

head” Ed, Chickarella, P-Diddy, Psycho, “baked beans” Cea and finally, “I don’t eat red meat Jim”...Thanks to *Haz-Mat* for taking Kelly and Middendorf and no thanks for giving back Longhi...Congrats to Q-Sac and Wall on dumbing down and going to the Truck...Sac, check the saw and Patty, you’re detailed to the Engine to drive again!...Hey, Koster, third time’s a charm!...EJ, when it comes to E-317, it all depends...Bobby CFR-D, you’ll get SOCCed before you know it...Pay ya later. Have you met Spock yet?...L-143/E-294: The members wish Captain Robert “the moose” Moccias a great and long retirement. It was a great eight years, “Moose”...What happened to those Yankees?...Ciao, Babe... Congrats to the members of E-294 on taking first prize in 11 of the 12 events at the 1st Annual E-294/L-143 Special Olympics. Wait until next year, J.D. Maybe we will let L-143 win two events...Nice going to Billy “the trip” Tripp L-143 on his tumbling act at Yankee Stadium. We hope mommy doesn’t find out...Congrats to Brian Campbell E-294 and family on the birth of their son, Aiden...E-315/L-125 welcome CITs (Clowns in Training), Kevin Abbamonte E-315 and Thomas Whiston L-125...It’s true that the Clown College now has become an animal act with their feline finds. Good job!...E-298/L-127/Bn-50 thank FF Bob Steinert for assembling all hands for the Promotion/Retirement/Milestone Extravaganza. Always known for doing things the right way, Bob hit the mark again. Thanks, Bob!...A Hilton Hi-Ho to new Probies Mike “local boy makes good” Jones E-298 and John “no more buses” Logan L-127...Montauk Hook and Hack Fest was a great time with a great turnout and lots of surprises...Tom would like visitors a little earlier, thank you...Congrats to Deputy Chief Jim “the boy genius” Manahan on his promotion...As always, to all my Brothers around the Big Town, stay safe and keep up the good work.

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by FF Chris Fallon, E-295

E-312/Bn-49: Congrats on retirements to Lieutenant Charles “skin and bones” Harris, Lieutenant Kenny “Dunkin Donuts” Roth, FF Mickey “fly me” Berrios, FF Pat



(Above) This 1959 Mack “B” Model Searchlight truck was disbanded in 1990. It last was quartered with Engine 260 and was known as Searchlight 21. It is now on display at the New York City Fire Museum, located on 278 Spring Street.

“spoons” Varian and Captain “FD forms are in my life” McLaughlin...Welcome aboard to Chief John “big boy” Gudat to the 49 Battalion and Captain Samodulski to E-312...A special congrats to Bn-49 Commander Chief William “I love figure skating” Seelig and also FF Glen “I love Donna Summers” Fitchett, promoted to Lieutenant...Kevin Pideon, Dave Higgins and John Sottillie are now officially the three stooges...Angry Joe Griffin is still angry and now forgot how to smile...Kevin Lynch’s philosophy of life, “once is an experience.”...Doug “oh well” Egan was spotted at the Bay City Rollers concert last week as Jason “I will always be a Proby” Romance was caught reading *Playgirl*...Bn-49’s Van “I am the senior aide in my dreams” Williams still needs a lesson on doing manpower...E-263/L-117 welcome new Probies Tim Reznick, Tom “hip-hop” Healy, Kevin “can you work for me tonight?” Heffron and Dan Harrington...A big welcome to some great new Officers, Lieutenant Pete Lusenskas, Lieutenant Bob “I never bounced” Pino and Captain Steve “I bounced for eight years” Jaeger... Congrats on promotions go out to Captain Kevin Keifer, Captain Jimmy Hay, Lieutenant Brian Kearny and Lieutenant Craig “Caligula” Baldwin...A fond farewell and best wishes to our retirees, Captain Mike Barry, Captain Dennis “where’s my mutual book?” Ruckdesel, Alan Arias and Frank McCartin. You will be missed...Congrats to all the new dads--Tom “the champ” Goncalves, Jeff “farmer” Brown and Joe “the penguin” Delligatti...Finally, congrats to “the Gooch,” who took second place at this summer’s smackdown...E-291/L-140: Congrats to FFs M. Brown and S. Wojnsnis L-140 on the births of their new daughters... Farewell and good luck to the best Captains, D. Csomly L-140 and J. Walsh E-291. What will we do without you both?...Goodbye to J. Ross and Intrabartola of E-291...Good luck in Douglaston to Goehring and Barrett. Hopefully,

Quinn will be joining you soon...Welcome aboard to our newest Proby, J. Scioutella, to L-140. Don’t park in people’s driveways!... Who gave Lieutenant Lucia a field promotion?... The E-291/L-140 Company family camp-out was great! Everyone is looking forward to next year... Sleep tight, little Proby, don’t let the bed bugs (Bohmke) bite...E-307/L-154: So much happening, it’s tough to tell where to begin. First, the bad news. After 22 years, Virgil Sanchez has decided to call it a career. Virgil, you will be sorely missed. Be well and God bless...Also leaving were Charlie “James Bond” Wiemann to *Rescue*

4 and Glen “super fool” Berube to *Rescue 1*...Is Toshack in or out?...Congrats to Bob “little buddy” Ginley on his promotion to Captain...Congrats to newly minted Lieutenants Johnny Fratangeio, Mike Fital and the “sinister” George Mullen, all of whom will be missed. Well, maybe not Mullen...With Mullen gone, Rubino now is the undisputed “king of the gluttons.”...Joe “Daisy Dukes” Kadillak actually may report for duty in the near future...Billy Quino in pursuit of big game in the Buckeye State. A four “bobber” in Cleveland!...John “Monsignor” Farrell nominated for the “Johnny Winter” award...The “Pale Pug” training hard for upcoming bout vs. NYPD... Hey, Dean, it’s purple!...Scott Duryea ready to welcome his third child into the world. Two away from starting a fifth...Bob Anderson having no trouble with charter flights to work in Cutchoque...Lieutenant Donlevy actually may have gotten a question wrong on the Captains test, prompting a Senate investigation of the exam...Steve Ferring offered position of Training Coordinator at the Rock...Congrats to our former Battalion Commander Billy Seelig on his promotion to Deputy Chief... New Bn-49 Chief Gudat beginning to put faces to names in E-307...Welcome to Probies Dietrich, Cardi, Deery, Gibbons, Corrado and “Wilson” Pitzer. Pitzer really knows how to work a room...More signs that the apocalypse is nearly upon us: Lieutenant Buckheit actually tapped out...Congrats to all who scored well on the Lieutenants and Captains tests...That’s all, folks!...E-261/L-116: Greetings from the *Skull House*... Congrats to out future Lieutenants: Italiano, Parrino and Russel...Welcome to Probies Jonathan Cole and Pat “I swear I’m not Polish” Comiskey...We almost lost Proby Comiskey to a “malfunctioning apparatus door.” Thankfully, it fell on the Engine instead of him (costing him a first-due job)...Speaking of first-due jobs or any-due jobs, Dubner is



(Above) Engine 320 Lieutenant Robert J. Aponte shared his Ground Zero experiences with attendees at the unveiling of this wood-carved tribute to the fallen rescue workers of 9/11, held in Brockport, NY, on August 18, 2002.