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TALLAHASSEE — One evening in May 1986, a 270-pound man described as heavily intoxicated created a disturbance in a restaurant, and Deputy Sheriffs Rick Dyke and Bryan Henry were dispatched to the scene. It was Henry's first day as a uniformed patrolman.

After they arrived, the man drew a knife and attempted to stab Dyke. When Henry intervened, he was slashed across the face. Dyke tried to disarm the assailant, but couldn't because of the man's considerable bulk and strength, so he drew his service revolver and began backing away to draw the man's attention away from Henry and a growing throng of spectators.

As Dyke backed up, he repeatedly told the berserk man to drop his knife and surrender, but the man continued his attempts to stab or slash Dyke, and Dyke finally shot and killed him.

Later a grand jury cleared both deputies and commended them for exercising caution and good judgment. Sheriff Eddie Boone also commended them for "upholding the finest attributes of a professional law enforcement officer," then nominated them and two other deputies for the "Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" award offered by the Committee of 99, a



William G. Smith, Jr., (left) representing Tallahassee's Committee of 99, presents the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award to Deputy Sheriff Rick Dyke.

Tallahassee organization that actively supports good law enforcement.

The committee considered seven nominees, then voted to give its 1987 award to Dyke, along with a check for \$1,099. Henry and the other runners-up each received a check for \$99.

BROOKSVILLE — The Hernando County Sheriff's Office Pistol Team was photographed with Sheriff Tom Mylander (second from left) after winning the annual North Florida Pistol Match for the second year in a row. Team members are (from left) Deputy Robert Miller, Sgt. John Cameron, Deputy Daniel Spiese and Lt. Jerry Calhoun.



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To Rodney Doss — with appreciation

TALLAHASSEE — Rodney Doss may have doubts about many things, but he will never have any reason to doubt that he was appreciated during the eight years he served the Florida Sheriffs Association as Assistant Executive Director, Director of Operational Services, and Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director.

All doubts were erased during a recent farewell party marking his departure to take a new position as Executive Director in the Office of the Statewide Prosecutor, an adjunct of Florida's Department of Legal Affairs.

From that party he took home two handsome appreciation plaques presented by the Florida Sheriffs Association, and one presented by the Charlotte County Sheriff's Department.

If these fail to do the job as engraved reminders of talents held in high esteem, this Doss fellow can fall back on his memories of the hundreds of handshakes and commendations delivered by Sheriffs, assorted law enforcement buddies, high ranking state officials and Sheriffs Association colleagues.

Doss was a deputy sheriff in Leon and Wakulla Counties before he joined the Sheriffs Association staff in 1979. He holds an Associate of Arts Degree from Tallahassee Community College and has attended courses offered by Florida State University and the University of Maryland.

His professional background includes training in many technical aspects of law enforcement such as homicide investigations, hostage negotiations and



Rodney Doss with appreciation plaques he received from the Florida Sheriffs Association and the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office.

Breathalyzer testing. The Florida Jaycees chose him as the Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer of the Year in 1978. He has also served on task forces and advisory councils dealing with criminal justice problems.

Mother and son are Lee County deputies

FORT MYERS — The Lee County Sheriff's Office may be the only one in Florida employing a mother and son as uniformed deputy sheriffs.

Jan Simmons became the law enforcement role model for her son, Richard Snyder, when she was employed by the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office in the corrections division. She was hired by the Lee County Sheriff's Office in 1982, and was promoted to Senior Officer in 1986.

Meanwhile, Richard was starting his law enforcement career as a military policeman in the U.S. Army, and received numerous commendations, including the Army Achievement Medal. After completing his Army hitch, which included involvement in the invasion of Grenada, he was hired by the Lee County Sheriff's Office in 1986.

Jan is married and has four children. Richard is married and has two children who can brag to their playmates that their grandmother wears a badge.



Richard Snyder with the woman who has been his role model.



We Salute!



