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Fire Department News
Cambridge, Massachusetts
A Class 1 Fire Department

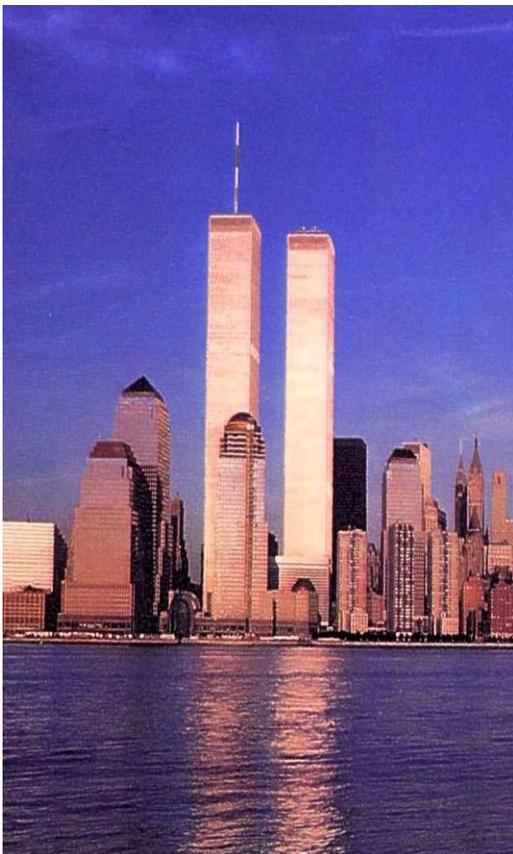
From the desk of
Acting Chief Gerard Mahoney

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September 11th

September 11, 2018 marked the 17th anniversary of a date that many of us will never forget and the date of one of the largest rescue efforts in the modern fire service. It is a day that we should be proud to be Americans and also proud to be associated with the American Fire Service – fly your American flag proudly!





What's New

New Ladder 1 – The new ladder 1 is in the city at the motor squad getting a final check.

Fire Prevention Bikes – The Fire Prevention Bureau will be using bikes to travel around the city for fire inspections, permitting, & investigations. These bikes complement the bikes that are currently in use by the CFD/ EMS Bike Team.



J Gelinas photo

Squad Helmet Devices – Technical Services will begin issuing new helmet inserts to Squad 2 and Squad 4. Despite the Squad being part of the Rescue Company, traditionally Squads have used the color yellow in other fire departments.



CFD Patriots Gear – Back in July, **FF Howie Smith; Engine 4** took orders for some Cambridge Fire/New England Patriots clothing apparel. Order forms were posted in all the fire stations and emails sent department wide. The shirts were sold through Boston Fire Gear, owned by Boston Fire Lt. Roger Kendrick.

However, we wanted to include the offer to Retirees and friends of the department. A second “run” will be conducted shortly offering the same products for those that wanted additional, missed the original order or decided they wanted some. Some thought it was only sweatshirts and didn’t realize there were other options such as shirts and youth shirts.

These are available to all current, active, family members and retirees of Cambridge Fire! Please feel free to share. These are NOT APPROVED for on-duty use.

He will again place order sheets in each firehouse, or you can reach him via email. hsmith@cambridgefire.org With the exception of the windbreakers we have all sizes for adults and kids. Payment can be made in cash, check, credit card or VenMo (made out to @Roger-Kendrick)

Hoodies - \$50.00
1/4 Zip Windbreakers- \$40.00 (Adult sizes only)
Short Sleeve T Shirts- \$18.00
Long Sleeve T Shirts- \$25.00
+\$2.00 for XXL +3.00 for XXXL

Respectfully,
FF H Smith - E4, Grp 2



BOSTON FIRE GEAR.COM

CAMBRIDGE FIRE FOOTBALL STYLE

Available in Hooded Sweatshirts, 1/4 Zip Windbreakers and Tee's for both Adults and Kids. All Sizes Available.

For Ordering Contact
Howard Smith
978-836-8497

All Companies Working

June 22, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Somerville, Working Fire, Box 26, 9 Leon Street – Engine 5 responded on a line box and during response, were requested to establish a supply line and stretch to the 2nd floor for a fire in the building. Engine 5 was the second due engine company. Squad 2 and Division 2 also responded to the fire.

June 26, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Somerville, Beacon & Washington, Gas Main Break – Engine 5 responded on a line box and stood by a hydrant until the leak could be shut off.

June 26, 2018 – Pedestrian Accident, Franklin Street @ Bay Street – 55 year old male struck by a motor vehicle and transported to Beth Israel via ALS

June 27, 2018 – Mutual Aid, 4th Alarm, Medford, 243 Mystic Ave. - On the 4th alarm, Engine 5, Ladder 1, Squad 4, and Division 1 responded to Medford for a fire in an auto body shop. They set up a ladder pipe and operated in the rear of the building

July 5, 2018 – 2nd Alarm, 148 Columbia Street, Box 289 – outside gas grill extended to dwelling on the porch

July 17, 2018 – 2nd Alarm, Box 514, 1 Story Street – Dumpster fire extended to a large brick commercial building in Harvard Square compromising the gas meters. Gas meters failed contributing to a large fire load on the exterior. Searches made and lines stretched to all floors.

July 17, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Somerville, 2nd Alarm, Box 415, 51 Cherry Street – 2.5 story wood frame, fire due to lightning strike. Engine 4, Engine 5, Ladder 1, Squad 4, Division 1 responded. Engine 4 assigned as RIT, Engine 5. Ladder 1, Squad 4 and Division 1 to salvage operations.

July 19, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Brookline, 3rd Alarm, 1299 Beacon Street – fire in the basement of a commercial building. Ladder 3, Squad 2 and Division 1 responded to the fire and Engine 2 covered. Ladder 1 was out of service due to mechanical at the time of the response.

July 19, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Somerville, Highland Ave – Squad 4 assisted Pro for a cardiac arrest on the top floor of a 4 story residential.



Photo E Morrissey III

Lafayette Square Companies had a car run over a transformer in June 2018, Group 2 was working.

