Greetings Retirees,

I/we hope that all is well with you and yours. Please forgive me for being out of pocket for some time but have been recovering from Pneumonia for the last two months. I am much better now and I thank everyone for their support and well wishes.

I wish to let everyone know we are moving our HCSOAA Quarterly Dinner Meeting back to J.J. Taylor Distributing Company, 5102 16th Ave. South, Tampa, Florida 33519. Their renovations are complete and they did a remarkable job.

I/we wish to thank Sheriff Chad Chronister, Colonel James Bradford, and Major Rick Roebuck for their use of their HCSO facilities during this time of disruption and thank them all for all the support they give to our HCSO Alumni Association. I also wish to thank all of our Officers, Board Members and Volunteers for all their time and talents they donate to us.

Please remember this is your HCSO Alumni Association, any suggestions on how to improve this organization are always welcome along with any complaints.

I look forward to seeing all of you that can make it to all of our meetings.

Ken Schintzius
Quarterly Meeting - Updated Location

The next Alumni Association Quarterly meeting will be held on April 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at J.J. Taylor Distributing Company, 5102 S. 16th Avenue, Tampa, FL 33619 (see map). A buffet style dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Please come join in the fun.

Dinner Menu

Dinner featuring turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, tossed salad w/peppercorn dressing, vegetable tray with dip, cold cuts & sliced cheese tray, assorted breads and cheesecake.

Our April Quarterly Dinner/Meeting is being sponsored by Retired Lieutenant Margaret Hauser. We thank Margaret for her years of dedicated service to the HCSO and our HCSO Alumni Association. We thank Margaret for her generous donation!!

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The EAP/Work-Life Program provides counseling and informational services to all employees, retirees, and family members. Your EAP can help you with a variety of life challenges and concerns such as stress management, family and grief counseling, financial and legal issues, home repairs, and vacation planning. Confidentiality is the cornerstone of a successful EAP/Work-Life Program. HCSO will not know that you or a member of your family accessed services.

Work-Life specialists are ready to assist you with finding a moving company or local plumber or to care for an aging relative. Work-Life specialists will do the research and give you great referrals. They also provide educational materials to help members make informed decisions about all types of daily life needs. So don’t hesitate to call for any type of concern, large or small. A friendly, compassionate professional will be there to assist you.

You and your family members are eligible for 24-hour phone support and up to six in-person visits per plan year with an approved EAP provider, at no cost to you. To access the 24/7 phone support or to request a referral for a local provider, you may contact the EAP by phone or online at the following:

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- [www.humana.com/eap](http://www.humana.com/eap)
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**ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS**

Since the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office Alumni Association does not collect dues, we are accepting a voluntary, one-time donation of $10. Anyone who is interested in making a one-time donation can do so at the quarterly meeting or mail a check to HCSOAA, PO Box 6843, Brandon, FL 33511-7001.

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HCSO Promotions

The Sheriff’s Office Alumni Association extends our congratulations to the below listed Sheriff’s Office employees on their recent promotions.

Law Enforcement

Major Thomas St John
Captain Anthony Collins
Captain Charles (Preston) Hollis
Lieutenant Lora Holley
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Major Tiffanie Cole
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Alumni Breakfast

Alumni breakfast occurs the first Friday of every other month.

The next Alumni Association breakfast will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, June 7, 2019 at Perkins Restaurant, address 5002 E. Fowler Ave. Tampa, Fl 33617. Please join us for food, fun, and fellowship.

Upcoming Dates:
August 2, 2019
October 4, 2019

Shirts, Decals, Etc

HCSO Alumni Association merchandise is available for purchase at the meetings. To purchase items, contact Clif Whelchel at clif.w@verizon.net.

If you are ordering merchandise through the mail, make checks payable to HCSOAA and send to the address listed on page one of this newsletter. For stickers and decals, add $.50 to your check for additional postage and $6.00 for shirts, caps, and jackets.

Items
Window Stickers
T-Shirts (up to XL)
T-Shirts (2X)
T-Shirts (3X)
Polo Shirts (up to XL)**
Polo Shirts (2X)**
Polo Shirts (3x-4X)**
Jackets (up to XL)**
Jackets (2X)**
Jackets (3X-4X)**
Baseball Style Cap

**All clothing items are currently on hold due to increased costs from the vendor**

In Memory Of...

