

# RECALL OF MEETING #479

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## BUSINESS MEETING:

### New Business:

No Report Submitted

### Old Business:

None

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## The Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balances for 1/2004

Checking     \$ 646.77

Savings       \$ 1,669.52

Total         \$ 2,316.29

### Bills paid

Nov 04 Newsletter \$105.00 Mike

Oct Coffee/Danish \$ 49.44 Mark

Retirement Plaque \$ 48.00 Harbour/Lynn

Total                 \$202.44

50/50 Raffle = Collected \$

Winner = \$

Deposit from 50/50 Raffle = \$

MIFDI Stickers & Pens Cost \$865.00

Collected                 \$ 98.00

MIFDI Clothing collected \$ 364.00

purchased \$ 354.00

Owed to treasurer for Mailings \$ 24.00 - thru November 1, 2004 - includes clothing mailings

Labels                     \$ 10.00

\$ 34.00

Total members = 101

Dues paid thru 2006 = 2

Dues paid thru 2005 = 9

Dues paid thru 2004 = 90

### Mailings

E-Mail - 21

Home - 69

Work - 11

80

Balances as of 11/01/04

Checking       365.01

### Membership Totals

71 - Active - 26 Retired - 4 Associate

Savings	1,676.50
Total	\$2,041.51

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**Deleted from mailings**

**Dues paid thru 2003 = 37 members**

**34 Active**

**3 Retired**

**1 Associate**

**Respectfully submitted 11/01/2004**

**David M. Jardin**

**MIFDI Treasurer**

**Fire Chief – Stoughton**

**Thank you to the membership for your support.**

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**MFTC UPDATE: Captain Steve Persson, *as reported by Secretary Bogart***

- nothing to report
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**OCTOBER MEETING SCHEDULE:**

The 480th meeting of M.I.F.D.I. will be hosted by the Wayland Fire Department courtesy of Chief Robert Loomer. Bob Loomer, who is no stranger to MIFDI, was appointed Chief of Department in Wayland just over one year ago after serving for many years on the Maynard Fire Department. He is also a long time instructor at the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy. The meeting will be held in the training room of Wayland's new Public Safety Building, 38 Cochituate Rd. on **Wednesday, November 17, 2004.**

**(NOTE: This is the 3rd Wednesday to avoid Thanksgiving week).**

The training program will focus on joint military-civilian Homeland Security Training for Public Safety personnel. The presentation will be provided by the Massachusetts National Guard courtesy of Colonel Joseph Materia, Director of the Environmental & Readiness Center, and Lieutenant Colonel William Tyminski. As time permits, Chief Loomer will provide our members with a tour of Wayland's unique new facility.

**DIRECTIONS:**

The Town of Wayland is located in Middlesex County, 18 miles west of Boston.

**From Rt.128 (I 95),** take Exit 26 in Waltham (Rt. 20). Follow Rt. 20 west to the 2nd traffic light (approx 5 miles). This is the same route to the DFS/MFA. Turn right at the lights onto Rt.27/126 and the Wayland Public Safety Building is located on the right. Use the parking lot on the Millbrook Rd. side just past the station. The main entrance is also located on the Millbrook Rd. side.

## **SCHEDULE:**

**0900** Coffee & Pastry

**1000** Program presentation

**1130** Business Meeting & Election of Officers

**1200** Lunch

## **LUNCH:**

Our meeting will adjourn J.J. McKay's Restaurant located at 171 Commonwealth Rd. (Rt.30) in the Cochituate section of Wayland. The menu has a wide variety of items including luncheon specials at very reasonable prices and plenty of free parking. When leaving the Public Safety Complex, turn left and head south on Rt.27 three traffic lights. Turn left at the 3rd light onto Rt.30 and take the very first driveway on the right into "Cochituate Village" and you will see J.J. McKay's. We hope to see everyone there.

