HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JANUARY 29, 2004

I. FIRE FIGHTER JOHNNY BEST ENGINE COMPANY 55

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department announces the death of Fire Fighter Johnny Best, Engine Company 55, on December 24, 2003. Fire Fighter Best was appointed to the department on August 16, 2001.

The funeral was held from the Twelfth Baptist Church, 150 Warren Street, Roxbury, at 1000 hours, Saturday, January 3, 2004.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Special Projects Division, Information Technology Division, Special Operations Command and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, February 1, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant			
Richard R. Parker	Engine Co. 30	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Lieutenant			
Walter G. James	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Lieutenant			
Gerald E. Hogan	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Personnel Division
Fire Lieutenant			
David J. Cushing	Ladder Co. 9	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter			
Walter Joy	Ladder Co. 11	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter			
John Maguire	Engine Co. 3	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter			
Michael T. Pass	Ladder Co. 15	to	Engine Co. 3
Fire Fighter			
Edward C. Donovan	Ladder Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Fighter			
Brian J. Purcell	Engine Co. 4	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Joseph B. Glynn	Personnel Division	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
John A. Rushton	Air Supply Unit	to	Personnel/Medical

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Fire Fighter Ronald Keith	Ladder Co. 2	to	Fire Prevention Division
Fire Fighter		4.0	
Joseph M. Sullivan	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 4 (Aide to Dist. Chief)

III. HIGH COMMENDATION

On June 28, 2003, at 0251 hours, Box 2245 was struck for a building fire at 22 Anita Terrace in District 5. Upon arrival, smoke and fire were issuing from the first floor of the building. Members were informed of a woman who was located inside the building on the first floor, in the room that was fully involved in fire.

Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon, Ladder Company 4, and Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly, Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4), encountered heavy smoke and intense heat upon entering the apartment. As they searched and ventilated the first floor they located the unconscious victim behind her overturned wheelchair.

Fire Fighter O'Reilly immediately placed his facepiece on the woman, and he and Fire Fighter Sellon proceeded to remove the victim whose extrication, due to her size and position, was quite difficult. The victim was successfully resuscitated and transported to Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Because this rescue was performed at great personal risk, under intense smoke and heat conditions, and without proper ventilation or the benefit of a charged line, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to highly commend Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon of Ladder Company 4, and Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly of Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4), and refers their case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

IV. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Jose Cancel of Engine Company 22, who while off duty, responded to the aid of a woman who had collapsed at Logan Airport. He led the attempted resuscitation effort for this woman until the arrival of EMS. While no one was able to revive the victim, Fire Fighter Cancel stayed with the family and provided comfort and support to them, missing his own flight in the process. In the words of a grateful family member, "Not only is this man extremely well trained to handle a medical emergency, his response indicated a level of maturity, understanding, and compassion well beyond his years". This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

BY ORDER OF FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT PAUL A. CHRISTIAN

THE LAST GENERAL ORDER IN THE 2003 SERIES WAS NO. 45

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 4, 2004

I. INVESTIGATION & ORDERS UNDER GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 148, SECTIONS 4 & 5

Pursuant to and in the exercise of the power invested in me under the provisions of General Laws, Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Section of the Emergency Management Division, and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5, am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Section of the Emergency Management Division, those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors of the Special Projects Division, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said actions.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 2004, shall continue in force and effect for a period of one year from the effective date, unless revoked at any time prior thereto. The above delegations of authority are not to diminish nor curtail any of the powers conferred upon me by said General Laws, Chapter 148, Sections 4 & 5.

INVESTIGATION & ORDERS UNDER ORDINANCES OF 1979 CHAPTER 28, KNOWN AS BOSTON FIRE PREVENTION CODE

Pursuant to and in the exercise of the power invested in me under the provisions of said Boston Fire Department Code, Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fire Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Section of the Emergency Management Division, those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems and Fire Department Inspectors of the Special Projects Division, are authorized to do and perform all and singular the acts and things which I, as Head of the Fire Department, by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Section 1.21 & 1.22 am empowered to do and perform. Specific authority is hereby delegated to the said Chiefs of Operations, Deputy Fire Chiefs, District Fire Chiefs, Fire Captains, Fire Lieutenants, Fire Fighter Inspectors of the Fire Prevention Division, Fire Fighters in the Fighting Force, Fire Department Chemist, Fire Department Plans Examiners, Fire Investigation Police Officers, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Section of the Emergency Management Division and those designated by him as Inspectors of Fire Alarm Systems, to make investigations and inspections and to issue orders in writing pursuant to the provisions of said Code.

The above delegations of authority, effective as of January 31, 2004, shall continue in force and effect for a period of one year from effective date, unless revoked at any time prior thereto. The above delegations of authority are not to diminish nor curtail any of the powers conferred upon me by said Boston Fire Prevention Code, Sections 1.21 & 1.22.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 6, 2004

I. FIRE FIGHTER JAMES P. McCUSKER LADDER COMPANY 19

It is with deep regret that the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department announces the death of Fire Fighter James P. McCusker, Ladder Company 19, on January 28, 2004. Fire Fighter McCusker was appointed to the department on July 23, 1975.

The funeral was held from the John F. O'Brien and Sons Funeral Home, 146 Dorchester Street, South Boston, on Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at 0900 hours, followed by a Funeral Mass at St. Anne's Church, 757 Hancock Street, Quincy at 1000 hours.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department made the customary detail to act as funeral escort and members of Divisions 1 and 2, Headquarters Division, Training, Maintenance and Research Division, Personnel Division, Fire Prevention Division, Emergency Management Division, Special Projects Division, Information Technology Division, Special Operations Command and the Honor Guard attended the service.

II. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., became effective at 1700 hours, January 2, 2004:

Deputy Fire Chief John P. Kenney

Special Projects

Deputy Fire Chief Kenny was appointed to the department on September 27, 1972, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on January 19, 1983, to Fire Captain on September 6, 1989, to District Fire Chief on August 4, 1993, and to Deputy Fire Chief on November 2, 1994.

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with provisions indicated, became effective at 1700 hours, January 31, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant		
Thomas J. Carey	Training Division	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
William K. Herman	Ladder Company 25	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Joseph R. Jackson	Marine Unit	S7-94B, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Leonard L. Pearson	Hazmat Unit	S5, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Eddie Rodgers	Ladder Company 6	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.

RETIREMENTS (CONTINUED)

Fire Lieutenant Carey was appointed to the department on March 20, 1074, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on March 2, 1994. Fire Fighter Herman was appointed to the department on September 27, 1972. Fire Fighter Leonard L. Pearson was appointed to the department on January 19, 1977. Fire Fighter Jackson was appointed to the department on August 12, 1970. Fire Fighter Rodgers was appointed to the department on August 31, 1977.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

III. RESIGNATIONS

The resignations of the following named members became effective at 1700 hours, on the dates indicated:

Fire Lieutenant

Austin L. Jackson Engine Company 49 1/5/04

Fire Fighter

Kevin J. Crawford Engine Company 7 1/26/04

Electrical Equipment Repairman

Mark E. Cuddahy Fire Alarm Construction 1/22/04

IV. PROMOTION TO DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

The following named member was promoted to Deputy Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, January 30, 2004:

District Fire Chief

Peter P. Pearson District 10

V. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member was promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, January 30, 2004:

Fire Captain

Bartholomew J. Shea Engine Company 30

VI. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member was promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, January 30, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant

Patrick J. Ellis

Engine Company 41

VII. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, January 30, 2004:

Fire Fighter

Richard T. Kelley Ladder Company 28

Fire Fighter

John J. Forristall Rescue Company 1

Fire Fighter

Kevin M. Jordan Engine Company 3

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 10, 2004

I. DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend all Officers and members of the Department, and those of the Fire Alarm Office, for their exceptional professionalism during the recent period of extremely cold weather. As a result of these record-breaking temperatures, an unusually high rate of cold weather related incidents were received, transmitted and responded to. The actions of the Officers and members of the Department and those of the Fire Alarm Office, during these extreme conditions have reflected the high standards the citizens of the City of Boston have come to expect from the Boston Fire Department.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 26, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with provisions of Section 7, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, February 29, 2004:

Fire Fighter

John W. Posey Engine Company 14

Fire Fighter

William Waller Engine Company 52

Fire Fighter

Gerard A. Yanovitch Engine Company 2

Fire Fighter Posey was appointed to the department on September 27, 1978. Fire Fighter Waller was appointed to the department on October 31, 1984. Fire Fighter Yanovitch was appointed to the department on September 17, 1975.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, March 1, 2004:

District Fire Chief			
Frank M. Kodzis	Personnel Division	to	District 10
Fire Captain			
Stephen W. Keogh	Engine Co. 48	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Lieutenant			
Garry P. Pilato	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Lieutenant			
Robert S. Cardillo	Engine Co. 4	to	Engine Co. 30
Fire Lieutenant			
William K. Morrison	Ladder Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 41
Fire Lieutenant			
James A. White	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 49
Fire Lieutenant			
Gerald E. Hogan	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Lieutenant			
Timothy F. McGillicuddy	Personnel Division	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Michael P. Downing	Ladder Co. 17	to	Ladder Co. 4

TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

Fire Fighter			
Robert K. Callahan	Tower Ladder 10	to	Ladder Co. 28
Fire Fighter			
Roy A. Marshall	Engine Co. 22	to	Haz Mat Unit
Fire Fighter			
Frederick Cuqua	Tower Ladder 10	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Kevin J. Foley	T.M.R. Division	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Edward W. Neff	Rehabilitation Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Robert W. Ricks	Engine Co. 8	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
William F. Twigg	Engine Co. 10	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Eugenio E. Dudley	Ladder Co. 18	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter			
William J. McCarthy	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Fire Investigation Unit
Fire Fighter			
Kenneth W. Reddick	Ladder Co. 15	to	Fire Investigation Unit

III. CHANGES IN RESPONSE

Effective 0800 hours, March 1, 2004, company commanders shall make the following changes to the running cards:

Boxes 51-5497, 6112-6271, 6411-6484 1st alarm

In the "Respond to Fire" section, under column "special", add asterisk (*) to denote the response of Tower Ladder 3 on report of smoke or fire showing.

IV. CHANGE IN STANDARD RESPONSE PROCEDURES

The following change in response shall go into effect at 0800 hours, March 1, 2004:

Upon receipt by Fire Alarm of a reported building fire, during the hours of 0800 to 2400, the box shall <u>not</u> be struck.

The Fire Alarm Office shall dispatch the two nearest engine companies, the nearest ladder company and the District Chief of the affected district. The dispatch of the companies shall be announced on channel one.

Upon verification from responding companies, receipt of additional call(s), or if the Principal Operator has reason to believe that there may be a serious fire in progress, the nearest box shall be struck.

V. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Thomas M. Goggin of Engine Company 50, who while off duty at his home, was alerted by neighbors of a fire at 7 Mystic Place in Charlestown. Fire Fighter Goggin contacted Fire Alarm and was informed that Box 4164 had already been transmitted for this incident. He then proceeded to the fire building and alerted the occupants of the situation. Despite a moderate smoke condition and arching electrical equipment, Fire Fighter Goggin extended his search to the basement. After determining that all of the occupants were out of the building, he contacted Fire Alarm and updated them on the location and severity of the fire. He then met arriving companies, updated the Incident Commander, and assisted in running lines. Fire Fighter Goggin jeopardized his own safety by conducting these actions without the benefit of Personal Protective Equipment or SCBA. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MARCH 24, 2004

I. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On Friday, January 23, 2004, the Boston Fire Department Scuba Team was activated at 0425 hours and responded to incident #5794, 123 Saratoga Street, in District 1, for a witnessed report of a woman jumping from the Belle Isle Bridge into the water below. Upon arrival, conditions were extremely poor, with the wind chill factor at ten degrees below zero, ice covered water, difficult access to the ice covered location, and many entanglements under the bridge. Fire Lieutenant Don F. Cuddahy and Fire Fighter Robert J. Doyle immediately geared up, entered the ice-covered water, and proceeded to execute independent search patterns. These members soon developed signs of hypothermia, had to be removed from the water and placed in an ambulance until they could once again open their hands. Their backup safety divers were even colder due to the fact that they were standing-by out in the elements, fully geared up, and ready to respond if needed.

Upon receiving a report of an object being spotted under the ice about two hundred yards out, Boston Fire Department Scuba Team members Assistant Divemaster Patrick F. Foley, Fire Captain John F. Kenney, and Fire Lieutenant Robert F.Santangelo proceeded by boat to a point about thirty feet from the reported location. It was decided to maintain that position for fear of breaking the ice, dislodging the victim, and losing her to the current below. Fire Lieutenant Robert F. Santangelo was then deployed into the water in a dry suit tethered to a safety line. He made his way out over the ice, falling through it several times, finally reaching the victim. He then broke through the ice and was able to grab hold of the victim. While being pulled back to the rescue boat by the safety line, Fire Lieutenant Santangelo had to break the ice with his elbows and still maintain control of the victim.

The extreme elements and many dangers endured by these divers did not prevent them from accomplishing their objective. This recovery, made under the harshest of conditions, exemplifies a dedication to duty consistent with the finest traditions of the Boston Fire Department. Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to the following members of the Boston Fire Department Scuba Team:

Assistant Divemaster Patrick F. Foley Engine Company 21 Engine Company 24 Fire Captain John F. Kenney Fire Lieutenant Robert F. Santangelo Ladder Company 23 Fire Lieutenant Don F. Cuddahy Headquarters Fire Lieutenant Joseph G. McNulty Engine Company 17 Fire Fighter Robert J. Doyle Ladder Company 26 Fire Fighter Edward T. Loder Rescue Company 1 Fire Fighter Fred J. Ellis Special Operation Command

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MARCH 29, 2004

I. RE-ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named Fire Fighters on Probation reported to the Fire Academy effective 0800 hours, March 22, 2004. They shall report to their assigned companies for full duty upon successful completion of drill school. This General Order will also amend and superceded the order of appointment originally posted in General Order No. 45 of 2003.

Robert E. Dillon, Jr. Engine Company 3
C. Roger Kendrick, Jr. Engine Company 37
Sean O'Brien Ladder Company 7
Joseph Sullivan Engine Company 10

II. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named have been appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, March 22, 2004, and assigned to the following companies:

Gerard T. Ahern

William J. Berrio

Steven J. Fairneny

Kevin F. Meehan

Michael E. Norton

Engine Company 4

Engine Company 2

Engine Company 55

Ladder Company 55

These members are detailed to the Training, Maintenance and Research Division. They shall report to their assigned company for full duty upon successful completion of drill school.

Fire Fighters on Probation shall have their names appear on a separate morning report compiled and maintained by the Training Division while attending the Fire Academy. Upon their successful completion of the Fire Academy, the names of the Fire Fighters on Probation will be added to their respective company's morning reports.

III. RESIGNATION

The resignation of the following named member became effective at 0800 hours, March 22, 2004:

Fire Fighter
Jose A. Cancel

Engine Company 22

IV. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, April 1, 2004:

Fire Captain			
Martin P. McCormack	Fire Prevention Div.	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Captain			
Patrick J. Ellis	Personnel Division	to	E.M.D./L.E.P.C.
Fire Lieutenant			
Stephen J. Byrne	E.M.D.	to	Engine Co. 4
Fire Lieutenant			
Joseph H. Roach	Ladder Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Lieutenant			
Kevin M. Jordan	Personnel Division	to	Office of Field Services
Fire Lieutenant			
John J. Forristall	Personnel Division	to	Special Operations Command
Fire Lieutenant			
John D. Teehan	Engine Co. 33	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Lieutenant	_		-
Patrick J. McDonough	Ladder Co. 6	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Jason T. Wallace	Ladder Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 8
Fire Fighter			
Stephen H. Olszewski	Engine Co. 42	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter			
John M. Walsh	Ladder Co. 25	to	Rehabilitation Unit
Fire Fighter			
David S. Lang	Personnel Division	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Richard J. McDonald	Personnel Division	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Gerard D. Fowkes	Rehabilitation Unit	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Thomas J. Hale	Ladder Co. 2	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Joseph F. Ingemi	Engine Co. 20	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Wilfredo Pacheco	Personnel Division	to	Personnel/Medical

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Fire Fighter			
Robert J. Campbell	Marine Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Francis X. Connors	Marine Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Samuel P. Powell	Engine Co. 16	to	Personnel/Medical

I. FR GERARD DEWAN (FDNY) DEDICATION

There will be a flag raising ceremony and dedication held at the quarters of Engine Company 30 and Ladder Company 25, located at 1940 Centre Street, West Roxbury, on Friday, April 16, 2004 at 1330 hours.

This community based and community funded project includes a new flagpole, flag, lighting, landscaping, sprinkler system, granite border and memorial marker located to the left side of the firehouse. The right side of quarters will also be newly landscaped.

This site memorializes Gerard Dewan, a Roslindale native, who pursued his dream of becoming a firefighter by joining the New York City Fire Department (FDNY). When Gerard's dedication to his profession took him into the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, he, along with 342 of his fellow firefighters, demonstrated the true meaning of courage. Gerard Dewan's line of duty death shall forever be remembered for the lesson it teaches about selfless service to others.

II. RUNNING CARD REPLACEMENT

Effective 0800 hours, April 11, 2004, company commanders shall replace the following numbered running cards with the new running cards issued with this order: 8214, 8215, 8216, 8221, 8228, 8237, 8244, 8246, and 8271. Company commanders shall carefully review all issued cards.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT APRIL 27, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions indicated, became effective at 1700 hours, April 8, 2004.

Fire Lieutenant

Arthur LaPorte

T.M.R. Division

S7-94, C32, M.G.L

Fire Lieutenant LaPorte was appointed to the department on October 20, 1971, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on June 9, 1989.

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions indicated. became effective at 1700 hours, February 29, 2004.

Fire Fighter

John Capehart

Engine Company 56

S7-94, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter Capehart was appointed to the department on June 23, 1976.

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with provisions indicated, became effective at 1700 hours, April 30, 2004.

Fire Fighter

Michael J. Cedorchuk

Engine Co. 50

S5, C32, M.G.L

Fire Fighter/Motor Squad Supervisor

Donald Reisner

T.M.R. Division

S7-94, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter Cedorchuk was appointed to the department on October 20, 1971. Fire Fighter Reisner was appointed to the department on January 17, 1968. All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, April 17, 2004.

Fire Fighter

George A. Gilchrist

Engine Company 22

III. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Saturday, May 1, 2004 at 0800 hours.

District Fire Chief			
Bartholomew J. Shea	Personnel Division	to	T. M. R. Division
Fire Lieutenant			
George Cahoon	Engine Co. 2	to	Engine Co. 33
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward J. White	Engine Co. 8	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Lieutenant			
Don F. Cuddahy	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 24
Fire Fighter			
David Hayes	Ladder Co. 29	to	Engine Co. 3
Fire Fighter			
Eddie Echevarria	Tower Ladder 3	to	Engine Co. 16
Fire Fighter			
David Thompson	Engine Co. 32	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter			
Edward O'Donnell	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 14
Fire Fighter			
Michael O'Reilly	Engine Co. 14	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter			
Edward Barnes	Engine Co. 48	to	Engine Co. 32
Fire Fighter			
James Boyd	Fire Prevention	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fighter			
Brian E. Hussey	Engine Co. 53	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Robert M. Ryan	Ladder Co. 29	to	Personnel/Medical

IV. CORRECTION

The following retirement in General Order No. 23, dated July 1, 2003 shall be corrected to read.

Fire Fighter/ Master Pilot Robert F. Campbell

Marine Unit

I. COMMENDATIONS

1.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Alarm Operator Frank Sullivan of the Fire Alarm Office for securing and coordinating a community based and funded memorial for the late Fire Fighter Gerard Dewan, FDNY. Fire Fighter Dewan's line of duty death, along with 342 of his fellow firefighters at the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, has demonstrated the true meaning of courage.

This memorial was dedicated on Friday, April 16, 2004, at Engine Company 30 and Ladder Company 25's Quarters, 1940 Centre Street, West Roxbury. The site boasts a new flagpole, flag, lighting, landscaping, granite border and memorial marker to the left side of the firehouse. Through the efforts of Fire Alarm Operator Sullivan, along with those of the committee, this memorial ensures that the sacrifice made by Fire Firefighter Gerard Dewan, FDNY, will never be forgotten. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

- 2.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant John Forristall of the Special Operations Command who while off duty, rendered assistance to an accident victim. On April 16, 2004, at 1618 hours, Saugus Ladder 1 responded to a reported MVA at Route 1 North near the Essex Street overpass. Upon arrival they observed Fire Lieutenant Forristall assisting an injured motorcyclist. Despite the very heavy volume of non-stop rush hour traffic, he had crossed three busy lanes of high-speed traffic to assist this man. Lieutenant Forristall reported his patient assessment to Saugus Ladder 1 as they began to stabilize and board the victim and he remained on scene until the patient was placed in an ambulance for transport. His prompt airway management assisted the man's respiration and undoubtedly stabilized the victim until the arrival of companies. The unselfish actions of Lieutenant Forristall are in keeping with the highest traditions of the fire service. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 3.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Jonathan Rodriguez of Engine Company 17, who while off duty responded to box 1895, which was struck at 1941 hours for 12 Church Street in District 7. Upon arrival, Engine Company 17 reported heavy fire showing from the second floor rear of the building. Fire Fighter Rodriguez proceeded to secure the water supply and fill the feeder line of Engine 17. He then helped advance Engine 17's attack line from the rear of the building, over a fence and up to the back porch. Because of his assistance, Engine Company 17 was able to advance to the second floor with its full compliment of manpower and extinguish the fire before further extension could occur. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

II. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

Effective 1800 hours, May 7, 2004, the following numbered fire alarm box is established. Running cards are issued with this order.

