

Portland Fire Department



1997 Annual Report



CITY OF PORTLAND

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I bring forward this annual report for the Fire Department of the City of Portland. As we reinstate the publishing of the Department's Annual Report, after 21 years, the year of 1997 proved to be a significant year for its publishing.

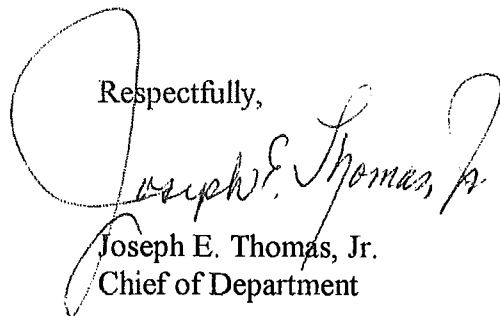
The year of 1997 was a year of tremendous accomplishment for the Department. The consolidation of the Fire Suppression and EMS Division has allowed us to strive for the development of "One Department" which provides the members of the organization with new career opportunity challenges and development. Services to the citizens of the City of Portland also benefit in that the Department is better able to provide a vast array of life safety services with all of our resources. The cross-training of both divisions and the recognition of our women members as firefighting personnel, open the door of a new era for the Department.

I am extremely proud of the effort undertaken by the men and women of our Department and it is because of all of their efforts that we can accomplish the many facets of service which we offer, as an organization, to the community.

We have accomplished much in the past historic year and we are fully aware of the challenges which are ahead. Many of the accomplishments will be addressed, in greater detail, in this report. Plans for the coming year are identified which will further challenge the Department in providing the quality of services that are expected of us. The future is exciting and aggressive. I am confident that the men and women of the Portland Fire Department are the key to meeting these challenges and the results will be the success that makes us all "The Portland Fire Department".

I personally thank each and every member of the Portland Fire Department for a job well done.

Respectfully,



Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
Chief of Department

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Total Alarms for 1997

	Still Alarm	Street Box	Desk Box	ESS Box	Out of City	Total alarms	MEDCU EMS Calls	Total Fire & MEDCU
Jan.	403	41	37	39	1	521	784	1,305
Feb.	322	33	23	16	1	395	658	1,053
Mar.	387	43	25	16	1	472	775	1,247
Apr	484	47	24	14	0	569	759	1,328
May	371	31	29	15	0	446	771	1,217
June	447	42	29	22	1	541	806	1,347
July	429	53	25	13	1	521	775	1,296
Aug.	484	34	26	13	3	560	823	1,383
Sept.	458	47	32	21	0	558	771	1,329
Oct.	440	32	39	17	0	528	729	1,257
Nov.	415	55	26	22	0	518	678	1,196
Dec.	447	39	43	26	0	555	736	1,291
TOTAL	5,087	497	358	234	8	6,184	9,065	15,249

Working Fires:

All Hands = 28

2nd Alarm = 0

3rd Alarm = 1

Special Call = 1

Other Fire Information

Emergency Voice Communication Boxes (EVCS) answered = 1,083

Non-emergency Calls = 17,564

Non-emergency Calls for Service = 33,896

** The above information was provided by the Fire Alarm Division at the Communications Center, 109 Middle Street. The Fire Dispatchers transmit all Fire Alarms, Emergency Medical Calls, and answer all non-emergency calls for many types of service for the Portland Fire Department.

Breakdown of The 6,184 Fire Alarms Answered In 1997

Building Fires	-----	52	Furnace Problems	---	97
Chimney Fires	-----	19	Electrical Problems	---	66
Mattress Fires	-----	8	Down Wires/Elec. Outside -		116
Stove Fires	-----	19	Water problems	---	62
Appliance (Washer/Dryer/etc) -		56	Sprinkler System Problems -		13
Pier/Wharf Fires	-----	3	Alarms Sounding	---	1,021
Boat/Ship Fires	-----	4	Other Investigation	---	77
Vehicle Fires	-----	117	Lock Ins/Lock Outs	---	69
Dumpster Fires	-----	45	Bomb Threat	---	1
Rubbish Fires	-----	60	Fireworks Incident	---	1
Dump Fires	-----	2	Unfounded Calls	---	175
Woods Fires	-----	21	False Alarms	---	125
Grass/Brush/Fires	-----	132	Island Calls	---	142
Outside Burning	-----	48	Out of City (Mutual Aid) -		8
Barbecues (Gas Grills)	-----	18	Arson	---	4
Burnt Food	-----	143	Other	---	0
Check Fire Reported Out -		33	Medical Emergency	---	2,275
Smoke In Building	-----	33	Vehicle Accidents (10-55) -		533
Odor of Smoke In Building -		16	Emergency Extrication -		13
Odor of Smoke Outside -		23	Assist MEDCU	---	136
Odor of Gas/Oil In Building -		69	Assist Police	---	35
Odor of Gas/Oil Outside -		45	Assist Other	---	9
Spills (Gas/Oil) In Building		11	Collapsed Building	---	3
Spills (Gas/Oil) Outside		50	Vehicles Leaking (Gas/Oil)		91
Aircraft Fires	-----	2	Propane/Natural Gas Leaks		9
Aircraft Crashes	-----	0	Chemical Spills/Incidents		3
Aircraft Stand-By	-----	27	Aircraft Problems	---	25
Aircraft Fuel Spills	-----	15	Aircraft Training Drills --		4

Breakdown of The 9,065 MEDCU E.M.S. Calls Answered In 1997

Aches/Pains	-----	380	Smoke Inhalation	-----	7
Animal Bites	-----	14	Stroke	-----	96
Assault	-----	301	Unconscious	-----	107
Bleeding	-----	386	Unfounded Calls	-----	99
Breathing Problems	-----	830	Working Fires (Stand-by) -		32
Burns	-----	25	Other Stand-By	-----	119
Canceled Enroute	-----	92	Assist Fire Dept.	-----	18
Chest pains	-----	530	Assist Police Dept.	-----	15
Code (Cardiac Arrest)	-----	37	Assist Other	-----	20
E.T.O.H.	-----	194	Public Assist (Not E.M.S.)		244
Fainting/Dizziness	-----	142	Medic Alert Alarms	-----	82
Falls	-----	912	10-48 (Unattended Death)		66
Fireworks Injury	-----	5	10-55 (Vehicle Accident)		720
Fractures	-----	116	10-63 (Suicide Attempt) -		205
Heart Problems	-----	201	Air Medical Transport	-----	5
Illness	-----	1,051	Brighton Medical Transport		202
Industrial Accidents	-----	20	Neonatal/Pediatric Transport		287
O.B.	-----	55	Other Emergencies	-----	575
Overdose/Poison	-----	203	Island Emergencies	-----	152
Seizure	-----	340	Out of City Emergencies	---	180

Bell Alarms, Still Alarms, Hours of Duty

Company	Bell Alarms	Still Alarms	Total Alarms	Hours Duty Bells	Hours Duty Stills	Total Duty hours
Engine Co. 1	362	428	790	127:17	148:13	275:30
Eng/Lad Co. 3	375	742	1,117	182:46	317:01	499:47
Engine Co. 4	799	885	1,684	267:05	273:25	540:30
Engine Co. 5	672	750	1,422	222:50	247:25	468:15
Engine Co. 6	666	607	1,273	236:39	213:04	449:43
Engine Co. 7	21	155	176	17:47	111:28	129:15
Eng/Lad Co. 8	209	466	675	105:46	198:21	304:07
Engine Co. 9	300	545	845	160:00	235:04	395:04
Engine Co. 11	261	548	809	119:38	211:44	331:22
Rescue Co. 1	925	574	1,499	306:53	178:18	485:11
Ladder Co. 1	667	319	986	242:52	116:55	359:47
Ladder Co. 6	826	498	1,324	292:34	172:03	464:37
Air Rescue Co.	19	132	151	28:02	98:07	126:09

Island Company	Medical Calls	Fire Alarms	Total Alarms
Peaks Island Co. 12	89	19	108
Great Diamond Island Co. 13	6	1	7
Cushing Island Co. 14	2	0	2
Cliff Island Co. 15	7	1	8
Little Diamond Co.	3	1	4

Hosed used at Fires

Company	Lines Laid	Feet 4"	Feet 2 ½"	Feet 1 ¾"	Feet 1 ½"	Feet of Booster	Total Feet
Engine Co. 1	33	300	150	1,050	2,450	n/a	3,950
Eng/Lad Co. 3	45	300	-	2,750	2,100	3,400	8,550
Engine Co. 4	76	2,050	450	3,600	2,700	6,400	15,200
Engine Co. 5	63	1,525	200	800	1,300	10,200	14,025
Engine Co. 6	40	2,000	-	800	1,700	5,400	9,900
Engine Co. 7	4	-	-	550	-	-	550
Eng/Lad Co. 8	17	800	-	800	1,600	1,200	4,400
Engine Co. 9	43	3,325	150	950	1,700	3,200	9,325
Engine Co. 11	41	1,650	50	1,200	2,100	3,600	8,600
Rescue Co. 1	n/a	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ladder Co. 1	1	50	-	-	-	-	50
Ladder Co. 6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Air Rescue Co.	2	-	-	-	-	400	400
Total	365	12,000	1,000	12,500	15,650	33,800	74,950

Materials Used at Fires

Company	Hours Engine Pumped	Miles Traveled	Salvage Covers Spread	Feet of Ladders Set	Scott Air Tanks
Engine Co. 1	10:11	1,371	-	-	16
Eng/Lad Co. 3	16:22	3,546	8	1,498	42
Engine Co. 4	28:08	2,760	-	38	47
Engine Co. 5	10:20	1,730	-	38	33
Engine Co. 6	8:40	3,394	1	-	26
Engine Co. 7	4:20	722	-	-	-
Eng/Lad Co. 8	4:40	2,193	-	303	15
Engine Co. 9	15:05	2,398	3	-	28
Engine Co. 11	10:50	1,704	1	14	25
Rescue Co. 1	N/a	3,855	-	-	-
Ladder Co. 1	N/a	2,026	7	2,713	30
Ladder Co. 6	-	2,439	8	3,186	32
Air Rescue Co.	:50	298	-	-	-
Total	109:26	28,436	28	7,776	294

Company	Foam Used Gals.	CO ₂ Used lbs	Dry Chemical used lbs.	Water cans/runners
Engine Co. 1	-	-	-	7
Eng/Lad Co. 3	-	60	80	-
Engine Co. 4	-	-	-	1
Engine Co. 5	-	-	-	-
Engine Co. 6	-	-	-	-
Engine Co. 7	55	-	-	-
Eng/Lad Co. 8	-	20	20	1
Engine Co. 9	-	20	-	-
Engine Co. 11	-	20	20	2
Rescue Co. 1	-	-	-	-
Ladder Co. 1	-	-	-	1
Ladder Co. 6	-	-	-	1
Air Rescue Co.	237	20	40	-
Total	292	140	160	13

Total Fire Alarms and MEDCU EMS Calls Answered since 1974

Year	Fire Alarms	MEDCU/EMS Runs	Total Runs
1974	5,275	-	-
1975	5,433	* 5,763	11,196
1976	4,675	7,085	11,760
1977	4,569	7,153	11,722
1978	4,986	7,091	12,077
1979	4,797	7,490	12,287
1980	4,740	7,408	12,148
1981	4,638	6,695	11,333
1982	4,662	6,639	11,301
1983	3,535	6,070	9,605
1984	3,657	6,309	9,966
1985	4,122	6,435	10,557
1986	4,075	6,256	10,331
1987	4,086	6,084	10,170
1988	4,397	6,209	10,606
1989	4,390	6,433	10,823
1990	4,154	6,661	10,815
1991	4,125	6,860	10,985
1992	4,019	6,720	10,739
1993	4,153	7,393	11,546
1994	4,203	8,317	12,520
1995	4,612	8,603	13,215
1996	5,110	9,029	14,139
1997	6,184	9,065	15,249

* Medical Crisis Unit (MEDCU) began service on February 18, 1975

**Portland Fire Department
Fire Prevention Bureau**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The Fire Prevention Bureau was involved in the following types of inspections: Site plans, building permits (218); business licensing, permits issued (1,100); assisting fire company inspections; investigation of complaints; on-site inspections; issuing permits; Economic Development meetings; staff meetings; assisting businesses; landlords, tenants, and homeowners with many types of problems, questions, and fire code compliance.

