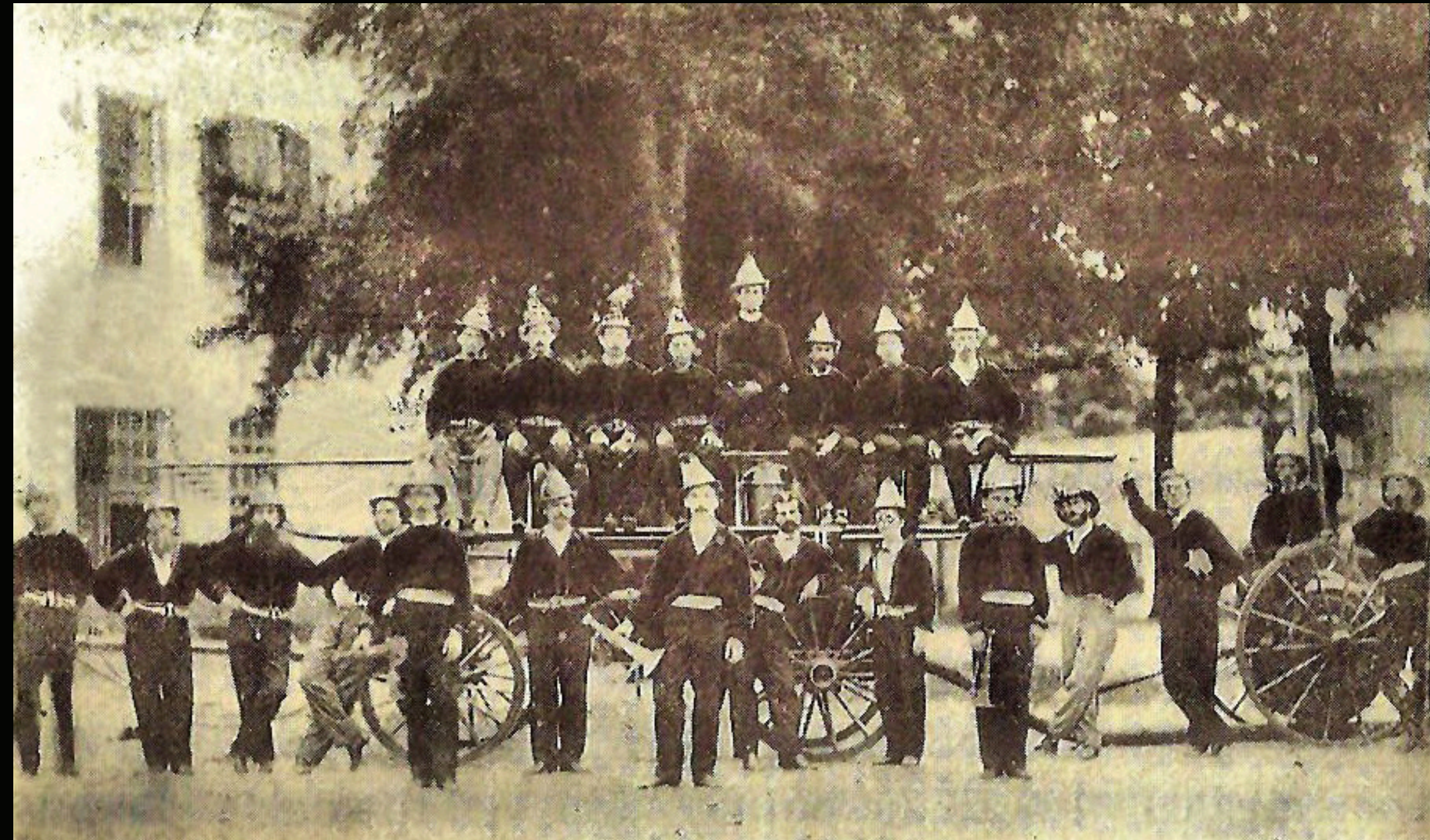


CITY OF BAINBRIDGE

HOOK & LADDER

No.
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Established in 1870, this site was once home to the livery stable of the Oak City Hook & Ladder Co., a fire brigade of 40 men.

The Oak City Hook & Ladder Company, once located where Market Street and Broad Street intersect, was in existence in 1870 and incorporated before 1875. One of three fire departments, in 1892, the Oak City Hook & Ladder Co. had 40 men. This property originally housed the livery stable of the Oak City Hook and Ladder Company.

The uniform of the Oak City Hook & Ladder Company consisted of dark blue twilled flannel shirts with a sailor collar trimmed with two rows of narrow red braid. This same braid was also used around the cuffs. Buttons were white pearl, and the size of a five cent piece. They wore caps made of red leather with a blue band. On the front was the company's name, printed in red letters on a white shield.

In 2018, the City of Bainbridge was one of three municipalities invited to participate in the Georgia Placemaking Collaborative through Georgia Municipal Association and the Georgia Cities Foundation. Comprised of community leaders, participants in this three-year program travel to different Georgia cities twice per year. The Georgia Placemaking Collaborative assists cities in developing locally-based strategies to address their most pressing economic development and quality of life issues. Through the work of our local Placemaking Team, the vision of the Hook and Ladder was created.

