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### Deputies on the prowl rescued injured owl

DADE CITY — When four Pasco County deputies on patrol in the wee hours of the morning discovered an injured owl on the highway, they demonstrated that they really give a hoot about wildlife by taking the injured bird — who was quickly christened Orville — to a veterinarian's office for emergency treatment. The photo shows one of the deputies, Susan Lepine, reassuring Orville that he will be returned to his natural habitat as soon as his injuries heal.



### Encores have benefited boys and girls

TAMPA — It's fortunate for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches that the International Independent Showmen's Association has not been willing to settle for just one gift-giving performance over the past 25 years. They keep coming back for encores. The latest one involved a \$2,000 gift for the Youth Ranches presented to Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich by Danny Royal and William Rodgers.



### Bulletin board is attention grabber

PENSACOLA — First time visitors to Lt. Don Parker's office in the Escambia County Sheriff's Department have difficulty paying attention to what Parker is saying. They are too busy reading the notices on his bulletin board. Those who "listen up" become aware that his orbit of responsibility includes crime prevention and public information, while collecting off-beat notices is just a sideline.

### Tips to avoid thefts

FORT LAUDERDALE — Avoiding auto theft is not just a matter of chance, according to Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro, and there are specific steps all motorists can take to reduce the risk of becoming victims.

Here are some tips he offered:

1. Park in areas that are well lighted.
2. Park with front wheels turned sharply to right or left to make towing more difficult.
3. Keep tape decks, CBs, packages and valuables out of sight.
4. When parking in a commercial lot or garage, leave only the ignition key with the attendant.
5. Keep license or registration in your wallet or purse. (If left in the car, they can help a thief to resell it.)
6. If you have a garage, use it!
7. Always lock your car and pocket the key, especially when you make a brief stop such as at a convenience store.

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## Crime stoppers do it for cash

Citizens giving tips to the nation's Crime Stopper programs have received more than \$6.7 million in rewards, according to a National Institute of Justice study, but law enforcement agencies apparently got a bargain since the total averages out to \$73 in reward money for each felony arrest.

Crime Stopper programs offer rewards and promise anonymity in exchange for citizens' tips about unsolved crimes. The programs have grown from five to nearly 600 since 1978.

The following figures based on reports from about 400 programs were cited by Crime Stoppers International:

\*92,339 felonies solved with help from Crime Stopper groups.

\*More than \$562 million in narcotics seized or stolen property recovered (an average of \$6,089 per case).

\*20,992 defendants convicted out of 21,959 who went to trial (a 95.5 percent conviction rate).

Crime Stopper programs allow people to fight crime without risking retaliation by criminals, loss of privacy, loss of work time, or being inconvenienced by the criminal justice system.

Citizens receive information about unsolved crimes from descriptions published in newspapers or broadcast on TV and radio. Tips come from private citizens, from "snitches" within the lawbreaking fraternity, and from groupies who associate with criminals.

## Donations support Crime Stoppers program

FORT PIERCE — The Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers Program operated by the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Department is funded entirely by voluntary contributions from individuals, businesses and organizations, and does not receive funds from any police

department or Sheriff's Office, from United Way, or from any government agency.

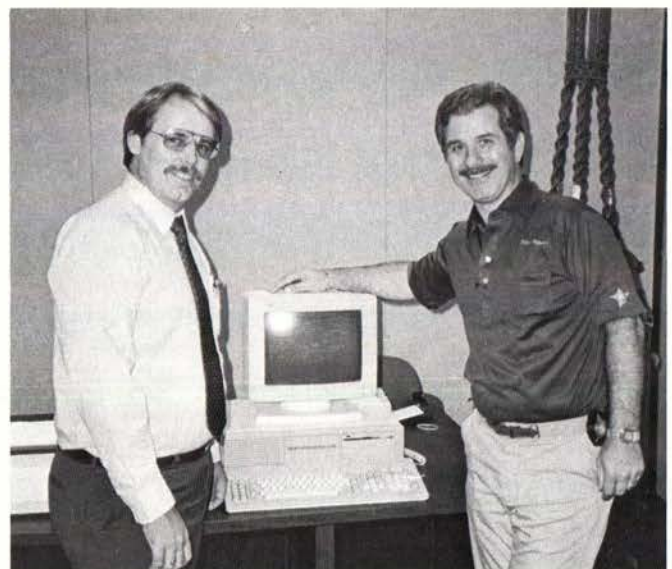
Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles said cash contributions are used for paying rewards ranging from \$50 to \$1,000 to individuals who provide information resulting in the solving of a crime.

Non-cash gifts, such as computer equipment, are used to enhance the efficiency of the project.