Retirees
Cecilia Arnett, Law Enforcement Lieutenant
Lee Baker, Law Enforcement Corporal
Sally Bargren, Office Assistant II
Noel Davy, Multi Trades Worker II
Josephine Gonzalez, Executive Secretary I
David Mitchell, Major
Kevin O’Shea, Crossing Guard
Kathy Rodriguez, Community Service Aide
Maryann Segarra, Senior Digital Communications Dispatcher
John Tadlock, Community Service Aide
Fred Wheeler, Law Enforcement Lieutenant

Current Employee
Christopher Kohl, Multi Trades Worker III

Donations
We are still in need of sponsors to support the quarterly meetings. If you or someone you know would like to sponsor a meeting by donating $300, please contact Ken Schintzius at Kenneth.schintzius@gmail.com

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Welcome to the Club!

Congratulations New Retirees!

Jeffrey Basham       Gloria Griffin
Margaret Bates       Earl Harper
Sharon Bates         Angelia Hijazi
Carlton Blair        Luis Llauger
Vera Canty           Vida Louden
Kevin Cooper         Richard Lozada
Robert Corn          Marilyn McMurry
Stephen Decatur      Michael Stevenson
Julia Edwards         Leoncio Tang
Danny Fassett         Donna Vassallo
Thomas Feeney III    Cindy Waters
David Forster         Spring Watson
Frank Greco Jr        Dwayne Williams

Letter from the Editor

If you would like to receive the quarterly newsletter via email instead of U.S. Mail, please email your name and email address to Adriana McAnally at amcanall@hcso.tampa.fl.us.

There is an additional email distribution list. If you would like to receive HCSO information such as promotions, funeral notices of retirees or current employees, retirement celebrations, Go365 and other insurance information, please indicate you would like to be added to the HCSO News email distribution list on your email to Adriana.

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Walter C. Heinrich was the Sheriff of Hillsborough County from 1978 to 1992. Sheriff Heinrich came to HCSO after retiring as Captain in charge of the Crime Prevention Bureau of the Tampa Police Department, where he served from October 1, 1949 to July 1, 1970. Upon his appointment to Captain in 1954, he was the youngest to be promoted to that rank at that time in department history. He joined the Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office as a Major in 1970 and was subsequently assigned to head the Criminal Investigation Division where he served until he took on the role of Sheriff of Hillsborough County. He won the election in 1978, was re-elected unopposed in 1980, was re-elected again in 1984 and in 1988. Sheriff Heinrich passed away in 2010.

Sheriff Heinrich was considered a very accomplished investigator in his day, but what many remember him for was his uncanny ability to remember people’s names. Here are some of the anecdotes our alumni have shared about Sheriff Heinrich’s way with names and what it meant to them:

...retired Detective Curtis Cooke said he saw then retired Sheriff Heinrich at a baseball game at Steinbrenner Stadium, and he greeted Detective Cooke by name. Detective Cooke said he was impressed by that.

...retired Deputy Don Kersh was at the SOC early on in his career and saw Sheriff Heinrich standing by the stairs talking to Judge “Hanging Harry” Coe. As Deputy Kersh and Sheriff Heinrich made eye contact, Sheriff Heinrich stopped in mid-sentence and walked over to Deputy Kersh. He called Deputy Kersh by name, shook his hand, and asked how he was doing. Deputy Kersh said he had only been a deputy about a year, and it made him feel good to be greeted like that.

…retired Corporal Mark Walther was hired by Sheriff Heinrich in March, 1987 and met Sheriff Heinrich at that time. Nearly a year later, Corporal Walther saw Sheriff Heinrich
again while on duty. He put his hand on Corporal Walther’s shoulder and said "How's it going Mark?" Corporal Walther was flabbergasted. Later on, Corporal Walther mentioned the encounter to his sergeant later that day and was told Sheriff Heinrich remembered everybody who served under him. Corporal Walther always thought that was remarkable.

…retired Detective Grinaldi was hired in 1988 and was with his FTO walking across the dirt lot where the SOC memorial now stands. It was late in the afternoon, and Sheriff Heinrich had exited his office and was walking to his car. Upon seeing Detective Grinaldi and his FTO, he stopped, walked towards them, and extended his hand to shake theirs. Sheriff Heinrich called them by name without even looking at their name-tags. He asked how they were doing and how Detective Grinaldi’s training was going. This made a lasting impression on Detective Grinaldi.

