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*Sheriffs had Lieutenant Governor
in custody during
76th Annual Conference.*

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Sarasota SO a strong olympics contender

Although we do not have complete results from the 22nd Annual Florida Law Enforcement Olympics, we have received reports from several Sheriffs' Offices, including a news release from Sarasota County Sheriff Geoffrey Monge.

Sarasota has taken first place in Division II (agencies with less than 250 sworn officers) for the past three years, but competed in Division I (for agencies with over 250 sworn officers) this year. Nevertheless, said Monge, the Sarasota contingent took fifth place overall in competition with 120 agencies.

The 57 Sarasota deputies who participated in the Olympics brought back 54 gold medals, 45 silver and 25 bronze.

The rankings, with point totals, were as follow: Division I: Department of Corrections (1) 643 points; Metro-Dade Corrections (2) 571 points; Metro-Dade Police (3) 523 points; Orlando Police Department (4) 338 points; and Sarasota (5) 315 points.

In Division II, Sarasota Police Department ranked first with 146 points; West Palm Beach PD, second with 139; and Coral Gables PD, third with 80.

From Hernando County Sheriff Tom Mylander we received a photo of two olympians, Deputy Glenn Morrison, who won a silver medal in the 198-pound bench press class by hoisting 375 pounds in spite of the fact



Hernando County Sheriff Tom Mylander (left) with Deputies Glenn Morrison (center) and Bart Knowles.

that he was the lightest contender in his class; and Deputy Bart Knowles who won a silver medal in arm wrestling in the 200-pound class. Their picture appears with this article.

From Bradenton came a news report that Manatee County deputies garnered three gold and one silver medal. Deputy Bruce Meade was a gold medalist in javelin and discus. Deputy Paul Wallis won a gold medal for power lifting. Gary Johnson, a reserve deputy, was a silver medalist in power lifting.

A news report from Daytona Beach revealed that Volusia County deputies were a powerhouse in swimming events, with Sgt. Craig Broughton winning three gold and one silver; Mary Broughton, three golds; Investigator Robert Wallace, two golds and two silvers; Deputy Kevin Duffy, two golds, one silver and two bronzes; Deputy Ken Edwards, two golds; Cpl. Jim Hanger, two silvers.

In horseshoes (President Bush please note) Lt. Robert Rickmyre won a silver and a bronze; and Sgt. Gary Frazee won one bronze.

In bowling, Leigh Matusick won two golds; and Cpl. Jeannie Osowski won a gold and a bronze.

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Police and Students: Crime Prevention at Its Best

by Donald Thompson
Metro-Dade Police Department

MIAMI — "Police Officers are to be considered friends, not foes." In one sentence, a student at John F. Kennedy Middle School, North Miami Beach, expresses the end result of a caring relationship that has developed between his school and the Metro-Dade Police Department.

School principal Florence Linden says, "we have seen changes in the perceptions of both the officers and the students and a mutual respect has developed."

As part of a School Board/Police cooperative program called Dade Partners, Metro-Dade Police Department members have worked side by side with youngsters in SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), Youth Crime Watch, and Gun Awareness.

There is an "At Risk Alternative School" within Kennedy Middle School. This is a special program for students who, in one way or another, have become academic or disciplinary problems — who have reached a point, Mrs. Linden says, "where it wouldn't take much to lead them astray."

They are assigned to smaller classes with special

teachers in hopes that the increased individual attention will turn them around. Metro-Dade police officers have assisted in the process.

"They have participated with the students in role playing activities," Mrs. Linden continues. "They have taken the students to the district station and made them knowledgeable on the law and how it relates to misdemeanors and felonies."

The Metro officers have also taken their off-duty times to be speakers at social studies and health classes and to conduct assemblies on career planning.

No one fully appreciated the depth of the relationship that had developed between the students and officers until one day in late November, 1988, when two police officers from the same district station as the Dade Partners, were gunned down on duty. The youngsters were so moved by the tragedy that, on their own, they collected \$700 for the families of the victims.

As far as the nuts and bolts effectiveness of the program is concerned, officers have reported a significant reduction in truancy, campus crime and vandalism.

Cooperation between students and officers has turned out to be one of the more pleasant activities in which Metro officers are involved. In the final analysis, it may prove to be one of the most effective crime prevention programs.

Deputies assigned to middle schools

KEY WEST — Monroe county middle schools will have a uniformed deputy working eight hours a day during the current school term in a move by Sheriff Allison DeFoor and School Superintendent A.J. Henriquez to increase Monroe County's School Resource Officer Program.