## **CANCELLATIONS:**

During the winter months or hurricane season, check the MIFDI website for cancellations @ [www.mifdi.org](http://www.mifdi.org)

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## **FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT:**

With another great year soon coming to an end, we will be electing our 2005 Officers and Board of Directors at the November meeting. This will allow for the December Holiday gathering and meeting not requiring a lengthy business meeting.

We will have several openings either on the Board of Directors or the Executive Board. We are looking to fill the upcoming vacancies to the 1st and 2nd Vice President positions as well as a Director's position. If you are interested in serving, please attend the November meeting or contact me prior to November 17th.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday November 25th, the November MIFDI meeting has been moved to the third Wednesday, November 17th. Please mark your calendar now.

Remember, this is your organization. Please let the Officers or Board of Directors know if there is anything we can do for you to make your membership more enjoyable.

Stay safe,  
Michael

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**November 1, 2004**, 2004 Firefighter Eligible List will be established

**November 2, 2004**, National Election Day, VOTE!

**November 7-9, 2004**, IAFF Affiliate Leadership Training Summit Atlanta, GA, Contact [www.IAFF.org](http://www.IAFF.org)

**November 12-14, 2004**, FIRERESCUE Conference & Exposition Las Vegas, NV, Contact [www.firerescueexpo.com](http://www.firerescueexpo.com)

**November 14-17, 2004** N.F.P.A. Fall Education Conference, Miami Beach, FL. "Preparedness & Protection In A Hazardous World"

Contact [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org)

**November 17-20, 2004**, Emergency Response Conference & Exposition San Diego Convention Center, Contact [www.emergencyresponseshow.com](http://www.emergencyresponseshow.com)

**November 19, 2004**, Mass Fire Academy Recruit Class #165 Graduation. DFS/MFA Fire Station @ 1:30 pm

**November 20, 2004**, Statewide Exam for Fire Lieutenant & Fire Captain

### **PLANNING AHEAD:**

**January 16, 2005**, 17th Annual Apparatus Specification Symposium Rosen Plaza Hotel, Orlando, FL - Contact: [www.fdssoa.org](http://www.fdssoa.org)

**January 31-February 4, 2005**, Firehouse World Exposition & Conference San Diego Convention Center. Contact: [www.firehouseworld.com](http://www.firehouseworld.com)

**March 19, 2005**, Statewide Exam for Fire Chief, Deputy Chief, District Chief

**April 11-16, 2005**, FDIC (Fire Department Instructors Conference) 2005, Indianapolis, IN - Contact: [www.fdic.org](http://www.fdic.org)

**April 16, 2005**, Honor Guard Competition Indianapolis, IN - Contact: 508-881-3543

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## **INSTRUCTORS CORNER:**

*By FF Michael McLeieer - Merrimac Fire Department*

### **Fire Service Emergency Vehicle Safety Initiative report released**

The Fire Service Emergency Vehicle Safety Initiative report was recently released. The report focuses on enhancing the safety of firefighters as they respond to and return from emergencies and during highway operations.

The report addresses recommendations developed from this initiative regarding Standards and Standardized Operating Procedures (SOPs); training; technology that could be utilized to enhance emergency vehicle operations safety; as well as the roadway safety operations of firefighters and other emergency responders. It also includes examples of "best practices" from several fire departments throughout the United States, which have developed innovative emergency vehicle safety mitigation techniques and technologies.

The initiative, jointly sponsored by the United States Fire Administration (USFA) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), also supports the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Line of Duty Death (LODD) Prevention Initiative.

For more information and to download the report, please visit: <http://www.usfa.fema.gov/inside-usfa/media/2004releases/102004a.shtml>

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## **LAST ALARM:**

- The Massachusetts Institute of Fire Department Instructors regrets to report the death of **Newton Firefighter Anibal Santos**, active 4 year member of the Newton Fire Department, Engine Co. 3. Firefighter Santos died at age 33 from injuries received from an auto accident on October 8, 2004 in Marlborough. Our condolences are offered to his wife Myrna, his children and step-children, his sister Lowell Firefighter Brenda Santos, and his brother-in law Waltham Firefighter Juan Torres. Donations may be made to: **Santos Family Children's Fund, c/o Village Bank, 307 Auburn St., Auburndale, MA 02466**. May he rest in peace.

