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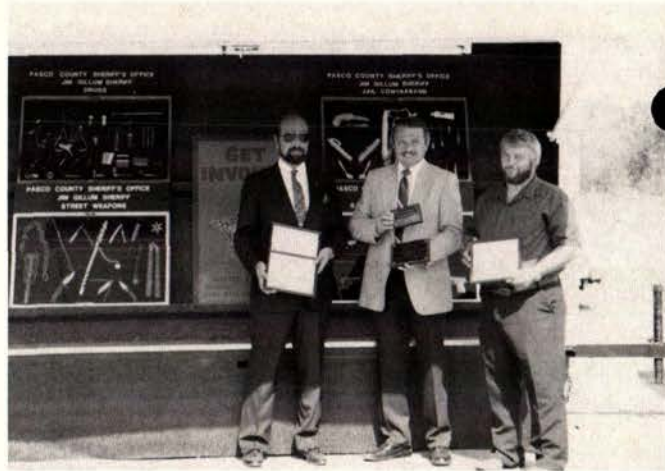
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Sheriff's mobile crime prevention display made its debut at the Pasco County Fair.



After the project was completed, Sheriff Jim Gillum (center) presented appreciation awards to Bill Cardoza (left) and Tom Bolduc.

Trailer used by gamblers now carries crime prevention display for Sheriff

NEW PORT RICHEY — With substantial help from some good guys in the private sector, a carnival trailer confiscated in a gambling raid has been converted into a mobile crime prevention display operated by the Pasco County Sheriff's Office.

Verbally, and with plaques and certificates, Sheriff Jim Gillum expressed his appreciation to Tom Bolduc, owner of a mobile home service firm, and Sales Manager Bill Cardoza from Waste Management of Pasco County. He said Waste Management started the ball rolling with a contribution of \$500 for materials; while Bolduc contributed eight weeks of hard work and roughly \$1,000 worth of materials to complete the project.

Cardoza said Waste Management was proud to be able to help the Sheriff's Office and the people of Pasco County. Bolduc described the project as "a fantastic opportunity to help my community."

The trailer was confiscated after Sheriff's Office detectives arrested two men who were operating an illegal game called "Wild Mouse" at a shopping mall. The game was played much like roulette, but live gerbils were substituted for a ball.

Gillum said the traveling crime prevention display was not the only benefit resulting from the gambling case. "Through forfeiture proceedings we were also able to distribute more than 360 stuffed animals to the 'Toys for Tots' drive and to children in five Pasco County hospitals.

Institute has Sheriff's approval

LOUISVILLE, KY. — Southern Police Institute Director Jim Ginger places on display a Pasco County (Fla.) Sheriff's Office belt buckle he received from Sheriff Jim Gillum as a symbol of the Sheriff's high regard for courses offered at the University of Louisville affiliate. Seven of Gillum's deputies have attended the Administrative Officers Course at the Institute and he recently announced he is planning to send others.



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Task force "crack attack" nets 749 arrests

By Lynn A. Breidenbach
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BARTOW — The young girl's face was covered with open sores, her unwashed blonde hair pulled back into a ponytail and tied with a dirty red bandanna. Her not-tight jeans fell loosely on her 80 minus pounds and when she smiled, which was seldom, there were gaps from teeth very prematurely decayed. She was fifteen.

A car pulled up to the front porch of the litter-strewn shack that she shared with six other teens. In the car were men who had come to do business with the girls. But in this case no money would change hands. The men would trade crack for sex.

Even in predominantly rural counties like Polk, this scene is played out with increasing frequency. The problem stems from the open, almost blatant, sale of crack on street corners and rural roads. To attack the problem, Polk County Sheriff Lawrence Crow and Police Chiefs from most of the county's Police Departments agreed to form a Unit specifically designed to target the street sale of crack. Each of the participating Departments agreed to assign Officers to the Unit, called the "Cocaine Strike Force."

Under the direction of the Sheriff's Office, and supervised by Lieutenant Jim Madden and Sergeant Gary Hester, the main goal was to stop the open sale of crack. The Strike Force, as of its 15th month of operation, was so successful that Madden and Hester were presented with bureau commendations for overseeing the resulting 749 arrests.

While the main function was to reduce the sale of crack, there was an important benefit for the officers



Lt. Jim Madden (left) and Sgt. Gary Hester are directing the task force "crack attack."

themselves in a renewed sense of commitment and cooperation between agencies.