July 20, 2018 – Kendall Square, Main Street, Construction Accident - Engine 2, Ladder 3, Res 1, Squad 2, & Division Chief 1 at Main St, Kendall Square for a non-life-threatening construction injury. Victim is being removed by stokes stretcher via crane, w FD members on board. Main St in the area is closed temporarily by

July 21, 2018 – Mutual aid, Belmont, 149-151 Belmont Street, Working Fire, Box 35 – kitchen fire in 1 story large taxpayer

August 3, 2018 – Motor Vehicle Accident, 945 Memorial Drive – Three vehicles were involved in a collision with one rolled over. No serious injuries.



August 20, 2018 – 1 Alarm Fire, Box 1623, 650 East Kendall St – smoke in an elevator shaft in a high rise building. All occupants were safely removed from the elevator, Companies are attempting to access the fire in the pit at the bottom of the shaft

August 24, 2018 – Mass. Ave at Norfolk Street, Car Fire – Companies had a fully involved car on arrival.

August 25, 2018 – 1 Alarm Fire, Box 215, 732 Cambridge Street – Companies dispatched for smoke in the area. Located a fire in ductwork in a nearby bakery and filled the assignment.

August 25, 2018 – Motor Vehicle Accident, Walden St. at Hubbard Ave – Taylor Square companies responded to a rollover accident with minor injuries in the early morning hours.

August 28, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Watertown, 2nd Alarm, Box 27, 25 Clarendon Street – commercial building Engine 9 covered at their Mount Auburn Station.

August 29, 2018 – Hazmat, 61 Moulton Street – Cyanide alarm sounding, Level 1 hazmat response requested. Entry team made entry and found no levels of cyanide.

September 5, 2018 – HazMat, Dunster Street – a hydraulic line on street sweeper owned by a private company at a construction site failed spraying approximately 20+ cars with hydraulic fluid. The sweeper left the scene creating a slippery slick for hundreds of feet

September 6, 2018 – Explosion, 15 Gibson Street – a propane tank on bbq grill next to house failed causing a fire and burning the occupant. There were no exposures threatened.

September 6, 2018 – Medical, 150 Erie Street –elderly female with head trauma found in cardiac arrest in parking lot. CFD worked with Professional Ambulance to provide ALS.

September 9, 2018 – Technical Rescue, Porter Square MBTA Station – person was struck by a train. Companies extricated victim.

September 13, 2018 – Construction Accident, 30 Arlington Street – male fell off roof approximately 12 feet to a second roof and suffered head injuries. Transported via trauma alert to Beth Israel

September 13, 2018 – MVA, rollover, Route 2 @ Alewife Brook Parkway – multiple car MVA, with one rolled over. No entrapment. Both elderly passengers transported.

September 15, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Lawrence – Division 1 responded as part of a structural task force to augment on duty crews after a large scale gas mishap on September 13. They responded to incidents in 12 hours. Cambridge Companies did not respond initially.

September 16, 2018 – Mutual Aid, Revere, Box 34, 10 Franklin Ave - Engines 4 and 5, Squad 2 and Division 2 responded to the 5th alarm in Revere. Engine 5 fed Chelsea Ladder 2 in a relay pumping operation. The other Cambridge companies assisted with master stream operations until dismissed by command.

September 18, 2018 – Building Collapse, 730 Memorial Drive – companies responded during intense rain (left over from Hurricane Florence) and found a partial interior collapse of the roof. Building evacuated and ISD responded.

Awards and Congratulations

2018 Academic Scholarship Awards - Charlesgate Yacht Club

In recognition of their academic achievements and potential for productive futures the Charlesgate Yacht Club awarded scholarships in the amount of \$500 to two recent high school graduates, both children of CFD members.



Photo Fred Mirliani

Firefighter Bill Dusablon; Tech Services, daughter Hailey Dusablon, and wife Janine Dusablon

Hailey Dusablon, a graduate of Wilmington High School, who will attend Tulane University in New Orleans LA in the fall, was awarded a \$500 scholarship from CYC. Hailey is the daughter of Janine and William Dusablon, a member of City of Cambridge Fire Department.



Photo by Fred Mirliani

Lt. Michael Francis; Ladder Co. 1, Daughter Megan Francis and wife Patricia Francis, with Commodore Mark Bosteels

Stoneham High School graduate Megan Francis also received a \$500 scholarship. She will attend Coastal Carolina University in Myrtle Beach SC. Megan is the daughter of Patricia and Cambridge Fire Department's Lieutenant Michael Francis.

Charlesgate Yacht Club traditionally awards scholarships to deserving college bound students.

Cumberland Maine FD

Congrats to Cameron Smith on his graduation from the Maine Firefighter I/II program on August 24, 2018. Cam is the son of **FF Howie Smith of Engine 4**, also shown with grandfather **Howie Smith, Sr. (Retired Fire Captain, Wareham FD)**. Cam is a live-in firefighter with the Cumberland, Maine FD while he attends the fire science program at Southern Maine Community College.



H Smith photo

Mayors Youth Academy - Graduation August 9

One of our MSYEP Youth Fire Academy graduates Nia Pires with her proud father, **Firefighter Matthew Pires of Engine Company No. 6**



Photo J. Gelinis



Photo provided

After more than 33 years of service Firefighter Danny Mahoney retired! Members gathered at Fire Headquarters on Sunday September 9, 2018 to wish him well on his last tour!



Boston FD photo

Congratulations to **Valerie Watson** (ex-Cambridge FAO) on her promotion to Senior Operator Boston FAO, and to Boston FD's first Husband and Wife promotion both obtaining the rank of Principal Operator (Captain) in Boston FAO.

Congratulations to **FF Shane Brown; Ladder 3** and family. Please read the following story in the Boston Herald that chronicled the generosity of the Brown family!

Brothers help fuel emergency response to hurricane

Mary Markos, Laurel J. Sweet Thursday, September 13, 2018



Shane Brown, Director of Emergency Response for Broco Oil at the company headquarters on September 12, 2018 in Haverhill, Massachusetts. (Staff Photo By Patrick Whittlemore/Boston Herald)

HAVERTHILL, MA. - SEPTEMBER 12:

Emergency response is in the Brown brothers' blood.

Both military men and fire-fighters, Bob Brown of Andover and his brother Shane of Stoneham are sending trucks from their family-owned oil company to the Carolinas filled with fuel ahead of Hurricane Florence.

"When I started Broco Oil, I had that emergency response mentality in my fuel business — to be prompt and able to respond at a moment's notice, no matter how big of a disaster," said Bob Brown, who is a Chelsea fire captain and was a Navy SeaBee. "What we adopted in the SeaBees is a can-do attitude. That's my motto for the business."

