

the Sheriff's Star

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Throughout its 80-year history the Florida Sheriffs Association has received generous support from business firms.

Hundreds purchased advertising space in *The Florida Sheriff*, a yearbook published by the Association as a fund raising project between 1910 and 1957.

Since that era, numerous firms have been contributing to the progress of the Association by serving as sponsors and exhibitors at its semi-annual conferences.

Others have been actively involved from time to time in crime prevention campaigns sponsored by the Association.

Many have given substantial support to the child care programs which the Association sponsors through the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.

In a very real sense, Florida's Sheriffs and Florida's business firms have been "partners for progress" over a long period of time. They have been engaged in a successful alliance that has produced many commendable results, and has helped the Association to receive wide acclaim as a leader in progressive law enforcement.

Sheriffs have benefited tremendously, but, to a great extent, their supporting business firms have played the role of "silent partners," and it is becoming apparent that they have failed to receive the full measure of acclaim and recognition they truly deserve.

Therefore, to remedy this unintentional deficiency, the Association has amended its charter and by-laws to permit business firms to enroll as business members. Thus, as of January 1, 1990, the Association has three membership categories:

1. Active Members (Sheriffs only)
2. Honorary Members and Lifetime Honorary Members (for individuals or couples)
3. Business Members (business firms only)

Business Members will fall into three categories determined by the amount of their annual dues:

\$ 50 — Bronze
\$250 — Silver
\$500 — Gold

Your Business Membership is tax deductible.

Each category will receive a distinctive plaque, with an appropriate color code. Each plaque has space across the bottom for stars indicating the years of membership. A 1990 star will be attached when a business enrolls, and an additional star will be provided for each succeeding year's renewal. A new plaque will be presented when a business enrolls for the sixth year.



COVER PHOTO: Leon County Sheriff Eddie Boone (right) presents a gold Business Membership to Fred Williams, owner of Williams Concrete Construction, Inc., Tallahassee. Williams has been in business in Tallahassee since 1958 and is an Honorary Lifetime Member of the Florida Sheriffs Association. He began his business career as a third generation bricklayer and currently has an extensive involvement in the construction business. His firm operated sand mines in Leon and Wakulla Counties; offers heavy equipment rentals; and produces sand, gravel, clay and topsoil for road and building construction projects.

In addition to a plaque, each Business Member will receive an embossed plastic identification card, an office window decal and a subscription to *The Sheriffs Star*. These will be renewed from year to year.

Individuals in a Business Member firm can enroll as Honorary Members and receive personalized credentials.

A Business Member application form is printed with this article for the convenience of firms that want to enroll as charter members in this new category.

For more information, please write Membership Division, Florida Sheriffs Association, P.O. Box 1487, Tallahassee, FL 32302-1487. The telephone number is (904) 877-2165.

Samples of the Gold, Silver and Bronze Business Member plaques are shown on the back cover of this issue.



The Tallahassee law firm of Moffitt, Hart and Herron recently became a charter business member of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Partner Mark Herron is pictured with the firm's gold Business Membership plaque.



One of the first firms to become a charter Gold Business Member was Hunt Insurance Group, Inc., of Tallahassee. The executives pictured here are (from left) Richard T. Hunt, Vice President for Field Services; John E. Hunt, Jr., President; John E. Hunt, Sr., Chairman of the Board; and Scott P. Hunt, Vice President for Employee Benefits.

Florida Sheriffs Association Business Membership Application

A subscription to THE SHERIFF'S STAR magazine (including the annual directory edition) is one of the privileges extended to Business Members of the Florida Sheriffs Association. Business Members also receive an embossed identification card, a window decal for the office window, and a distinctive wall plaque identifying the business as a supporter of law enforcement.

The annual dues are used to support crime prevention programs . . . provide improved training for Sheriffs and their Deputies . . . promote the passage of legislation designed to get tougher on habitual criminals . . . and improve the Criminal Justice system through education and training.