MIAMI — Metro-Dade Police Officers James J. Gallagher (left) and Gary McCrimmon were awarded the Silver Medal of Valor and shared "Distinguished Officer of the Month" honors in June, 1987, after they rescued 14 adults and six children from a burning boat with a full load of explosive fuel. They transferred the endangered passengers to their patrol boat, then towed the burning boat to an area where firemen were available to extinguish the flames. No passengers or bystanders were injured.

Tom Mylander

BROOKSVILLE — Hernando County Sheriff Tom Mylander enhanced his professional credentials this year by becoming a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

Mylander began his law enforcement career as a reserve officer in Tustin, California, and received a portion of his law enforcement training at the Los Angeles County (California) Sheriff's Academy, and the Pinellas County (Florida) Police Academy.

During seven years with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office he was employed in the Corrections and Uniform Divisions, and was involved in developing the Aviation Division.

He held high ranking positions in the Hernando County Sheriff's Office and the Pasco County Sheriff's Office before he was elected



WEST PALM BEACH — When the Military Order of the Purple Heart held its annual state convention in May, Palm Beach County Deputy Sheriff William L. Timmsen, who had been shot in the line of duty almost five months earlier, was awarded the Purple Heart and became the first Florida law enforcement officer to be thus honored. Traditionally the Purple Heart was reserved for military personnel wounded in combat, but the by-laws were amended in 1932 to include law enforcement officers wounded in the line of duty. Timmsen is pictured with his boss, Palm Beach County Sheriff Richard P. Wille (right).

Sheriff of Hernando County in 1984.

William A. Freeman, Jr.

KEY WEST — William A. Freeman, Jr., the full-time Sheriff of Monroe County, who is also a part-time college student, advanced his academic career another notch this year when he was graduated from Central Michigan University with an MSA Degree.

When Freeman was elected Sheriff in 1976, his success as a public official was well established due to previous experience as a County Commissioner and a State Representative, but he did not have any college degrees.

By devoting nights and weekends to on-campus and off-campus courses offered in the Florida Keys, he attained an Associate of



SARASOTA — In one 12-month span Deputy Sheriff Jeff Harris was bitten on his arm three times and got kicked on his legs. He also broke a couple of ribs when he tackled a fleeing drug dealer, but he said all this line of duty mayhem was worth it after Sarasota County Sheriff Geoff Monge (left) honored him with the annual Felony Arrest Award. He earned the award, which included \$100 in cash, by making ten felony-in-progress arrests. Asked to reveal the secret of his success, he said: "You have to do some heavy-duty snooping."

Science Degree in Police Administration from Florida Keys Community College in 1983; a BS Degree in Criminal Justice from Thomas A. Edison State College (a New Jersey school) in 1985; and the Central Michigan University MSA in 1986.

Don Moreland

OCALA — During a victim's rights seminar attended by more than 300 law enforcement officials and social workers, Fifth Judicial Circuit State Attorney Ray Gill presented an award to Marion County Sheriff Don Moreland honoring him for the compassion and dedication he had demonstrated in protecting the rights of witnesses and crime victims.



Bauer



McMasters



Neuenfeldt



Pizzo

Kausch

**Capt. J.R. Miller
Capt. Gary Terry
Lt. Randy Latimer
Cpl. Lee Baker**

TAMPA — The four deputies listed above were honored for the tenacity and devotion to duty they demonstrated while gathering evidence that led to the conviction of a serial killer responsible for nine murders and abductions and 12 sexual assaults.

They received awards and commendations from Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich when the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office held its annual Awards Ceremony.

"These men worked late into the night, traveled out of town and out of state," said Heinrich, "and they did this without regard for their personal needs, giving up vacations and days off."

