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President Message

Chief Michael Lajoie

I would like to thank all of the vendors and the States Chiefs Associations of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire for their donation towards the hospitality room in Kansas City. The hospitality suite was a great success and well attended, on Sunday evening we held a celebration party for Chief Bob DiPoli, the party was well attended, standing room only, people were also standing in the hall way. In addition, I would like to thank **Fred Sorrento, President of Air Cleaning Specialists, Inc.** for sponsoring our breakfast in Kansas City. A list of those who donated towards the hospitality suite follows:

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Without your donation the division would not be in a position to provide as much to the members attending for the same cost to attend. Thank you once again.

First Vice President Jack Parow and I attended the IAFC 2002 Strategic Planning Session in Colorado Springs on October 17-20, 2002; the session was very successful and well attended. There were over one hundred attendees; of the one hundred attendees 27 represented the State Chiefs Associations. In attendance representing the New England State Chiefs Associations were Chief Steve Allen President NH Fire Chiefs Association, Chief Kevin Partridge MA State Fire Chiefs Association, Chief Tom Weber CT State Fire Chiefs Association and I attended in two capacities representing the New England Division and the Maine Fire Chiefs Association.

Other New England Chiefs in attendance were, Chief Bob Dipoli Needham, MA, IAFC Second Vice President, see pres. message pg3

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