Your Business Membership is tax deductible.

The form below may be used to apply for a Business Membership. Supporters may also order automobile tags at \$10 each, so others will know they are supporters of Florida's oldest and most successful law enforcement organization.

I hereby apply for Business Membership in the Florida Sheriffs Association.

Business Name _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Contact Person: Name _____
 Title _____
 Company phone number () _____
 Federal ID# (- - - - -) _____
 ___ Single Proprietorship ___ Partnership ___ Corporation
 Year Started _____ Description _____

Please make check or money order payable to

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

Please mail application to: Florida Sheriffs Association
 P.O. Box 1487 Tallahassee, FL 32302-1487

PLEASE CHECK HERE:

Enclosed are our Company's annual dues for:

- ☐ \$ 50 Bronze Business Membership
☐ \$250 Silver Business Membership
☐ \$500 Gold Business Membership

which entitles us to:

- * a distinctive wall plaque
- * an embossed identification card
- * a window decal for the office
- * a year's subscription to
THE SHERIFF'S STAR



- ☐ In addition to our dues, we also wish to purchase
 ___ Honorary Member auto tags at \$10.00 each.

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Sheriffs Association President Tim Dobeck logged many hours at the podium. He opened and closed the conference, and presided over a day and a half of business sessions.



Governor Bob Martinez (right) delivered a \$500,000 "check" authorized by the Florida Legislature to help finance the Sheriffs Association's Statewide Crack Cocaine Task Force. It was accepted by Sheriff Nick Navarro (left), Chairman of the Task Force; and Sheriff Tim Dobeck, President of the Sheriffs Association.

Mid-Winter Conference Highlights

PANAMA CITY BEACH — Fifty-six Sheriffs, a record number, attended the Annual Mid-Winter Conference of the Florida Sheriffs Association at Marriott's Bay Point Resort January 21-23. During the three-day parley they...



Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro made two trips to the podium to report on the success of the Crack Cocaine Task Force, and to describe the benefits of contracting with cities to provide law enforcement services. His deputies have replaced police forces in several communities. "It's the way to go," he said.

...PASSED a resolution unanimously opposing the legalization of illegal drugs. They agreed that legalization sends the wrong message, namely: that the war on drugs cannot be won; that legalization for adults would merely shift the problems of drug-related crime to young people; and that legalization would not eliminate drug-related crimes, since addicts would still burglarize and rob to buy drugs.

...RECEIVED a \$500,000 "check" from Governor Bob Martinez for the Florida Sheriffs Association's Crack Cocaine Task Force. The funds were authorized by the Governor and the Florida Legislature.

...APPLAUDED Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro's report that three 1989 state-wide drug sweeps by the Task Force had resulted in 6,577 arrests, removed 257 firearms "from the streets";



Sarasota County Sheriff Geoffrey Monge led a discussion on the merits of a proposed constitutional amendment to set qualifications for Sheriffs.



Monroe County Sheriff J. Allison DeFoor received a favorable response when he urged revision of state jail standards to bring them in line with federal standards.



Attorney General Bob Butterworth told Sheriffs the Florida Supreme Court has begun to follow a more liberal trend than the U.S. Supreme Court on crime issues. He was introduced by Sheriffs Association President Tim Dobeck (left).

and confiscated 984 vehicles plus \$358,034 in cash. Navarro is the Task Force Chairman. He said the Task Force took 16,000 "cocaine rocks", 35 pounds of cocaine powder and approximately 100 pounds of marijuana out of circulation. Serious injuries were nil, he added.

...REACTED FAVORABLY to proposals that would set constitutional qualifications for Sheriffs and create state jail standards in line with those on the federal level.

