



# The Chief's Trumpet



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## MANCHESTER TO HOST ANNUAL "CORNEB BEEF & CABBAGE" MARCH DINNER MEETING

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

There will be a business meeting prior to the "corned beef & cabbage" dinner. It will be held at Manchester Central Station, on Merrimack Street at 4 P.M. It is an important meeting to get an updated on the NH Legislature's upcoming legislation.

The March 2004 "Corned Beef & Cabbage" dinner meeting will again be hosted by Fire Chief Joseph Kane and the Manchester Fire Department on Thursday, the 11<sup>th</sup> at St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Hall, 650 Hanover Street. Tickets have been available at meetings since November. The dinner is sold out at this time. Names will be placed on a waiting list by calling *Brent Lemire* at the MFD, 669-2256 x 3211.

**Directions:** From I-93, take Exit 8 (Wellington Rd.) and at the bottom of the ramps, head west toward downtown. At the second light, take a left onto Mammoth Rd. and proceed to the next traffic light, where you will take a right onto Hanover Street. St. George's Greek Orthodox Cathedral and Hall are on your right in less than .25 miles.

**MARCH DINNER MEETING**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Persons \_\_\_\_\_

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Make check for \$20.00 payable to *Brent Lemire* and mail to Chief Joseph Kane, Manchester Fire Department, 100 Merrimack Street, Manchester, NH 03101.

**Please respond by February 4<sup>th</sup>.**

SOLD OUT

## NHFA to Host April Dinner Meeting

The annual meeting of the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs will be held at the Richard M. Flynn Fire Academy, located at 222 Sheep Davis Road (Route 106), in Concord on April 8, 2004. Booth displays by advocate members will commence at 4 PM, followed by the social hour at 4:30 and dinner at 6:00 PM. The annual meeting will follow dinner in the auditorium.

Cost of the dinner is \$22.00 per person and reservations and payment must be received by April 1, 2004. Make check payable to "NHAFC" and send to: NH Fire Academy, ATTN: Dale Boyd, 33 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03305-0001.

We are currently working on static and interactive demonstrations dealing with different facets of emergency response: emergency medical, law enforcement, communications, mass casualty, incident command and others. These demonstrations will start at 2:30 PM.

**Directions:** from I-93 take I-393 East to exit 3. Go south on Route 106 (right turn). The academy is one mile south of the Steeplegate Mall on the left. From Route 4, take I-393 to the first exit and go south on Route 106.

**April Dinner Meeting**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Persons \_\_\_\_\_

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## Condensed Minutes

### MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS

January 8, 2004 — Three Chimneys Inn — Durham, NH

The meeting was called to order by President Pauley at 1935 hours.

Following a salute to the flag and a moment of silence, a quorum call was taken.

Welcoming everyone was the Host, Chief Ronald O'Keefe, who thanked all for coming and introduced the Chairman of the Durham Town Council.

Advocate Members in attendance: John Merrill of IPS

State Police Major Booth gave a comprehensive overview of the radio systems interoperability and fielded questions from the membership.

Chief Pauley noted that the minutes of the previous meetings were printed and available at the entrance. A **MOTION (Hurley/Buxton)** to accept them as printed carried unanimously.

Deputy Chief Martin Carrier read the monthly financial report. A **MOTION (Hurley/Mason)** to accept the report carried unanimously.

Applications for Membership: Chief Lemire read two in second reading. A **MOTION (Hurley/Mason)** to accept the applications of Capt. Jeffrey Phillips of the NHFA and Deputy Chief Carl Roediger of Newcastle, carried unanimously. The association welcomes its newest members!

Chief Pauley reported on the following:

- His meeting in Springfield working on the IAFC Strategic Plan.
- His meeting with NHMA on membership issues.

Chief Hurley for the Legislative Committee, reported on the following:

- "Two In/Two Out" – working on final recommendations.
- Upcoming bills – gave a brief synopsis on content.
- Bill proposed to redefine the penalty for vandalizing emergency vehicles.

Philip Brice, Director of Forests and Lands, NHDRED gave a report for Chief Bud Nelson on the following:

- Tower dedications
- Recommendation of Governor's Efficiency Commission to eliminate the towers and asked for help from the membership in justification.
- Changes in the warden application process.
- Grant process instructions
- The fact that the western fires this year drew financial resources away from the rest of the country.

Fire Academy Director Richard Mason reported on the following:

- There were 4000 certifications given during 2003.
- The renaming of the Division to include EMS.
- The hiring of Meredith Lund of New Ipswich as a new Field Captain.
- Nominations for Committee of Merit must be in by February 1, 2004.

Deputy State Fire Marshal William Degnan reported on the following:

- The division conducted 253 fire investigations during 2003.
- There were 12 fatalities during 2003
- Other statistics he shared with the group.

Bill Wood reported from the EMS side of the Bureau on the following:

- John Clarke has been hired as the full-time paramedic coordinator.
- AED distribution. 135 have been distributed with 128 more coming.

Deputy Chief Martin Carrier, for the National Volunteer Fire Council, reported that he chairs the benefits committee that is working on changes to the IRS code, and they had met in Albany yesterday.

Chief Pauley reported that a representative to the Fireworks Committee was still needed.

Director of Emergency Management Bruce Cheney reported on various issues related to the heightened terror alert and the meningitis cases experienced recently. Chief Pauley reported that a representative to the Fireworks Committee was still needed.

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Chief Michael Buxton, representative to the Emergency Management Advisory Committee, asked that those municipalities that have not submitted their assessments are asked to do so ASAP.

Chief Thomas Lambert, for the NEAFC reported that they had voted to make available \$2,000 for each state to procure speakers on pertinent topics.


Chief Stephen Carrier reported that the February meeting was to be held in Concord.

A **MOTION (Hurley/Carrier)** to support the retention of the fire towers carried unanimously. Chief Pauley will send a letter to the Governor, Senate and House leadership.

A motion to adjourn carried unanimously at 2115 hours.


Respectfully submitted,

Chief Brent T. Lemire, Retired  
Secretary, NHAFC



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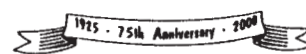
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