The following is a summary of fire prevention inspections and activities made during the year 1997:

1997 Inspections by Fire Company

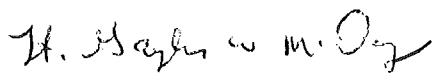
Company	Number of Inspections
Engine Co. 1	138
Eng/Lad Co. 3	361
Engine Co. 4	195
Engine Co. 5	211
Engine Co. 6	335
Engine Co. 7	236
Eng/Lad Co. 8	162
Engine Co. 9	219
Engine Co. 11	272
Ladder Co. 1	103
Ladder Co. 6	252
Air Rescue Co.	1107
Total	3591

Inspection by Occupancy

Type	Total	Hazards Found	Hazards Corrected
Pubic Assembly	188	39	24
Educational	135	25	16
Health Care	11	1	1
Detention & Correction	-	-	-
Hotels	3	31	27
Apartments	611	380	84
Lodging & Rooming House	4	-	-
Mercantile	58	35	14
Business	281	184	127
Industrial	41	11	3
Storage	245	10	6
Misc. Inspections	388	6	1
Fire Alarm Systems	9	1	-
Sprinklers	6	-	6
Amusements	67	37	6
Solid Fuel inspections	4	-	-
Mixed Occupancy	47	4	2
Service Stations	24	1	1
Mobile Fuelers Vehicle Inspections	527	2	2
Re-inspections	465		
Unrecorded Occupancy	477	111	71
Total	3,591	878	391

45% Compliance

Respectfully submitted,



Lieutenant Gaylen W. McDougall
Fire Prevention Officer

**Portland Fire Department
Public Fire Education**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The office of Public Fire Education was involved in more programs this year than in any other in its history. Presentations were made in Pre-schools, elementary schools, middle schools, high schools, Southern Maine Technical College, the University of Southern Maine, Maine Medical Center, Mercy Hospital, nursing homes, hotels, and also a variety of our businesses. Our Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Program flourished and grew, reaching several new horizons. More evacuation plans and training were done for businesses than ever before.

The most significant accomplishment of this office was the procurement of a grant from Maine Emergency Management Agency in the amount of \$12,000 to establish our "Fire School" for our Juvenile Fire Setter Program. The significance of this grant is monumental. Our program has been listed among the top 10, and in some cases, the top 5 programs in the country. The establishment of Fire School puts us in a class by ourselves. It will be taught by professional educators and firefighters teamed together. We now have the final piece of the puzzle in place.

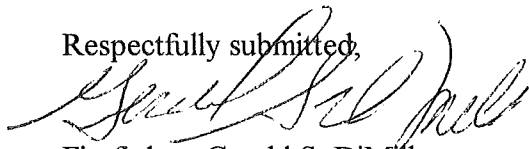
STATISTICS

Juvenile Fire Setter cases handled (Portland only)	73
Out of town interviews	26
Mental health agencies	13
DHS referrals	<u>9</u>
Total juvenile cases handled	121

Juvenile Fire Setter Training Programs (State-wide)	8
School presentations (Pre-school)	14
School presentations (elementary schools)	11
School presentations (high schools)	5
School presentations (SMTC and USM)	3
Evacuation plans developed for businesses	20
Fire Safety Training for business and industry	17

Not included in the above figures are consultations to other agencies and fire departments concerning juvenile fire setters and public fire education programs. As a consultant to the National Fire Protection Association, I attended 5 national conferences as a speaker and was involved in 11 training sessions on Learn Not to Burn throughout the New England States.

Respectfully submitted,



Firefighter Gerald S. DiMillo
Public Fire Education Officer

Fire Education Pictures



Bert & Ernie at "School" Engine Co. 4 and MEDCU 3



Fire Education at Baxter School with Engine Co. 11

**Portland Fire Department
Community Liaison**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

1997 was the first full year of the Community Liaison Officer position and proved to be a very successful one. This position, which you originally created in 1996, is to provide an additional service to the community by providing much needed fire and safety training and educational assistance.


Through the Basic Fire Extinguisher Program the Department was able to provide professional training to national companies such as Ryder Trucks, Hertz, and Bell Atlantic to name a few. Locally, we assisted companies such as Burnstein, Shur, Sawyer and Nelson P.A., Department of Human Services and The Portland Newspapers. These programs provide an unmeasurable level of safety for a first line of defense against fire.

The Fire Department also participated in the Diversity Task Force, which allowed us to bring back information crucial to providing quality service to our large immigrant population. By providing speakers to these and other groups within the city allows the Department to promote ourselves along with providing a platform for information exchange with the public.

In cooperation with the Freeport Fire Department and the Maine Association of Fire Sprinkler Contractors, we participated in a fire test program in December. The purpose was to determine the effectiveness of residential sprinkler systems in different fire situations. Additionally we had an opportunity to film this program through Community Television for use in developing Public Service Announcements in the future.

I look forward to 1998 and expanding our Basic Fire Extinguisher Course to include more training to individuals in residential settings, along with completion of the residential fire sprinkler project.

Respectfully submitted,



Firefighter Robert N. Orr
Community Liaison Officer

Non-Emergency and Public Service Activities

Throughout the year of 1997 the Portland Fire Department was very successful in providing many non-emergency services and public service projects to the community and our neighborhoods. These activities are beneficial to our citizens, businesses, and the many visitors to the city of Portland, Maine. These worthwhile projects included the following:

- Fire Company/Medcu Unit visits to schools.
- School visits to neighborhood fire stations throughout the city.
- Day-care visits to the fire stations.
- Fire Company/Medcu Unit visits to day-care centers.
- Fire station visits by community youth programs and organizations.
- Fire Companies attending neighborhood block parties/festivals.
- Providing firefighting foam displays at City park festivals.
- Participation in parades with fire apparatus and other vehicles.
- Ringing of the Bell for Salvation Army Kettle Drive at Christmas.
- Involvement in East-End Coalition Home Safety Task Force on Munjoy Hill for education in the "Home Safety" and "Life Saver" Programs.
- The "COPECC" City Employees Charitable Fund Drive.
- Participation in the annual City Rake & Bake at Evergreen Cemetery.
- "Fill The Boot" charitable campaign for Muscular Dystrophy.
- Extinguisher classes at the Air Rescue Station, Portland Jetport.
- Halloween Party for underprivileged children sponsored by United Airlines at the Portland Jetport, supported by the Air Rescue Co.
- July 4th. celebration at the Eastern Promenade.
- Assisting community businesses with fire safety concerns.
- Several speaking engagements at neighborhood meetings, civic groups and church organizations.
- Visits by parents and children to their neighborhood fire houses.
- Open-house at the City's fire stations and the fireboat.

These services and activities enable the Portland Fire Department to work with the community, answer questions, and hand out fire safety, E.M.S. materials to better educate and inform the citizens of Portland.

**Portland Fire Department
Marine Division-Island Liaison**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir,

The Marine Division's activities within Portland Harbor and on the Islands continued to increase in 1997. The "City of Portland", Engine 7 - Fireboat acted as the official greeter to the most cruise ships ever in 1997 with our famous water salutes. The Fireboat was also involved in the opening ceremonies for the new Casco Bay Bridge. Open House was held aboard the Fireboat and the Cavallaro during the annual Aucocisco Days Celebration in April.

The Marine Division logged 378 service runs to the City's Islands. These runs were not limited to Fire Department business, as we transported and assisted many other City departments like Trades, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Police, and School Department. Other Local, State, and Federal agencies were also given tours around Portland Harbor aboard the Fireboat.

Much needed improvements in firefighting equipment occurred on most of the Islands. Old Engine 1 was sent to Great Diamond as Engine 13, and the former E-13 became Engine 14, Cushing Island's first pumper. Great Diamond received 1,000 feet of 4-inch hose, giving E-13 a more practical supply line. Cushing Island will also receive 1,000 feet of 4-inch hose in 1998. The Portland Fire Department worked with the Portland Water District on two water main improvement projects. Cushing's deep water mains were replaced and extended giving the island improved flow and coverage. Little Diamond's old small seasonal water mains were replaced with 4-inch plastic field pipes. All hose boxes on Little Diamond were upgraded with larger and longer hoselines and better nozzles. On Cliff Island, 3 new portable pumps with suctions and stainers were put in service to improve their capabilities to move water in remote areas. Cliff swapped tank trucks with Cushing to improve their drafting capabilities.

Many projects were undertaken to help the Island residents be more prepared and better able to handle emergencies until the arrival of the in-town forces. An Ambulance Operator Class was held on Great Diamond and 20 residents participated. A First Responder course was held for Great Diamond, Cliff, and Cushing Islands with twenty-four participants. The Portland Fire Department supplied their personal jump kits.

Annual Island fire safety training continued with lectures and hands-on training of fire prevention, equipment, and apparatus. Bi-monthly checks of all apparatus by Fireboat crews kept island equipment in top order.

The brush control program on Cushing was continued, to eliminate their hazardous brush pile. It is sponsored by the Maine Forest Service, which requires a live burn for the Wildland Firefighting Class. Students and equipment are transported by the Fireboat, and Island apparatus used.

Respectfully submitted

Lt. David O. Pendleton

Lieutenant David O. Pendleton
Island Liaison Officer

**Portland Fire Department
Training Division Report**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The year of 1997 proved to be a busy and challenging one for the Training Division with the hiring of 9 new firefighters, and the cross-training of 28 paramedics to become Paramedic/Firefighters. This was accomplished with the help of many of our officers and firefighters, who assisted with the instruction during each of the 3 drill schools. The paramedic drill schools consisted of 120 hours of instruction, and the new firefighters had 160 hours. The difference being that the paramedics had previously attended the orientation classes, which we do during the first week with new firefighters. Congratulations are in order to the Portland Fire Department Class of 1997, of which we also welcome the 1st. Two women fire suppression firefighters to become members of the Portland Fire Department and who join the 7 recently cross-trained women Paramedic/Firefighters in the MEDCU/EMS Division of the Portland Fire Department.

One of the major projects that we finished was the Department's Operations Manual (SOG), and distributed it to all companies. The manual compiled our many notices, memos, and general orders into one document. Most of our day-to-day responses are now incorporated in the manual with many specialized areas of our duties now standardized. Tentatively, this manual is being added to promotional tests for Lieutenant and Captain.

In-service training classes are scheduled monthly, with every other month being either EMS or fire related. An example of topics covered are CPR, back injury prevention, dual-company operations, SOG manual, and hose and pump testing. Also, Company Officers conducted over 6,200 hours of training in a variety of subject matter to their individual companies.

As the Training Officer, I responded on multiple alarm fires and hazardous material incidents as the Safety Officer. Also, I responded to any working fire and other emergencies where I felt a Safety Officer may be needed. In 1997 there were very few line of duty injuries (25) which can be attributed to a more keen awareness of safety among all personnel.

