

7. At this fire, transit buses were special-called to be used as shelters for standby and rehabilitating firefighters. A virtual downpour throughout the operation created serious comfort concerns beyond those normally experienced.

8. Members should not hesitate to communicate anything of an unusual nature to their officer, Sector Commander or Incident Commander. One morsel of information may be all that is needed to clarify a distorted picture of what is going on and materially affect strategy and tactics.

Conclusion

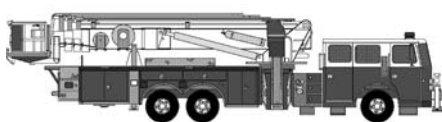
Fires are extinguished by all members at the operation, whether operating the nozzle, cutting with the saw, taking out a window, standing by with a dry line or making decisions on how to deploy the firefighters. Each level has its moments of terror and times of gratification. At this operation, all members operated under extremely arduous conditions of drenching rain for hours, fighting a fire in a structure that could not be entered because of the collapse potential. All members present did a magnificent job.

It is easy to imagine that a guardian angel was watching

over us that night. Firefighters were backed out because of an electrical condition and, as a result, were taken out of harm's way from a collapse that, although not totally unexpected, was unanticipated at the time it occurred. Perhaps it was coincidence or maybe it was a reminder that we must always be vigilant and take nothing for granted. Take each and every experience, learn from it and use it to develop instincts. Then, use those instincts to assist in making decisions throughout your career in whatever rank you serve.

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TAKING UP

July 1, 1998 to September 30, 1998



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Deputy Chiefs	
Joseph C. Doughney	Division 1
John Gialella, Jr.	Division 8
William T. Tracy	Division 13
Battalion Chiefs	
John J. Carroll	Battalion 38
William J. Coleman	Battalion 48
Patrick M. Foley	Battalion 9
Jeremiah Gorman	Battalion 11
Francis Griffin	Battalion 16
John T. Kelly	Battalion 8
Robert F. Torrey	Battalion 4
Captains	
Daniel A. Donohue, Jr.	Engine 262
Alan K. Henderson	Engine 43
William J. Hynes	Engine 89
George W. McQueen	Engine 65
Bernard H. Mullen	Engine 248
Charles T. Rozea	Engine 305
John J. Timulty	Field Comm.
Jack Westrenen	Ladder 78
Supervising Fire Marshal	
Kenneth A. Gorecki	Social Club Task Force
Lieutenants	
Gerard F. Bollman	Engine 319
Thomas J. Coates	Battalion 51
Benjamin Garcia	Engine 295
George A. Johnson	Battalion 31
James A. Joyce	Battalion 28
William S. Leonard	Battalion 6
Ralph G. Lombardi	Engine 297
John J. Maloney	Battalion 7
Austin P. Meagh	Ladder 14
Victor V. Navarra	Ladder 35
Denis T. Neligan	Battalion 43
Thomas F. Rapatski	Engine 89
James V. Rossi	Battalion 45
Terence W. Rusch	Engine 266

Robert G. Russo	Ladder 61
Kevin F. Shea	Marine 9
Marine Engineers	
William J. Cronin	Marine 1
Walter J. Freely	Marine 1
Martin Steed	Marine 9
Fire Marshal	
Joseph C. Ricca	Brooklyn
Firefighters	
Alan B. Awal	Engine 58
John M. Baggs	Engine 157
William P. Bell	Engine 332
William E. Bruse	Ladder 14
Donald Carcone	Engine 16
Joseph A. Carluccio	Ladder 144
Richard T. Collins	Engine 91
Frank X. Costas	Ladder 53
Kevin S. Crinnion	Engine 96
Michael P. Cusimano	Ladder 166
Joseph G. Dann	Engine 297
Kenneth P. Dugan	Battalion 48
Richard J. Ferrigno	Ladder 87
John F. Ferro	Battalion 50
Charles Hoffman, Jr.	Engine 307
Paul A. Hughes	Engine 53
Bryan A. Hunt	Engine 43
John F. Keiley	Ladder 46
William J. Kotowicz	Engine 158
Anton J. Kranpost	Engine 164
Steven J. Lancelot	Ladder 173
Richard Landerer	Engine 315
Richard W. Langan	Ladder 53
Steven Lanier	Ladder 172
Terry C. Long	Engine 266
James J. Loughlin	Ladder 142
Robert L. Marino	Division 1
Charles S. Marsh	Engine 163
Michael J. McCarthy	Engine 70
William J. McCarthy	Rescue 4
James E. McMahon	Ladder 32
Daniel V. Moriarty	Engine 268

Joseph S. Nucatola	Engine 297
William E. Pagano	Ladder 129
Richard J. Plate	Ladder 158
William J. Regan	Ladder 18
Douglas J. Roy	Squad 1
Joseph J. Scannell	Ladder 173
Benito M. Schiavone	Engine 282
John J. Shelly	Ladder 152
John A. Signorile	Ladder 126
Theodore A. Small	Ladder 167
Michael A. Speer	Ladder 163
Richard J. Streilein	Ladder 81
William H. Tuthill	Ladder 135
Philip G. Vetrano	Ladder 142
George F. Wolynski	Engine 314
Thomas A. Zahralban	Ladder 55

