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Fire Department News
Cambridge, Massachusetts
A Class 1 Fire Department

From the desk of
Chief Gerald R. Reardon

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Holiday Greetings

The Chief of Department wishes all members, families, and friends of The Cambridge Fire Department a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season.

All Companies Working

Box 29: Four Engines, 2 trucks, the Rescue Company, Squad 2, and Division 1 operated at this ACW fire in the building at Tremont and Cambridge Streets. **Deputy Fire Chief Lester Bokuniewicz** (Division 1, group 2) was the IC.



FFs John Hathaway (L3), Chuck Babineau (E2), Paul Morrison (SQ2), Brian Albert (L3), and F.Lt. Phil Arsenaault (SQ2) work together to make up Engine 2's 4" feeder line.





F.Lt. Bill Wood – Ladder Company #1



F.Lt. Sean White – Rescue Company #1



FF Pedro Gonzalez – Rescue Company #1



FF Paul Morrison – Squad #2



FF Richie Thorne - Engine Company #3



FF Michael Lynch and FF Kyle Hood – Engine Company #1 (using Engine #11)

- photos above by **Smoke Showing Photography**
<http://www.smokeshowingphotography.com>

What's New

The new pumps for Engine 1 and Engine 5 have been delivered and after final outfitting by the shop, will be placed into service. Both are 2007 Pierce 1250 gpm pumps with 500 gallon water tanks. Engine 5, shown below, is a conventional pump. Engine 1 is a rescue-pumper, designed with enhanced compartment configuration and a right, rear side pump panel. Engine 1 will be able to carry additional anti-terror, homeland defense, special rescue, and RIT equipment, as well as conventional urban firefighting equipment. Photos of Engine Company 1 will appear in the next issue.



Engine 5 – 2007 Pierce Saber
1250 gpm - 500 gallon tank

Engine 5's pump was placed in service on Sunday, 9 December 2007.

The old Engine 5 pump, shown below in this issue, (shop number P-9101) terminated its full time front-line duty with 99,791 miles on the odometer.

Engine 5's first due district is less than 1 square mile in area.

- photos above by **Tara Bithia**



New Division 1 enhanced security prototype command vehicle
2007 International/Navstar

Out and About

Hazardous Materials Task Force Companies recently completed the 6 day HazMat refresher program coordinated by **DFC Rob Rossi**.

The program was a mixture of classroom and hand-on training.

HMTF companies Engines 1 and 3, Ladder 1, Rescue 1, Squads 2 and 4, Division 1 and 2, and staff units participated.







Fire Captain Joseph Dynan (Engine 3) directs his men and women in simulated radiation incident.



Mitch Galanek (MIT) gives FF Todd Koen (Engine 1) advice on the use of radiation meter.

- photos above by Tara Bithia

Inman Square





HISTORY

The present **Inman Square** is situated on land which was granted to Governor **Thomas Dudley** of the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and his son, by **King James II** of England in 1635. The land was given for use as "planting fields" and for timber cutting and for the grazing of livestock.

By 1756, the land was owned by **Ralph Inman**, a local merchant, and was used as his "country estate". Inman, a Tory sympathizer during the American Revolutionary period, was forced to flee and his land was confiscated by the Committee of Safety following the Battle of Bunker Hill, on June 17, 1775. The confiscated Inman land was used as a military encampment by American General Israel Putnam and his troops.

Ralph Inman regained possession of his land in 1783. In 1801, following Inman's death, the estate was divided into smaller parcels and sold. Streets were laid out and dense development was begun. The Middlesex turnpike, one of America's earliest maintained turnpikes, ran through Inman Square. The Middlesex Turnpike was the main overland travel route connecting Lowell with Boston and Cambridge. From the earliest development of the urban area, no less than 3 horsecar routes passed through Inman Square. Even today, 3 M.B.T.A. bus routes pass through the square. (Inman Square, in 2007, is the only major square in the city without a subway station).

NAMES

Atwood's Corner:

Atwood's Corner was the popular name of the square when Engine 5 was established here in 1874. The origin of this name is unknown, but it is believed that Atwood was a merchant in the square.

Benjamin Roseman:

In 1940, a plaque was installed on the front wall of the fire house in honor of Benjamin Roseman, a local businessman and philanthropist.

Calnan Square:

The square is dedicated to the memory and honor of David I. Calnan, United States Navy. David Calnan died in action on July 27, 1944 while engaging the enemy in Italy in World War II. Calnan was a local resident and was 23 years old at the time of his death.

