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 2018 Membership Application & Invoice  
 Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2018**

**Your MIFDI Dues  
 are due Jan. 1st**



**or Join MIFDI for  
 the first time.**

**Membership Information**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
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<b><u>Membership Type:</u></b>	<b><u>Send Bulletin To:</u></b>	<b><u>Membership Dues:</u></b>
<b><u>circle one</u></b>	<b><u>circle one</u></b>	<b><u>Active</u></b> \$ 35.00
<b><u>Active</u></b>	<b><u>Home</u></b>	<b><u>Retired</u></b> \$ 15.00
<b><u>Retired</u></b>	<b><u>Work</u></b>	<b><u>Associate</u></b> \$100.00
<b><u>Associate</u></b>	<b><u>E-mail</u></b>	

**Dues increased to \$35 after April 1st for Active Members only.**

**There is also a \$10 late fee if dues are paid after April 1st**

**Please mail completed Application with check or money order payable to:**

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## MAY MEETING

The May meeting of MIFDI will be held on **Wednesday, May 23, 2018** hosted by the Merrimac Fire Department courtesy of Chief Ralph Spencer (NOTE: Chief Spencer will be retiring this month!). The meeting will be held in the training room of the Merrimac Fire/Rescue Headquarters, 16 East Main St. (Rt.110), Merrimac, MA.

The program will be provided by MIFDI Treasurer, Webmaster, and Past President Michael McLeieer with a presentation from the 2018 FDIC Training Conference in Indianapolis. This has been an annual tradition for MIFDI as Michael brings back some of the high-lights of the many topics covered during the conference. For those attending this meeting, copies of DVD's with some of the training topics covered will be provided.

## DIRECTIONS:

Merrimac is located in Essex County and easy to get to from Interstate 495.

Take Exit 53 off Rt. 495 which is the Broad St Exit. Follow Broad St. NORTH a short distance to the end and the fire station will be directly in front of you. Parking is on the left and rear of the building. Try to leave the front parking spots open for those conducting fire and police business as well as those members with mobility issues.

## SCHEDULE:

**0900** Coffee, **1000** Presentation, **1130** Business Meeting, **1200** Lunch (Off site)



**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Beginning Balances for 01/02/2018  
 Preferred C.U. Checking \$212.07  
 Preferred C.U. Savings \$195.58  
 CapitalOneSav. Balance \$1,771.35  
 Total: \$2,179.00

**Bills Paid April 2018 (Checking):**  
 May 2018 Bulletin - Michael \$120.00 - 04/30  
**TOTAL: \$120.00**

50/50 Raffle = \$0.00  
 Winner = N/A  
 Net Proceeds from 50/50 Raffle = N/A

**Account Transfers:**  
 None

**Total active members = 106**

Dues paid thru 2021 = 1  
 Dues paid thru 2020 = 2  
 Dues paid thru 2019 = 5  
 Dues paid thru 2018 = 48  
 Dues paid thru 2017 = 48  
 Dues paid thru 2016 = 2

**Mailings**  
 E-Mail - 64 Home - 30  
 Work - 12  
**Total: 106**

Balances as of 05/13/2018  
 Preferred C.U. Checking: \$ 113.90  
 Less uncleared checks: (\$ 0.00)  
 PCU Cking. Balance: \$ 113.90  
 PCU Savings Balance: \$ 73.67  
 CapitalOne Sav. Balance: \$ 1,773.67  
 Total \$ 1,961.24

**Membership Totals: 106**  
 61 Active - 41 Retired - 4 Associate

We have no new members who joined MIFDI this month.

- None

*Treasurer Notes:*

- (a) Please remember to look at your mailing label for the PAID THROUGH date. Thank you to all of you who have paid your dues. Your 2018 dues were due in January, 2018. Please add \$10.00 for late renewals paid after April 1, 2018 for your 2018 dues.
- (b) You may now use the 2018 membership application as your invoice. It has MIFDI's tax ID number listed, for your accounts payable department to process the dues payment. Simply use the dues year or payment date as your invoice number.

Respectfully submitted  
 05/13/2018  
 by Michael McLeieer, Treasurer  
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 Email: michael.mcLeieer@merrimacfire.com

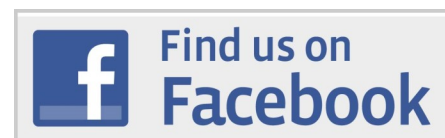
Thank you for your continued support and for the prompt payment of your dues!

The Membership voted to INCREASE Active Member dues to \$35 effective April 1st, 2018. MIFDI will also accept credit card payments effective April 1, 2018.

