

**CITY OF MIAMI • RETIRED  
EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION**

# NEWSLETTER

**AFSCME RETIREES CHAPTER 11**

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**APRIL 2008**

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**NEXT MEETING APRIL 27, 2008**

**LOCATION  
PICADILLY CAFETERIA**

**8301 WEST FLAGLER SHOPPING CENTER, MIAMI, FLORIDA  
LUNCH COMMENCING FROM 12 TO 1PM: MEETING AT 1 PM**

The association will provide \$10.00 each for member and one guest for the lunch bill. The speaker will be Monica Cintron regarding reverse mortgages, which is a way to turn the equity in your home into a tax-free income that you can use to enjoy your retirement. If you would like to ask Monica Cintron questions, you may call her at 305-397-8401.

The next general meetings for 2008 will be at the Picadilly Cafeteria on Sunday, April 27, Sunday, September 7 and Sunday, December 14. I hope to see you there.

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

It's that time of the year again when families get together during vacation, picnics, etc. This is also a good time to meet with old friends and coworkers. Let's hope that the hurricane season is kind to us.

I want to start a new communications corner where our members could get in touch with each other or know about former fellow workers they have not heard from or seen for a long time. It only would take a minute to write or leave us a telephone message with the information you want to appear in the newsletter. I am sure that this news shared by members about their friends or any other interesting news related to their families, will be welcome. I know those who recognize the names will be happy to hear about them.

The success of this column will depend on your cooperation. Start sending us your tidbits.

Louis Sarsich  
President

Ms Monica Cintron from Atlantic Coast Mortgage Group will do a presentation on **Home Equity Reverse Mortgages**.

Julie O. Bru was appointed as the new City Attorney by the City of Miami Commission on March 13, 2008. Anyone interested in what's going on with the City can listen to City of Miami Radio at 1680 AM. Messages are also broadcasted on the City of Miami Television public information channel in English, Spanish and Creole.

The Miami Fire Department Benevolent Association is holding their annual BBQ on **April 27, 2008** at the Benevolent Hall.

Police Benevolent Association BBQ is scheduled at the PBA picnic grounds on Saturday, **October 4, 2008**.

City of Miami Retired Firefighters BBQ reunion will take place in Otto, North Carolina on **September 11, 12 and 13, 2008**.

The Miami Police Alumni Association, Inc. is hosting the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Miami Police reunion on **May 16, 17 and 18, 2008** at the Plantation Inn and Golf Resort in Crystal River, Florida. The address is 9301 West Fort Island Trail, Crystal River, Florida 34429. For more information go to [www.miamipolicevets.org](http://www.miamipolicevets.org) and click on the 2008 Reunion link or contact C.W. (Chuck) Reynolds at 386-426-5141 or e-mail [cwreynolds@aol.com](mailto:cwreynolds@aol.com).

The Miami Fire and Police Association, Inc. elected Joe Longueira as their new president on March 26, 2008.

For Fire Memorial list and e-mails go to [Lyon911@AOL.com](mailto:Lyon911@AOL.com).

Hurricane season starts June 1 and ends on November 30. You should prepare your homes and have emergency numbers for your area available.

**The Board has lost several members and new members are needed to support our work for the benefit of all. Please consider becoming a member of the Board; we cannot do without you. If you are interested contact us at 305-863-8623.**

Changed your address/phone number? Remember to send us the new information. Also, when calling the association, please speak slowly to give us your name, telephone number and area code.

Please ensure that family members, friends and care-takers of deceased retirees CALL THE GESE, FIRE or POLICE offices and the SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION with the name of the (deceased) retiree member.

**HEALTH AND PENSION ALERT** Please remember to send all health claims to the City of Miami's Group Benefits Section, PO Box 330708, Miami, FL 33233. In Miami-Dade call 305-416-1380 or 1385. Toll free 1-800-416-1385 or 1-866-494-2344, or send the claims directly to CIGNA. All pension questions or paperwork should be addressed or sent to GESE and FIPO offices listed on the back of your membership card – **not to this office**.

#### **FIRE CORNER:**

Fire retirees are urged to attend Local 587 Fire Department Union meetings at the Fire Benevolent Hall the second Wednesday of every month at 8 P.M., to show your appreciation for the support Local 587 gives to our needs.