TODAY

Today, Inman Square is intersected by Cambridge Street, Hampshire Street, Springfield Street, and Inman Street. The square is a densely populated area known for its large number of ethnic restaurants, coffee houses, and clubs as well as a multitude of small shops and stores. A Cambridge center of activity nearly 24 hours a day, Inman Square is also a center to Somerville residents. The Somerville city line is just outside the square.

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Special Points of Interest:

The building was designed by architects, Newhall and Blevins, in 1912, and is an adaptation of a Venetian palace.

Original design includes detailing over each apparatus door, depicting the history of the Cambridge Fire Department.

Ellary Eddy painted a mural of Engine 5, the members of the company, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and the classic Dalmatian fire dog in 1976. She restored the mural in 1999. The mural can be seen on the Cambridge Street side of the building.

In the company's history, Engine 5 has been one of the busier fire companies and has had one of the heavier fire duty loads in New England.



History of Engine Company Number 5

The **Patrick H. Raymond Engine Company Number 5** was organized on Nov. 30, 1874 in new quarters in Atwood's Corner, now called Inman Square. The company was named in honor of Chief Patrick Raymond, the Chief of the Cambridge Fire Department and also the first Black fire chief in the United States. The company began service with an 1863, 400 gpm, horse drawn steamer and a 2-wheel, horse drawn hose wagon. The current quarters of Engine 5 is located on the site of the previous 1874 fire house.

In 1913, the company relocated to temporary quarters at the city stables on Hampshire St., while their own quarters were demolished and rebuilt. In January, 1914, Engine 5 moved into the new quarters on the old site. This was also Fire Headquarters, the city's first. Prior to this, the Chief's office was located at city hall. Later, the Fire Alarm Office was moved to floor #3 of this building. (Both Fire Headquarters and Fire Alarm moved to new quarters in 1933). Engine 5 became the first motorized unit in the Department, using a 3-wheel tractor to pull an 1876 steamer and a new Knox motor hose and chemical wagon.

Engine 5 became single unit in 1918 with the delivery of a new American LaFrance 1000 g.p.m. triple combination pump. The company became double unit again in 1925 following the delivery of a new American LaFrance hose wagon. While responding to a multiple alarm fire in Somerville, on Nov. 10, 1933, Engine 5's Pump was involved in a serious motor vehicle accident. The pump was totaled and a spare 1917 American LaFrance pump was placed in service. A new Seagrave, 1000 g.p.m. was placed in service on Jan 1, 1935.

In July, 1948, a new GMC/Robinson hose wagon was placed in service. Engine 5's Wagon was involved in a serious motor vehicle accident with a rubbish truck on Jan. 7, 1958. The wagon was totaled and a spare was placed in service. A new Ford/Robinson hose wagon was placed in service by the company on March 18, 1958. On Dec. 23, 1962, a 1960, Pirsch, 1000 g.p.m. pump, (formerly Engine 1's), was placed in service. In July, 1967, a new International/Farrar hose wagon was placed in service.

On Nov. 28, 1977, Engine 5 relocated to the quarters of Ladder 2, 386 Portland St., while a new floor was installed in their own quarters. The company moved back to 1384 Cambridge St. on Apr. 3, 1978.

A new Hendrickson/Continental 1250 g.p.m. pump was placed in service on May 4, 1979. On Feb. 5, 1982, a new International/Maxim hose wagon was placed in service. Engine 5 became single unit on June 17, 1985, as the wagon was reassigned to Engine 7. On May 16, 1986, a new International/Saulsbury wagon was placed in service and Engine 9's 1971 Maxim, 1250 g.p.m. pump was assigned to Engine 5. Engine 5's Hendrickson pump was reassigned to Engine 9. On Aug. 11, 1989, the original 1979 Hendrickson pump was reassigned to Engine 5. On Aug. 8, 1991, a new Pierce Lance, 1250 g.p.m., four-door- cab pump was placed in service. On 28 April 2000, the wagon was placed out of service. Engine 5 became a single unit company at this time. On 9 December 2007, Engine 5 placed a new 2007 Pierce Saber, 1250 gpm (500 gallon water tank) pump in service.



1876 Amoskeag 700 gpm steamer and 1895 Abbot and Downing hose wagon



Knox tractor with 1876 steamer and Knox motorized chemical and hose wagon.
Engine 5 was the first motorized company in the city.