Bob has seen firsthand the devastation left behind by hurricanes. He was serving in Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 7, stationed in Gulfport, Miss., when Hurricane Katrina made landfall in 2005.

"I saw how important fuel is in an emergency like that," Bob said. "You don't realize how important fuel is — having a steady flow of fuel to support and continue the rescue operation. ... I've always been drawn to emergency response and providing for emergency situations like that."

When the Browns heard about Hurricane Florence, they got eight of their trucks prepped for hauling, filled them with gas and diesel fuel and have four now en route to the Carolinas in coordination with FEMA. Another four are ready to go if they are called on.

Shane, a Cambridge firefighter, also serves as a U.S. Army Reserve firefighter, but helped his brother organize the initiative.

“When something like this comes up, when people need help and you can do it, it’s really a no-brainer,” Shane said. “At the end of the day we can hang up our hat and know we made a difference.”

Last year, they offered up their trucks for hurricanes Harvey and Irma as well.

The fuel trucks are staged around priority facilities, such as hospitals, and when the power goes out they keep those facilities up and running. They also travel with rescue response teams to fuel their vehicles as they move through disaster zones.

FEMA will reimburse operational costs, but the Browns foot the bill for expenses, food, lodging and fuel to and from the site.

“I didn’t even inquire about (reimbursements) last year, I just sent them down to help,” Bob said. “It’s not one of those situations where you say, ‘What’s covered, how much money is it for us to go down,’ the mentality should be, OK, whatever you need, we’ll provide.”

Quotes of the Day

Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do.

- Pele

I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

- Thomas A. Edison

Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is probably the reason why so few engage in it.

-Henry Ford

Retirees

FF Richie Clover, Engine 5; Retired stopped by Inman Square on July 21, 2018 to discuss engine company ops with Lt. Torres. FF Clover is also a Vietnam veteran. The retired brothers and sisters are always welcome to visit!



Photo J. Gelinis



Photo provided

Photo found in the CFD files of the Kotowski brothers **Lt. Thomas Kotowski; Engine 6 Retired** and **Lt. John Kotowski; Ladder 1; Retired** – both now retired.



Photo J. Gelinis

FF Walter Grace (retired), shown with **FF David Liu** in the HQ kitchen at the send-off for Dan Mahoney on September 9

Local 30 News

Brothers and Sisters,

I'm happy to report that this year's **MDA Golf Outing raised just over \$12,000**. I would like to thank all of you that participated and also those that supported the event by sponsoring holes and/or bought raffle tickets. We had a full golf course and nice weather. The "golf ball cannon challenge" sponsored by Nationwide Insurance was a big hit again. For the 2nd year in a row, the winner was **Mike Kotowski (son of retired Lt John Kotowski)**. The Grand Prize raffle ticket winner was **FF Jon Powers**. Thank you to the Wayland Country Club for their continued hospitality over the years. Thank you to Mike Fahey and Sylvia Williams of MIT Management for their continued support and coordination with getting another great turnout by the other MIT groups. In addition to the MIT affiliates, I would also like to thank **Local 30, the Cambridge Firefighters Federal Credit Union, and Professional Ambulance** for their generous donations. Special thanks to **FF Mike Dwyer** for volunteering at the event and to **Bill Hugh** for his time and dedication selling raffle tickets over the past months and volunteering at the event.

As always, our success with these events wouldn't be possible without all of your continued support so I thank you very much! If anyone has any new ideas for fundraising or would like to help me coordinate future events, please let me know.

Thank you,
Captain Brandon Hugh
Engine 6 / Group 1
Local 30 Webmaster
MDA Coordinator

Editor note: The following article is reprinted from Summer 2015, Issue 75 and is worth sharing again:

Captain Pat Haggerty; Ladder Co. No. 3 shares some thoughts on PTSD – Post Traumatic Stress Disorder

If you had high blood pressure, would you go to a doctor and start treatment? If you had high cholesterol would you go to a doctor, take medication and start exercising to lower it? Or would you let these conditions go untreated and get worse because you thought people would think you were weak? This is one of the stigmas or perceptions of Post Traumatic Stress.

Approximately 8% of adults in the United States suffer from post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) during their lifetime. Rates of PTSD in firefighters are higher (due to their greater exposure to trauma or critical incidents).

There are proven treatments for Critical Incident Stress and PTSD. Mass General Hospital and McLean Hospital are two local hospitals that have programs specifically for the treatment of Police, Fire, EMS and Military members that suffer with PTSD. The following information is a condensed version of the two web sites:

<http://www.ptsd.va.gov/>

<http://ptsd.about.com/od/prevalence/a/Firefighters.htm>

Please visit these two web sites for more information.

What is PTSD?

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) can occur after you have been through a traumatic event.

Most people have some stress-related reactions after a traumatic event; but, not everyone gets PTSD. If your reactions don't go away over time and they disrupt your life, you may have PTSD.

How does PTSD develop?

Most people who go through a trauma have some symptoms at the beginning. It isn't clear why some people develop PTSD and others don't. Whether or not you get PTSD depends on many things.

What are the symptoms of PTSD?

PTSD symptoms usually start soon after the traumatic event, but they may not appear until months or years later. They also may come and go over many years. If the symptoms last longer than four weeks, cause you great distress, or interfere with your work or home life, you might have PTSD.

There are four types of symptoms of PTSD

1. Reliving the event (also called re-experiencing symptoms)

You may have bad memories or nightmares. You even may feel like you're going through the event again. This is called a flashback.

2. Avoiding situations that remind you of the event

You may try to avoid situations or people that trigger memories of the traumatic event. You may even avoid talking or thinking about the event.

3. Negative changes in beliefs and feelings

The way you think about yourself and others may change because of the trauma. You may feel fear, guilt, or shame. Or, you may not be interested in activities you used to enjoy. This is another way to avoid memories.

4. Feeling keyed up (also called hyperarousal)

You may be jittery, or always alert and on the lookout for danger. Or, you may have trouble concentrating or sleeping. This is known as hyperarousal.

Most people will have some of these reactions at first, but they will get better at some time. If symptoms last longer than three months, cause you great distress, or disrupt your work or home life, you should seek help.

When Should a Person Get Evaluated for PTSD?

