

# Retiree Outlook

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## Councilmember Scott Griggs Appointed to Board of Trustees

Dallas District 3 City Councilmember Scott Griggs was appointed to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Pension System, and was welcomed at the January meeting.

Mr. Griggs was elected to the Dallas City Council in

May, 2011. District 3 includes areas of West Dallas, Oak Cliff, and Mountain Creek/The Woods. Mr. Griggs grew up in Dallas, attended Texas A&M University and



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## Texas-Based Investment Pays Off for Pension System

At the January 12 Board Meeting, the Pension System was presented with a check for \$12.9 million from Lone Star Investment Advisors, a private equity

firm focused on investing in Texas-based companies in low income areas.

Lone Star Managing Partner, Arthur Hollingsworth said, "The great thing

about having a strong investor like Dallas Police & Fire Pension System is their steadfastness in turbu-

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Pictured, Left to Right: Jerry Allen, City Councilmember; Scott Griggs, City Councilmember; Ellen Billings, LoneStar; Delia Jasso, City Councilmember; John Mays, Police Pensioner Trustee; George Tomasovic, Board Chairman; John McQuire, LoneStar; Arthur Hollingsworth, LoneStar; Richard Wachsmann, Fire Pensioner Trustee; Richard Tettamant, DFPF Administrator; Dan Wojcik, Police Trustee; Sam Friar, Fire Trustee, Rick Salinas, Deputy Vice Chairman; Steve Umlor, Vice Chairman; Thomas White, Police Trustee.

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graduated with a degree in chemistry before attending law school at the University of Texas.

After obtaining his law degree, Mr. Griggs returned to Dallas to practice intellectual property law. In 2002, he married his college sweetheart, Mariana, and moved to Oak Cliff. In 2004, he joined his late father's firm, Griggs Bergen LLP, as a partner. Following in his father's professional foot steps, Mr. Griggs specializes in pat-

ent and trademark preparation and prosecution before the United States Patent & Trademark Office. He provides counsel on evaluating and protecting intellectual property assets and developing portfolio management strategies to help companies protect core technologies and enhance overall intellectual property positions.

Mr. Griggs was the two-term president of the Fort Worth Avenue Development Group from 2007 to 2010,

where he successfully created a Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District, implemented crime and code compliance programs, and advocated for more New Urbanism-based transportation planning and zoning. He has also served on the executive committees of his neighborhood association in Stevens Park Estates, the Oak Cliff Chamber of Commerce, and Oak Cliff Transit Authority.

(Bio information is from DallasCityHall.com)

# Dallas Retired Police and Fire Fighter Association



Bob Foster,  
President,  
DRPFFA

Greetings! We did not meet in January because the first Sunday of January was New Year's Day. We are looking forward to meeting on February 5 at 1 p.m. and you are invited to join us.

We meet for a wonderful covered dish dinner, door prizes, and plenty of visiting with Friends. Our meeting place is the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System, Second Floor, 4100 Harry Hines Boulevard (at Throckmorton). We invite all Police

and Fire Retirees and families to attend.

Best wishes,

**Bob Foster**  
**President, DRPFFA**

# Texas-Based Investment Pays Off

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lent times. The Trustees and Staff supported Lone Star in investing \$14 million in an oilfield services company 20 months ago in an uncertain economy. The company sold in December 2011 for \$45

million. Including the check presented, the Pension System's share of that transaction was \$23.3 million." The remaining proceeds will be distributed in the near future.

## *Congratulations to our Recent Retirees*

### POLICE

Leslie D. Bell  
Michael W. Black  
Lawton T. Loggins  
Donald M. Pinney, Jr.

### FIRE

James A. Crump  
David L. Jacobs  
Juan J. Urreta

(Names of Retirees listed above were printed with their written permission.)

## DPD Museum Completes Installation of Helicopter at DPD Headquarters

Over New Year's week-end, DPD Museum Curator Jess Lucio oversaw and Lone Star Retrieval performed the installation of an OH58 Bell Helicopter in the DPD Headquarters. The aircraft is suspended in the front lobby of the Jack Evans Headquarters, which will house the

planned DPD Museum.

The display will include a history of the DPD Helicopter Unit, which began in 1969.

The aircraft is occupied by two mannequins which represent two Members of the Unit who died in the line of

duty. In 1984, Lt. Robert Cormier and Reserve Officer James "Chuck" Taylor (Chief Pilot) were killed when the helicopter they were in crashed while scouting landing sites for the 1984 Republican National Convention.

Current and former Members of the unit were invited to contribute one of their Flight suit name tags, and these were put in a briefcase that was placed onboard the aircraft.

Today, the Dallas Police Helicopter Unit includes two Bell helicopters, 14 pilots (senior corporals), two sergeants, and one lieutenant to provide 24/7 air support coverage for officers and citizens. The unit also employs two FAA licensed civilian mechanics. The helicopters operate 4-6 hours per day and respond to an average of 400 calls/requests a month.

