

# Jacksonville Association of Refired Fire Fighters

### NEWSLETTER

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**Quote of the Month:** We can think of no more stirring symbol of man's Humanity than to serve in the Fire Service.





#### LAST ALARM:

Our last alarm was sounded on May  $6^{th}$ , 2016 for Jacksonville Fire Rescue Medical Director

Doctor Robert F. Kiely. Doctor Kiely also served as a Colonel in the United States Army.

His tenure with the Department exceeded 32 years, which to date, commemorated the Longest length of times serving our Department.

#### **Members Report:**

Linda Treadwell presently has successfully completed her 19<sup>th</sup> treatment at Shands in Please continue to keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Currently Jerry Burns has remained bed ridden but would appreciate calls or visits which

Undoubtedly will boost his spirits. He can be reached at (904) 612-3415. Remember Jerry in your thoughts and prayers in getting better quickly.

Retired Captain T.C. Banks has been continuing his treatments and progress is steady. Please join us in thoughts and prayers for his recovery.

No updated information about Retired Richard Henderson. Please join us in thoughts and prayers for his recovery.

Retired Captain Harry Beckham has been released from Brooks Rehab and currently returned Home for further recuperation. He would love to receive calls at (904) 696-1852 or even better Home visits. His address is 2267 Leonardo Lane North.

Retired Captain William (Bill) Palmer was recently in Baptist South for treatments of numerous Issues besides cancer in his mouth. Thankfully he has returned home and can be reached at (904) 262-8633. If you do call, please minimize length of call due to his condition, however He would really love to hear from you.

## **General information:**

Red Knights will ride Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ride Captain Ronnie Learn will lead all to Ocala, Florida with lunch at Fat Boy's B-B-Que. Kick-Stand up at 10:00 am at the Cracker Barrel at US 17 and I 295 in Orange Park.

Soon to be retired, Engineer Andy Dombrowski with 27 years of service to Jacksonville Fire Rescue is celebrating a retirement dinner Friday, June 24, 2016 at Fire Station # 32 – 5:00 pm. Please R.S.V.P. to Captain Beaudoin at (904) 838-2284.

At the JFRA breakfast held on Thursday, June 9, 2016, we are pleased to announce the winner of the beautiful Fire Department Quilt was Tommy Clayton.



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#### **General Information Needed:**

Reference Engineer Billy Sellers who passed away May 12, 2013, his daughter has filed a lawsuit due to his condition of mesothelioma of the lungs. Her Lawyer, Sam Elswick, has contact President Wayne Doolittle reference past protective gear (MSA – Cannister Mask) used in the early days of his career. Mr. Elswick is looking for any fire fighters that worked on fire watches at the Jacksonville Shipyards with Billy. Please let Wayne know and he will forward your contact information to the Lawyer.

If anyone is interested in or contemplating a Reverse Mortgage to help out with extra funds, please feel free to contact Mark Silverman at 484-302-8269.

Red Knights Information: September 7-11, 2016. For the second year, we are Headed to the Land's Creek Cabins. (<u>www.landscreek.com</u>) Ride Captain for this excursion is Brian Doolittle. Presently, we have a total of 10 motorcyclist going. If you contact Landscreek cabins, in Bryson City, North Carolina.

If you care to look at pics from last year's trip, go to our web site:

http://redknightsjax.sharepoint.com/Pages/contactus.aspx.