In closing, I would like to thank you for your support of the 1997 training programs, and to All personnel, "Be Safe in '98"!

Respectfully submitted,



Captain Robert M. Wassick
Fire Training Officer

**Portland Fire Department
Office of the Deputy Fire Chief of EMS**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, ME. 04101

Sir:

The following is a summary of the activities of the Emergency Medical Services Division of the Portland Fire Department for the year 1997. A complete report is included with this summary as written by each respective officer who is responsible for a specific staff function.

The year 1997 concluded with 9065 responses and 10,412 patients transported. This is up again from the previous year with the EMS Division showing continual growth from it's first year 1975 with 5763 runs. It must be noted that the EMS Division is responding to the same proportional number of runs as was done in 1989, 6433 for two ambulances as today at 9065 for three ambulances. Future growth in the EMS Division is expected and appropriate staffing levels must be maintained to complete this task and mission.

The EMS Division always strives to provide the most up to date equipment and care that is available for pre-hospital providers. In doing so we try to balance the needs of our highly trained paramedics to provide this level of care to the Citizens of Portland against the economic constraints of the City. The most significant purchase of the year was the acquisition of five Life-Pac 11, 12-Lead Diagnostic Monitor/Defibrillator/Pacer Units for the Ambulances. These units are equipped with modems so that the diagnostic data may be transmitted to the local Emergency Rooms. There a physician interprets the data and orders tpa (clot busting drug) to be administered immediately upon our arrival at the Emergency Room. This is the most cutting edge technology available today. We are pleased the ER's have adopted our 12 lead protocols decreasing "door-to-drug" time. **THIS IS SAVING LIVES.**

To cut down on out of station/district time we installed cascade oxygen systems at E-3 & E-8 quarters. District companies and ambulances may refill their depleted oxygen systems while remaining in their response districts compared to filling at Bramhall Station as in the past.

The responsibility to provide EMS services to Peaks Island was taken over by the EMS Division but continues to be staffed by the Police Department Public Safety Officers. This now allows the Island to receive ALS service on a part time basis. This has proven to be quite an improvement. More equipment and training has been added to the island EMS system allowing for consistent professional delivery of patient care. It must be noted that there are now ambulances on Peaks, Great Diamond and Cliff Islands.

Computer technology has taken a step forward in the EMS Division with the addition of a lap top computer for use by the shift officers to complete their staff functions while assigned to other than Headquarters stations. The computer is also utilized by all personnel attending the National Fire Academy for completion of required reports.

The department can now credit itself with providing AED's (automatic external defibrillators) on all front line apparatus including the Fire Boat and all five Casco Bay islands. Continuous training and Quality improvement is provided by our EMS Training and Education Officer Chip Boehm. Providing this EMS training to the entire department including the islands is no small task.

A mobile Disaster Response Trailer was added to the EMS Division to provide disaster medical supplies to treat up to one hundred victims in the event of a major incident, ie: high rise fire, jet port incident, bus, explosion, and terrorism. This response trailer is stocked through various local and state agencies and will be available to respond in the greater Portland area. It will be housed at the Air Rescue Station.

The intensive annual ambulance inspections conducted by the State Office of EMS was completed with no deficiencies being noted on the nine EMS Ambulances.

The Neonatal/Pediatric Emergency Transport Program is now in it's sixth year of operation. This year we provided 489 acutely ill/injured children transports throughout Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. This program has a significant impact on the survivability of these children.

A joint labor/mgt conference on *Charting the Future of EMS* was conducted by the International Assoc. of Firefighters and was attended by eight department personnel consisting of Firefighters, Paramedics, Officers and Deputy Chiefs. This conference was a resounding success and reaffirmed what we knew all along is that the PFD is Charting the Future of EMS.

A major event has taken place within the EMS Division and the PFD and that is the complete merger of the EMS resources into the Fire Department with all but two paramedics becoming firefighter-paramedics under the City civil service system. Three Firefighter recruit classes were conducted over the past year with the Department being quite proud of all their accomplishments. A true job well done.

Five paramedics left this past year to pursue higher education in the medical field and we wish them the best of luck. With this five new firefighter-paramedics were hired to replace them and we welcome them aboard.

This past year saw a tremendous amount of family additions to eight personnel of the EMS Division. It was a scheduling nightmare to deal with so much family medical leave let alone cover twenty eight individuals in drill school. I would like to commend all the divisions personnel who so ably got the job done while we were so short staffed.

Our billing and collection agency out performed their previous year by bringing in 1.25 million dollars. The division's revenue is now 1 million more than it was in 1991.

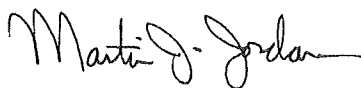
The EMS Education Foundation is providing valuable training and seminars to EMS personnel on a state wide basis by sponsoring seminars at the Portland High School taught by nationally known guest lecturers. These seminars are well received and attended. The PFD is leading the way.

I would like to thank the Citizens of Portland, The City Council, City Manager, The Fire Chief, all the Department personnel and all other personnel who make our job easier to provide the City with the best service anywhere.

The Portland Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Division is "Committed-Effective-Focused-Knowledgeable-Experienced".

"CREATING TOMORROWS INNOVATIVE IDEAS TODAY"
THE PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT EMS DIVISION

Respectfully Submitted;



Martin J. Jordan, BS, EMT-P, EFO
Deputy Fire Chief
Emergency Medical Services

**Portland Fire Department
EMS Vehicle Maintenance**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas , Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The MEDCU/EMS Division currently has nine ambulances and three staff vehicles. The ambulances consist of, from oldest to newest, three 1992 vehicles #908 (still front line vehicle), 909, and 910 which are used as reserve ambulances. All of the 1992 vehicles have greater than 73,000 miles. The other two front line ambulances are 1995 vehicles, 911 and 912, both are rapidly approaching the 30,000 mile mark.

The other 1995 ambulance is the Neonatal/Pediatric Emergency Transport vehicle. This vehicle was initially bought by the Maine Medical Center and then sold to the City for a dollar. This vehicle continues to be a joint effort between the Portland Fire Department and the Maine Medical Center for transporting the critically ill and injured children from outlying facilities to MMC. We are responsible for the general maintenance and repairs to this vehicle. Even though this is a fairly new vehicle, replacement plans are already underway due to high mileage. Each Ambulance is serviced every three months with repairs effected as needed.

The other ambulances are assigned to the islands. We currently have an ambulance on Peaks, Great Diamond and Cliff Islands, respectively. We are responsible for general maintenance and repairs on these vehicles, as well.

The three staff vehicles consists of (1) 1992 Ford Explorer assigned to the Deputy Fire Chief of EMS , (1) 1995 Ford Explorer assigned to the MEDCU/EMS Lieutenants, and (1) 1991 GMC Jimmy assigned to the EMS Education/Q.I. Officer.

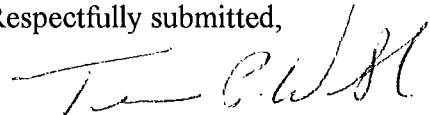
It is our goal to replace the three frontline vehicles in the coming budget year with a long term goal of cycling an ambulance each year thereafter. This will reduce "down" time and the ever increasing ambulance repair cost of the older vehicles. Also, the EMS Education/Q.I. Officer's vehicle will need replacement soon due to age and high mileage.

Average monthly fuel costs have been \$700 - \$1200/ month and maintenance costs have been approximately \$2500/ month. Our average monthly mileage is approximately 8,000 miles.

We also added a "Disaster Trailer" to our fleet this past June. Funding is being sought from all local services to stock this vehicle and have it readily available for use in the event of any mass casualty incidents. It is currently housed at the Air Rescue Station.

Overall, our EMS fleet is in good shape, however, we need to plan for the aging of the frontline vehicles. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this report.

Respectfully submitted,



Lieutenant Terence P. Walsh, EMT-P/FF
EMS Fleet Maintenance Officer

**Portland Fire Department
EMS Personnel**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

1997 was a challenging year for the EMS Personnel Officer. We sent thirty Paramedics through the Portland Fire Department's Drill school in three separate classes of ten for three weeks. I would like to commend all the EMS Division Paramedics for "pulling together" to get the job done of completing these drill schools.

During the summer we had a proliferation of babies within the Division and necessitated the hiring of two temporary employees both of which applied and received appointments as full-time members of the Department.

Four of the Division employees resigned this past year. All of whom have either furthered their education or employment status. New Employees hired in 1997:

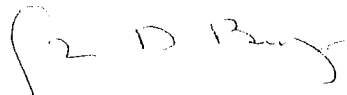
	Graduated from Field Training	Assigned
Paramedic/FF Cynthia Todd	7/97	Float
Paramedic/FF Paul Berube	11/97	Plt. 1
Paramedic/FF Ronald Dearth	3/98	FTO D. Swan
Paramedic/FF Edward Greenleaf	3/98	FTO R. Menard
Paramedic/FF Shaun St. Germain	4/98	FTO R. Atripaldi

Promotions and Appointments included:

3/97	Paramedic/FF Holly Burnahm	Promoted to Lieutenant of Equipment and Supplies
5/97	Paramedic/FF Peter Daigle	Promoted to Lead Medic of Platoon 1
5/97	Paramedic/FF William Miller	Promoted to Lead Medic of Platoon 4
9/97	Paramedic/FF Dennis Swan	Appointed as Field Training Officer, Platoon 2

As EMS Personnel Officer, we are responsible for scheduling all of the special details for the division, as well. These include, but are not limited to, Sea Dogs games (approx. 70 per year), Football games, Festivals, road races, other activities within the City requiring an EMS presence.

Respectfully submitted,



Lieutenant John D. Brady, EMT-P/FF
EMS Personnel Officer

**Portland Fire Department
EMS Community Education/Island Liaison**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

1997 has been a busy year for EMS Community Education & Liaison. We began the year by meeting with the nursing supervisors at the Barron Center to improve our customer service with the staff and clients at the facility. We have also implemented the "Family CPR" Program, offering CPR free to all city employees and their families. This has met with much success and we had approximately 35 - 40 City employees and 20 - 25 family members take advantage of this training.

We have continued our efforts to implement CPR within the City of Portland School Departments. However, this year has not been very active for the School Department. We will continue to advocate that CPR should be a graduation requirement for all high school seniors.

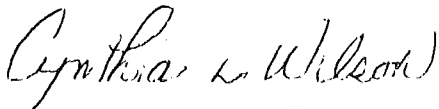
CPR was again, offered at no cost to all Island residents as well. Approximately 15 -20 have taken advantage of this program. We also included CPR for the Rotary Club. This group also gave a sizable donation used to buy CPR manikins.

This year we also participated in the Diversity Task Force whose goal was to increase and assist minorities seeking employment with the City.

We continued with the "Call 911" program in the schools. In fact in December a young girl used her knowledge to call 911 for her mother who was suffering from a life-threatening illness. A presentation is to be made to her and her school for her efforts.

Several EMS and ambulance demonstrations took place throughout the year at schools and various functions, including neighborhood meetings, road races, Old Port Festival, July 4th, and other City sponsored events.

Respectfully submitted,



Lieutenant Cynthia L. Wilson, R.N., EMT-P/FF
EMS Community Education/Liaison

**Portland Fire Department
EMS Equipment and Supplies**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

As the Medical Materials Management Officer responsibilities lie in the purchase of durable and disposable medical supplies, equipment and prescription medications. These items are stocked and inventory is maintained in a database. The recent purchase of a lap top computer has also cleared the way for the conversion to bar coding materials management stock and inventory in the near future.

