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*Happy New Year*

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# President's Message



*Cornita A. Riley*

Over twenty years ago, I joined the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, Chapter 27 and after relocating job sites, was given the honor of being elected to Chapter 7's Executive Board. After several years of service to Chapter 7 and the State Board, today, I am proud to serve as the 68th State

President for FCCD. FCCD has experienced numerous accomplishments and challenges over eighty plus years of service and as we move forward, there are many more challenges that face the communities and the agencies we serve. I am confident that, as FCCD has done in the past, we will continue to rise to these challenges and consider them as opportunities to demonstrate our professionalism, commitment, skills and abilities to help bring solutions to these challenges. I am excited about what lies ahead for FCCD.

This year it is my plan to focus on two vitally important issues. One being making sure FCCD has a firm business and organizational foundation that garners us the respect and support needed from our agency partners, our members and others that support our local chapter training and annual training institute.

My second and equally important focus for this year is on working with our youth. Franklin D. Roosevelt said, "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future." It has been the mission of FCCD to serve as a catalyst for the prevention and reduction of crime and delinquency through meaningful training for our members and demonstration of service to our communities. During these times of economic challenges and limited resources, as a team we can all assist our local chapters and agencies by being creative, thinking outside of the box and transforming our ideas into actions. The ability to do these things are a true demonstration of leadership.

Chapter Presidents greatly appreciate the involvement of all members, citizens, public and private entities and greatly need the support of the agencies they serve.

*My thoughts for the holidays...*

At the end of each year we should all take the time to reflect on the professional and personal accomplishments of the previous year. While it is a time for reflection it is also a time to for gratitude and letting those who we love and care about know it. Take time for your self and for family and friends. Also, this is a time to establish and incorporate new goals for the upcoming year. As President it is my sincere desire that we review the previous year and set goals for the New Year and commit to achieving those goals.

Thank you, to all FCCD Members, Family and Friends,

*Cornita A. Riley*

*"2010 and Beyond:  
Creating New  
Opportunities,  
Managing Limited  
Resources, and  
Developing Stronger  
Leaders"*

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# Local Chapter News

## Chapter 1

Chapter I has been busy, here are just a few of our activities:

### *Donations to Our Adopted Classroom:*

Once again, we adopted a fifth-grade class at Cypress Creek Elementary School. The class chosen is the one the school has determined as being in the greatest need. Once we received the list from the teacher, Chapter I members were asked to make donations of various school supplies including notebook paper, notebooks, pencils, glue sticks, markers, highlighters, poster board, arts and crafts materials, construction board and positive reinforcement toys to reward good grades and behavior. Cleaning and disinfecting materials such as Clorox wipes, liquid soap, hand sanitizer and tissues were also donated. We have already taken a large number of items to the classroom. The teacher was extremely grateful for the items and the students wrote us thank you notes.

In addition, we will also be providing the classroom with a Christmas party in December and will need enough items for 25 children. Please help us by making donations, which can be given to any Board member. If you know of any businesses that can provide free items such as pencils, pens, key chains, rules, etc., please let us know.

### *Tampa Police Department Memorial Run/Walk:*

Several Chapter I members participated in the Annual Tampa Police Department Memorial Run/Walk on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. One of our members, Roberto Batista, served as the Race Director! Roberto has spent the last year planning and preparing for this year's run. Over 1500 people registered for the event.

A tee shirt and goodie bag was provided to those who registered and proceeds went to maintain the police memorial, police museum, scholarships and other police-related charities. Two Chapter I members won \$20.00 gifts certificates.

Prior to the beginning of the run, the Tactical Response Team repelled from the top of the police department and many of the various vehicles used by specialty teams in the department were out on display. The museum was open for tour to the race participants. After the run, various drinks and snacks were provided to all runners/walkers. Chapter I assisted the Tampa Police Memorial Committee with clean up efforts after the run. Once clean-up efforts were completed, race volunteers enjoyed some relaxation with much needed pizza. Thanks to all who participated.

### *Donations to Animal Shelter:*

We collected dog and cat food, toys, treats, litter and gently used towels and blankets for the Hillsborough County Animal Shelter. Members delivered the items to the shelter on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> and filled up an entire donation cart. After delivering the items, members were given a tour of the shelter.

