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**March 2023**

**DATE:** Friday March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023-NOTE THE DATE CHANGE!

**LOCATION:** Ste. Teresa of Calcutta Parish  
800 Columbia Road, Dorchester.

**TIME:** 20:00 hrs.

**PROGRAM:** Photojournalist Lloyd Mitchell with an in-person presentation on NYC stories and images of fires, firefighters, police, and paramedics. Mitchell, an award-winning photojournalist, has been published in the NY Times, Fire Engineering, Firehouse, and other publications. Not just a fire photographer, he has covered police incidents including the MTA Subway shooting as well.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR JOINING VIA ZOOM:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81755933054?pwd=TVhvS1ppUjVnbW9oTDFTT0xSTDlYzZ09>

**Meeting ID: 817 5593 3054 Passcode: 359332**

## **February Meeting**

39 members and guests attended in person or virtually the February meeting held at St. Teresa's Parish in Dorchester. The Guest Speaker was Boston Fire Department Radio Supervisor Joe Brooks. Joe presented a very detailed look at the current four-year \$50 million dollar upgrade to the department's radio infrastructure. The PowerPoint presentation showed the current system and the new technology to keep firefighters on the fire ground safe along with the addition of new channels, transmitter and receiving sites that should keep the department on the cutting edge of technology for many years to come.

## **Good and Welfare**

Board member John Rafferty and PP Rick Cutts continue to convalesce.

A card was sent congratulating member William Sullivan on his retirement as Chief of the Malden Fire Department.

Condolences to member Brian Harrington on the passing of his sister Margaret "Peggy" Quimby.

Please notify the Secretary if you know of anyone who the committee should reach out to.

## **Membership**

The application of Walter Curran will have its second reading and a vote taken at this month's meeting.

Member Matt McDonald has resigned in good standing. We wish Matt the best of luck and welcome him back at any time. This vacancy allows our next waiting list applicant, Dave Frizzell, to have his application read at this month's meeting.

Member Mark Roche has accepted Life membership and his application will be read at this month's meeting.

## **Line Box**

The Line Box staff is hard at work for the third edition which will be out in March. A few articles the staff is working on include a multimillion-dollar factory fire in Woburn and a busy February 1982 in Salem. Five fires in 19 days kept area departments busy. Editor Frank San Severino is looking for volunteers to help. Do you have a story idea you would like to share with fellow members? Please reach out to Frank if you can contribute a story or help in any way.

## **Reminders**

- Friday March 24<sup>th</sup> at Ste. Parish in Dorchester meeting at 2000 hrs.

By Order of the President  
Richard Conway

Secretary  
Jeff Brown