There are thirty sites within the City for which medical supplies and equipment are maintained. These include five paramedic ambulances, eleven fire apparatus, five specialty vehicles, one neonatal critical care transport unit, two fire boats, one paramedic ambulance on Peaks Island, two basic ambulances on Great Diamond and Cliff Islands, one basic emergency response golf cart on Little Diamond Island, one medical kit on Cushings Island, and a first aid room at the Sea Dogs stadium.

Supplies are purchased with consideration to quality and price, largely using a community of government (COG) bid which gives us a reduced price on selected items. The value of all medical items in the above mentioned areas is approximately \$200,000. This figure excludes vehicle costs.

Additional duties involve management of three oxygen cascade "transfilling" stations and preventative maintenance on LifePack monitor defibrillator NiCd batteries, biomedical equipment, and ambulance stretchers.

This office also maintains quality control for properly equipped vehicles for State of Maine ambulance licensing. The mission is to provide the best possible service and tools to our customers. The patient, the public and the employee.

This year a program was implemented for use of disposable medical equipment for improvement of infection control procedures. This equipment includes bag valve mask resuscitators, laryngoscope blades, suction equipment as well as other items.

New glucometers for obtaining blood glucose levels were acquired, greatly decreasing the risk of body fluid contamination of equipment and medical personnel.

Replacement of wooden spinal immobilization boards with plastic radio-translucent boards with special features like oversized hand holds, and cervical immobilization devices that can be easily decontaminated.

Intravenous fluid warmers have also been installed in the five ambulances on the mainland and the fireboat for the purpose of administering warm fluids to hypothermic and trauma patients.

Five LifePack 11 monitor pacer defibrillators were purchased to upgrade our outdated LifePack 10 models. The Lifepack11 features an internal modem which is capable of transmitting 12 lead electrocardiograms to the hospital emergency room physicians. In the event of a patient experiencing a myocardial infarction, these minutes from encounter to hospital time can make the difference between life and death when a determination is made to administer the clot busting drug tPA.

An agreement was reached with Maine Medical Center allowing MEDCU to purchase prescription medications like Albuterol aerosol and Nitroglycerin for prehospital administration to patients. Thereby reducing the time, inconvenience and cost of restocking and resealing Paramedic drug boxes. This also helps to get our ambulances ready to respond to another call much quicker than before.

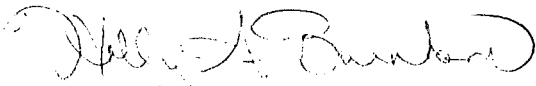
In July MEDCU took over the maintenance and supply of Peaks Island ambulance. Formerly the Portland Police Department handled this task. The ambulance was only licensed by the State of Maine as a basic (BLS) ambulance. We handled the upgrade of equipment and supplies to the paramedic level, and in August Peaks ambulance was inspected and licensed at the Paramedic level along with the re-licensure of eight other MEDCU ambulances. The ambulance now has a monitor/pacer/defibrillator, pulse oximetry, life saving medications and other advanced life support equipment. In addition, we outfitted the recent graduates from the First Responder program sponsored by the Department on Great Diamond Island with "first responder" jump kits.

Custom jump kits for the ambulances were designed and manufactured locally utilizing the paramedic personnel's input in design.

Heavy steel portable oxygen cylinders were replaced department wide with new lighter aluminum oxygen cylinders and two new oxygen cascade transfilling stations were set up at Engine 3 and Engine 8 stations.

In conclusion, it has been a tremendously productive and innovative year with changes and implementation of programs for the benefit of our patients, the public and employees.

Respectfully submitted,



Lieutenant Holly A. Burnham, EMT-P/FF
EMS Equipment & Supply Officer

**Portland Fire Department
EMS Education/Q.I. Officer**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The following is a summary for the activities of the EMS Education/Q.I. Officer for the Portland Fire Department for 1997.

Year 1997 continued to be a busy year for this office. Monthly training continued throughout the year with an EMS topic every other month. The only exception during this time period was the periods in which drill school were conducted. Topics were as follows:

March - Burn Trauma Management
April - Emergency Vehicle Operations
May - Patient Assessment Scenarios
July - Back Injury Management
November - Scene Safety and Management
December - CPR Recertification

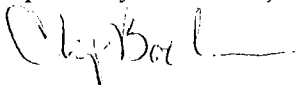
In addition, other advanced life support classes were conducted for the Department's Paramedics. These included Twelve-lead ECG Interpretation, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, and Prehospital Trauma Life Support.

Also, during the year of 1997 this office assisted in coordination of two state-wide conferences for the Portland Fire Department. The first was entitled *EMS Customer Service* and presented by Mike Taigmen. This conference had well over 130 participants from around the state. The second conference was a fire suppression based entitled, *Fireground Operations*, conducted by Chief Ted Goldfarb, FDNY. Topics included were incident command, FAST operations, and truck company operations. There were over 80 participants from all over the state attending.

A First Responder program was conducted on Great Diamond Island with twenty-four participants from Cushing, Cliff, and Great Diamond Islands. Instructor for the program was Mike Barter. Eighteen of the participants went through the state licensing exam with four of these signed up for the 1998 EMT-Basic program to be conducted through the Portland Fire Department this spring.

I would like to thank you for the continued opportunity to serve the citizens and visitors of the City of Portland.

Respectfully submitted,



Chip Boehm, R.N., EMT-P/FF
EMS Education/Q.I. Officer

**Portland Fire Department
Personnel Report**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The authorized complement of the Portland Fire Department in 1997 was 231 personnel, distributed as follows:

Non-Firefighting Personnel		Authorized Firefighter Personnel	
Administration	5	Firefighting Force	147
Fire Prevention	3	Special Service Firefighters	28
Training Officer	<u>1</u>	Vacation Coverage	<u>16</u>
	9		191

Portland Fire Department EMS Division

Non-Responding EMS Personnel		Responding EMS Personnel	
Administration	1	Paramedics	28
EMS Education/Q.I. Officer	<u>1</u>	Vacation Coverage	<u>1</u>
	2		29

Appointed Provisional Members of the Department in 1997:

* Cynthia F. Todd	8/09/97	Lynne M. Klug	9/08/97
* Paul R. Berube	8/11/97	Bruce D. Cyr	9/08/97
* Edward M. Greenleaf	8/15/97	Robert D. Slaving	9/29/97
* Ronald C. Dearth	8/21/97	Randy T. Stewart	9/29/97
* Shaun A. St.Germain	9/08/97	Robert P. McPartlan	9/29/97
Daniel R. Small	9/08/97	Benjamin A. Wallace	9/29/97
Jennifer A. Shatney	9/08/97	** Craig R. Messinger	11/01/97
John M. Joyce	9/08/97		

* Firefighter/Paramedics working in the E.M.S. Division of the Department.

** Came to work on 12/7/93 as a Paramedic for the EMS Division, was transferred to the Fire Suppression Division on 11/1/97 as shown above.

Appointed Permanent Members of the Department in 1997: (none)

Promotions:

Raymond E. Smith	From Firefighter to Fire Lieutenant	5/25/97
John C. Everett	From Firefighter to Fire Lieutenant	5/25/97
Robert M. Thompson	From Firefighter to Fire Lieutenant	5/25/97

Resignations:**Resigned**

* Heather Cady	Paramedic, EMS Division	5/02/97
* Jennifer M. Stewart	Paramedic, EMS Division	7/12/97
* Susannah Allard	Paramedic, EMS Division	8/02/97
* Amy Jo Leonard	FF/Paramedic, EMS Division	8/25/97

* Paramedic working in the Portland Fire Department EMS Division.

Retirements:**Appointed****Retired**

William L. Schweickardt	Fire Lieutenant	7/07/74	2/28/97
Brian E. Swasey	Fire Lieutenant	4/05/70	2/28/97
Norman K. Berry	Firefighter	10/03/73	5/31/97
Robert F. Driscoll, Jr.	Firefighter	9/23/74	8/17/97
Walter B. Olsen	Fire Captain	5/08/66	12/30/97

As of December 31, 1997, the Portland Fire Department had a total of 229 personnel, two short of our authorized number of 231 personnel.

Deaths**Former Member****Disability****Died**

Loomis J. Jackson	Firefighter	6/15/87	7/05/97
Alfred N. Pierce, Sr.	Mechanic	Retired 2/27/87	Died 7/27/97
Joseph N. Germani	Firefighter	3/31/72	8/15/97

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Chief Ronald W. Thompson

Deputy Chief Ronald W. Thompson
Chief of Operations

**Portland Fire Department
Maintenance of Apparatus Report**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine

Sir:

The following report is a brief synopsis of major repairs made to the various pieces of fire apparatus and Department vehicles in 1997:

Engine 2 - Repair of the relief valve, pilot valve, and water tank.
(reserve) (This pumper is presently assigned to Engine Co. 9)

Engine 3 - The engine was rebuilt at Power Products. The following items were either replaced or repaired: Spring pins, pinion seals, U-bolts, steering box, both rear springs, engine cover, relief valve, pilot valve, ladder ram, and tires and wheels.

Engine 6 - Transmission repaired, pinion seals, exhaust system replaced.

Engine 7 - The Fireboat had extensive repairs done to the hull during this year's haul-out, due mostly
(Fireboat) to old age (1959), and an electrolysis problem. There was a lot of hull-plating done because of holes and thin areas in the hull. There was also extensive work done to the bilges, propeller shafts, stuffing boxes, rudders, fuel tank, and sea strainers.

Engine 8 - Hydraulic lines replaced, new hydraulic pump installed, and a new engine cover was installed.

Engine 13 - This truck, which is a 1977 Mack (old E-1), was re-habbed at Public Works (DPW), and then assigned to Great Diamond Island.

Ladder 1 - The engine was rebuilt, front-end alignment, and front tires.

Ladder 6 - The rear tires were replaced.

Car 2 - The Deputy Chief's car had the ball joints replaced, front-end alignment, four new tires, and a new alternator and battery.

Car 5 - Front and rear brakes replaced, the ignition system and the distributor replaced, and a new paint job and lettering done.

Car 7 - Front and rear brakes replaced, new steering wheel installed, and a new paint job and lettering was done.

Annual pump testing was done on Engines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 11. Engine 6 and Reserve-Engine 10 were not tested. Engine 4 and Reserve-Engine 2 failed the Vacuum Test portion.

No Aerial Ladder testing was needed in 1997. Ladder 1 is due to be scheduled sometime in 1998.

Apparatus Maintenance

These repairs may seem like alot, but I can assure you that it is minimal because of our preventative maintenance program that we have in place. Costs are kept down because of daily checks by the drivers', the weekly and monthly motor reports, and because these trucks are serviced twice a year at the Public Works Facility. DPW Mechanic Richard Hannon has attended schools and is assigned as Fire Dept. Mechanical Engineer, and does nearly all repairs on our fire apparatus and vehicles.

Replacement and Purchase of Apparatus in 1997

A 1997 Cargo-Mate 12 ft. trailer was purchased to be used as our EMS Mass Casualty Supply Trailer. It will be stocked with backboards, cervical collars, oxygen bottles, and non-perishable first aid supplies.

We also picked up two 1994 Chevrolet Caprice sedans and one 1989 Chevrolet Caprice sedan from the police department to upgrade our staff cars used by the Training Division and Fire Prevention Bureau. The two old 1986 staff cars were sold.

A 1989 GMC Sierra 1/2-ton pick-up truck was acquired through the Public Works Department for the sale of the old Engine 9. The pick-up is housed at Engine 9's station in Riverton, and used as a utility truck.