If you continue to be upset for more than three months, seek help. You can feel better!

Who Can Conduct an Evaluation, and What Does It Consist of?

PTSD is usually diagnosed in one or two sessions. Your doctor or a mental health professional will evaluate you. You will be asked about your trauma and symptoms. You may also be asked about other problems you have. Your spouse or partner may be asked to provide information.

Please remember that the CISM Team is always available to help any member and is confidential. The CISM Team cannot diagnose PTSD, but can assist you in getting the help you need.

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<http://www.ptsd.va.gov/>

<http://ptsd.about.com/od/prevalence/a/Firefighters.htm>

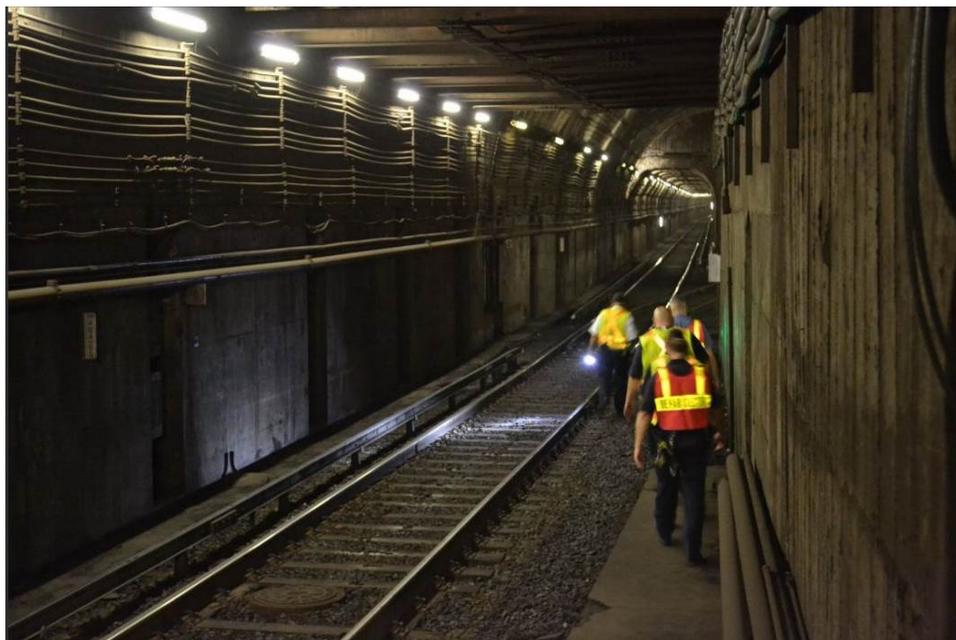
http://www.iaff.org/ET/JobAid/EAP/Reactions_to_Traumatic_Stress.htm

Out and About



Jose Lora photo

CFD companies working at Brookline 3rd alarm fire on 7/19/2018 (SQ2, L-3, D-1).



J. Gelinas photo

Companies underwent MBTA training during mid July



Capt Matt Wood photo

Off duty and retired members went on a deep sea fishing trip out of Gloucester on July 12, 2018

Engine Company No. 4 participated in the Rindge Towers, North Cambridge community barbecue on August 2, 2018. A great time was had by all on a hot summer evening. Thank you to the members of group 1, Engine 4.



David Vigilante photos



J Gelinas Photo

The YouvilleHouse Assisted Living hosted a First Responder Appreciation Cookout on 20 July 2018. A good time was had by all. It was good to see **Deputy Chief Ralph Chapman (retired)** enjoying all the attention!



J Gelinas Photo

Ralph and **DFC Frank Murphy; Division 2**



J. Ferreira photo

A group from the Margaret Fuller House had a nice visit with Engine 2 on 22 Aug 2018). Group 3 was on duty. We hope that some of these young women & men are future firefighters.

Danehy Park Day was held on 15 Sep 2018. Many of our visitors stopped by the SAFE trailer for a hands-on fire safety experience including exits, smoke alarms, and sprinklers.



J Gelinis photo

L-R, Deputy Peter Donovan; Fire Prevention, FF Nicole Signoretti; Rescue 1, FF Steph Crayton; Engine 6, FF Jerry Bernardo; Engine 1, Lt. Mike Hughes; EPAC and from the fire academy FF Ed Loder; Rescue 1 Boston Fire Retired.

Signal 10-15

Special Signal 10-15 The Chief of Department regrets to announce
Fighter Michael Papsadero; Engine 8 retired.

Condolences to:

Lt. Miguel Torres; Engine Co. 5, on the passing of his Mother,
Mrs. Dona Evelia Rivera
Funeral Services were conducted in Puerto Rico

Firefighter Thomas F. Herlihy; Engine Co. 9-Retired , on the passing of his Wife,
Mrs. Lucille K. Herlihy

Lt. Brian M. O'Regan, Engine 4, on the passing of his Father,
Mr. Michael L. O'Regan; Retired Detective, Cambridge Police Department
Also the Grandfather of **Officer Brian M. O'Regan CPD**

Lt. Adam M. Shuman, Engine Company 3 on the passing of his Brother,
Mr. Karl Michael Shuman

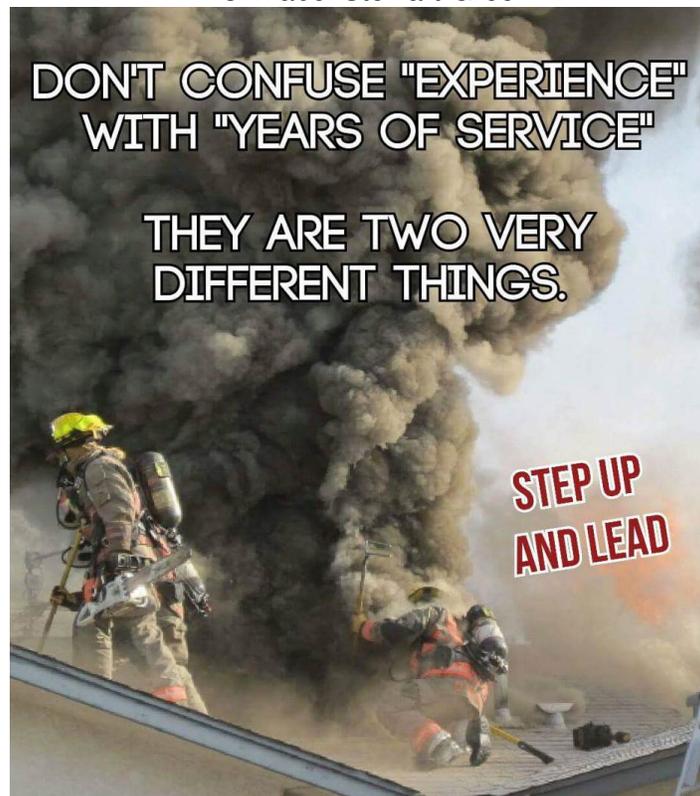
To the family of Mrs. Mary E. Scott
Widow of the **late retired Chief of Department Thomas V. Scott**
Mother of **Deputy Chief Robert Scott-Retired**