Also honored during the ceremony were 11 other deputies and 25 private citizens. The latter included two men who saved a

ST. AUGUSTINE — Sheriff Neil J. Perry honored 29 persons during the annual St. John's County Sheriff's Office Awards Banquet. Among them were the following Meritorious Service Award recipients: Sgt. John Bauer, for coordinating the successful implementation of an E911 Emergency Telephone System; Deputy Paula K. McMasters, for saving a life by using CPR; Deputy James T. Neuenfeldt, Jr., for rescuing the occupants of a disabled boat; and Deputy Anthony J. Pizzo, Jr., and Mrs. Lynn Kausch, for saving a life by using CPR. A commendation was also presented to Lt. George H. Roberts, Sr., for his 20 years of service in the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office.

deputy from a serious beating, another who ran down an escaped prisoner, and a child whose spotting of marijuana plants led to an arrest.

**Julia E. Gerth
James E. Morton, Jr.
Allan Rubin**

ST. AUGUSTINE — Two civilians and an FBI agent who received Florida Sheriffs Association Distinguished Service Awards were among 29 persons honored at the annual awards banquet of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Department.

Distinguished Service honorees were Julia E. Gerth, who was cited for her volunteer work; FBI Special Agent James E. Morton, Jr., who was honored for helping to solve a large and difficult gold theft; and Allan Rubin, who was credited with expediting completion of the county's new



Roberts



CLEARWATER — Pinellas County Deputy Sheriff Gregory Chapman shared the honors with his wife Ann after he received the 15th Annual "Ruth and Tim Johnson Deputy of the Year Award," for rescuing a drowning child and helping to arrest two armed robbers. One of the fleeing robbers attempted to shoot Chapman, but he lived to accept the 1987 award because the robber's gun misfired.

criminal justice complex. (Photos of other honorees are also included in this issue.)

Jackson County Sheriff John P. McDaniels (standing left) with four former Jackson County Sheriffs. They are (from left) Roy Roberson, Clyde Barnes, Ronnie Craven and Barkley Gause.



Memories, good and bad:

Old timers recall the way things used to be

MARIANNA — In this age of many addictions, it is not particularly surprising to discover that John P. McDaniel gets high on history.

And since “Johnny Mac” is the Sheriff of Jackson County, it just naturally follows that he gets his greatest kicks from digging up nuggets of information about the Jackson County Sheriff’s Office.

This weakness accounts for:

- * The research he has done in the Florida Archives to compile a complete roster of former Jackson County Sheriffs dating back to 1823 when Florida was still a U.S. Territory.

- * The pictures of former Sheriffs that are displayed in the outer area of his office suite.

- * The sustained effort he has put into trying to clear the name of a former Sheriff he says was accused of failing to do his duty during a lynching.

- * The reunion he orchestrated early in 1987 to bring together four former Jackson County Sheriffs so he could hear their versions of “the way things used to be.”

The Sheriff’s Star was invited to attend this impromptu convocation, and took notes.

Sitting around Johnny Mac’s conference table were:

- * Barkley Gause, one of the few Florida Sheriffs credited with a successful political “comeback.” (He served from 1940-48, before being sidelined, then returned for a 12-year stretch that started in 1961.)

- * Clyde Barnes, widow of former Sheriff Ernest

Barnes, and one of the few women to become a candidate for Sheriff in Florida. (The state has had numerous women who were appointed to the office, as Clyde Barnes was, but only two or three who tried to get elected to the office. No woman has been a successful candidate.)

- * Roy Roberson, who won the election Clyde Barnes lost, and was one of the few Jackson County Sheriffs in his era who could claim law enforcement experience prior to being elected. (He had been a deputy and a constable.)

- * Ronnie Craven, who was a Florida Parole Officer before he became a Sheriff, and is currently serving as the County Jail Administrator in Gadsden County.

This foursome served between 1940 and 1977. Ernest Barnes (deceased) was from the same era. Former Sheriff Charles Applewhite (1978-81) was invited, but was unable to attend.

For the better part of an hour the old timers hashed over old times without any signs of hostility in spite of the fact that former political opponents were sitting elbow-to-elbow.

