

# Retiree Outlook

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## Pension System Presenting Benefit and Estate Planning Class

All pensioners and spouses are invited to attend an education session dealing with Pension Benefits and Estate Planning on Wednesday, October 28.

The Dallas Police and Fire Pension System will be presenting and hosting the session in the second floor classroom of the Pension System office at 4100 Harry Hines Boulevard in Dallas.

Retirement Benefit topics include DROP Benefits to beneficiaries, the 100% Joint and Survivor Option, Spouse Wed After Retiring (SWAR), Child Acquired After Retiring, and Qualified Domestic Relations Orders (QDROs).

For the Estate Planning portion of the class, Attorney James V. Roberts will talk about wills, powers of attor-

ney, and other statutory documents.

During the class, you may complete any or all of the following documents, as you choose: Directive to Physician, Medical Power of Attorney, HIPAA Authorization, Declaration of Guardian, and Statutory Power of Attorney.

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*See "Estate Planning Class" on page 2*

## Annual Enrollment for City Health Insurance Continues Thru Oct. 30

The City of Dallas Annual enrollment period is running from October 1 through October 30.

For retirees under age 65, the enrollment is active, meaning that you must re-elect the benefit plans that you intend to participate in during 2010. There is also an eligibility audit, which will require all participants to provide docu-

mentation for all dependents to be insured effective January 1, 2010. To begin the enrollment process, call the Benefits Service Center at 1.888.752.9122.

For retirees age 65 and older, the enrollment process will be passive, meaning you may continue your existing cover-

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*See "Annual..." on page 6*

## Board to Determine 2010 Budget for Pension System

The first draft of the 2010 budget was presented to the Board at the monthly meeting on September 10. The first reading of the budget will be done at the October 8th meeting with the final reading done on November 12th. You may attend the October or November meetings if you'd like to provide input to the board.

# Estate Planning Class

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You will also have the opportunity to complete a will questionnaire to help you begin the process of writing or updating your will. If you choose, you can follow up with the attorney to complete the will process at your own expense.

A continental breakfast and a box lunch will be provided.

The class is free, but we require a \$30 deposit to hold your spot. Your check will be returned to you at the end of the seminar.

Space is limited, so register now by contacting Ann Matthews at 214.638.3863, or by e-mail at [a.matthews@dpfp.org](mailto:a.matthews@dpfp.org).

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW RETIREES!

### POLICE

Martha C. Sanders

Paul J. Wisdom

### FIRE

Gary W. Edge

Paula J. Furr

Robert F. Taylor

## Station #11 Celebrates 100 Years November 18

Fire Station #11 at Cedar Springs Road and Reagan Street will celebrate 100 years of continuous service with a celebration on Wednesday, November 18th, from 10:30 until 12:30.

Attendees are invited to bring photos of their time serving at Station #11. There will be food and beverages served.

Whether active or retired, anyone who has ever been assigned to Station #11 is invited. Please R.S.V.P. by November 1 (please see the R.S.V.P. form below).

For more information about the Station #11 100th Anniversary Celebration, email Captain Rett Blankenship at [firebrew20@aol.com](mailto:firebrew20@aol.com).



**R.S.V.P. by Nov. 1 for Fire Station #11 100th Anniversary, Nov. 18, 2009, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Guests (including yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

When were you assigned to Station #11?: \_\_\_\_\_

*It is preferred that you send the above information by email to Captain Rett Blankenship at: [firebrew20@aol.com](mailto:firebrew20@aol.com). If you do not have access to email, fill this out, and send it to: DPFP, Attn: Kevin, 4100 Harry Hines Blvd., Ste 100, Dallas, TX 75219*

# Annual Police Picnic Scheduled for October 3 in Quitman

The Annual DPD retirees picnic will be held Saturday, October 3, at 11 a.m. at Hogg Park in Quitman.

The organizers invite active officers to attend as well.

To reach the park from Dallas, take US Highway 80 to Mineola; then go north on U.S. 69 for 9 blocks, then veer onto State Highway 37.

Go approximately 8 miles to Quitman. The park is off State Highway 37 about 6 blocks south of the Wood County Courthouse.

This event is traditionally attended by over 300 DPD pensioners and families.

A catered BBQ dinner will be available for a small charge.



