



The **Billy & Spanner**



PRESIDENT'S NOTES

By Mike Alford

Let me start by offering my apologies for the lack of information available from the presentation at our last meeting. I was told by the presenter that she had only been employed by retirement services for two weeks prior to giving the presentation. She admitted to having very limited knowledge about the subject matter and told me this two days before the meeting.

As you have seen by the recent email blast with updated plan rates, the information we got at the meeting was outdated. That rate information will also be available on the Association web site. Again, my apologies.

Now I want to publicly thank Ray Storms for stepping up to run for the office of President of the association and Walter Bugna for stepping up to fill the vacancy created by Ray moving up the food chain. I intend to continue as a board member, employment permitting attendance of the monthly meetings. Don't forget to show up to the November meeting on 11/10/2017 to cast your vote for these gentlemen to assume their new rolls in the Association. Just as a side note that day is also the 241st Birthday of the U.S. Marine Corps.

There is no update on the overpayment issue for either Fire or Police as of the last retirement board meeting. As for Membership news, the planning stage for our yearly Christmas Luncheon is well underway. Mike Moffett will be the coordinator of the event. If anyone has the desire to help with the planning contact him.

We are changing up a little this year. Instead of bringing a toy we are going to charge each person attending \$5.00 and all money collected will be given to the toy drive. This was decided because of the need for funds to purchase wrapping paper tape and other materials.

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HELP NEEDED FOR FIREFIGHTERS IMPACTED BY NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES

By Ray Storms VP of Fire

As you know, Northern California has been ravaged by fires. Many firefighters battling the blazes have lost their homes. I'm asking you to help these firefighters.

I'm asking you to please support Go Fund a HERO. This is the official fund-raising site for firefighters who've lost their homes in the Sonoma and Napa firestorm of 2017. They offer immediate assistance to firefighters and their families. This site does not charge any administrative fees to Donors. You can help by visiting their website <http://gofundahero.com/campaign/detail/4913>.



HELP NEEDED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT IMPACTED BY NORTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES

In addition to firefighters who have lost their homes while battling the blazes in Northern California, tragically, law enforcement officers have been impacted as well during this crisis. We've been informed that approximately 10% of the personnel of the Sonoma County Sheriff's Office have lost their everything due to the fires. We can all help these officers.

You can make a secure donation to the Sonoma County Deputy Sheriffs' Association by visiting this website and donating through PayPal:
<https://www.paypal.me/SonomaCountyDSA>

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Sign up for E-Newsletter. By signing up to receive the newsletter through e-mail, you will get the same content, only you will help the Association save money on printing and postage costs. If you wish to receive the newsletter via e-mail versus regular mail, please send an e-mail to treasurer@retiredsjpoff.org

FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL MASS & MEMORIAL BELL CEREMONY



Fallen San Jose Fire Fighters Felix Medrano and Jack Salois will be honored on November 11, 2017 by having their names added to the Memorial Bell in front of Fire Station 1. This is also the same day as the Firefighter Memorial Mass. The schedule of events is:

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017

Memorial Bell Ceremony
0900-0945: Fire Station 1
225 North Market Street,
San José, CA 95110

FIREFIGHTER MEMORIAL MASS

1100-1200: Holy Cross Church
580 Jackson St,
San Jose, CA 95112

OPEN ENROLLMENT & 2018 MEDICAL PLAN RATES RELEASED

We have received the 2018 medical plan rates for the various retiree medical plans. There are six different rate sheets based on the type of coverage and who is covered under your plan. As such, it is not feasible to put all the rates here in the newsletter.

We have provided access to each rate sheet through our website at www.retiredsjpoff.org. The website will also provide you brief instructions on how to locate the rate plan sheet that is right for you as well as a description of how to read the most important parts of the sheet.

Remember, Open Enrollment for the health plans begins on November 1 and lasts until November 30. If you have any questions regarding any of the plans, we encourage you to contact Rani Rajan at Retirement Services by e-mail at Rani.Rajan@sanjoseca.gov or by calling the main Retirement Services number at 408-794-1000.

ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED SAN JOSE POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS

Christmas Luncheon 2017!

DECEMBER 14, 2017

Doors open at 11AM. Lunch served from 12:00 to 1:30PM. Sign up on our webpage!

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT

Scott Kouns, Battalion Chief,
26.67 years of service

Julie La Blanc, Fire Engineer,
25.04 years of service.

Michael T. Tapia, Sr., Firefighter,
26.53 years of service.p YOS)



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

11/1 City Diner – Tan, 2951 Monterey Rd., SJ 408-269-5490
11/8 Burger Pit - Blue, 120 Blossom Hill Rd. San Jose 408-225-6030
**11/9 Association Meeting, 11AM to 1PM at the
San Jose P.O.A. Hall, 1151 N. 4th St San Jose**
11/15 Goodies - Wine – Wine, 2201 S. Bascom Ave, Campbell 408-369-1236
11/15 Police Benevolent Association, 5PM
at the San Jose POA Hall, 1151 N. 4th St., San Jose
11/22 Holders Country Inn. – Green, 1424b Saratoga Ave. SJ., 408-378-6022
11/29 Hick'ry Pit – Gray, 980 E. Campbell Ave., Campbell 408-371-2400
**12/14 Annual Association Christmas Luncheon,
Doors open at 11AM; Lunch service from 12:00PM to 1:30PM**
12/6 City Diner – Tan, 2951 Monterey Rd., SJ 408-269-5490
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CONDOLENCES

Oliver J. Anastacio, Firefighter, retired August 8, 1982, died August 15, 2017.
Notification of the death of Robert W. Currall, Firefighter, retired Dec. 2, 1993, died July 19, 2017.
Lewis B. Smith, Police Officer, retired September 6, 1997, died July 24, 2017

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