The goodwill generated by the Strike Force has also spilled over into the community. "It's not unusual," says Hester, "to have neighbors applaud us as we make arrests." He adds that some special agents have even received phone calls from residents asking when the Strike Force would be back in their neighborhoods.

Sheriff Lawrence Crow concedes that the operation has not stopped the sale of cocaine in the County, but it has reduced the "curbside" service that had been available in some neighborhoods. He said it has also increased public awareness and has shown citizens and officers alike that their involvement will make a difference.

Dr. Kahn enhances Dade's DNA program

MIAMI — The Metro-Dade Police Department's program to use DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) as an identification tool gained impetus recently when Dr. Morton Roger Kahn, Jr., joined the Technical Services Division of the Department.

Dr. Kahn was formerly at Yale University where he served as an Associate Research Scientist and a Post-doctoral Fellow in the Department of Therapeutic Radiology. He holds a doctorate in Human Genetics from Yale.

A Metro-Dade spokesman explained that DNA is a chemical substance that makes up a great part of almost every cell, and its structured combinations can be as distinctive to an individual as fingerprints.

"The scientist's job is to establish identity and to

Dr. Morton Roger Kahn, Jr., holds a doctorate in Human Genetics from Yale.



construct a DNA coded pattern," he explained. "Samples are best taken from any cellular substance — blood, for example, or semen, hair roots, fingernail clippings and bone marrow.

"The final coded DNA pattern symbols will look like the striations on an x-ray plate. They are also surprisingly similar to the bar code supermarkets use to price individual products."

It's in his book:

Sense of humor helped deputy to find lots to laugh at in law enforcement

PENSACOLA — A sense of humor saved Capt. Don Parker from becoming cynical and burned out during his 18 years as a deputy with the Escambia County Sheriff's Office.

It also enabled him to "leave 'em laughing" in the best old time vaudeville tradition when he ended his law enforcement career on March 31; and now he's using it to launch a new career as a humorist, author and podium pundit.

Parker, who claims he has experienced just about everything that can happen to a cop, prepared for his new career by writing, publishing and marketing a book titled: "You're Under Arrest — I'm Not Kidding." It's about his law enforcement career.

"I rescued a woman from a six-inch lizard, was caught in a two-cow stampede and was almost eaten alive by an enraged bull dog," Parker explained, when asked about his experiences. "I have dodged bullets, knives and insults, and have been married three times."

Parker's potpourri of police work parables contains some violent and tragic incidents, but most of the pages are well seasoned with humor due to his ability to laugh at himself and the world around him.

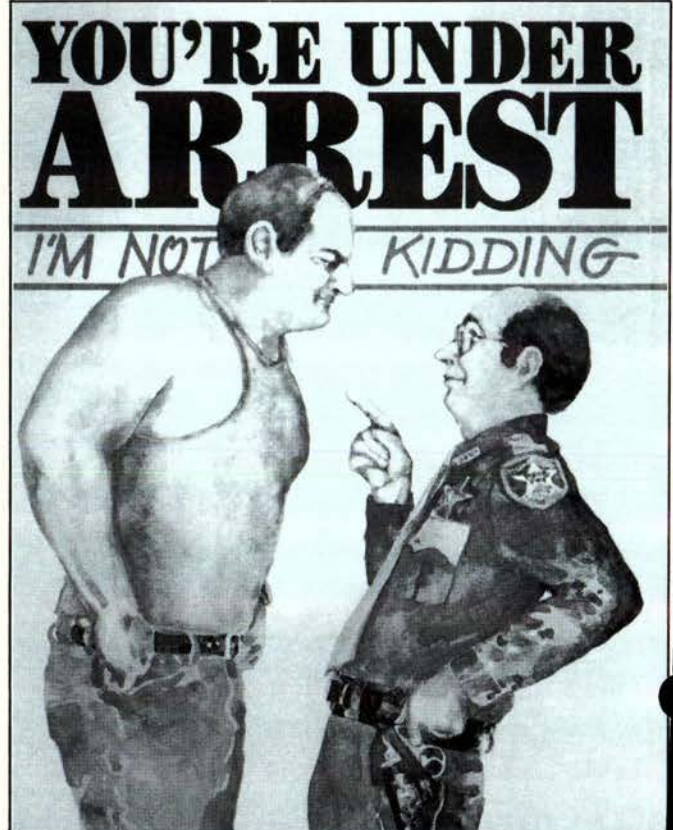
"He thinks funny," a columnist said, but Parker wasn't exactly laughing after he borrowed \$25,000 from a bank to publish and market his book.