...LISTENED INTENTLY when Attorney General Bob Butterworth declared that the Florida Supreme Court has begun to show itself substantially more liberal on crime issues than the U.S. Supreme Court. He cited Florida Supreme Court decisions reversed by the U.S. Supreme Court, then added: "We do not need two sets of standards for criminals in Florida — one federal and one state. If the Florida Supreme Court continues in its current direction, that's what will result. I urge you to join me in monitoring the future actions of this court carefully."

...DISAGREED with Representative Tom Gustafson, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, when he opposed spending large sums for prison expansion, and advocated instead that the state's financial resources be directed primarily toward juvenile guidance and crime prevention



Manatee County Sheriff Charlie Wells (left), Chairman of the Sheriffs Association's Legislative Committee, and Mark Herron, the Association's legislative strategist, led a discussion on current legislative issues.

efforts. Marion County Sheriff Don Moreland called Gustafson's views "unrealistic" and "long term," then asked: "What are we going to do about the short term...to deal with the immediate problem we have of all the criminals on the street?" Broward County Sheriff Nick Navarro told Gustafson the criminals left on the street through lack of prison space would serve as role models for the next generation and thus nullify guidance and crime prevention programs.

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Representative Tom Gustafson, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, was unable to convince Sheriffs that the millions of dollars Florida needs to solve prison and jail overcrowding should be spent instead on juvenile crime prevention and guidance programs.



Collier County Sheriff Don Hunter reported the results of a study that determined the current status of Florida Highway Patrol manpower allocations.



Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner James T. "Tim" Moore gave Sheriffs an update on the progress of Florida's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), a computerized new weapon in the war on crime.

Mid-Winter Conference Highlights

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...RESOLVED to give strong support for the allocation of additional Florida Highway Patrol Trooper I positions after hearing the results of a manpower allocation study completed by a Florida Sheriffs Association committee. "It does not serve the best interests of the public to have deputy sheriffs unable to respond to calls for service, or to investigate automobile accidents, or sitting at the site of an accident for hours awaiting the arrival of a trooper," the committee concluded; then added: "The situation is only compounded when there exists a shortage of nearly 900 troopers by FHP's own suggested formula...[and] while some 75 of their currently assigned troopers are occupied with other specialties like narcotic interdiction."

...PRAISED "Places of the Heart," a new, 14½-minute, Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches movie that was shown for the first time at a conference banquet and is now available for viewing by civic organizations, churches, schools and other groups. It was produced by Tel-Air Interests, Inc., Miami.



As conference host and hostess, Bay County Sheriff Guy Tunnell and his wife, Patty, were given much of the credit for a highly successful meeting.



National Sheriffs Association Executive Director Charles "Bud" Meeks (left) conferred with Florida Sheriffs Association Executive Director J.M. "Buddy" Phillips, Jr., before presenting a luncheon address.



Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver, assisted by Youth Ranches Board Member Beverly Burnsed, explained strategic planning as "quite simply where we are, where we have been and where we are going." Ms. Burnsed is Florida's Assistant Secretary of State.



Lee County Sheriff John McDougall displays a new patrol car logo based upon the slogan: "We serve because we care."



Bay County Deputy Sheriff Marvin Freeman received a standing ovation after he was introduced as Florida's (and possibly the nation's) oldest active deputy. He is 81 and is winding up a 56-year law enforcement career.

Library honors former Sheriff

KEY WEST — Among Florida's many memorials honoring former Sheriffs, one of the most unique and useful ones is the William A. Freeman, Jr. Library for Law Enforcement which was dedicated on November 9 at Florida Keys Community College (FKCC).

The late William A. Freeman, Jr. was a student at FKCC while serving as Sheriff of Monroe County, and his considerable collection of legal and criminology books form the nucleus of the library. Also in the library are volumes donated by other law enforcement officers plus those purchased through the William A. Freeman, Jr. Scholarship Fund established by the Freeman family, and videotapes.

Sheriff Freeman helped to establish the law enforcement academy at FKCC during his 12-year administration and started his own academic career as a spare-time student in 1981 at the age of 52.