#### **POLICE CORNER:**

**e-mail addresses for Fire and Police Retirees sites are:** MFD vet.org / [MPDVET@aol.com](mailto:MPDVET@aol.com)  
[FIPOretaol.com](mailto:FIPOretaol.com) / •MFD memorialist Dlyon [911@aol.com](mailto:911@aol.com) George Billberry:(941-723-3621) [Ggbillberry@aol.com](mailto:Ggbillberry@aol.com). The Internet sites are: [www.ci.miami.fl.us/fire/Phil](http://www.ci.miami.fl.us/fire/Phil) Doherty. **For Fire contract negotiations information go to:** [www.IAFF587.org](http://www.IAFF587.org). Telephone 305-633-3442.

## NEW RETIREES GENERAL EMPLOYEES

Sonia Figueroa	9/16/07	Edgard S. Munoz	10/22/07	Edward Borges	10/22/07
Robert Homer	9/15/07	Robert B. Holcombe	9/15/07	Salvador E. Subira	10/22/07
Luis Carpio	12/25/05	Alfonso Tyler	3/06/05	Sonja Walhour	4/05/08
Nancy J. Alvarez	1/15/08				

## IN MEMORIAM GENERAL EMPLOYEES

Donald J. Kumm	9/21/07	Donald Mullens	11/08/07	William Wallace	11/15/07
Frank J. Gandolfo	1/13/08	Walter J. Garner	01/12/08	Julia Gorton	01/21/08
Muriel B. Hathorn	1/2/08	Florence K. Joynes		Ralph McDonald	01/21/08
Norris Miller	1/5/08	Edward H. Milligan	12/13/07	James E. Roberts	01/14/08
Margaret Soroachak	2007	Anne E. Harris	02/21/08	Ruth M. Kilgore	02/11/08
Charles F. Lorber	12/27/07	David McInnis	02/19/08	Glenfield Pile	02/10/08
Juan Santos	02/1/08	Mildred V. Schwartz	02/9/08	William Wallace	12/8/07
William Vidal	11/20/07				

## FIRE DEPARTMENT LAST ALARM

FF Hofher, C.	08/08/07	Capt. Oxen Burg, M.	01/05/08	FF Adams, Thomas	7/13/08
Capt. Russell, R.	02/28/07	Capt. Couch, Otis	03/14/07	FF Coleman, W.	7/12/07
FF Dyer, George	07/19/07	FF Schollenberger, J.	12/15/07	Capt Deke, Richard	12/20/07
FF McConaughy S	03/8/08	Capt. Russell, R.	02/28/07	FF Hooper, George	03/03/07
FF McCormick, C.	08/21/07	FF Yatzak, Henry	09/03/07	FF Hyatt, John	09/05/07
FF Sixkiller, Young	10/13/07				

## FIRE DEPARTMENT RETIREES

Lt. Paz, Jose	01/06/08	Capt. Barreto, Jorge	01/20/08	Lt. Paugh, James	01/20/08
FF Bethencourt, David	02/17/08	FF Washington, E.	02/4/07	Capt. Johnson, R.	03/04/07
Capt. Klimoski, Thomas	03/04/07	FF Williams, David	09/30/07	FF Zaldivar, Enrique	9/30/07
FF Romanach, David	11/11/07				

## POLICE IN MEMORIAM

P.O. LOKOS, HAROLD	1/11/08	P.O. MATHESON, W.	1/5/08	P.O. DAVIDSON, P.	2/4/08
P.O. WELSH, LEO	2/23/08	P.O. COLPITTS, R.	11/14/07	SGT WILLIAMS, WILLIS	12/26/07
P.O. KILPATRICK, JOHN	11/12/07	SGT. SMITH, JAMES	11/10/07	SGT. CHAPEK, DONALD	1/18/07
P.O. WHITE, RALPH	4/16/07	DET. WALKER, JAMES	1/8/08	P.O. VALENTINE, R.	12/31/07
P.O. ALGER, RUSS	1/20/08	C.G. MATTHEWS, M.	3/18/08	CAPT. ALLEN, RANDY	2/27/08
COMM. SPRADLIN, W.	10/31/07	CHIEF BOEMLER, R.	1/14/08		

## POLICE DEPARTMENT RETIREES

Sgt. Alvarez, Alfredo	01/6/08	P.O. Gerra, George	02/3/08	Major Brown, Roy	02/3/08
P.O. Saaveda, Jose	2/17/08	Sgt. Perzaz, David	2/18/07	Lt. Bello, Armando	5/13/07
Sgt. At Arms Canciobello	2008	P.O. Hicks, Randy	5/19/07	P.O. Bueno, Lizardo	5/27/07
Lt. Alvarez, William	07/8/07	Sgt. Reboyro, Miguel	7/28/07	Sgt Aguilar, Armando	9/30/07