Past Taking Up Retirements March 30, 1994 through April 1, 1996

Firefighters	
John C. Janicki, Sr.	Engine 166
Henry E. Jankowsky	Engine 329
Svend M. Jansen	Ladder 53
Robert G. Jaworowski	Ladder 1
Frederick J. Jensen	Ladder 81
Donald J. Johnson	Engine 50
John P. Johnson	Ladder 87
William J. Johnson	Engine 221
Rodney D. Jones	Ladder 14
William J. Jones	Ladder 79
Gerard J. Jordan	Engine 286
Hal M. Joseph	Ladder 130
Renny C. Kaptein	Engine 295
Richard A. Kaziun	Ladder 136
James T. Kearney	Ladder 22
Patrick J. Kearney	Ladder 167
Gerard Keck	Ladder 164
Robert J. Kelly	Engine 329
Robert J. Kennedy	Engine 52

Robert M. Kenney	Engine 60	Glen A. McFarland	Engine 201	Nicholas A. Perrotta	Engine 261
Robert C. Kerr	Battalion 53	James A. McGee	Engine 273	Brian J. Perry	Ladder 113
John E. Kiernan	Ladder 44	Joseph J. McGee, Jr.	Engine 319	Joseph B. Perry	Engine 275
Kevin J. Killarney	Ladder 134	Thomas J. McGlynn	Engine 320	Christopher V. Petrizzo	Ladder 125
John P. Killelea	Battalion 47	James M. McLoughlin	Engine 206	Alexander F. Pharney	Engine 37
Daniel J. Killoran	Rescue 1	Thomas J. McMaster	Engine 309	Charles E. Pickering	Ladder 77
Stanley F. King	Battalion 50	Henry J. McNally	Training	Harold J. Pilutik	Engine 320
Charles A. Kirchner	Engine 211	Frank V. McVay	Ladder 124	John B. Pistilli	Ladder 3
Lawrence A. Kleine	Ladder 85	Mark H. Mecir	Engine 263	John P. Pitacco	Battalion 8
Paul R. Knapp	Engine 66	Richard W. Mele	Ladder 121	Thomas P. Plack	Ladder 164
Harold M. Knutsen	Ladder 83	Willy Melling	Ladder 76	Charles J. Povolny	Rescue 4
Kevin R. Kohm	Ladder 84	Harold M. Melnichuk	Engine 71	Richard S. Proshuh	Engine 160
Robert J. Korngut	Engine 266	Steven T. Menoutis	Ladder 116	Edward L. Pruden	Ladder 126
Hans Kozbial	Engine 235	Richard I. Meritz	Ladder 127	Joseph J. Pucilla	Engine 309
Eugene P. Kramer	MSU	Thomas W. Merkel	Ladder 120	Eugene Pugliese, Jr.	Ladder 20
George S. Krasina	Battalion 23	Arthur H. Messinger	Ladder 84	Robert R. Pultz	Engine 219
Donald J. Kruszynski	Ladder 79	Robert G. Meyer	Engine 63	Joseph M. Puzzi	Engine 293
Robert H. Kuck	Ladder 129	Ronald B. Minerva	Engine 7	Joseph M. Quintavalle	Ladder 78
Vincent LaBarbera	Engine 284	Albert M. Miskiewicz	Ladder 38	George A. Rachun	Ladder 160
Louis Lane, Jr.	Engine 16	Dominic M. Moccia	Engine 63	Anthony Raia	Engine 160
James V. Larkin	Ladder 114	Joseph P. Modzelewski	Battalion 43	Tay D. Rawlins	Ladder 10
Joseph A. Laterza	Ladder 129	Gilbert Moeller	Ladder 135	Richard D. Reese	Engine 157
Harold R. Latting	Engine 254	William H. Moffatt	Ladder 164	George R. Reidy	Engine 290
Thomas J. Laughlin	Ladder 17	Donald J. Mohr	Ladder 125	James B. Rhoads	Engine 52
Richard B. Leach	Ladder 31	Michael Molinari	Ladder 134	Allen B. Richter	Battalion 53
Michael J. Leavy, Jr.	Engine 217	Michael A. Montgomery	Ladder 175	Henry J. Rider	Engine 320
James J. Lee	Engine 84	Donald E. Moresco	Battalion 22	Richard J. Ridky	MSU
John J. Levanti	Engine 48	Joseph J. Morscher	Ladder 140	Peter Rieder	Engine 228
Lacey B. Lewis	Ladder 122	Edward J. Morse, II	Engine 74	William Rini	Engine 277
Peter W. Liander	Ladder 83	Donald V. Morton	Engine 52	John Rizzi	Engine 235
Harvey T. Light	DO 6	Pasquale S. Mosca	Engine 321	Frank A. Robles	Ladder 160
Thomas D. Lillis	Engine 303	Robert A. Mueller	Ladder 162	James F. Roche	Engine 52
Nicholas S. Liso	Engine 89	Domenick M. Muro	Engine 97	Randy P. Rodriguez	Ladder 48