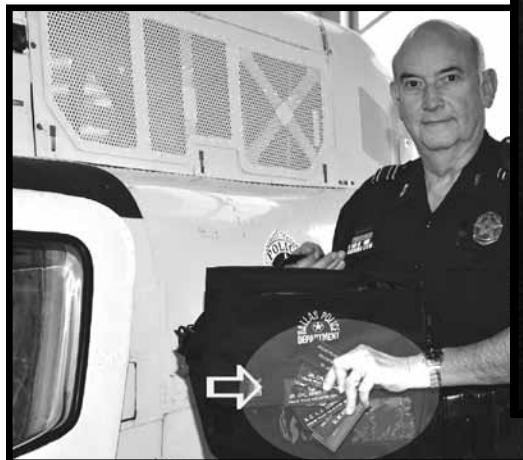


*Through the doors, then into the lobby*



*Mannequins were made to represent Chief Pilot James "Chuck" Taylor and Lt. Robert Cormier who died in a 1984 crash*

*Museum Curator Sr. Cpl. Jess Lucio placed a briefcase with name tags of current and former members of the Helicopter Unit into the Bell OH-58A on display*



*(close-up of highlighted area)*



**Bob and Judy Frey**

**Brenda and Levi Whitlow**



# February

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

**2** **Police Retiree Lunch**  
Thurs. Feb. 2, 11a.m.  
Mama's Daughters' Diner  
6509 W. Park Blvd., Ste. 400  
(at Midway Road)  
Plano, TX

**2** **Fire Retiree Lunch**  
Thursday, Feb. 2, 11 a.m.  
Papadale's Restaurant  
I-20 and Hwy 19  
Canton, TX

**5** **Dallas Retired Police & Fire Fighter Association Luncheon.**  
Sun. Feb. 5, 1:00 p.m.  
4100 Harry Hines Blvd.,  
Dallas  
(Park in upper lot, which is the upper Throckmorton entrance)

**9** **Regular Board Meeting**  
Thurs. Feb. 9, 8:30 a.m.  
4100 Harry Hines Blvd.,  
Dallas  
(Park in upper lot, which is the upper Throckmorton entrance)

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<b>5</b> <b>RETIREE MEETING</b> First Sunday Meeting of Dallas Retired Police & Fire Fighter Association	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Pension Office closed for President's Day	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Young at Heart
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>

**9** **Police Retiree Lunch (Arlington)**  
Thurs. Feb. 9, 1:00 p.m.  
Spring Creek BBQ  
3608 S. Cooper Street  
Arlington  
(Info. Contact: John Allen  
817.572.2741)

**10** **Police Retiree Lunch (Oak Cliff)**  
Fri. Feb. 10, 11:00 a.m.  
Charco Broiler  
413 W. Jefferson  
Dallas (Oak Cliff)



*Tom Sherman*

*Jerry Rhodes*



*Elmer Stone*

*Steve Hull*

*John Allen*

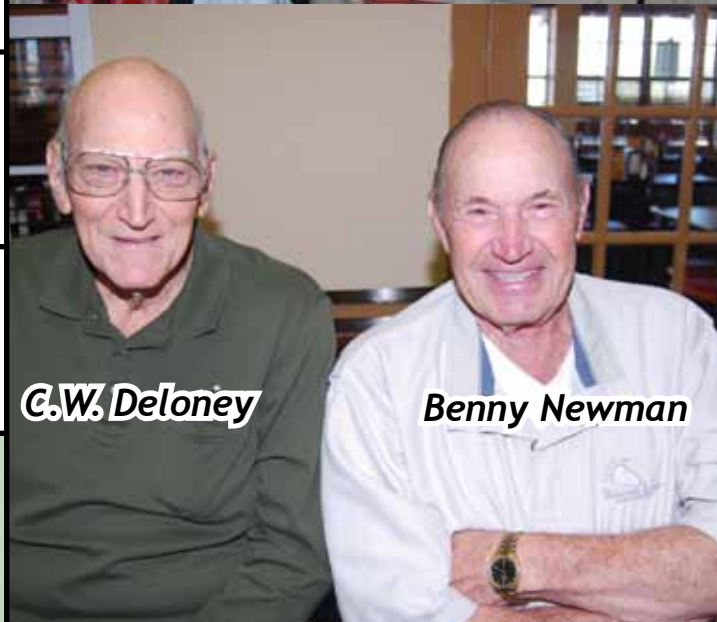
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Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>2</b> Police Retiree Lunch - (Plano) ..... Fire Retiree Lunch - Canton	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>9</b> Regular Board Meeting ..... Police Retiree Lunch - Arlington	<b>10</b> Police Retiree Lunch - Oak Cliff	<b>11</b>
<b>16</b> Police Retiree Lunch - Mesquite	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>23</b> Police Retiree Breakfast	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>



*Janice and John Abernathy*



*G.W. Deloney*

*Benny Newman*

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@dpfp.org. Submitted items will be printed as space permits, and may be edited. Thanks.

