

San Antonio Fire & Police Pensioners
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Pensioners Newsletter 14 September 2010
By Vick Abate

WELLNESS REPORTS

FIRE—by S.B. ‘Breezy’ Briseno

(Anyone having information about deaths or illness involving fire department personnel, retirees or relatives, is invited to call Breezy Briseno @ (210) 654-3580) with information.

ILL OR INJURED: Lanelle Albers, recuperating at home from back surgery; Ignacio Avila Jr. recuperating from toe surgery at home; Charlie Prescott, being treated for cancer at a Houston hospital.

DECEASED: Carole Willis, 70, 8/27/10. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, who was a Captain in the S.A.F.D. The cause of death was cancer; Jessie “Joe” H. Everett, Jr., 63, 8/31/10. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved deer hunting and fishing. He had many friends who joined him on his hunting and fishing trips, especially his partner, Donald Fey, on many occasions.

POLICE--- by *Bill Turner*

Anyone having information about deaths or illness involving police department personnel, retirees or relatives, is invited to call Bill Turner @ (210) 525-9962 with information.

ILL OR INJURED: none reported

DECEASED: James Cammack, Jr. 67, 5/25/10; Charles V. Kalka, 82, 8/19/10; Mark Eugene Hunt, 45, 8/21/10, an active duty officer, who died while on vacation in Port Aransas, TX.

GUEST SPEAKERS: Judges Sol Casseb, judge of District Court 288; Janet Littlejohn, judge of 150th District Court and Renee McElhany, judge of 73rd District Court, appeared and spoke to the assembly regarding their candidacy to the respective courts. Doris Hurtado, Director of Client Services, QCD of America, a Dental and Vision Benefit Program, made a presentation regarding benefits available to members. The group has several optional plans [Red, Red Plus, White, & Blue] according to individual needs. A packet showing options and fees was distributed to the members present. [For information, contact Doris Hurtado 1/800-229-0304, Ext. 20, or e-mail: Dhurtado@qcdo.comfamerica]

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PENSION FUND COMMITTEE: Alex Perez gav a brief report on the fund’s status which included YTD rate of + 5.9%. He also reported that the new building has been purchased and the space planners are still at work on their function to allot space.

MISCELLANIOUS: Anna Burket, long time member and former board member was present and her 99th birthday was honored as she was recognized for attaining the age of 99 years. Cake and refreshments were served.

BUDGET: A proposed budget for the F&P Retiree Association has been created and will be voted on in the October meeting.

A NOMINATING COMMITTEE was appointed to secure candidates for the 2011 year. The election will be held at the October meeting. Any member desiring to be a candidate for any office as a member of the Board of Directors should contact any board member or myself [Vick Abate-210/415-2292].

Website: The S.A. Fire & Police Pensioner's Association has a web-site. The URL is: <www.safppa.org>

SENIOR'S MOMENTS, IDIOMS, ET CETERA

Today's Idiom: "*Trip The Light Fantastic*"

Meaning: To Dance

Origin: John Milton, the great English poet of the 1600's, made up this phrase in his poem "L' Allegro" in 1632. Readers thought that the phrase "trip the light fantastic" was a delightful way to describe dancing, and more than 360 years later, we are still using it.

NOTABLE UTTERANCES

"The American Republic will endure until the day congress discovers that it can bribe the public with the public's money." *Alexis de Toqueville*