## Message to Fire Retirees from the Dallas Retired Fire Fighters Association

When there is a "Last Transfer" (death) of a retired fire fighter, or a spouse of a retiree, the family needs to know who they should contact. The following contacts will be able to provide valuable information on what is available for the services of your loved one.

**DFD Chaplains:** David Smith, 469.323.5891; e-mail: david.smith@dallas-cityhall.com; and Robert Winters 469.323-5890; e-mail: robert.winters@dallascityhall.com

**Pension Office:** Ann Matthews, 214.382.4408; e-mail: a.matthews@dpfp.org

**DRFFA Chaplain:** Denny Burris, 903.567.0322; dn-burris@etcable.net

**DRFFA Sec/Treas.:** Pat Warnock 972-620-4956; e-mail: patricia.warnock@sbcglobal.net

**DRFFA Webmaster** Dean Warnock 214-649-5895; e-mail: dean.warnock@tx.rr.com

**DRFFA President:** Don Howard 214.282.3674 or 972.271.8054; dhoward26@tx.rr.com

Thanks,  
**Pat Warnock**  
Sec./Treas., DRFFA

## DPD Retirees Keep in Touch Online

Steve Hull (DPD Retired) has set up a group on Yahoo to enable DPD retirees, their spouses and soon to be retired to keep in touch.

The group is by invitation only. Information of interest to retirees and by retirees can be posted and members can choose to receive the information by email or by logging onto the website to review it online.

If you would like to join, please go to:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DPDretirees/>

and click on the "Join this Group" button.

For more information, please contact Steve Hull at:

dpdsteve@sbcglobal.net



L. M. Loggins

Kenny Fort

Louis Gillespie



Howard Johnson

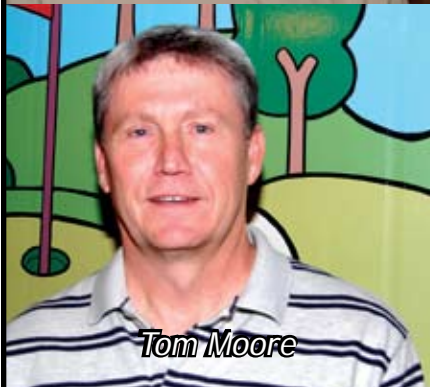
Jesse



Tom Moorman



Russell Graves



Tom Moore



# October

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

*If you are organizing a Retiree meeting or event, and would like your event on the calendar, please send us the details by the 5th of the month before the event. Send by e-mail to: KevinK@dppf.org. Submitted items will be printed as space permits, and may be edited. Thanks.*

4 Meeting of the Retired Police and Firefighters Association	5	6	7
11	12	13	14
18	19	20	21 "Young at Heart" Lunch for Police and Fire Widows and Widowers
25	26	27	28 Benefit and Estate Planning Seminar (see page 1)

**1** Police CAPERS Dinner  
Thursday, October 1  
6:30 p.m.  
Steak Angus Restaurant  
717 N Bryan Belt Line Rd  
Mesquite,  
(972) 289-2501

**4** Dallas Retired Police & Fire  
Fighter Association Lunch  
Sunday, October 4, 1 P.M.  
Pension System Office ,  
4100 N. Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas  
(Park in upper lot, which is the up-  
per Throckmorton entrance)

**8** Regular Board Meeting  
Thursday, October 8,  
8:30 a.m.  
4100 N. Harry Hines Blvd.,  
Dallas (Park in upper lot, which  
is the upper Throckmorton  
entrance)



*Briseno*

*Harold Rice*

*Jim Brigdon*



*Jean and Nelda Landess*

# 2009

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Police CAPERS Dinner	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Police Picnic in Quitman (see pg. 3)
<b>8</b> Regular Board Meeting	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>29</b> Retired and Active Police Breakfast	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>



*Melvin Peters*

*Auby Henson*



*Mike and Karen Hoskins*



*Bob and Glendine Stephens*

**21** "Young at Heart" Lunch for Police and Fire Widows and Widowers  
 Wednesday, October 21, 11 a.m.  
 Highland Park Cafeteria  
 Buckner and Garland Road, Dallas  
 (Being held on 10/21 because of a conflict on 10/28)

**29** Retired and Active Police Breakfast  
 Thursday, October 29  
 9:00 a.m.  
 Circle Grill  
 I-30 and Buckner Road  
 Dallas

## Dallas Retired Police and Fire Fighters Association

We enjoyed a good meeting at the Pension System Office, 4100 Harry Hines.