While running the Sheriff's Office he continued to take off-campus courses. Eventually he received a bachelor's degree from St. Leo College and a master's from Central Michigan State University through their satellite programs. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa and was listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*.

Before his tenure as Sheriff he served as a county commissioner and in the Florida House of Representatives. He was credited with many improvements at the Sheriff's Office, including national accreditation.



Participating in the library dedication were (from left) Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner James T. "Tim" Moore; Dr. William Seeker, President of Florida Keys Community College; Monroe County Sheriff J. Allison DeFoor II, and Francisco "Paco" Gonzalez, director of the criminal justice program at the community college. (Dr. Shirley Freeman, the former Sheriff's widow, was also involved but was not within camera range when this photo was taken.)

Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner James T. "Tim" Moore, who was the keynote speaker at the library dedication, pointed out that the Monroe County Sheriff's Office was one of the first law enforcement agencies in Florida, and the 60th in the nation, to achieve accreditation.

In 1988 Sheriff Freeman announced that he would not seek re-election due to serious health problems. He died on March 21, 1989.

“Youngest Sheriff”
of years gone by
turns forty with
a touch of class

CRAWFORDVILLE — When Wakulla County Sheriff David Harvey turned 40 on November 27, 1989, his employees eased his trauma by running a half-page ad in the local newspaper to tell him how much they appreciated and admired him.

"You've never let us down," the message said. "If all people could know you as well as we do, they would understand how little you expect in return for your efforts, and would understand why we feel you deserve so much."

From all reports, Harvey survived the crisis in good form, but tremors of apprehension were felt by some of

his long time associates in the law enforcement field. They began counting gray hairs when they recalled that this "over 40" character had once been Florida's youngest Sheriff.

That was in 1977 when he began his first four-year term. As years passed, other newcomers inherited the “youngest Sheriff” title, but Harvey acquired new claims to fame by graduating from the FBI National Academy, the National Sheriffs’ Institute, the National Institute of Corrections and the Police Executive Institute.

Getting reelected with regularity added to his stature among his fellow Sheriffs, and they accepted him into their inner circle by electing him President of the Florida Sheriffs Association. He also served as Chairman of the Association's Legislative Committee in 1981, and is currently on the Association's Board of the Directors.

In 1980 the Coastal Optimist Club selected Harvey for its "Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer" award. In the same era, his talents were also recognized by the U.S. Jaycees. They named him as one of



Dear Sheriff,

LORDY, LORDY!
 **OUR** 
SHERIFF'S
40!



We thought we'd give you a present, but, knowing you - you'd just say we should not have. So, we decided to tell you, or try to tell you, how much we appreciate you.

You've always been there for each of us; you've never let us down. We've seen the long hours you work, the unfounded criticism you take and wonder still why you never seem tired. We've found strength in your loyalty to us and to the citizens of this county and your ability to be humble in the brightest of lights. We appreciate your laughing with us, consoling us, fussing at us??? We appreciate you when we see the pain in your eyes and realize the genuine concern for your fellow human being when life's tragedies crash down on him. We respect you for your fair treatment of all people and your quest for justice motivates us all.

If all people could know you as well as we do they would understand how little you expect in return for your efforts and would understand why we feel you deserve so much.

Happy Birthday, Sheriff, and may God bless and keep you safe for the next 40+ years!

[Handwritten names and signatures:]

Larry McCarty
Jim R.
Jr. & "Ma" Larry
Champ B.J. Mikes
Dennis
Larry
Connie
Mike
Bill D.
Dennis
Theresa Van
Marilyn Palmer
Marie Briggs
Ralph Kelley
Pap's Jackson
Alet
Chit
Callert
Pam
Bob
James Handerson
Annette
Chuck Shannon
Jimmy
John
S. Mad
Kiddy cap
Bowie
Roz
Linda
Tina
Mick
Pat
Maurice
Vicki
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the "Outstanding Young Men of America." Apalachee Human Services elected him as its president in 1987.