7125 Congress at D Street.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 13, 2004

125TH ANNUAL BALL AND AWARDS CEREMONY

The 125th Annual Ball and Awards Ceremony of the Boston Fire Department will be held Saturday evening, May 22, 2004, at the Sheraton Boston Hotel, Grand Ballroom, 39 Dalton Street, Boston.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department and the Officers of the Relief Fund have given considerable time and thought in preparing a program that will be interesting and enjoyable for all.

Insofar as the proceeds from this event are used for the assistance of department members, past and present, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department requests all off duty members to attend this function.

It is your organization. Help support it.

PROGRAM

2000 hours	General Admission
2040 hours	Boston Fire Department Acappella Quartet District Fire Chief Richard J. DiBenedetto Fire Captain Michael J. Ruggere Fire Lieutenant Richard L. Powers Fire Lieutenant Leo D. Stapleton Jr.
2055 hours	Invocation by Reverend Daniel J. Mahoney Chief Chaplain, Boston Fire Department
2100 hours	Greetings by the President of the Boston Firemen's Relief Fund, Fire Fighter Thomas W. Matthews, T.M.R. Division
	Paul A. Christian, Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department Thomas M. Menino, Mayor, City of Boston
	Master of Ceremonies

Fire Fighter James F. Reilly (Retired)

Presentation of the Gerard J. Molito Award for Professional Excellence to

District Fire Chief

Curtis D. Holzendorf Special Operations Division

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to

Fire Fighter

Aundria D. Burcy Engine Company 49

Fire Fighter

Cornell Horton Engine Company 49

Presentation of the Roll of Merit to

Fire Lieutenant

Robert J. Connolly Ladder Company 11

Fire Fighter

Brian D. Burke Ladder Company 16

Fire Fighter

Stephen F. Irving Engine Company 7

(Detailed to Ladder Company 11)

Fire Fighter

Brian Cobb Ladder Company 14

Fire Fighter

Brian M. Sellon Ladder Company 4

Fire Fighter

Michael D. O'Reilly Engine Company 14

(Detailed to Ladder Company 4)

Fire Fighter

Gregory Kelly Tower Ladder 10

Presentation of the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor to

Fire Fighter

Vincent E. Dimino Ladder Company 7

Presentation of the Walter Scott Medal for Valor to

Fire Fighter

Dorian N. Jenkins Ladder Company 6

Presentation of the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for the Most Meritorious Act and The Boston Fire Commissioner's Award to

Fire Lieutenant

Paul D. Lucas Engine Company 18

Memorial Prayer Reverend Daniel L. Reason

Chaplain, Boston Fire Department

Drawings Grand Prize

Belknap Memorial Award Staples Scholarship Awards Vendome Memorial Awards Boston Ambulance Squad Award

Dancing The Second Story Band

Award recipients will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 22, 2004, to 1800 hours, May 23, 2004.

The Honor Guard will be under the direction of Fire Fighter Charles D. Sudhalter.

The Honor Guard will be excused from duty from 0800 hours, May 22, 2004, to 1800 hours, May 23, 2004.

The Relief Fund Office will be closed all day Friday, May 21, 2004.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 18, 2004

BOARD OF MERIT

The Board of Merit, consisting of the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department and the Deputy Fire Chiefs, has considered all meritorious acts referred to it during the year 2003. After careful consideration and study, the Board submitted the following recommendations which are approved by the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department:

1. Gerard J. Molito Award District Fire Chief Curtis Holzendorf of Special Operations Division

The Boston Fire Department hereby recognizes District Fire Chief Curtis D. Holzendorf of the Special Operations Command for his dedication to improving the capability of this department to respond to incidents involving hazardous materials and technical rescue.

Chief Holzendorf's dedication to training has brought to the Boston Fire Department a measure of professionalism that has never before been achieved by this department in this field. His dedication to training and safety will perpetuate in his training programs and benefit members of the Boston Fire Department for years to come.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders District Fire Chief Curtis D. Holzendorf of the Special Operations be presented the Gerard J. Molito Award.

2. Case of Fire Fighter Aundria D. Burcy, Engine Company 49 Fire Fighter Cornell Horton, Engine Company 49

On February 12, 2003, Box 3669, for which two alarms were struck, was transmitted for a building fire at 731 River Street, District 12. Fire Fighter Aundria D. Burcy of Engine Company 49, and Fire Fighter Cornell Horton of Engine Company 49, while off duty, were driving by in separate vehicles when they happened upon the incident.

Heavy fire was visible from the apartment complex. Both members entered the building from the rear and alerted occupants by banging on doors while making their way to the fire floor. During the primary search, Fire Fighter Aundria D. Burcy located two children and removed them to the safety of the street. After completing the primary search, Fire Fighter Cornell Horton reported to the first arriving companies and directed them to the location of the fire.

Because both members performed these actions at great personal risk, without the aid of personal protective equipment or self contained breathing apparatus, and before lines were in place, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Aundria D. Burcy of Engine Company 49, and Fire Fighter Cornell Horton of Engine Company 49 in General Order No. 15 of 2003.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders Fire Fighter Aundria D. Burcy of Engine Company 49, and Fire Fighter Cornell Horton of Engine Company 49, be presented the Distinguished Service Award.

3. Case of Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke, Ladder Company 16.

On February 15, 2003, at 2005 hours, Ladder Company 16 responded to a central station alarm at 16 Walk Hill Street in District 12. Upon arrival, Ladder Company 16 observed smoke showing from a first floor apartment.

Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke of Ladder Company 16 entered the building and made his way to the apartment, which was now pushing extremely heavy heat and smoke. The fire was in the kitchen area. The kitchen and living space were incorporated into one large room, it being a studio apartment, and the fire was immediately to his left side as he entered. Fire Fighter Burke proceeded to make a primary search.

During his search he located an unconscious woman on the floor in the rear of the apartment. Fire Fighter Burke was able to lift the victim and remove her to the safety of the street keeping himself between the woman and the fire. He then returned to the apartment and assisted in ventilation and overhaul.

Because this rescue was made during extremely heavy heat and smoke conditions, without the benefit of a charged line or proper ventilation, this member placed himself at great personal risk. The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke of Ladder Company 16 in General Order No. 19 of 2003.

The Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders that the name of Fire Fighter Brian D. Burke of Ladder Company 16 be added to the Roll of Merit.

4. Case of Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly, Ladder Company 11
Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving, Engine Company 7
(detailed to Ladder Company 11)
Fire Fighter Brian Cobb, Ladder Company 14

On March 10, 2003, at 2224 hours, Box 5171 was struck for a building fire at 330 Summit Avenue in District 11. Ladder Company 14 reported smoke showing and upon

his arrival, District 11 observed heavy fire showing from the first floor in the rear of the building extending to the second floor.

Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly of Ladder Company 11, Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving of Engine Company 7 (detailed to Ladder Company 11), and Fire Fighter Brian Cobb of Ladder Company 14 made their way to the second floor to conduct a search. Because of the heat, heavy smoke and zero visibility, they had to make the search on their hands and knees. While moving down a hallway and sweeping the floor in front of him, Fire Fighter Irving came upon an unconscious female. The victim was wedged between a doorway, making it difficult for him to remove her, and Fire Fighter Irving called out for assistance.

Fire Lieutenant Connolly and Fire Fighter Cobb made their way to the victim and assisted Fire Fighter Irving in removing her to the safety of the street. She was then transported by EMS to the Massachusetts General Hospital suffering from respiratory arrest. She was intubated and subsequently placed into a hyperbaric chamber.

Because this rescue was made under rapidly deteriorating fire conditions, without the benefit of a charged line or proper ventilation, these members placed themselves at great personal risk. The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly of Ladder Company 11, Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving of Engine Company 7 (detailed to Ladder Company 11), and Fire Fighter Brian Cobb of Ladder Company 14 in General Order No. 19 of 2003.

The Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders that the names of Fire Lieutenant Robert J. Connolly of Ladder Company 11, Fire Fighter Stephen F. Irving of Engine Company 7 (detailed to Ladder Company 11), and Fire Fighter Brian Cobb of Ladder Company 14 be added to the Roll of Merit.

5. Case of Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon, Ladder Company 4 Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly, Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4)

On June 28, 2003, at 0251 hours, Box 2245 was struck for a building fire at 22 Anita Terrace in District 5. Upon arrival, smoke and fire were issuing from the first floor of the building. Members were informed of a woman who was located inside the building on the first floor, in the room that was fully involved in fire.

Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon, Ladder Company 4, and Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly, Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4), encountered heavy smoke and intense heat upon entering the apartment. As they searched and ventilated the first floor they located the unconscious victim behind her overturned wheelchair.

Fire Fighter O'Reilly immediately placed his facepiece on the woman, and he and Fire Fighter Sellon proceeded to remove the victim whose extrication, due to her size and position, was quite difficult. The victim was successfully resuscitated and transported to Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Because this rescue was performed at great personal risk, under intense smoke and heat conditions, and without proper ventilation or the benefit of a charged line, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon of Ladder Company 4, and Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly of Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4) in General Order No. 1 of 2004.

The Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders that the names of Fire Fighter Brian M. Sellon of Ladder Company 4 and Fire Fighter Michael D. O'Reilly of Engine Company 14 (detailed to Ladder Company 4) be added to the Roll of Merit.

6. Case of Fire Fighter Gregory Kelly, Tower Ladder 10

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department commended Fire Fighter Gregory Kelly of Tower Ladder 10, who while off duty on October 9, 2003, acted as a first responder. Fire Fighter Kelly was at Engine 10's quarters while the companies were out. A citizen arrived stating that he was having chest pains and needed medical attention. Fire Fighter Kelly immediately notified Fire Alarm, and stabilized the patient until the arrival of EMS. The patient was then transported to the Massachusetts General Hospital where he underwent emergency surgery.

Because of his quick and competent actions, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Gregory Kelly of Tower Ladder 10 in General Order No. 38 of 2003.

The Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders that the name of Fire Fighter Gregory Kelly of Tower Ladder 10 be added to the Roll of Merit.

7. Case of Fire Fighter Vincent E. Dimino, Ladder Company 7

On May 3, 2003, at 0447 hours, Box 3418 was struck for a building fire at 16 Melbourne Street in District 8. Companies were informed while responding, that people were trapped in the building. Upon arrival, heavy fire was showing from a three-story wood frame building. The fire had started on an enclosed porch, broke through an interior window, extended up the stairwell involving the first, second, third floors, and the front porches of the building. The fire was extending to an additional $2\frac{1}{2}$ story wood frame dwelling.