“Roy left me \$103,” joked Barkley Gause, referring to the sad state of the Sheriff’s Office bank account after he defeated Roy Roberson. “But,” added Gause, “he was pretty nice. He left me more than he got.” (Gause was referring to the situation Roberson had encountered when he succeeded Clyde Barnes as Sheriff.)

A discussion of Gause’s political comeback caused

Johnny Mac to quote an old timer's comment about voters: "Let me tell you, sonny, when they through with you, they through with you."

"But," said Johnny Mac, "Barkley proved the old timer was wrong."

The discussion turned next to Flake Chambless, who was the Jackson County Sheriff in 1934 when a black man was lynched and hung. Chambless was accused of not providing adequate protection for the lynching victim, and was defeated in the next election, but Johnny Mac said his research has provided "documentation that Chambless did his job as Sheriff."

"He tried to protect the black man," said Johnny Mac. "Machine guns were settin' on the court house. The National Guard was here, but Chambless was defeated for doing his job as Sheriff."

"It's so easy for a Sheriff to do his job and it be politically unpopular, and he be defeated for doing his job ... and that man (Chambless) ... over these years nobody's ever straightened that out. One day I will straighten it out with the documentation that I've got."

"He was a good man, and he died a pauper. He had nothing. He gave it away. When people were without groceries, or down on their luck, he was the first person they'd go to see to borrow five, 20 or 50 dollars."

Heads were nodding. Everyone seemed to agree that helping people with problems was a hidden, but substantial, part of a Sheriff's job description.

Gause recalled that when he was Sheriff people would be waiting on the sidewalk for handouts when he arrived at his office in the morning.

"I think everyone in this room can attest to that sort of thing," said Johnny Mac. "You bought groceries for them (people with problems). You paid light bills for them ... doctor bills. Those are the things that the public never sees. A Sheriff can give away his salary in a month, if he's not careful."

"People also come to the Sheriff for advice. A lady came in here today ... mad with the Department of Corrections ... wanted to sue them. We've all dealt with family matters, prison problems, jail problems. There's no way out of it. That's the Sheriff's job."

Clyde Barnes said she didn't know why Ernest Barnes, her late husband, had wanted to be Sheriff. "I sure didn't want him to be," she said, "but he always told me: 'I'll never die happy, if I'm not Sheriff of Jackson County.' So I said, well, go to it buddy, and I'll back you up." (Barnes was in the second year of his second four-year term when he died and Mrs. Barnes



A gallery of former Sheriffs' photos is just one of several clues revealing the current Sheriff's interest in things historical.

was appointed as his successor.)

When the subject of the old county jail entered the conversation, Barkley Gause said he was the only former Sheriff present who had used the old relic. He recalled that the walls looked like "a sifter bottom or somethin' or other," because the mortar was so soft the prisoners could "pick it out with a fork."

"My granddaddy and gramma lived there," said Johnny Mac, "and they manned the radios, cooked the meals and served the prisoners. There was no such thing as a correctional officer on every floor."

Today, he added, regulations require 26 correctional officers to look after an average jail population of 61 inmates; and the Sheriff's Office has only 14 deputies to look after some 40,000 law abiding citizens in a 942 square-mile area. "That's backwards, isn't it?" he added.

When the group was asked what advice it would give to a new Sheriff, Gause recalled what former Leon County Sheriff Frank Stoutamire had told him in the early days of his political career.

"Stoutamire said, 'Gause, do you know how to stay in office?' and I says, 'I sure don't Mister Frank. How do you do that?'"

"He says, 'You give the voters plenty of good bull, but you let it be clean. If you don't do that, they'll beat ya.'"

Gause said Stoutamire also told him to make friends out of his enemies.

"So," Gause continued, "if I saw a enemy comin' down the street and he'd turn over across the street to avoid me, I'd turn across too, and I'd meet him and shake his hand anyhow. And that ain't all ... If I got a chance to do him a little old favor, and I knowed it, I plumb done it."