With approval from the County Commission, a total of three Sheriff's deputies will be assigned as School Resource Officers at the beginning of the 1989-90 school term.

The program is aimed at stopping crime and drug abuse through education of young people, and it had its first test in 1988 at Horace O'Bryant Middle School in Key West. Deputy Janet Thomas worked in the school counseling the students, assisting in security, and teaching a 17-week Drug Awareness course to the sixth grade classes.

"With the School Resource Officer Program we are attempting to create a 'firebreak' in the schools which will prevent our students from ever becoming involved in drugs or criminal activity," Sheriff DeFoor said.

"Every student we can educate about drugs, every student we convince to 'just say no' to drugs, is a student that law enforcement and the community won't have to deal with on a street level later.



A partnership to improve education

BRADENTON — Manatee County Sheriff Charles B. Wells (right) poses with Manatee County School Board Member Nunzie Marinelli after signing a partnership agreement designed to create a closer relationship between the Sheriff's Office and the school system. Wells pledged his cooperation in helping the school system to achieve its educational goals. Similar pledges were made by other government and business leaders.

PHOTO HIGHLIGHTS

from The 76th Annual Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association

COCOA BEACH — The Florida Sheriffs Association held its 76th Annual Conference at the Holiday Inn, Cocoa Beach, on July 10, 11 and 12, with President Tim Dobeck, Sheriff of Indian River County, presiding. Brevard County Sheriff C.W. "Jake" Miller was the conference host.

Guest speakers included Governor Bob Martinez; Lt. Governor Bobby Brantley; Dr. James Reese, from the FBI National Academy; and Attorney John O'Leary, former Executive Director of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy and Past President of the National Association of State Directors of Law Enforcement Training.

Attorney Mark Herron, representing Moffitt, Hart and Herron law firm, gave a detailed report on the 1989 session of the Florida Legislature. His firm represents the Sheriffs Association in legislative matters.

A report on the progress of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches was presented by Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver.

Subjects discussed in business sessions included Career Criminals; Media Relations; and Stress Management.

Panama City was selected as the site of the 1990 Mid-Winter Conference, with Bay County Sheriff Guy Tunnell as host. Pensacola was selected as the site of the 77th Annual Conference, to be held in mid-summer of 1990 with Escambia County Sheriff Charlie Johnson as host.

Sammy Woodall (right), who was recently appointed Sheriff of Dixie County to fill a vacancy created by the death of Sheriff Glen Dyals, was welcomed as a new member of the Sheriffs Association by President Tim Dobeck.



COVER PHOTO: Sheriffs Association officials huddled briefly with Lt. Governor Bobby Brantley (left) before he addressed a banquet audience. The Sheriffs are (from left) Charlie Wells, Manatee County, Chairman of the Legislative Committee; Tim Dobeck, Indian River County, President; Jerry Whitehead, Union County, Treasurer.



Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro, Chairman of the Florida Sheriffs Association's Crack Cocaine Task Force, reported on "Operation Rockpile," a highly successful statewide drug sweep.





Brevard County Sheriff C.W. "Jake" Miller, the conference host, received a loud and long round of applause for the outstanding hospitality he and his staff provided.



"Stress in the Law Enforcement Family" was discussed by Dr. James Reese, from the FBI National Academy.



Seminole County Sheriff John Polk (right), venerable "Dean" of Florida's Sheriffs by virtue of his long tenure in office, received a commemorative cane in honor of his status. It was presented by Sheriffs Association President Tim Dobeck.



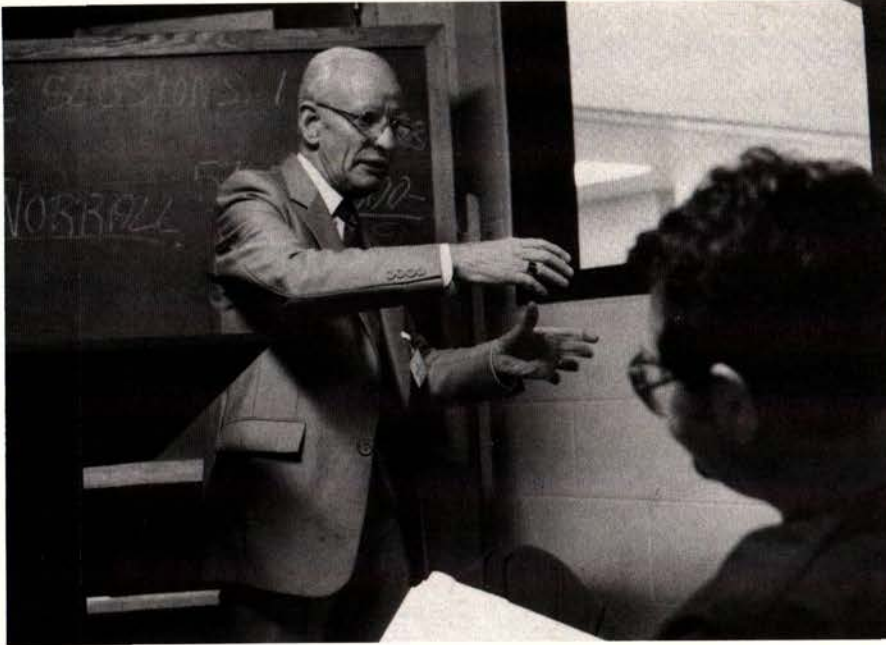
Attorney John O'Leary warned Sheriffs about potential liability suits and suggested techniques for avoiding them.



