42) feet. The President appointed a committee to meet with Frank Fisher regarding a new loan to pay for the addition.

In April, at a regular Association meeting, it was voted by the membership that the official title of this Association would be the "Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association".

John Kohn suggested a major addition to the west of our present building. This would be a two (2) story addition with a possible large recreation area and a meeting room on the second floor level. A cloak room, office, kitchen, and a new entrance would be considered. The Building Committee was instructed to secure plans and an estimate for building this proposed addition.

A delegation from the Barnard Fire Department Carnival Committee appeared before the Board of Trustees and proposed holding their annual Carnival on the Barnard Exempt's Grounds. These Carnivals were previously held at the corner of Dewey Avenue and Stone Road. Permission was granted and the Carnival site was moved to the Barnard Exempt's Grounds.

(See picture of committee in back of this book.)

While digging thru the archives this raffle ticket was found intact some forty-six (46) years later.

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The Saturday night dances became so popular, that it was suggested that an orchestra pit be built on the east end of the building. Within a month an addition, eight (8) feet by twelve (12) feet, was completed.

The long standing feud over the hose cart came to the surface again. Threats and counterthreats were heard, over what the St. Paul Exempt's proposed to do about the recapture of their "Gay Nineties" stolen hose cart. Barnard Exempt's claimed it would be more convincing if there was a little action. So far, neither side has done anything but brag. "We've got it", Barnard said, "and we are waiting for their proposition". St. Paul said, "They will get a proposition in due time, and it will be one that they will remember".

At a meeting of the St. Paul Exempts, a committee was named to deal with this delicate situation. In due time the committee received the press. What happened? ...Just threats and more threats.

Having been received by one committee, the news reporter thought he might find another one equally friendly in the opposition camp, so across the river to the Barnard Exempts he went. There was a committee there, too, but they were not so open and above board.

"You want a picture?", said the committee. They seized the quaking reporter by the nape of the neck like the gangsters do in the movies. Next, came the blindfold, just like in the movies. This was followed by a twenty (20) minute ride over some of the roughest roads in Greece.

Then the car stopped and the blindfold was removed. There was a house and garage. The garage was unlocked and resting peacefully within was the "Stolen Hose Cart". It didn't take long to wheel it out and take the picture shown below.



Gathered around the "Hose Cart" are from left to right: John Fisher, John Kohn, Wes Cunningham, Otto Hanson, Jim Pickworth and Earl Archambault, showing they are ready if St. Paul tries to recapture it.

"Sh-h-h" said the committee, and back into the car they climbed and back into place went the blindfold. Then another drive, this time over smooth roads which could have been chosen from nothing but Gordon Howe's campaign speeches, and back to the clubhouse on the stroke of midnight.

One of the committee recalled he was under orders to meet his wife there at 12:00 sharp, so the return trip only took three minutes. "Figure it out for yourself, Gentlemen of the St. Paul Exempts" quoted the reporter, "your cart is locked in somebody's garage, I saw that much with my own eyes".

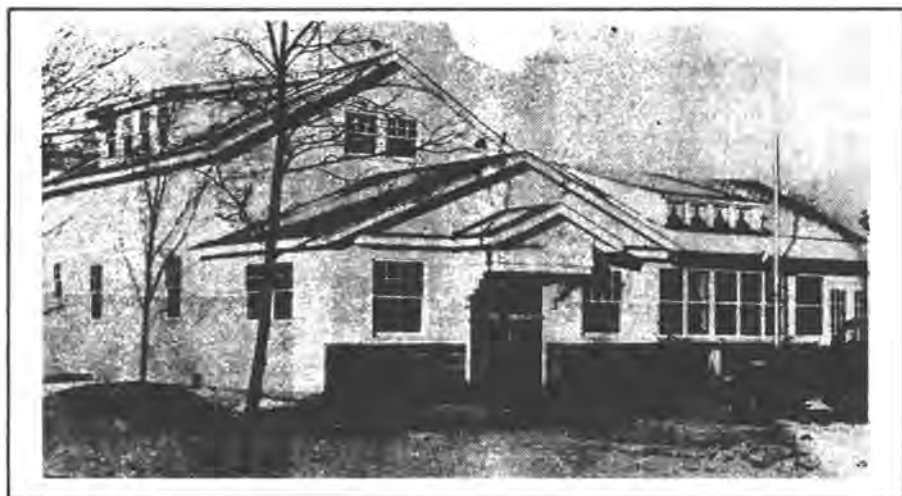
It was on the night of March 15th that Barnard competed against St. Paul in the first of a series of Pinochle and Euchre games to decide the supremacy of the pasteboards and the ownership of the stolen hose cart. The first of the games were played at the St. Paul Exempt's Home on Thomas Ave. Two bower John Kohn said, "We will be there with about forty (40) constituents to prove our worth and make good the challenge I made several weeks ago with John Oldenburg, that 'Maestro of the Shuffle,' from St. Paul Exempt's". Oldenburg replied, "I've heard such boasts before from 'two bower Kohn', but we Irondequoiters are not to be taken lightly. I sure hope those Barnardites show more class than they did the last time we played them". The committee included Dumont (Doc) Stone, Wesley (Wes) Cunningham, Henry (Hank) Paul, Carl Judson, Clarence Maulder, and George Baist. The committee was instructed later to return the hose cart.

In April, after serving for two (2) years as Chairman of the House Committee, Ben Bremer announced he would like to resign.

At a Trustees meeting, a House Committee was appointed as of May 1st to consolidate the business of our Clubhouse. Fred Conway was chairman, and John Kohn was Co-Chairman. Ben Bremer, Jim Pickworth, and William Howe were also members. Conway and Kohn were to be remunerated for their services, and to be allowed to hire bartenders when necessary. Several other members served on this committee from time to time.

The addition to the west of the present building including a Director's room, meeting room, cloak room, and kitchen, that was discussed at a previous meeting, were reviewed. Plans and specifications were considered, and the Building Committee was authorized by the Board of Trustees to proceed with the construction.

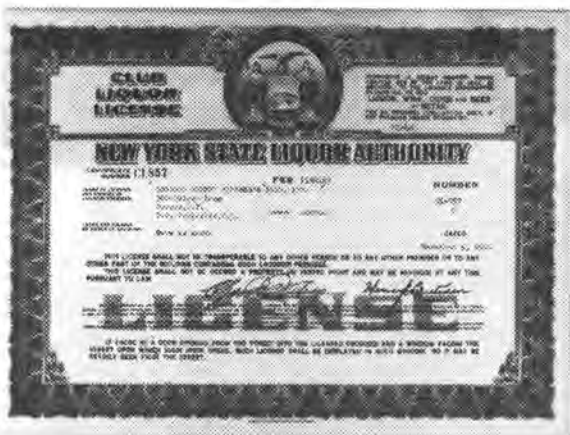
Several months later, the Building Committee reported the addition, pictured below, was almost complete on the outside and should be ready on the inside within a short time.



It was voted by the membership to give George Baist, of the St. Paul Blvd. Exempt Firemen's Association, an honorary Life Membership in our organization for the work he did procuring our Charter.

In November the House Committee was authorized by the Trustees to make application for a liquor license for our Club because of the demand for mixed drinks at the bar.

Pictured at the right is the first Liquor License for our Club.



From the very beginning of our Club's operation, several persons not affiliated with our Association showed an interest in supporting our private club. To include those who were interested, a social membership was created.

"Social Members" were elected to membership, subject to the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees. They would have no voice or vote at meetings of the Association, and would receive none of the benefits awarded an Exempt member. They would pay annual dues as established by the Association and receive a membership card that would allow them the use of our private facilities, as a Social Member.

Euchre has long been a form of card playing for many. It was the popular form of entertainment among our members. When the new addition to the Clubhouse was completed, these card games took on a renewed interest. Chips or tokens of the type shown could be purchased at the bar, when one felt he had consumed enough during these games. These tokens could be redeemed at a later date for beer.



- 1941 -

In January the Trustees recommended that the Association secure an additional mortgage of \$3,500.00 to be used in paying outstanding bills incurred during the construction of the new addition. Fred Conway was directed to contact Frank Fisher. It was also suggested that the Building Committee secure a suitable plaque to commemorate the new addition.

There were several complaints from neighbors about noise when our grounds were rented out. Since this could mean a loss of revenue to the Association, it was recommended that no more carnivals be allowed on the Exempt's grounds. The exception would be the Barnard Fire Department Carnival subject to approval of the Board of Trustees each year.