Several months ago, Herb Steele handed out blank personal biography sheets to several members of the association. The idea was to save the history for the association and for the member's families.

We all have been involved in interesting history that his family would like to know about. Herb has more biography sheets. Get one and fill it out!.

Last month he offered \$10 to anyone who could identify the mystery man from clues in their biography. No one could identify him.

This month Herb read out some more clues about the mystery man from last month. The winner identified Bill Barnes and received a \$5 prize. The second mystery man was identified as Moe Rodgers.

Retired Firemen Charley Stewart and Jerry Smith and their wives visited the meeting.

Ann Mathews, Retiree advocate, talked about enrol-

ment for the NCPERS Life Insurance program. For \$17 a month the member and his wife are covered. She also mentioned a Retiree Seminar on October 28 on benefits and estate planning at the pension office.

A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all as well as getting to talk with old friends. Even though it was Labor Day weekend, we had over 70 attendees.

We had drawings for door prizes, and the grand prize was won by Diane DhORITY.

Join us on October 4th at 1:00 pm. for good food and fellowship. We meet at the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System, 4100 Harry Hines Boulevard at the corner of Throckmorton Street. Please park in the upper parking lot, which is the second entrance on Throckmorton.

I hope to see you there!

**John Mays**

*President, DRPFFA*



*John Mays  
President*

## IN MEMORIAM

Leola Alvis  
Wife of Jack A. Alvis  
Retired Police

Marion R. Bailey  
Retired Fire

Timothy P. Bordelon  
Retired Police

Jenet B. Collins  
Widow of A. W. Collins  
Retired Fire

Royce Dickson  
Retired Fire

Claude J. Duke  
Retired Fire

Voyd I. Fortner  
Retired Fire

William Shields  
Retired Police

John P. Smith  
Retired Police

## Annual Enrollment

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age during 2010 without re-enrolling. However, the City requests that you verify your dependents' Social Security Number and date of birth by calling the Benefits Service Center at 1.888.752.9122.

The 2010 Enrollment Guide is available online at:

[http://www.dallascityhall.com/human\\_resources/pdfs/2010Retiree\\_OpenEnrollmentGuide.pdf](http://www.dallascityhall.com/human_resources/pdfs/2010Retiree_OpenEnrollmentGuide.pdf)

# Good News From Your Fellow Pensioners

## *Happy Anniversary*

George and Marie Hunt celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on July 16, 2009.

Mr. Hunt retired from the Dallas Fire Department in 1980 after 32 years of service. He served as Battalion Chief at Skillman-Belmont when he retired.

The Hunts now reside in Melissa, TX.



*George and Marie Hunt*

Please send Good News items by e-mail to: [info@dpfp.org](mailto:info@dpfp.org)

*or to:*

Dallas Police & Fire Pension System, Attn. Kevin  
4100 Harry Hines Blvd.,  
Suite 100, Dallas, TX 75219  
*(Submitted items are printed as space permits and may be edited)*

## *DPD Class 43 Reunion Held in Mesquite*

After graduating from the Dallas Police Academy in 1954, Class 43 has had a reunion every year.

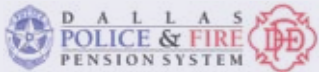
This year was the 55th year for the group and, although only three members of the original class and one mem-

ber of Class 60 (1958) were able to attend, the group enjoyed their time together.



*Front row: Roy and Debbie Lowry; Bill and Dorothy Chambers*

*Back row: Leonard and Olan Jez; John Loving*



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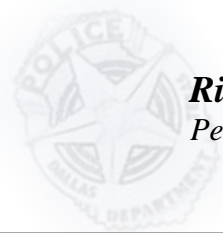
**From the Administrator**

*By Richard L. Tettamant, Pension System Administrator*

The fall season is finally here, and I hope that all is well with you. In this edition of the “**Retiree Outlook**”, there are articles on our upcoming Benefit and Estate Planning education session, City health insurance, and the Pension System budget.

Also, there are notices of many retiree events that you can participate in.

Remember, we are here for you. Call us if you have any questions or concerns about your pension. Have a great October!



**Richard L. Tettamant**  
*Pension System Administrator*

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