New Apparatus Ordered in 1997

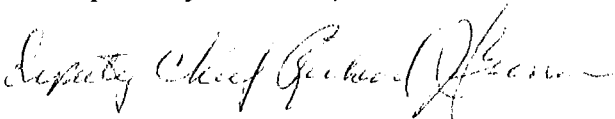
A new 1998 Dash-2000 1,500 gpm pumper with a 750-gallon water tank was ordered last fall. It will be assigned to Engine Co. 9 in Riverton.

Also, a new Dash-2000 75 ft. heavy duty aerial ladder with a 1,500 gpm pump and a 500-gallon water tank (quint truck) was ordered. It will be assigned to Engine/Ladder Co. 3 on Stevens Ave. in the Rosemont area.

Both trucks are being built by Pierce Manufacturing Co., and should be delivered to us by September or October of 1998.

Old Engine/Ladder 3 will be sent to Peaks Island, and old Engine 9 has already been scrapped and sold.

Respectfully submitted,



Deputy Chief Richard J. Curran
Chief of Apparatus

Apparatus In-service

Year in Service	Make	Description-Size-Type
Engine 1 1996	Emergency One	1,500 gpm. w/750-gal. tank (4-door)
Engine 3 1983	Amer. LaFrance	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank, 75 ft. Ladder
Engine 4 1992	Pierce 4-door	1,500 gpm. w/750-gal. tank
Engine 5 1989	Pierce 4-door	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank
Engine 6 1981	Maxim 4-door	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank
Engine 7 1959	General Ship	7,000 gpm. 65 ft. all-steel fireboat
Cavallaro 1991	Duffy & Duffy	42 ft. watercraft (for Island emergencies)
Engine 8 1982	Amer. LaFrance	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank, 75 ft. Ladder
Engine 9 1979	Amer. LaFrance	1,400 gpm. w/500-gal. tank (reserve E-2)
Engine 11 1996	Freightliner	1,250 gpm. w/1,000-gal. tank (4-door)
Ladder 1 1993	Pierce 4-door	85 ft. articulating snorkel w/platform
Ladder 6 1989	Pierce 4-door	1,500 gpm. w/300-gal. tank, 105 ft. Ladder
Rescue 1 1982	Ford/Yankee Coach Co.	heavy rescue and command post
Red # 1 1977	Walters	1,000 gpm. w/1,500-gal. tank, 150-gal. foam
Red # 2 1989	Oshkosh	1,250 gpm. w/3,000-gal. tank, 450-gal. foam
Red # 3 1992	Chevrolet	rapid intervention truck w/500-lbs. purple-K
Red # 4 1976	Walters	1,000 gpm. w/1,500-gal. tank, 150-gal. foam
MEDCU 3 1995	Ford Type-3	Paramedic advanced life support ambulance
MEDCU 4 1992	Ford Type-3	Paramedic advanced life support ambulance
MEDCU 5 1995	Ford Type-3	Paramedic advanced life support ambulance

Island Apparatus In-service

Peaks Island :

Engine 12 1978	Ward LaFrance	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank (old E-5)
Tank 12 1979	Chevrolet C-70	1,000 gpm. w/500-gal. tank
Aux. " 12 1954	Mack B 95	240 gpm. w/1,600-gal. tank
Ambulance 1987	Ford Type-2	4-wheel drive ambulance

Great Diamond Island :

Engine 13 1977	Mack	1,000 gpm. w/300-gal. tank (old E-1)
Tank 13 1969	GMC	250 gpm. w/2,400-gal. tank
Ambulance 1986	Ford Type-3	Ambulance

Cushing Island :

Engine 14 1963	Amer. LaFrance	1,000 gpm. w/300-gal. tank (open-cab)
Tank 14 1953	former military	250 gpm. w/1,000-gal. tank (duce & 1/2)

Cliff Island :

Engine 15 1965	Ford 600	500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank (old Tank 6)
Tank 15 1973	International	500 gpm. w/750-gal. tank
Aux. " 15 1954	Army 6x6	550 gpm. w/1,100-gal. tank
Truck 15 1987	Chevrolet 4x4	short-bed pick-up utility truck
Utility 1994	Kawasaki ATV	oversized ATV w/portable pump
Ambulance 1986	Ford Type-3	ambulance

Little Diamond Island :

Yamaha		golf cart utility vehicle
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Apparatus in Reserve

	Year	Make	Description-Size-Type
Engine 10	1974	Amer. LaFrance	1,000 gpm. w/500-gal. tank
Ladder 5	1978	Maxim	90 ft. rearmounted aerial ladder truck
Rescue 2	1985	Ford/E-1	4-wheel drive w/generator, and high-angle and technical-angle rescue equipment.
MEDCU 6	1992	Ford Type-3	Paramedic advanced life support ambulance
MEDCU 7	1992	Ford Type-3	Paramedic advanced life support ambulance
MEDCU 8	1995	Ford Type-3	Neonatal/Pediatric emergency transport

Cars-Trucks-Auxiliary Equipment

	Year	Make	Type	Assignment or Location
Car # 1	1996	Ford Explorer	4-wheel drive	Chief of Department
Car # 2	1992	Ford Explorer	4-wheel drive	Platoon Deputy Chief
Car # 3	1992	Ford Explorer	4-wheel drive	EMS Deputy Chief
Car # 4	1989	Chevrolet Caprice	sedan	Fire Prevention Bureau
Car # 4a	1989	Chevrolet Caprice	sedan	Fire Prevention Bureau
Car # 5	1994	Chevrolet Caprice	sedan	Fire Education Officer
Car # 7	1994	Chevrolet Caprice	sedan	Fire Training Division
MEDCU 10	1995	Ford Explorer	4-wheel drive	Platoon EMS. Lieutenant
MEDCU 15	1991	GMC S-10 Blazer	4-wheel drive	EMS Education Officer
Service				
Truck # 1	1986	Chevrolet	Astro Van	service truck @ Bramhall Sta.
" 2	1993	GMC Sierra crew cab	3/4-ton	utility truck @ Engine 11
" 3	1988	Chevrolet Cheyenne	3/4-ton	utility truck @ E-7 Fireboat
" 5	1989	GMC Sierra	1/2-ton	utility truck @ Engine 9
	1997	EMS Mass Casualty supply trailer		@ Bramhall
	1970	trailer w/high expansion foam generator		@ Bramhall
	1993	Avon 18 ft. rigid-hull inflatable boat		@ Munjoy Hill
	1987	Zodiac 17.5 ft. rigid-hull inflatable boat		@ E-7 Fireboat
	1955	Crestliner 16 ft. aluminum boat w/trailer		@ Central

Vehicles Sold, Traded, or Scrapped

Engine 9	1980	Maxim pumper	1,500 gpm. w/500-gal. tank
Car # 5	1986	Chevrolet Caprice sedan	
Car # 7	1986	Chevrolet Caprice sedan	

**Portland Fire Department
Hose and Equipment Report**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

The following is a report on hose and equipment for 1997:

Total fire hose in service

1 ½ -inch -	10,200 ft.	2-inch -	700 ft.	1 ¾-inch -	7,050 ft.
3-inch -	150 ft.	2 ½ -inch -	16,600 ft.	4-inch -	10,025 ft.

New hose inventory stored at Engine 9's station

1 ½ -inch -	1,250 ft.	2-inch -	none	1 ¾-inch -	1,800 ft.
3-inch -	none	2 ½ -inch -	1,800 ft.	4-inch -	2,300 ft.

Fire hose in service on the Islands

1 ½ -inch -	4,800 ft.	2-inch -	none	1 ¾-inch -	3,000 ft.
3-inch -	1,000 ft.	2 ½ -inch -	7,775 ft.	4-inch -	2,000 ft.

The following personnel under the direction of Captain Olsen assisted in the repair of the Department's fire hose:

FF. Brian Mullison	FF. Chris Corey	FF. Michael Kucsma	FF. Scott Labbe
FF. David Kenney	FF. David Petrucci	FF. Chris Champagne	FF. Keith Gautreau

Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

The Department has 244 30-minute air bottles and 8 60-minute air bottles in service. Of these, 116 were hydrostatically tested in 1997.

Twenty new 30-minute bottles were purchased to be used to replace the older bottles that must be taken out of service because of age. FF. Dean Berry coordinates the air bottle testing and replacement.

The following personnel under the direction of Captain Meserve spent 159 hours maintaining and repairing the Department's S.C.B.A.'s. They are all certified as a S.C.B.A. Field Technician or above.

Plt. 1 - FF. Robert Pinder	Plt. 3 - FF. Robert Eaton
Plt. 2 - FF. Creed Ray	Plt. 4 - FF. David Zibura

Protective Clothing

In 1997, a total of 38 people completed drill school. Each person was outfitted with protective firefighting clothing, which includes bunker coat and pants, boots, helmet, gloves, and mittens.

Firefighting Foam Purchased in 1997

Lt. Gary Devoe maintains the foam inventory at Bramhall Station:

- 10 55-gal. drums 3% AFFF for Air Rescue Co., at the Jetport.
- 15 5-gal. pails 3% AFFF for Air Rescue Co., at the Jetport.
- 50 5-gal. pails extra high-expansion foam, inventory at Bramhall.

Lifelines

The old lifelines were removed from service and replaced with new 200 ft. 1/2-inch SSP N.F.P.A. standards lifelines for Ladder 1, Ladder 6, Engine/Ladder 3, and Rescue 2. This was accomplished with the assistance of Lt. Dunn, Ladder 1, who maintains our high-angle rescue equipment.


Miscellaneous Equipment Purchased in 1997

- | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 - Skull-saver ladder cover | 4 - booster hose nozzles |
| 1 - 2.5" gated hydrant valve | 1 - 1.5" Akron style nozzle |
| 4 - 4" nozzle holder straps | 4 - 1.5" Akron style 1715 swivels |
| 2 - Carbon monoxide meters | 1 - Akron nozzle handle |
| 3 - Survivor water-vacs | 1 - 1 Akron style 2730 playpipe |
| 1 - 14 ft. Alco safety ladder | 1 - turbo-jet nozzle |
| 2 - S.C.B.A. straps | 1 - 3"-male to 4" Storz connector |
| 10 Survivor streamlights | 1 - 4" swivel x 4" Storz connector |

I would like to make mention of the following personnel who have also assisted me with the purchasing, maintenance, and distribution of equipment for the Portland Fire department. It would be a difficult task without their help and dedication, which is greatly appreciated.

- FF. John Beck and PAO. Jo Burton - uniforms and clothing
- FF. Beau Gros - repair of Survivor streamlights
- FF. Tim Pellerin - protective clothing inspection program
- FF. Greg Staples - maintenance of air compressor system at Bramhall
- FF. Alan Bouchard - repair and maintenance of hose nozzles

Respectfully submitted,



Deputy Chief Reginald G. Wyma
Chief of Equipment and Supplies

**Portland Fire Department
Facilities Report**

Chief Joseph E. Thomas, Jr.
380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

Sir:

This division is responsible for the adequate and efficient operations of the City's nine firehouses. This budget of \$120,000.00 is responsible for everything from soap to roof repair.

Although there were no major repairs undertaken in the past twelve months to any of the houses, it does not mean there is not a need. At some point in the near future, the Department has to address the issues to several major expenditures and remodeling that needs to be done.

The average age of the City's firehouses is 38 years. Relatively modern in comparison to many cities in the North East, nevertheless they are all prior to the advent of energy efficiency and the fact they are in use 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, the wear and tear takes its toll.