With the feeling for firematics still in their hearts, ten (10) members of our Exempt Association formed a group called the "Barnard Horsemen". They acquired a 1932, eight (8) cylinder Cadillac convertible coupe for approximately \$150.00. The body of this car was rebuilt in the form of a squad car, with benches on each side and a rear step. So devoted were these men that a uniform jacket was selected and an insignia or patch was designed as shown on the next page,

indicating the "Barnard Horsemen of Greece, New York", for their jackets. They attended parades and carnivals throughout the area, promoting the name of "Barnard". Records show that they attended eleven (11) parades, won four (4) trophies and received a cash award of \$10.00. They traveled 679 miles during this period and sustained damages to one (1) fire extinguisher, and had six (6) flat tires. This car averaged eight (8) miles to the gallon; of course, gasoline was only seventeen (17) cents per gallon then. Pictured below is this squad car with the following members gathered around it; from left to right, Elmer Hoppe, Norman (Doc) Levin, Ed Staub, Henry Miller, Carl Miller, John Murphy and Herb Schwind. Seated on the running board are Anthony Joninas and Naz Montalbino. Not pictured is Steve Friga.



The Trustees suggested to the Association that the initiation fee for full membership be increased \$5.00 each year until it reached \$25.00.

— 1942 —

Three members from the Hilton Fire Department stated they were interested in forming an Exempt Association, and would like to find out what to do. They were advised that the members who were instrumental in forming our Association would meet with them and be glad to give whatever information they could.

At the Trustees meeting in March the Building Committee was authorized to build an addition on the west side of the bar room to hold our money machines. These machines provided a much needed source of revenue for our Club. A suitable door was to be installed between this room and the bar room, so it could be closed and locked when necessary. Also, necessary alterations were to be made to the kitchen and powder room.

In April, the Trustees authorized the House Committee to procure ranges, dishwasher and tables for the kitchen. Also, they were to purchase a steamtable suitable for the kitchen, and a sink for washing pots and pans.

In July, the House Committee was authorized by the Trustees to enlarge the dining room by including the porch. This provided a much needed increase as shown below.



In order to comply with the provisions of our Corporation Charter and the State Liquor Authority rules and regulations regarding the operation of a Clubhouse, the Board of Trustees recommended that the upstairs Lounge Room be set aside as a Clubroom for the use of full Exempt members of this Association, that a suitable lock be installed on the door, and keys be issued to all full Exempt members.

Seth Cole of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York, who was instrumental in helping us obtain our charter, was made an Honorary Member of our Association.

John Kohn reported that the addition to house our money machines had been started, but couldn't be completed until the proper door could be obtained. The picture below shows the new addition at the extreme left of the picture.



— 1943 —

In May it was reported that a parcel of land on Maiden Lane adjoining our property could be purchased. A tentative offer of \$500.00 was made.

At one time the Building Committee had a set of plans for a fifty (50) foot wide by one hundred (100) foot long swimming pool to be built on our grounds. Nothing ever developed.

It was during this early period that the Saturday night dances drew a variety of floor shows. Remember the BEC (Barnard Exempt Club) Show? Each woman in attendance was given a ticket and at midnight three tickets were drawn from a bowl of corresponding stubs. These three were the contestants.

They were asked a simple "B" question, an "E" question, and a "C" question. This made them "BEC'S". Then they were given a simple song sheet that went like this: "B-E-C, B-E-C, B-E-C's are we, we're the girls who make you smile, B-E-C's are we". Then they were asked to turn their song sheets over, sign their name, and get ready to write their answer to the jackpot question. If the question was not answered correctly, the \$50.00 prize was added to next week's jackpot, making it \$100.00 and so on each week. When the question was asked, the orchestra would play loudly for about two minutes, or until all three answers were collected. Such jackpot questions as "How much dirt can you remove from a hole, two feet wide, two feet long, and two feet deep?" were asked. You can't remove any dirt from a hole, it's already been removed. The jackpot was \$200.00 and management said get rid of it. So the question was asked, "How many spark plugs in a V-8 engine?", and it wasn't answered correctly. This type of entertainment was popular during the period when the House Committee was in charge.

The initiation fee and dues for a social membership in our Association was increased to \$5.00 as of August 30th. This did not apply to active members of the Barnard Fire Department, which still remained at \$1.00.

In October the House Committee was authorized to provide the Meeting Room upstairs, the bar with the proper furniture and to make necessary changes to the island of the back bar to display liquor bottles.

— 1944 —

In August, Chairman of the House Committee, Fred Conway, stated that there would be a change in the duties of the House Committee. Bremer and Kohn were to take care of the machines and the bookkeeping associated with them. Lloyd Williams would take care of ordering food, along with the regular bookkeeping of the Club. Bremer would take care of the bar and bar help. Kohn would take care of the doormen.

During the latter part of 1944, several summer campsites were considered. An island in the St. Lawrence River, Grindstone Island, Wintergreen Island, Chateau of the St. Lawrence, Fisher's Landing, Millside Lake, Cape Vincent at Henderson Harbor, Digmans Point near Alexandria Bay were all considered. The property site at Alexandria Bay was ready to close, but final approval was needed. In July Mr. Hughes was to write a letter, submitting a bid for all the property and furnishings on Alexandria Bay. Kohn reported later the property owned by Mrs. Durant on Alexandria Bay had been sold. Another site for sale, Pinehurst Camps, would be looked into.

— 1945 —

At the Trustees Meeting in June, a letter was read from Fred Conway advising that it will be impossible for him to serve as Chairman of the House Committee and asked that he not be considered for reappointment. A stag testimonial dinner for Fred Conway was held.



JOHN KOHN

John Kohn was appointed Chairman of the House Committee with Ben Bremer as First Vice Chairman and Andy Schlaffer as Second Vice Chairman. Bremer was to have complete charge of the bar including hiring of the bar help, purchasing liquor, etc. Schlaffer would book all banquets and he would have charge of the waiters, doormen, and cashiers. Kohn would have charge of the kitchen and the money machines. Each member of the House Committee would be paid.

In July at a regular meeting of the Association, a complete set of by-laws were read and approved by the membership. A by-law book was then printed and issued to each member. Portions of the contents of the by-laws are given:

Regular meetings of this Association are held the last Monday of each month.

All Exempt firemen who were present or whose application was in the hands of the Secretary at a meeting held July 8, 1935 were declared Charter Members.

Applications for membership must be attached to applicant's Exemption certificate, which must show five (5) active years' service in the Barnard Fire Department.

The initiation fee for a candidate who has not served five (5) years in the Barnard Fire Department shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each year or part of a year served in a fire company not located in the Barnard Fire District, in addition to the regular initiation fee.

Any fireman whose Exemption Certificate was issued from any other department or company other than the Barnard Fire Department shall pay an initiation fee of five (5) times the fee of an applicant who has served five (5) years in a fire company located in the Barnard Fire District.

Members who fail to attend three (3) meetings per year will be placed on the inactive list and so notified.

Members on the inactive list may not attend social functions and will be denied the privilege to vote or hold office.

Any member who has been on the inactive list for five (5) consecutive years may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members.

In August, a committee was appointed to purchase the Clinton property on Maiden Lane that was for sale.

John Kohn advised that the Building Committee would like to enlarge the building and showed drawings of the proposed enlargement. The Building Committee was authorized to proceed.

— 1946 —

The House Committee was instructed to install a new lock on the front door. No keys will be issued to social members, entrance will be by paid membership card only. Keys will be issued to full Exempt members only.

John Kohn reported they are working on a service bar for the dining room and excavation is being done on the east end of the building to add storage space on each side of the stage with two (2) emergency exits.

- 1947 -

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to all social members, informing them that entrance to the Club will be by membership card only. Active Exempt members were instructed not to use their door keys when a doorman was on duty.

During the early days of our Club's operation, the familiar money (slot) machines were purchased for our amusement. These nickel, dime, and quarter machines provided a much needed source of revenue for our Club. They were allowed then, by law, because at the time our Club was private, owned, and operated for and by the members only. These machines were locked up and put away when any outside activities were held, and at carnival time when the Club was open. However they soon became a thing of the past when legislation was passed to outlaw their operation. We tried for a time to keep them active because it was a "private club", but these "one arm bandits" as they were so rightfully called, soon disappeared from our Clubhouse.

- 1948 -

In January, Ray Kraft reported that Attorney Gandy was securing a mortgage on the house on Maiden Lane through Security Trust to pay for extensive and needed additions to the Club. The check was received and turned over to the Treasurer. Fred Conway suggested a check should be given to Judge Fisher for final payment of his mortgage.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to discuss the procedure of securing a mortgage on the Club building. It was necessary at this time to borrow money to pay for costs of construction of additions. A mortgage of \$12,000.00 was entered into with F. W. Yarker of English Road. Payments were to be \$1,000.00 or more each year and to be paid off in ten (10) years.

At a meeting in July, three (3) resolutions pertaining to changes in the by-laws were read. These resolutions were turned over to the Law Committee for consideration and study.

- 1949 -

It was announced that R. Newman would play piano and have a girl singer to encourage more business for the Club.

As of January, an orchestra would be hired to play on Friday and Saturday nights.

