

## Welcome New Board Members

*The NEFRC welcomes new Board Member Baldwin Mayor Sean Lynch and returning Board Member Palm Coast Mayor Milissa Holland*



### Commissioner Roxanne Horvath Elected as FRCA President

At their meeting in January the Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA) unanimously elected NEFRC's Immediate Past President as President of our statewide association. FRCA is made up of representatives from all ten Regional Planning Councils in Florida and works to advocate for the Councils and foster cooperation throughout the State. Congratulations Commissioner Horvath. For more information contact Brian Teeple at [bteeple@nefrc.org](mailto:bteeple@nefrc.org).



### Regional Leadership Academy Kicks off 2018 Class Schedule

A strong class of 17 candidates began their journey through the Regional Leadership Academy on January 31st at JaxPort. Their day began with a tour of the Southeast Toyota Auto Processing Facility. The candidates heard from current and former elected officials about the ins and outs of elected public service. The day concluded with a presentation by the Jacksonville Public Education Fund. For more information, contact Margo Moehring at [mmoehring@nefrc.org](mailto:mmoehring@nefrc.org).



**January 31**  
**February 28**  
**March 28**  
**April 25**  
**May 30**  
**June 27**  
**August 29**



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### Home Health Highlight

On January 30th the Northeast Florida Healthcare Coalition held their first home health working group meeting at Orange Park Medical Center. This group was specifically targeted due to conversations that occurred at Coalition Tabletop exercises earlier in the year. It was recognized that more coordination and communication between community partners could have eased concerns/issues that presented themselves during Hurricanes Matthew and Irma.

This meeting was the first chance to begin a working dialogue to mitigate identified issues from the last hurricane season, and to be proactive in supporting home health and their patients through future events. For more information, contact Tyler Nolen at [tnolen@nefrc.org](mailto:tnolen@nefrc.org).

### Hazmat Symposium Highlight

In mid-January LEPC staff and regional response partners attended the 6th Annual HazMat Symposium in Daytona Beach, Florida. There were over 550 people in attendance, who benefited from a total of 196 hours of training offered by 60 subject matter experts. The Northeast Florida region sent 50 people, which was the state's largest delegation to attend.

Also, at this year's symposium was the 5TH annual HazMat competition. The Northeast Florida region was well represented by sending 3 of the 14 teams to the competition (Clay County Fire Rescue, Jacksonville Fire Rescue, and St. John County Fire Rescue). All three teams won awards, and they walked away with 3 of the 5 trophies at the Symposium's HazMat Competition. For more information, contact Tyler Nolen at [tnolen@nefrc.org](mailto:tnolen@nefrc.org).