Retired Member dues will remain \$15  
 Associate Member dues will remain \$100

Please remember to still add a \$10 late fee for renewal dues paid after April 1st, 2018. This fee does not apply to new members or for those who renewed before April 1, 2018.

MIFDI is now on Facebook. Login to your Facebook account and search for **Massachusetts Institute of Fire Department Instructors** or visit [www.facebook.com/mifdi](http://www.facebook.com/mifdi). Become a Facebook friend to MIFDI and receive up to date announcements right to your PDA, Blackberry or computer. You may also select the MIFDI Facebook link on the MIFDI website home page at [www.mifdi.org](http://www.mifdi.org)



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**\*Dues are \$30.00 per year for Active members \*(\$45 after April 1st)**

**Active member dues will increase to \$35 effective April 1st (\$45 w/late fee)**

**\$15.00 for Retired members \*(\$25 after April 1st)**

**\*100.00 per year for Associate members**

(which includes a 1/4 page of advertising in the MIFDI Bulletin and on the MIFDI website).

**\* Membership dues are for one calendar year (January 1 through December 31).**

**Dues are due by January 1st. Add a \$10.00 Late Fee after April 1, 2018.**

**RECALL OF MEETING #2018-04**

The April meeting of MIFDI was held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 hosted by the Medfield Fire Department courtesy of Interim Chief Robert Hollingshead. We gathered in the training room of the new Medfield Public Safety Building located at 112 North St.

The training was provided Dan Brennan of United Shield International and Jean Cole from Central Equipment Co. ([www.central-equipment.net](http://www.central-equipment.net)). Their presentation offered members a demonstration and hands on look at the options of ballistic protection for Fire and EMS members responding to active shooter incidents. Part 2 of this presentation was to be on training for active shooter incidents however, the presenter for the training had to cancel due to personal reasons. We hope to reschedule that portion in the near future.

Following the presentation, Chief Hollingshead provided members a tour of Medfield's impressive new public safety building which included built-in training props and other innovative ideas incorporated in their facility.

Following our business meeting, members adjourned for lunch at the nearby Noon Hill Grill.



## EMS Run

*2018 National EMS Week May 20-26*



## LAST ALARM:

The Massachusetts Institute of Fire Department Instructors offers our condolences to the family and friends of **Firefighter/EMT Robert A. Moody, Jr.** of the Lancaster Fire Department. Robert died suddenly on April 27, 2018 at age 27. He was a 4-year member of the call-department.

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## CONGRATULATIONS:

The officers and members of the Massachusetts Institute of Fire Department Instructors offer our congratulations to former MIFDI member **Chief Paul Ciccone** upon his retirement from the Waltham Fire Department on April 5 after 32-years service. Good health & happiness to you Paul!



Kudos to MIFDI member **Chief Michael Feinberg** of the Nahant Fire Department for reviving a man in cardiac arrest while off duty skiing with his family at Bretton Woods in New Hampshire. Chief Feinberg witnessed the man collapse getting on the ski lift and began CPR after checking for a pulse. He used an AED on site and continued CPR until the man regained his pulse a minute later. By the time EMS arrived on scene, the man was awake and talking. Chief Feinberg was later quoted as saying *"It goes to show that we are never really off duty. I did nothing different than what any other firefighter or EMT would have done"*. Great job Mike!



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 19, 2018: Statewide Exam for Chief, Deputy & District  
*Good Luck!*

May 23, 2018: **MIFDI** – Merrimac - FDIC Review

June 9, 2018: MAFAA Parade/Display/Flea Market  
Edgewater Park, Wakefield

June 10, 2018: Firefighters Memorial Sunday

June 11-14, 2018: NFPA Conference & Expo  
Las Vegas, NV

June 21-23, 2018: New England Fire Chief's Expo  
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## **REPORT of the PRESIDENT:**

**Captain Mark W. Roche, Newton Fire Department**

Our April meeting offered members a hands-on look at ballistic protection for firefighters responding of active shooter incidents. I thank Jean Cole of Central Equipment and Dan Brennan for providing MIFDI with this important presentation. Special thanks to Interim Chief Hollingshead and the members of the Medfield Fire-Rescue for hosting MIFDI at their new facility. We offer Chief Hollingshead (former Hull Chief) good health and happiness as he transitions back into retirement from his interim position in Medfield.

A final reminder for members to pay their 2018 dues to avoid a lapse in membership. You can pay at the May meeting or mail your dues check to: **MIFDI, P.O. Box 507, Merrimac, MA 01860.**

Stay safe, I hope to see you in Merrimac on May 23.



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