Attorney Mark Herron (left) receives an appreciation award in recognition of the excellent representation he gave the Sheriffs Association during the 1989 session of the Florida Legislature. The award was presented by Manatee County Sheriff Charlie Wells, Chairman of the Association's Legislative Committee.



Linda Galeener, who heads up a Forensic Artists' Task Force sponsored by the Sheriffs Association, presents a portrait to Calhoun County Sheriff W.G. "Buddy" Smith in recognition of the encouragement he has given to the task force. Smith is the Sheriffs Association's Chaplain.



Jim Worrall, a former race car driver and World War II paratrooper, teaches defensive driving to jail inmates. "He is one of the best," said a Central Florida Safety Council official, "and quickly earns respect."



Frederick J. Walsh is the Executive Director of the Central Florida Safety Council. He recently retired as Chief of the Orlando Police Department after 25 years with that agency. He is also president of Frederick J. Walsh and Associates, a management consulting group focusing on government and law enforcement.

Defensive driving being taught in jail

ORLANDO — They are not going anywhere. They have no car keys in their pockets. Nevertheless, carefully selected inmates in the Orange County jail system are attending a Defensive Driving Course (DDC-4) offered free of charge by the Central Florida Safety Council (CFSC), a chapter of the National Safety Council.

This may be a unique "first" in the history of Florida jails, but it makes sense to Safety Council Officials, and to decision makers in the Orange County Corrections Division.

During 1988 the Safety Council created several "give back to the community" programs such as "Coaching the Mature Driver" for senior citizens and fellowships for youth, according to Ann L. Baker, Public Relations Coordinator for CFSC.

At that time the Safety Council entered into an agreement with the Orange County Corrections Division to provide a classroom-only defensive driving course to teach inmates the concept of preventable accidents. It makes the point that the main issue is the accident itself, and not who is right or wrong, and that most accidents are preventable.

This same DDC-4 program is used in Florida and many other states for point reduction and other court-ordered driver training. The latest available report shows that over 200 inmates have completed the course.

Each inmate-student is registered with the Safety Council and the Orange County Adult Education Program and receives an appropriate certificate after completing the course.

"The inmate student body is a high 'at risk' group," said Black, "and one can certainly follow the logic of . . . providing training to students before the accident, not after the accident, and possibly saving lives and injuries.

"It's entirely too early to determine whether or not the DDC-4 will change driving behavior in any of these inmates," Black added. "However, we know the program works in a non-confinement setting. Pre-training/post-training studies have documented a reduction in accident occurrence and in traffic violation conviction among those who have completed the course."

Defensive driving is one of approximately 25 training and counseling programs offered by the Orange County Corrections Division to inmates who have demonstrated acceptable behavior and motivation.

Florida has 3 big league jails

A U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics list of the nation's largest local jail systems includes three from Florida. They are Dade County, 3,491 inmates (average daily population, 1987); Orange County, 1,951; and Broward County, 1,893.

Los Angeles County, California, ranks first in the nation with an average daily jail population of 17,115.

No-knock warrants and stun grenades necessary to capture drug dealers

By Brevard County Sheriff C.W. "Jake" Miller

As a guest columnist, Sheriff Miller wrote the following commentary for Florida Today a daily newspaper published in Cocoa.



Sheriff C.W. "Jake" Miller

The war on drugs is exactly that — a war.

Our children are threatened. Our homes are burglarized by addicts who trade our jewelry and stereo equipment for crack cocaine.