Centennial stimulates interest in tales of wild and willful times

TAVARES — In 1908 Lake County Sheriff Henry K. Murhee lived in Altoona, across from the log jailhouse.

One day he walked into Sid Brantley's store and a black man had a pistol on the counter. The Sheriff told him not to pick up the pistol, but he did, so the Sheriff shot him in the head and killed him.

Because some Lake County citizens felt the killing was not justified, Murhee was booted out of office. However, he ran for Sheriff the following year on a platform of having been treated unfairly, and was reelected for a four-year term.

This is just one of many historical nuggets that are being dug up now that Lake County is celebrating its centennial year.

Old timers say that Murhee could not read or write. Consequently, when he had a warrant for someone's arrest, he would walk up to the person and say, "Howdy neighbor, You be a'readin' this while I be arrestin' you. If you resist, I be a'killin' you."

By that time he would have his gun out, and he would handcuff his prisoner to his horse and buggy, and make the hapless fellow jog all the way to the jail.

John P. Galloway, Lake County's first Sheriff was described as one of the best law enforcement officers of his era. He began his 27-year law enforcement career as Sheriff of Sumter County, and was appointed Sheriff of Lake County in 1887 when Lake was created from portions of Sumter and Orange Counties.

Later he was elected Sheriff, and served until about 1897. Then he moved to neighboring Marion County, ran for Sheriff there in 1904, and was defeated by 53 votes. In 1908 he ran for Sheriff in Marion County again, was elected, and remained in office for 16 years.

T.C. "Thad" Smyth, said to have been over seven feet tall (and possibly the highest "high Sheriff" in Florida's history), gained dubious fame when he served as executioner during Lake County's first "legal" hanging, April 4, 1913.

Serving as hangman remained one of the Sheriff's duties until Florida began using the electric chair in the early 1920s.

James Lee Hux served as Sheriff of Lake County in 1920, and later became Leesburg's first police officer — also the first Leesburg officer to be killed in the line of duty. Moonshiners assassinated him in 1924 when he was attempting to arrest them.

Grateful citizens raised a monument in his memory at Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg. On it was

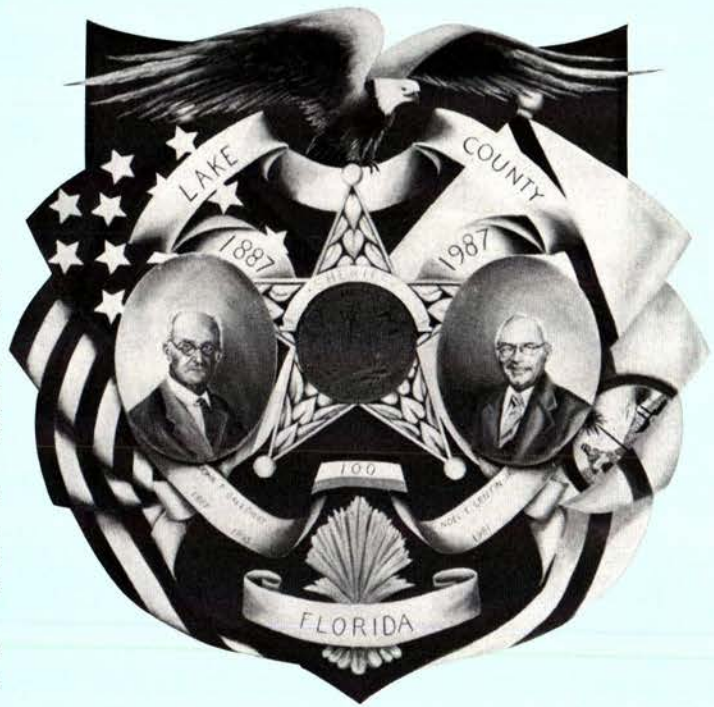


Photo of large centennial mural created by Van Alton Melvin, former employee of the Lake County Sheriff's Department who is currently with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, in Tallahassee. The portraits are of John P. Galloway (left), the first Sheriff, and Noel E. Griffin, Jr., the present Sheriff.

inscribed an epitaph that said: "God and duty called. He answered with his mortal life that immortality's greatness might be his eternal inheritance."