The three (3) resolutions that were read at the meeting in July of 1948 were presented at a regular Association meeting for approval. The proposals were:

All firemen, who are active in any volunteer fire department, are hereby disqualified from becoming members of this Association, and such disqualifications shall continue until they cease to be active members of a volunteer fire department.

And be it further resolved:

That this resolution shall become effective and applications will not be accepted from any exempt firemen who are active in any volunteer fire department, after the May meeting, 1949, of this Association.

This resolution was voted down by the membership at the March meeting.

Also recommended by the Law Committee were the following changes in the by-laws:

That to run for the office of President and First Vice President a member must have held office in this Association for at least three (3) years; for Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer a member must have held office in this Association for at least two (2) years; for Trustee a member must have held office in this Association for at least three (3) years.

This recommendation was agreed to by the Law Committee and voted favorably upon by the membership.

At a regular Association meeting it was suggested that a committee be appointed to revise our by-laws in its entirety.

A letter was received from Fred Conway resigning from the House Committee. A vote of thanks was given to Fred for the efforts he has put in as a member of the House Committee.

In November William Howe reported about 120 loads of dirt were drawn in around the Exempt property, and had been rough graded.

— In The Fifties —



A. SCHLAFER

At a Trustees meeting Andy Schlaffer was appointed chairman of the House Committee. Wilfred Staub, Harold Schwonke, William Schulze, and Jack Sterling were also appointed to serve on this committee. It was also recommended that Lloyd Williams would act as Secretary to the House Committee.

It was authorized that the Building Committee construct a pavilion 24 by 30 feet, at an estimated cost of \$300.00. It was later suggested that it be enlarged by twelve (12) feet, making the total size 36 by 30 feet. In August the pavilion was completed.

It was agreed to have an elected Chief Engineer, an Assistant Chief Engineer, and a Captain. The Chief Engineer would organize the members in emergencies, and would be responsible for the safety and fire protection of the Barnard Exempt property. This action also created more candidates to be able to run for election to the Board of Trustees. To be a candidate for Trustee, a member must have served in one or more of the other offices of this Association for at least two (2) years. A member could not be a candidate for office, unless he had served as an active fireman in the Barnard Fire Department for five (5) years.

James Barlow advised the Association that April 19, 1952 would be the Twenty-fifth (25) Anniversary of the Barnard Fire Department. There would be a celebration at the Exempt's Club on that day, and all Exempt members and their wives were invited to attend.

On March 17, 1952 a letter from Andy Schlaffer resigning as Chairman of the House Committee, effective May 1st, was received. Jack Sterling also announced that he did not wish to be appointed to the House Committee, and William Schulze expressed the same feelings.



FRED CONWAY

This decision by the House Committee brought about a new concept of management. While House Committees, made up of members of our Association, and appointed by the Board of Trustees, functioned well throughout the years, it soon became apparent that a Club Manager was needed. One individual instead of five (5) seemed a more efficient way to control the operations of our Club. At the May meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fred Conway was appointed as Manager. He received a weekly salary, plus one-third (1/3) of the net profits, payable twice a year as a bonus, as an incentive to create more business for the Club. His appointment started on June 9, 1952 and was for a six (6) month period. It was suggested that he retain Lloyd Williams as Secretary to the Manager. Lloyd had



LLOYD WILLIAMS

previously held this position for several years before for the House Committees.

The Building Committee ordered accordin doors for the two (2) arches leading into the Dining Room from the bar to insure privacy for special occasions.

In February 1953, the Trustees agreed to reappoint Fred Conway as House Manager. This would be an annual appointment for as long as it was accepted.

The Barnard Fire Department Carnival Committee would install permanent wiring, and furnish a concrete slab in the pavilion. They wanted to add more sections to the pavilion with the Exempt organization sharing half the costs.

A letter was sent to all full Exempt members in May 1953 advising that the Law Committee recommended the following change to the by-laws:

The initiation fee for a candidate from the Barnard Fire Department who has served five (5) years in the Barnard Fire Department shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00).



GORDON A. HOWE

In July, 1953 the Barnard Exempts sponsored the 54th Annual Convention of the Western New York Volunteer Firemen's Association with the assistance of the Barnard Fire Department.

Gordon Howe, then Supervisor of the Town of Greece and an active member of Barnard Exempts, was General Chairman.

Harold Barrett was President of the W.N.Y.V.F.A. at this time. (The Conventions are usually held in the area of the acting President). Information Bureau, Housing Committee, and arriving companies registered at the Exempts Club.



HAROLD E. BARRETT

A tent city was set up in an area adjacent to the carnival grounds for visiting firemen. Meals were served at the Exempts Club, and business meetings were held at Barnard School which was within walking distance, this eliminated any overcrowding of Dewey Avenue.

James Surridge of Rochester, New York, a long time member of the W.N.Y.V.F.A., was Secretary and John Fisher was Assistant Secretary.

A Golf Tournament was held at Ridgemont Golf Club. An emergency First Aid contest was held, and the past Presidents' dinner was held at the Barnard Grill on Dewey Avenue.

Ladies attending the Convention were entertained for a full day by the ladies of Barnard, pictured below, at the Exempts Club.



DOROTHY COREY



HELEN CRAMER



ELIZABETH RICKARD

The State-sanctioned Tournaments were held on Clark Park adjacent to the Barnard Firehouse. A giant parade with some 150 companies participating, paraded down Dewey Avenue to Pomona Drive, to the Barnard Exempts Grounds.

Gordon Howe, assisted by the committee shown below, made this Convention a success.

1953 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

<i>Chairman</i>	GORDON A. HOWE
<i>Vice Chairman</i>	FREDERICK J. CONWAY
<i>Secretary</i>	N. RAYMOND KRAFT
<i>Treasurer</i>	EDWARD R. WENDELL
<i>Assistant Secretary</i>	JOHN C. FISHER
<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>	WILFRED J. STAUB

Ben Bremer, Elmer Hoppe, Norm Levn, William Howe, Francis Cramer, John Kohn, Jack Sterling, Harold Barrett, Andrew Schlaffer, Norm Forest, Seth Norton, Milton Carter, Peter LeRoy, Glen VanZile, Martin Reichenberger, Errol McBride Sr., Wesley Cunningham.

GENERAL COMMITTEE

<i>Reception Chairman:</i>	HAROLD BARRETT	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	WESLEY Y. CUNNINGHAM
<i>Entertainment Chairman:</i>	ELMER F. HOPPE	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	WILLIAM HOWE
<i>Finance Chairman:</i>	EDWARD R. WENDELL	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	WILFRED J. STAUB
<i>Program Chairman:</i>	N. RAYMOND KRAFT	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	GEORGE W. BADGEROW
<i>Housing Chairman:</i>	ANDREW E. SCHLAFFER	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	LLOYD WILLIAMS
<i>Publicity Chairman:</i>	FRED J. SHEDD	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	THEODORE W. KLEE
<i>Parade Chairman:</i>	GLEN E. VanZILE	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	WILLIAM LECHNER
<i>Booster Chairman:</i>	JOHN D. STERLING	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	JAMES E. BARLOW
<i>Decoration Chairman:</i>	BENJAMIN A. BREMER	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	PETER HEID
<i>Topics Chairman:</i>	FRANCIS J. CRAMER	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	ARTHUR PEMBERTON
<i>Tournament Chairman:</i>	FRED CODDINGTON	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	CHARLES H. LEIS
<i>Sports Chairman:</i>	MARTIN E. REICHENBERGER	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	ROBERT FOREST
<i>Grounds Chairman:</i>	SETH E. NORTON	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	DR. HENRY JOHANTGEN
<i>Emergency First Aid Chairman:</i>	KERMIT K. HEATH	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	MILTON FOREST
<i>Club Steward Chairman:</i>	RICHARD J. ANDERSON	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	HELEN CRAMER
<i>Women's Division Chairman:</i>	DOROTHY COREY	<i>Vice Chairman</i>	ELIZABETH RICKARD



1953 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Standing left to right Harian J. Walrath, George W. Badgerow, Kermit Heath, Martin Reichenberger

Seated left to right Andrew E. Schlaffer, Fred Coddington, Elmer F. Hoppe, Francis J. Cramer, Milton Forest, Glen E. VanZile

A purchase offer was received for a lot on Maiden Lane that was part of our property. We later agreed that we were not interested in selling any of our property.

In January 1955, the Board of Trustees suggested to the membership, that yearly dues of two (2) dollars be assessed each member, and the monies be deposited in a benevolent account. The membership accepted the board's recommendation. This account today is derived from monies received from a two (2) percent tax that is levied on all fire insurance policies written by insurance companies, who have their home offices located outside the State of New York. This tax is collected and distributed by the State of New York, to the volunteer fire department, or exempt firemen's association, or to the town in which the tax is collected. This money can be used for benevolent purposes only.