Ladder Company 7, unable to deploy the aerial ladder due to the heavy volume of fire, raised a ground ladder to the third floor window. Fire Fighter Vincent E. Dimino was alerted by a civilian that a man was trapped on the first floor. Fire Fighter Dimino went to the rear of the building and entered the first floor. Through heavy smoke and intense heat he made his way to the front of the building and found an unconscious male on the floor. Carrying the victim back through heavy smoke, Fire Fighter Dimino made his way back to the rear stairs and out to safety. The victim was then transported by EMS to a local hospital and treated.

Because this rescue was performed at extreme personal risk, before proper ventilation had taken place, or without the benefit of a charged line, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Vincent E. Dimino of Ladder Company 7 in General Order No. 26 of 2004.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders Fire Fighter Vincent E. Dimino of Ladder Company 7 be presented the Patrick J. Kennedy Medal of Honor.

8. Case of Fire Fighter Dorian Jenkins, Ladder Company 6

On May 3, 2003, at 0447 hours, Box 3418 was struck for a building fire at 16 Melbourne Street in District 8. Companies were informed while responding that people were trapped in the building. Upon arrival, heavy fire was showing from a three-story wood frame building. The fire had started on an enclosed porch, broke through an interior window, extended up the stairwell involving the first, second, third floors, and the front porches of the building. The fire was extending to an additional $2\frac{1}{2}$ story wood frame dwelling.

Ladder Company 6 had raised their aerial ladder to the roof of 18 Melbourne Street, which had become an exposure, due to the heavy volume of fire at 16 Melbourne Street.

Fire Fighter Dorian Jenkins went to the rear of the building where occupants reported to him that people were trapped on the second floor. Fire Fighter Jenkins immediately went to the second floor and through heavy smoke conditions, made his way to the front of the building where he found an unconscious young female. Carrying the victim through heavy smoke, Fire Fighter Jenkins made his way back to the rear stairwell and out to safety. After removing the victim he noticed that she was not breathing and

immediately started CPR. He then carried her to the front of the building where EMS personnel met him and the victim was transported to a local hospital.

Because this rescue was performed at extreme personal risk, before proper ventilation had taken place, and without the benefit of a charged line, the Fire

Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Fighter Dorian Jenkins of Ladder Company 6 in General Order No. 26 of 2003.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders Fire Fighter Dorian Jenkins of Ladder Company 6 be presented the Walter Scott Medal for Valor.

9. Case of Fire Lieutenant Paul D. Lucas, Engine Company 18

On May 3, 2003, at 0447 hours, Box 3418 was struck for a building fire at 16 Melbourne Street in District 8. Upon arrival, heavy fire was showing from a three-story wood frame building. The fire had started on an enclosed porch, broke through an interior window, extended up the stairwell involving the first, second, third floors, and the front porches of the building. The fire was extending to an additional 2 ½ story wood frame dwelling.

Engine Company 18 immediately ran a line down the left side of the building where occupants were at the second and third floor windows. Members of Engine Company 18 used a fog stream to protect these occupants from the heat of the fire.

Realizing that a ground ladder would not be thrown in time, Fire Lieutenant Paul D. Lucas of Engine Company 18, climbed a fence and entered the rear of the building. He made his way to the third floor under deteriorating conditions, and was making a primary search of several rooms when he heard cries for help. Fire Lieutenant Lucas located a woman and two children in the front room. He was able to hold on to all three, bring them through the heavy smoke condition to the rear stairwell, and down to the safety of the street.

Because this rescue was performed during heavy smoke conditions, before proper ventilation had taken place, or without the benefit of a charged line, this member placed himself at extreme personal risk. The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department highly commended Fire Lieutenant Paul D. Lucas of Engine Company 18 in General Order No. 24 of 2003.

Therefore, the Fire Commissioner, acting on the recommendation of the Board of Merit, hereby orders Fire Lieutenant Paul D. Lucas of Engine Company 18 be presented the John E. Fitzgerald Medal for Most Meritorious Act.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 19, 2004

I. CORRECTION

The following is a correction to General Order No. 12, dated May 13, 2004, 125th Annual Ball and Awards Ceremony and General Order No. 13, Board of Merit, dated May 18, 2004.

Fire Fighter Gregory G. Kelly of Tower Ladder 10 is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 20, 2004

I. CHANGE IN DESIGNATION OF FIRE ALARM BOXES

Notice has been received from the Public Improvement Commission, that Bollard Way has been renamed to Au Bon Pain Way. Effective 0800 hours, May 24, 2004, company commanders shall change the following numbered fire alarm boxes to read as follows:

Box 7529 Drydock 3, end of Au Bon Pain Way Box 7541 FID Kennedy Ave- & Au Bon Pain Way

II. REPLACEMENT RUNNING CARDS

Due to additional changes in the MetroFire running cards. Effective 0800 hours, May 23, 2004, company commanders shall replace the following numbered running cards with the new running cards issued with this order: boxes, 8213 and 8215, Company commanders shall carefully review all issued cards

III. FIRE ALARM BOX ESTABLISHED

Effective 1800 hours, May 24, 2004, the following numbered fire alarm box is established. Running cards are issued with this order.

Box 7116 Congress St. & East Service Rd.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 26, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 7, C32, M.G.L., became effective 1700 hours, April 30, 2004:

Fire Fighter

John J. Harrison Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter John J. Harrison was appointed to the department on May 17, 1972.

The retirement of the following named members in accordance with provisions of Section 7, C32, M.G.L., will become effective 1700, hours, May 31, 2004:

Fire Fighter

Edward T. Donlan T.M.R. Division

Fire Fighter

James M. Hardy Fire Investigation Unit

Fire Fighter

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George E. Howard Engine Company 51

Fire Fighter Edward T. Donlan was appointed to the department on December 6, 1978. Fire Fighter James M. Hardy was appointed to the department on May 17, 1972. Fire Fighter George E. Howard was appointed to the department on September 5, 1979.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective on Tuesday, June 1, 2004, at 0800 hours:

Fire Lieutenant			
Paul J. Murphy	Ladder Co. 19	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward J. White	Ladder Co. 6	to	Engine Co. 8
Fire Fighter			
Stephen Avellino	Ladder Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 50

Fire Fighter			
Thomas M. Goggin	Engine Co. 50	to	Ladder Co. 1
Fire Fighter			
William H. Buckley	Engine Co. 32	to	Training Division
Fire Fighter			
Ralph T. Dean	Ladder Co. 17	to	Motor Squad
Fire Fighter			
Robert G. Finn	Ladder Co. 7	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Gary L. Walker	Ladder Co. 23	to	IT Division
Fire Fighter			
Karen L. Miller	Engine Co. 48	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Harold A. Bodden	Engine Co. 20	to	Personnel Division

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HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JUNE 7, 2004

I. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, May 29, 2004:

Fire Fighter Steven E. Shaffer

Ladder Company 4

II. MEMORIAL MASS

The One Hundred and Eleventh Anniversary of Firemen's Memorial Sunday will be held on Sunday, June 13, 2004. Reverend Daniel L. Reason, Boston Fire Department Chaplain, will conduct the ceremonies at Forest Hills Cemetery at 0930 hours. Fire Fighter Nicholas J. DiMarino, President, Boston Fire Fighters Local 718, will be Chief Marshal. Mr. Norman Knight, President of the 100 Club, will be Orator of the day.

Trustees of the Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department and the Boston Fire Department Honor Guard will report to Deputy Fire Chief Robert Dunderdale at the archway via the Morton Street entrance at 0915 hours. Regulation uniform for all members will be sack coat with tie and white gloves.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department earnestly urges all off duty members to make every effort to attend these services.

A Catholic Mass will be celebrated at the Forsyth Chapel, Forest Hills Cemetery, by Reverend Daniel Mahoney before the Memorial Service at 0830 hours for all who wish to attend.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT **JUNE 25, 2004**

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, June 30, 2004:

District Fire Chief Joseph I. Holland Fire Fighter

Personnel Division

Phillip J. Doherty **Engine Company 8**

District Fire Chief Holland was appointed to the Department on December 24, 1969, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on February 27, 1985, promoted to Fire Captain on January 4, 1989, and to District Fire Chief on December 8, 2001. Fire Fighter Doherty was appointed to the department on July 17, 1974.

Both of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective, at 0800 hours on July 1, 2004:

Fire Captain			
Gerard Cahill	Personnel Div.	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Lieutenant			
William P. Kenneally	Ladder Co. 26	to	Ladder Co. 6
Fire Lieutenant			
Paul J. Murphy	Engine Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 9
Fire Fighter			
Duane B. Jenkins	Engine Co. 53	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Fighter			
Scott M. Salman	Tower Ladder 3	to	Headquarters
Fire Fighter			
Terrance Edwards	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 22
Fire Fighter			
Reynolds Shepard	Ladder Co. 17	to	Engine Co. 7
	(Aide to Dist. Chief)		(Aide to Dist. Chief)

III. COMMISSIONER'S UNIT CITATION

On June 6, 2004, at 1708 hours, incident #31478, District 1 and Engine Company 5 were dispatched to Chelsea to assist with the search for a missing person off the Chelsea Yacht Club. Upon arrival, Chelsea Fire Department members were in the process of searching for a missing twelve-year-old female in the waters off 100 Captain's Row.

The Boston Fire Department Scuba Team was immediately activated. Fire Fighter/Divemaster Steven Murphy, Marine Unit, Lieutenant Joseph McNulty, Engine Company 17, Fire Fighter Kenneth Marrero, Engine Company 17 and Fire Fighter Joseph Kelley, Rescue Company 1, were the first to arrive. Fire Fighter/Divemaster Murphy consulted with witnesses as to where the girl was last seen. The team members immediately mastered a plan for searching the area. Lieutenant McNulty and Fire Fighter Marrero were to suit up, while Fire Fighter Kelley would be in charge of communications with the team while under water.

Fire Fighter/Divemaster Murphy instructed Lieutenant McNulty to enter the water and begin to search approximately 40 feet off shore in the area where the girl was last seen. Fire Fighter Marrero would be guideline tender and also serve as backup diver. Lieutenant McNulty entered the water under extremely adverse conditions, with strong blowing winds, a strong current, and debris filled water. Against these odds it was within eleven

(11) minutes that the young victim was retrieved from the ocean bottom.