We can credit the Department's program of daily maintenance, cleaning, painting, minor repairs, etc. with keeping the buildings a safe and clean environment for the crews to live and work. Having said that, I think much of the credit should go to the men and women who live and work out of these firehouses. They take pride in their particular firehouse and go beyond what would normally be expected of them. By this, I mean the many projects they take on within their firehouses that save the Department and ultimately the taxpayer tens of thousands of dollars a year in outside labor costs.

Some of these projects include installing new windows, plumbing and carpentry just to name a few. These tasks are often done without requests or orders from Headquarters, very often without any type of compensation such as comp time. They very often use their own equipment and tools that they brought in from home.

As the Facilities Chief, I am pleased with the overall condition of the Department's Firehouses at year's end and look forward to next year in anticipation of some of our major expense requests coming to fruition.

At this time, I would like to personally thank all the Firefighters and Officers who gave that extra to give all of us a better environment in which to live and work.

Respectfully submitted,


Deputy Chief Donald E. Brown
Chief of Facilities Management

**1997 Merit Awards Ceremony
November 1, 1997**

"Box 61" Good Samaritan Award (Citizen's Award)

Presented to: Daniel Chabot, Federal Express
Michael Duvernay, Federal Express
Fred Kennedy

The Michelle Wright Esprit de Corps Award (EMS Division)

Presented to: EMS Division, Platoon 1
FF/Paramedic Lt. John D. Brady
FF/Paramedic Ann Bagely-Thorne
FF/Paramedic Brian C. Chipman
FF/Paramedic Sylvia E. Hull
FF/Paramedic Stephen L. MacDonald
Paramedic Heather Cady (resigned)
FF/Paramedic Peter P. Daigle

The Liberty Mutual Firemark Esprit de Corps Award (Fire Suppression)

Presented to: Public Safety Communications - Fire Dispatchers
Chief Fire Dispatcher Stanley a LeCours
Fire Dispatcher Gail Dennison-Hale, EMT
Fire Dispatcher Suzanne W. Meserve
Fire Dispatcher Gary A., Devoe, Sr.
Fire Dispatcher Kevin W. Morton

The Nicholas G. Knapp Paramedic of the Year Award:

Presented to: FF/Paramedic John L. Kooistra

The Thomas G. O'Connor Firefighter of the Year Award

Presented to: FF/EMT Daniel S. Dyer

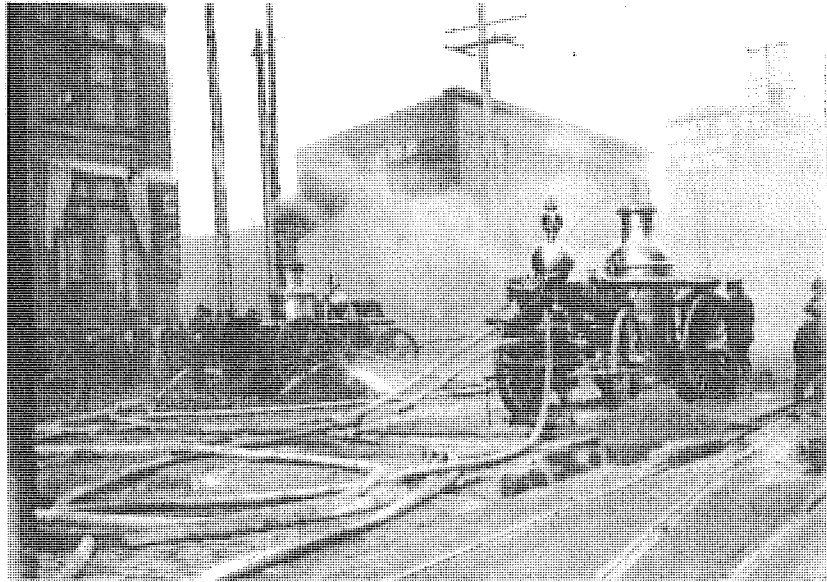
The Captain John F. Rafferty Fire Officer of the Year Award

Presented to: Chief Fire Dispatcher Stanley A. LeCours

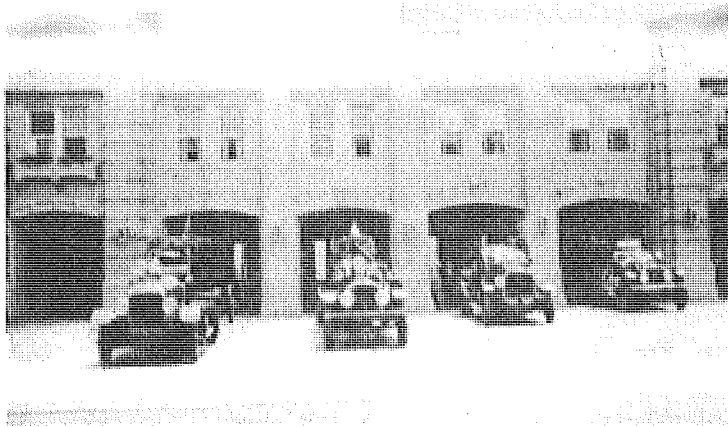
Memorial Sunday Ceremony, October , 1997

The annual Firefighter's Memorial Sunday Ceremony was held at the Forest City Cemetery on October 5, 1997. Members of the Portland Fire Dept., South Portland Fire Dept., Portland Veteran Firemen's Association, and the Box 61-Portland Firebuffs Club marched to the P.V.F.A. Monument in remembrance of all departed Members. There, the names of the (20) Portland Fire Dept. members who died in the line of duty was read, and floral arrangements were placed at the monument.

Old Portland Fire Department Photos



Circa 1903, Engine Co. 1 (left) and Engine Co. 9 at Brown's Wharf Fire



**Ladder 5, Ladder 1, Engine 1, Engine 5
Central Station 1924**

**Roster of Fire Department
Board of Engineers**

Joseph E. Thomas, Jr Chief of Department

		Staff Function	Platoon
Donald E. Brown	Deputy Chief	Facilities	3
Ronald W. Thompson	Deputy Chief	Personnel	2
Reginald G. Wyman	Deputy Chief	Equipment	1
Richard J. Curran	Deputy Chief	Apparatus	4
Martin J. Jordan	Deputy Chief	EMS	Staff

Administrative Division

Fire Headquarters - 380 Congress Street

Badge

17	Robert M. Wassick	Captain	Training Division
35	Gaylen W. McDougall	Lieutenant	Fire Prevention Officer
64	Robert M. Thompson	Lieutenant/EMT	Fire Prevention Bureau
226	Gerald S. DiMillo	Firefighter	Public Education Officer
80	Charles (Chip) R. Boehm	Firefighter/Paramedic	EMS Education/QI Officer
197	John W. Beck	Firefighter	Stock Clerk/Service Truck

EMS Division-Officers

			Staff Function	Platoon
61	Terrence P. Walsh	FF/Paramedic Lt.	EMS Fleet Maintenance	4
55	John D. Brady	FF/Paramedic Lt.	EMS Personnel	1
60	Cynthia L. Wilson	FF/Paramedic Lt.	Community Education/ EMS. Island Liaison	2
59	Holly A. Burnham	FF/Paramedic Lt.	Supplies & Inventory	3

Administrative Office Staff

Josephine E. Burton	Principal Administration Officer
Lillena Ann Waterman	Administrative Secretary
Claudette D. Meehan	Administrative Receptionist

Portland Fire Department Chaplains

Reverend John R. Hilbelink	Chaplain
Father Robert F. Regan, S.J.	Associate Chaplain

Munjoy Hill Station - East End
134 Congress Street



Engine Company No. 1

1996 Emergency-One 4-door 1,250 gpm. pumper with a 750-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 800 ft. of 2 ½ - inch hose, 350 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ½ - inch hose, and 46 ft. of Ladders.

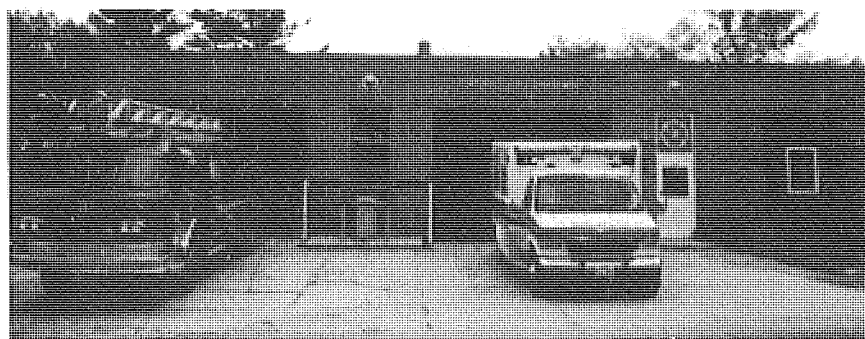
Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
48	Lt. Francis E. Bachelder, EMT	24	Lt. Vincent A. DiFillipo, Sr., EMT
98	FF Steven G. Pellerin, EMT	270	FF Michael Flaherty
125	FF Roland P. Pinette, EMT	190	FF Robert C. Gilfillan, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
6	Capt. Whalen L. Guimond	44	Lt. Thomas C. Peters
261	FF Earle E. Harvey	84	FF John W. Chandler, EMT
198	FF Curtis D. Magnuson, EMT	259	FF David D. Lord, EMT

Ladder Company No. 1

1993 Pierce 4-door 85 ft. articulating snorkel w/aerial platform, with a pre-piped waterway, carrying 107 ft. of ground Ladders.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
20	Lt. Eric E. Dunn, EMT	4	Capt. Dean M. Cressey, EMT
85	FF John A. Brooks, EMT	172	FF Robert B. Farley, EMT
107	FF Timothy G. Pellerin, EMT	229	FF Keith L. Jordan, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
30	Lt. John A. Cannon, EMT	27	Lt. Gregory E. Cass, EMT
207	FF Michael E. Sargent, EMT	271	FF George E. Dorsey, III
220	FF Timothy A. Harmon, EMT	90	FF Timothy M. Flynn

Stevens Avenue Station - Rosemont
212 Stevens Avenue



Engine Company No. 3

1983 American LaFrance 1,500 gpm. Quint (combination Engine/Ladder) with a 500-gal. tank and a 75 ft. aerial Ladder, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4 - inch hose, 200 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 400 ft. Of 1 ¾-inch hose, 200 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of booster hose, and 97 ft. of Ladders.