"I had submitted the completed manuscript to several big publishing houses," he explained recently, "and I wasn't really surprised when it was rejected. After all, autobiographies by unknown authors, particularly unknown southern deputy sheriffs, are not likely to appeal to a New York publisher."

"However, I always thought it would sell, so my wife and I took a deep breath, borrowed the necessary money and published it ourselves."

Parker was right. The book did sell, and in recent months it has received favorable recognition far beyond the borders of Escambia County.

Newscaster Paul Harvey thought enough of it to mention it on one of his programs. In March, Parker and his wife, Carol, were guests on the nationally televised "Good Morning America" show. They have also been contacted by the "Tonight Show." *The National Sheriff*, a widely circulated magazine gave the book a helpful plug, and by the end of March sales were going so well that Parker was able to look his banker in the eye and smile.



COVER ILLUSTRATION: Sgt. Lee Wasdin, homicide investigator with the Escambia County Sheriff's Department, posed as the bad guy for the book cover illustration by Frances Dunham.

"The book has done very well," Parker reported, "and when the Associated Press did a story on it things really began jumping. The story was carried across the nation and we began getting phone calls from all over the country. I did several radio interviews over the phone and answered some newspaper inquiries as well."

Meanwhile, Parker is launching a career which will take him out on the lecture circuit as a humorist, and also cast him as an instructor teaching other would-be authors the process of self-publishing as an alternative to collecting rejection slips from book publishers.

While working full time as a deputy sheriff, Parker moonlighted as a public speaker, a columnist, and a TV and radio talk show host. When his sidelines began to make excessive demands on his time, he decided to exit law enforcement and devote full time to speaking and writing.



Don Parker and his wife Carol have emerged from a "scary" book publishing venture with smiles intact. (Photo by Curt Shields)

When Parker made his career change, his wife Carol, who was an investigator with the Florida Bureau of Crimes Compensation, resigned that position to devote full time to Caroldon Books, the publishing company they formed to produce the book; and Don Parker Speaks, the company that will market Parker as a public speaker.

"Leaving the comfortable confines of law enforcement to go into business for myself is a little scary," Parker said, "but this is the only way I'm going to find out if I can make it as a writer and speaker. To quote Carl Sandburg, 'I don't know where I'm going, but I'm on my way.'"

Parker's book can be ordered from Caroldon Books, 1075 Farmington Road, Pensacola, FL 32504. The phone number is (904) 474-1407.

He's the other Don — not Knotts

Don Parker has been described as a Don Knotts look alike and some of his one-liners enhance the illusion. Here are excerpts from an interview:

Q. "What's it like in a shootout?"

Parker: "I don't know. I always had my eyes closed."

Q. "Well, what's it like in a high speed chase?"

Parker: "I don't know. I always had my eyes closed."

Q. "What has been your most frightening experience?"

Parker: "My first marriage."

Describing law enforcement as a "people profession," Parker explained how he perfected his people skills (read public relations) at an early age: "When you're the only bald kid in the 10th grade, you learn how to get along."



Sheriff Charlie Johnson addresses the Five Flags Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles after accepting a \$1,000 contribution in support of his drug hot line. The contribution was presented by Worthy President Wallace Pattuello (right).

Sheriff's hot line gets warm response

PENSACOLA — After Charlie Johnson was installed as Sheriff of Escambia County in January, one of his first innovations was to establish a "drug hot line" citizens could call to report illegal narcotics activity.

Johnson announced that anyone calling the hot line number, 435-PUSH, would be guaranteed anonymity. He said the calls would not be recorded.

Public response was favorable, with members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles setting the pace. During their annual Easter Egg Hunt they gave the Sheriff a contribution of \$1,000 which the Sheriff said he would use to publicize the new hot line.



Infant safety is Sheriff Gillum's concern

DADE CITY — Joshua Borden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Borden (right) was the first infant to benefit from safety seats distributed by Pasco County Sheriff Jim Gillum during National Child Safety Awareness Week. Wal-Mart Stores donated the safety seats. Also participating in the project were the Pasco County Health Department and three county hospitals. Pictured with Gillum are Pasco County Health Unit Director Marc Yacht, MD (left); and Riverside Hospital Administrator Rex Macklin.