Firefighter Nicholas F. DiPace; Engine Co. 2, on the passing of his Father,
Mr. Stephen DiPace

Paula Snow; Chief of Operations; Cambridge ECC on the passing of her
daughter, Ms. Alicia M. Snow

To the family and friends of **Franklin A Shay**
Retired Cambridge Fire Alarm Operator

Lt. Vinroy Paul; Ladder Co. 3 on the passing of his Mother-In-Law,
Mrs. Mabel Stewart-Green



From the Archives

Following was an article dated January 1934 in Fire Engineering magazine

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Chief of Public Safety, Wilmington, Del., eighty-six
pages, illustrated.

Chief Casey of Cambridge Retires

James M. Casey, Chief of Cambridge, Mass., Fire Department has retired from the service after many years active duty. His father was the late Chief Thomas J. Casey who served as a member of the Cambridge Fire Department for fifty years from 1854 to 1904 and department head for twenty-five years.

Chief James M. Casey is sixty-eight years old. In the days of the horse-drawn buggy he used to drive his father to fires. In 1888 he was appointed a call fireman and in 1892 was made Assistant Engineer. The following year he became the Chief's driver and in 1898 was advanced to Lieutenant. In 1905 he was appointed Assistant Chief and in 1916, Chief of Department.

He is a member of the Fire Chiefs' Club of Massachusetts, the International Association of Fire Chiefs and is a director of the New England Association of Fire Chiefs.



Three-Alarm Fire

Three factory buildings were destroyed by a three-alarm fire at Dayton, Ohio, De-

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Ex-Chief James M. Casey

In the same issue was the obituary of Salem, MA Fire Chief James Koen, great grandfather of **FF Todd Koen; Ladder 1.**

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Chief Koen, of Salem, Mass., Dead.

Chief James S. Koen, Salem, Mass., President of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, died on December 21 at his home after an illness of several months.

He was a member of the Salem Fire Department for thirty-four years and chief since 1932. He was fifty-eight years of age. Koen attended the public schools in Salem and in 1891 became a member of the Salem Police Department, leaving a few years later to become a relief driver in the Fire Department. He was appointed a permanent fireman in 1902 and in 1915 he was promoted to Lieutenant.

He advanced successively to Captain and Acting Deputy Chief and in 1916 became a regular Deputy Chief. Chief Koen attended the Boston Fire College in 1921. He became Acting Chief in 1930 and was appointed Chief on June 9, 1932, upon the retirement of the late Chief Kimball.

Chief Koen was one of the best liked fire officials in New England and was serving his fifth term as President of the state firemen's association. He was a member of the Fire Chiefs' Club of Massachusetts, the New England Association of Fire Chiefs, and the International Association of Fire Chiefs. He is survived by three sons and four daughters.



HARRY BELKNAP.

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The Late Chief James S. Koen

Deputy Chief John O'Donoghue; Retired shared some material from his collection from 1973. Members took a class on "Emergency Spanish"



EMERGENCY SPANISH—Cambridge firefighters from Lafayette Sq. Fire Station complete a Cambridge Model Cities-funded course in "Emergency Spanish." A "First" in Massachusetts, the one month course represented the efforts of The Cambridge Model Cities Community Learning Center and Spanish Council, Firefighters Union Local #30 and the Office of the Chief of the Fire Department. Left to right stand-

ing: Lieut. Joseph Keohane; Instructor, Lydia Espada; Firefighter Arthur Largenton, Firefighter Ronald Matos, Firefighter Joseph O'Brien. Seated (left to right): Firefighters Timothy Foley, Robert McFadries, Lieut. Robert Fitzgerald, Vice President Local #30; Firefighter John O'Donoghue, Executive Board Local #30; Firefighter Joseph Thorp.

(Photo by Ed Pacheco)

Cambridge Rambler

Emergency

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CAMBRIDGE FIREFIGHTERS

Donde es el fuego?

Where is the fire?

Donde esta la entrada?

Where is the entrance?

Donde empezo el fuego?

Where did the fire start?

En que piso es el fuego?

On what floor is the fire?

En el primer piso?

In the first floor?

En el Segundo piso?

In the second floor?

En el tercer piso?

In the third floor?

En el cuarto piso?

In the fourth floor?

En la sala?

In the living room?

En la cocina?

In the kitchen?

En el cuarto?

In the bedroom?

En el bano?

In the bathroom?

Es en el roofo or azotea?

Is it on the roof?

Es en el basement or sotano?

Is it in the basement?

Es en el frente?

Is it in front?

Lado?

Side?

Es detras el edificio?

In the rear of the building?

Fuera todos del edificio!

Everybody out of the building!

Estan todos fuera del edificio?

Is everyone out of the building?

Fuego! Fuego! Salga! Salga!

Fire! Fire! Get out! Get out!

Venga comingo!

Come with me!

Enseneme!

Show me!

No salte!

Don't jump!

Quedese ahi!

Stay there!

Tenga calma!

Stay calm!

Nosotros le ayudaremos!

We'll help you!

Espere por la escalera!

Wait for the ladder!

Hable despacio por favor!

Speak slowly please!

Habla usted Ingles?

Do you speak English?

Yo hablo poco Espanol

I speak little Spanish

Donde le duele?

Where does it hurt?

Le duele el brazo?

Does the arm hurt?

Le duele la pierna?