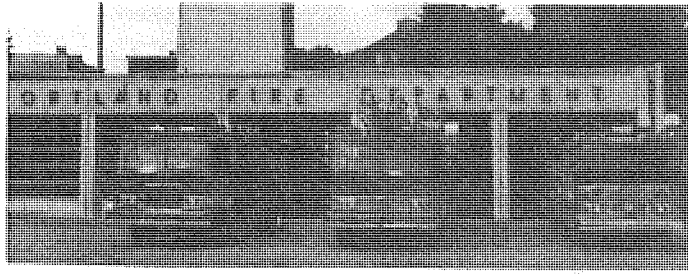
Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
18	Capt. Ludger J. Perreault, EMT	34	Lt. Stephen L. Smith, EMT
247	FF Donald N. Burdwood, Jr.	119	FF Stephen D. Murphy, EMT
106	FF Steven J. Cumback, EMT	213	FF Denis A. Morse, EMT
121	FF Richard J. Merrill, EMT	188	FF John R. Martell, EMT-P
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
68	Lt. George G. Montanese, EMT	29	Lt. John E. Feeney, Jr., EMT
83	FF Thomas A. Valente, Jr., EMT	174	FF Carl K. Booth
228	FF William G. Hale, EMT	96	FF Edward R. Dickhaut, III
137	FF Paul M. Royer, EMT	171	FF Stephen E. Nee, EMT

MEDCU No. 4

1992 Ford E-350 Type-3 Paramedic Advanced Life Support ambulance, carrying emergency medical equipment and supplies, and state of the art life-saving A.L.S. equipment.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
141	FF Peter P. Daigle, EMT-P	161	FF Dennis A. Swan, EMT-P
175	FF Paul R. Berube, EMT-P	179	FF Ronald C. Dearth, EMT-P
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
153	FF Robert N. Menard, EMT-P	184	FF Timothy E. Nangle, EMT-P
177	FF Edward M. Greenleaf, EMT-P	164	FF Richard W. Hirschmann, EMT-P

Bramhall Fire Station - West End
784 Congress Street



Engine Company No. 4

1992 Pierce 4-door 1,500 gpm triple combination pumper with a 750-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 850 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 350 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 650 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 46 ft. of ladders.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
37	Lt. George M. Shutts, EMT	43	Lt. Gary A. Plamondon, EMT
75	FF Daniel S. Dyer, EMT	148	FF Brian E. Mullison, EMT
109	FF Robert V. Pinder, EMT	170	FF William P. Nowicki, Jr., EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
27	Lt. Louis J. Brown, Jr.	12	Capt. Daniel J. Flynn
149	FF Stephen Henderson, EMT	265	FF David J. Zibura, EMT
138	FF Scott M. Thomes, EMT	135	FF Glen R. Garland, EMT

Engine Company No. 6

1980 Maxim 1,500 gpm triple combination pumper with a 500-gallon tank (1992-rebuilt w/4-door cab), carrying 1,200 ft. of 4-inch hose, 800 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 950 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 38 ft. of ladders.

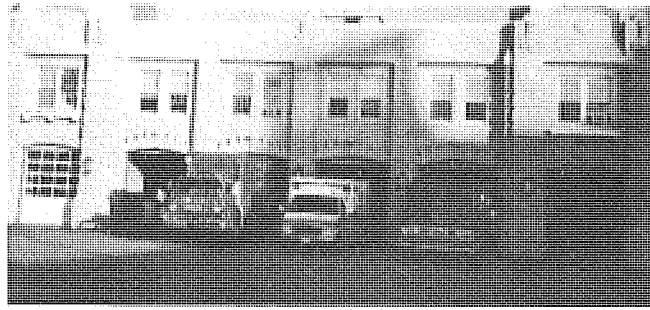
Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
42	Lt Robert A. Stewart, EMT	45	Lt. Terry M. Schkrioba
237	FF Alan N. Bouchard, EMT	191	FF John A. Gillingham, EMT
227	FF Robert M. Reynolds, EMT-P	165	FF David J. Jackson, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
10	Capt. James E. Meserve, EMT	22	Lt. Gary A. Devoe, Jr., EMT
181	FF Sean Meehan	89	FF Philip D. McGouldrick, Jr., EMT
205	FF Robert D. Eaton, EMT	74	FF Shawn W. Neat, EMT-P

Ladder Company No. 6

1989 Pierce 4-door 105 ft. heavy duty rear-mounted aerial ladder with dual rear axles quint combination ladder truck with a 1,500 gpm pump, and a 300-gallon tank, carrying 169 ft. of ground ladders, 400 ft. of 4-inch hose, 300 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, and 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
9	Capt. David A. Brown	25	Lt. William P. Flynn
122	FF Timothy F. Kane, EMT	245	FF Richard F. O'Brion, Jr.
91	FF Gregory F. Staples, EMT	159	FF Creed E. Ray, IV, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
26	Lt. Frederick J. LaMontagne, Jr., EMT	46	Lt. Stephen R. Hastings
147	FF. Beau E. Gros	180	FF James A. Randall, EMT
157	FF Stanley B. Tenpenny, EMT	136	FF Ronald S. Flint, EMT

Central Station - Downtown
380 Congress Street



Engine Company No. 5

1989 Pierce 4-door 1,500 gpm triple combination pumper with a 500-gallon tank, carrying 1,100 ft. of 4-inch hose, 500 ft. of 2 ½-inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 1,050 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 38 ft. of ladders.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
66	Lt. Lawrence P. Libby, EMT	23	Lt. Stephen R. Salamone, EMT
214	FF David M. Perry, EMT	145	FF George F. Earley, III, EMT
99	FF Patrick T. Flynn, EMT	154	FF Stephen F. Young, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
56	Lt. Shawn M. O'Gane, EMT	3	Capt. Stephen D. Newcomb, EMT
212	FF Joseph P. Murphy, EMT	97	FF Kevin D. Henry, EMT
223	FF Robert N. Orr, EMT	100	FF Scott E. Corey, EMT-P

Rescue Company No. 1

1982 Ford/Yankee Coach Co. box-type heavy rescue/command post truck, carrying assorted extrication equipment, power tools, power saws, ropes, lighting, generators, and confined space/special hazards equipment.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
249	FF John R. Fairweather, EMT	204	FF Dana M. Asdourian, EMT
102	FF Michael P. McTigue, EMT	139	FF Donald S. Torrey, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
134	FF Robert T. Bachelder, EMT	124	FF Edward F. Maloney, Jr., EMT
183	FF Dean A. Berry, EMT	126	FF Timothy A. Randall, EMT

MEDCU No. 3

1995 Ford E-350 Type-III Paramedic Advanced Life Support ambulance, carrying emergency medical equipment and supplies, and state of the art life-saving E.M.S. equipment.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
18	FF Brian C. Chipman, EMT-P	---	Bruce J. Carleton, EMT-P
176	FF Anne Bagley-Thorne, EMT-P	120	FF Brian M. Tomney, EMT-P
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
113	FF Heather N. Carleton, EMT-P	117	FF Robert L. Atripaldi, EMT-P
131	FF Benjamin T. Littlefield, EMT-P	189	FF Shaun A. St.Germain, EMT-P

Fireboat Quarters - West Side of State Pier
Office at 54 Commercial Street, 1st. floor of Casco Bay Garage



Engine Company No. 7 - Fireboat

1959 65 ft. all-steel diesel Fireboat ("City of Portland") equipped with two DeLaval fire pumps, each 3,500 gpm (7,000 gpm capacity) , with a on-board 250-gallon foam tank (AFFF), powered by two Cummins V-12 560 HP main engines, two Cummins T-6 160 HP auxiliary engines, carrying (4) deck monitors, 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 200 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 700 ft. of 1 3/4-inch hose, 85-gallons high expansion foam, and 34 ft. of Ladders

"Cavallaro"

1993 42 ft. Duffy and Duffy custom boat with a 540 HP Caterpillar diesel engine, capable of doing 21 knots, used primarily for responses to island emergency medical calls.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
41	Lt. Richard S. Thompson, EMT	7	Capt. Patrick R. Viola, Jr., EMT
95	FF. John P. Pompeo	129	FF. Warren L. MacDonald
196	FF Robert S. Briggs, Jr.	86	FF Charles J. Loring, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
31	Lt. Stephen E. Jordan, EMT	21	Lt. David O. Pendleton, EMT
169	FF Donald A. Daly	132	FF Louis J. DeRice, EMT
272	FF Richard D. Wurfel, Jr.	185	FF Thomas F. Kane, III, EMT

Allen Avenue Station - North Deering
386 Allen Avenue



Engine Company No. 8

1982 American LaFrance 1,500 gpm. Quint (combination Engine/Ladder) with a 500-gallon tank and a 75 ft. aerial Ladder, carrying 800 ft. of 4-inch hose, 200 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of booster hose, and 97 ft. of Ladders.

Badge Platoon 1

32 Lt. Aaron O. Osgood
72 FF John A. Hardy, EMT
88 FF Andrew A. Hammond, EMT

Badge Platoon 2

16 Capt. Harold A. Stoddard, III, EMT
71 FF John P. Cassidy, EMT
79 FF Christopher C. Thomson, EMT

Platoon 3

36 Lt. Raymond E. Smith, EMT
263 FF Michael D. Loring
248 FF Michael C. Kucsma, Jr, EMT

Platoon 4

40 Lt. Paul G. Lambert, EMT
178 FF Alan T. Greene, EMT
255 FF Eric R. Weeks, EMT

MEDCU No. 5

1995 Ford E-350 Type-3 Paramedic Advanced Life Support ambulance, carrying emergency medical equipment and supplies, and state of the art life-saving A.L.S. equipment.

Badge Platoon 1

101 FF Sylvia E. Hull, EMT-P
108 FF Stephen L. MacDonald, EMT-P

Badge Platoon 2

--- Stephen B. Marean, EMT-P
144 FF Terri E. Gilpatrick, EMT-P

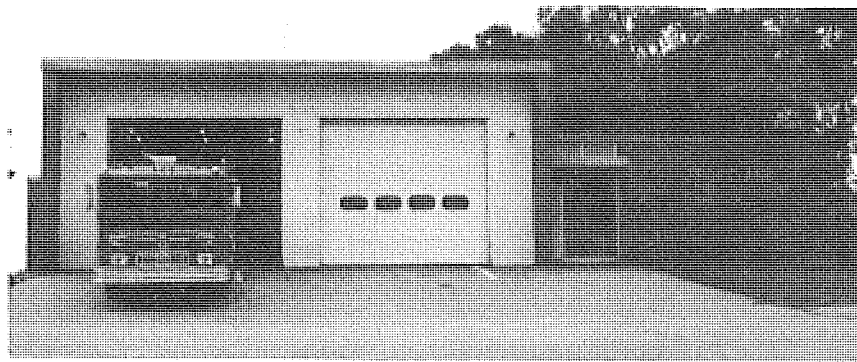
Platoon 3

158 FF John L. Kooistra, EMT-P
128 FF Jonathan R. Denham, EMT-P

Platoon 4

94 FF William D. Miller, EMT-P
151 FF Brian C. Richardson, EMT-P

Forest Avenue Station - Riverton
1600 Forest Avenue



Engine Company No. 9

1979 American LaFrance 1,400 gpm. triple combination pumper with a 500-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 650 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 700 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 38 ft. of Ladders.

* This pumper (Reserve Engine 2) is assigned to Engine Co. 9 until the arrival of a new truck, which will arrive in mid-1998. Engine 9-truck was put out of service on 12/16/96 because of serious safety problems.

Badge	Platoon 1	Badge	Platoon 2
57	Lt. Edward M. Haibon, Jr.	47	Lt. Donald W. Davis, EMT
133	FF. Randall L. Adams	104	FF. Paul D. Hallgren
155	FF Antonio F. Pulsoni, EMT	239	FF Bruce E. Alley
103	FF. Timothy P. Fasulo	194	FF David C. Morse, EMT
	Platoon 3		Platoon 4
* 15	Capt Walter B. Olsen	51	Lt. Wilfred W. Gagnon, Jr., EMT
273	FF. Robert W. Blake, EMT	168	FF. Richard S. Libby
278	FF Christopher J. Corey, EMT-P	274	FF Floyd M. Hartford
281	FF. Keith N. Gautreau, EMT	225	FF Steven P. Barton, EMT

* Captain Walter B. Olsen retired 12/30/97 after 31 years of service.

Ocean Avenue Station - East Deering
580 Ocean Avenue



Engine Company No. 11

1996 Freightliner commercial chassis 4-door cab 1,250 gpm. triple combination pumper with a 1,000-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 750 ft. of 2 1/2 -inch hose, 850 ft. of 1 3/4-inch hose, 700 ft. of 1 1/2 -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 48 ft. of Ladders.