### *Upcoming Training:*

Chapter I has scheduled a training class on Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 AM to 5 PM. Debbie Geary, Past National President of Concerns of Police Survivors will be teaching the class on the Trauma of Law Enforcement Death. In lieu of a class fee, we are asking that everyone either bring paper towels, toilet tissue or plastic spoons and forks to assist us with our

community service project with Good Samaritan Mission in Wimauma, Florida. Please contact Carol Gammans to register for the class.

The Southern Poverty Law Center will be providing a training on Hate Groups. We will be scheduling the training in January 2010. As soon as the date and time are confirmed we will notify members.

There will be many more exciting training classes coming, so stay tuned to your local email station: Chapter1@fccdweb.org.

## Chapter 3

*Submitted by: Jess Baldrige, President*

FCCD Chapter III is alive and well. After a time of struggling to stay afloat, we are proud to report that we have reorganized our local Board and are working hard to have a great and productive year! The new Board members of Chapter III are: President: Jess Baldrige, President Elect: Samuel Wilson, Treasurer: Alica Miners and Secretary: Kelly Pearson. Our goals for the year are to strengthen membership, increase the number of training events, participate in more community service opportunities with our ultimate goal: *to meet chapter effectiveness.*

We have held four functions so far this year: A Blood Drive, a Meet & Greet Breakfast, a Breakfast Member-Drive, and a Domestic Violence training. We look forward to having a successful and exciting new year and challenge the other chapters to work hard to meet chapter effectiveness.

FCCD Chapter III, in conjunction with Avon Park CI, held a training in October for Domestic Violence Awareness. The training was open to all Chapter III members, Avon Park CI staff and local law enforcement agencies including Highlands County Sheriff's Office and Avon Park Police Department. We had a very good turn-out with approximately 45 attendees.

December will be a big month! Chapter III, along with Avon Park CI EBT will be holding the annual Kids' Christmas party on December 12<sup>th</sup>. We're also

having a Toy Drive in December to assist not only

## Chapter 5

*Submitted by Terry L. Lamoreaux, Sgt.*

### **Experiences from the 2009 FCCD Conference:**

This was my first conference and most rewarding experience I have had. Naples, Florida was very beautiful and the resort had delightful staff and great rooms. I enjoyed meeting with all of the vendors and learning about different and important things. People that one may normally sees only on the news and in newspapers were in attendance. I also had the opportunity to speak with them in person. Secretary McNeil was not only a pleasure to hear speak, but he also took the time to let me share different ideas with him. I was fortunate enough to even take a photo with him. Various supervisors from several law enforcement agencies were also there. I discussed with many of them different techniques that they use for investigations and was able to apply them with my own investigations. My favorite class was Facebook and MySpace. I learned many things that law enforcement can do with these websites that an ordinary citizen cannot.

We have a secretary that is making positive changes in the prison system with re-entry; I want to take it a step further. I am a strong believer in educating our youth, parents, and school faculty on the many negatives associated with the gang lifestyle and how to identify them. I was able to talk with many different experts at the conference in field of law enforcement which enabled me to collect different educational materials. These materials will assist me in making better presentations to local schools and faculty. Because of FCCD, the local sheriff's office and the support of my administration at Columbia CI, I made my first presentation to the Safety & Drug Free Advisory Council in Columbia County. I have also been invited to several schools to speak to the faculty on this subject.

My experience at the conference was made possible because I was granted a scholarship to attend the FCCD conference. This allowed me to meet speak with many different people about ideas I have

regarding our local youth and the rising gang problem. I owe a special thanks to FCCD and to my warden and his administration for allowing me to do what I have a passion for. My passion is to educate our youth and prevent them from going to prison.

*Submitted by Adam Finch*

On Monday, November 09, 2009, I attended the FCCD Chapter V training on "Leadership" at R.M. C. The training was conducted by Walter McNeil, Secretary of Corrections. He discussed



several important concepts that leaders must practice and develop over time to become effective leaders. The following is a brief synopsis of the training. The core concept that Mr. McNeil focused on was that a supervisor/leader must put the needs of the ones he or she supervises above his or her own ambitions. A true leader is able to know the concerns of his/her people and works to help his/her people through those concerns. A leader also encourages others to achieve their goals and recognizes the people that consistently

demonstrate a strong work ethic, no matter what their work load is. Also, Mr. McNeil emphasized that everyone has a leadership role no matter their job title.