These members displayed a thorough knowledge of their duties and the ability to work together under adverse and dangerous conditions to accomplish their objective. Therefore, the Commissioner's Unit Citation is hereby awarded to the following members of the Boston Fire Department Scuba Team:

Fire Fighter/Divemaster Steven M. Murphy

Fire Lieutenant

Joseph G. McNulty

Fire Fighter

Kenneth Marrero

Fire Fighter

Joseph E. Kelley

Marine Unit

Engine Company 17

Engine Company 17

Rescue Company 1

IV. COMMENDATIONS

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Joseph A. Guarino of Engine Company 4, who while off duty, responded to a serious multi-car accident with entrapments on Route 93. While riding by at the time he stopped to assist Braintree Fire companies on scene. He helped stabilize an ejected person until the arrival of an ambulance and then assisted in the extrication of the other person still in the car. His actions reflect true professionalism and bring credit to the Boston Fire Department. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Daniel P. McCarthy of Engine Company 48, who responded while off duty to Box 3826, which was struck on May 29, 2004, at 1955 hours, for a building fire at 11 Drury Road in Hyde Park. Upon arrival, companies reported heavy fire showing from the rear of a two and one half story wood-frame building. They were met by Fire Fighter McCarthy who informed them he had already performed a primary search and determined that the building was unoccupied. This primary search was performed without the benefit of a charged line or personal protective equipment. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 9, 2004

I. MODIFIED WORK SCHEDULE

The Department will be implementing a modified work schedule, to deal with staffing needs during the upcoming Democratic National Convention. Starting at 0800 hours on July 16, 2004 and ending 0800 hours on August 1, 2004. Division 1 and Division 2 will operate on a 24 hour schedule. Starting with group 4, working 24 hours on July 16, 2004 and ending with group 2 working 24 hours on July 31, 2004. The group schedule to work at night will come in for the day tour. (See attached schedule).

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 22, 2004

I.. FIRE ALARM BOXES RENUMBERED

Effective 1800 hours, July 23, 2004, the following numbered fire alarm boxes will be renumbered. Running cards are issued with this order. Company Commanders shall carefully review all issued cards:

Box 123 to 9611 Box 616 to 9511

II. CHANGE IN RESPONSE

Effective 1800 hours, July 23, 2004, company commanders shall make the following change in response on assignment cards:

Box 9316

2nd alarm to fire, add TL-3 respond from City Sq CANA, Loop (from Leverett Connector)

Box 9325

2nd alarm covering, drop E 42-7, add E 42-14, drop L 17-24, add L 18-24

Box 9336

2nd alarm covering, drop E 21-39 add E 21-2

Boxes 9343 and 9443

1st alarm to fire, drop D8, add D7

III. TEMPORARY CHANGE IN RESPONSE

Effective 0800 hours July 26, 2004 to 0800 hours July 30, 2004 Engine Company 50 will respond only to boxes in the 4000 series. On all alarms outside of the 4000 series boxes Fire Alarm shall dispatch the next due Engine Company (to the fire or covering assignment)

IV. INTERIM DEPLOYMENT OF DISTRICT 2

Effective 0800 hours July 26, 2004 to 0800 hours on July 30, 2004 District 2 will be placed in service in the Charlestown section of District 3 of Division 1. They shall assume all response and administrative duties therein. They shall be housed at Engine Company 50 quarters.

V. INTERIM DEPLOYMENT OF LADDER CO. 22

From 0800 hours July 26, 2004 to 0800 hours July 30, 2004 Ladder Company 22 will be placed in service. They shall respond to all struck boxes in the 4000 series. They shall respond to still alarms as directed by the fire alarm office. Ladder Company. 22 will be quartered with Engine Company 32.

VI. REPLACEMENT RUNNING CARDS

Effective 0800 hours, July 16, 2004, issued with this order are replacement running cards for fire alarm boxes

9121, 9122, 9123, 9124, 9133, 9134.

9223, 9224, 9232, 9233.

9312, 9324, 9325, 9327, 9328, 9331, 9332, 9334, 9335, 9336, 9337, 9338, 9339.

9412, 9419, 9421, 9425, 9427, 9428, 9429, 9431, 9432, 9433, 9435, and 9436

Company commanders shall carefully review all issued cards and shall discard the previously issued cards.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 27, 2004

Section 7-94, C32, M.G.L.

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L, became effective at 1700 hours, July 16, 2004:

Principal Fire Alarm Operator Richard T. Kelleher

Fire Alarm Division

Principal Fire Alarm Operator Kelleher was appointed to the department on September 18, 1974, promoted to Senior Fire Alarm Operator on December 1, 1982 and to Principal Fire Alarm Operator on August 10, 2002.

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 1700 hours, July 31, 2004:

Fire Fighter

Robert K. Ferrara	T.M.R. Division	Section 7, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Robert E. Jackson	Engine Co. 55	Section 7, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter	-	

Edward L. Mables Fire Prevention Division

Fire Fighter Ferrara was appointed to the department on September 17, 1975. Fire Fighter Jackson was appointed to the department on August 3, 1977. Fire Fighter Mables was appointed to the department on June 23, 1979.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, August 1,2004

Fire Lieutenant			
Michael S. Mullen	Ladder Co. 21	to	Ladder Co. 26
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward J. Kulik	Ladder Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant			
Irene Foley	Personnel Division	to	Fire Prevention
Fire Lieutenant			
Martin J. O'Brien	Engine Co. 50	to	T.M.R. Division

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT JULY 28, 2004

I. MODIFIED WORK SCHEDULE (termination)

Effective 0800 hours, August 1, 2004, the modified work schedule implemented in General Order 19 dated July 9, 2004, to accommodate the staffing needs of the Department during the Democratic National Convention, is terminated. The Department shall revert to the pre-existing work schedule as defined per the collective bargaining agreement.

The following is reinstated:

- a.) Fire Fighter Injured Overtime
- b.) FLSA and compensatory time (subject to approval)

Members shall no longer be allowed to work overtime or paid details while on vacation.

Effective 0800 hours, July 31, 2004, the paid detail rate shall reflect the new collective bargaining agreement.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT August 17, 2004

DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION

During the week of July 26 thru 29th, 2004, the City of Boston hosted the Democratic National Convention, the first national political convention post 9-11, which was declared a national security event. The Boston Fire Department was a major component in the public safety aspect of this event being called upon to provide fire fighting, haz-mat, decontamination, technical rescue, police support, fire alarm, communications, command, and fire prevention functions. The department committed over one year of planning and preparation to this challenging and complex event. The success of the Boston 2004 DNC was due to the cooperation, professionalism and dedication of all agencies involved.

Many favorable comments have been received relative to the performance of the Boston Fire Department during this period.

I am pleased to commend all officers and members of the Boston Fire Department, uniformed and civilian, for their role in providing the highest level of public safety services for this event. The enthusiasm, professionalism and dedication shown by all members were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Boston Fire Department.

I also wish to acknowledge and thank the leadership of Boston Fire Fighters Local 718 for their cooperation and assistance with the implementation of this event.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT AUGUST 26, 2004

I. RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

The resignations/retirements of the following named members will become effective at 1700 hours, on the dates indicated:

Fire Fighter

John P. Foley Fire Investigation Unit August 16, 2004

Fire Fighter

James M. McCarthy Rescue Company 2 August 31, 2004

Fire Fighter Foley was appointed to the department on December 18, 1974. Fire Fighter McCarthy was appointed to the department on August 22, 1973. Both members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. RESIGNATIONS

The resignations of the following named members became effective at 1700 hours, on the dates indicated:

Fire Fighter

Bruce E. Thomas Engine Company 4 August 13, 2004

Fire Fighter

Michael J. McColgan Engine Company 16 August 23, 2004

III. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member was promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to Office of Field Services effective 0800 hours, August 13, 2004:

District Fire Chief

Francis G. Jones Engine Company 33

IV. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member was promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, August 13, 2004:

Fire Captain William A. Tobin

Rescue Company 2

V. PROMOTIONS TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, August 13, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant Joseph E. Kelley

Rescue Company 1

VI. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, September 1, 2004:

District Fire Chief			
Robert F. Snell	District 7	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Captain			
James G. Ferris	Engine Co. 10	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward C. Joyce	Marine Unit	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
John J. Forristall	Special Operations	to	Ladder Co. 24
	Command		
Fire Lieutenant			
Gerard H. Leahy	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 21
Fire Lieutenant			
James B. O'Brien	Ladder Co. 17	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fighter			
Christopher Serra	Engine Co. 8	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
Stephen Batres	Ladder Co. 28	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
David J. Bergdoll	Rescue Co. 2	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
James B. Donahue	Ladder Co. 23	to	Detail Admin. Unit

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Fire Fighter			
Lawrence Crosby	T.M.R. Division	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
Abelardo Guzman	Engine Co. 21	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Dennis J. Hogan	Ladder Co. 19	to	Personnel/Medical
Fire Fighter			
Cornelius M. Keane	Engine Co. 10	to	Tower/Ladder 3
	(Aide to Deputy Chief)		

VII. REPLACEMENT RUNNING CARD

Due to a change in the East Boston access to the Sumner tunnel the replacement running card for fire alarm box 9611 issued with this order is effective 0800 hours, August 30, 2004.

Company commanders shall carefully review the issued card and shall discard the previously issued card.

BY ORDER OF ACTING FIRE COMMISSIONER/CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT WILLIAM F. HITCHCOCK

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 21, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., became effective 1700 hours, March 29, 2004:

Fire Fighter

Richard T. Davis

Engine Company 20

Fire Fighter Davis was appointed to the department on September 17, 1975, he leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. PROMOTION TO PRINCIPAL FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following named member was promoted to Principal Alarm Operator effective 0800 hours, July 19, 2004:

Senior Fire Alarm Operator Barry F. Stafford

Fire Alarm Operations

III. PROMOTION TO SENIOR FIRE ALARM OPERATOR

The following named member was promoted to Senior Fire Alarm Operator effective 0800 hours, July 19, 2004:

Fire Alarm Operator Diane L. Clifford

Fire Alarm Operations

IV. COMMENDATIONS

1.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Daniel P. McCarthy of Engine Company 48, who responded while off duty to Box 3826 which was struck on May 29, 2004 at 1955 hours, for a building fire at 11 Drury Road in Hyde Park. Upon arrival, companies reported heavy fire showing from the rear of a two and one half story woodframe building. They were met by Fire Fighter McCarthy who informed them he had already performed a primary search and determined that the building was unoccupied. This primary search was performed without the benefit of a charged line or personal protective equipment. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

2.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Lieutenant Michael S. Mullen of Ladder Company 21 who on the night tour of June 27, 2004, at 2247 hours, was able to diffuse and control a dangerous situation in quarters.

The situation began when a young man arrived at the firehouse claiming that he had been assaulted by a group of young men and they were still chasing him. At this time four other men appeared on the scene confronting the first man. As the members who were on the main floor were trying to diffuse the situation, two more men appeared from the side of the firehouse apparently coming to the aid of the first man. Both men were brandishing knives with blades in excess of nine inches long. The incident further escalated when two carloads of men pulled up on the apron to assist the first group of four men. It was at this point Fire Fighter Sifford of Engine Company 56 found himself caught between the firehouse and one of the knife wielding men.

