

PETERSHAM—The Town of Petersham is hosting a special event on Saturday, September 2 to celebrate Dana Robinson’s 50 years of service with the Petersham Fire Department.



(Dana and Granddaughter Eve)

Dana’s extraordinary tenure follows his family’s long-standing tradition of service in the department. His journey as a fire fighter began at age 16 and he later became the town’s Fire Chief, a position he has held for 35 years. He recently retired this summer and Robert Legare is now appointed as the new Fire Chief.

The celebration of Dana’s service will commence at the Petersham Town Common at 11 a.m. with a festive fire truck parade around the “Old Maid’s Mile,” a one-mile residential loop that circles back to the historic town center. An assortment of Petersham’s antique fire trucks and another dozen or so fire trucks from Petersham and surrounding towns will be featured in the line-up. The public is welcome to join the parade on foot, on bicycle, or by vehicle.

A ceremony will take place at the town’s bandstand following the parade. Officials, including Representative Aaron Saunders, will offer remarks to commemorate the occasion. Hot dogs, cake, and ice cream will be served, as well. In the event of rain, the celebration will take place in the Town Hall.

The Town of Petersham welcomes everyone to celebrate this special milestone and lifetime achievement with us. Feel free to tag along in the parade or bring a lawn chair to sit along the Common or neighborhood sidewalks and enjoy the show!