Along with the excellent training, the meal served during the event was excellent. Major W.E. Smith and his staff prepared a delicious entrée of smoked chicken, sliced pork, potatoes, and green beans. Many attendees representing all areas of the state were present including; Region 2 (Wardens and Assistant Wardens), Region 3 (Warden, Chris Southerland), Alachua County Sheriff, Sadie Darnell and more than a hundred other Department of Corrections staff members.



*I look forward to attending the next training.*

## Chapter 6

*Submitted by Tammie Booker*

I have been a member of FCCD Chapter VI for over 24 years. The importance of my "dedication to the promotion of high professional standards for criminal justice agencies and criminal justice personnel" was reaffirmed after attending the 80th Annual FCCD 2009 Criminal Justice Training Institute. Not only myself but all of Chapter VI's attendees were energized by the outstanding motivation and



enthusiasm of Ms. Sutherland and her team. Under the leadership of Corey Flection, President of Chapter VI, *we are on the move* and continue to support the goals and objectives of

FCCD!

FCCD members have the opportunity to work on various committees and to serve as catalyst for positive change in the arena of Criminal Justice. We have some awesome members in Chapter VI who have been doing just that--- working to serve others! Our chapter has been working diligently to promote training, networking, and participation in activities that will enhance our communities through the following:

1) An Awards Banquet in honor of Department of Corrections, Secretary McNeil. Although prior obligations made it impossible for Sec. McNeil to attend, Deputy Secretary Davidson attended on his behalf. As Mistress of Ceremony for this event, I



observed Mr. Davidson deliver an awesome presentation, referring to an inmate by the name of Charles Martin. His message reiterated the importance of re-entry efforts in the Florida. The menu was delectable and the fellowship with criminal justice professionals from across the state was incredible.

2) A co-organizational effort with the Pensacola Community Arts & Recreation Association for the "Big Cookout" (Promoting Community Nonviolence)

3) Thanksgiving Food Drive for the Bay Area Food Bank, Pace, Florida

4) Annual Christmas Party at *Yesterday's*, Osceola Golf Club on December 18, 2009 at 7:00 PM

5) FCCD trainings, luncheons, and much more!



Our membership is increasing, and we are looking forward to making a positive difference within the counties that we serve: Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton! Needless to say, I am very proud to be a part of the family of FCCD members. It is a great privilege to be a part of FCCD Chapter VI!

## Chapter 7

Chapter VII has stepped up to the plate and is making a difference in the lives of the Cherokee School kids. Cherokee (located in Orlando) is a remedial school where students learn social skills and receive academic instruction aimed at helping them to better fit in to a regular school and ultimately, in to society, as well. Many of these children already have a deeply troubled past, despite their young age, and have been through many painful events in their lives.

The **Cherokee School Mentoring Program** began as a result of Chapter Seven's interest in working with these children and is off to a fantastic start! **"Meet My Mentor Day"** was a great success on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Mentees and mentors met and interacted for the first time, reciting a commitment pledge to one another. The students enjoyed this ceremony and became very eager for the mentoring to begin! Our students are quickly becoming attached to their mentors, with many of them asking daily, "When will my mentor visit next?"

Parental consent for mentoring 47 of the approximate 60 students at Cherokee was received. Forty-four children have been matched with a mentor at this time. At this writing, thirty (30) mentors have completed orientation for the program, and the other 14 will complete their orientation at the beginning of November. Twenty-two (22) mentors have already

come to the school to begin their mentoring on a weekly basis, spending approximately one hour with their mentee interacting in a variety of activities.

Mentors read with their students and help them complete school work, as well as play with them in the school's game-room or basketball court. Cherokee staff and students all look forward to this program being a success, as mentors provide the positive encouragement and support necessary for these students to be successful both academically and behaviorally.



On October 11, 2009 at the Pine Castle Christian Academy in Orlando, FCCD Chapter VII hosted their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Girls Softball Skills Clinic. This year, we benefited Libby's

Legacy Breast Cancer Foundation of Central Florida and the Russell Home for Atypical Children. The clinic raised \$3500.00 and a van full of household products.