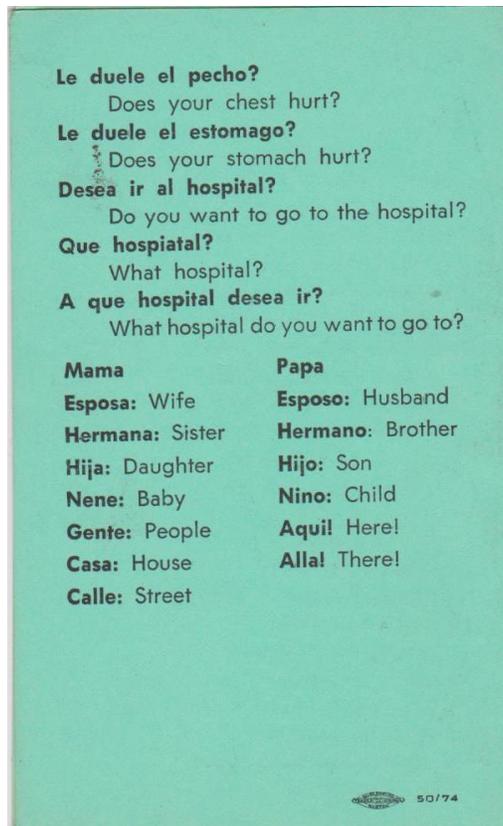
Does the leg hurt?

Le duele la cabeza?

Does your head hurt?

Le duele la espalda?

Does your back hurt?



FF Howie Smith; Engine 4 found a sign in a local antique store that a business would hang on a wall to show that they donated to the CFRA fund. During that time, fundraising was done door to door so residents and merchants would be able to show that they donated.



H Smith photo



BL Herman photo

Thanks to Somerville FAO Brian Herman for sharing a photo of his days with the Cambridge Auxiliary. Cambridge Auxiliary Lighting Plant 2, Mutual Aid to a Multiple Alarm Fire at Highland Ave and Central St, Somerville on a bitter cold night. L to R, **Steve Sedlis, Ricky Alves, Chuck Lowe, Brian Herman.**



Cambridge Fire Fighting Academy

GRADUATING CLASS OF
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1. M.O.P. BARRY M. BENNETT
2. M.O.P. JOHN F. BROGAN
3. M.O.P. STEVEN M. BROGAN
4. M.O.P. THOMAS J. CARROLL
5. M.O.P. GREGORY M. CARTER
6. M.O.P. HAROLD B. CONRAD
7. M.O.P. GEORGE R. COTTER
8. M.O.P. STEPHEN F. DeTERRA*
9. M.O.P. FREDERICK A. DUARTE
10. M.O.P. HAREY C. FISHER
11. M.O.P. EDMUND J. FRIEL
12. M.O.P. PAUL W. GALLAGHER
13. M.O.P. ANTHONY J. GRASSI
14. M.O.P. FRANCIS V. GRYNKIEWICZ
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18. M.O.P. DANIEL MAHONEY
19. M.O.P. RICARDO M. MATTIER*
20. M.O.P. EDWARD B. MORRISSEY
21. M.O.P. FRANCIS T. MULLEN
22. M.O.P. CHARLES F. MURPHY
23. M.O.P. FRANCIS M. O'GRADY
24. M.O.P. FRAZIER S. PROFFITT
25. M.O.P. BRIAN W. REDDICK
26. M.O.P. ROBERT J. SCOTT
27. M.O.P. DENNIS J. SHINE
28. M.O.P. DEREK A. SMITH
29. M.O.P. RICHARD F. SMITH
30. M.O.P. WILLIAM J. SULLIVAN
31. M.O.P. JOSEPH W. WADDIE
32. M.O.P. ARNOLD L. WILLIAMS



* Waltham Fire Department

CONRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES
FOR A LONG AND REWARDING CAREER
IN THE FIRE SERVICE OF YOUR COMMUNITY

Photo courtesy DFC Ed Morrissey

With the retirement of FF Dan Mahoney, it leaves only three active members from Recruit Class of 1985 – **FF Paul Gallagher; Engine 4, DFC Ed Morrissey; Division 1 and FF Frank Mullen; Aide to Division 2**

Stats and Fires

FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018

Cambridge Fire

Fiscal Year 2018

FY 2017/2018 RUN TOTALS

	Runs	Bldg Fires
Engine 1	2396	40
Engine 2	3771	37
Engine 3	1790	20
Engine 4	1751	18
Engine 5	2036	39
Engine 6	1410	36
Engine 8	1287	25
Engine 9	1236	20
Truck 1	2120	53
Truck 2	1324	29
Truck 3	2254	43
Truck 4	1670	29
Rescue 1	2425	54
Squad 2	3672	41
Squad 4	2110	39
Division 1	1761	44
Division 2	1332	39
HazMat 1	30	
Spec & HQ Units	236	
Mutual Aid Units	223	
TOTAL RUNS	34834	

Emgcy Incident	15,411
Div 1 Incident	8957
Div 2 Incident	6454
Responses	34,834
EMS	6961
Bldg Fires	73
Inside Fires	955
All Fires	1098
Elevator Rescues	193
HazMat	197
CO Emergencies	60

Working Fires	11
2nd Alarms	2
3rd Alarms	1
4th Alarms	1
5th Alarm	0

New Hires, Transfers, Promotions & Retirements

Date: August 16, 2018

General Order No. 28; Series of 2018

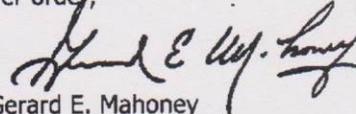
Effective Date: Sunday, August 19, 2018 at 0700 hours

Subject: Promotion

Acting Lieutenant Matthew B.F. Davison to Fire Lieutenant assigned to Squad 2

Please see that each member is present for a reading of this order.

Per order,



Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department



Date: August 23, 2018

General Order No. 29; Series of 2018

Effective Date: August 20, 2018

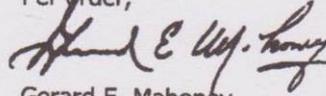
Subject: Status of "Firefighter"

The following Firefighters on Probation (F.F.O.P.) have reached the status of Firefighter, effective August 20, 2018 at 0700 hours:

**Christopher E. Abisla
Douglas A. Boudrow
Michael J. Cotton
Derek G. Jordan
Robert A. Martinello
William B. Whalen**

Please see that each member is present for a reading of this order.

