

The Henderson

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Message from the Sheriff

This edition of *The Henderson* comes in the wake of two national tragedies: the shootings in Dayton, Ohio and El Paso, Texas. Increasingly threats of active shooter scenarios have grown on the public's mind. These concerns have not gone unnoticed. The mission of the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office is to protect by courageously standing between evil and good. With a strong emphasis on training, we prepare ourselves for situations that we hope never materialize. We are also vigilant with the security of Tarrant County buildings, especially in our downtown locations where the flow of people is constant. Our Judicial team conducts security screenings and are ready to respond to any calls for assistance they might receive. And our Intelligence Unit actively mines data, identifying and analyzing critical threat assessments.

While we are faced with serious concerns on a daily basis, we also must take time to enjoy the big or small moments in life: birthdays, retirements, new additions to families. At TCSO we think of ourselves as a work family. And you bet, if there's any excuse for cake, we'll take it! Please enjoy this edition of *The Henderson*.



Always at your service,
Sheriff Bill E. Waybourn

Divisional Update

Warrants

Since January 2019, all but 1 of our Fugitive Warrant deputies and supervisors have been trained and issued X2 Tasers. The remaining Fugitive Warrant Deputy will be trained and issued a X2 Taser by the end of 2019. Additionally, they have all been trained in Basic First Aid and issued First Aid equipment. All but 2 of our Fugitive Warrant deputies have been trained in Basic Patrol Rifle Tactics and are now deploying Patrol Rifles in their marked units. The remaining 2 deputies will be trained and issued Patrol Rifles before the end of 2019. Also new for 2019: we assigned 1 SWAT Sergeant and 5 SWAT deputies to Day shift. 6 SWAT deputies were assigned to Evening shift which allows for a faster SWAT response when they are called for service. All 11 SWAT deputies were also re-assigned a Chevy Tahoe as a take-home marked unit.

So far during Fiscal Year 2019, the Fugitive Warrants deputies have completed 13,780 warrant endeavors, made 1,744 field arrests and safely completed 30 forced entries. The Transportation and Extradition deputies have completed 15,571 transports within Tarrant County and have completed 3,707 out of county transports. The Mental Warrants deputies have served multiple Mental Health warrants and have assisted in the safe transport of several subjects from the county hospital to either the State Mental Hospital or other private Mental Health facilities.

We have made multiple personnel internal changes in 2019 due to retirements and promotions. We currently have personnel in field training and they are all doing outstanding. We are re-aligning some of our office personnel to better serve our unit and the citizens of Tarrant County. In the Warrants Division as a whole, we routinely assist others and we love what we do.



Warrant deputies on National Donut Day



Warrants recently celebrated Clerk Lyons retirement after over 30 years with TCSO!

Inmate Services: Law Library

In *Bounds v. Smith* 430 U.S. 817 (1977), the United States Supreme Court held that prisoners must be provided meaningful access to the courts and indicated that prisoner access to the courts could be provided through prison law libraries. Over the years this ruling has been extended to jails. The librarians are there to help facilitate this ruling and stay within the mandated guidelines. They provide legal research assistance to inmates currently via Lexis Nexus, but they do not provide any legal counsel or advice. Copies of requested material is provided for inmates who are not allowed to travel to the designated library. Our Law Libraries went through a much-needed overhaul this quarter by removing all outdated law books. This meant boxing over 4,500 books and carting them to the loading docks for pick-up. Since the books were outdated, the County sold the entire lot of books at auction for just \$20.00.

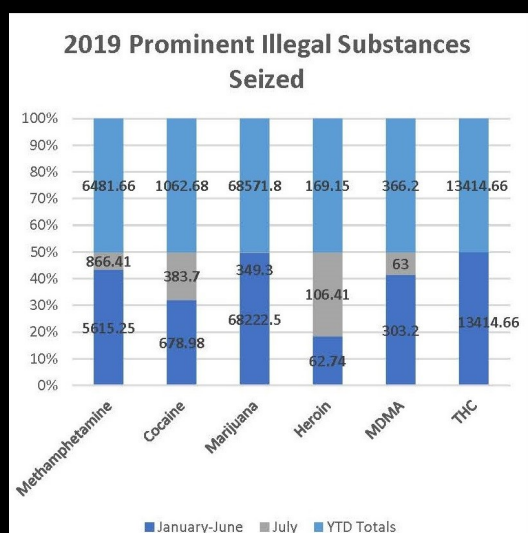
The first state prison recreational library was established in 1802. Early on most were operated by clergy as the primary reason of the libraries were to increase religious devotion and modify behavior. During the 1930's Depression, library material was expanded as wholesome recreation that supported education and was a way to occupy the prisoners. The American Library Association encourages local library systems to extend their resources and many provide thousands of books annually to jails. Our Recreational Libraries operate on a "one for one" basis. A requesting inmate is provided one book per one returned item to make the best use of our resources. The librarians are charged with maintaining a wide selection of genres and authors and deliver the books via cart to each individual housing location in all jail facilities responding to hundreds of requests weekly.

TCSO's Inmate Services Law Library and Recreation Library employees, Corporal Combs and Officers Messina, Hooks, Flennoy, James, Hollon, and Doss are trained to work in the Tarrant County Jail Law and Recreational Libraries. This small but active group is always on the move to provide inmates their requested material.



Divisional Update

CNET



Year to date totals presented in grams

The Combined Narcotics Enforcement Team (CNET) is composed of law enforcement personnel from different agencies in Tarrant County, working together to combat the increasing illegal drug epidemic. CNET has achieved amazing success this year by conducting a total of 31 seizures. The most prominent drugs seized for the month of July were heroin, meth, and cocaine, resulting in a total of 1356.52g of illegal narcotics confiscated.

Upcoming Analysis Software

Recently CNET personnel completed training for the innovative crime analysis software, Penlink. This software will assist in researching and analyzing intelligence leads to further support criminal cases. Penlink's user friendly interface implements investigative support by utilizing data to develop complex crime analysis and crime mapping, making it easier to sort and view data. Its capabilities include, but are not limited to, autoloading subpoenaed phone records, internet communications, emails, instant messaging, social media, and presenting them in a visually appealing format to give clarity to complex data. CNET is excited that this valuable tool will be utilized within the next couple of months.



Marijuana, cocaine, ecstasy, oxycodone, and black tar heroin

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