Rookie deputy Jerry Wurms (left) orders a suspected drug dealer out of his car during an episode of "Cops."

Public is reacting favorably to "Cops" a TV series showing "the real thing"

FORT LAUDERDALE — How is the public reacting to "Cops," a Fox Network television series that shows Broward County deputy sheriffs in action during drug busts, raids and other crime fighting incidents that are not staged or rehearsed?

Sheriff Nick Navarro, who gave television crews permission to follow deputies around on and off the job, said he has received many comments and the overwhelming majority of them have been positive.

"One youngster in Park Ridge, New Jersey, the son of a detective sergeant, wrote to me to say that he enjoyed the program. He said in a couple of years he would be coming to Florida and he wanted to be a Broward deputy sheriff," Navarro reported.

"A lady in Newport News, Virginia, wrote to say that 'Cops' is shown on cable in her area late Sunday nights, and she sets her video cassette recorder to tape it so she can watch it at a more convenient time during the week."

Navarro offered the following quote from her letter: "Sometimes the programs are funny and sometimes they are quite sad, but always they are most fascinating. It is refreshing to see real police persons in action as opposed to the phony police programs that are on weekly. To all of you who put your lives on the line every day, and who show you truly care about your fellow man, you are to be commended for your profes-



Sgt. Vicki (last name withheld for security reasons) handcuffs a suspected drug smuggler while working with the Sheriff's airport drug interdiction unit. A scene from the "Cops" television series.

sionalism and for allowing us, the public, to see your department in action."

Navarro said a sailor from Tampa who was stationed aboard the USS John F. Kennedy expressed appreciation for the effort the Broward Sheriff's Office is putting forth against crack cocaine and sent his prayers to the deputies.

"The Kennedy is on patrol in the Mediterranean

Sea, a very dangerous spot," said Navarro. "I take it as high tribute that he is concerned about our safety."

A television writer in Texas told Navarro that the "Cops" show got a 22 rating share when it was presented during prime time in Los Angeles.

"That is better than the major network programs were getting," Navarro said. "People are excited about the program and enjoy the reality."

The producers, Barbour-Langley Productions, do not pay the deputies who appear on the program, according to Navarro, but have contributed over \$30,000 to youth and victim advocate projects sponsored by the Sheriff's Office.

"This television program is the best way to show the general public what being a cop is really like," Navarro said. "For that reason alone it's worth it."



Almost 300 registrants, including schoolteacher Susan Jones, received attendance certificates at the conclusion of the Cult Crime Awareness Workshop. Participating in the presentation were (from left) Dr. Preston O.R. Morgan, Sumter County Superintendent of Schools; Sgt. Bob Mack, Vice President of Cult Crime Network, Inc.; and Sumter County Sheriff James L. "Jamie" Adams.

Cult crime workshop probes satanism

USHNELL — Almost 300 persons representing criminal justice, government and community agencies attended a "Cult Crime Awareness Workshop" sponsored by the Sumter County Sheriff's Office and the Sumter County School System on April 21.

Presented by Sgt. Bob Mack, Vice President of Cult Crime Network, Inc., Boise, Idaho, the information-packed session covered Ritualistic and Cult-Motivation Crimes; Devil Worshipers; Satanism; Rock Music; and Ritualized Abuse of Children.

Sumter County Sheriff James L. "Jamie" Adams was enthusiastic about the results of the workshop and said he would be happy to assist other Sheriffs in setting up similar sessions.

He said the workshop roll call included representa-

"Copski" special next?

Fox Broadcasting Company camera crews were scheduled to go to Russia between April 27 and May 14 to film Soviet police officers in action, according to a recent news report.

The American crews, accompanied by translators and three Soviet camera crews, were planning to ride along with police squads in Moscow and Leningrad. The action was to be filmed in the same quasi-documentary style as used in Fort Lauderdale for "Cops." The result will be a one-hour special to be aired in July, the report said.

tives of the Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, the State Attorney's Office, four Sheriffs' Offices, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Division of Corrections, Probation & Parole, Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, school systems in three counties, KOALA, Florida Division of Communications, Foster Parents Association, Mid-Florida Community Services, State Department of Safety and Crime Prevention, news media and churches.