Law enforcement is outnumbered, outspent and outgunned by the drug dealers. But night after night, Brevard County police officers are on the streets trying.

I am deeply distressed to see the American Civil Liberties Union trying to use the death of a fellow police officer to eliminate what few effective tools we have to fight this national threat.

The ACLU tells the public that no-knock search warrants and stunning devices are "unreasonable." They don't discuss the alternatives.

Judges, not law enforcement officers, issue no-knock search warrants. Understandably, these judges require that law enforcement officers make a strong case for this type of warrant.

If it were possible to knock on a drug dealer's door and safely get the dealer and his drugs, we would do it. However, the courts and law enforcement officers know that most will, at best, flush the drugs and, at worst, start shooting.

Most are repeat offenders. The likelihood of long prison sentences increases as their criminal records get longer. It is only logical that they will fight us with increasing desperation during each successive arrest.

Our agents have, in recent years, seized an arsenal of weapons, including Mac 10 submachine guns, .44 Magnum revolvers and Tech 9 machine pistols — all powerful enough to penetrate walls and hit innocent bystanders. For obvious reasons, we are vitally concerned with preventing gun battles.

Officer safety is another very important consideration. Entering unfamiliar buildings, they protect themselves as best they can and prepare to face the worst.

Certainly there are risks. The officers who take these risks volunteer to do so. They volunteer because they are committed. Their only edge is training — and the element of surprise.

Their responsibilities extend beyond getting in safely and making the arrest. They also must preserve the evidence.

If the dealer has time to reach the bathroom, the incriminating drugs will be flushed down the toilet.

Without the drugs, we don't have a case. And without a case to prosecute, we have no choice but to set the dealer free to conduct business as usual.

Critics have implied that no-knock searches are made frequently and that the stunning devices somehow resemble bombs. Neither is true.

Of the estimated 100 search warrants served by the Brevard County Sheriff's Office last year, only about 5 percent involved no-knock entry. Of those 100, about 10 percent involved the use of stunning devices.

The only similarity between the stunning device and an actual hand grenade is the fuse. As with a grenade, it is ignited by pulling a pin and releasing a handle. But unlike a grenade, which is designed to throw shrapnel, the body of the device resembles a powerful firecracker. Slightly more powerful than the familiar cherry bomb, it is designed to buy the deputy time — the three to five seconds he needs to enter and disarm.

Encased in a cardboard cylinder, the device is designed to confuse with a loud bang and distract with a bright flash. The light is produced by flash powder similar to that used by turn of the century photographers.

Drug dealers are the worst and most violent of our society. The public demands and deserves to see them dealt with by the criminal justice system.

We ask that the public continue to support law enforcement in the limited use of no-knock search warrants and stunning devices.

Let's face it, cosmetic surgery may be a valid crime deterrent

Texas, with the second largest prison system in the nation, is giving face lifts, nose jobs, liposuction flab removal and other cosmetic surgery procedures to inmates just before they are released.

The surgery is free and has been given to hundreds of inmates over the past 15 years, according to *Insight* news magazine. The theory is that discharged inmates who look better will behave better and will be more likely to stay out of trouble.

Volunteers are "a tremendous asset"

DELAND — Soon after Robert L. Vogel, Jr., was sworn in as Sheriff of Volusia County in January, he began using volunteers to enhance the effectiveness of the Sheriff's Office and he is enthusiastic about the results.

Some volunteers perform clerical duties. Others patrol the streets of Deltona (a Volusia County community) in their private vehicles as participants in a Citizen Observer Program (COP). All volunteers donate their time and talents at no cost to taxpayers.

The volunteers in the Citizen Observer Program patrol the streets of Deltona after receiving a minimum of 24 hours of classroom instruction. Their privately owned vehicles are identified by magnetic COP decals that can be removed when not in use.

Sheriff Vogel stressed that the COP volunteers are strictly observers looking for suspicious incidents or emergencies which they report to full time uniformed patrol deputies. They have two-way radios and their own base station and do not interfere with the Sheriff's communications system. In their first month of operation they logged 1,359 hours of duty and traveled 5,907 miles.

Vogel said COP patrols have not wiped out crime in the Deltona area, "but they are a tremendous asset and they have been well received by the patrol division of the Sheriff's Office."

Volusia County Sheriff Robert L. Vogel, Jr., (left) and Len Jansen, volunteer coordinator for the Citizen Observer Program (COP), with the magnetic decal volunteers use on patrol.



