



Established 2007

# Jacksonville Association of Retired Fire Fighters

## NEWSLETTER

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**Quote for Month:** Firefighters are indispensable foot soldiers here at home. (Christopher Dodd)

### **Last Alarm:**



Retired Captain Claude "Corky" Springs, Jr. 80 passed away, Tuesday, December 27, 2016. Captain Springs last assignment in JFRD was on Ladder 44.

On behalf of the Jacksonville Retired Fire Fighter's Association and Corky's Family, we would like to thank the JFRD Administration for allowing the Honor Guard to participate in his services in Newberry, Florida on December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Retired Lt. David J. Addison passed away also on December 27, 2016. He served 22 years with Jacksonville Fire Rescue Department assigned to L10. We regret that we have no further information at this time.

### **Members Report: Please Keep our Sick Members in your thoughts/prayers.**

**Linda Treadwell is going back for more treatments once a month in Gainesville to keep the cancer at bay. Thank you for all the prayers so far. Keep them coming. She can be reached at (904) 210-6799**

**Chief Bill Parks has fallen a couple of times and had a dislocated shoulder and is recovering at home.**

**Jerry Burns is at home with a broken foot. Prayers for recovery are welcomed.**

**Bill Harper is now at Brooks Rehab on University after spending over 28 days in Intensive Care.**

**Richard (Rick) Darby underwent surgery for a heart related issue and is recovering at home.**

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R to L - Oldest living Fire Chief, Cullen Chalker; Lt. Chip George (L44); and Oldest Living Fire Fighter Walter Hurlbert. During the month of December, Lt. George invited the two pictured individuals for a Christmas dinner at Fire Station 44. Throughout the year, Lt. George has bestowed many dinner invitations to our association members to come, eat and socialize with the crew on duty.



R to L: Retired Capt Bobby Bass; Retired Capt John Wood; Retired Lt. Jim White; Retired Engineer Ronnie Learn; (behind him) Retired Eng. Richard Brand; and Retired Capt Herbert Ramsdell. Annually in December, the JaxRFA members create Fruit & Goodies baskets and disperse them to 16 of our members who are dealing with some type of health issue.



Retired Battalion Chief W J Parks.

He had just returned home from his convalescence in a Nursing home, when we delivered his Fruit & Basket to him and his family.



L to R: Retired Eng. Richard Brand; Retired Prevention Officer Owen Richardson; and Retired Capt John Wood. After a lengthy stay in at UF Health, Owen returned home to enjoy usage of several ramps that Capt Wood orchestrated members joining in to build. Here he is receiving his basket of Fruit & Goodies from Capt Wood and Eng Richard Brand.



Jax Red Knights – Chapter 7 Annual Christmas Party at Old Fire Station # 8. L to R: Brad Doolittle, Brian Doolittle, David Ash, Ronnie Learn, and Hugh Chancey.

2017 New Officers:

President: Hugh Chancey

Vice President: Evans Howard

Secretary: Brian Doolittle

Treasurer: David Ash

Chaplain: Terry Love

Sgt at Arms: Charlie Geiger

## **Jax Fire Fighter's Death Benefit Fund, Inc. Annual Meeting:**

Monday, January 23, 2017

Time: 9:00 am at Fire Fighter's Union Hall, 625 Stockton Street.

A light breakfast will be served prior to the meeting.

Please RSVP to John Peavy at 904-575-0188

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