Anyone in St. Lucie or surrounding counties with information about a crime can contact Crime Stoppers by calling one of the following numbers: St. Lucie County, 468-8477; Indian River County, 562-8477; Martin County, 286-8477; and Okeechobee County, 763-8477. Collect calls will be accepted.



Barnett Bank of St. Lucie County, represented by Shirley DeLaune, gave Crime Stoppers a cash gift of \$1,000, which was accepted by St. Lucie County Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles (third from left). Also participating in the transaction were Sgt. Stan Carbone, from the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office (left), and Jim Russakis, a supporter of the program.



NCR Corporation, represented by Terry Redden (left) donated a PC-6 micro computer to the Crime Stoppers program. It was accepted by Sgt. Stan Carbone, from the St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office.



*COVER PHOTO: Ruth Bush made the transition from hand posting to computerized records with enthusiasm.*

## In 40-year career, Ruth Bush has advanced from hand posted ledgers to computer spread sheets



CHIPLEY — One of the smartest decisions Fred Peel made when he became Sheriff of Washington County in 1977 was to keep experienced people on the payroll. He was 29 then, and, although his academic credentials and his background as a U.S. Army Ranger had made him an impressive political candidate, he was inexperienced in the business of running a Sheriff's Office.

"There was no way I could have been successful without the help of experienced people like Ruth Bush," he said recently, after announcing Mrs. Bush's retirement. She has been the Bookkeeper in the Sheriff's Office from the beginning of Peel's tenure as Sheriff, and was planning to exit on March 31, 1987.

"She has always been especially knowledgeable in the area of civil law," said Peel, "and it has been real convenient for me to get opinions from her on civil issues, seizures, forfeitures, those kinds of things."

"During the ten years she has worked for me, this office has never has an unfavorable audit, nor any overspending of the budget."

Asked if Ruth's ability and expertise has given him peace of mind, he said "absolutely."

It was obvious that the Sheriff was facing the retirement of his "bookkeeper-consultant" with much regret; and it was clear that she also felt some reluctance about winding up her 40-year career in county government.

Ruth Bush began her career in 1947 when she became the bookkeeper for her father, Dan L. Brock, who was the newly-elected Sheriff of Washington County.

In those days Sheriffs collected fees for the various

duties they performed, and they used the income to pay salaries and other expenses. It was a complex system of vital importance to the Sheriff's Office, and the new bookkeeper had to master it quickly and accurately.

During Ruth's first two years in the Sheriff's Office, she and her family lived in the jail. This was not a happy arrangement for her, since her husband, Stokes Bush, was a Florida Road Department surveyor and was gone Monday through Friday. However, she accepted it.

A deputy was on duty at the jail at night, but when he had to go out on a call, Ruth and her pre-school twins were left alone with the prisoners.

One night when she was the only "jailer" on duty, she overheard accomplices outside the jail discussing how they were planning to help a buddy make a break for freedom, and she quickly summoned an off-duty deputy from Vernon, a town about 18 miles from Chipley, to guard against an escape.

On another occasion, she went downstairs to the jail kitchen to get a glass of water for one of her children, and was unaware that an escapee was hiding in the pantry nearby. Fortunately, he remained hidden until she returned to her child, then he exited the jail, stole a car and hit the road.

Her father's tenure as Sheriff ended in January, 1953, and she continued working as the Sheriff's Office bookkeeper under George Watts, the new Sheriff.

In 1957 she went to work in neighboring Holmes County as the bookkeeper for newly-elected Sheriff Cletus Andrews. After 12 years in that position, she





returned to Washington County, and added 18 more years to her long span of county government service. Four of those years were in the office of County Judge A.K. Shuler, and the remaining time was in the Sheriff's Office under Sheriffs Theron Cook and Fred Peel.

In retrospect, it appears that her long career was punctuated by a series of learning experiences that challenged her adaptability.

Early on, she had to master the intricacies of the Sheriff's Fee System, and the duties of a jail matron. Later on she had to learn the jargon of law enforcement communications so she could double as a radio dispatcher.

In 1957, the fee system was abolished, and she had to learn the peculiarities of a new budget-salary system that is still in use today.

Another procedural change occurred in 1982 when a uniform accounting system was created for all Sheriffs, but Ruth was well prepared for this conversion. She was one of eight persons who had served on the statewide committee responsible for reviewing and setting up the system.

Computerization of the Washington County record keeping system was another hurdle she took in her stride. It happened in 1983, and Sheriff Peel was wondering what kind of a reaction he would get from his bookkeeper. "Since she had been doing hand

*Old Sheriff's Department records provided some laughs for Ruth Bush (second from right) and her associates just prior to her retirement. With her are (from left) Sharon Bellamy, Virginia Roseberry, John Jenkins, Sarah Cauley and Sheriff Fred Peel.*

posting all her life, I thought she might resist going to a computer," he said recently, "but she not only adapted to the computer, she did it enthusiastically."