Trio commended for catching thieves

OCALA — Three General Development Corporation employees received Distinguished Service Certificates from the Marion County Sheriff's Office after they apprehended two thieves who had broken into a car in the firm's parking lot. Shown holding the certificates are (from left) Joshua M. Henry, Eddie L. Irving and Ms. Leslie A. Nix. Participating in the presentation were (from left) Capt. E.M. Wright, Jr. (MCSO); Ms. Sherra Camerucci, General Manager, Silver Springs Shores; John Palumbo, Director of Community Operations, General Development Corporation; and Major Dan P. Henry (MCSO).



Crime scene technician receives award

KISSIMMEE — "She has one of the less glamorous jobs in the Sheriff's Office, but makes every effort to perform at the highest possible level," said Osceola County Sheriff Jon Lane after presenting an "Employee of the Month" award to Beth Dennis, a crime scene technician.

Hazel made history — now she's retiring

ST. AUGUSTINE — Visitors to the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office are in for a shock. No Hazel. Incredible but true, Capt. Hazel McCormack is retiring after a 30-year career that took her from the bottom to the top of the Sheriff's organizational chart.

She began her career as a jail matron and communications officer in 1958, and served four Sheriffs over three decades. In 1965 she became the Sheriff's head accountant and office manager. In 1970 she was promoted to Lieutenant and placed in charge of Auxiliary Services, a position that required her to oversee operations at the main Sheriff's Office, the county jail and the communications center.

Hazel made law enforcement history in the 1970s when she was promoted to Captain. At that time, St. Johns County Sheriff Dudley Garrett, said she was the highest ranking female deputy sheriff in Florida.

Her ultimate responsibility as Division Director of Administration placed her in charge of judicial process, records, bailiffs, computer operations, payroll, training and a variety of other Sheriff's Office functions.

During a large portion of her career Capt. McCormack was responsible for preparing the Sheriff's budget. "In the beginning it was about \$200,000," she said recently. "Now it's almost \$7 million." During that same time she saw the staff increase from eight deputies to over 250.

At a ceremony held in her honor on July 8, she received letters of congratulations from President Bush and Governor Martinez, as well as plaques recognizing her accomplishments.

Her present boss, Sheriff Neil J. Perry praised her



Capt. Hazel McCormack and Sheriff Neil J. Perry with the plaque she received during a retirement celebration held in her honor.

for devoting 30 years of "dedicated, professional service to the citizens of St. John's County."

He added that she was leaving a "legacy of sound and stable accounting procedures . . . that will enable the Sheriff's Office to continue with the policies she has established for many years to come."

Sheriff offering drive-thru service

PORT CHARLOTTE — When the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office established a district office in a Port Charlotte building that had formerly been occupied by a dry cleaner and a pet shop, a brief debate arose about the drive-thru window.

"At first we thought about boarding it up," said Capt. John Davenport, District Commander, "but I thought, 'why not leave it as an added convenience for the elderly and those persons who may only need information or a report?'"

"The window has been a success, especially in foul weather," Davenport added. "We serve many people who just need information or a report."



Nine changed men:

Personal development, life management course has wrought dramatic changes in jail inmates

TALLAHASSEE — They say you can't rehabilitate inmates in county jails. Sentences are too short. Too many inmates are simply waiting to go to trial or get bonded out. Nearly all jails are overcrowded. The most you can hope to do is teach the illiterates to read and help the dropouts to get a GED high school diploma.

That's what they say, but Capt. Howard Schleich, the Leon County Jail Administrator, sings a different tune. He believes that county jail inmates can be turned around, and he has nine changed men to prove it. More are on the way.

The nine men are the first inmates to graduate from a personal development and life management program called "the Vital Issues Projects" (VIP). Eighty hours of class sessions, under the direction of Vital Issues President Jim Kress, changed the nine men so dramatically that Capt. Schleich immediately started two more classes — one with 13 juveniles, and the other with 23 adults.

Capt. Schleich recently admitted he had reservations at first. "I asked myself if this program would really work . . . but I have seen men change before my eyes in a dramatic way, and it has been very rewarding for me. It's like entering a new day . . . walking down a new path."

Friends and relatives, children too, had an opportunity to see the transformation Capt. Schleich was talking about when they attended a graduation ceremony held in the county jail dining room on July 28. There was something about the way the nine graduates strode into the room that caused the audience to get up spontaneously and give them a long standing ovation.

If these guys had been losers in the past, it didn't show. This night, in their new blue shirts, white, neatly pressed trousers, and new blue tennis shoes, they looked and acted like potential winners.

It wasn't an illusion. They sounded like winners a little later when each had an opportunity to share his thoughts and feelings in a short speech.