Per order,



Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department

Read & Initial

Gr. 1 _____
Gr. 2 _____
Gr. 3 _____
Gr. 4 _____

Date: August 31, 2018

General Order No. 30; Series of 2018

Effective Date: September 5, 2018

Subject: Retirement, Lieutenant Thomas G. Cauchon

Effective September 5, 2018 at 0700 hours, Lieutenant Thomas G. Cauchon retired from the Cambridge Fire Department. Lieutenant Thomas Cauchon was **appointed on April 24, 1988.**

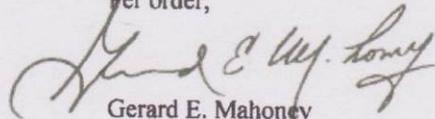
- June 12, 1988 Ladder Company No. 2
- November 3, 1991 Rescue Company No. 1
- July 10, 1997 Promoted to Fire Lieutenant
- July 20, 1997 Engine Company No. 1
- January 18, 1998 Rescue Company No. 1
- March 9, 2003 Ladder Company No. 4

Lieutenant Cauchon has faithfully served the citizens of Cambridge.

We wish Lieutenant Cauchon much happiness and good health in his retirement.

Please see that each member is present for a reading of this order.

Per order,



Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department



Date: August 31, 2018

General Order No. 31; Series of 2018

Effective Date: September 9, 2018

Subject: Retirement, Firefighter Daniel M. Mahoney

Effective September 9, 2018 at 1800 hours, Firefighter Daniel M. Mahoney retired from the Cambridge Fire Department. Firefighter Daniel M. Mahoney was appointed on March 17, 1985

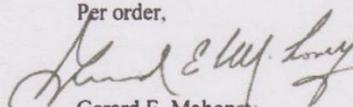
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| • May 5, 1985 | Rescue Company No. 1 |
| • June 12, 1988 | Engine Company No. 7 |
| • May 13, 1990 | Engine Company No. 6 |
| • October 11, 1992 | Engine Company No. 5 |
| • August 18, 2002 | Ladder Company No. 3 |
| • January 27, 2013 | Ladder Company No. 1 |
| • July 2, 2017 | Aide to Deputy Fire Chief, Division 1 |

Firefighter Mahoney has faithfully served the citizens of Cambridge.

We wish Firefighter Mahoney much happiness and good health in his retirement.

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Per order,



Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department



Date: August 31, 2018

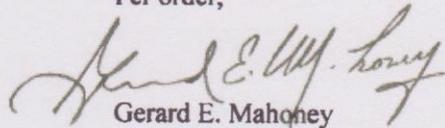
General Order No. 32; Series of 2018

Effective Date: Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 0700 hours

Subject: Transfer

Lieutenant Christopher J. Melendy from Fire Headquarters to Ladder Company No. 4

Per order,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gerard E. Mahoney".

Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department

Date: September 10, 2018

General Order No. 34; Series of 2018

Effective Date: Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 0700 hours

Subject: Transfers

Firefighter Charles L. Donnelly Jr. from Engine Company No. 5 to Aide to Deputy
Fire Chief Division 1

Firefighter Cameron Moyer from Engine Company No. 6 to Engine Company No. 5

Date: September 17, 2018

General Order No. 35; Series of 2018

Effective Date: September 17, 2018

Subject: Retirement, Firefighter George R. Cotter

Effective September 17, 2018 at 1700 hours, Firefighter George R. Cotter retired from the Cambridge Fire Department. Firefighter George Cotter was **appointed on March 17, 1985**.

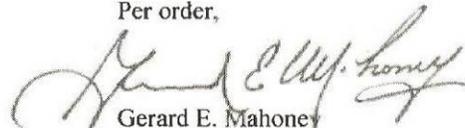
- **May 5, 1985** **Ladder Company No. 2**
- **June 12, 1988** **Engine Company No. 7**
- **July 1, 1993** **Engine Company No. 6**

Firefighter Cotter has faithfully served the citizens of Cambridge.

We wish Firefighter Cotter much happiness and good health in his retirement.

Please see that each member is present for a reading of this order.

Per order,



Gerard E. Mahoney
Acting Chief of Department



Letters

The following note was received on August 8, 2018 from Sergeant Jim Crowley of the Cambridge Police Department:

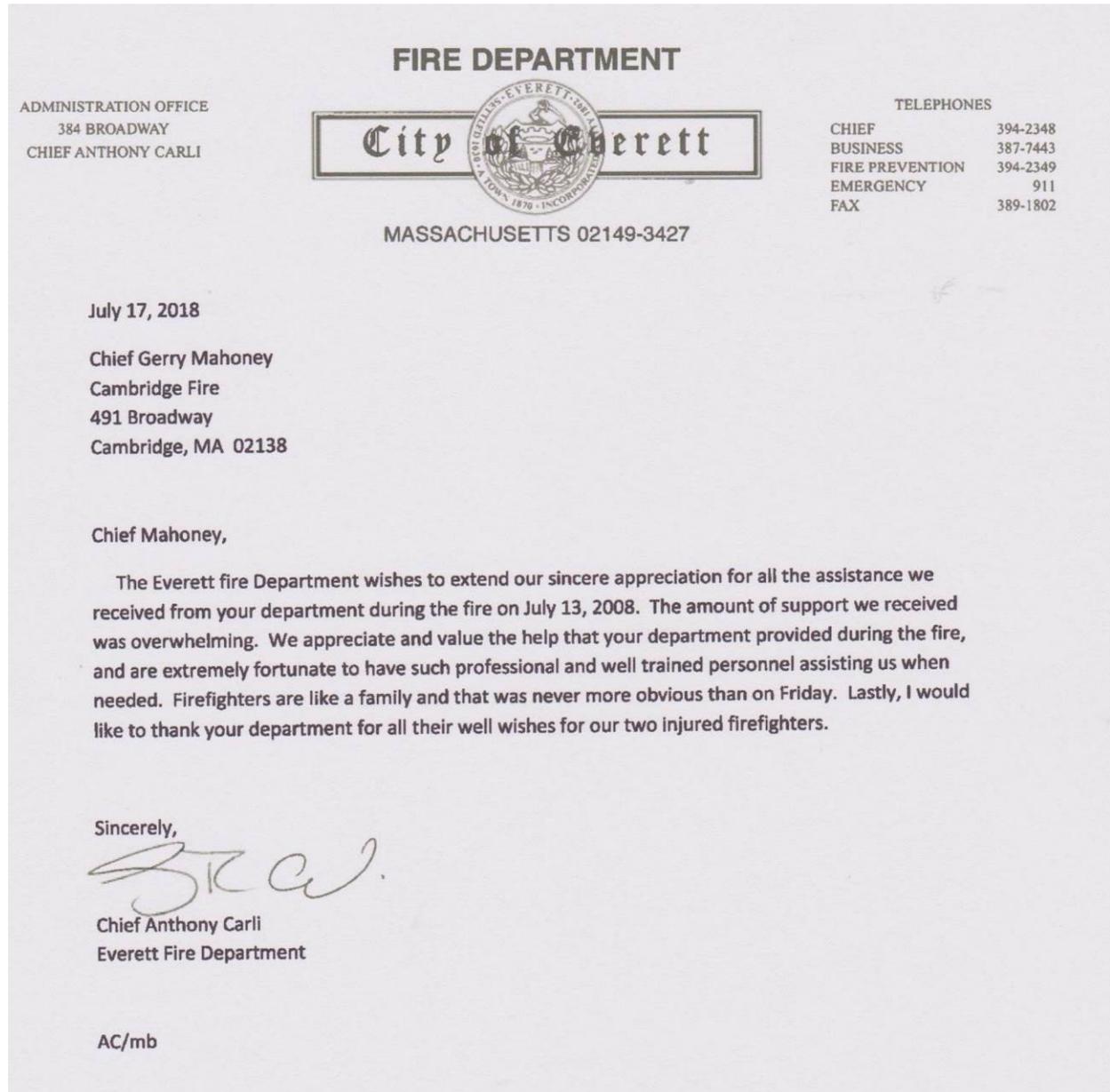
On behalf of the Crowley family, I would like to thank each and every member of the Cambridge Police, Fire and Emergency Communications Departments as well as the Middlesex County Sheriff's Office and United States Army for the many messages, emails, calls, texts and visits expressing condolences over the passing of our role model and dad. It's very comforting to know we are surrounded by such great people during a time of loss and pain. We will always remember your kindness. ...