"It was real interesting," said Ruth. "I wish I could have had it 20 years earlier."

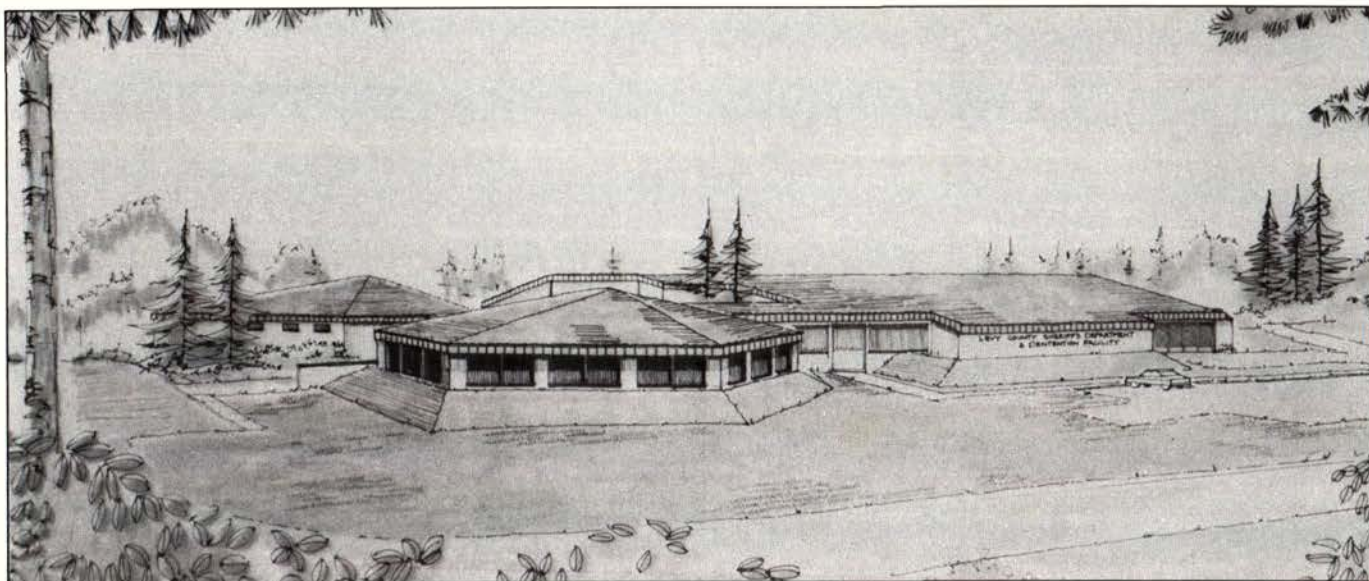
The ability to adjust to changes and new ideas is just one of Ruth Bush's attributes. Devotion to duty is another one cited by Sheriff Peel. "She has always worked a lot of extra hours," said he. "It is not uncommon to see her here at the Sheriff's Office later than anybody else, and also up here on weekends."

Peel went on to describe Ruth as "a real lady ... well respected throughout the community in her church, and civic organizations and all the things she participates in."

On April 4, a retirement party was held for the "real lady," and she was awarded a Lifetime Honorary Membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association in recognition of her 40 years of service in county government. She also received numerous gifts, including a diamond pendant necklace from the Washington County Sheriff's Office staff.

"Well," said Sheriff Peel after the festivities were over, "It's going to be a new world for us now."





*Sheriff says:*

*This architect's rendering shows what the new Levy County Jail and Sheriff's Department headquarters will look like when the project is completed in 1988.*

## New jail will be functional, yet attractive

*By Sheriff Pat Hartley*

BRONSON — The April ground breaking for a state-of-the-art county jail marked the beginning of a new era for Levy County in the realm of criminal justice. This functional, yet attractive facility will be located north of the intersection of County Roads 337 and 32. A thick stand of pine trees will serve as a buffer between it and the roadways.

It's a hard fact that Levy, like most other rural counties, doesn't have readily available revenue to build and operate a jail that meets the mandates of our times. However, we had to make a start, because the old jail was out of compliance to the extent that we had no choice.

Having observed several new jails in other counties that became overcrowded almost as soon as they were completed, — a situation that has been occurring all across this state and nation—we vowed that we would not let this happen to us or our taxpayers. The county commissioners, together with my staff and me, agreed that, since we had to build, we wanted a design that would take care of our immediate needs at maximum efficiency, and one that could also be expanded to meet future needs with the same maximum efficiency.