Sheriff Dobeck is a Fleet Watch fan

VERO BEACH — Indian River County Sheriff Tim Dobeck (right) gave enthusiastic backing to Southern Bell employees recently when they began using bumper stickers on company vehicles to advertise their Fleet Watch program. Dobeck said the program, which encourages Southern Bell employees to report suspicious activities they spot during their travels, has definitely served as a crime deterrent. Participating in a bumper sticker ceremony with the Sheriff are (from left) Dick Bartlett, Southern Bell Assistant Manager; Deputy Sheriff Kathy Seibert; and James Farless, Jr., a Southern Bell technician.



We Salute!



Walter C. Heinrich

TAMPA — The National Society to Prevent Blindness presented its 1989 "Man of Vision Award" to Hillsborough County Sheriff Walter C. Heinrich in recognition of his "clear perspective and far-sightedness in community service and devotion to his fellow man."

A Society spokesman described Heinrich as "the ideal law enforcement officer: fair, tough and an outstanding administrator." He added that Heinrich's record of achievement and fairness "has set a very high standard for all officers of the law."

Valerie Fisher

BRADENTON — Valerie Fisher, Unit Manager of the Victim Advocate Program for the Manatee County Sheriff's Office, was one of seven women honored for outstanding contributions to their professional fields when the Manatee County and Bradenton branches of the American Association of University Women held their second annual Leadership Awards Luncheon.

She was cited for helping crime victims to recuperate "faster, better and easier" through on-the-scene crisis intervention, follow-up emotional support, accompanying victims to court and giving assistance with crime compensation applications.

Bret Sheets

James Falsia

Nirio Carballo

WEST PALM BEACH — Three Palm Beach County deputy sheriffs won or placed in several events during the National Mounted Competition at the South Florida Fairgrounds.

Sgt. Bret Sheets, who commands Sheriff Richard P. Wille's mounted unit, was named Grand



TALLAHASSEE — During Community College Law Enforcement Appreciation Week, Sgt. James Wilkerson, from the Orange County Sheriff's Office (right) was named the Outstanding Law Enforcement Alumnus; and, accompanied by his wife, Emily, he had an opportunity to receive congratulations from Governor Bob Martinez. Also pictured are (from left) Charles R. Platt, Executive Vice President of Alamo Rent-A-Car, Inc.; and Norman D. Tripp, Chairman, State Board of Community Colleges. The car rental firm gave cash awards of \$1,000 each to Sgt. Wilkerson and his alma mater, Valencia Community College. Sgt. Wilkerson was named "Deputy Sheriff of the Year" in 1988 by the National Sheriffs Association. Florida Citizens Against Crime, Inc., also honored him as "1988 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" in recognition of his bravery and professionalism.



LARGO — Three Pinellas County school crossing guards were honored for outstanding service during the 15th Annual Maybelle Rollins Bradford Memorial Awards ceremony. Participating in the ceremony were (from left) Sgt. Phil Howe, Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, who supervises the guards; Pinellas County Sheriff Everett S. Rice; Mrs. Vinzinza "Dolly" Hinzey, Winnifred Massey and Andrea Viola, the award recipients; Mrs. Thomas R. Turner, whose late husband established the awards in 1975 to honor his mother-in-law; and former Pinellas County Sheriff Don Genung, who was in office when the awards were inaugurated.



ST. AUGUSTINE — St. Johns County Sheriff Neil J. Perry (right) presents awards to six volunteers who have contributed many hours of service to the Sheriff's Office. They are (from left) Oscar Welling, Joseph Mirman, Charlotte Martin (seated), Esther Stern, Richard Finkel and Bertha Hiers. (Ms. Hiers is the Volunteer Coordinator for the Sheriff's Office.)



MADISON — "I am real proud of my Reserve Unit," said Madison County Sheriff Joe Peavy, after his volunteer auxiliarmen won local and district Rotary Club awards for outstanding community service. Pictured at the award presentation are (from left) Paul Prince, head of the Reserve Unit; Peavy; Rotary District Governor Walter Fruenheim; and Madison Rotary President Joe Moore.

National Champion after placing first in the obstacle course and second in the riding skills event.

Deputy James Falsia took first place in the inspection category and was named Reserve Grand National Champion.

Auxiliary Deputy Nirio Carballo won the open division. The competition attracted mounted police units from the east coast and as far west as Texas.

George Suhaj

FORT LAUDERDALE — Broward County Deputy Sheriff George Suhaj was chosen "Deputy of the Year" after his activities as a pioneer in Problem Oriented Policing (POP) produced amazing results in a run-down apartment complex.