We would also like to send a special thank you to members of the Command Staff and the Traffic Unit, under the supervision of Deputy Supt. Albert and Lt. Riley for your assistance during visiting hours and for safely guiding our dad back to the loving arms of his one and only love, our departed mom. All who attended were in awe of such a touching gesture.

Forever grateful,

Jim, on behalf of my brothers
Dan, Jack and Joe

The following note was received in July 2018:



Safety

Modifications are made to residential and commercial building all the time that do not favor firefighters and our mission. The first two photos are taken in a residential building where the basement was modified for use for storage for the multiple residents that live on the upper floors. However, if fire crews tried to access the basement via the interior stairs, they would be met with a wall.



The second photo shows the view from the basement looking towards where the interior stairs to the first floor would be.



The last two photos show the outside of a commercial building at Main Street at Columbia that was under renovation over the summer. From the outside, it appears that a truck company could open windows on the first floor for ventilation.



Photo H Smith

However, upon closer investigation the windows are bricked up from the interior and no access is available. Know your district!



H Smith photo

Training



Truck companies are expected to get to the roof and vent but often run into obstacles such as this. Clearly a code violation. This photo is NOT from Cambridge, but could happen anywhere! Starting from the lowest layer – wood roof sheathing, metal roof, 3 layers of asphalt shingles, 1/2" plywood with another 3 layers of asphalt shingles.

Of Interest... MBTA

This information was shared by **Somerville FAO, Brian Herman** via Boston Fun Facts

On August 26, 1965, the T adopted a new color-coded system for its subway lines. The Orange Line is so-named because it once ran along Washington Street, which was once called Orange Way. The Blue Line was the first subway line in the world to travel under the ocean blue — also because it stops at Logan Airport (blue skies) and Revere Beach (blue waters). The Green Line travels past and through the Emerald Necklace, a series of green spaces. The Red Line once terminated at Harvard, whose school color is crimson.

Cambridge Seven developed the graphic design and guidelines for the entire MBTA system.

From the Tailboard...



Firefighter Armstrong and the members of his fire company responded to the report of a fire in a 2-story residence. The first fire department unit on the scene, a command officer, reported a working fire. Firefighter Armstrong assisted with the deployment of a 350-foot 1-3/4 inch handline to the front door of the residence. Once the door was forced open, firefighters advanced to the interior. The handline was dry as firefighters advanced; the hose had become tangled in a bush.

As the line was straightened and water began to flow to the nozzle, a flashover occurred. The firefighters on the handline left the building and were assisted by other firefighters on the front porch of the residence. All firefighters were ordered from the building, air horns were sounded to signal a move from offensive to defensive operations.

Several firefighters saw Firefighter Armstrong trapped in the interior by rapid fire progress. These firefighters advanced handlines to the interior and removed Firefighter Armstrong. A rapid intervention team assisted with the rescue. Firefighter Armstrong was severely burned. He was transported by fire department ambulance to the hospital where he later died.

The Cincinnati Fire Department prepared a death investigation preliminary report related to this incident. The report is available at the fire department web site for download. **The origin of the fire was determined to be a pan of oil on the stove.**

Information on Oscar Armstrong was obtained through the USFA and the National Fallen Firefighters Association. He was killed in 2003.

Social Media

As always, a regular reminder that Cambridge Fire is also on Facebook and Twitter



Twitter handle is [@CambridgeMAFire](https://twitter.com/CambridgeMAFire)



Facebook handle is www.facebook.com/CambridgeMAFire@CambridgeMAFire



Instagram handle is <https://www.instagram.com/cambridgemafiredepartment/>

Information

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E-mail list

If any retirees or friends of the Cambridge Fire Department wish to be added to the **Company Journal** e-mail list, send us the e-mail address!

Websites

Visit the Cambridge Fire Department website at www.Cambridgefire.org

Check out Cambridge Firefighters Local 30's website at <http://www.cambridgelocal30.org/>

Visit the Cambridge Retirement Board website at <http://www.cambridgeretirementma.gov/index.asp>

**REMEMBER THE MEN AND WOMEN SERVING IN OUR ARMED
SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.
THEY ARE PROTECTING OUR COUNTRY, OUR LIBERTY, AND OUR
FREEDOM.
THANK OUR VETERANS!**



**Brothers and Sisters,
STAY BRAVE!
STAY VIGILANT!
STAY SAFE!**