Badge Platoon 1

53 Lt. Timothy J. Flaherty
186 FF Peter A. Pompeo
160 FF. Michael R. Walker, EMT

Platoon 3

39 Lt. Richard A. King, Jr., EMT
77 FF Philip E. Tinkham, EMT
150 FF Louis V. Pirone, EMT

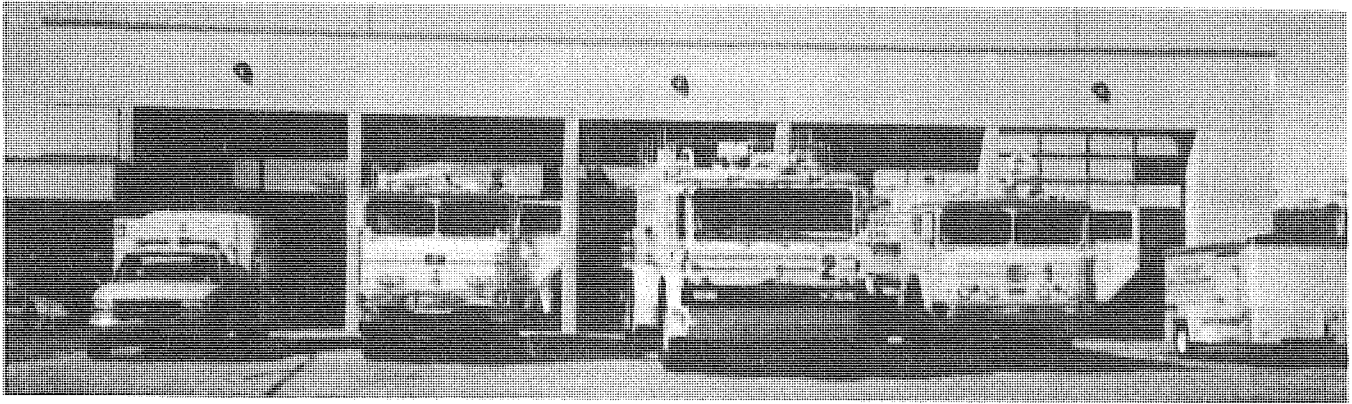
Badge Platoon 2

63 Lt. David A. Stanhope, EMT
123 FF Wayne K. Dennison
234 FF Michael A. Daicy, EMT

Platoon 4

2 Capt. Henry E. Ryan
92 FF Christopher C. Champagne, EMT
111 FF Stephen M. Boucher, EMT

Air Rescue Station - Portland International Jetport
1001 Westbrook Street



Air Rescue Company

- Red 1 -** 1977 Walters CT4 Aircraft Fire Fighting Rescue Truck with a 1,000 gpm pump, 1,500-gallon tank, 180-gallon foam tank (3% AFFF), carrying 150 ft. of 2-inch hose, 150 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, a 800 gpm roof-mounted stang gun, and a 12 ft. combination Ladder.
- Red 2 -** 1989 Oshkosh Aircraft Fire Fighting Rescue Truck with a 1,250 gpm pump, 3,000-gallon tank, 410-gallon foam tank (3% AFFF), and 500 lbs. of Halon, carrying 400 ft. of 2-inch hose, 150 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, a 1,200 gpm main turret, a 350 gpm bumper turret, and a 22 ft. combination Ladder.
- Red 3 -** 1992 Chevrolet rapid intervention truck (command vehicle) with 450-lbs. of Purple-K extinguishing agent, 100 ft. of 3/4-inch chemical hose, assorted tools and equipment, and a 16 ft. combination Ladder.
- Red 4 -** 1976 Walters CT4 Aircraft Fire Fighting Rescue Truck with a 1,000 gpm pump, 1,500-gallon tank, 180-gallon foam tank (3% AFFF), carrying 150 ft. of 2-inch hose, 150 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, 600 gpm main turret, 300 gpm bumper turret, and a 12 ft. combination Ladder.

Badge Platoon 1

65 Lt. Russell E. Woods, Jr., EMT
 142 FF Charles D. Rose, Jr., EMT
 275 FF Charles D. Staples
 200 FF Robert W. Duplessie, EMT

Badge Platoon 2

38 Lt. John C. Everett, EMT
 173 FF Stephen G. Hawkes, EMT
 276 FF Frank J. Navarro
 156 FF William A. Devoe, EMT

Platoon 3

33 Lt. Charles E. Dumond
 87 FF John G. Corbett
 232 FF John C. Beatty, Jr., EMT
 257 FF Jay L. Kelley, EMT

Platoon 4

19 Capt. Tom G. Blaisdell, EMT
 112 FF. John E. Curran, Jr.
 221 FF Mark E. Thomsen, EMT
 240 FF Richard J. Sullivan

* Each of the on-duty (3 or 4) firefighters, including the Officer, are assigned to drive/operate 1 of 4 air rescue vehicles when responding to an alarm. The Officer is assigned to the command vehicle, Red 3.

Firefighters and Firefighter/Paramedics (Vacation Coverage)

Badge Platoon 1

114 FF Anthony J. DiPietro, EMT
93 FF Gregory J. Pirone, EMT
163 FF Donald E. Brown, Jr., EMT
105 FF James D. Keefe, EMT
162 FF John M. Joyce
167 FF Robert D. Slaving, EMT

Platoon 3

215 FF David J. Kenney, EMT
203 FF Scott G. Labbe, EMT
277 FF Kevin P. McGuire, EMT-P
280 FF David P. Petruccelli, EMT
140 FF Craig R. Messinger, EMT-P
222 FF Lynne M. Klug
127 FF Robert P. McPartlan

Badge Platoon 2

224 FF Robert T. McTigue, Jr., EMT
279 FF Edward B. Dexter, EMT-P
70 FF Christopher P. Pirone,, EMT
116 FF Daniel R. Small, EMT
152 FF Jennifer A. Shatney, EMT-I
210 FF Randy T. Stewart, EMT

Platoon 4

110 FF Brad C. James, EMT
82 FF David K. Price, EMT
282 FF Michael G. Nixon, EMT
283 FF Stacy L. Bernier, EMT
211 FF Bruce D. Cyr, EMT
202 FF Benjamin A. Wallace EMT-I
166 FF Cynthia F. Todd, EMT-P (EMS Float)

**Peaks Island Volunteer Fire Company
Engine Company No. 12**

Engine 12 - 1978 Ward LaFrance 1,500 gpm triple combination pumper with a 500-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 750 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 42 ft. of Ladders.

Tank 12 - 1979 Chevrolet C-70 1,000 gpm pumper with a 500-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 600 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 550 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of booster hose, and 45 ft. of Ladders.

Auxiliary

Tank 12 - 1954 Mack B-95 1,600-gallon tank truck with a 240 gpm pump, carrying a folding portable water tank.

Ambulance - 1987 Ford type-2 4-wheel drive ambulance.

**Portland Police Department
Island Public Safety Officers**

- Off. Randy Richardson, EMT
- Off. Richard Mank, EMT
- Off. Joseph Rich, EMT
- Off. John Clements, EMT
- Off. Michael Barter, EMT-P
- Off. Greg Pierce, EMT
- Off. Eric Higgins, EMT
- Off. Chris Hawley, EMT

Peaks Island Call Dept. Members

- Captain William Flynn
- Lt. Robert McTigue, EMT
- Lt. Frank Davis
- FF Timothy Flynn
- FF Patrick Flynn, EMT
- FF Michael McTigue, EMT
- FF Daniel Kamp
- FF A.J. Alves
- FF Chris Vail
- FF David Foss
- FF Walter Semon, EMT

**Great Diamond Island Volunteer Fire Company
Engine Company No. 13**

Engine 13 - 1977 Mack CF 1,000 gpm triple combination pumper with a 300-gallon tank, carrying 1,000 ft. of 4-inch hose, 500 ft. of 3-inch hose, 250 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 400 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 200 ft. of 1-inch booster hose, and 59 ft. of Ladders.

Tank 13 - 1969 GMC 2,400-gallon tank truck with a 250 gpm pump, carrying 200 ft. of booster hose.

Ambulance - 1986 Ford E-350 type 3 ambulance.

Great Diamond Island Volunteer Members

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| John O'Keefe, FR. | Tammy Robinson, EMT | Dr. David Kaplan | Coleman Griffin, FR. |
| Robert Noring | Susan Kaplan, FR. | Ted Weber, EMT | Patricia McCarron |
| Jackalyn Bell, FR. | Elizabeth Weber, FR. | Adrian McCarron | Gerry Bell |
| Betsy Weber, FR. | Edward Drinan, FR. | David Clapp | Beth Weber, FR. |
| Dan Briere | | | |

FR. = First Responders

EMT = Emergency Medical Technicians

**Cushing Island Volunteer Fire Company
Engine Company No. 14**

Engine 14 - 1963 American LaFrance 1,000 gpm triple combination pumper (open cab) with a 300-gallon tank, carrying 300 ft. of 3-inch hose, 350 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 200 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 2-booster reels of 100 ft. each of booster hose, and 38 ft. of Ladders.

Tank 14 - 1953 military duce & 1/2 1,000-gallon tank truck with a 250 gpm pump, carrying 200 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, and 250 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose.

Cushing Island Volunteer Members

David Petersen, FR - Apparatus Driver/Operator Lucy Pedersen, FR - Apparatus Driver/Operator

**Cliff Island Volunteer Fire Company
Engine Company No. 15**

Engine 15 - 1965 Ford-600 500 gpm pumper with a 500-gallon tank, carrying 300 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 100 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, and 300 ft. of booster hose.

Tank 15 - 1973 International 500 gpm pumper with a 750-gallon tank, carrying 450 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 350 ft. of 1 ¾-inch hose, 250 ft. of 1 ½ -inch hose, 400 ft. of booster hose, and 38 ft. of Ladders.

Auxiliary tank 15 - 1954 Army 6x6 1,100-gallon tank truck with a 550 gpm pump, carrying 200 ft. of 3-inch hose, 450 ft. of 2 ½ -inch hose, 300 ft of 1 ½ -inch hose, 38 ft. of Ladders, and a folding portable water tank.

Truck 15 - 1987 Chevrolet short-bed 4x4 pick-up utility truck.

Oversized ATV - 1994 Kawisaki, carrying portable pump for narrow paths

Ambulance - 1986 Ford XL 350 type-3 ambulance.

Cliff Island Volunteer Members

David Crowley, Island Chief/EMT	FF Robert Howard, FR.	Herbert Vortisch Deputy Chief
FF Owen McKone, FR.	James Griffin ,Training Officer/EMT	Shane Barden, FR
FF Charles Green	Taylor Barden FR	FF Gary McVane

FR = First Responder

Little Diamond Island

Little Diamond Island has no organized fire company

**Portland Fire Department
Fire Alarm Division - Communications**

Stanley A. Lecours	Chief Fire Alarm Dispatcher/ Emergency Medical Dispatcher
Gail F. Dennison-Hale	Fire Alarm Dispatcher/ Emergency Medical Dispatcher
Suzanne W. Meserve	Fire Alarm Dispatcher/ Emergency Medical Dispatcher
Gary A. Devoe, Sr.	Fire Alarm Dispatcher
Kevin W. Morton	Fire Alarm Dispatcher/ Emergency Medical Dispatcher

Electrical Division

Bienvenido Diaz, Jr.	Supervisor - Fire Alarm Technician
Stephen B. Lord	Fire Alarm Technician
Jon Belanger	Fire Alarm Technician
Richard Andrews	Fire Alarm Technician