1918 American LaFrance 1000 gpm pump



1925 American LaFrance hose wagon



1935 Seagrave 1000 gpm pump



1958 Ford/Robinson hose wagon



1960 Pirsch 1000 gpm pump



1979 Hendrickson/Continental 1250 gpm pump - 500 gallon water tank



1986 International/Saulsbury hose wagon – 500 gallon water tank



Last two-piece Engine Company No. 5

- photos above from the collection of **Fire Captain Ed Morrissey**.



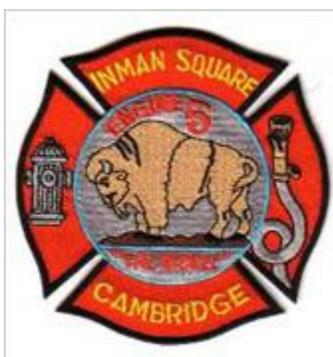
Current quarters – occupied since 1914.

- photo above by **John Hathaway**



Engine 5 - 1991 Pierce Lance, 1250 gpm/500 gallon tank
- photo by **Tara Bithia**

*(Historical information for this narrative was provided by **F.Capt. Ed Morrissey**)*



A Tip of the Helmet

A tip of the Helmet to **F.Lt. Michael Travers** (Squad 4, group 4) for organizing, producing, and directing the six-week EMT Refresher Program. As usual, Mike did an excellent job making the classes valuable and interesting.

Thanks to **FF Eric Moore** (Rescue, group 2) for presenting an intense program during the EMT refresher concerning treatment of injuries to our military personnel serving in Iraq.

Special Thanks to HUPD **Sergeant Bob Kotwoski** for making the parking arrangements for our members attending the EMT refresher. Through Bob's intercession, FD members were allowed to park in the Oxford Street parking garage.

A Tip of the Hemet also to **F.Lt. Chris Towski** (Fire Prevention) for his graphic and timely Training Division presentation on electrical emergencies and hazards. He covered the serious dangers involved in "routine" operations at manholes, pole-mounted transformers, substations, and electrical services. This program will undoubtedly make firefighters safer. Be careful out there. Respect electricity.

Lt. Towski has been appointed as the Department's Electrical Safety Officer.

Congratulations

Congrats to **FF Jay Martel** (Squad 2, group 4) and wife **Leah** on the birth of **Jackson Pierce Martel**. Jackson was born at 1152 hours on 4 December 2007 weighing 6 lbs.. 13 oz., and is 19 inches. Jay and Leah are doing fine.

Television

Congratulations to Administrative Assistant **David Olsen** (LEPC and Headquarters Offices) on winning the grand prize on the CW-TV Reality Show "Beauty And The Geek". David and his partner Jasmine beat out nine other couples to win

the grand prize of \$250,000!

Appointments

Per GO #27 of 2007, effective at 0700 hours on 23 September 2007, the following members are appointed Firefighters-on-Probation:

Jerry J. Bernardo
Daniel Caceres
Nathan F. Dubovsky
Peter J. Mickiewicz
Ryan T. Murphy
Marvin E. Ramos
Darron R. Smith
Matthew J. Terenna

They will report to the Training Division at 0800 hours on Monday, 24 Sept 2007.

Assignments

Per GO #28 of 2007, effective at 0700 hours on Sunday, 30 September 2007:

FFOP Peter J. Mickiewicz to Ladder Company No. 3
FFOP Darron R. Smith to Engine Company No. 1

Transfers and Assignments

Per GO #33 of 2007, effective at 0700 hours on Sunday , 21 October 2007:

Firefighter **Steven J. Landry** from Rescue Company No. 1 to **Acting Fire Lieutenant** Engine Company No. 8
Firefighter Eric D. Moore from Ladder Company No. 1 to Rescue Company No. 1

Promotions

Per GO #35 of 2007, effective at 0700 hours on Sunday , 4 November 2007:

Acting Fire Captain **Charles F. Murphy** to **Fire Captain**, Engine Company No.9
 Acting Fire Lieutenant **Ian R. Massiah** to **Fire Lieutenant**, Engine Company No.9
 Acting Fire Lieutenant **James M. Gomes, Jr.** to **Fire Lieutenant**, Engine Company No.3

Retirements

Per GO #26 of 2007, effective at 1900 hours on 14 September 2007, **Firefighter Richard J. Musto** is retired from the Cambridge Fire Department. He was appointed on 5 March 1972 and assigned to Engine Company No. 2.