After interviewing several architectural firms, the commissioners chose Jim Roberson and Associates, Inc., a Tallahassee architectural firm, to lead the planning. This choice gave us the services of Vice President Jim Rozzelle, who formerly had more than 21 years of experience with the Florida Department of Corrections (DOC). It was felt that he would know the jail requirements since he had previously supervised

the designing and construction of more than 18 major confinement institutions while with the DOC. Our commissioners hoped he could show us every way to cut corners, and at the same time not be penny wise and dollar foolish. They were not disappointed.

Jim Rozzelle hardly made a move without extensive input from our county commissioners and the Levy County Sheriff's Department. Hopefully we'll all be proud of the results when the facility is ready for occupancy about the middle of 1988.

The new jail will house over seven times as many prisoners as the current jail which, even though designed to house 26 prisoners, is capped at thirteen because of square footage and other requirements set by law. The new jail will house 92, and is designed to meet all requirements for double-bunking, which could add 70 more beds, if our growth required it.

Designed for efficiency and economy of operation, the new facility will provide maximum prisoner space for the size and cost of the building. Nationally it takes an average of 401 square feet for each occupant. Ours requires only 353 square feet. This design saves more than 4,000 square feet, and produces a reduction of \$384,000 in construction costs. Heating and cooling expenses will also be reduced proportionately.

The new building meets all requirements of the Florida Department of Corrections and the American Correctional Association. Knowing that the cost of daily operation will be a serious consideration, the commissioners and I asked that it be designed with minimum staffing in mind. As a result, the 32,490



square-foot facility has two housing pods with security personnel located in the center of each pod. This will allow one officer to monitor up to 48 prisoners. This officer can have each prisoner in his line of vision which means fewer escapes, and greater safety for prisoners and officers.

We all know that the cost per prisoner bed is much too high in all jails, but when you take into consideration that the national average in 1982 was \$56,108 per bed, it gives us at least some satisfaction knowing that by the efforts of all concerned our per bed cost has been brought down to \$42,530 — a considerable savings of about 25%.

Most of our citizens do not realize that within 24 hours of confinement a prisoner must be brought before a judge for a first appearance hearing. Before trial there will also be many more pre-trial activities requiring a courtroom setting. Transporting prisoners to and from court is very costly, and creates increased security problems. Also, with only one courtroom in our present setup, we oftentimes find ourselves with no courtroom available for these pre-trial appearances.

Consequently, our commissioners asked the architectural firm to include a mini-courtroom in the new facility. In addition, the new jail will house the entire Levy County Sheriff's Department, and each of my division leaders will have a private office for the first time ever. There will also be a computer center,

conference room, evidence room, armory and a place where prosecutors and defense attorneys can confer with clients.

While the facilities now under construction are designed to take care of our needs through the year 2010, two more housing pods can be added later as our needs increase. These pods will be the only construction necessary when we need to expand, since the core facilities such as cafeteria and intake area were all designed to accommodate future expansion.

Our commissioners and I are deeply concerned about the added burden that is being placed on our taxpayers. However, if we are going to control criminals whose goal is to make victims of our citizens, we have to confine them. We have no choice but to build this jail.

Hopefully, our state leaders will recognize the plight of rural counties, and become aware that money from rural counties is exported to the business firms in surrounding urban counties, and crime is exported back to the rural counties.

I personally feel that the housing of persons violating state laws should be funded by monies collected across the entire state. If this isn't done, then we desperately need a fairness formula whereby rural counties would receive state monies based at least on minimum needs and mandates.



#### **Sheriffs sponsor academy for explorers**

**PASCO-HERNANDO COMMUNITY COLLEGE** — This graduation scene marked the successful conclusion of a 40-hour "Academy" for law enforcement explorers jointly hosted by Pasco County Sheriff Jim Gillum (left) and Hernando County Sheriff Tom Mylander (right). Criminal Law, Crime Scene Techniques and Officer Ethics were included in the curriculum.



# RUSTLERS!

## *They're still rustling*

By Sue Robinson

"Rustlers didn't disappear with the old West, as most people think; they've just progressed with the times," says Lt. John O'Brien, who heads the investigative team of the Florida Agriculture Commission's Marks and Brands Unit.

Today's rustler, using modern communication equipment, huge stock rigs, "outlaw" (counterfeit) papers, motorcycles, drugs and up-to-date restraining devices, takes advantage of freeway "trails" to sell stolen cattle and horses hundreds of miles away on the same day as the theft.

Critters are not his only booty, however: trucks, trailers, tractors, irrigation systems, combines, saddlery and even crops net illegal profits. Florida, as a prominent agricultural state, is a fertile stamping ground for agri-criminals of the '80s.

The job of law-enforcement officers who are trying to reduce agri-thefts is a frustrating one. Inadequate descriptions of missing items and animals make it difficult to properly identify and return property to rightful owners even when the thieves have been caught red-handed and the stolen goods have been confiscated.

