



First Responder

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Remembering Senior Corporal Norman Smith

Thousands attended funeral services for DPD Senior Corporal Norman Smith, 43, who was killed in the line of duty while serving a felony warrant on Tuesday, January 6.

Members of law enforcement agencies, other public safety agencies, military

personnel, government officials, and caring citizens came to honor the fallen officer.

Sr. Cpl. Smith was one day away from his 18th anniversary on the department, and had been a member of the gang unit for 14 years.

His wife, Lt. Regina Smith, is also a Dallas Police officer and works in the Chief's office.



Sr. Cpl.
Norman Smith

Chief Kunkle described Smith as one of the depart-

See "Remembering..." on pg. 3



Note: The Pension System has moved. See Page 2 for details.

DROP Interest Rate Issue Resolved Through Legislation

The Market Rate of Return Issue regarding the DROP interest rate has been favorably resolved.

Some time ago, we advised you of the potential negative effect of a new Internal Revenue Service regulation that could have restricted the System's DROP interest rate. We are now happy

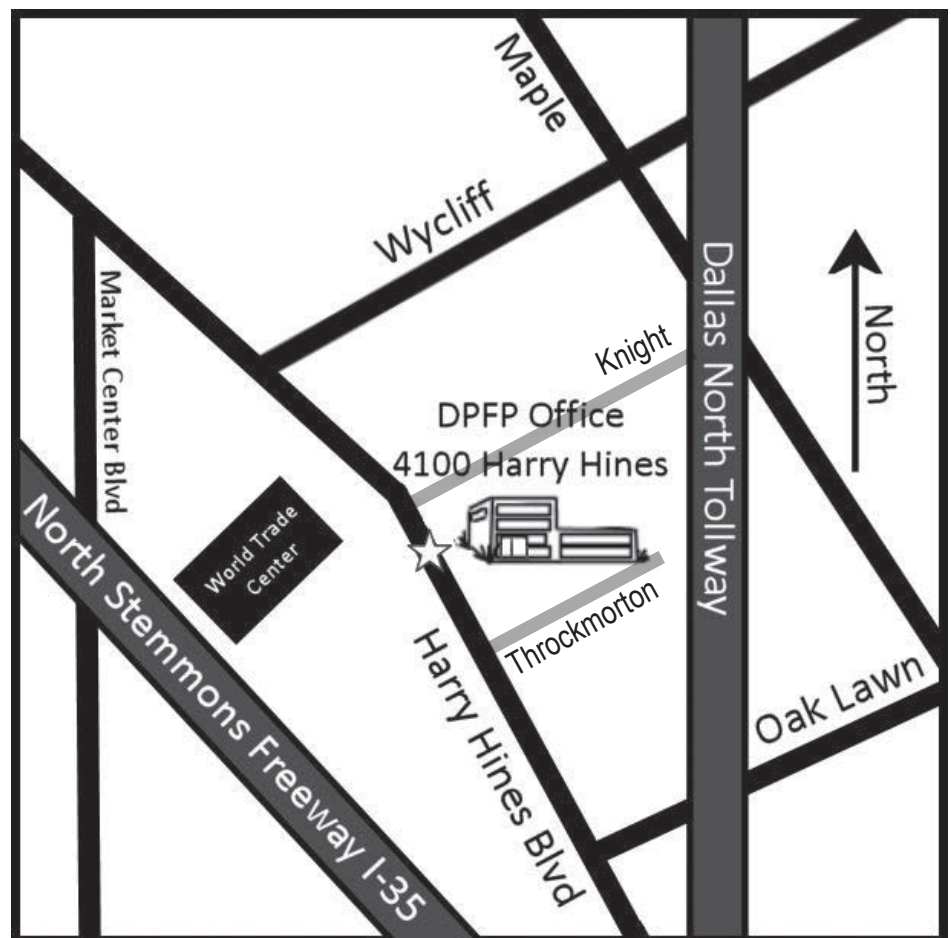
to announce that through the efforts of the Board and the national organizations with which we work, Congress has passed and the President has signed HR 7327, *The Worker, Retiree, and Employer Recovery Act*. The new law includes a provision that protects plans like ours from the IRS regulation. The

law accepts interest provisions established by state or local laws or ordinances as meeting the requirements of the IRS regulation. Therefore, the DROP interest provisions currently contained in the Plan will not be affected by the IRS regulation and will stand as is in the Plan.

Our New Location ... 4100 Harry Hines Boulevard

Our new offices are approximately 2 miles north of our former headquarters. We are now at 4100 Harry Hines Boulevard, Suite 100, Dallas, Texas 75219, between Throckmorton and Knight Streets.

If visiting us for seminars and meetings, please park in the upper parking deck (the second Throckmorton entrance) and enter through the back door. When visiting our office for business, use the lower lot (first Throckmorton entrance) and enter through the main entrance.



Sign up Now to attend our Education Classes in 2009

PREP

- March 17 (Register Now!)
- May 20
- August 6
- September 24
- November 5

Financial Planning

- April 22
- June 16

To register, call 214.638.3863
or email kristenh@dpfp.org

Remembering Sr. Cpl. Smith

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ment's finest officers. "He was a great, great street officer," he said. "He had the heart of a warrior."

The Board and Staff of the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System wish to express sincere condolences to the family and friends of Sr. Cpl. Smith.

PENSION SYSTEM CALENDAR

- February 10, 2009
Quarterly Board Meeting
- February 12, 2009
Monthly Board Meeting
- February 16, 2009
Office closed for President's Day

2009 Trustee Election Schedule

February 23 - March 4

Application Filing Period

March 4

Applications due by 4 p.m.

March 12

Board certifies Trustee candidate applications at Regular Board meeting

March 17 & March 18 (Tentative)

Trustee Candidate Training

March 27 - April 6

Voting 8 a.m. March 27 to
12 p.m. (noon) April 6

April 9

Board certifies election results at Regular Board meeting

May 1 - May 8

Run-off election if necessary
Voting 8 a.m. May 1 to
12 p.m. (noon) May 8

June 1

New Trustee terms begin;
(Current terms end May 31)

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW RETIREES!

POLICE

Howard R. Hulse

Steven Solaja

FIRE

Bobby G. Hamilton

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From the Administrator

By Richard L. Tettamant,
Pension System Administrator



Warmest Greetings to you. In this newsletter, we honor DPD Sr. Cpl. Norman Smith, who was killed in the line of duty on January 6. See page one for more on this fine officer.

You should have received a special newsletter with the details about our upcoming Trustee election. As a reminder, we have included the election schedule on page 3 of this newsletter. Voting will be by telephone or over the internet. Sample ballots will be mailed to Members on March 26. Members interested in applying to run for an open Trustee position may pick up material from the Pension System office beginning February 23.

There is good news about the DROP interest rate issue. See page 2 for more on this. Also, you should receive your annual Benefit or DROP Statement the last week of this month (February).

As always, call or email us if you have any questions or concerns.

Richard L. Tettamant
Pension System Administrator

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