

Pensacola Sports Donates to Fallen Firefighter Fund

Pensacola Sports, along with the presenting sponsor Wells Fargo Advisors, partnered with the City of Pensacola and Escambia County Fire Departments to host the first Pensacola Beach Firefighters Challenge in April of 2016. Teams from across the Southeast came to Pensacola to compete in the one-day event, testing their firefighter skills on the sand of Pensacola Beach. In addition to benefiting Pensacola Sports and being a sports tourism draw for the area, the event was able to contribute \$2,000 to the Fallen Firefighter Fund of Escambia County.

“Working with the local firefighters during this event was a great experience,” said Ray Palmer, Pensacola Sports President Ray Palmer. “Contributing to this great cause to pay respect to these heroes is just a small way of saying “Thank You” for what they do for our community.”

The Pensacola United Firefighter Association, Inc. (PUFFA) is in the process of raising funds to construct the Fallen Firefighter Memorial to be located at Pensacola Library Downtown Branch.

“We’d like to thank Pensacola Sports and the many Firefighters that participated in this years' Firefighters Challenge,” said Stefon Andrews, President of PUFFA. “Without them we wouldn’t be moving closer to our goal of erecting the first “Fallen Fire Fighters Memorial” in the city of Pensacola, to remember those that have lost their lives in the line of duty.”

For more information or to contribute to the fund, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/8c8c5a9f> or donations can be sent to Pensacola United Firefighter Association, PO Box 12304 Pensacola, FL 32591.

In the attached photo are, from left to right:

Curtis Beasley, Retired Pensacola Fire Department

Jackie Brown, Pensacola Sports Board Chair Person

Stefon Andrews, Pensacola United Fire Fighters Association

Joel Richardson, Lieutenant Escambia County Fire Department

David Allen, Pensacola Fire Chief

Tod Wilson, Vice President Wells Fargo Advisors

About Pensacola Sports – Pensacola Sports is one of the oldest sports associations/commissions in the United States, beginning in 1955. Today, Pensacola Sports manages or assists in numerous events a year throughout the Escambia, Santa Rosa, and Okaloosa county areas, and is the lead sports tourism agency for Escambia County. Events include a high school all-star series, flag football, 5K-15K runs, marathons, triathlons, soccer and softball tournaments, collegiate national championships, fishing tournament and annual awards and scholarships banquets to name a few. Pensacola Sports is dedicated to building a better community through sports. To learn more, visit pensacolasports.org. Be Moved!