While growing older, Harvey obviously matured professionally as well, and did with admirable modesty. His employees — the folks who should know him best — verified this in their newspaper ad when they praised him for his "ability to be humble in the brightest of lights."

Sheriff received national award

KEY WEST — Monroe County Sheriff J. Allison DeFoor II, has received the Distinguished Leadership Award from the National Association for Community Leadership (NACL).

This award is presented annually by NACL to honor alumni of its member organizations who exemplify the spirit, goals and highest standards of civic commitment.

Prior to receiving the award, Sheriff DeFoor was graduated from Leadership Florida, a program of the Florida Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., the research arm of the Florida Chamber of Commerce. Each Leadership Florida class defines and discusses state problems and issues.

A Chamber spokesman said class members are carefully selected, strongly motivated people whose personal and professional responsibilities predict they will influence important decisions in Florida.

Sheriff DeFoor holds a JD Degree from the Stetson University College of Law. He served as an Assistant Public Defender, Director of a Narcotics Task Force, an Assistant State Attorney, a County Judge and an Acting Circuit Judge prior to being elected to his present position in 1988.

In 1985 he was chosen as one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men in America by the U.S. Jaycees. In the previous year he was named one of the Five Outstanding Young Men in Florida by the Florida Jaycees.

Former Sheriff dies: He was "the consummate politician"

FORT LAUDERDALE — When former Broward County Sheriff Ed Stack died on November 3, news sources described him as "the consummate politician" who had dominated Broward County politics during the late 1960s and 1970s. He was 79.

During his long career in and out of public office he was at one time or another a bank board chairman, an innkeeper, a Pompano Beach city commissioner, the city's mayor, a millionaire, a college professor, a lawyer, a member of more than a dozen state committees on crime and mental health, a fund raiser, Sheriff and congressman.

He was once quoted as saying: "Politics is the art of government. It is the lubricant for social progress."

Florida Attorney General Bob Butterworth, who is also a former Broward County Sheriff, described Stack as "truly a great political figure and a great man. He was very concerned about the community he served . . . [and] will be remembered as a man of professional excellence."

Stack was elected Sheriff in 1968 and was credited with modernizing the Sheriff's office. His accomplishments included creating a crime lab, providing improved pay and benefits for deputies; initiating the 911 emergency system, establishing the county's first drug rehabilitation program, installing the agency's first computer systems, and instituting psychological testing and tougher hiring standards for deputies.

In 1978, when he was serving his third term as

This photo of former Sheriff Ed Stack was printed in The Sheriff's Star in 1980 when he was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives.



Sheriff, Stack became a candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives against incumbent J. Herbert Burke. He won, and, at age 68, became the oldest freshman representative in Congress that year. His colleagues nicknamed him the "High Sheriff of the House."

Stack failed to get reelected to Congress in 1980, but continued to add to his accomplishments in 1981 by passing the Florida Bar exam at age 70. He had formerly practiced law in New York City prior to moving to Florida in 1955, but had not practiced in Florida.

"He was a bright and intelligent man," said Nick Navarro, the present Broward County Sheriff. During his tenure as Sheriff, Stack hired Navarro for the organized crime and narcotics unit, and Navarro worked under him for ten years.



Attorney Mark Herron addresses legal advisors during Florida Sheriffs Association workshop.

In two-day workshop: Sheriffs' legal advisors shape guidelines to implement new contraband forfeiture law

TALLAHASSEE — Sheriffs' Legal Advisors attending a workshop sponsored by the Florida Sheriffs Association on December 14 and 15 developed proposed guidelines to implement a 1989 law that permits contraband forfeiture of real property.

General policies of contraband forfeiture had already been set, but the legal advisors agreed that guidelines were needed to deal with the nuts and bolts problems.