… when my wife Susan and I were dating in the early 1990’s we were sitting in the Valencia Garden Restaurant late in the evening. Sheriff Heinrich was seated with his wife Phyllis (who he introduced as his “bride”) a few tables away. He also knew our names and greeted us like he had known us all our lives.

The overarching theme is that Sheriff Heinrich made many feel important just by knowing their names. “A person's name is to him or her the sweetest and most important sound in any language,” writes Dale Carnegie in his classic book How to Win Friends and Influence People. I don’t know if Sheriff Heinrich ever read Carnegie, but he certainly could have written a book just as impactful memorializing how he felt about others.
Heinrich ready for retirement after 14 years as county sheriff

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tion. No pomp. There will be a quiet dinner out with his family.

For Heinrich, his family is his life. He has three children and four grandchildren. He and wife, Phyllis, have been married 45 years.

“The best day of my life,” he says, “is the day I married her. That was Feb. 19, 1948.”

Heinrich says he is a cop. Always has been, and this cop says he is done with political life.

“I began my career as a law enforcement officer and I want to end it as one.”

As sheriff, he was sworn to be an officer of the law. But he grew into a savvy master of politics.

“Politically, he is the strongest public official in Hillsborough County,” says Chief Circuit Judge F. Dennis Lahm.

“I think the Sheriff’s Office is what it is today because of Walter Heinrich,” Alvarez said. “He stood his ground when he thought he was right, but he could admit when he wasn’t. I respect him as a friend and as a professional.”

Retirement for Heinrich won’t mean the easy chair or the golf course. He wants to continue teaching in colleges and already has a part-time job waiting. He’ll be conducting surveys of law enforcement agencies for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Inc. in Virginia.

Reviewing a federal prison in Los Angeles would have been his first assignment. But he had to decline because his wife is undergoing double hip-replacement surgery.

“I expect to do maybe one assignment a month,” Heinrich said. “I do intend to stay busy.”

In 1986, Heinrich saw his agency attain accreditation, becoming the first in the state and the third in the nation to achieve that designation.

He is especially proud of the department’s triple crown: accreditation in law enforcement, corrections and medical care for inmates.

Over the years, Heinrich has led his agency to become the nation’s fourth-largest, with 2,286 employees and a budget of $129.8 million. There are 877 law enforcement deputies, 742 detention deputies and 687 jailers.

It’s a massive job. But Heinrich said he loved the challenge. Being busy is a must.

But there are no hobbies for Heinrich. He doesn’t play golf. He doesn’t play tennis. He doesn’t hunt or fish.

He is, however, a news junkie. By his own admission, he is the king of current affairs.

“I’m a news hound. My hobby, if you can call it one, has to be reading newspapers and listening to the news,” Heinrich said. “I begin my day with newspapers, and read them cover to cover, including the sports page. I end the day with local and national television news.”

Heinrich, a New Jersey native, moved to Tampa in the 1940s. In October 1949, at age 23, he joined the Tampa Police Department.

His soft-spoken, easygoing demeanor masks a tough cop. In 1951, while a detective, he punched a suspect unconscious after the man tried to grab his revolver.

Heinrich was, according to news accounts, “a rising star.” At age 26, he was promoted to detective sergeant. When he was 27, Heinrich became the youngest in department history to be promoted to captain.

After four years on the force, Heinrich was one of two officers selected to attend the prestigious FBI National Academy, an intense four-month schooling for law enforcement officials.

A notebook he compiled on his time at the academy caught the eye of FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover, who dispatched a handwritten note to Heinrich and deemed his notes “one of the most outstanding” of an academy class in 1959.

Heinrich also commanded the department’s first vice squad, and in two years made 150 arrests for bolita, an illegal numbers game.

His police career has not been blemish-free.

Heinrich was suspended in November 1957 after an indictment by a federal grand jury that alleged he and three other officers had conspired to sell moonshine seized in raids. Several convicted moonshiners had leveled the charges.

A jury acquitted him and the others in June 1958, and Heinrich was reinstated the next morning.

While in the police department, Heinrich made a name for himself as a top-notch investigator, particularly in homicides and juvenile crimes.

