




Steamer Project
"Pride of the Owego Fire
Department"

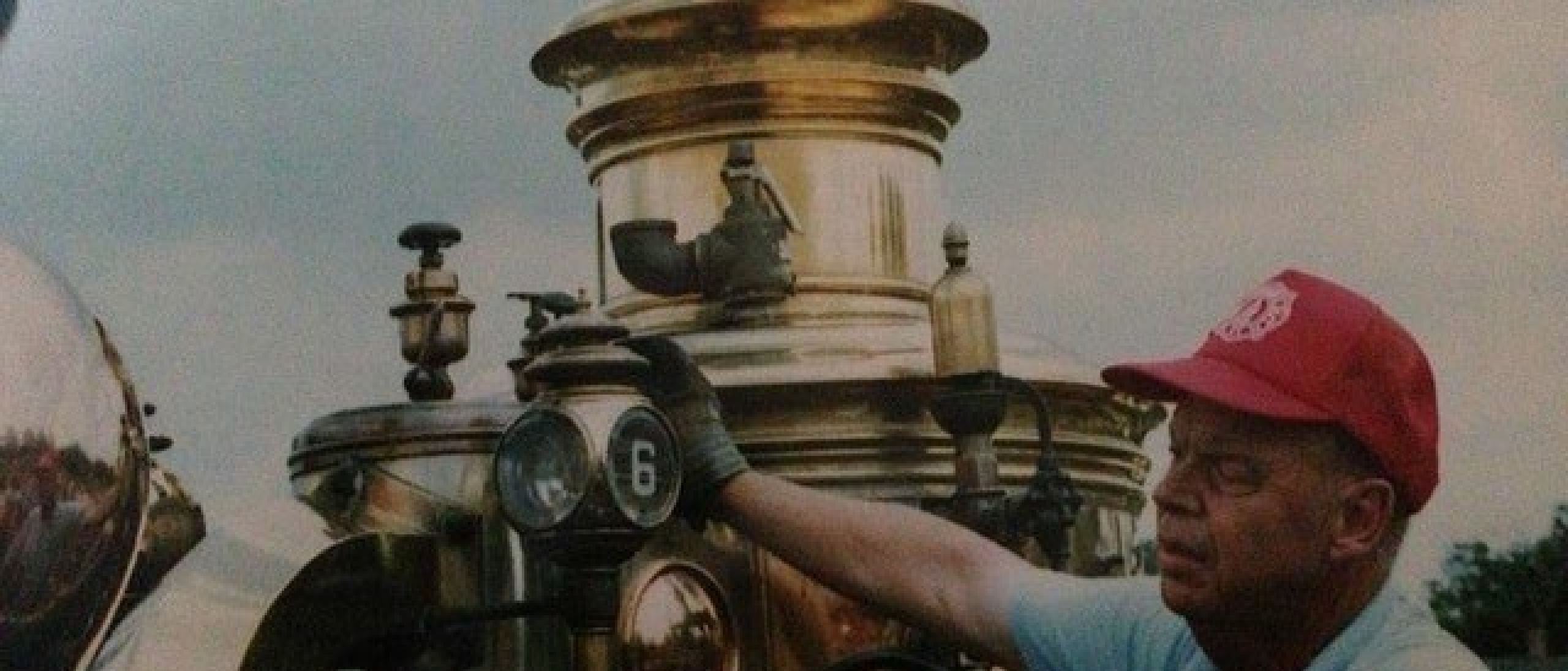
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Owego, New York

A vintage steam pumper pulled by two horses, with a man operating it. The pumper is a large, ornate machine with a brass boiler and a tall chimney. The horses are dark-colored and are harnessed to the pumper. The man is wearing a white shirt and dark pants. The background shows a street scene with a building and a sign that says "GATE 4".