History attaches a colorful career to W.B. Gibson, who was the Lake County Sheriff from January 1933 to January 1937. When he came to Florida in 1916 he already had some 25 years of law enforcement combat experience — first as a mounted policeman in St. Louis, and later as a Chicago cop in the tough area known as "dago hell" where he was credited with solving 27 murders by rounding up 20 suspects.

In Lake County his score card gave him credit for raiding more than 25 moonshine stills, arresting approximately 100 bootleggers (all of whom were said to have been convicted), and solving five out of six murders.

So much for a sampling of history.

Meanwhile, the present Lake County Sheriff, Noel E. Griffin, Jr., and his staff are not taking the centennial celebration lightly.

Deputies are wearing new shoulder patches that show 1987 to be a centennial year. A large centennial mural featuring portraits of Sheriffs Galloway and Griffin has also been completed by Van Alton Melvin, a former Sheriff's Office employee with artistic talent who is currently employed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, in Tallahassee.

Gallery of Lake County Sheriffs



John P. Galloway
1887-1897



J.W. Northrup
1897-1905



Henry E. Murhee
1905-1908
1909-1913



Jesse W. Hunter
1908



B.A. Cassady
1908-1909
1921-1933
1937-1944



T.C. Smyth
1913-1920



J.L. Hux
1920-1921



W.B. Gibson
1933-1937



Emil Yde
1944-1945



Willis V. McCall
1945-1972



Frank F. Meech
1972



Guy C. Bliss
1972-1977



New shoulder patch design by Van Alton Melvin includes the centennial years: 1887-1987.



Malcolm V. McCall
1977-1981



Noel E. Griffin, Jr.
1981 to present

Sheriff's Office preparations for the centennial began three years ago when Alice C. Williams, Sheriff Griffin's secretary, began collecting portraits of former Sheriffs.

She researched old records, historical society archives and crumbling old newspapers. Then she sought help from the public through newspaper articles. In some cases the only available pictures were of groups in which former Sheriffs were included. In these cases Van Alton Melvin came to the rescue and produced sketches of the former Sheriffs.

After Williams completed her task near the end of 1986, she declared it was one of the toughest, and also one of the most interesting, assignments she had encountered in her 29 years as a county government employee.



Alice C. Williams searched old newspapers, historical association files and other sources for pictures of former Lake County Sheriffs. She is Lake County Sheriff Noel E. Griffin's secretary; also the daughter of a former Lake County deputy sheriff who served under B.A. Cassady, and the sister of a deputy who served under Willis McCall. (Orlando Sentinel photo by Ray Powell)



Harvie Belser (1968 photo)



Odell Carlton (1960 photo)



Cletus Andrews (1965 photo)

Deaths of four former Sheriffs diminish ranks of "old timers"

Four former Florida Sheriffs who served on the Florida Sheriffs Association's Board of Directors during one of the most progressive eras in the Association's history died in a three-month span between February 20 and May 21, 1987. Three of them were involved in the founding of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch in 1957.

Harvie Belser, 69, Holmes County, died on February 20; Odell Carlton, 76, Hardee County, died on April 25; Cletus Andrews, 69, Holmes County, died on May 3; and W.P. "Bill" Joyce, 71, Leon County, died on May 21.

Belser was an attorney. He served four years in the Florida House of Representatives and four years in the Florida Senate before he became Sheriff of Holmes County in 1970. His career as a public official also included terms as County Prosecuting Attorney and School Board Attorney. He was a World War II veteran and a past member of the Florida Bar's Board of Governors.