As the Sheriff's first POP officer, Suhaj introduced himself to residents of Kingston Square Apartments by organizing pizza parties and field trips for neighborhood children. His next move was to develop a repair plan for some of the more rundown apartments. On his own time he persuaded private agencies to donate time and resources for repair and clean-up projects. He also contacted government agen-



Ferrera

KISSIMMEE — Osceola County Sheriff Jon Lane presents "Employee of the Month" awards to Deputy Ron Ferrara for "defusing a tense situation" by disarming a subject without violence; and to Correctional Officer Timothy R. Carpenter for "sharing his knowledge with others, and constantly finding ways to improve his job skills as well as the correctional facility as a whole."

cies such as the Building & Zoning and Housing Departments to expose neglected problems and produce improvements.

Grateful residents responded by providing information to the Sheriff's Office that resulted in the arrest of a rapist and the solving of a double murder.

Deputy Suhaj was credited with the eviction of two large scale drug traffickers who were terrorizing the neighborhood. He assisted in 53 arrests for various crimes. As a result, narcotics activity showed a 90% decrease,



Carpenter

and burglaries dropped 89%.

Sheriff Nick Navarro said he was encouraged by Suhaj's success to set up a second POP project at a prospective county park site known as "the jungle" which was inhabited by homeless people.

Deputy John Diaz, the POP officer assigned to that area, began his duties by bringing public health nurses to the jungle for a health screening program. Some of the jungle residents were found to be suffering from serious medical problems and were placed in health care facilities. Others accepted assistance from social service agencies, and some rejoined their families.

"POP is proving to be an effective law enforcement innovation," said Navarro, "and we intend to utilize it to its maximum potential."



Funds confiscated from drug dealers paid for the pick-up truck with fitted dog carrier used by Deputy Robert Harrell (left) and Sgt. Richard Knowles on K-9 Unit forays.



Sgt. Richard Knowles with "Jake" the talented tracker.

Despite staff and budget handicaps Sheriff's proficiency has improved

by Robert Lucas

MONTICELLO — Although battling the effects of an under-staffed force and an inadequate budget, Jefferson County Sheriff Ken Fortune is able to provide better-than-average law enforcement and services thanks to the dedicated efforts of his deputies and effective use of confiscated drug money.

In March he upgraded his agency with the addition of a K-9 unit and a composite technician. He said the K-9 unit did not cost the taxpayers a cent because it was paid for with confiscated drug money. The canine additions are a two-year-old German shepherd from Dusseldorf, Germany and a one-year-old bloodhound, currently on lease to the department and owned by Sgt. Richard Knowles.

Fortune said the department also bought a 1989 Chevrolet pick-up with fitted dog carriers. The shepherd, named "Deputy Conny," is trained to attack on command, to control crowds, to conduct searches for drugs in buildings or within any kind of container, and to track any criminal suspect or missing person. Deputy Robert Harrell is Conny's handler and he is also the new composite technician (an artist who draws faces of suspects when described by victims or witnesses).

"Deputy Jake," the bloodhound, already born with a unique ability to scent and track, received



Deputy Robert Harrell demonstrates "Conny's" ability to find concealed illegal drugs.

additional training to enhance his skills as a tracker. Both dogs graduated in March from the K-9 school provided by the Law Enforcement Training Academy affiliated with Lively Area Vo-Tech School. The Academy is near Tallahassee.

Jake has already proven his worth by homing in on a prison escapee and by tracking down the approach and departure pattern of a suspect who broke into an antiques business. Conny pinpointed

the location of culprits responsible for criminal mischief and trespass.

Fortune was jubilant over acquiring the K-9 unit. He was quick to point out that aside from the activities involving criminal suspects and criminals, the dogs would be able to provide a wide variety of community services.

"For example," said Fortune, "we can participate in searches for missing persons and because of the dogs we can cut down on any wasted time. If the scent isn't too old, the dogs have the capability of going directly to the missing person. If the subject is

elderly or a young child, time is of the essence."

The Sheriff said he would like particular credit given to Lt. Wallace Hancock and Sgt. Jim Lee of the Leon County Sheriff's Canine Unit. Hancock is a certified trainer at Lively and both he and Lee, with the approval of Leon County Sheriff Eddie Boone, have been instrumental in the development of Jefferson County's K-9 unit.