A check was received from the Town of Greece in payment for a right-of-way thru our property for the construction of a storm water and sanitary sewer.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held for the purpose of authorizing the installation of plumbing to connect to the new sewer installation, and enlarge the men's room with additional fixtures. Also at this meeting permission was granted for purchasing new kitchen equipment, such as stoves and a dishwashing machine.

In June 1955, Ben Bremer, one of the founders of our association, passed away. Ben was very active in the early days serving as our first House Committee Chairman. His passing left us all saddened.



FRAN CRAMER

In September 1955, Fred Conway reported Lloyd Williams had resigned as secretary to the House Manager and recommended Fran Cramer be employed as secretary.

It was reported that the roof of our building was in bad shape. Leo Goodman gave an estimate for replacing shingles and coating the entire roof, and suggested removing the dormers as they served no purpose.

In February 1956, when Fred Conway was reappointed House Manager, it was with the understanding that the Board of Trustees were going to issue instructions for the improvement of the operations of the Club. The House Manager was ordered to notify the bartenders that no free drinks were to be served to anyone, including the help.

Several fund raising events happened during the early period of this Association. Turkey raffles were quite popular at Thanksgiving time. Card parties, dances, key card parties and other events were always being planned. In 1956, the Barnard Fire Department decided not to run their annual Minstrel Shows, which had run some seventeen (17) years as a fund raising project. Several ex-

empt members, who had participated in these shows, got together and decided it would be a good fund raising event for the Exempt Association.



On April 6th & 7th, 1956 we sponsored our first Minstrel Show, under the direction of W. Gardner. Such characters as Charles "Duz" Holland, Jim "Little Atom" Barlow, and Robert "Bones" McKissock were some of the fun makers for the evening. Harold Schwonke was the interlocutor. A trolley act of the good old days was featured as a specialty act. A chorus made up of several members and their wives, along with the people on the Minstrel Show

committee chaired by Harold Schwonke, made this show a success.

A group of residents complained about the unsanitary conditions from dumping rubbish on our property. The Grounds Committee placed thirty-five (35) no trespassing signs, and seven (7) no dumping signs around our property. Post lights were placed around the building.



On May 10th & 11th, 1957 we sponsored our second Minstrel Show under the direction of W. Gardner. Endmen Nelson "Lightning" Ainsworth, Bob "Snowflake" Walton, and Harold, "Swanee River" Schwonke, provided the fun and merriment for the evening. Interlocutor Harold Barrett kept things moving very smoothly. A chorus made up of members and their wives, the trolley act, and a very capable committee chaired by Harold Schwonke made this show a hit with our patrons.

It was suggested that whenever the House Manager was absent for any number of days, he should notify the chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the head bartender would be in charge during his absence. If Fran Cramer was available he would be in charge.

In April 1958 we again sponsored our annual Minstrel Show under the direction of W. Gardner. Such characters as Art "Fingers" Dunst, Officer Charles



"Mike Harrigan" Holland, and Officer James "Shamus O'Brian" Barlow were some of the endmen. A court of law was the theme for this show, with Lucien Lucieer as the Judge. A dress rehearsal for this show was held at the Canandaigua Veterans Hospital to entertain the patients. Again, with a dedicated chorus of members and their wives, and a committee chaired by Don Denning, this show was a success.

Do you remember this pantomime specialty act in our minstrel shows of 1956-57-58? It was called "The Trolley Act". This skit was originated by Urban Schneider, a professional entertainer. He is the fourth person from the right, and the only one in the act not affiliated with our Exempt Association. Bob Newman (standing) provided the appropriate music, "Clang, Clang, Clang, Went The Trolley." Many tears of



laughter have been shed when the trolley pole loses contact, the trolley stops suddenly, and the drunken character (Urban Schneider) upsets the lady with her groceries (Fran Cramer). He shoves his hand down the front of her (his) dress and spills the contents of her groceries all over the stage. One passenger (Bill Corey) calmly reads his magazine, "The Police Gazette," throughout the entire melee. Motorman (Bill Gardner) and another passenger (Jim Barlow) do their best to restore order and to get the trolley running again.

A bowling alley installation was proposed at one time. A twelve (12) alley lane attached to the existing building was suggested but nothing ever materialized.

At a meeting of the Association it was agreed that we adopt the "Firemen's Prayer", a copy of which is printed on the inside back cover of this book.

— In The Sixties —



JOHN C. FISHER

John Fisher was elected President of the Monroe County Volunteer Firemen's Association. John thanked the Association for all the support given him in the past several years. Support which culminated in his election as President of the Monroe County Association.



ROBERT FOREST

Annual banquets, each year, are anticipated by most members and their wives. Old friendships are rekindled, and fond memories recalled. Banquet committees composed of members of our Association did excellent work in planning these affairs. In May 1960 we held our 25th Anniversary Banquet. A committee chaired by Robert Forest did outstanding work arranging this affair. Gordon Howe, then Monroe County Manager, was our toastmaster. At the speaker's table were such celebrities as Al Skinner, then Sheriff of Monroe County; Vincent Toffany, then supervisor of the Town of Greece; Dr. John Marvin, then President of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York; our own John Fisher, then President of the Monroe County Volunteer Firemen's Association; Nelson Pepper, then Chief of the Barnard Fire Department; Ray Gardner, then President of the Barnard Fire Department; Richard Anderson, then President of our Association; Harold Barrett, then Chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Robert Forest, then Chief Engineer of our Association and chairman of this affair. After a delicious steak dinner prepared by our kitchen staff, and served by our employees, several speakers were heard. Recognition of honored guests and witty remarks from our toastmaster Gordon Howe, completed the banquet hour. The evening was concluded with dancing. It was a night to be remembered.

The Association sponsored "A Showcase of Pleasure" as a fundraising project. The proceeds were used for building improvements.



It was recommended that a "key card" lock be installed on the entrance door. Key cards were sent to all active Exempt members and social members. This electric lock system eliminated the need for a doorman. It was operated by a key card (pictured at the left) to enter our private club. This system went into effect August 1st 1961. When outside parties were held, the manager would hire a doorman and the party was charged for his services.

Fred Conway reported that some of the members wives,

were holding a card party in April 1962. The proceeds were to be used to purchase dishes and silverware.

In 1963, it was announced that any Exempt member reaching the age of sixty-five (65), who has been a member for ten (10) years, shall be exempt from paying dues, and still have an active part in this Association.

At the Trustees Meeting in June of 1963, Robert Forest was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees. At this same meeting it was voted to pay off the Yarker mortgage held on our building.

In July 1963, the Trustees suggested the following improvements: air conditioning for the bar, game room and the office; ceiling in the dining room to be fitted with fluorescent lighting strips; carpet in the dining room; six (6) thermopane windows in the dining room, and tile for the dance floor. It was voted that we borrow \$10,000.00 for the reconditioning costs, and ordered the Building Committee to have the improvements completed.



N. RAYMOND KRAFT

In January 1964 N. Raymond Kraft announced that as of the February meeting he would resign as Secretary of our Association. Ray had held this office for twenty-six (26) consecutive years, writing minutes, and recording events of this Association, from which much of the history of this group has been compiled. It is fitting and proper that such a dedicated member of the association be honored in this historical book. Ray passed away July 23, 1980.

There was a discussion relative to hiring a new Manager upon the retirement of Fred Conway. It was agreed that when Fred retired, Fran Cramer would act as Manager until such a time as a new manager could be hired. He would be compensated for his extra time.



PAUL FENNESSY

At a special Trustees meeting, Paul Fennessy was interviewed for the position of Manager. His duties and responsibilities were outlined by the Board. Three (3) members of the Board would handle the Club's business between meetings, Forest, Cramer and Veness. The Manager would be on a salary, with a percentage of the net profits. Fennessy wished a one year contract with the option of two (2) years renewal.

At the May Association meeting, R. Forest introduced Paul Fennessy as the new Manager of the Exempt's Club. He would take over on June 15, 1964.

Fran Cramer, and the Manager, Paul Fennessy, were ordered to contact the A.B.C. Liquor Board with reference to our liquor license. Cramer was to check with Jake Foley, attorney for the State Association, about changing our license to a restaurant license. If the attorney approved, Cramer was to get the necessary papers filled out and apply for same.

The membership was informed that they were entitled to a reduction of ten (10) cents off the regular bar price for drinks, by showing the bartender their life membership card. This discount would continue as long as it was not abused. This privilege would not be in effect in the dining room.

In February, 1966 several changes to the by-laws were read:

All members who fail to attend three (3) meetings per year will be automatically placed on the inactive list and be so notified by mail. Inactive members may attend social functions, but will be denied the

privilege to vote.

The Chief Engineer shall be empowered to organize the members in times of an emergency. He shall be responsible for the safety and fire protection of the Barnard Exempt property.

At the April meeting each year, one or more candidates for each office shall be nominated from the floor.

Any member who is on the inactive list or suspended shall not be entitled to hold office, make nominations, or vote.