FF Musto driving Engine 2's pump.
FF Musto worked at Engine 2, the city's busiest, for 35 years.

Per GO #29 of 2007, effective at 1900 hours on 29 September 2007, **Fire Lieutenant Chester McCarthy** retired from the Cambridge Fire Department. Lieutenant McCarthy was appointed on February 16, 1974. His other assignments were as follows:

- February 17, 1974 Engine Company No. 1
 - April 23, 1988 Acting Lieutenant, Headquarters
 - May 15, 1988 Promoted to Fire Lieutenant, Headquarters
 - July 13, 1988 Engine Company No. 7
 - July 1, 1993 Pivot Officer
 - March 6, 1994 Engine Company No. 1
 - April 30, 1995 Engine Company No. 8
 - April 30, 2000 Engine Company No. 9
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Per GO #30 of 2007, effective at 1900 hours on 30 September 2007, **Fire Captain Pasquale J. DeMaio** retired from the Cambridge Fire Department.

Captain DeMaio was appointed on 16 January 1966. His other assignments were as follows:

- January 16, 1966 Engine Company No. 2
- April 9, 1978 Acting Lieutenant Engine Company No. 8
- October 29, 1978 Promoted to Lieutenant Engine Company No. 8
- December 2, 1979 Temporary Assignment to School Department
- July 6, 1980 Engine Company No. 1
- May 9, 1982 Promoted to Captain, Engine Company No. 1
- January 2, 1983 Civil Defense
- February 27, 1983 Engine Company No. 4
- April 17, 1983 Engine Company No. 7
- July 1, 1993 Pivot Officer, Headquarters
- April 24, 1994 Engine Company No. 3
- October 10, 1994 Engine Company No. 9

Signal 10-15

The Chief of Department regrets to announce the death of **Firefighter Robert A. Carroll** of Engine Company #5, retired.

FF Carroll was appointed to the Cambridge Fire Department on 9 March 1958 and assigned to Engine Company #5. His other assignments were as follows:

29 Oct 1972	to Engine Company #1
21 Oct 1973	to Engine Company #5

Firefighter Robert Carroll was born on 9 June 1931. He retired on 6 July 1983 and died on 11 September 2007. He was a United States Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

Firefighter Robert Carroll is the uncle of **Fire Lieutenant Thomas J. Carroll** of Ladder Company #4. He is the brother of **Boston Fire Lieutenant Thomas J. Carroll** (Engine 32) who died in the line of duty in the Hotel Vendome fire in 1972. He is also the brother of **Somerville Firefighter George Carroll**, deceased.

The Chief of Department regrets to announce the death of **Fire Lieutenant Joseph J. Leary, Jr.** of Headquarters, retired.

Fire Lieutenant Leary was appointed to the Cambridge Fire Department on 17 March 1968 and assigned to Engine Company #5. His other assignments were as follows:

5 March 1972	to Engine Company #4
17 Feb 1974	to Ladder Company #2
6 Dec 1976	to Acting Fire Lieutenant -Civil Defense
13 March 1977	promoted to Fire Lieutenant - Civil Defense
10 Sept 1978	Fire Headquarters
19 Dec 1979	to Engine Company #4
16 Nov 1980	to Engine Company #9
10 May 1981	to Fire Headquarters

Fire Lieutenant Leary was born on 2 May 1944. He retired on 11 June 1981 and died on 29 October 2007. He was a United States Navy veteran.

Fire Lieutenant Leary is the son of **Fire Captain Joseph J. Leary** - deceased. He is the brother-in-law of **Deputy Fire Chief Lester Bokuniewicz** of Division 1, group 2.

The Chief of Department regrets to announce the death of **Deputy Fire Chief John "Leo" Cremins**, Division 2 retired.

Chief Cremins was appointed to the Cambridge Fire Department on 21 Dec 1941 and assigned to Engine Company #8. His other assignments were as follows:

15 Sep 1942	United States Navy
13 Jan 1946	Reinstated, to Engine Company #4
12 Sep 1947	to Engine Company #5

4 Feb 1951	promoted to Acting Fire Lieutenant - Engine Company #8
15 April 1951	promoted to Fire Lieutenant - Engine Company #8
24 Aug 1952	to Engine Company #5
29 Jan 1956	promoted to Fire Captain - Engine Company #7
1 Dec 1957	to Engine Company #5
7 Feb 1965	promoted to Deputy Fire Chief

Chief Leo Cremins was born on 22 December 1918. He retired on 31 December 1983 and died on 30 November 2007.