Cooperation of this calibre between all law enforcement agencies, plus cooperation of the general public will make the difference in the outcome of the war on drugs, Fortune firmly believes.

Speaking of good deeds — here are some

"Who's that Mommy?"

"That's a deputy sheriff."

"What does he do Mommy?"

"He puts people in jail."

End of lesson.

Shame on Mommy. She should have told junior that deputy sheriffs do many things besides putting people in jail. She could have told him that they also spend a lot of time helping people who are injured, lost or abused.

If she had been tuned in to the law enforcement scene she could also have talked about some of the kindly, generous caring things deputies do beyond the call of their normal duties.

EXAMPLE: Thirteen years ago the deputies in Sarasota County agreed to stop exchanging Christmas gifts and cards so they could give the money they saved to some worthy cause. Since then they have given thousands of dollars to agencies such as the Salvation Army, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Children's Haven and the Kidney Foundation.

Last year they collected \$1,045 and gave it all to Valerie Tokajer, a little two-year-old girl who needed a liver transplant. Valerie, who is the daughter of a Bradenton policeman (see photo), received the liver transplant and later returned to the hospital because she was suffering from meningitis. The good news is that she was discharged from the hospital on April 1.



Sarasota County Sheriff's Office employees deliver a check for \$1,045 to Bradenton Police Officer Bill Tokajer (left) and his family, which includes eldest daughter Christina Denise and Wife Thea, holding two-year-old Valerie. The Sheriff's Office delegation includes (from left) Cpl. Michael J. Bessette, Deputy Neil Sully and Capt. Ed Palmer.

EXAMPLE — When a long bout with cancer prevented Cpl. Ruth Dennis from returning to work after she had used up all of her sick leave, her associates at the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office donated their own sick leave time so she could continue on leave with pay.

At last report 35 employees had donated enough time to keep the pay checks flowing for a year. Without that generous help, Cpl. Dennis would have faced the possibility of resigning or taking a leave without pay.

"I just couldn't believe it," Dennis was quoted as saying. "I've been in treatment for several months with blood transfusions. Knowing all these people are pulling for me has sure helped me through."



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.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold J.
Althaver

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H.
Campbell

Centel Cable Company

Mrs. Linda B. Cloud

Mr. Richard Coble

Mr. and Mrs. Frank
Coffman

Mrs. Victor J. Decorte

Mr. George S. Duryee

Mr. John D. Eldridge

Mr. Waldean W.
Grauerholz

James J. Griffiths M.D.

Ms. Shelley Griffiths

Mrs. Ann Johnson

Kenyon Dodge, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack A.
Kuder

Mr. and Mrs. J. C.
Matlock

Men's Club of
Howey-in-the-Hills

Offshore Marine
Industries, Inc.

On and Offshore, Inc.

Mr. and Mrs. Zack C.
Osias

Paragon Cable
Company

Pearce Library

Mrs. Paula Rucinski

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W.
Sauer

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond
J. Smith

Swampwater Oaks
Ranch

Mr. and Mrs. W. Leon
Tyson

Veterans of Foreign
Wars Post #2009

Walgreen Store #1407

Mrs. Elinor K. Williams

Women of the Moose
Chapter #1651

Mr. Chester R. Yates

*DELAND — Presented by Volusia
County Sheriff Bob Vogel to Mrs. Char-
lotte B. Palo.*

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.



CARUTH CAMP — Presented by Levy County Sheriff Ted Glass (right) and Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver (left) to Everett Lindstrom, Youth Services Director, Caruth Camp.



Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued . . .



LAKE CITY — Presented by Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver (right) to Allen Elkins.



BRADENTON — Presented by Manatee County Sheriff Charlie B. Wells (right) to Bob Freeman, representing Sea Dog Sports Wear.



CLEARWATER — Presented by Youth Ranches Regional Director Fred "Mac" Stones (left) to Neil Moore, representing Lester Coggins Trucking, Inc.



Thomson



Lands

FORT MYERS — Presented by Youth Ranches Regional Director Bill Aust to Douglas S. Thomson and Leonard C. Lands.



PUNTA GORDA — Presented by Charlotte County Sheriff Richard Worch (right) and Youth Ranches Regional Director Bill Aust (left) to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peterman.