David Scott, elected as the class leader, was the first to speak. He said the VIP sessions "helped us to realize our positives and negatives, and helped us to overcome some of our negatives. We've opened a trail that hasn't been opened before — one that will be followed by many, many more."

The other graduates offered variations of the same theme. One said all of his negative ways were behind him and he was motivated to go on with his life and do better. Another said he went to the VIP sessions



Jim Kress (left), President of Vital Issues Projects, with Mickey Burlison, one of the Leon County graduates.



Sheriff Eddie Boone (seated) and Capt. Howard Schleich listen to a graduate of the VIP Program describe plans to resume his college career. "This program is the answer to eliminating the 'revolving door' problem in the county jail," Boone commented later. "I believe in it and would like to see every jail in the state using it."

because he heard they were serving coffee and cookies, "but now I'm changing my ways for the benefit of my children."

What the short speeches lacked in polish and eloquence they seemed to make up with sincerity. Key phrases left a lasting impression. "This is a program I will never forget."

"This has turned me into a different person."

"It opened my eyes to my bad habits."

"This is the last time you will see me here [in this jail]."

"I was very bitter when I came here, but VIP changed my attitude. This is unusual, because I was an individual who thought he knew everything."

"I have my goals set. I won't be back as a prisoner, but I will be back to visit the class."

A letter to VIP President Kress from the graduates seemed to sum up their sentiments. It said in part: "In the past we thought change was not possible, but in the past weeks we have seen the possibility of change in ourselves and in each other. We have learned valuable lessons in a short period of time. In short, we are what we are; we are more than what we were; and we are not all that we will be."

The closest thing to a commencement address came from Sgt. Liz Black, the jail's Classification Supervisor. "It is with mixed emotions that we part at this graduation day," she said. "A part of me wants to cry,



The "faculty" of the VIP program at the Leon County Jail includes (from left) Capt. Howard Schleich, Jail Administrator; Sgt. Liz Black, Classification Supervisor; Corrections Officer Linda Nobles; and Lt. I. Curt McKenzie, Training Officer.

while another part of me holds my head high with pride.

"We've learned together, laughed together, and nearly cried together. We've watched the changes that have taken place inside each of us as we grew. I've

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VIP addresses the problem as opposed to merely treating numerous symptoms

The *Sheriff's Star* asked Jim Kress, President of Vital Issues Projects (VIP), to explain the philosophy behind the personal development/life management training program offered nationwide to turn prisoners, juvenile delinquents, high school dropouts, migrant workers and other potential losers into potential winners.

Basically, he said, it's a matter of addressing the problem rather than treating the symptoms.

So what is the problem?

"It is not a high school dropout problem," he said. "It is not a juvenile delinquency problem. It is not an overwhelming welfare problem. It is not a subsidized housing problem. It is not an employability problem. It is not an alcohol/drug abuse problem. It is not a prison recidivism problem. It is not a family deterioration problem."

"These and other social conditions are symptoms of a very serious, deep rooted people problem. Therefore, Vital Issues Projects achieves remediation through personal development/life management training."

Please explain.

"Personal development/life management training is a learned system that equips a person to grow within his or her inner self. The training focuses on motivation (habits, attitudes and conditioning), goal setting, problem solving, decision making, emotional control, family relationships, financial stability, communication and job seeking skills.

"In essence, it is a blueprint for living."

Asked to explain the methodology, Kress said that the program employs psychologically tested procedures such as spaced repetition, dual sensory perception (visual and audio), group interaction, designed curriculum and modular design.

"The program operates two hours per day, five days a week, and can be completed in four, six or eight weeks."

Kress said although the program performs well as a single entity, it can readily be incorporated as a support system to enhance other remedial efforts.



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. John D. Arnold, Sr.
Miss Jean Meredith Asbury
Barnett Bank of Suwannee Valley
Mrs. Ruth C. Bedarf
Ms. Joan Brandl
Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Butts
Dr. and Mrs. Claude C. Casey, Jr.
Certified Plumbing & Electrical Supply Co.
Mr. George E. Christman
Mr. and Mrs. Phil Eunice
Fantastic Sam's
Florida Citrus Safety Association
Mr. Harold W. Gear
Ms. Mary Kay Gentile
Mr. and Mrs. Julian Gershenwald
Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Goetze
Mrs. Gladys E. Gray
Mrs. Walter C. Gregory
Mr. Bernie V. Hyden
Mr. and Mrs. George Lambrinides
Mr. Robert E. Lawson
Mrs. Mary C. Lear

