Rest in Peace - JOHN R. MANNING

72, a Tampa native, passed away January 25, 2019. John is survived by his wife, Lynn Highsmith Manning. You may send sympathy cards to her at 14516 Thornfield Ct., Tampa, FL 33624-2641.

John was a graduate of Plant High School and USF. He enjoyed his years of teaching at Buchanan Middle School until his retirement and has remained an active member of the Hillsborough Educators Association-Retired, having served two terms as President.

He also served as a volunteer Child Advocate for the Guardian ad Litem and was a Shriner and a Mason. Graveside services were held Tuesday, January 29, 2019, at Garden of Memories Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association or a favorite charity.

Thank you for your service, John. You will be missed!

Please bring non-perishable food items to the meeting to assist the many families that Beth El helps each month.

Please bring gentle used clothing items for Oasis to distribute to needy families served by the Hillsborough County Public School Social Workers.
Welcome to:
James W. Burke
Hiedi T. Glick
Analene P. McColloch
Aura F. Perez

February Birthdays:
01. Geneva Murphy
02. Jean Clements
03. Sherry Bowers
05. Elsie Alexander
06. Janet Naaktgeboren
08. Nancy Bolen
12. Sharlene Carrell
15. Rhoda J. Garcia
17. Mary Gonzalez
18. Nancy Mitchell
21. Aura F. Perez
22. Joe Rudy
23. Mary Pothier
24. Connie Brasier
24. Jim Roney

News You Can Use
Our next meeting will be on February 20th at the International Independent Showmen's Museum 6938 Riverview Dr., Riverview, FL 33578. Meeting starts at 10:00 so plan to arrive by 9:45 for time to sign-in and socialize. Following the meeting there will be a private tour of the Museum. There are restaurant options nearby for lunch following the tour. If you would like to eat at Ruth’s please email me at cigid@me.com to RSVP.

Thursday, February 7 at Armwood H.S. is a Benefits Seminar for future retirees. We will be tabling from 3:30 to 5:30. Join us in recruiting new members. If you are available let me know at cigid@me.com.

NOTICES
Nominations for next year’s open HEA-R offices will be coming up very soon. Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, District 2, and Program Chair will be open for nomination. Please consider if you would help by putting your name in for nomination. Your union needs YOU.

You will be receiving your new membership Access cards in the mail. You will need to activate them before February 28 in order to be entered to win a 7-night condo stay. More details are in the letter with the new card.

President’s Message
Candy Gale
Hillsborough Educators Association- Retired

As an active retired member, you have an opportunity to be a delegate to the Annual FEA Delegate Assembly (DA). The FEA DA is scheduled for October 17-19, 2019 in Orlando.

The NEA & NEA-R annual meeting is in Houston, this year. NEA-R is June 30- July 1 followed by NEA RA July 1-5 - July 5th.

At this time, the FEA-R group is allotted 31 delegates to the FEA DA. This is our total number of delegates statewide. There are 29 open delegate seats up for election. I urge you to consider this opportunity and to become more involved in our state organization.

I sent a Nomination Form with this newsletter. Please pay very close attention to the deadline for this election. Nomination forms must be postmarked no later than February 16th. Please mail your completed form to the address for the Election Committee, which is listed on the bottom of the nomination form.

You may call or text me at (813) 317-7660 or email: cigid@me.com.