He was a United States Navy veteran of World War II.

Deputy Fire Chief John "Leo" Cremins is the last of the seven Cremins brothers. Six brothers served on the Cambridge Fire Department. One brother was a Cambridge Fire Alarm operator.

Condolences

Condolences to the Bennett family on the death of **Roberta Bennett Calorio**. Mrs Calorio is the sister of the late **Fire Captain Barry Bennett**.

Condolences to **F.Capt. Ed Morrissey** (Ladder 1) on the death of his mother-in-law **Mrs. Madeline E. Hill**.

Condolences to **Lorna Rutkauskas** (Headquarters Admin) on the death of her great-aunt, **Mrs. Genevieve M. (Connolly) Mayer**, age 85. Mrs. Mayer, a Cambridge resident, was an active member of the Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War and was a member of the Civil War Centennial Committee. She was a direct descendant of a Civil War veteran.

Out and About

Bob Morrissey (Ladder Company No. 1, retired) recently celebrated his 75th birthday among family and friends.



seated: **FF Jim Fitzgerald** (Division 2, retired), **FF Tim Foley** (Division 2, retired), **Bob Morrissey**, **FF Jim Crowley** (Division 1, retired)

standing: **Chief Gerry Reardon** (Chief of Department), **FF Edward Morrissey** (Ladder 2, retired,) and **Chief Tom Scott** (Chief of Department, retired)



DFC Bill Murray (Division 2, retired), and **DFC Ed Dudley** (Chief of Ops, retired)

*- photos above by **F.Capt. Ed Morrissey** (Ladder 1)*

Public Events

Ladder 2 and Squad 2 supported the recent Cambridge/Boston Alzheimer's Walk at the CambridgeSide Galleria.



*- photo by **FF Howie Smith** (Ladder 2)*

CFD Companies also displayed equipment and skills at the City Public Safety Day at the CambridgeSide Galleria.





- photos above by **Leslie Carroll** (ECC)

Letters

received via e-mail on 10 Sep 2007

Chief Reardon,

On behalf of my family and myself, I would like to thank all of the members of the department that expressed their condolences on my mother's passing. My family was deeply moved by the amount of support that was shown; either by sending flowers, stopping by the wake and funeral, phone calls and emails. I also want to

personally thank the members of Rescue, Professional Ambulance and ECC that assisted my mother and me on the numerous times she was transported from the Youville Rehab. It was comforting to know that there were members of my "other family" assisting her.

Thank you all again!

Fraternally,

Patrick Haggerty and the family of Kathleen Haggerty

August 31, 2007

Chief Gerald R. Reardon
Cambridge Fire Department
491 Broadway
Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Chief Reardon,

On behalf of my family I would like to extend my deepest appreciation for the tributes provided by the Cambridge Fire Department during the funeral services for my Grandfather, Retired Lt. Joseph D. Keohane.

I was very moved by the presence of the honor guard at the wake and funeral, as well as the fire vehicles that escorted the funeral procession to my Grandfather's final resting place at the Cambridge Cemetery.

My Grandfather truly enjoyed his forty-one years as a member of the Cambridge Fire Department and he was very proud to have been part of such a respected profession. I know that he would have been very humbled by the exquisite tribute paid to him by his fellow firefighters.

Sincerely,

Laura Mahoney
Grand-daughter of Lt. Joseph D. Keohane (Ret.)

September 28, 2007

Dear Chief Reardon:

I am writing to thank the wonderful and professional men of Engine Four and Rescue Squad 4 who assisted my husband, Edward Dever, on the morning of September 16, 2007. As anyone can imagine, calling the Fire/Rescue for a medical emergency is something no one looks forward to. Edward was in quite a bit of distress and the scene was stressful to say the least. However, the men assessed the situation and were able to get him to the hospital while stabilizing him in the process.

On behalf of our family I can't thank you all enough and it is very reassuring that in addition to being a Class 1 Fire Department they are most definitely a First Class Fire Department as well.