<b>16</b> Police Retiree Lunch (Mesquite) Thurs. Feb. 16, 11:00 a.m. Golden Corral 1902 Towne Centre Blvd. Mesquite	<b>22</b> "Young at Heart" Widows and Widowers Lunch Thurs. Feb. 22, 11:00 a.m. Main Street Cafe (formerly Nana's Eat'z and Antiquez) 627 Main Street Garland, TX	<b>23</b> Police Breakfast (Retired and Active) Thurs. Feb. 23, 9:00 a.m. Circle Grill Buckner and I-30 Dallas
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## DRFFA News: Update on Last Alarm Bell and Honor Guard

I want to take this opportunity to let everyone know about the Dallas Retired Firefighters Association's Last Alarm Bell and Honor Guard. The primary purpose of the Bell is to honor deceased uniformed fire service members at their funeral/memorial service. The Last Alarm Bell may also be used for uniformed fire service members elsewhere and for members of the Armed Forces of the USA with DRFFA Executive Board approval.

The DRFFA's Last Alarm Bell and Honor Guard has been in service for approximately five months and has been used for 12 services. The Honor Guard consists of 28 members. The only requirement to serve on the Honor Guard is to be a mem-

ber of the Dallas Retired Firefighters Association and be willing to commit the time required for training and be available when the Bell services are needed.

The Bell itself is mounted on an antique fire hose cart and is transported in an enclosed trailer. A lot of work has been done by a lot of people getting the Bell & Trailer and the Honor Guard organized.

If you attend a funeral where the Last Alarm Bell is used, you can't help but be impressed with what its use brings to the service.

### ***Kenny Campbell***

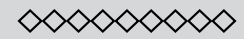
*2nd Vice President*

*DRFFA*



## IN MEMORIAM

*of those who have recently passed away*



*D. O. Bradshaw  
Fire-Retired*

*L. L. Clifton  
Fire-Retired*

*William K. Cox  
Fire-Retired*

*Elizabeth Gasset  
Widow of Douglas Gasset  
Police-Retired*

*Chester "Chuck" H. Goolsby  
Police-Retired*

*Inez Leach,  
Widow of Preston "PB" Leach  
Police-Retired*

*J.C. Moore  
Fire-Retired*

*Margaret L. Nichols  
Widow of James M. Nichols  
Fire-Retired*

*Stan H. Price  
Fire -Retired*

*Sharon A. Smith  
Wife of Dan G. Smith  
Fire-Retired*

# Good News From Your Fellow Pensioners

## *Happy Anniversary*

Vincent and Barbara Bruzzese celebrated their 62nd Anniversary on January 25. Mr. Bruzzese served with the Dallas Fire Department from 1954 until retiring in 1981.

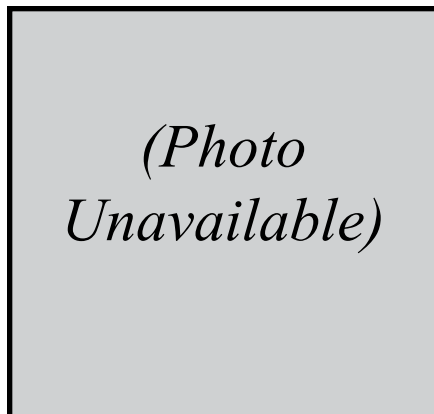


Edwin and Olinda Dresser celebrated their 46th Anniversary on January 29. Mr. Dresser served with the Dallas Police Department from 1964 until retiring in 1993.



Kenneth K. and Hazel Anderson will celebrate their 61st Anniversary on February 4, 2012.

Mr. Anderson began his service with the Dallas Police Department in 1956 and retired in 1983.



## Dallas Fire-Rescue Easter Egg Hunt Set for March 31

The 2012 Annual Easter Egg Hunt Hosted by the Auxiliary to the Dallas Fire Fighters Association is scheduled for Saturday, March 31 at the Dallas Fire-Rescue Training Center. The event is for children and grandchildren (10 and under) of Active and Retired Dallas Firefighters. The registration form will be in next month's newsletter, and at [www.dpfp.org](http://www.dpfp.org).

Please send **Good News** items to: [info@dpfp.org](mailto:info@dpfp.org)

or to:

Dallas Police and Fire Pension System  
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**From the Administrator**

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



Greetings!

In this issue of the Retiree Outlook, we welcome New Trustee Scott Griggs (page 1). Councilmember Griggs serves City of Dallas Council District 3, and he has been very active in helping to improve his neighborhood and the greater Dallas Community. We look forward to the energy, guidance, and insight that he will provide on the Board of Trustees.

Also on page 1, we have also included information on a Texas-based investment, On page 3, there is an update on the Police Museum, and there is plenty of news from the Retiree organizations.

We are here to serve you. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call and talk to a Benefits Counselor.

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

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