Carlton's law enforcement career included 12 years as Sheriff of Hardee County (1952-64). He also served as: a Gainesville, Flor-

ida, policeman; a member of the Alachua County Road Patrol; a special agent with the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad; and an agent with the Alcohol Tax Unit of the U.S. Treasury Department. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II, served in Naval Intelligence, and was discharged with the rank of Lt. Commander.

The Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch was created during Carlton's six-year term as Chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Association's Board of Directors, and he was named to the first Boys Ranch Board of Trustees in 1957. He was a cattleman and citrus grower during and after his tenure as Sheriff.

Andrews was also in the cattle business and an active member of the Northwest Florida Cattleman's Association for 37 years. He served as a director of the Association for 27 years, and was its president from 1960 to 1970.

He was elected Sheriff in 1956 and served 12 years, a record for Holmes County according to news reports. One of the highlights of his career occurred when he tracked to New York City and arrested an ex-convict who had



W.P. "Bill" Joyce (1954 photo)

attacked a Holmes County family. The fugitive was convicted and executed without delay.

Joyce began his long law enforcement career in the Lake Worth, Florida, Police Department and the Florida Highway Patrol. He was elected Sheriff of Leon County in 1952 and held the office for 16 years. During that time he served as the Sheriffs Association's President, Vice President and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

He was one of the founders of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, and served on the Boys Ranch Board of Trustees.



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



A Lifetime Honorary Membership was presented to Mr. and Mrs. William McKenna by Manatee County Sheriff Charlie Wells (left).



A Distinguished Service Award was presented to James C. Parrish, Sr., by Pasco County Sheriff Jim Gillum (left).

Florida Sheriffs Association Honor Roll



In recognition of the outstanding support they have given to the child care and law enforcement programs of the Florida Sheriffs Association, Mr. and Mrs. William McKenna, from Bradenton, have been enrolled as Lifetime Honorary Members of the Florida Sheriffs Association; and James C. Parrish, Sr., from Dade City, has received a Distinguished Service Award.





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.

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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.



STARKE — Presented by Bradford County Sheriff Dolph E. Reddish (center) to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Edwards.



LAKE CITY — Presented by Columbia County Sheriff Tom Tramel (left) to Mr. and Mrs. William McDaniel. Mr. and Mrs. McDaniel are former employees of the Boys Ranch.

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued ...



STUART — Presented by Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Governing Board member Leon LaRoche (right) to Pete Copeland representing Copeland Farms.



TAVARES — Presented by Lake County Sheriff Noel E. Griffin, Jr. (right) to Bill Stanley (accepting for himself and Elna Parks).



PALATKA — Presented by Putnam County Sheriff E.W. Pellicer to Mrs. Randall Price (accepting for herself and Mr. Price).



DUNEDIN — Presented by Youth Ranches Regional Director Fred E. "Mac" Stones to Jackie Puckett, at the Little Daisy clothing store.



INVERNESS — Presented by Citrus County Sheriff Charles S. Dean to Mrs. Betty Barto.



BARTOW — Presented by Polk County Sheriff Lawrence W. Crow, Jr., (right) to Mr. Warren Leonard.

Mr. George Roes
Mr. Steven Sanborn
Mr. Bill Sanders
Mr. & Mrs. Connie Stillman
Mr. & Mrs. John D. Tillis
Miss Louise Todd
Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Udisky
Mrs. Dan L. Varner
Mr. & Mrs. George O. Voss
Mr. Fred R. Wagner, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Madison L. Walker, Jr.
Waterfront Marine Company
Whiteco
Mr. William P. Worden, Sr.
Mrs. Elena L. Yuskiewicz



Coffmans Lanier

BROOKSVILLE — Presented by Hernando County Sheriff Thomas A. Mylander to Mr. and Mrs. L. Coffman and C. Dent Lanier.