The incident had become very dangerous for both civilians and firefighters alike. It was at this moment that Fire Lieutenant Michael S. Mullen of Ladder Company 21 felt he had no option but to act. Grabbing a broomstick, Lieutenant Mullen was able to knock the knife out of the hand of the man closest to Fire Fighter Sifford kicking the knife away from the incident. He then without hesitation confronted the other knife wielding man also disarming him. With both knives now secured by firefighters, Lieutenant Mullen placed himself between the two groups of men dispersing them. Because of Lieutenant Mullen's quick action, the incident quickly deescalated to a much less dangerous

situation. At this point, Boston Police arrived on scene and assumed control.

Lieutenant Mullen's actions, with complete disregard for his own safety, prevented serious injury to a fellow firefighter, as well as serious injury to the civilians involved in this altercation. His actions reflect the best qualities of the Boston Fire Department. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 27, 2004

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following member in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective 1700 hours, September 30, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant Henry J. Cullen

Engine Company 53

Fire Lieutenant Cullen was appointed to the department on October 20, 1965, and promoted to Fire Lieutenant on August 16, 1978. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates:

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective, at 0800 hours on October 1, 2004:

District Fire Chief			
Brian C. O'Donnell	Safety Division	to	District 7
Fire Captain			
Martin P. McCormack	Engine Co. 48	to	Fire Prevention Div. (effective 9/1/04)
Fire Captain			
Eugene P. Irwin	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Captain			_
Dennis Costin	Ladder Co. 11	to	Engine Co. 33
Fire Captain			
William J. Owens	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward J. Paris	Engine Co. 7	to	Ladder Co. 17
Fire Lieutenant			
Emmet P. Nichols	Ladder Co. 26	to	Rescue Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant			
Paul R. LeBlanc	F.I.U.	to	Marine Unit
Fire Fighter			
Joseph F. Hourihan	Training Division	to	Engine Co. 10
			(Aide to Deputy Chief, eff. 9/1/04)
Fire Fighter			Cinci, Cii. 7/1/01)
John T. Maguire	Ladder Co. 15	to	Engine Co. 33
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Fire Fighter			
Michael E. Davis	Engine Co. 33	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter			
Michael T. Pass	Engine Co. 3	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter			
John C. Piasta	Rescue Co. 1	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter			
Marlon M. Wilson	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 48
Fire Fighter			
Timothy P. O'Callaghan	Ladder Co. 18	to	Ladder Co. 19
Fire Fighter			
Raymond C. Johnson	Engine Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter			
Thomas P. Quinn	Engine Co. 24	to	Ladder Co. 23
Fire Fighter			
James K. Elow	Engine Co. 42	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
Jonathan D. Singleton	Ladder Co. 17	to	Training Division
Fire Fighter			
Patrick A. Munroe	Engine Co. 21	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
Ronald P. White	Engine Co. 29	to	Personnel Medical

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK ACTIVITIES

The Boston Fire Department is engaged in a program of promoting fire prevention to the public. To assist in setting this example, it is the sincere wish of the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department that all members of the department support its Fire Prevention Week activities. This may be done by conveying to your family, friends and relatives those events which are in support of this worthwhile activity and by requesting their presence whenever possible. A partial schedule of fire prevention activities is furnished herewith:

HOURS MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2004

1030 Captain John F. Williams Federal Building, 408 Atlantic Avenue

Division 1 and District 3 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Tower Company 3 will raise an aerial. Engine Company 10 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

HOURS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2004

John W. McCormack Federal Building, Post Office Square

Division 1 and District 3 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Tower Company 3 will raise an aerial with a member over the ladder. Engine Company 10 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

HOURS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2004

John F. Kennedy Federal Building - High Rise, Government Center

Division 1 and District 3 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Ladder Company 24 will raise an aerial. Engine Company 4 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

John F. Kennedy Federal Building - Low Rise Government Center

Division 1 and District 3 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Ladder Company 1 will raise an aerial. Engine Company 8 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

John J. Moakley Federal Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way

Division 1 and District 6 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Ladder Company 18 will raise an aerial. Engine Company 2 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

HOURS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2004

The Thomas P. O'Neill Building, Causeway Street

Division 1 and District 3 will act as observers of evacuation drills. Ladder Company 24 will raise an aerial. Engine Company 4 will respond to the lobby with their high-rise package.

The Fire Safety Education Trailer will be at several locations during Fire Prevention Week, October 4, 2004 to October 10, 2004 Interested parties may contact the Public Education Office at 343-3397 for dates and times.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 1, 2004

I. FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week will be observed in the City of Boston from **October 3** to **October 9, 2004, inclusive.**

The theme for this year's Fire Prevention Week is, "**Test Your Smoke Alarm**" The National Fire Prevention Association recognizes the importance of teaching two simple but lifesaving lessons. Install smoke alarms and test them regularly and develop and practice home fire drills.

Educational material concerning these lessons will be distributed. All members should familiarize themselves with this information. Company officers shall review with all members the regulations concerning the installation of smoke detectors. This information will assist members in answering questions that the public may have while visiting.

The Fire Prevention Division will distribute "**Test Your Smoke Alarm**" banners. These banners shall be displayed on the front of firehouses from 0800 hours, October 3, 2004, until 0800 hours, October 10, 2004.

Fire stations shall be open to the public between 1200 and 1700 hours for visits of the premises and for the conveyance of information concerning the fire department functions and fire prevention matters. When citizens come to a station during Fire Prevention Week, the member on house patrol shall summon the commanding officer to answer any questions regarding the department, or to have a suitable person assigned this duty.

If a person or group wishes a tour of the firehouse, all hands shall be summoned to the main floor to greet the visitors. Tours shall include explaining how an alarm is received at the firehouse, followed by a demonstration of sounding the house gong, turning on the house lights, and if applicable, having a member slide down the pole.

Members should pay special attention to children during firehouse visits. They should talk to the children about knowing their home address, how to dial 9-1-1, STOP-DROP & ROLL, smoke detectors and having an escape plan to exit their home in an emergency.

If members allow some of the children to try on their helmets or bunker coats, take special precautions with smaller children as the weight of the protective gear may be too much for them. Care should be taken to ensure that no child is injured.

Have a member dress in full bunker gear with an airpack and facepiece on. Explain to the children that this is what firefighters look like when coming into their homes during a fire. Show them the apparatus, turn on the lights and siren, ask for questions and encourage them to take any safety pamphlets that you may have. If additional educational material is needed, it can be obtained by dialing the Public Information Office at 617-343-3415.

District Fire Chiefs are directed to take an active interest in Fire Prevention Programs in the following manner:

By making arrangements with the various plants and industrial enterprises within the district to hold fire drills during the week, by grading these drills as good, fair, or poor, and making a report of same to the Fire Prevention Division, indicating the name of the enterprise, the date of the drill and the grade. Same should be forwarded promptly. Each business should be requested to acknowledge participation in Fire Prevention Week activities via written correspondence. These drills should be conducted by a company officer after arrangements are made. At plants where there are special or company fire brigades, particular attention should be given to assignments and/or response procedures. It is requested that the name of the company officer conducting the drill be furnished. It is anticipated that not less than three drills be conducted in each district.

District Fire Chiefs should make a concerted effort to bring the activities of the department before these organizations and arrange for lectures to be given. The name of any organization so participating should be reported to the Fire Prevention Division, specifically if the organization can be urged to forward on their own stationary a notation of the event, it would be to the greater advantage of the fire department.

Firefighters are to pay special attention to the observance of fire hazards and to the duty of observing and locating fire hazards along the route followed by them in their coming to and going from daily work. All buildings being erected, demolished or significantly remodeled require permits, as do storage and use of flammable gases. Notify your District Fire Chief and/or Fire Prevention Division at extension 3-2191. Dilapidated buildings, rubbish accumulation and the other hazards should be reported in accordance with abatement procedures as outlined in S.O.P. # 25. The public expects uniformed members of the fire department to know something about fire prevention work and to have an interest in this subject since they are public employees engaged in this field. Firefighters, therefore, during Fire Prevention Week, should have this subject uppermost in their minds and they should not pass a fire hazard at any time without making a note of it for reference to the Fire Prevention Division. In short, every uniformed member in the fire department is a fire prevention inspector at all times.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 8, 2004

I. RETIREMENT

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 7, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, September 30, 2004:

Fire Captain
James P. Manning

Tower Ladder 3

Fire Captain Manning was appointed to the Department on July 7, 1971, promoted to Fire Lieutenant on October 3, 1984 and to Fire Captain on December 6, 1989. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named member was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, October 8, 2004:

Fire Lieutenant John P. Dolan

Engine Company 42

III. CHANGE IN RESPONSE

Effective September 14, 2004, an EVAC Chief shall respond on all struck boxes with a prefix of "33" for MBTA stations. The EVAC chief must have a permanent aide assigned (Districts 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 11).

Effective 1800 hours, October 11, 2004, the Marine Unit shall not respond on Logan Airport Alert 2 incidents.

Effective 1800 hours, October 11, 2004, Boxes 642 and 646. 1st alarm to fire.

Drop MU.

Effective 1800 hours October 11, 2004 Box 7617 (Thompson Island). 1^{st.} Alarm to fire Add Div1.

IV. REPLACEMENT RUNNING CARDS

Effective 1800 hours, October 11, 2004, Company Commanders shall replace the following numbered replacement running cards for fire alarm boxes 7612, 7613, 7614, 7615, 7616, 7617, 7618, 762, 763, and 764. Company commanders shall discard the previously issued cards.

VI. CORRECTION

The following transfer in General Order No. 27, dated September 27, 2004, shall be corrected to read:

Fire Fighter
John J. Maguire

Ladder Co. 15

to Engine Co. 33

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 28, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirements of the following named members in accordance with the provisions indicated, will become effective at 1700 hours, October 31, 2004:

Fire Fighter		
Robert X. Dunkle	Ladder Company 19	S7, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Richard T. Gottwald	Engine Company 2	S16 7, C32, M.G. L.
Fire Fighter		
Edgar C. Honeycutt	Marine Unit	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Arthur L. McNair	Ladder Company 1	S7-94A, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Hiram K. Ortega	Fire Prevention Division	S7-94B, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Robert W. Ricks	Engine Company 8	S 7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
Ralph E. Sheffield	Fire Prevention Division	S7-94, C32, M.G.L.
Fire Fighter		
John F. Sullivan	Engine Company 55	S7-94A, C32, M.G.L.

Fire Fighter Dunkle was appointed to the department on December 24, 1969. Fire Fighter Gottwald was appointed to the department on May 12, 1993. Fire Fighter Honeycutt was appointed to the department on May 18, 1977. Fire Fighter McNair was appointed to the department on June 14, 1989. Fire Fighter Ortega was appointed to the department on August 31, 1977. Fire Fighter Ricks was appointed to the department on January 19, 1977. Fire Fighter Sheffield was appointed to the department on June 30, 1976. Fire Fighter Sullivan was appointed to the department on March 19, 1975.