Owego Fire Department 1866 Amoskeag Steam Pumper History

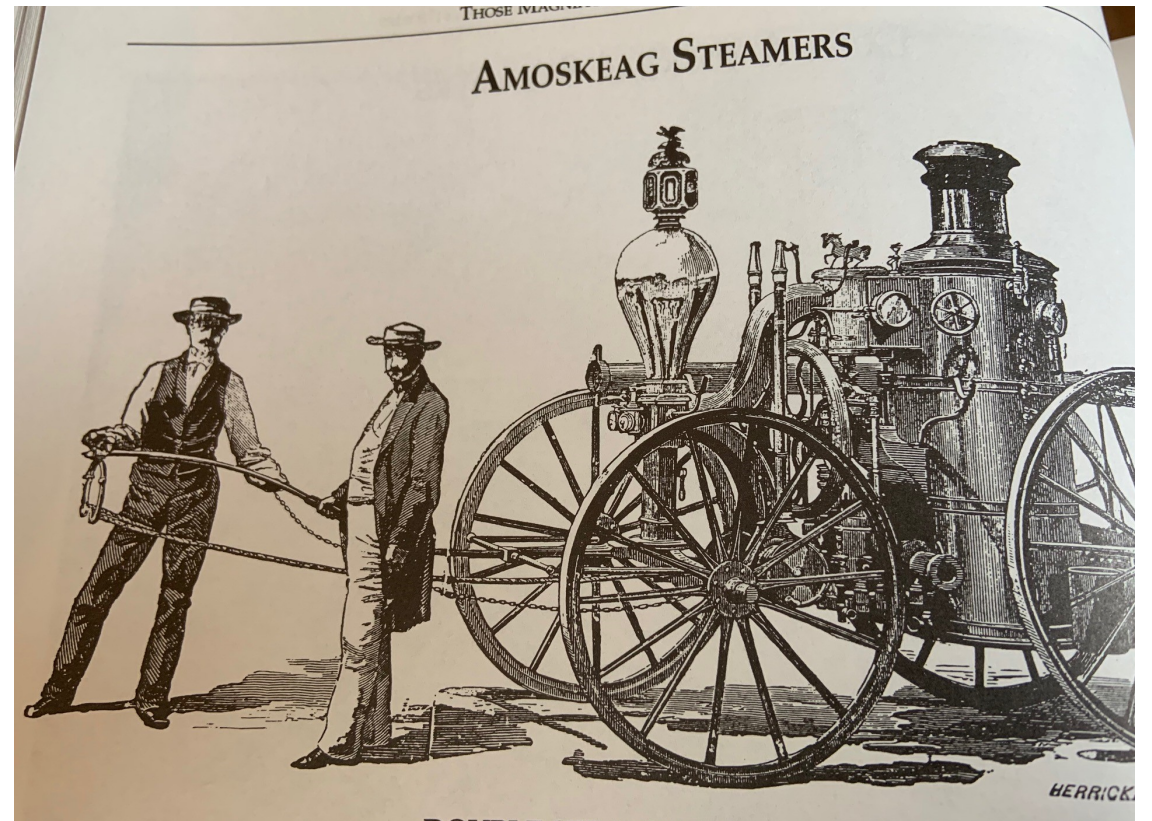
- Purchased by the Village of Owego in 1865 for \$4,500 with \$1,000 of hose.
- Served village from 1866-1926.
- Manufactured by Amoskeag Manufacturing Company of Manchester, New Hampshire. No. #182 out of 853 produced.
- Weighs 4,500 lbs. and has unique harp frame.
- Oldest licensed operating steam pumper in the United States in 1987.




“It’s fascinating that we have it... The workmanship that went into it. It’s really amazing to have something like the steamer here in Owego” – Past Owego Fire Chief Walt Pianosi

Assessment of Steamer's current condition.

- Thinning of the steamer's boiler has rendered it unsafe to operate.
- Pump work and repair.
- New ash pan.
- Lamp repairs.
- Authentic lettering and gold leaf.
- Tiller pole for hand pulling by hose team members.





Steamer repairs required for full restoration.

Project Phase #1

- **Replace boiler - \$35,000. Original boiler will be preserved for display purposes.**
- **Construct tiller pole for both hand (original) & horse pulling - \$5,000.**
- **Pump work, fix broken lamps, lettering with gold leaf, new hard suction hose - \$10,000.**
- **Steamer must pass New York State Boiler Inspection.**

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Project Phase #2

- Located at the former Lloyd's Barbershop at 99 North Ave. next Owego Fire Station #2.
- Modeled after Marathon, New York Steamer House.
- Constructed of cedar wood frame and glass solarium walls for 360 degree viewing with steeple supporting an antique fire bell.
- Two bays to house steamer and 1939 Sanford Hose Truck.
- Estimated cost of \$50,000.



Steamer House Dimensions

- 22 foot apron so apparatus can be pulled out and displayed.
- 24 foot wide by 26 foot long.
- 5 foot stamped concrete surround with memorial benches.
- Foundation will be raised 1 and ½ foot above Station 2 to meet flood plain requirements.
- Central Fire Station fire bell will be placed in bell tower.
- Kispagh mural on rear foundation wall.
- Parking options being explored.



Owego Hose Team, Inc. is restoring the Owego Fire Department's 1866 Amoskeag Steam Fire Pumper and building a "steamer house" to showcase this rare piece of American fire service history. Learn more at www.OwegoHoseTeams.com.

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Project Timeline

- **2020 – July – Remove Old Barbershop (Complete).**
- **2020 – August – Land transfer for Barbershop property (Pending Village approval).**
- **2020 – September/October – Transport steamer to Maine for restoration (Verbal agreement with Firefly Restorations).**
- **2020 – October – Site work/excavation.**
- **2021 – Summer – Steamer's return for 2021 Central NY Firemen's Convention.**
- **Summer 2021-2022 – Steamer House fundraising and construction.**

Project Phase #3 – “Steam Team” & Fire Prevention Education

- “Steam Team” partnership with Owego Free Academy.
- Pilot at OFA with technology classes to teach students about steam technology. Pilot to be expanded to all Tioga County School Districts.
- OFD will use as a volunteer recruitment tool for apprentice firefighter program in high school.
- Steamer House will serve as backdrop for OFD’s existing fire prevention program with Owego Elementary 5th grade students.





Project Budget Estimate

- **Steamer Renovation and Repairs – Firefly Restoration & Maine Locomotive & Machine Works, Hope, Maine - \$50,000 est.**
- **Steamer House excavation - \$5,000 est.**
- **Steamer House Construction - \$50,000 est.**
- **“Steam Team” Pilot Program - \$5,000 est.**
- **TOTAL ESTIMATED COST - \$110,000.00**



Project Revenue Estimates

Fundraisers

- 2020 - \$10,000
- 2021 - \$20,000
- 2022 - \$20,000

Grants

- 2020 Mildred Faulkner Truman Foundation - \$40,000
- 2020 Hyde Estate Charitable Trust - \$10,000

- **TOTAL REVENUE ESTIMATED: \$110,000**



**1866 Amoskeag Steam
Fire Pumper Restoration
& Steamer House**

Learn more and donate online:
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*Thanks for your support in
preserving Owego's history!*

Future Site of the new Steamer House

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