

BOX 52 ASSOCIATION, INC. BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

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DATE: Friday, February 16th, 2024

LOCATION: **Wakefield Public Safety Building**

TIME: **20:00 Meeting**

PROGRAM: Rtd. Brockton Senior Fire Alarm Operator Bob Meyers with a Presentation on 2023 Southshore Fires and Apparatus

INSTRUCTIONS FOR JOINING VIA ZOOM:

https://zoom.us/j/94315108123?pwd=M2p3SEQ5emRCeWovbENQSkliM1NwQT09

Meeting ID: 943 1510 8123 Passcode: 903043

February Meeting

Our guest speaker, Bob Meyers is well known to many Box 52 members from his website 105firephotos and many years with Brockton Fire Alarm. Bob has spent decades chronicling fires, apparatus and other incidents. Bob has an extensive history of Brockton apparatus dating back to the first motorized apparatus the city put in service.

January Meeting

Approximately 24 members and guests joined virtually for our first-time Guest Speaker Rtd. FDNY Dispatcher Gary Greenbaum. A review of the June, 1977 Brooklyn Borough Call fire. The fire brought 55 FDNY companies and destroyed 23 buildings over 7 blocks. Gary's use of videos, newspaper clippings, graphics and audio was well received. Gary answered questions following his presentation. Over his 41 years with FDNY, Gary has an extensive library of fires and other incidents which we hope he will share with us at future meetings.

Good and Welfare

Our condolences go out to the family on the loss of Active Member Kevin Kiley who passed away on January12th. Kevin was a former Massachusetts State Trooper and a member of the Lynnfield Fire Department. Our condolences also go out to the family on the loss of Life Member William D. Wilderman who passed away on January 15th. May their souls rest in peace.

Membership

Welcome to new members Robert Washburn and Dominic San Severino who were voted into membership at the January meeting.

LINE BOX

The next issue of the Line Box will be published in March. Anyone wishing to do a story is asked to contact the editor. We are always looking for story ideas from the membership.

The Box 52 needs your help!

The Association is in its 112th year. This is due in no small part to the numerous members who have stepped up and joined the team of Officers, writers, and volunteers who have made our organization so successful. We once again are asking our members to consider when a position opens up to submit your name. Line Box Editor Frank San Severino is looking for someone to assist with the production of the very popular publication. This person would scan, edit, and prepare images to get ready for the Line Box. Of course, Frank is always looking for articles for submission. Please reach out to President Kass if you are willing to step up and join us.

Reminders

February Meeting- In Person and Virtual. Be sure to use the link noted on page 1.

By Order of the President Michael Kass Secretary Jeff Brown