## **Special Mention**

- Special mention must be given on the report of the death of **Chief James O. Page** of Carlsbad, Calif. Jim Page, who is considered by many as "the father of modern emergency medical services", died of an apparent cardiac arrest on September 4 at age 68. Mr. Page was founder of the highly regarded trade publication "Journal of Emergency Medical Services" or "JEMS". He began his impressive career as a firefighter at age 21 in 1957 and rose quickly through the ranks to become Battalion Chief where he was assigned to coordinate the countywide implementation of paramedic rescue services for the Los Angeles County Fire Department. In 1971, Jim was hired as technical adviser and writer for the television series "Emergency!", which is credited with introducing modern EMS to America. In 1973, Mr Page left the L.A.F.D. to accept a new position as Chief of EMS for the state of North Carolina, where he implemented a statewide program of emergency medical care and rescue services. Two years later, he became Executive Director of the Lakes Area EMS in Buffalo, NY and served as Chief Administrator of a federally funded project to upgrade and improve EMS in upstate New York. From 1976 to 1983, he served as Executive Director of ACT, or Advanced Coronary Treatment Foundation and developed programs to upgrade EMS nationwide. He also served as a Technical Support Service Manager for the United States Fire Administration, consulting and providing technical assistance for fire and EMS agencies. He returned to the fire service in 1984 as a Battalion Chief in Carlsbad, and two years later was appointed Chief of the Monterey Park Fire Dept. He left that department in 1989 and returned as fulltime chairman and CEO of JEMS Communications. In 2000, "Fire Chief" magazine recognized James Page as one of the 20 most influential fire chiefs who most shaped the American fire service in the 20th century. May he now rest in peace knowing the vision in which he had for EMS, forever changed fire & emergency medical services in America.

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## **WELCOME NEW MIFDI MEMBERS:**

- None

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## **CONGRATULATIONS:**

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## **A REMINDER for RE-NEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP:**

Issues regarding **RENEWAL of DUES** or **NEW MEMBERSHIPS** may be addressed to:

**MIFDI**

**Attn: David Jardin, Treasurer**      **If you have not already done so, it's time to renew your dues. Due Jan. 1st.**

**52 Willow Street  
Stoughton, MA 02072-1027**

**\*Dues are \$25.00 per year for Active Members - Please review your bulletin label for the date your dues will expire.**

**\*\$100.00 per year for Associate members** (which includes a 1/4 page of advertising in the MIFDI Bulletin and on the MIFDI website).

**\*Retired members dues are \$12.50 for one calendar year (January 1 through December 31).**

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## **FIRE SERVICE FEEDBACK:**

This forum is an extension of the [Guest Book](#) on the MIFDI Web-site, and provides our members a way to ask questions and get answers about problems encountered in the Fire and EMS service. If you would like to reply to a question, pose your own question or submit an article for publication in the MIFDI bulletin, but have no internet capabilities, you may do so in writing to: **Michael McLeier, President - MIFDI, PO Box 507, Merrimac, MA 01860-0510. Fax # (877) 327-4353. Faxing or e-mailing of articles is preferred. Please e-mail articles in MS Word format to [michael.mcLeier@merrimacfire.com](mailto:michael.mcLeier@merrimacfire.com)**

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**Name:**

**Email:**

**Comments:**

**Fire Department:**

**Rank:**

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## **DRILL SCHEDULE:**

**#      DATE**

**LOCATION**

**TOPIC**

**480 - NOVEMBER 17, 2004:    Brookline    "*Homeland Security Training*"**

**481 - December 15, 2004:    Newton    TBA**

**482 - January 26, 2005:** Merrimac *"FF Safety, Survival & Rescue"*

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