Gratefully,

Jocelyn Gray Dever
Yerxa Road
Cambridge, MA

*(editor's note: This incident occurred at 1007 hours on Sunday, 16 September 2007. Group 4 was on duty. Engine 4, Squad 4, as well as Professional EMS responded. Members working at this incident were **Acting Lieutenant James Bergin**, and **FFs Bryan O'Neil** and **Michael Pearson** of Engine 4, **F.Lt. Michael Travers** and **FF Sean Williams** of Squad 4, and **Paramedics James Griffith** and **Scott Taylor** of Professional Paramedic 7.)*

11/11/07

Dear Chief Reardon,

ON behalf of myself and my family, I would like to thank you for the Fire Department presence at the wake and funeral of my brother, Joe, Jr.

Sincerely,

The Leary Family

Weston Jesuit School of Theology
3 Phillips Place
Cambridge, MA 02138-3945

26 November 2007

Cambridge Fire Department
Fire Headquarters
491 Broadway
Cambridge, MA 02138

Dear Sirs,

Wednesday morning, November 14, shortly before 9 a.m., one of my colleagues at Weston Jesuit School of Theology at 3 Phillips Place, Cambridge, called 911. The response was almost immediate. The gentlemen who carried me to the truck, took care of me, attended to my needs on the way to emergency at MGH, could not have been kinder, more competent, or more solicitous, had I been their own flesh and blood.

At that time, I was in no condition to say much, But all through my stay in the hospital, the top item on my agenda when I got home was this note of heartfelt gratitude, which neither the anonymity of my benefactors nor the ignorance of their accurate address could delay. Would you be so good as to see that they get this expression of my thanks as well as the assurance of my prayers for God's protection and blessings on them, their colleagues, and all who are dear to them.

Gratefully yours,

(Rev.) Stanley B. Marrow

(editor's note: This incident occurred on 14 November 2007 at 0850 hours. Ladder Company #4 and

*Rescue Company #1 operated at the incident.. Ladder 4 members were **A./Lt. Alan Johnson**, and **FFs Dennis Maragioglio** and **Colin Walsh**. Rescue 1 members were **A.Lt. Kurt McLaughlin**, and **FFs Ed Fales, John Mulligan, and Dennis Vigilante**.)*

Stats and Fires

In the month of November, 2007, there were **1102 emergency incidents** which generated **2612 runs**. There were 8 building fires, 61 inside fires, and 71 fires of all categories.

Engine 2 was the busiest engine with 221 runs, followed by Engine 1 with 169, and Engine 5 with 159. **Truck 1** was the busiest truck with 187 runs, followed by Truck 3 with 172. **Rescue 1** finished the month with 207. **Squads 2** and **4** finished the month with 267 and 173 runs respectively.

On Tuesday, 11 December 2007, a **Second Alarm, Box 2-64**, was transmitted for the fire at 4 Chauncy Terrace, a 2 1/2 story, wood-frame, Tudor style row-house. The fire originated from a defective fireplace hearth on floor #1 of the Bravo side, and extended to the basement, and into the walls of floor #1 and 2. Originating as a call for "smoke in the building," first due companies found heavy fire in the basement. Aggressive interior attack quickly contained and extinguished the fire. The box was transmitted at 1956 hours, the signal "45" at 2009 hours, and the Second Alarm at 2024 hours. The "all-out" was transmitted at 2349 hours. Engines 8, 1, 4, 9, 5, 6, and 2; Trucks 4, 1, and 3; Squads 2 and 4; Rescue 1; TacRescue 1; Divisions 2 and 1; and staff and support units operated. Group 3 was on duty. **DFC Robert Scott** was the Incident Commander. All occupants were evacuated without injury. There were several minor injuries to fire department members.

Danehy Park Family Day

The Fire Department again participated in the City's Danehy Park Family Day event, held this year on 29 September 2007.



The apparatus of Engine 5 (current pump and new pump), Ladder 4, and Squad 2 were on display for the Danehy Park event.



F.Lt. James Desrosiers (Engine 5) and **F.Lt. Stephen Boyle, Jr.** (Squad 2)



FF John Bell (Squad 2) with citizens.



FF. Mark Massiah (Engine 5), **FF John Rose** (Engine 5), and **FF Edrice Vincent** (Ladder 4) check out Engine 5's new pump.



Firefighter Bob Mahoney (Ladder 4), **Michael Nicoloro** (Inspectional Services Division), and **Deputy Fire Chief John Cotter** (Division 2)



Firefighter John Bell with interested citizens



Engine 5 Firefighter Mark Massiah



Ladder 4 Firefighter Edrice Vincent



The future firefighters



Ladder 3 members: FF Robert Jutras, F.Lt. Pat Haggerty, and FF Steven Milliken

Hockey

On 9 November 2007, a charity hockey match, **Cambridge Fire Vs Bruins Legends**, was played at the Gore Street rink.