Loyal Order of Moose
Lodge #1030
Lodge #1585
Lodge #1641
Lodge #1753
Lodge #1880
Lodge #42
Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lyons
Mrs. Thomas W. McElvy
Mrs. Paula McNabb
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence L. Minego
Mr. David M. Mitchell
Mr. Lawrence Jay Myers
Mr. and Mrs. George L. Ossander
R. P. Scherer North America
Mrs. W. C. Ray, Jr.
Mr. George B. Schmith, Sr.
Mrs. Rosemary Shepherd
Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Sibley
Mr. and Mrs. Barto H. Smith
Honorable Jim Smith
Mr. and Mrs. Hank Stoddard
Mr. and Mrs. C. Bruce Warren
Ms. Christine W. Weaver
Ms. Ashley York

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.



KISSIMMEE — Presented by Osceola County Sheriff Jon Lane (left) to Mr. and Mrs. W. Leon Tyson.



DELAND — Presented by Volusia County Sheriff Robert L. Vogel, Jr., (left) and Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver to Mrs. Harriet R. Petsche.

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued . . .



Mrs. Williams



Stuart



Ms. Collins

FORT PIERCE — Presented by St. Lucie County Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles to Mrs. Elinor Williams; Mr. David Stuart, representing World of Plastics, Inc.; and Ms. Ann Collins, representing Southern Eagle Distributing, Inc.



JACKSONVILLE — Presented by Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver (left) to Mr. and Mrs. John Schmutz, former Boys Ranch and Youth Ranches employees.



OCALA — Presented by Capt. E.M. Wright (right), Marion County Sheriff's Office, to Commander Neil Ellson, representing VFW Post #2009.



TALLAHASSEE — Presented by Leon County Sheriff Eddie Boone (right) to the Hon. Robert M. Ervin, attorney.



Carr



Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jeffries

CLEARWATER — Presented by Youth Ranches Regional Director Fred "Mac" Stones to Lynn Carr, Youth Ranches Recreation Director; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jeffries, Jr.; and the Golden K Kiwanis Club represented by (from left) Roy Hinchcliff, (Stones), Charles Moldenhauer, Bob Peak and Ed Weisenbach.



FORT LAUDERDALE — Presented by Youth Ranches Vice President for Planned Giving Bob Haag to Mrs. Joseph Bailey.



Kiwanis



FORT LAUDERDALE — Presented by Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro to Mrs. Victor J. Decorte.

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued . . .



Majewski



Ms. Johnston



Legion Auxiliary

FORT LAUDERDALE — Presented by Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro to Leonard Majewski; Florida Golf Shop, Inc., represented by Angela Johnston; and Broward Memorial American Legion Auxiliary #180, represented by (from left) Margaret R. Felix, Harriet Kelly and Evelyn Davis.

3,080 US Sheriffs employ 189,234

The latest figures released by the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics show that there are 3,080 Sheriffs' Offices in the United States, compared to 11,989 local police departments and 49 state police agencies. Hawaii does not have a state police agency. Alaska has no Sheriffs.

Based upon figures compiled from the 1987 fiscal year, the survey also reveals the following newsy nuggets:

*There were 987 police departments with only one sworn officer, but no one-man Sheriffs' Offices. In counties under 10,000 population (the smallest category) the Sheriffs' Offices averaged eight sworn officers and three civilian employees.

*Police departments, Sheriffs' Offices and state police agencies employed a combined total of 757,508 persons, including 555,364 sworn officers, and had operating and capital expenses totaling more than \$28 billion. Sheriffs' employees totaled 189,234.

*An estimated 12.5% of sworn officers in Sheriffs' Offices were female, compared to 7.6% in police departments and 4.2% in state police agencies.

*The racial mix of employees was as follows: police departments, 85.4% white (non Hispanic), 9.3% black, and 4.5% Hispanic; Sheriffs, 86.6% white, 8.3% black, and 4.3% Hispanic; state police, 88.7% white, 6.5% black, and 3.8% Hispanic. (No explanation was given for the figures not adding up to 100%.)

*The average annual operating expenditure for Sheriffs' Offices was \$2,012,900. However the amounts per agency varied greatly. Those serving a population of 1 million or more averaged \$61,000,000; while those serving populations under 10,000 spent an average of \$296,000.

Should Richard Ameryke be in the Sheriffs' Hall of Fame?

Was America named for Richard Ameryke, the Sheriff of Bristol, England?