Bobby Pruitt, President of the Southeastern States Livestock and Rural Enforcement Agency, a recently organized commission for the pooling of information among the southeastern states' livestock investigators, recently closed the case of one very busy and innovative rustler arrested in Alabama.

"Before we put him behind bars here, the guy had quite a thing going in the Florida Panhandle by printing a publication of interest to the 'horsey' folk; one which featured ads, local exhibitors, upcoming events, that sort of thing. His position as publisher provided a unique opportunity to make the right contacts and gain their trust," explained Pruitt.

Many rustlers, say the experts, share a common *modus operandi*: a pre-theft visit to an intended victim's property, usually playing the part of a potential buyer/trainer/breeder/employee in order to "get the lay of the place."



Walton County Sheriff Quinn McMillian, left, and Dr. Jack L. Blackwood, proprietor of the; Walton County Animal Clinic, examine the lip tattoo of "Juniors Sugar Doll."

"You'd be surprised how many intelligent property owners are taken in by the lines these crooks hand out," offers W.C. Blue, another Florida agri-investigator. "The unsuspecting farmers, ranchers and horse lovers, being naturally hospitable and proud to show off their stock, are 'easy pickin's' for rustlers.

"We recommend all livestock owners take advantage of some form of permanent marking, such as hot or freeze branding, tattoo devices, etc., as well as permanently stamping their chosen numbers or letters deeply into trailers, saddles and other normally hard-to-identify property.

"We also tell them to lock tackrooms, keep all registry records up to date — with copies — and to immediately report theft not only to local authorities, but also to state law enforcement personnel. A cooperative effort makes it easier to solve such crimes," says Blue.

There is, unfortunately, sometimes a lack of communication between various police agencies, so an immediate victim's report to concerned agents, followed by efforts to "spread the word" within the equine or bovine "community," increases the



possibility of solving crimes.

It's always better, of course, to follow the old rule, "An ounce of prevention ..." because "it's too late to shut the barn door after the horse is stolen." Therefore, when reports of stolen goods are issued by rural folks, word of the thefts should be delivered to as many peers as possible.

The printing and distribution of leaflets, and even the offer of a reward, often lead to recovery of missing property. Feed stores, tack shops, sale barns and other businesses are usually willing to display such leaflets, and word-of-mouth information is spread surprisingly fast. It's important, however, that a detailed description of each item, or "hooved asset," is given.

## Sheriff creates one happy ending

*By Sue Robinson*

DeFUNIAC SPRINGS — Walton County Sheriff Quinn McMillian recently helped to reunite a heartbroken horse owner with her valuable Quarter Horse mare.

"Juniors Sugar Doll," a young cutting horse prospect, was boarded at a Georgia training stable by her owner, Lisa Batten, a resident of South Carolina. Suddenly the mare was gone from her stall.

As soon as the equestrienne discovered the loss, she made a report to local Georgia authorities, then began her own investigation. As a result of an overheard conversation, Lisa Batten learned her horse had been transported to northwest Florida.

Luckily, the bay mare had been permanently marked with a lip tattoo, and a combined effort by the Walton and Holmes County Sheriffs' Departments helped to locate the stocky mare. She was confiscated, transported to a local stabling facility, examined by a veterinarian and presented to a relieved and thankful owner.

After proper documentation (legal bill of sale, current vaccination and Coggins Test proof, registration papers and release of property forms) had been completed, Lisa Batten took Sugar Doll home to South Carolina, where the animal will continue to be trained for future competition.

"Just glad I could help," said McMillian, accepting a grateful hug from Lisa. Watching the reunion kiss shared by the woman and her beloved mount, he smiled and added, "This is the sort of thing that makes my job worthwhile!"

Permanent marking makes this much easier.

In terms of time, effort, sweat, tears and hard-earned dollars, the livestock industry is a large and important segment of Florida's economy. Unfortunately, agri-crime has become big business, too!

*Sue Robinson is a free-lance writer whose articles have appeared in numerous magazines. She has also written a book on wildlife. She and her husband, Bill, a retired Air Force Captain, own and operate the Bar Nothin' Ranch, near DeFuniak Springs.*



*While accepting a grateful hug from Lisa Batten, the stolen mare's owner, Sheriff Quinn McMillian smiled and said, "Just glad I could help." (Photos by Jim Dombrowski)*

### ***Make those calls!***

*Cases of Florida agricultural theft, or information pertinent to the subject, should be reported not only to the appropriate Sheriff's Office, but also to the Florida Agriculture Commission's Marks and Brands Unit. The unit's toll-free number is (800) 342-5869.*





# We Salute!



## Broward County School Resource Officers

FORT LAUDERDALE — The Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge presented its annual George Washington Honor Medal to the School Resource Officer Program of the Broward County Sheriff's Department as an outstanding community service.

