



# J A C K S O N V I L L E POLICE AND FIRE PENSION NEWS

*"We Serve ... and We Protect"*

## FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITOR

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**Christmas—December 24-25  
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### ***Message from Beth McCague, Interim Executive Director—Plan Administrator***



Things are changing at your Pension Fund offices. As you may have heard I started as Interim Director of the Jacksonville Police & Fire Pension Fund on December 1<sup>st</sup>. John Keane, leader of this organization since its inception in 1990 officially retired as of September 30 and he has been kind enough to stay on as a consultant as we work through an orderly transition.

My goals during this interim period are simple: First: continue smart decision making that will ensure good, safe returns on the pension fund. Second: restore a healthy relationship with City officials. Third: set in motion actions that will improve efficiency and transparency in our offices and how we go about our work. Fourth: identify and recruit a permanent director for the Fund.

In addition to the leadership change, we also have a new Trustee coming on board in December. He is Richard Patsy, a very experienced business executive with a career in the pension business. He currently serves as Assistant Vice President of Pensions and Investments at CSX Corporation. We are all fortunate to have him join the team and share his expertise.

Your fund has a history of good service to its active members and pensioners. I pledge to continue that level of service. The team at the Fund is dedicated to working for you. Please call on us with questions or concerns that you have.

It is my pleasure to be serving you.

Wishing you the best for a happy and safe holiday season.

## JACKSONVILLE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION NEWS

**NOTICE**

***Jacksonville Firefighter's Death Benefit Fund  
(Widow's Fund)***

***Annual Meeting & Election of Officers***

***January 15, 2016 @ 9am***

***Firefighter's Union Hall***

***(618 Stockton Street)***

***Breakfast served***

One (1) Active Board Position & one (1) Retired Board Position are up for re-election. If any member would like to run for these positions, please send a written letter of intent to Administrator "Fred Ferguson", 1560 Undine Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32221. In addition, the normal business meeting will be conducted. As always, anyone that is not a member is welcome to come and join this wonderful organization.

***Help your fellow co-worker in advance of the need***

***Final Roll Call***

<b>William R. Dewitt III</b>	<b>Police Sergeant</b>	<b>Winferd J. Jolly</b>	<b>Police Lieutenant</b>
December 2, 2015	30 Yrs. of Service (2002)	October 13, 2015	33 Yrs. of Service (1990)
<b>Joseph W. Connor Jr.</b>	<b>Fire Fighter</b>	<b>James A. Wright</b>	<b>Police Sergeant</b>
November 13, 2015	18 Yrs. of Service (1979)	October 9, 2015	34 Yrs. of Service (1994)
<b>Gilbert D. Cannon Jr.</b>	<b>Police Officer</b>	<b>Peter W. Knox III</b>	<b>Police Officer</b>
October 24, 2015	27 Yrs. of Service (1992)	October 7, 2015	32 Yrs. of Service (2004)
		(Year of Retirement)	



*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give me"*

**II Timothy 4: 7-8**