Fifty-two girls ranging in age from eight to 18 participated and we had 15 softball instructors with backgrounds in professional, college and high school instruction in attendance to teach the fundamentals of the game of softball. All participants were given a goodie bag by members of Team FCCD. The goodie bags were filled with items donated from various businesses in the community including Publix, Central Florida Sports and EA Sports.

ESPN Radio spent most of the day in attendance and vendors set up shop, as well, including Central Florida Sports and the Softball Store. Libby's Legacy set up a demonstration table with information about breast cancer, the importance of early detection and what to do if you suspect you have a lump in your breast. They even gave out pink rubber wristbands to all in attendance.

The mission of *Libby's Legacy Breast Cancer Foundation* is to grant wishes, create memories and assign patient advocates for Stage IV Breast Cancer

patients battling this disease and help them with the hardships associated with health-related job loss. Libby's Legacy also helps prevent women from being diagnosed with late-stage breast cancer by providing free mammograms to underinsured high-risk women in partnership with the Women's Center for Radiology.

The *Russell Home* was the first non-profit institution in the country for severely brain-damaged children. The residents who live there have handicaps which prevent them from living and functioning independently. They are unable to live what most of us would consider a "normal" life. The home relies solely on donations to exist.

It was a fantastic day. The kids had fun and gained knowledge, not only about softball, but about breast cancer, and why giving back to our community is so important.

## Chapter 8

Submitted by Tammy Marcus

### *Three Gallon Club*

Dawn DiNatale, Correctional Probation Senior Supervisor of the 11-1 Miami office, has been coordinating Blood Drives at the probation building commonly known as "The Nation" for over three years. Through its coordination with the Community Blood Center of South Florida, a mobile blood donation unit comes to the parking lot of "Probation Nation" (there are four probation offices here) where officers and support staff donate blood without having to fight the horrendous Miami traffic.

Upon donating blood, participants are typically given a t-shirt, tickets to a comedy club, and snacks. In addition, the blood donors can also call a special telephone line through the Community Blood Center to obtain their cholesterol readings. Thus, another good reason to give, as the life you save may be your own.

Dawn, a very active Chapter VIII FCCD Miami member not only schedules this event four times a year, but she is also a member of the *Three Gallon Club*. The term speaks for itself. Yes, Dawn has do-

nated at least that amount! Dawn also stated that nearly 12 people donate every time the mobile unit comes to the Nation. Kudos to Dawn for giving back to the community and organizing this GREAT event for Circuit 11 and the Miami FCCD Chapter VIII.

### *Domestic Violence Awareness*

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, FCCD Chapter VIII and Circuit 11 in Miami coordinated several



training sessions for field staff at nine probation offices within the Miami-Dade County. Representa-



tives from *Lifeline of Miami* (Bob Raymond, Program Manager and Shannon Davis, Senior Therapist) provided very useful and informative facts regarding Domestic Violence and Anger

Management issues. Their presentation included the legal and social definitions of domestic violence, purposes of a Batterer Intervention Program, questions about risks of abuse, safety planning, and victim help numbers. The presenters also provided handouts with valuable information and resources. Some of the other facts that were presented during the training were as follow:

- 80% of all incidents are alcohol or stimulants related
- Jealously is the number one event that leads to domestic violence
- 4 minutes for a domestic dispute to go to a homicide
- Victims leave about 7 times before they actually get out
- Don't "tell" a victim what to do as they are controlled by their abuser...simply provide information and resources.
- Treatment teaches acceptable behaviors to offenders of abuse

We are also collecting toiletry items for the Safe Space Women's Abuse shelter in Miami.

## Chapter 10

Submitted by Sherri Cole, President

FCCD Chapter X, Palm Beach County, is in the process of establishing an active chapter, as we have been inactive for the last four years. The Chapter X officers are: President Sherri Cole; Vice President Rosalyn Baker; Secretary Justine Patterson, and

Treasurer Davina Robinson. We had 29 active members at the beginning of the first quarter and have since enrolled another 17 members.

In September, 2009 we began selling candy to raise enough money to open a bank account in order to begin fundraising. We also organized a donation drive to benefit the Palm Beach County Battered Women's Shelters. We collected shampoos, soaps, toothbrushes and other toiletries. It was a great success. In November, we were actively involved in the Food for Families donation drive and collected many boxes of non-perishable foods to aid the families that could not afford to feed themselves. In December we will begin a donation drive to accept clothing for the women's shelter and toys for children in need. We are also involved in a raffle with Chapter VII for a Florida Gators helmet that was signed by NFL Hall of Famer Jack Youngblood to raise money for the State Board.