The above changes to the by-laws were accepted by the membership, and it was agreed to purchase four hundred (400) new printed by-law books for distribution to the members.

Bill Schultz reported a remodeling of the kitchen was in its final phase. R. Forest suggested the membership should review the renovation program and see how the monies were being spent.

W. Gardner, of the Picture Committee, reported that pictures of the entire membership would be displayed in the room that formerly held our money machines, better known as the "Game Room."

Paul Fennessy, our Manager, recommended that we should have an Assistant Manager, who would have authority, when the Manager was not available and submitted the name of Evelyn Gallagher. The Board of Trustees concurred with this recommendation and appointed Evelyn Gallagher as the Assistant Manager.



Representing Barnard Exempts in a bowling tournament from left to right were Gordon Cooper, Fran Cramer, Harold Moore, Don Dening, and Robert Newman.

A fund raising event called "Cartons of Pleasure" was held. Attention was called to a display, arranged by Elmer Hoppe, in the bar promoting this event.

W. Schulze of the Building Committee reported that he had contacted a surveyor to survey our property. Some property owners on Tait Ave, Cravenwood, and Lone Oak are using our property. The survey was completed, maps furnished, and permanent stakes were placed.

Estimates were received to blacktop the parking areas around the Club. The meeting room upstairs was remodeled with new ceiling lights and furniture was purchased.

Paul Fennessy, our Club Manager, presented his letter of resignation, effective April 17, 1967. Evelyn Gallagher the Assistant Manager would receive extra remuneration during the time we were without a Manager.



FRANK SWARTZ

Robert Forest, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, stated our new Manager would be Frank Swartz. Although he had been helping out, he would start officially as Manager on May 1, 1967. He was called before the Board of Trustees to discuss the proper policy for operating our Club. (Frank still serves as manager of our Club as of this printing.)

A discussion was held relative to installing air conditioning in our building. It was agreed that we enter into a contract for air conditioning units.

— In The Seventies —

In March 1970, Bill Schultz of the Building Committee presented plans for a new pavilion which would have steel columns and an aluminum roof. A grille at the north end with overhead garage doors on the west side was suggested. Rubble from the old pavilion was to be removed.

New rugs were installed in the dining room, and the dance floor area was reconditioned. An amplifier was installed in the bar and an F.M. tuner would be installed to give background music for the dining area.

There were proposed plans to remodel the cloak room and office. Plans included a Manager's office and an outer office for the Secretary and Treasurer of the Association. This new front will greatly enhance the looks of our building.

An honorary life membership was bestowed to the Reverend Alfred B. Wangman of Bethany Presbyterian Church as Honorary Chaplain.

Remodeling of the piano, into a piano bar with an all formica top and sides was contracted, and six (6) bar stools for same were purchased.

In 1972, the trustees suggested an honorary membership to be given to Frank Swartz, our Manager for his efforts and the good management of our Club.

With the social memberships over 2200, it was felt by the Trustees, that as of July 1972, the social memberships should be closed.

A used Ford Bronco four (4) wheel drive truck with a plow attached was purchased. The manager was willing to see that the parking areas were kept clear of snow.

In 1973, the stage was remodeled, drapes and curtains were installed, and a wrought iron railing placed across the front.

With the ever increasing number of employees, and the problem of recording their working hours, the Manager asked to have a time clock installed to record their working hours.



EDWARD R. WENDELL

At a Trustees Meeting in June, Ed Wendell Sr. informed the Board that as of September 1973 he would be resigning as Treasurer. Ed served our Association thirty (30) consecutive years. He faithfully handled the financial end of the Association's business, wrote numerous checks to which he officially affixed his signature. He was a dedicated member. Ed passed away April 28, 1978. It was recommended that Richard Anderson be appointed treasurer, until the next regular election.

In June it was announced that there would be a meeting of all Barnard Exempt members who were retired to formulate some kind of a social get-together at least once a month.

In 1974, William Schulze informed the members that the Trustees authorized the purchase of a watch dog for security reasons. This dog would be free to roam the premises inside after business hours. A letter was sent to the Barnard Fire Department advising them of this condition.

In December 1974 at a special meeting of the Board of Trustees, it was suggested that an accountant should be considered to look into the business of our Club. A new corporation must be formed to keep our Association charter free of tax. On December 18, 1974 a corporation called "360 Maiden Lane, Inc." was formed. This new corporation would be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of five (5) members of our Association, appointed by the Board of Trustees to assist the Manager of our Club. They would make routine decisions concerning the day-to-day operations of the business, and make recommendations for major improvements. They would be responsible for supporting the Manager in the operations of "360 Maiden Lane, Inc." and would make monthly reports to the Board of Trustees.

It was during this period of change from a private club to an established business, that the title of "Private Club" was relinquished. The key card lock was removed from the entrance door, and it became generally known that our club was open to the public.

Founders badges were presented to Fred Conway and John Kohn at a regular Association meeting. (Ben Bremer's badge would be placed on his picture.)

At the 1975 May meeting of the Trustees, an accountant explained the new set-up for handling accounts in the future. This new system was authorized by the trustees. It was further agreed that a commercial payroll company, would make out all employees payroll checks under the new corporation heading "360 Maiden Lane, Inc."

In 1976, gold jackets with a blue emblem for all officers were suggested. A jacket was selected. These jackets were to be worn at all meetings and social functions of this Association under a penalty of a one (1) dollar fine for each incident. Badges of the highest office held shall be worn on the left lapel.

William Schulze reported the pavilion had been completely closed in with overhead garage doors and we were renting out winter storage space for large boats.

Chief Engineer, John Gore, suggested that auxiliary lighting units be placed throughout the Club. It was agreed to purchase four (4) light units.

An active and exempt social day was held February 20, 1977. Robert Newman, Chairman, stated the activities would start at 1:00 p.m. Euchre games and games of chance were planned. Pictured on next page are some of those who attended.



Picture of Active Exempt Social Day

In 1977, Barnard had a man run for President of the Northern Central Volunteer Firemen's Association, Vince Bracci. The Board of Trustees agreed to share with the Barnard Fire Department the publicity expenses involved in Vince Bracci's election.

On a discussion of the Barnard Fire Department's 50th year anniversary banquet, the Trustees agreed to pay the expense for any twenty-five (25) year exempt member who would like to attend.

The possibility of extending the Game Room to the south was suggested and a rough estimate was submitted. An application and approval was received from the Greece Town Planning Board to begin construction of a seventeen (17) by twenty-eight (28) foot addition to the south of our present building.



ROBERT NEWMAN

It was agreed to discontinue the organ player and bring back R. Newman on Friday nights by popular demand. Bob entertained with his piano playing and a sing-a-long. A projector placed on the piano would project the words for many popular songs, that were sung by all those in attendance. This was a popular program every Friday night.

A remodeling of the back-bar in the bar-room would include a new unit of three (3) refrigerated compartments and two

(2) dry storage compartments, to improve the handling of bottled beer. New cash registers for the bar were purchased and installed.

In a report on remodeling of the kitchen, it was stated that the stove, oven and grille were worn out and should be replaced. We were also in need of a new refrigerator and freezer. There should be some new work tables and a new ice making machine. It was agreed to remodel the kitchen as recommended by the General Supply Co. at a cost of \$10,000.00.

A direct fire alarm connection with the Barnard Fire Department was approved with zone lights just inside the front entrance.

One of the founders of our Association, John Kohn, passed away, July 4, 1979. It was through John's efforts that this Association was formed as explained in the first few pages of this historical book. He was a dedicated member, and our club house was a place he could point to with pride.

Another important person, during the early days of our Association, Fred Conway, passed away August 4, 1979. Fred, like John Kohn, was one of the early members. Fred served on the House Committee for several years and later became Manager. Fred served twelve (12) years in this capacity.

— In The Eighties —

In January, Leo Trau, of the Greece Ridge Fire District, was granted an honorary membership in our Association.

There was a discussion by the membership on a funeral calling procedure to be initiated, upon the passing of a member. The Barnard Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary has offered to make these phone calls. They will not charge a fee, but would accept a donation at the end of the year.

In March 1980, Fran Cramer, Secretary to the Manager, passed away suddenly while on vacation. Fran served this Association for twenty-five (25) years as Secretary to the business starting back in 1955. His accounting was excellent, and he served three (3) managers during his years of dedicated service. It is therefore fitting and proper that this Member should be mentioned in this historical book. Debbie Brockman, who was substituting for Fran while he vacationed, assumed his duties until a replacement could be hired.

Jesse Dunn was appointed as an Assistant to the Manager, Frank Swartz. He was to assist Frank in anyway he could, as Frank recovered from a hospital stay of some weeks. Jesse soon asked to be relieved of his duties as Frank's back-up man, and Frank was informed that he was in full charge again.

As of January 1981, it was announced that our new accountant would be John Petrella, a Certified Public Accountant.