Sheriff Nick Navarro said the Broward County program was selected by a 15-member jury of civic and industry leaders from across the nation after hundreds of nominations were received. Currently deputies are assigned to one high school and eight middle schools, and plans have been announced to expand the program into two more schools next year.

The Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge is a non-profit, non-partisan and non-sectarian organization that promotes traditional American values and attempts to provide a better understanding of the responsibilities of citizenship.

## Florida Department of Law Enforcement

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) was chosen as the outstanding state government agency in the nation when the Public Employees Roundtable, a non-profit coalition of 24 professional and managerial associations, presented its 1987 "Public Excellence Awards."

The Roundtable announced five awards recognizing outstanding governmental units at the local, state and federal levels, as well as a retiree organization and a youth group. It said the recipients' achievements "exhibit the highest standards of



McWilliams



Johnson

ST. AUGUSTINE — St. John's County Sheriff Neil J. Perry (left) presented Distinguished Service Awards to John L. McWilliams, IV, of Ponte Vedra Beach, and Christopher William Johnson, of Jacksonville, after they administered first aid to traffic accident victims in spite of the risk resulting from leaking gasoline.



LARGO — Pinellas County Sheriff Gerry Coleman and Mrs. Thomas B. Turner (left) presented the 13th Annual Maybelle Rollins Bradford Memorial Awards recognizing outstanding school crossing guards to (from left) Evelyn Hudson, Betty Coleman and Sue Jones. The awards were established in 1975 by Mrs. Turner and her late husband in honor of Mrs. Turner's mother.

dedication, innovation and accomplishment in public service."

Recognition was given to FDLE for the quality and scope of its services, and the spirit of teamwork exhibited by its staff. Cited particularly were its programs to combat organized

crime, to provide a missing childrens' hotline, and to eradicate illegal drugs.



## Rookie got her man

ORLANDO — Rookie U.S. Marshal Brenda Lewis, 23, tracked down one of the most wanted criminals sought by the U.S. Marshal's Service during her first six months on the job.

Following a tip, Lewis spotted Edward Vigliotto, a convicted robber, in a restaurant here. He had escaped from a California jail in 1985, and was known to be armed.

Later, Lewis and her supervisor, Lucy Hendricks, arrested Vigliotto at his girlfriend's home.

## Racism myth exploded

A recently published book, *The Myth of a Racist Criminal Justice System*, by Dr. William Wilbanks, reviews and critiques the available research and literature on this issue and concludes that racism is not systematic or pervasive among police officers and throughout the criminal justice system from arrest to parole.

Dr. Wilbanks, who is a professor in the Criminal Justice Department at Florida International University, North Miami, said the book is written in non-technical language, and can be used as a guide in defending the police and other segments of the criminal justice system against charges of racism. It contains a bibliography of over 700 articles and books.

Copies can be ordered by calling the publisher, Brooks/Cole, Monterey, California, at the following toll-free number: 1-800-354-9706. A 45-minute videotape (VHS) summary of the book suitable for police

training sessions can be ordered from the author by writing to 6639 SW 116 Pl. #H, Miami, FL 33173. The cost is \$20.

## Shopper's lament:

Drove to the city to get me some "crack"; cops took my car and I rode the bus back

NEW YORK — "If you come to New York to buy crack, bring car fare and be prepared to take the bus back," Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward warned New Jersey suburbanites who are accustomed to doing their shopping for illegal drugs in this city.

Then, to prove the Commissioner wasn't kidding, the police began seizing the cars of small-time drug buyers under a federal law that allows confiscation of property used in a drug transaction.

In one four-day sweep, officers rounded up 30 vehicles ranging from a 1971 Chevrolet van to a late-model BMW. A majority of the cars belonged to residents of middle-class suburban New Jersey communities.

Officers said the drug buyers arrested in the four-day sweep ranged in age from 16 to 39 and were engaged in "blatant transactions."

U.S. Attorney Rudolph Giuliani said the 1970 civil statute used as grounds for the seizures has been applied primarily to drug dealers in the past.

However, a review of the law by police and federal officials determined that it could be applied to property used in a drug transaction by buyers as well as sellers.

## We Salute continued



TAMPA — Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich (center) congratulated Auxiliary Lt. Ernest Boromei (right) and Auxiliary Sgt. Edwin Kurtzeborn, winners of the High-Florida Two-Man Pistol Championship at the 1987 Mid-Winter Police Combat matches. Lt. Boromei also placed second in the Master Class Automatic Pistol Match.



VERO BEACH — Indian River County Sheriff Tim Dobeck (right), assisted by Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Vice President Terry Knox (left) presented a Distinguished Service Award to John Less to honor him for his 25 years of loyal support as an Honorary Member of the Florida Sheriffs Association.





# Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Honor Roll

## Roster of Lifetime Honorary Members

### *Home towns eliminated*

To protect our Lifetime Honorary Members from receiving unwanted solicitations and junk mail, we have discontinued printing their home towns when we print their names.

We decided this was necessary after we learned that certain organizations of questionable legitimacy were adding our Lifetimers to their mailing lists. Obtaining a complete mailing address was relatively easy for them as long as they had the Lifetimers' home towns. Without the home towns, it will be extremely difficult.

We have never permitted other organizations to use our membership lists, and we will continue to do everything possible to protect the privacy of our members.

A. Duda and Sons, Inc.	Harmon Fruit Contracting, Inc.
Norman Abramson	Gilbert Helgeland
Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Allen	Mr. & Mrs. Wayne J. Highsmith
Mr. & Mrs. Edmund L. Amiss	Hochman's Department Store
Batten Sitter Service	Howard Beville Citrus Hauling
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Billiris	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas H. Jones
Carters Grocery, Inc.	Mrs. Ethel P. Kicliter
Clifton Consolidated Corp. of Sun City Center	Keith Kinderman
Mrs. William H. Colvin	Dr. & Mrs. Samuel A. King
Mr. & Mrs. Van Cook	Mr. & Mrs. Morty Kline
Mr. & Mrs. John D. Coor	Randy C. Knox
Mrs. Linda Costa	J. Jerry Kopen
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Covey	Ltc. & Mrs. Erbie H. Krause
Mrs. Jeannine B. Crist	Miss Marian E. Lucius
Mr. & Mrs. Henry A. Degel	Mr. & Mrs. Ira M. McAlpin, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Durfey	Mrs. Helen S. McIntyre
E & D Trucking, Inc.	Mr. & Mrs. Allen Montgomery
Mr. & Mrs. Alfred H. Eberhardt	Morrell's Salvage
Mr. & Mrs. Roy Gilbert	Ocean Breeze Park, Inc.
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley L. Gosc	Optimist Club of Dunedin
Greek Groves	
Ralph E. Gruber	
H & S Citrus, Inc.	

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On these pages we give special recognition to generous supporters of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches who have qualified for Lifetime Honorary Memberships in the Florida Sheriffs Association by giving \$1,000 or more to the Youth Ranches. Each Lifetime Honorary Member receives a plaque, a lifetime identification card and a lifetime subscription to *The Sheriff's Star*. Under a new regulation which became effective in 1984, those whose gifts total over \$5,000 will receive additional gold stars on their plaques — one for \$5,000, two for \$10,000, and so on, up to a maximum of five stars for gifts totaling over \$25,000.

## Presentations

We regret that photos of Lifetime Honorary Members are not always available when their names appear on the membership roster. Consequently, we often find it necessary to print the names in one issue of *The Sheriff's Star* and the photos in a subsequent issue.



WEST PALM BEACH — Presented by Palm Beach County Undersheriff Charles McCutcheon (third from left) to Knights of Khorrasam.



WEST PALM BEACH — Presented by Palm Beach County Sheriff Richard Wille (center) to Sons of Italy.



## Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued ...



Egan



Humphrey



Elias

VERO BEACH — Presented by Indian River County Sheriff Tim Dobeck to Bernard A. Egan, Lois I. Humphrey, Cloyd L. Elias and Dot Reynolds, President, representing the Humane Society of Vero Beach.

Reynolds



TAVARES — Presented by Lake County Sheriff Noel E. Griffin, Jr., (left) to Mr. and Mrs. Henri J. Blair.



OCALA — Presented by Marion County Sheriff Don Moreland (right) to Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Yanni.



Henderson



Streadwicks



Smallers

TAMPA — Presented by Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich to Mrs. Dean Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Streadwick, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Smaller and Mr. and Mrs. Delio Rodriguez.

Rodriguezes



FT. LAUDERDALE — Presented by Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver to Margaret Canning.



PALM BEACH — Presented by Youth Ranches Vice President Suzanne Silverstein (not shown in photo) to Mrs. Frederick W. Nixon.





Forehands TAMPA — Presented by Hillsborough County Undersheriff John Kirk to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Forehand, Jr., Danny Frayne, representing Frayne Sportswear Manufacturing, Inc., Bill Rodgers and Danny Royal, representing the International Independent Showmen's Association.



Frayne



Rodgers

Royal



JACKSONVILLE — Presented by Jacksonville Sheriff James E. McMillan (right) and Youth Ranches Regional Director David Kritzmacher (left) to D. Bradley Pipkin.

## Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued

JACKSONVILLE —  
Presented to Mr.  
and Mrs. Harlan C.  
Chaffee.



