

RALEIGH FIRE MUSEUM NEWS

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Members,

Here are some updates about what's happening with the Raleigh Fire Museum lately. Watch this space for future updates. We are overdue with providing regular news to our members. We'll get better at that.

1. RENEWALS - Museum memberships begin expiring in November. Thank you for purchasing membership last year, and watch your e-mail for renewal requests this November (and later). We humbly request your continued support.
2. MEETING MINUTES – What's the latest business of the Raleigh Fire Museum? Read the minutes from our monthly staff meetings, which are posted on our web site. Here's that address: <http://raleighfiremuseum.org/news.html>
3. HISTORY TALK – On Saturday, October 13, during our regular monthly opening, Historian Mike Legeros will present an hour-long talk on the history of the Raleigh Fire Department. It starts at 12:00 noon. The museum is open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The talk will be conducted in a nearby classroom trailer at the training center.
4. HOSE REEL – We are pleased to report that the fire department's 19th century hand hose reel has been restored, and is making its way to the fire museum. Restoration was led by Tim Duke, with time and materials donated by him and others. The Raleigh Fire Museum paid for the rebuilding of the wheels, which was done in Pennsylvania. The reel will make its debut at the Fireman's Ball in November.
5. THE BALL – Remember to buy your tickets to the Raleigh Fireman's Ball, which is being held at the convention center on Saturday, November 17. See this web site to learn more, and to order your tickets : <http://raleighfiremuseum.org/ball>
6. HISTORY BOOK – Remember also to order your copy of the Centennial History Book, currently in production. The price is \$60 until December 1. The 260-page, full-color, hardcover book will not be available in stores, no available after the order period ends. Very limited edition! Delivery expected in March. Learn more on the project's Facebook page, <http://facebook.com/rfd100book>
7. FIRE MUSEUM ON FACEBOOK – The Raleigh Fire Museum has a Facebook page, where we post assorted news and bits of history. Visit <http://www.facebook.com/RaleighFireMuseum>

8. THANK YOU – As always, thank you for support of the Raleigh Fire Museum. We are the shepherds of the living history that each of you is part of.

Mike Legeros, President

Alan Walters, Vice President

Tim Henshaw, Secretary/Treasurer

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