It was reported that our truck and snow plow had been stolen. A settlement from our insurance company for its value was made. A used truck was purchased to replace the stolen one.

It was suggested that the Board of Directors of "360 Maiden Lane, Inc.", should take a more active part in the operation of the Club, and be assigned specific duties in the area of operating the Club.

In April 1981, Betty Hallett was hired as Secretary to the Manager to relieve Debbie Brockman, and to assume the duties of the late Fran Cramer.

James Parks, then Captain of the Barnard Fire District made structural measurements of our Club's interior and suggested the following occupancy schedule: small dining room, seventy (70) persons; main dining room, two hundred (200) persons; bar room, forty-five (45) persons. Captain Parks was accompanied by the Town of Greece Fire Marshall, James Piazza.

In January, canopies were installed over the outside fire exit doors on each side of the stage to prevent an ice build-up that could have prevented these doors from being opened. In June 1982, a revised issue of our by-laws, that included all of the changes made since the last printing, was distributed to the membership. This new book is of a loose-leaf design, so that future changes with new printings may be inserted when they occur.

At a meeting of the Trustees in June, Robert Forest stepped down as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, due to a by-law change in regard to duties of officers, which reads in part:

Section 5 Trustees. The term of chairman shall be for one year, a chairman can only succeed himself two (2) consecutive years.

Robert Forest held this office for eighteen (18) consecutive years.

Jesse Dunn asked to be removed from the Board of Directors of 360 Maiden Lane, Inc. because he had been elected Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

**— 1982 —
STEAK ROAST**





CARL VELTRI

Carl Veltri announced that he would be a candidate for the office of Second Vice President of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York. The board of Trustees extended its full support for one of our Association's Past Presidents to this very important office in the State Association.

The Chief Engineer, Ralph Brule, stated he would like to meet with the Board of Trustees in regard to the installation of automatic sprinklers inside our building. He believed it would become mandatory in 1985.

The following by-law changes were voted on and accepted by the membership in 1982:

Meetings

Section 1. The annual meeting of this Association will be held in November each year. The fiscal year shall begin January 1st.

Section 5. At the meeting prior to the annual meeting each year, nominations for officers and delegates to member Associations shall be accepted in accordance with Article V of these by-laws.

Ceiling fans were installed in the main dining room and in the bar room. These fans should improve the circulation of the heated air, as well as the conditioned air.

A by-law change regarding the duties of newly elected members was presented:

A new member will be on probation for their first two (2) years. During this time they will be required to attend six (6) meetings per year.

Failure to comply to the above duties, new members will be denied the privilege to vote and attend social functions.

Exceptions may be granted by the President or the presiding officer.

This change was voted on and accepted by the Membership.

As a precaution against break-ins when the Club is closed, an alarm system called "Amsafe System" was recommended by the Board of Directors of 360 Maiden Lane, Inc. This system was purchased and installed. This eliminated the need for the watch dog inside our building after business hours.

In March 1983 a by-law change was proposed that the section pertaining to duties of officers under the heading of Trustees in regard to donations, to be changed to read:

they shall pass on all donations amounting to \$300.00 or more.

This change was approved by the Membership.

The Board of Directors of 360 Maiden Lane, Inc., suggested a larger cocktail area, by removing a small office, relocating the check room door, providing a larger opening to the small dining room with folding doors, uniforms for the bartenders, waitresses, and bus people. Plans for the remodeling were submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval before construction was started.

— 1984 —
SREAK ROAST



At the October 1983 meeting of the Board of Trustees, it was agreed that full exempt members would receive twenty (20) cent discount on all beverages purchased at the bar only. Members must present their membership card to receive this discount.

In February 1984, it was suggested that the Association absorb the cost of the hospital TV, hospital phone, parking fees for member's spouse, and newspapers for any member who is hospitalized. This expense should be taken from the benevolent fund. It was also suggested that gifts should be given to members confined at home or in nursing homes as the need arises.

In the early part of June, Frank Swartz, our club Manager was hospitalized suddenly. This forced the Board of Directors to immediately appoint an Assistant Manager to carry on during Frank's hospital stay. Nancy Montemaro, one of our outstanding waitresses was asked to consider an appointment. After consenting, Nancy's willingness was then presented to the Board of Trustees for final approval. The Trustees agreed to this action of the Board of Directors. At the June meeting of the Board of Directors of 360 Maiden Lane, Inc., a new accountant was hired to prepare our monthly financial statement. Dom Passeri will be our new accountant.

In the latter part of 1984, several changes in the kitchen were suggested and approved by the Board of Trustees. Tile flooring in the serving area in front of the steam table was recommended by the Health Department. A new walk-in cooler to replace our existing walk-in refrigerator is being planned to the west, increasing the food preparation area. Plans also include an access door to the small dining room from the kitchen in the area of the present men's room. This work should be completed in the early part of 1985.



There have been many eventful happenings over the years, that have occurred between 1935 and 1985 in our Association. Due to lack of space it is impossible to chronicle all of these events, but we have tried to refresh your memories and acquaint the newer members with some of the history of the Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association, on this our fifty (50) year anniversary.

— HISTORICAL BOOK COMMITTEE —

William A. Gardner, Chairman

Gordon Howe

John Fisher

Herb Schwind*

Edward Fenner

Robert Newman

James Parks

Herbert Meier, President

We of the Historical Book Committee, wish to thank all the people who helped make this history book possible. Very good information was received from Gordon Howe, John Fisher, Harold Barrett and William Schultz. All of the preliminary typing was done by Diane Schultz of the Barnard Fire District personnel, prior to printing by the Greece Business Service.

The Barnard Exempt Firemen's Association boasts of this fine clubhouse. The original building, a one room school house that was donated to the Association, and the additions which were built from time to time, by the members, with revenues received through various functions, is shown in the picture below as it is today, 1985.



A fine picnic shelter, baseball diamond, and picnic grounds completes the complement of this Exempt Club.

Barnard Exempt Charter Members

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. John G. Kohn* | 23. Glenn Kenyon* |
| 2. Wesley J. Cunningham* | 24. Gordon A. Howe |
| 3. Fred J. Shedd* | 25. Robert Andrews* |
| 4. Edward R. Wendell, Sr.* | 26. Guy Travis* |
| 5. Warren J. Dettman* | 27. Roy Ayers* |
| 6. Eli G. Thompson* | 28. Leon L. Cox* |
| 7. Frederick J. Conway* | 29. Anton P. Wiederhold* |
| 8. William A. Howe* | 30. Peter J. Leroy* |
| 9. Frank T. Stickel* | 31. George F. Coppard* |
| 10. James B. Pickworth* | 32. William D. Denise* |
| 11. Clarence A. Ropeter* | 33. Harold Timain* |
| 12. Alvin C. Lake* | 34. Harold W. Smith |
| 13. Frank O. Durbin* | 35. Peter Williams* |
| 14. Frank Gallagher* | 36. Benjamin A. Bremer* |
| 15. N. Raymond Kraft* | 37. William Archer* |
| 16. Charles De Forest* | 38. Bud W. Griswold* |
| 17. Milton A. Pike* | 39. Henry C. Paul* |
| 18. Alexander Crane* | 40. Errol McBride* |
| 19. Alfred L. Clifford* | 41. Howard R. Coner* |
| 20. George D. Tiffany | 42. Theodore W. Klee* |
| 21. Orrin R. Judd | 43. Dayton G. Smith* |
| 22. Alexander Johnstone* | 44. Leslie B. Schmanke* |