Thomas J. Liso	Engine 72	John D. Murphy	Ladder 162	Leonard A. Romano	Engine 239
Patrick J. Long	MSU	John J. Murray	Engine 47	Christopher H. Romig	Ladder 104
John H. Loser	Ladder 56	Rocco A. Musumeci	Engine 315	Hiram R. Rosas	Engine 167
Richard M. Lucadamo, Jr.	Engine 330	James J. Myerjack	Ladder 19	Kenneth Rosenzweig	Engine 268
Anthony J. Luisi	Engine 159	Francisco A. Naglieri	Brooklyn	Gary J. Roslan	Ladder 137
Kenneth J. Machtel	Ladder 7		Boro Comm.	Robert J. Roth	Ladder 123
Louis R. Magnotti	Engine 153	Sean F. Nelson	Rescue 3	Ronald R. Rotter, Jr.	Ladder 40
James F. Maher	Engine 251	Alan G. Nolan	Engine 295	Lawrence A. Rottkamp	Engine 331
Michael J. Malzacher	Ladder 49	Raymond L. Nolan	Engine 251	John J. Roy	Ladder 170
Vincent C. Mangogna	Ladder 84	Howard Norman, Jr.	Engine 165	Louis J. Ruggirello	Engine 8
Alfred J. Manti	Ladder 104	Anthony J. Novello	Engine 88	Joseph W. Russo	Engine 309
Ronald A. Manzella	Engine 268	Robert J. Oberg	Ladder 147	Natale J. Russo	Haz-Mat 1
Gregory A. Marino	Ladder 169	Patrick O'Connell	Battalion 20	Frank M. Ruzicka	Engine 53
Richard Marino	Engine 47	Thomas J. O'Connell	Engine 206	Michael K. Ryan	Ladder 138
John F. Markotich	Engine 69	George P. Oechsler	Ladder 134	Michael M. Ryan	Engine 70
George A. Marlow	Ladder 134	Jerrold F. O'Grady	Engine 83	Timothy M. Ryan	Ladder 51
Gary T. Marozas	Engine 273	Raymond V. O'Hanlon	Engine 70	Gerard Salamone	Engine 52
Samuel Marquez	Engine 41	Martin C. O'Neill	Engine 53	Erling R. Salvesen, Jr.	Engine 164
Charles M. Marshall	Engine 71	John Orosz	Ladder 168	Robert E. Sampson	Engine 72
Jimmie J. Martin	Engine 15	Joseph M. Ortiz	Ladder 77	Albert W. Saponieri	Engine 285
Phillip T. Martin	Ladder 131	Gerald F. O'Shea	Engine 28	William M. Scarola	Engine 301
Sydney K. Martin, III	Haz-Mat 1	Michael W. O'Shea	Engine 97	Frederick Schmidt	Engine 151
Ralph Martinez	Engine 44	William W. Ostrander	Ladder 160	William H. Schneider	Engine 304
Frank P. Mascia	Engine 161	Kerry G. O'Toole	Ladder 112	Joseph C. Schoeman	Ladder 164
Joseph F. Mason	Ladder 167	George P. Owens	Engine 313	Donald W. Schomber	Battalion 46
Robert A. Mayo	Battalion 7	William R. Oxer	Battalion 13	Joseph D. Schretzman	Ladder 112
Francis T. McAuliffe	Ladder 15	Anthony J. Palazzola	Engine 153	Thomas P. Schule	Ladder 125
Francis J. McCabe	Engine 255	John J. Palmer	Ladder 39	Richard C. Schultz	Ladder 80
Ronald F. McCaffery	Battalion 23	Joseph J. Palmieri	Ladder 169	William R. Schunk	Ladder 115
Frank M. McCarthy	Engine 234	Frank A. Pandullo	Engine 241	Michael A. Schwarz	Ladder 108
Kevin M. McCarthy	Ladder 120	Victor D. Pante	Ladder 38	Kenneth G. Schuille	Ladder 26
Michael G. McCarthy	Ladder 56	Martin N. Paris	Engine 288	Albert K. Sellitti	Engine 10
Richard J. McCauley	Ladder 143	Frank A. Pascale	Engine 167	George R. Senger	Ladder 52
William G. McConnell	Ladder 162	William Pascarella	Rescue 5	Gordon J. Seppa	Engine 164
Edward J. McCue	Ladder 38	John C. Passerini	Ladder 84	James P. Shanley	Marine 6
John G. McDaid	Ladder 7	Raymond E. Paul	Engine 164	Patrick Shannon	Engine 329
Brian J. McDonald	Engine 97	Bernard D. Paulsen	Engine 3	Thomas J. Sheehan	Engine 52
Raskob S. McDonald	Engine 76	John P. Pendola	DO 8	Robert D. Sheehy	Ladder 119
William E. McEvoy	Engine 320	Louis Percaccio	Engine 330	Joseph M. Sheil	Engine 238
William F. McFadden	MSU	James G. Perrin	Engine 314	Mark Sheppard	Ladder 87