Team Cambridge Fire



Cambridge Fire and Bruins Legends



John Bucyck, Cammy Fournier, and Don Marcotte



John Bucyck, Brian Higgins, Tom Higgins, and Don Marcotte



F.Lt. Fred Ikels (Engine 5) and wife, Kaci



Post-match rest and rehab at LaHacienda

- photos above by **F.Lt. Brian Higgins (FIU)**

Toys for Tots



CAMBRIDGE FIREFIGHTERS JOIN WITH MARINES IN "TOYS-FOR-TOTS" DRIVE

Cambridge Firefighters will once again partner with the United States Marine Corps Reserve in collecting toys in the annual "Toys-for-Tots" drive. Now in its' 60th year, the program was started in Los Angeles, CA when a handful of Marine Reservists distributed 5,000 toys to needy children on Christmas Eve 1947.

Since its inception, over 166,000,000 needy children throughout the United States have benefited from the donation of almost 351,000,000 toys.

Toys-for-Tots is a program that brings all elements of a community together for a common cause for a few months each year, dedicated to helping in the development of our children. Toys-for-Tots delivers a message of hope to children who have little reason to have hope for the future.

The Cambridge Fire Department is once again proud to work with the Marines in this great endeavor. New, unwrapped toys may be dropped off at any Cambridge Fire Station beginning Saturday November 10, 2007 until Friday December 14, 2007.

Monetary donations can also be made via the Toys-For-Tots Website; www.toysfortots.org

For further information, contact Capt. Gerry Mahoney at 617-349-4944 or visit the Cambridge Fire Department web site at www.cambridgefire.org

Project Smile

CAMBRIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT PARTNERS WITH PROJECT SMILE

The Cambridge Fire Department is proud to announce it has partnered with Project Smile, a federally tax exempt organization which collects and distributes stuffed animals for emergency workers to give to children.

Catherine Pisacane of Hopedale, MA in November 2003, founded project Smile. Ms. Pisacane was moved to start the organization after reading an account of a New Jersey Police Officer who gave a child who had been neglected a small stuffed tiger. The child held onto the stuffed animal and would not let it go.

The Cambridge Fire Department is one of over 125 organizations throughout the northeast that are now affiliated with Project Smile.

Cambridge Fire Fighters and Paramedics will now be able to distribute stuffed animals to children they encounter during emergency medical responses.

For additional information visit www.projectsmlie.org



Chief of Operations John Gelinas, Ms. Catherine Pisacane, and F.Capt. Gerry Mahoney

- photo by F.Lt. Brian Higgins (FIU)

Veterans Day

Fire Department members participated in the Veterans Day observance at the Cambridge Cemetery on November 11, 2007.



Fire Department Color Guard



Kirsten Johnson reads the official Veterans Day proclamation
Kirsten is the daughter of **FF Alan Johnson** (Ladder 4)





- photos above by **F.Lt. Brian Higgins (FIU)**

Recommended Reading

Lone Survivor: The Eyewitness Account of Operation Redwing and the Lost Heroes of SEAL Team 10 by **Marcus Luttrell**

Lone Survivor is the account of the engagement between the inserted four-man SEAL team and the Taliban in the mountains of Afghanistan. Three heroic members of the SEAL team, **Lt Michael P. Murphy**, **Petty Officer Danny Dietz** and **Petty Officer Matt Axelson** died in the fighting. Luttrell survived, although severely injured, but only after repeatedly fighting off Taliban fighters sent to kill him, and crawling seven miles to a village where he found refuge. Lt. Murphy was awarded the Medal of Honor (posthumously.) Petty Officers Dietz and Axelson were awarded the Navy Cross (posthumously.) Luttrell was awarded the Navy Cross.

Annual Ball

The 120th Annual Ball of the Cambridge Firefighters Relief Association will be held Saturday January 12, 2008 at The Royal Sonesta Hotel.

Information

Please submit any information, photographs, or narratives for inclusion in the ***Company Journal***.

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

"No arsenal, no weapon in the arsenals of the world, is so formidable as the will and moral courage of free men and women."

- President Ronald Reagan

**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!

-jjg

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