*Deceased

Barnard Exempt Members

45 Frank Pitcher*	91 Harold Clark*	137 George Hayes*
46 Dumont Stone*	92 William Kohn	138 Fred Waite*
47 Arthur Morgan*	93 Arthur Molzahn*	139 Eugene Heveron*
48 Eugene Dow*	94 Martin Reichenberger*	140 Norman Forest
49 Harry O'Brien*	95 George Simmonds, Sr.*	141 William Gardner
50 Glen Waring*	96 Peter Lucieer*	142 Willard Carr
51 Fred Coddington*	97 Arthur Pemberton*	143 Garrett Van Dortrecht*
52 Hugh Hughes*	98 Elmer O'Brien	144 William Lechner
53 George Burger*	99 George Simmonds, Jr.*	145 Winston Clifford
54 Henry Maurer*	100 Edwin Fraser*	146 Carl Roth*
55 A. W. Crittenden*	101 Naz Montalbine*	147 Carrol Bennett*
56 George Welch	102 Anthony Joninas*	148 Seth Norton
57 Edward Staub*	103 George Straight*	149 Charles Petersen, Jr.
58 Emmett Cooper*	104 Floyd Trickler*	150 Howard Neth*
59 Andrew Schell*	105 George Newman, Jr.*	151 James Barlow*
60 Charles Englert*	106 Richard Vanderbilt*	152 William Corey
61 Louis Phillips*	107 Charles Oehmke*	153 Walter Randall*
62 Alexander Kapel*	108 Joseph Vatter, Sr.*	154 Francis Pasquale
63 George Korn*	109 William Kullick*	155 Robert Forest
64 Charles Strickland*	110 Earl Archambault*	156 Kermit Heath*
65 Stephen Friga*	111 Elmer Scheck*	157 George Badgerow
66 Karl Kohn*	112 Almon Klubertanz*	158 Milton Oakes*
67 Fred Leonard*	113 Cyril DuBois	159 Charles Holland*
68 Donald Miller*	114 William Gray*	160 Robert Newman
69 James McDonald*	115 Harold Schwonke*	161 Walter Behnke
70 Harold Barrett	116 Charles Drake*	162 George Houser*
71 Herbert Schwind*	117 Leo Goodman*	163 Bernard Henner
72 Henry Miller*	118 William Schulze	164 Thaddeus Mocny
73 Joseph Timmons*	119 George Sterling*	165 Donald Denning*
74 Elmer Hoppe*	120 Peter Blonsky	166 Richard Veness*
75 Fred Bartling*	121 Glen VanZile*	167 Harold Moore
76 Harold Servis*	122 Edward Wendell, Jr.	168 George Haines
77 Lloyd Williams*	123 Wilfred Staub*	169 Edward Spitz*
78 John Swanton	124 Raymond Warne*	170 Urban Verstring, Jr.
79 Raymond Pearson	125 Francis Cramer*	171 Frank Davis*
80 Howard Carey*	126 Ralph Rickard*	172 Ellingwood Junker
81 Walter Weiss*	127 Edwin Bauerschmidt	173 Raymond Kasper
82 Norman Levin*	128 Richard Anderson*	174 Ray Gardner
83 Edgar Lyons*	129 Peter Heid*	175 Fran Lambert
84 Andrew Schlaffer*	130 William Smith	176 John Gore
85 John Murphy	131 Raymond Wenzel*	177 Nelson Ainsworth*
86 John Fisher	132 Charles Leis*	178 Robert Foley
87 Harold Hoepfl*	133 Wilbur Stanton*	179 Henry MacGregor
88 John Campbell	134 Kenneth Judge	180 Donald York
89 John Sterling*	135 Paul Reichert*	181 William Steinegger
90 Herman Sharp*	136 Keith Holden*	182 Erle Jackson

*Deceased

Barnard Exempt Members

183	Robert Walton	229	George Webster	275	Michael Pospula
184	Arthur Dunst*	230	James Fischer	276	Thomas Rushlow
185	George Goetz	231	Donald Goodness	277	William Nichols
186	George Smith	232	Martin Cappon	278	Larry Lucieer
187	Erdman Mertz*	233	Frank Garrett	279	Frank Diehl
188	Wesley Schlageter*	234	Carl Veltri	280	Gregory Conibear
189	Gordon Cooper	235	Ronald Gross	281	Arnold Frear
190	John Malak	236	Thorvald Jensen	282	Richard Gardner
191	Clarence Hoyt	237	Charles Doyle	283	Clark Nash
192	John Braun	238	Garey Folts	284	James Parks
193	Laurence Lucieer	239	Edward Roberts	285	Robert Harrison
194	Gerald O'Brien	240	Byrne Coddington	286	Thomas Vernam
195	Walter Brule	241	Robert Cappon	287	William Sturgis
196	Chester Merriam	242	William Rothaug	288	Douglas Ford
197	William Burke	243	Allen Carris	289	Douglas Scarson
198	Jesse Dunn	244	Vincent Bracci*	290	Andrew Savell
199	Lucien Lucieer*	245	Daniel Bowers	291	Scott Lester
200	Francis Kerwin	246	Eugene Bour	292	Anthony Simpatico
201	Herbert MEier	247	Michael Yokobowsky	293	Gary Renz
202	Bruce Berner	248	Robert Hamilton	294	Dale Morris
203	Stephen Cholowsky	249	Charles Andreasen*	295	Mark Renz
204	Edward Fenner	250	Dean Marsaw	296	Terry Ekwel
205	Richard Walton	251	Rudy Minier	297	Gary Williams
206	Richard Davis	252	DeWitt Tacy	298	Robert Cenzano
207	Raymond McBeth	253	James Derleth	299	David Twamley
208	Harry Buss	254	Robert Ayers	300	Kenneth Bowers
209	Robert Schulz	255	George Schultz	301	David Burton
210	Donald Heberger	256	David Green	302	John McBeth
211	Charles Johnson	257	Corneilus Moore	303	David Rist
212	Michael Heberger	258	Robert Platner	304	Loren McCarthy
213	Robert Kimball*	259	Patrick Burdick	305	David Mallory
214	Donald Root	260	Theodore Nadelen	306	Edward Tydings
215	Edward Messmer	261	John Nolte	307	James Dill
216	Donald Brown	262	Ralph Miller	308	Donald Bowers
217	Werner Kraemer	263	Charles Doohan	309	George Hart
218	Robert Kennedy	264	Bert Morgan	310	David Williams
219	Edmund Lange*	265	Thomas Lee	311	James Gilboe
220	Henry Pink	266	Gary Feeney	312	Richard Houseman
221	Frank Clovis	267	Enoch Wright	313	Daniel Cappon
222	Wallace Smith	268	Leonard Viccaro	314	Jeff Spinell
223	Gordon Burris	269	Paul VanLare	315	Dennis Joy
224	Ralpherd Brule	270	Harold Beach	316	John Nolan
225	Robert Fien	271	Ronald Wood	317	
226	Robert Welch	272	Donald Harter	318	
227	Harry Lehr*	273	Earl Folts*	319	
228	Charles Klueber	274	John Norton	320	

*DECEASED

BARNARD EXEMPT HONORARY MEMBERS

1940 — George Baist.....	St. Paul Blvd. Exempts
1942 — Seth Cole.....	F.A.S.N.Y.
1971 — Rev. Alfred B. Wangman.....	Bethany Church
1972 — Frank Swartz.....	Mgr. of B. E. Club
1981 — Leo Trau.....	Greece Ridge Fire District

Several of our members have served, or are now serving, as officers of the various volunteer firemen's associations throughout the State of New York.

Gordon Howe.....	1st Chairman of M.C.F.A. Board
Fred Shedd.....	Past. Pres. of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
Andrew Schell.....	Past. Pres. of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
John Fisher.....	Past. Pres. of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
Henry MacGregor.....	Past. Pres. of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
James Parks.....	Secretary of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
Werner Kraemer.....	Sgt. at Arms of M.C.V.F. Assoc.
Vince Bracci.....	Past. Pres. of N.C.V.F. Assoc.
Harold Barrett.....	Past. Pres. of W.N.Y.V.F. Assoc.
Eugene Bour.....	Past. Pres. of M.C.F.D.O. Assoc.
Carl Veltri.....	1st Vice Pres. of F.A.S.N.Y.

The following organizations are some of those who support our Club through meetings, banquets, etc.

Barnard Fire Department
 Barnard Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary
 Barnard Exempt Retirees
 Rochester Northside Lions Club
 Greece Republican Club
 Weight Watchers
 Rochester Street Rods Inc.
 Kodak "After Glo" Retirees
 Rochester Schwaben Verien Inc.
 Golden Oldies
 Avon Company
 Empire State Youth Football Inc.
 Centra Game Preserve
 Charlotte Greece Area Sea Hawks

BARNARD EXEMPT FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

1985 OFFICERS

President.....	Herbert Meier
1st Vice Pres.....	James Pasquale
2nd Vice Pres.....	Eugene Bour
Secretary.....	Jessie Dunn
Treasurer.....	Robert Newman
Warden.....	Richard Gardner
Chaplain.....	William Nichols
Sgt. at Arms.....	George Haines

TRUSTEES

Don Heberger CH. Donald Brown CO. CH.
John Malak — Richard Walton — Francis Kerwin
Also the first five (5) governing officers

LINE OFFICERS

Chief Engineer.....	Michael Pospula
Asst. Chief Engineer.....	James Parks
Captain.....	Paul VanLare

BARNARD EXEMPT CLUB

"360 Maiden Lane, Inc."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman.....	Chester Merriam
Co-Chairmen.....	Neil Moore Carl Veltri Werner Kraemer
Secretary.....	William Gardner
Club Manager.....	Frank Swartz
Asst. Club Manager.....	Nancy Montemaro
Secretary to the Mgr.....	Betty Hallett

FIREMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The following Barnard Exempt Members have been recipients of the "Fireman of the Year" award given by the Order of Elks, Greece Lodge 2016.