We are looking forward to organizing training events and charity drives in the coming year. If you wish to make a positive difference in the lives of those in need, please contact one of the Chapter X officers for a membership application. Your membership will make FCCD a stronger organization which directly helps the members of your community.

#### *Human Trafficking in the United States*

Each year, 20,000 victims are subject to human trafficking in the United States. The United Nations definition of human trafficking is, "The recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation." The state of Florida has the second highest number of trafficked victims in this country, following California.

Many people think that human trafficking is the same as smuggling but it is not. Victims of human trafficking are not willing participants and they do not have to cross international borders to be trafficked. These victims have been subject to force, fraud or

coercion. The traffickers use these victims to supply the sex industry as well as to provide free labor to restaurants, industrial factories and agricultural farms. Many of these victims have been kidnapped or sold into trafficking. Many are "sold" to pay off a debt and are held in bondage by their captors, fearing for the safety of their families if they do not comply.

Trafficked victims are often scared of law enforcement, as well, because they believe that they will be deported if they try to seek help. Children make up 32 percent of these victims. Human trafficking is modern day slavery and the United Nations believes that four million victims are trafficked internationally each year. Since knowledge and education are the only way in which to combat this terrible problem, we must help to educate the public and our fellow probation officers to recognize and seek help for trafficked victims. Many of these individuals are on supervision or live in a home where trafficked victims are being held.

FCCD Chapter X has obtained informational posters that will be posted in the probation lobbies of each probation office in Region 4.

If other regions wish to obtain posters for their offices, please contact the National Human Trafficking Resource Center at 1-888-373-7888. FCCD Chapter X is proud to sponsor this re-entry initiative in an attempt to combat this terrible crime.

## *Chapter 12*

On September 22<sup>nd</sup>, Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency Chapter XII was honored to host a training event at Polk Correctional Institution which featured guest speakers Tony Dungy, former NFL



Coach and Mark Merrill, a nationally known motivational speaker and president of Family First. There were about 200 Department of Corrections employees in attendance with a few coming from as far as Putnam

Correctional Institution.

Coach Dungy remarked that he has spoken to many



inmates in Florida but this was the first time he had ever addressed staff at a prison. He addressed the group about the parallels of coaching and being a correctional staff member. He emphasized that trying to help the inmates is an important part of the job. "We need to build bonds and mutual respect with inmates," he said "as part of our efforts in making them productive citizens upon their release."

Mark Merrill addressed the group about how the principles you use with your family should carry over into the job of directing inmates. He reminded us that many of these inmates have grown up without proper role models and that we can provide them with reassurance and love they did not receive early in life. Following the training, both speakers were available for photo opportunities and to sign autographs. Many people were truly touched and inspired by the words of our honored guests.

## Chapter 18

*Submitted by Keith Reedy*

GIVING BACK—All of us have experienced or been touched by tragedy in some way. During these times we look for help and comfort from our friends, family and most importantly, God. One of the most difficult times in our lives happens when we lose a loved one. For some, it is during these moments that a wonderful organization steps in to alleviate some of the pain caused while going through the process of dealing with such life-changing events. Words cannot express, or begin to describe, how wonderful Marion County Hospice really is. They deliver great care and allow their patients to maintain their dignity throughout the most difficult time of their life, their last days of life.



That is why I take great pride in being able to tell you that Chapter XVIII was able to lend a helping hand to this wonderful organization. On Saturday



November 7, 2009, Marion County Hospice held their 6<sup>th</sup> annual Steel Horse Stampede Fundraiser. Our chapter spent all day going from site to site around Marion County assisting with the parking of motorcycles for this event. Some of our members even rode in the event. It is an awesome site to behold, as well as a thunderous roar to hear, when over three hundred motorcycles start their engines and set out on a ride for charity.

The event raised well over \$15,000.00 for the Hospice Organization which will stay here in Marion County to help assist others in need. It really gives one a great feeling to be able to give something back. Chapter XVIII was proud to be a part of this event!

