

Jacksonville Association of Refired Fire Fighters

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Quote for Month: Happy New Year to all our Members and their Families!

Last Alarm:

Engineer James Stevenson passed away January 11, 2017. He retired from Station 28



Picture Left: Engineer Jimmy Stevenson.

Picture Below: 1st Vice President Ronnie Learn presenting JFRD Commemorative Coin to Gayle Stevenson, Widow of Engineer Jimmy Stevenson



Lieutenant Donald Kreitzman passed away January 25, 2017. He retired from Station 32.



La Crosse Fire Chief Buddy Harris (Retired JFRD) speaking with Donald's Widow, Tania prior to the start of his Memorial Service. Retired Engineer and Chaplain Wayne Young officiated the Service.

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

While Linda and Warren Treadwill continue to battle with issues of her illness, our thoughts and prayers are continually in her favor. We look forward to spending time with her at the Firefighter's Widow's Luncheon on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at Firefighter's Union Hall.

Retired Fire Chief Richard Barrett was just released from Memorial Medical Center after cardiac surgery to replace a heart valve.

<u>Jacksonville Fire Fighter's Benefit Fund Annual Meeting was held on January 23rd at the Fire Fighter's Union Hall with Breakfast served by Chief Bubba Blanton and his Wife. Special Guest present was Executive Administrator Tim Johnson of the Police and Fire Pension Fund. The election was held and here are the results:</u>

Unopposed John Peavy has returned as the Retired Representative of the FF's Benefit Fund. Active duty Captain John Long also returned with no opposition.

As of the end of 2016, The Fire Fighter's Fund has increased by 37 new members. The total members for the fund are now at 980 members, the last payout was \$5,450.00. (If you are not presently a member, by all means come and join!)

The 35^{th} Annual Firefighter's Fishing Tournament is scheduled for March $6-10^{th}$, 2017 at the River Forest Camp Ground on the St. Johns River, in Deland, Florida. Tournament Manager, John Wood would love to hear from you if you wish to participate in this year's tournament. There is a \$60.00 Registration Fee per person. John can be reached at (904) 868-7488 (Cell Phone).

Monday night, fend for yourself, Tuesday night will be a Fish Dinner, Wednesday night is Chili, and Thursday night will be Bar-B-Que and fixin's. Grill Master (Paul Lutzen) will serve hot dogs and hamburgers daily.