All of these members leave the department with the best wishes of their associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, November 1, 2004:

Fire Captain			
Steven C. Waldron	Engine Co. 32	to	Ladder Co. 11
Fire Captain	C		
James J. McAdams	Ladder Co. 25	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Captain			
William A. Tobin	Personnel Division (effective 10/8/04)	to	Special Operations
Fire Lieutenant			
Coleman F. Connolly	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Lieutenant			
James J. Heffernan	Engine Co. 37	to	Engine Co. 53
Fire Lieutenant	I - 11 C - 0	4 -	I - 11 C 26
Brian E. Cobb Fire Lieutenant	Ladder Co. 2	to	Ladder Co. 26
Kevin P. Cusack	Tower Ladder Co. 3	to	Personnel Division
Keviii I . Cusack	(effective 10/9/04)	ιο	I CISUINICI DIVISION
Fire Lieutenant	(611664176 167576 1)		
John P. Dolan	Personnel Division	to	Info Technology Div.
	(effective 10/9/04)		
Fire Fighter			
Marc A. Sanders	Engine Co. 37	to	Engine Co. 7
Fire Fighter			
Paul D. Gillis	Engine Co. 7	to	Ladder Co. 17
Fire Fighter	T I 11 C 10		I 11 C 15
James A. Harding	Tower Ladder Co.10	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fighter Charles T. Khoury	Ladder Co. 15	to	Ladder Co. 17
Fire Fighter	Lauder Co. 13	ιο	Lauder Co. 17
Pablo Aquino	Engine Co. 39	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Fighter	Zugine co. co		200001 00. 10
Peter R. Ryan	Ladder Co. 16	to	Ladder Co. 29
Fire Fighter			
Stephen J. Mullin	Ladder Co. 26	to	Fire Prevention Div.
Fire Fighter			
John F. LaPorte	Engine Co. 8	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
John F. O'Neil	Fire Brigade	to	Personnel Medical

(TRANSFERS CONTINUED)

Fire Fighter			
Jesse B. Jones	Engine Co. 30	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter	_		
Harry H. Hirtle	Engine Co. 18	to	Fire Brigade
Fire Fighter			
Leo Brown	Haz Mat Unit (H3)	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Fighter			
David F. Walsh	Public Information	to	Personnel Medical

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 28, 2004

I. CHANGES TO MANAGEMENT OF INJURY INDEMNIFICATION AND SICK LEAVE

Effective 0800 hours on November 1, 2004, the following changes will take place for the Management of Injury Indemnification and Sick Leave:

Pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement, Article XVIII, Sec. 1A, effective immediately, Case Manager Ian Mackenzie is appointed as the Commissioner's designee for the reporting of all work-related injuries. Injured Leave Reports are to be submitted to him in the medical office within 48 hours of the time of injury. In the event that an Injured Leave Report (5-D) is not received by the medical office prior to a member's visit (but within the 48 hours), it is the members' responsibility to complete another form prior to being examined by the Department Medical Examiner.

Any claim for injury indemnification received by the Medical Office more than 48 hours after the time of injury will be denied, and the member initially placed on sick leave pending further investigation. If the investigation determines it is a work related injury any lost sick time will be restored. This reporting process will be followed unless the severity of the injury is such that it makes notification within 48 hours impossible. To that end, in the event that a member is admitted to hospital as a result of a work-related injury, Fire Alarm is to advise the Case Manager and Department Medical Examiner immediately.

Company commanders are to complete an Injured Leave Report (5-D) for every injury sustained on their tour, and forward the report to the District Chief as soon as possible after the injury. It is the injured members' responsibility to make sure this is done. District Chiefs are to fax the front page of Injured Leave Reports (5-D) pertaining to injuries sustained by members assigned to their district, to the medical office prior to the conclusion of said tour. The Medical Office fax number is (617) 343-3042.

Company commanders are to complete a Sick Leave Report (5-S) for every sick call received on said tour of duty. District Chiefs shall ensure they have a (5-S) for every sick call they receive on said tour, and fax them to the medical office on the tour the sick call is received. The Medical Office fax number is (617) 343-3042.

All medical documentation for sick leave will be verified by the medical office only. Pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement, all personnel are required to complete and sign a medical release, upon initial visit to the Medical Office dealing with the specific injury involved.

Injuries that occur within the firehouse or its grounds shall be investigated by the District Chief immediately. The investigating District Chief shall complete an In-House Injury form (OFS-3) and fax the form to the Personnel Office before the completion of the tour. The Personnel Office fax number is (617-343-4114). The Safety Chief shall also investigate in-house injuries and submit a form 5-A to the Fire Commissioner within 24 hrs.

All applications for indemnification for injuries recognized by MGL Chapter 32, Sections 94, 94A, and 94B (heart, lung, and cancer presumptions) as job related must be made in writing on an Injured Leave Report (5-D). The form is to be submitted to the Medical Office on the first visit to the Department Medical Examiner following diagnosis of an eligible condition.

Members on injured leave should have medical providers fax updated notes to the Medical Office prior to a scheduled appointment with the Department Medical Examiner. The Medical Office fax number is (617) 343-3042.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 26, 2004

I. RETIREMENTS

The retirement of the following named member in accordance with provisions of Section 5, C32, M.G.L., will become effective at 1700 hours, November 26, 2004:

Fire Fighter
William L. Arrington

Ladder Company 11

Fire Fighter Arrington was appointed to the Department on April 18, 1977. He leaves the department with the best wishes of his associates.

II. TRANSFERS

The following transfers will become effective at 0800 on December 1, 2004:

District Fire Chief			
Lawrence S. DiSanto	Training Division	to	Personnel Medical
District Fire Chief			
Stephen D. McNeil	Personnel Division	to	Safety Division
Fire Captain			
Mark Buchanan	Ladder Co. 28	to	Ladder Co. 25
Fire Captain			
Michael J. Sheehan	Training Division	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Captain			
Dennis L. Keeley	Chief of Operations,	to	Engine Co. 32
	Support Services Off	ice	
Fire Lieutenant			
Neal A. Mullane, Jr.	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 37
Fire Lieutenant			
Paul S. Fitzpatrick	Engine Co. 32	to	Ladder Co. 2
Fire Lieutenant			
Edward J. Glasheen	Engine Co. 10	to	Tower Ladder 3
Fire Lieutenant			
William D. Ceurvels	Ladder Co. 18	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
Robert Goglia	Special Operations	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Lieutenant			
Gerard F. Shea	Rescue Co. 1	to	Training Division
Fire Lieutenant			
Michael P. McLean	Ladder Co. 25	to	Fire Prevention

Fire Li	ieutenant			
	eph E. Kelley	Personnel Division	to	Special Operations Field Services (Effective 10/02/2004)
Fire Fi	=			
	vin F. Meehan	Engine Co. 55	to	Engine Co. 7
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	er A. Gailunas	Engine Co. 7	to	Ladder Co. 17
Fire Fi	_	T 11 C 10		F : C 20
	emiah A. McCarthy	Ladder Co. 18	to	Engine Co. 20
Fire Fi	_	Laddar Ca 16	to	Engine Co. 22
	nes E. Sullivan	Ladder Co. 16	to	Engine Co. 33
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	arles F. Lane	Engine Co. 20	to	Personnel Medical
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	lliam F. Candler	Engine Co. 55	to	Personnel Medical
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	dy F. Larke	Engine Co. 5	to	Engine Co. 22
Fire Fi	•	C		C
Pa	ul J. Bowen	Engine Co. 7	to	Engine Co. 8
Fire Fi	ighter	_		_
Gal	briel Sanon	Engine Co. 9	to	Engine Co. 41
Fire Fi	ighter			
	chael J. O'Callaghan	Engine Co. 10	to	Tower Ladder 3
Fire Fi	· ·			
	eph A. Boucher	Engine Co. 28	to	Tower Ladder 10
Fire Fi	~	-		
	opold G. Martinez	Engine Co. 30	to	Engine Co. 42
Fire Fi	· ·	Engline Co. 22	4 -	I - 11 C - 15
	eph P. Duffy	Engine Co. 33	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fi	rk S. Oliver	Engine Co. 49	to	Ladder Co. 19
Fire Fi		Eligine Co. 49	ιο	Laudel Co. 19
	chael F. Gavin	Engine Co. 51	to	Engine Co. 50
Fire Fi		Engine co. 51	•	Engine co. 50
	awn McGrath	Ladder Co. 1	to	Ladder Co. 15
Fire Fi				
	c L. Brown	Ladder Co. 15	to	Ladder Co. 28
Fire Fi	ighter			
Sear	n E. Coppney	Ladder Co. 15	to	Engine Co. 21
Fire Fi	ighter			
Edo	dy F. Holmes	Ladder Co. 21	to	Ladder Co. 14

Fire Fighter

Christopher J. Cummings Ladder Co. 24 to Ladder Co. 25

Fire Fighter

John J. Harding Engine Co. 18 to C11-Hospital Rep

III. HIGH COMMENDATION

On September 20, 2004, Engine Company 50 responded to the rear of 333 Terminal Street in District 3 for a report of a man in the water. Upon arrival, members observed a man, in obvious distress, about thirty yards from the seawall. Without hesitation, and with no regard for his own personal safety, Fire Lieutenant Donald Doenges swam out to the victim and pulled him toward the shore where he and the other members of Engine 50 then lifted him onto the seawall. The victim was then transported by Boston EMS. It was later discovered that the victim, suffering from diabetes, had become disoriented, and was virtually unable to aid himself once he had fallen into the water.

Because this rescue was performed without knowledge of any hidden obstructions, depth of the water, or presence of a dangerous current, Fire Lieutenant Doenges placed himself at great personal risk. The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Donald Doenges of Engine Company 50, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

IV. COMMENDATIONS

- 1.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Alarm Operator Denis Sullivan for his efforts on behalf of the Boston Fire Department on several different occasions. His cooperation and assistance, given willingly and on his own personal time, during the IEEE milestone program in 2004, the Society of Industrial Archeology's' conference in Providence, Rhode Island, in 2003, and First Night at the Old State House in 2002, are a few examples of his dedication to duty and his willingness to represent the Boston Fire Department in a most professional and positive manner. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.
- 2.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Alarm Operator Lisa A. Gregorio for her efforts in identifying a perpetrator who had been placing calls for needless alarms for an extended period of time.

On October 15, 2004 at 1906 hours a cell phone call was transferred from a 911-call taker to the Fire Alarm Office reporting a building fire in District 9. Upon arrival, companies reported "nothing showing" and the District Chief ordered the Fire Alarm Office to check the still.