## Chapter 23

FCCD Chapter XXIII hosted a Cyber Crimes Training on September 24, 2009 from 10:30 AM until 12:00 PM presented by the Liberty County Sheriff's Office. Deputy Jamie Shiver facilitated this training and did a wonderful job. Approximately 31 people from four institutions attended.



The training was very informative and spoke of the dangers of communicating with people on the Internet that you don't know. Deputy Shiver informed us that when children are allowed unsupervised time on the Internet they are a target for predators, especially those who lure children. Lunch of Spaghetti and Meat sauce, salad and garlic bread was served directly after training was complete.

During the months of September and October, FCCD Chapter XXIII (with the assistance of the staff at Liberty CI, Liberty Work Camp and Quincy Annex) collected



school supplies. These much needed supplies were delivered to Mrs. Bennett's kindergarten class at Tolar Elementary in Bristol, as well as Mrs. Black's and Mrs. Hayes' third grade classes at Hosford Elementary School and Gretna Elementary School.

FCCD Chapter XXIII also collected non-perishable food items which were delivered to the Calhoun-Liberty Ministry Center in Blountstown, Florida.

## Chapter 27

*Submitted by Julie Beebe, President-Elect.*

During the month of October, 2009, FCCD Chapter XXVII hosted a supply drive in honor of Domestic Violence Prevention month. We were able to donate \$3,000.00 worth of items to The Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties that will assist victims of domestic violence.



The donations collected were given to The Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties. The Haven of Lake and Sumter Counties offers 24-hour crisis intervention and emergency shelter for domestic violence

victims and their minor children. The Haven can also provide support and resources for domestic and sexual violence victims through individual & group counseling, assistance in filing for victim compensation, courtroom advocacy and legal assistance, counseling for violence-exposed children and positive parenting training for parents and caregivers.



Domestic violence is a serious problem that has been occurring for centuries. Many women and men are ashamed of being victims and do not report the crime. Be aware that domestic violence is a crime and that each day millions of people in the United States are victims.

A special thanks to everyone who donated items. Also a special thanks to Mrs. Linda A. Brooks,

Circuit Administrator for Circuit 5 for donating over 20 cell phones to the supply drive.

## Chapter 30

*Submitted by Renee Harrington*

Officer Hawkins' daughter, Quaneisha was involved in a horrific automobile accident which left her paralyzed from the waist down. Currently a senior in high school, Quaneisha has had to make many changes in her life as a result of this life-altering accident. These adaptations include challenging mobility issues. She has been having trouble accessing the doorway to her bathroom because it is not wide enough to accommodate her wheelchair. This has resulted in her father having to assist her with access to the room and with showering.

When Officer Hawkins came to me and asked for fundraising ideas, he told me about the current situation. I new that FCCD needed to assist this family. I contacted Nature Coast Technical High School and spoke with Mr. Rick Horner, a construction instructor at the school. When I told him about this family's hardship, Mr. Horner offered to help the Hawkins in their time of need at no charge!

Mr. Horner and Officer Hawkins are discussing the alterations that will be made to the bathroom doorway which will allow Quaneisha to be more independent. She is also currently undergoing rehabilitation to help regain improved mobility in the lower half of her body. When more information is available (or when the job is complete) I will send an update and pictures about this wonderful story. It represents how positively the community has come together with FCCD to help this family in a time of great need.

### *Stuff the Socks*

During September, Chapter XXX collected donations for Saint Vincent de Paul, a lay-organization which provides person-to-person service to the needy and suffering. Our project was called *Stuff the Socks*. We collected twelve pairs of socks and filled them with soaps, razors, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant and other personal care items. The socks were delivered to St. Vincent de Paul for distribution to the homeless

population in Hernando county.

Chapter I is also participating in a fundraiser for the State Board, selling tickets for an autographed Gator football helmet. The helmet is signed by NFL Hall of Famer and Gator Alum, Jack Youngblood. Chapter I has sold \$30.00 in tickets thus far for the fundraiser.

*Submitted by Eileen Farris & Renee Harrington  
Training & Re-Entry Training Events*

Chapter XXX held a Probation & Parole Re-Entry training presented by Sharene Ingram, Correctional Probation Senior Officer from Brooksville Probation & Parole on September 25, 2009. Ms. Ingram described the different types of offenders and the varieties of supervision that are provided to them. She stated that it is important that they are given the tools they are needed to succeed because they do not know how to succeed on their own. The training was quite informative because there is so much to discuss with the Re-Entry program.