Veterans



Zimmerman

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGION — Presented by Robert C. Haag, Youth Ranches Vice President for Planned Giving, to the Paralyzed Veterans Association of Florida, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, represented by Executive Director Hank Koepke (left) and President Tom Corey; Brian Zimmermann (left), Chapman School of Seamanship, Stuart, representing his father, Col. William Zimmerman; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed, Stuart; Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Hehman, Fort Lauderdale; and Summersport Enterprises, Inc, Dania, represented by Stephen Snyder, President (center) and John Knox Vice President and General Manager (right). (Haag is on the left in the Summersport photo.)

Hehmen



Summersport



Reeds



FORT LAUDERDALE — Presented to "The Channel," a ministry of service at Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church, by Elizabeth Giardini, Supervisor of Family Services at the southeast Florida office of the Youth Ranches. Pictured from left are Phyllis Markwell; Elizabeth Giardini; Judy Swisher, Channel Coordinator; and the Rev. Robert Koren, Channel Director.



Valdes



Mrs. Crocker



Robinson

MIAMI — Presented by Director Fred Taylor, Metro-Dade Police Department, to Francisco T. Valdes; Mrs. Carole Davis Crocker; Krome North Processing Center, represented by Mack Robinson, Detention Service Officer; and David Leflet, a member of the Metro-Dade Police Department staff. (The last mentioned membership was issued to Mr. and Mrs. David Leflet.)

Leflet



Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued . . .



OCALA — Presented by Marion County Sheriff Don Moreland (right) to Marion Electronics, Inc., represented by Clem Pippett.



KISSIMMEE — Presented by Osceola County Sheriff Jon Lane (right) to Mr. and Mrs. R. Carlyle Bronson.



TALLAHASSEE — Presented by Leon County Sheriff Eddie Boone (right) to Louie N. Thomas.



ORLANDO — A Lifetime Honorary Membership awarded posthumously to Milo Steinborn was accepted by his son, Henry Steinborn (left). The presentation was made by Youth Ranches Vice President for Planned Giving Terry Knox.



Langdale



Perrys

VERO BEACH — Presented by Indian River County Sheriff Tim Dobeck to Robert Langdale and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Perry.

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued



Ms. Leonard



Dickhart



Wilson

FORT PIERCE — Presented by St. Lucie County Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles to Ms. Marge Leonard, David Dickhart and Richard Wilson.



Freimans



Stark

PUNTA GORDA — Presented by Charlotte County Sheriff Richard H. Worch, Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Max Freiman; and to the Peace River Civic Association, represented by Aaron Stark.



JACKSONVILLE — Presented by Jacksonville Sheriff James E. McMillan (center) to Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. Olsen, Jr.



Mrs. Ross



Kings



Fracks

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA REGION — Presented by Youth Ranches Regional Director Bill Aust to Mrs. Kenneth Ross, Punta Gorda; Mr. and Mrs. John King, Bokeelia; and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Frack, St. James City.



Fisher



Mrs. Vickers

CENTRAL FLORIDA REGION — Presented by Youth Ranches Vice President for Planned Giving Terry Knox to Frederick Fisher, Cocoa Beach; Mrs. Elizabeth Vickers, Winter Park; and Mr. and Mrs. William T. Brown, Vero Beach.



Browns

Just saying “no” was not enough



Sheriff Eddie Boone really meant it when he presented a certificate of appreciation to Jackson Shuford.

TALLAHASSEE — Jackson Shuford is only nine years old, but he had his first encounter with drug dealers recently. The drug dealers were two 14-year-old boys.

Scary isn't it — to realize that the drug crisis touches people of all ages and stations in life? But, that isn't the point of this article. The important thing that happened was Jackson's reaction after saying “no” to drugs.

Jackson was on his way home from school when the two 14-year-olds tried to interest him in a plastic bag filled with white powder.

He told them to bug off, then made a beeline to the Leon County Sheriff's Office and supplied descriptions of the 14-year-old drug dealers.

Sheriff Eddie Boone was impressed. “That took a lot of maturity and courage,” he told news reporters. “I wish we could get every adult in Leon County to do just what Jackson did.”

A few days later Jackson was called back to the Sheriff's Office to receive a certificate of appreciation from Boone, who also praised the lad's mother for “reinforcing a positive attitude toward law enforcement.”

Jackson told news reporters he wasn't particularly scared by his encounter with the bigger boys, and he was mostly concentrating on what he would tell the people at the Sheriff's Office. “I just tried to remember what they looked like,” he said. “I got away fast.”