At this time Fire Alarm Operator Gregorio, remembering numerous calls from this address, reported that this had been an ongoing problem. Using the CAD system, Operator Gregorio determined that more than forty (40) such incidents had occurred since September 1, 2004. She contacted Verizon Wireless Security and was able to confirm the location. The District Chief was informed of the findings and ordered the Fire Investigation Unit and Boston Police to respond. After investigation, it was determined that a teenage boy living at the address was responsible for the rash of false calls. He was placed under arrest.

The success of this investigation was due to the professionalism and dedication of Fire Alarm Operator Gregorio. This commendation shall be made part of her personnel file.

3.) The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Fire Fighter Eddy E. Holmes of Ladder Company 21, who while off duty on October 26, 2004, at 1809 hours, responded to Box 6173 for a building fire at 265 Meridian Street in District 1. He assisted the members of Ladder Company 21 with several different assignments thus allowing them to accomplish these objectives in a more timely fashion. His actions reflect the highest standards of the Boston Fire Department. This commendation shall be made part of his personnel file.

V. TWENTY-FIVE YEAR PINS

At 0930 hours, Thursday, December 9, Group 4 working, and Friday, December 10, Group 2 working, the Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department will be awarding twenty-five year pins to eligible members appointed during the year 1979 in Memorial Hall.

The two presentations will accommodate off group (non-working) members.

Members shall RSVP the Public Information Office at 343-3415 indicating if they will be attending, to facilitate the number of pins and certificates necessary for these presentations.

Members attending these presentations shall wear the regulation dress uniform.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 3, 2004

I. SUBJECT BUILDING PRE-FIRE PLANS

As a result of a FEMA Fire Act Grant, the Department has undertaken a landmark project, known as the "Rapid Information and Early Warning System" (RIEWS). This project will place touch-screen laptop computers (MCT) in all engine company's apparatus and Chief's vehicles. The project has been underway for the past month and is about 20% complete. We anticipate the system to be operational by early April, 2005. The primary purpose of these computers is to give responding members access to critical information that pertains to the incident they're responding to. The critical information includes dispatch information, maps with hydrant locations, hazardous building information, and building preplans. This information, available while enroute at the touch of the computer screen will greatly benefit firefighter safety and also that of the citizens we protect.

Building preplans are a significant component of the RIEWS MCT project. In an effort to get this critical information into the hands of responding companies and the Incident Commander, the Information Technology (IT) Division is working with a software program to digitize building preplans, hazard information, and site plans of certain "target hazards" into a database that would be available while responding and at the scene of an incident. This will mean that preplans that are currently carried in the usual three-ring binders must be converted into electronic format and stored within the laptop computers. And, in order to maximize the benefit of the computer's capabilities, additional building preplans must be developed by all fire companies with the assistance of their Chief Officers and the IT Division. A feature of this system is that <u>all</u> preplans will be available on the laptops of <u>all</u> engine companies in the City. The advantages to covering companies are obvious.

Therefore, beginning immediately, all fire companies shall begin to develop building preplans for locations in their respective sub-districts. Locations that are recommended include: apartment buildings and multiple building residential complexes, nursing homes, elderly housing complexes, high rise residences, commercial occupancies with obvious hazards to the public and firefighters, target hazards that pose a significant threat to the general population. The order that they are done will depend on the assessed risk to life (both civilian and firefighters) & and the probability of an incident, both fire and non-fire. Deputy and District Chiefs will provide guidance to company officers who are unsure of which locations to preplan. The Captain will organize the list to be done and apportion the workload equally among the four work groups. Lieutenants and Senior Firefighters will forward building preplans through the company Captain for approval as to accuracy and completeness of the information provided. The Captain will forward through the District Chief on their work group who will review and approve as completed. District Chiefs will work with the companies of which the Captain is assigned to their work group. Deputy Chiefs will similarly oversee their District Chiefs. The Deputies will review and forward all approved preplans to the IT Division for entry into the computerized system. The MCT Building Preplan Program is ongoing and will continue permanently. Chief Officers will supervise the Program and will see that all companies under their command submit preplans every month.

Accompanying this order are standardized forms that are to be used for completing building preplans. The two-pages entitled, *First Look Pro Preplan Inspection Form*, will be filled out completely.

Depending on what type of occupancy is being preplanned, other important information will be listed in a narrative format in the sections marked "Notes". The Captain must review this information to validate that the proper information, consistent with the occupancy, is included. Similarly, Deputy Chiefs and District Chiefs, when reviewing their company's preplans, will consider the content of this additional information. The back of the second page, marked "Site Diagram", will be used to draw a rough diagram of the building footprint. This outline of the building should be shown on the site plan in relationship to the property and surrounding streets. Measurements, streets, hydrants, Fire Department Connections (FDC), fences, entrance points, etc should be included as appropriate. A "NORTH" compass coordinate, including an arrow, should also be shown. The page includes gridlines to assist you in drawing straight lines. The more detailed your diagram is, the more useful it will be to all who look at it on the laptop. If photographs of the location would add necessary information to the preplan, an IT Division staff member will visit the site and take digital pictures, at the officer's direction. These photos can be added to the preplan and viewed on the laptop enroute to an incident.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 8, 2004

I. ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION

The following named will be appointed Fire Fighters on Probation, effective 0800 hours, December 8, 2004, and assigned to the following companies:

Martin G. Conneely	Ladder Company 2
Edward L. Ferent	Ladder Company 18
Thomas P. Flaherty	Ladder Company 7
John F. Kelly	Engine Company 4
Frederick D. Lorenz	Engine Company 22
Derek M. Melendy	Engine Company 22
Mark P. Miller	Engine Company 21
Gary S. Mottola	Ladder Company 2
Edward W. Neff	Engine Company 7
Stephen K. O'Connor	Ladder Company 16
Richard M. Proia	Engine Company 9
Richard M. Rizza	Engine Company 22
Edward J. Sullivan	Engine Company 56
Edward J. Walsh	Ladder Company 15
Kevin P. Williams	Engine Company 28
Robert H. Farmer	Ladder Company 24
Christopher P. Fay	Engine Company 10
Mark T. Foley	Engine Company 56
Ronald J. Holmes	Engine Company 10
Dennis M. Kane	Engine Company 33
David Kirrane	Engine Company 29
Michael G. Lynch	Ladder Company 24
Edward A. McKinnon	Engine Company 8
Francis X. Tierney	Ladder Company 29

ASSIGNMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS ON PROBATION (CONTINUED)

These members are detailed to the Training, Maintenance and Research Division. They will report to their assigned company for full duty upon successful completion of drill school.

Fire Fighters on Probation shall not be used as company strength or detailed while attending drill school.

Fire Fighters on Probation will have their names appear on a separate morning report compiled and maintained by the Training Division while attending the Fire Academy. Upon their successful completion of the Fire Academy, the names of the Fire Fighters on Probation will be added to their respective company's morning reports.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 22, 2004

I. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department extends to all of the members of the Boston Fire Department and their families best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and safe New Year for 2005.

My sincere thanks to each and every one of you, uniformed and civilian, for all that you do in keeping Boston one of the safest cities in the nation.

II. HIGH COMMENDATION

On September 23, 2004, at 1917 hours, Engine Company 33 and Ladder Company 15 were dispatched to the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge for a report of a woman in the river.

Upon arrival, it was confirmed that a woman was in the water up to her neck clutching a piling at the base of the bridge. While a member of Ladder Company 15 prepared to don a survival suit the woman began shouting that she could not hold on any longer. At that moment, Lieutenant Robert Moriarty was lowered by rope approximately thirty-five feet to the river where he was able to secure the woman in distress and keep her head above water until the arrival of the State Police boat.

Fire Lieutenant Moriarty acted without regard to his own personal safety in effecting the rescue of this woman. He placed himself at great personal risk by entering the water and had he not done so, the victim would have slipped below the surface of the moving river and the opportunity to save her life would have been lost. He suffered abrasions to his arm and hand, and also ingested river water during this rescue. He was transported to the Boston Medical Center where he was treated and released.

Because this rescue was performed at great personal risk, without the benefit of a survival suit, The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to highly commend Fire Lieutenant Robert Moriarty of Engine Company 33, and refers his case to the Board of Merit for further consideration.

III. COMMENDATION

The Fire Commissioner/Chief of Department is pleased to commend Engine Company 33 and Ladder Company 15 for their diligence and teamwork on September 23, 2004, 1917 hours, at incident #04-51446. Both companies responded to the Massachusetts Avenue Bridge for a report of a woman in the water. Upon arrival, it was confirmed that a woman was clutching a piling at the base of the bridge in neck deep water.

When it became obvious that the woman could hold on no longer the members of Engine Company 33 and Ladder Company 15 used a rescue rope to lower Fire Lieutenant Robert Moriarty of Ladder Company 15 into the water. He then rendered assistance to the woman until the arrival of the State Police boat. Their actions reflect the highest standards of the Boston Fire Department. This commendation shall be made part of their personnel file.

HEADQUARTERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 28, 2004

I. PROMOTION TO DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF

The following named member was promoted to District Fire Chief and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 16, 2004

Fire Captain

Michael E. Hocking

Engine Company 51

II. PROMOTION TO FIRE CAPTAIN

The following named member was promoted to Fire Captain and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 16, 2004

Fire Lieutenant

Kevin P. Brooks

Ladder Company 18

III. PROMOTION TO FIRE LIEUTENANT

The following named members were promoted to Fire Lieutenant and transferred to the Personnel Division effective 0800 hours, December 16, 2004

Fire Fighter

Scott D. Wahlen

Ladder Company 14

IV. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE ALARM OPERATORS

The following named members were permanently appointed Fire Alarm Operators effective 0800 hours, on the dates indicated:

Kelley A. Keady
Eileen C. Clougherty
Valerie J. Watson
Barry E. Oakley
Christine E. Martin
January 30, 2004
January 30, 2004
December 16, 2004
December 16, 2004

V. TRANSFERS

The transfers of the following named members will become effective at 0800 hours, January 1, 2005:

District Fire Chief			
Richard K. Lynch	District 4	to	Personnel Medical
Fire Captain			
Arthur W. Johnson	Personnel Division	to	Ladder Co. 28
Fire Lieutenant			
Lawrence P. MacDougall	Ladder Co. 24	to	Engine Co. 10
Fire Lieutenant			
Robert M. Ford	Personnel Division	to	Engine Co. 32
Fire Lieutenant			
John F. McDonald	Engine Co. 39	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Lieutenant			
James J. Heffernan	Engine Co. 53	to	Ladder Co. 25
Fire Lieutenant			
Santiago Lasa	Ladder Co. 15	to	Rescue Co. 1
Fire Fighter			
Douglas E. Bell	Engine Co. 39	to	Ladder Co. 18
Fire Fighter			
Daniel P. McCarthy	Engine Co. 48	to	Engine Co. 49
Fire Fighter			
James E. Walker	Engine Co. 49	to	Engine Co. 55
Fire Fighter			
Robert D. MacLean	Engine Co. 39	to	TMR Division