Ms. Ingram focused on “Attitude” during supervision because she feels it is one of the most important components of one’s interview with a probationer/parolee. If, during one’s session with an offender, one displays a poor or grumpy attitude, it is reflected on that person who then will most likely return that attitude. Following the “Golden Rule” is important - in order for the offender to begin to be successful in his parole/probation it begins with us.

Ms. Ingram also noted that if an offender feels that something being discussed has only happened to him/her, Ms. Ingram will tell the offender a “story” which lets him/her realize that this problem can happen to anyone and that he/she is not “walking alone.” After her presentation, Ms. Ingram had a question and answer period, during which several members of the audience presented great questions. Good discussion and comments ensued.

Being that the subject of attitude is only one component of Re-Entry, it would be great to have another Probation & Parole employee speak to another aspect of this concept.

*Critical Incidents Training*

Chapter XXX held a training entitled *Critical Incidents* presented by Major Decker from the Hernando

County Sheriff’s Office on October 16, 2009. The training surpassed the attendees’ expectations as Major Decker provided an entertaining and educational training on the unexpected surprises that can arise when one works in what is considered to be a “secure” location such as a prison. Judith Reed, Sentence Specialist at Hernando CI, noted that the training demonstrated to her that inmates have enough resources to devise ways in which to procure items they should never have access to. She also learned that inmates have the ingenuity to use what is provided to them and then construct items that can be used in harmful ways against staff and other inmates.

Major Decker discussed the ways in which Prisoners of War (POWs) planned their escape from a concentration camp and how it was important for them to do their part and follow specific directions because if they did not, they would not survive. The presentation demonstrated how quickly prisoners adapt to an opportunity or react to a “critical incident” even if they are not always successful.

## Chapter 31

*Give them a “Headstart”...*

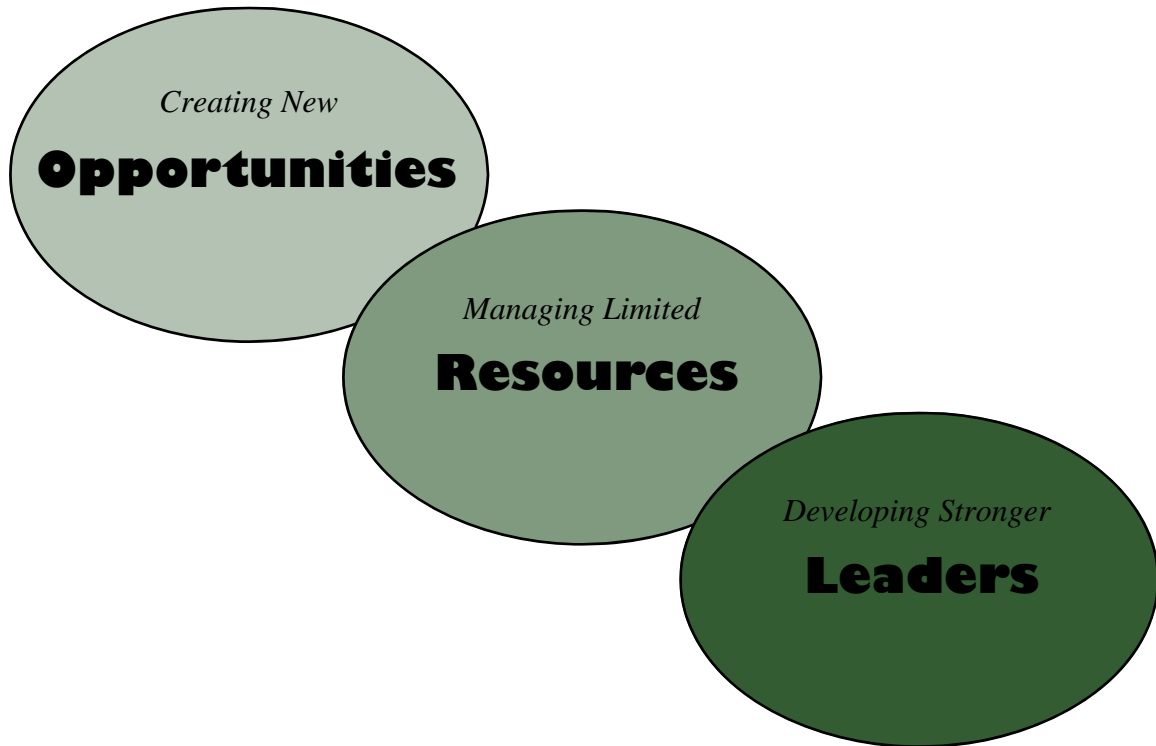
At our August meeting, Chapter XXXI donated numerous school and other supplies to aid the teachers and children of Sumter County’s Head Start Program.

