



PACA Media Release

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Pasco fire chief to address homeowners

Pasco County's director of emergency services/fire chief will discuss the delivery of fire rescue services when he addresses the Pasco Alliance of Community Associations on Thursday, Jan. 13.

Chief Anthony F. Lopinto will detail the challenges of providing services in a tight economy that has required the Board of County Commissioners to reduce agency budgets. He brings extensive experience to his position. He joined Pasco County Fire Rescue in 1977 and has served in the dual role of Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief since 2000.

The public is invited to attend the meeting. It begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 13, at the Land O' Lakes Community Center, located at 5401 Land O' Lakes Blvd. (US 41), three miles north of SR 54.

After his remarks, Chief Lopinto will answer questions from PACA members and the public.

PACA president Jim Flateau said, "Fire rescue services can be the difference between life and death when Pasco residents face an emergency. It is important that Pasco residents know how these services are being provided when county tax revenue is declining. Chief Lopinto will detail how the county will continue to provide excellent emergency services to our residents across Pasco County."

PACA is a not-for-profit organization whose members include 81 of Pasco County's homeowner associations, community development districts and condominium associations. PACA assists members by educating them on common issues and finding solutions to shared problems. It also represents the interests of members before all levels of government.

For more information on PACA, contact Vice President/Membership Director David Quinones at (813) 991-1505 or visit the PACA website at www.MyPACA.org. To suggest topics or speakers for PACA meetings, share your ideas with Program Director Wayne Mooney at (352) 467-9808.

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Media publicity for, and coverage of, this event is welcomed.

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