

# JAXRFA NEWSLETTER

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## NEW SECRETARY

AT THE OCTOBER RFF BREAKFAST I WAS NOMINATED AND ELECTED AS SECRETARY FOR THE JAXRFA. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. DUE TO FAMILY ILLNESS AND A SHORT VACATION I WAS NOT ABLE TO PUBLISH AN OCTOBER NEWSLETTER BUT I HOPE I WILL BE ABLE TO PUBLISH A USEFUL AND INFORMATIVE NEWSLETTER MONTHLY.  
GEORGE THORNTON

RETIREE UNIFORMS  
AT THE SEPTEMBER BREAKFAST WE VOTED ON A UNIFORM TO BE WORN TO FUNERALS AND OTHER SPECIAL OCCASIONS. THANKS TO ROBERT TARKINGTON FOR DOING THE RESEARCH ON THE TYPE OF UNIFORM AND WHERE TO GET THEM. THEY ARE TO BE WHITE LONG SLEEVE SHIRT AND BLACK PANTS. THE SHIRTS WILL HAVE OUR RFF LOGO ON ONE SLEEVE AND THE CITY PATCH ON THE OTHER. THEY ARE AVAILABLE AT PATRICKS- 5519 NORMANDY BLVD.  
SEE GAIL

IF YOU BUY THE UNIFORM THE RFA WILL GIVE YOU A GOLD, RETIRED FIREFIGHTER BADGE. FOR MORE INFO CONTACT ROBERT TARKINGTON  
AT 424-1687

## JACKSONVILLE ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FIREFIGHTERS

### MEMBER REPORT

FRANK AND JUDY PELLICER CELEBRATED THEIR 50<sup>th</sup> ANIVERSARY WITH A PARTY WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS CONGRATULATIONS!!!

GEORGE BLACKWELL RECENTLY HAD A HEART VALVE REPLACEMENT HE IS AT HOME NOW BUT STILL GOING TO MEMORIAL FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY. HE SAID HE IS FEELING GOOD.

BUBBA BENNETT: STILL IN A NURSING HOME IN MACLENNY, FL

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WADE TAYLOR: OUT OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND RECOOPERATING AT HOME.

RICKY RICKETSON: HAD FIRST HIP REPLACEMENT SURGERY AND NOW LOOKING TO HAVE THE SECOND REPLACED AT THE END OF NOVEMBER.

JOHN BISHOP: WAS AT THE LUNCHEON AND SAID HE WAS DOING FINE AFTER FIVE BYPASS SURGERIES. "HE SAID IT IS GOOD TO BE SEEN"

### FRANK MATTHEWS:

FRANK IS HOME DOING WELL AND ATTENDED NOVEMBERS MONTHLY BREAKFAST

WALTER HURLBERT: CELEBRATED HIS 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY ON OCTOBER 28TH

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## **PENSION NEWS**

AT A MEETING OF THE JACKSONVILLE RETIREMENT REFORM TASK FORCE MAYOR BROWN SAID HE COULD SUPPORT BOLSTERING THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUNDS BY SELLING CITY PROPERTY AND USING SOME OF JEA'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO CITY HALL. BUT THAT HINGES ON RESTRUCTURING THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND.

AT THIS MEETING MR CURTIS LEE, VICE PRESIDENT OF CONCERNED TAXPAYERS OF DUVAL COUNTY, SAID HE WAS SPEAKING FOR THE 99% OF JACKSONVILLE RESIDENTS WHO DON'T GET POLICE AND FIRE PENSIONS BUT WOULD HAVE TO PAY MORE FOR THEM.

MR. CECIL HOSKINS, FIRE AND RESCUE EMPLOYEE PUSHED BACK AGAINST THE CRITICISM OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS, REMINDING THE TASK FORCE THAT FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE ARE TAXPAYERS TOO.

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## **THE RED KNIGHTS**

THE RED KNIGHTS MOTORCYCLE CLUB HAS GOLF AND TEE SHIRTS CHAPTER 7 JACKSONVILLE, FL TO ORDER SHIRTS CONTACT WAYNE DOOLITTLE AT (904) 228 9795



**ENG. PAM RAMSDELL**

HONOR GUARD COMMANDER  
RECEIVING PLAQUE FROM PRESIDENT  
WAYNE DOOLITTLE



ON OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup> OUR OLDEST LIVING FIREFIGHTER, RETIRED CAPTAIN RESSIE TAYLOR, WAS IN AN ACCIDENT ON HUBBARD ST.

HIS ANKLE WAS BROKEN AND HIS LEG WAS BROKEN IN TWO PLACES

## **2013 RFF LUNCHEON**

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YEAR WITH WELL OVER 350 IN ATTENDANCE.



**MRS. WADE CHANCEY RECEIVING PRESIDENTS AWARD FROM  
RETIRED FIREFIGHTERS ASSOC PRESIDENT. WAYNE DOOLITTLE**

## EVENTS.

THE JACKSONVILLE FIREMANS CREDIT UNION IS HAVING AN APPRECIATION DAY ON NOVEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> FROM 10 AM TIL 2 PM DOOR PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY.

TOMMY CLAYTON AND HIS SON WILL BE HOLDING AN OLDFASHIONED CANE GRINDING AT THEIR FARM IN HILLIARD ON NOVEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> ALL DAY EVENT. BRING A COVERED DISH AND ENJOY LUNCH WITH EVERYBODY. FOR DIRECTIONS CALL TOMMY AT 845 3816 OR 845 8041.

REMEMBER THE MONTHLY BREAKFAST ON THURSDAY DECEMBER THE 12<sup>TH</sup>, PICADILLY RESTAURANT ON UNIVERSITY BLVD.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> IMACLENNY, FL HOLDS THEIR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE. THE RED KNIGHTS WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE PARADE. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT LINDA TREDWELL AT 210-6799

THE RED KNIGHTS (MOTOR CYCLE CLUB) WILL HAVE THEIR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY ON DECEMBER THE 18<sup>TH</sup> AT THE UNION HALL 630PM CONTACT PAUL LUTZEN AT 662-0423

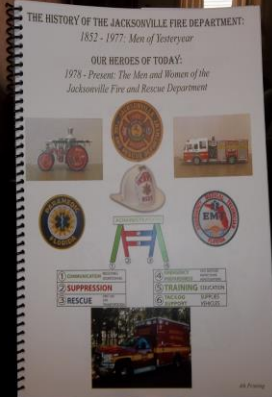
THE RETIRED CITY EMPLOYEES WILL BE HOLDING THEIR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY DECEMBER THE 7<sup>TH</sup> AT THE FIREFIGHTERS HALL. , DOORS OPEN AT 5PM, DINNER AT 6PM. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, CALL THE OFFICE AT 353-2400 10.00 PER PERSON DOOR PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED.

## JACKSONVILLE ASSOC. OF FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 122 CHRISTMAS PARTY:

DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 11AM- 2PM AT THE FIREFIGHTERS HALL 618 STOCKTON ST. PRESIDENT, RANDY WYSE INVITES EVERYONE TO ATTEND



JACKSONVILLE FIRE DEPT.  
BAGPIPE AND DRUMS



THE HISTORY OF THE JACKSONVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM 1852—1977  
OUR HEROES OF TODAY 1978—TO PRESENT  
THIS HISTORY BOOK COMPILED BY EDGAR G. AID:  
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