Hunnicutt



Thuerk

De Vaughn

YOUTH RANCH — Presented by Fred "Mac" Stones, Regional Director, Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, to Warren Hunnicutt; also to two Youth Ranch staff members: Director of Education Hester Thuerk and Supervisor of Maintenance Ray DeVaughn.

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued



LARGO — Presented to Dr. Alan Tralins (fourth from left), Director of Lykes Cancer Center in Clearwater by (left to right), Mac Stones, Regional Director for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches; Pinellas County Sheriff Gerry Coleman, Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Board member; Former Sheriff Don Genung, Consultant Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch; and Dr. Sherman Pace, member of the Governing Board, Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.



WEST PALM BEACH — Presented by Palm Beach County Sheriff Richard P. Wille (left) to Jim Feola, representing Bingo-Rama of Palm Beach.



BRADENTON — Presented by Manatee County Sheriff Charlie Wells to Dr. and Mrs. Gaylord Heuenfeld, and to Benjamin Bowen.



Bowen



Distinguished Service Awards

TAVARES — Presented by Lake County Sheriff Noel E. Griffin (right) to Mr. and Mrs. James Harris (left photo), representing Harris Oil; and Mr. Dick Edgerton.

Edgerton

Harrises





Dedication honors former Sheriff who "gave his life for his county"

County Commission Chairman Phillip Roland (behind podium) presents the memorial plaque to Sheriff Earl S. Dyess, Jr. (left), during the dedication ceremony.

LABELLE — The 20 years Earl S. Dyess, Sr., served as Sheriff of Hendry County before he was fatally stabbed by a prowler in 1980 will not be forgotten.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners made certain of that by voting unanimously to dedicate a new jail and Sheriff's operational headquarters in his memory.

"He gave his life for his county, and it's only right that we honor him," said County Commission Chairman Phillip Roland after he offered the motion that resulted in the memorial action.

During dedication ceremonies, March 24, 1987, the present Sheriff, Earl S. Dyess, Jr., thanked the Commissioners for honoring his father, whom he described as his friend and confidant.

"He did truly care for his fellow man," said the Sheriff, his voice breaking with emotion. "Hundreds of times he would arrest an individual, then find good in that person, help him with his problems, and get his life back in line. One of his greatest pleasures was helping some kid understand his problem and get his life straight."

The Sheriff added that the dedication cerem-



Sheriff Earl S. Dyess, Jr., assisted by his mother, Mrs. Dorothy Dyess, with the memorial plaque honoring former Sheriff Earl S. Dyess, Sr.

ony constituted "a fine example to us in law enforcement that our deeds are not forgotten, if we truly care."

He said he would try to follow the example set by his father, a man who would long be remembered because of "his character and his desire to truly help."



Pampering our property paid off

TALLAHASSEE — Years spent protecting and enhancing the natural beauty of the Florida Sheriffs Association's office site at 2617 Mahan Drive paid off when the Association received an environmental award for its "notable achievement."

The award was one of several presented annually under the sponsorship of the Leon County Commissioners, the Tallahassee Area Chamber of Commerce, the Tallahassee Garden Club and the J.H. Phipps Corporation.

The purpose of the awards is to recognize special efforts by developers, organizations, firms and individuals to comply with or exceed the county environmental laws, or to enhance the physical environment of Leon County.

Recognition is given to projects larger than five acres; those that are less than five acres; and

These Sheriffs Association officials were not totally responsible for enhancing the Association's office site, but they were involved sufficiently to have their picture taken with the environmental award recently presented to the Association. Executive Director Berwin Williams (right) has been accused of masterminding the landscaping; Publications Director Frank Jones (center) represented the Association at the awards ceremony; and Administrative Services Director Gary Perkins is the staff member responsible for keeping the property shipshape.

those that are not required to meet environmental standards.

The Sheriffs Association's award was in an additional "Notable Achievement" category for landowners that make a special effort to enhance their properties.