

Jacksonville Association of Refired Fire Fighters

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<u>Quote for Month</u>: Our Heroes should be those who risk their lives every day to protect our world and make it a better place – Fire Fighters, Law Enforcement and all Members of our Military.

LAST ALARM:

Our deepest condolences to their families and friends. They served our Fire Department and their communities well. We will miss them all.

Retired Lieutenant James "Jimmy" Reagor passed away January 19, 2018

Engineer Eric Rice passed away January 22, 2018

Retired Captain Bill Palmer passed away January 31, 2018. Bill began his career as a Volunteer with Jacksonville Fire Rescue Department. Within several years he would be hired by City of Jax and served for 32 years prior to retirement.

Retired Engineer John Claxton Passed away on February 2, 2018.

Lieutenant Melvin "Joe" Deloach III passed away on February 14, 2018

All the above departed fallen JFRD members were honored by the Jacksonville Fire Rescue Department Honor Guard and Bags and Pipes Brigade.

Members Report: Update on Illnesses/Injuries.

Two of our Retirees, Robert Tarkington and Clint Norman are in need of our prayers at this time as they are both battling medical issues.

33rd ANNUAL FIREFIGHTERS FISHING TOURNAMENT

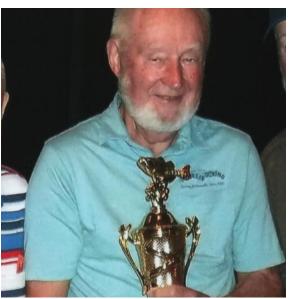
The Tournament was held February 19 thru 22, 2018 in DeLand, Florida. It was a huge success and total enjoyment for all who attended. This report comes from the Fishing Manager Retired Captain and Newly Appointed President of the Jacksonville Retired Fire

Fighter's Association.

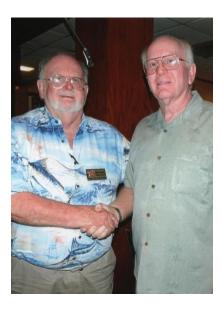


Retired Engineer Jake Fulmer and Retired Chief Dave Fulwood were fishing together in the same boat. Picture to the left, Jake "The Snake" was weighing in the largest Speck Fish caught, which was 2.06 lbs.

The Fish was actually caught by Retired Chief Fulwood, but at weighing time, he wasn't present.



Here's the Proud Winner of the Largest Speck Fish caught in the Tournament. That smile says it all! Retired Fire Chief Dave Fulwood.



At January's Retired Fire Fighter's Breakfast, the sitting President, Wayne Doolittle announced that Retired Captain John Wood was the newly appointment President of the Jacksonville Retired Fire Fighter's Association. Picture to the Left: President John Wood is presenting Wayne with a new title and Name Tag.



A small group of Fire Fighters meet every Thursday at the Hardee's on Blanding Blvd except for the 2nd Thursday's Monthly Breakfast held at Piccadilly on University Blvd S. If anyone would like to join this fellowship, then please do, all are welcome.



The Annual Meeting of the Fire Fighter's Death Benefit Fund was held. Pictured are the Officers of the Fund. Great News for the Fund. Recently 90 New Fire Fighters were hired and out of that number, over 80 joined the Fund in just one day. Thanks to these Officers of the Fund.

Great Job!!

Announcements

March 21st, 2018 The Annual "Men of Ten" Luncheon will be held. Please RSVP by March 12, 2018 if you want to come. Call either (904) 630-0880 or (904) 384-5040. Lunch will be served at 12:00 Noon.

March 25, 2018 American Legion Post 137 located at San Juan Avenue and Lake Shore Blvd. This event is honoring all Firemen and Policeman with an Open House Lunch from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm.

2018 "Fire Ball" The Annual Fire Fighter's Ball will be held on April 28, 2018 at the Lexington Hotel & Conference Center. This event is a dinner and dance sponsored by our own Local 122.

March 27, 2018 – The Jacksonville Widows Annual Luncheon will be held at the Fire Fighters Hall from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm with lunch being served at 12:00 Noon.