Some writers have suggested that English explorer John Cabot named the new world in honor of his friend the Sheriff. It's not exactly clear why Cabot did this, if he did, but there is a theory that the explorer wanted to curry favor with Ameryke, the man responsible for paying his pension.

Perhaps it's just a myth. In any event, American school children are being taught that the honor belongs to Amerigo Vespucci, who has been regarded as the first European to touch American mainland.



Golfers give Junior Deputies a boost

BROOKSVILLE — A successful golf tournament at Spring Hill Golf and Country Club produced \$3,800 for Sheriff Tom Mylander's Junior Deputy Sheriff League. The Sheriff (left) is shown accepting an oversize facsimile of the check from Gene Miller, representing the country club.



Steve Marsh, Sheriff Neil J. Perry and Deputy Don Roberts releasing the recovered owl.



Sorority gift will benefit child crime victims

LARGO — After Kappa Delta Sorority of Clearwater voted to give Pinellas County Sheriff Everett S. Rice a generous cash gift to purchase supplies for the "child interview room" used by his Crimes Against Children Division, three members, accompanied by their children, delivered the gift. Pictured are (front row) Sue Reinhardt, Jennifer Reinhardt, Grant Kerekes and Karen Barnes holding Brady; (back row) Sheriff Rice holding Andrew Kerekes, Kappa Delta President Kandi Kerekes, and Sgt. Skip Cutting, head of the Sheriff's Crime Against Children Division.

Deputy on the prowl rescues owl

ST. AUGUSTINE — On patrol at 3 a.m., Deputy Sheriff Don Roberts collided with a low flying red screech owl in spite of his efforts to swerve his patrol car out of the way.

Luckily, Roberts is a friend of animals. He slammed on his brakes, picked up the unconscious bird, wrapped it in a blanket, drove to a phone and called the St. Johns County Wildlife Care number.

Despite the ungodly hour, the Wildlife Care agency took custody of the injured bird and reported later that it had suffered a concussion.

For two months Steve Marsh, of Wildlife Care, nursed the owl back to health. Then came the happy ending when he, Deputy Roberts and St. Johns County Sheriff Neil J. Perry took the bird out into the wilds and released it.

Nine changed men

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seen the smiles on each of your faces as you gained hope and insight and began to build upon your dreams and goals. These changes have been rewarding, but come on men, now's the time to put the knowledge into action!

"I have every confidence in the world in all of you. You will all succeed. Your family relationships will mend tightly as you bring home the love, trust and understanding that allows each member of the family to produce an emotional climate under which all can flourish.

"All of you have developed as human beings. Like a mother hen I've looked on as your wings have become stronger. Go ahead, you can fly! Fly high with pride as each of you reaches out and grabs hold of your destiny. Goodbye and God bless each of you."

Sgt. Black was one of several staff members who participated in VIP, while President Kress acted as monitor. Meanwhile, he has returned to his headquarters in Erie, Pennsylvania, and the program is continuing with jail staff members as the "faculty."

In remarks that closed the graduation ceremony, Jail Administrator Schleich said VIP had opened his eyes to a hunger that exists within many inmates. It was expressed best, he said, by a young inmate who declared: "I always wanted to do right, but I never knew how."

In a brief benediction, Lt. Art Golden, Assistant Director of the jail, prayed for the Lord to "go with them and help their families to understand them."

After that the graduates shared refreshments with their families and friends.

She saved two lives in two weeks!

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PUNTA GORDA — Diane Scudder, a trained emergency paramedic answering the 911 emergency line at the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office, recently received local as well as national media coverage for saving two lives in two weeks by giving CPR instructions over the telephone. Both victims were revived by loved ones before medic units arrived.

On the first call, Diane heard a hysterical woman say her husband had collapsed, was not breathing and was turning blue. After dispatching emergency units, Diane remained calm and, through questions, was able to determine the man was having a heart attack. She began giving CPR instructions to the wife, who was unfamiliar with the technique, and was able to coach her and calm her down. Minutes later the husband revived.

The second call came at night less than two weeks later from a mother who reported that her eight-day-old daughter was choking and turning blue. Again, Diane talked the nervous mother through CPR and the baby was breathing and crying before emergency units arrived.

"As a result of Diane's professionalism and training, coupled with her ability to remain calm in a crisis, two lives were saved," said Charlotte County Sheriff Richard H. Worch, Jr., "These two instances illustrate the importance of thorough training for communications personnel. They also exemplify the importance of citizens enrolling in CPR courses."



Sheriff Richard H. Worch, Jr., praised Diane Scudder for her professionalism after she was responsible for saving two lives.