In 1964, he was given the department’s first Award of Valor for her- rim. He earned the award for overpowering a man who was threatening people with a bow and arrow.

He joined the Sheriff’s Office in 1970 as a major, hired by his former police partner-turned-sheriff, Malcolm Beard.

When Beard opted to seek a state House seat in 1978, Heinrich decided to take a run for sheriff. He won, and would be re-elected three more times.

“He has a great inner strength,” said Jan Platt, a county commissioner who, like Heinrich, began her political career in 1978. “He’s believable. I guess that’s the best way to put it. When he spoke, he did so from authority. And people listened.”

Platt, who along with the other six commissioners would approve the sheriff’s budget each year, said Heinrich was a master at the money game.

“During budget hearings, he always hit his numbers right on the nail. He came armed with statistics, and he always seemed to have an army of citizens there in support. He was aware of what he needed to do to win.”

Heinrich’s management philosophy has mirrored his own demeanor: low key.

“I can honestly say I never chastised a subordinate.”

His underlings always knew what “the old man” expected.

“I am most proud of the people in the department,” Heinrich said. “Any successes I have had are due to the men and the women here.”

His accomplishments, compiled for the national accreditation commission, fill three pages.

A sample: supervised dozens of sting operations targeting drugs and stolen property, earning him the nickname around the state as “the king of sting”; created a required Spanish language course for employees; and formed a squad of deputies assigned to handle environmental crimes.

“One of things I always harped on was that the police cannot battle crime alone,” Heinrich said. “And until we change bad attitudes toward police agencies, we won’t win the battle.”

Heinrich said he hopes one of his greatest accomplishments has been to create a colorblind agency.

We must teach our officers with the potent police power that no man is guilty because he’s poorly dressed, or the color of his skin or because he speaks a foreign language.

“When a person is accused of breaking the law, it’s because of the law, not because of who he is.”

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Strong Mind, Strong Body: 2019 Health & Education Fair plus Lynn Sowers Benefit Walk

The 2019 Health & Education Fair plus Lynn Sowers Benefit Walk is on Saturday, May 4th, 2019 from 0700 to 1100 hours (walk registration opens at 0730) at Falkenburg Road Jail. HCSO employees, retirees, and spouses/children are encouraged to attend.

The event will kick-off with a 3k Walk to benefit the Lynn Sowers Memorial Foundation with 100% of the proceeds going to assist Sheriff's Office employees. Not only will you be raising money for the foundation but you will receive 250 Humana points and a t-shirt. Registration for adult walkers is $25 and ages 17 and under is free. To register or learn more, visit www.lynnsowers.org. For questions, contact Mike Blair at rblair@hcso.tampa.fl.us.

The following resources will be available at the 2019 Health and Education Fair:

- **Interactive Exhibitors**: Health & education vendors will be present offering resources, interactive activities, and free services.

- **Free Healthy Food**: Stay tuned for what will be offered!

- **Go365 Biometric Screenings** (up to 4,000 Go365 points per program year): Recommended for all adults 18+ with HCSO medical insurance. Screening measures BMI, blood pressure, cholesterol, and blood glucose.

- **Go365 Nicotine Tests**: Offered by the HCSO OHWC so available to eligible members at no cost. Valid for 2 years.

- **Blood Mobile** (50 Go365 points): Donate blood and not only save lives but earn Go365 points and be entered in raffle for special prizes.

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- Mobile Mammograms (400 Go365 points per program year): Routine screening mammogram recommended annually for 40+ individuals with no prescription required. Bills directly to insurance (all types accepted). Schedule your appointment at: https://tampabaymobilemammography.com/schedule-register/

- Children’s Activities: Arts & craft competition, balloon animals, face painting, and more.

- Raffle Prizes: Prizes include theme park tickets, Apple Watch, gift cards, and much more!

Go365 Status Challenge

Upgrade your Go365 Status for a chance to win a $250 Disney gift card. Go365 members may enter for a chance to win, in person, at the Health & Education Fair. Raffle entries will be based on your Go365 Status; the higher your status, the more raffle entries you’ll receive.

IMPORTANT: Attendees must provide proof of their Go365 status by logging in to their account on either the Go365 app or on computer available at the event. Please come prepared with your username/password.

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