Carl Veltri - 1977 Eugene Bour - 1978 Charles Peterson - 1981
Richard Gardner - 1982 Werner Kraemer - 1984

OFFICERS OF THE BARNARD EXEMPT FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Term	Ch. of Board	President	Secretary	Treasurer	Chief Eng.
1935-1936	J. Pickworth	J. Kohn	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Dettman	---
1936-1937	F. Conway	J. Kohn	T. Klee	W. Dettman	---
1937-1938	F. Conway	W. Cunningham	T. Klee	W. Dettman	---
1938-1939	F. Conway	W. Cunningham	T. Klee	W. Dettman	---
1939-1940	F. Conway	F. Shedd	R. Kraft	W. Dettman	---
1940-1941	F. Conway	F. Shedd	R. Kraft	W. Dettman	---
1941-1942	F. Conway	F. Shedd	R. Kraft	W. Dettman	---
1942-1943	F. Shedd	W. Howe	R. Kraft	W. Dettman	---
1943-1944	F. Shedd	W. Howe	R. Kraft	W. Dettman	---
1944-1945	P. Leroy	F. Conway	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1945-1946	P. Leroy	F. Conway	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1946-1947	P. Leroy	B. Bremer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1947-1948	P. Leroy	B. Bremer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1948-1949	F. Conway	E. Hoppe	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1949-1950	F. Conway	E. Hoppe	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	---
1950-1951	F. Conway	A. Schlaffer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	G. Howe
1951-1952	F. Conway	A. Schlaffer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	G. Howe
1952-1953	F. Conway	H. Barrett	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	G. Howe
1953-1954	B. Bremer	W. Staub	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	N. Forest
1954-1955	B. Bremer	W. Staub	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	N. Forest
1955-1956	H. Barrett	J. Fisher	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	H. Timian
1956-1957	H. Barrett	J. Fisher	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	H. Timian
1957-1958	H. Barrett	F. Cramer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	M. Reichenberger
1958-1959	H. Barrett	F. Cramer	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	M. Reichenberger
1959-1960	H. Barrett	R. Anderson	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	R. Forest
1960-1961	H. Barrett	R. Anderson	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	R. Wenzel
1961-1962	H. Barrett	H. Schwonke	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	R. Wenzel
1962-1963	H. Barrett	H. Schwonke	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	J. McDonald
1963-1964	R. Forest	G. Badgerow	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	G. Houser
1964-1965	R. Forest	G. Badgerow	R. Kraft	E. Wendell Sr.	K. Judge
1965-1966	R. Forest	J. Barlow	W. Behnke	E. Wendell Sr.	K. Judge
1966-1967	R. Forest	J. Barlow	W. Behnke	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Gardner
1967-1968	R. Forest	H. Veness	W. Behnke	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Gardner
1968-1969	R. Forest	H. Veness	W. Behnke	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Gardner
1969-1970	R. Forest	D. Dening	W. Behnke	E. Wendell Sr.	U. Verstring
1970-1971	R. Forest	D. Dening	J. Barlow	E. Wendell Sr.	U. Verstring
1971-1972	R. Forest	R. Newman	J. Barlow	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Schlageter
1972-1973	R. Forest	R. Newman	J. Barlow	E. Wendell Sr.	W. Schlageter
1973-1974	R. Forest	N. Ainsworth	J. Barlow	E. Wendell Sr.	J. Pasquale
1974-1975	R. Forest	N. Ainsworth	J. Barlow	R. Anderson	J. Pasquale
1975-1976	R. Forest	R. Walton	R. Anderson	R. Newman	J. Gore
1976-1977	R. Forest	R. Walton	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	J. Gore
1977-1978	R. Forest	E. Fenner	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	Lu. Lucieer
1978-1979	R. Forest	E. Fenner	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	Lu. Lucieer
1979-1980	R. Forest	C. Veltri	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	D. Brown
1980-1981	R. Forest	C. Veltri	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	D. Brown
1981-1982	R. Forest	La. Lucieer	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	R. Brule
1982	J. Dunn	La. Lucieer	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	R. Brule
1983	J. Dunn	C. Doyle	F. Kerwin	R. Newman	R. Foley
1984	D. Heberger	C. Doyle	J. Dunn	R. Newman	R. Foley
1985	D. Heberger	H. Meier	J. Dunn	R. Newman	M. Pospula

BARNARD EXEMPT CLUB

LUNCHES

TUES. WED. THUR. FRI.
11:30-2:00 P.M.

DINNERS

WEDNESDAY and FRIDAYS

4:00-9:00 P.M.

SPECIALS EACH EVENING

WEDDINGS BANQUETS PARTIES

SMALL BUFFET

REGULAR BUFFET

DELUX BUFFET

•
SHELTERED PICNIC AREA
BALL DIAMOND
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HAPPY HOUR MON. TUES. WED. THUR.
11:30-6:30 P.M.
•

FRANK SWARTZ MGR.

663-1250

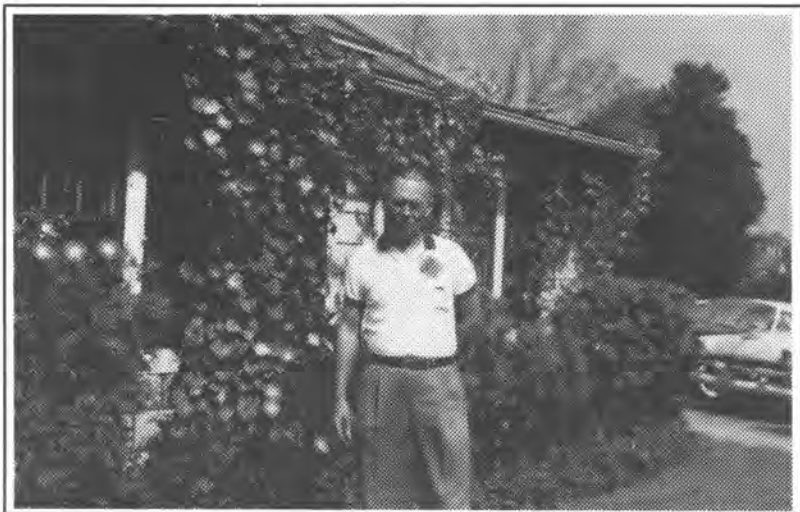
NANCY MONTEMARO ASST. MGR.

360 MAIDEN LANE, ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14616

— MEMORIES —



U.S. DRINKING TEAM



How the club looked on the outside at one time.

— MEMORIES —

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For Your Pleasure They Present Barnard's Carnival!

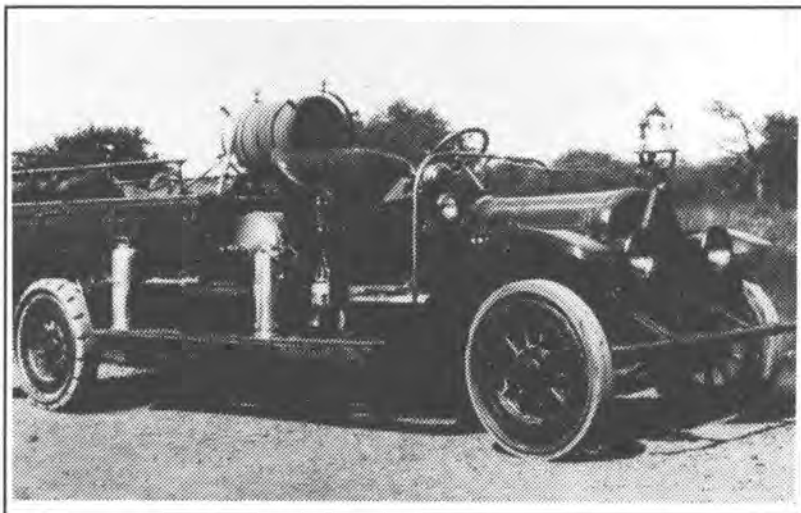


Barnard Volunteer Firemen's Carnival Left to right, front row: Charles Oehmke, Lloyd Williams, Art Pemberton, Harold Barrett. Rear, Bill Kullick, John Fisher, Bob Andrews, Steve Friga, general chairman.



WHEN HAS BEENS WERE ACTIVE

— MEMORIES —



BARNARD FIRE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST PUMPER



AN EARLY SOCIAL EVENT

*Gordon Howe
Fred Shedd*

*Ted Klee
F. Cramer*

— MEMORIES —



*E. Wendell
R. Craft
J. Kohn*

*W. Howe
A. Schallfer
E. Hoppe*

*P. LeRoy
F. Conway*



Dayton Smith

Herman Sharp

Harold Schwonke

Mike Marcus

THE FIREMAN'S PRAYER

When I am called to duty God,
Wherever flames may rage
Give me strength to save some life
Whatever be its age.

Help me embrace a little child
Before it is too late
Or save an elder person
From the horror of that fate.

Enable me to be alert
And hear the weakest shout
And quickly and efficiently
To put the fire out.

I want to fill my calling
And give the best in me
To guard my every neighbor
And protect his property.

And if according to Your will
I have to lose my life
Please bless with Your protecting hand
My children and my wife.

Amen.
