

Brothers and Friends of Alpha Theta,

Key points regarding ***Sadie the Pike Fire Truck...***

- Pike fire truck known as "Sadie" was acquired by Alpha Theta Chapter in 1962. The fire truck was christened "Sadie" in 1963 in honor of Alpha Theta's beloved house mother Mrs. Sadie Henderson, a Morgantown resident.
- Sadie the fire truck was a well-known icon of Pike for over a decade, before mechanical problems led to sale of the fire truck.
- In 2012 Sadie was found to be for sale by an antique vehicle collector. Brother Gary Earp '65 led the effort to re-acquire Sadie and restore her to mechanical operation and serve the Morgantown for civic events and WVU community for school spirit events.
- Sadie is an important piece of Alpha Theta Pike history. Sadie is property of Alpha Theta Alumni Association, and not affiliated with the undergraduate chapter. The recent suspension of Alpha Theta chapter should have no bearing on the future of Sadie.
- Under the leadership of Gary Earp, a substantial number of Alpha Theta alumni and their friends participated in returning Sadie to her current operating status. Our intention is to maintain Sadie for service to the local community and a memorial to:
 - Housemother Mrs. Sadie Henderson for the love and joy she brought to the chapter members of her era
 - Brother Gary Earp for his leadership in returning Sadie to Alpha Theta

Sadie Status as of July 2018

- The Sadie Stewardship Team members.
 - Rick Carder '69, crcarder@aol.com
 - John Terlingo '84, johnterlingo@hotmail.com
 - Denver Atkinson '66, DATKINSO@ma.rr.com
 - Miguel Frisco '84, miguelfrisco@hotmail.com
 - Don McIntosh '71, ddmc1952@comcast.net
 - Doug Ladish '62, doug.ladish@me.com
 - Andy Dotson, liaison Morgantown Fire Department (MFD)
 - Additional members are welcome!
- Sadie is garaged at one of the local fire stations in Morgantown. In return, MFD will use Sadie in MFD and civic events.
- Insurance to cover operation of Sadie is due for renewal August 1, 2018
- A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to govern operation and maintenance of Sadie is still in place.
- Sadie participated in a Morgantown antique vehicle "drive-in" last summer.
- Sadie was in the 2017 WVU Homecoming Parade, with Bonnie Earp in the passenger seat to honor Gary Earp's leadership in re-acquiring and restoring Sadie to operating condition.

Urgent need: At this point in time, our Sadie operating funds have been depleted. We are seeking additional donations to ensure safe and effective operation of Sadie in the

future. Cost of insurance renewal (due 8/1/2018) is \$1,400.

Please make your check payable to:
Alpha Theta Alumni Association with "Sadie" listed on the "Memo" line.

Mail your check to:
Alpha Theta Alumni Association
Doug Ladish, Treasurer
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