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Our Lady of Consolation  
Catholic Church  
Overstreet Paving  
Company  
Fred H. Penzel  
J.B. Pilgrim  
Premark International  
Mrs. Frances R. Pressly  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert M.  
Prince  
Wally Robertson

Robin's Consignment  
Shop  
Mr. & Mrs. W.J.  
Scarborough, Jr.  
Sherbrook Farms  
Mrs. Lucille Sherwood  
Ms. Sandra C. Steiner  
Suncoast Chapter X  
F.B.I. Agents  
John B. Taylor  
Maj. Phillips D. Thayer

The Electrolux  
Corporation  
University City  
Lions Club  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Post #9272  
Mrs. Kathleen Vickory  
Video Games  
International, Inc.  
Mrs. Horace J. White  
Richard Zolla

## Stress is the enemy

"We may have emphasized the physical dangers of police work without considering how psychologically dangerous the work is," said American University criminologist James Fyfe after a National Institute of Justice study revealed that police officers have many stress-related problems.

These problems include ulcers, depression, drug abuse, high divorce rates and excessive use of force.

The study urges police officials to set up anti-stress units similar to the ones that are already operating in 75 departments.

For example, the anti-stress unit in the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is staffed by four clinical psychologists, five student interns and one drug abuse counselor. They provide counseling and training to enhance officers' ability to deal with stress.

Grim reminders of stress problems made headlines recently when two New York City police officers shot themselves to death; and a Maryland vice squad officer held fellow officers captive by falsely saying he had explosives wired to his body.





## LIFETIME MEMBERSHIPS now available in two categories



Traditionally, Lifetime Honorary Memberships in the Florida Sheriffs Association have been awarded to generous donors who have contributed \$1,000 or more to the child care programs sponsored by the Sheriffs Association and operated by the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.

However, some prospective lifetime members have expressed a desire to make contributions that would be used primarily for Florida Sheriffs Association programs designed to advance and professionalize law enforcement.

In deference to these prospective Lifetime Members, the Sheriffs Association has amended its regulations. And, as a result, it is now possible to exercise a choice between two categories of lifetime memberships:

**\*\*Category FSYR** lifetime memberships will be issued in response to donations made for the exclusive benefit of child care work.

**\*\*Category FSA** lifetime memberships will be issued in response to membership dues and contributions earmarked for law enforcement enhancement.

The prospective FSYR lifetime member will continue to receive credit for exclusive donations to the child care programs, either a one time gift of \$1,000 or more or several gifts which will amount to \$1,000 or more in total.

The prospective FSA lifetime member will receive credit with dues they have paid in the past as honorary members of the Association, and will be required to contribute to FSA only the difference between that total and \$1,000.

Anyone interested in becoming a lifetime member in either category can determine the amount due by writing to the appropriate agency:

For Category FSA the address is:

Florida Sheriffs Association  
P.O. Box 1487  
Tallahassee, FL 32302

For Category FSYR the address is:

Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches  
Boys Ranch, FL 32060

Lifetime Honorary Members in either category will receive:

A membership plaque (each category will have a distinctive design)

A permanent wallet identification card

A lifetime subscription to *The Sheriff's Star* and *The Rancher*

A lifetime auto tag



**TALLAHASSEE** — Presented by Jackson County Sheriff John P. McDaniel (left) to Louie L. Wainwright, former Secretary of the Florida Department of Corrections.



**TAMPA** — Presented by Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich (right) to Dr. William F. Marsh.



**JACKSONVILLE** — Presented by Jacksonville Sheriff James E. McMillan (right) and Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Regional Director David Kritzmacher (left) to Alvo V. Sikes.

### *Florida Sheriffs Association Honor Roll*



The individuals pictured here have been enrolled as *Category FSA* Lifetime Honorary Members of the Florida Sheriffs Association in recognition of the time, talents and financial support they have given to Association programs designed to provide quality child care, and to advance and professionalize law enforcement.







## Years Pass — but loyalty survives

LAKE BUTLER — More than 30 years ago Union County Sheriff John Whitehead invited Louis Bonesio to become an Honorary Member of the Florida Sheriffs Association and support the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, a project that had just started.

A lot has happened since then. The Boys Ranch has evolved into a statewide network of child care programs operated by the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc. John Whitehead has become a retired "country gentleman," and his son Jerry is presently the Sheriff of Union County. The Florida Sheriffs Association has prospered, and has increased its progressive influence in the criminal justice system.

But, as the pictures accompanying this article show, some things haven't changed. Louis Bonesio is still supporting the Florida Sheriffs Association, and Office Deputy Pauline Biel-ling is still brightening up the Sheriff's Office with her smile and courteous efficiency.

Pauline, who is now in her 25th year on the Sheriff's staff, has presented ten-year, 20-year and 30-year bumper tags to the loyal Mr. Bonesio, and always with a smile.