The items were collected from the staff of Sumter CI and FCCD members. Some items collected were, diapers, hand wipes, Kleenex, crayons and pencils. Also included were star stickers and motivational games for the teachers. These gifts will help to make a good start for our young and upcoming generation. Thank you to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

*Sumter Keeps it Going...*

FCCD Chapter XXXI has adopted a two-mile stretch of highway located on State Road 476 in Sumter County. On October 24, 2009, members (including Warden Smith) gathered in the early morning to collect trash and debris along our adopted stretch of roadway.

For nearly ten years, Florida's Adopt-A-Highway program has improved the appearance of highway right-of-ways and easements throughout Florida while reducing the cost of litter removal. Volunteers for the Adopt-A-Highway Program enter in to a two-year agreement with the Department of Transportation to conduct litter removal at regularly scheduled intervals. The program allows civic-minded organizations to make a difference in our community by helping to keep roadways free of litter and debris. Our FCCD Chapter is proud to help keep Florida's highways looking beautiful and be part of the solution to litter control.



## 81<sup>st</sup> FCCD Annual Training Institute Golf Tournament

### By Mark J. Danford/Donna L. Wiebe

It's hard to believe we're already working on the next FCCD Training Institute for the week of August 23, 2010! Once again, Donna and I are chairing the annual Golf Tournament. This year, the tournament will be held at the Raymond Floyd course located on the grounds of the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa in Bonita Springs. Ranked one of the top ten courses in Florida by Gary Van Sickle, senior writer for *Sports Illustrated*, this amazing course is built around a wildlife preserve and is home to a variety of animals and plants. To learn more about the course pull up its website at: [www.raptorbaygolfclub.com](http://www.raptorbaygolfclub.com).

Good news! The price to play remains the same as it has been the last few years, only **\$65/person**. Please check our website [www.fccdweb.org](http://www.fccdweb.org) for the application. The cut-off will be 120 players and final payment due *before* August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Those who have not paid by then will be replaced by those on the waiting list, so it's important you get your teams and checks in to us as soon as possible. Singles will be accepted and teamed with others.

The rules are the same: proper dress code and no metal spikes. **Registration: 7:00 AM** and **Tee Time: 8:00 AM**. There will be a refreshment shack at the first, fifth and ninth holes and there will also be a beverage cart on the last nine.

As always we'll have good prizes. *We are reaching out to anyone who wishes to contribute a gift, cash prize or gift card/certificate.* Any contribution would be helpful.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us. Mark cell: 407.970.2399 and Donna cell: 407.547.9239. We are the only two that will have contact with the golf coordinator.

We expect this tournament to fill up quickly. We look forward to seeing all of you again and know everyone will have a great time.

**Remember: A bad day on the golf course is better than a good day at work.**

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*The Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the promotion of high professional standards for criminal justice agencies and criminal justice personnel.*

*The keystone for FCCD is its educational programs which are designed to foster an interchange of information and training between the professionals in Law Enforcement, the Courts, Corrections, Probation and Parole, Juvenile Justice and Interested Citizens.*

*FCCD is the Primary Organization in the State of Florida for bringing the various Criminal Justice Disciplines together to help recognize and develop strategies to solve our great state's Criminal Justice needs.*

*FCCD traces its history back to 1935 through an antecedent organization, the Florida Probation Association. Secretary of State chartered the council in 1964 as a non-profit corporation dedicated to promoting high standards for criminal justice agencies and criminal justice personnel.*

*Through the years, FCCD has continued to focus the attention of its members and the citizens of Florida upon the needs of the criminal justice system. The emphasis at the state and local level has been on a variety of challenges facing the state in the criminal justice area.*

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