Florida Sheriffs Association General Counsel Maury Kolchakian led the forfeiture discussion, and a committee chaired by Pasco County Sheriff's Office Legal Advisor Lee Cannon drafted the proposed procedures for Sheriffs Offices to follow.

Kolchakian said Sheriffs have been involved in contraband forfeiture of real property in the past when they were operating in cooperation with federal agencies, and the federal agencies instituted seizure proceedings under federal statutes.

The new Florida law permits Sheriffs to seize real property — particularly real property involved in illegal drug activities — on their own through state courts.

On the second day of the workshop, discussions on personnel, legislative and corrections issues were led by Bill Powers, the Sheriffs Association's labor law consultant, and Mark Herron, the Association's legislative counsel. Both are Tallahassee attorneys.

Powers stressed the growing importance of being familiar with laws governing employee relations, and

he urged the legal advisors to take precautionary steps to avoid conflicts. His recommendations included recognizing and responding promptly to employment related complaints, and developing definite procedures for handling employee grievances.

Herron briefed the legal advisors on issues of importance to Sheriffs that are likely to develop during the 1990 session of the Florida Legislature.

A suit filed by 55 Florida Sheriffs against the Secretary of the Florida Department of Corrections was also discussed. It challenges the constitutionality of gain-time and provisional release credits, the mechanisms used by the Department of Corrections to implement early release of inmates.

Herron explained that the prison system's 40,000 beds are full, and it has been estimated that some 50,000 prisoners will be committed to the system during the 1989-90 fiscal year. This means that approximately 1,000 inmates per week will be released from the prison system to make way for the new inmates.

Herron is a partner in the Moffitt, Hart and Herron law firm, and is representing the 55 Sheriffs in their suit.

At the end of the two-day session the Legal Advisors agreed that it would be beneficial to hold similar workshops periodically; the goal being to share information and achieve maximum communications between legal advisors and the Sheriffs Association, and thus to enhance the legal services provided for Sheriffs.

“Age is just a state of mind” to deputy with 50-year career



ST. AUGUSTINE — Speaking of “old timers” — William “Bill” Eddy, a deputy sheriff currently employed by the St. John’s County Sheriff’s Office, has wrapped up a 50-year law enforcement career and is still going strong — well, kinda strong if you consider that part-time duty six days a week is more than most 73-year-olds can handle.

Eddy attended a police academy in New York City in the 1930s, and began his law enforcement career as a bicycle patrolman in West Palm Beach on November 30, 1939. He was 23.

Those early days are recalled quite vividly by the veteran lawman. He remembers that there were ten full-time deputies in the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office, and he made 90 dollars a month working ten hours a day weekdays, and 12 hours on Saturday. He used his own car and received a car allowance of \$100 per month. Today there are over 1,000 deputies in that county, and many make more in one day than Eddy did in a month.

According to a news release from the St. John’s County Sheriff’s Office, Eddy eventually went to work for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and served as an investigator in every county in Florida, as well as half of the counties in Georgia and part of Alabama.

After he retired from that job in December, 1979, he returned to St. John’s County. In a short time he became restless and resumed his law enforcement career. This time he was employed as a St. John’s County deputy sheriff serving civil process papers — a job he still holds on a part-time basis.

“Bill Eddy is one of the most amazing people I have ever met,” said St. John’s County Sheriff Neil J. Perry, “and one of the few who can maintain the same level of excitement about law enforcement now as he did

St. John’s County Sheriff Neil J. Perry (left) presents a Distinguished Service Certificate to Deputy Sheriff William Eddy in recognition of his 50-year law enforcement career. Witnessing the presentation are Sgt. Sandra Williams, Judicial Process Unit Supervisor; and Capt. Michael Cochran, Administrative Division Director.

when he started out fifty years ago. He can find people that no one else can locate. He fills a real need in our organization.”

Associates say Eddy can recall many colorful incidents from his past, including the time the budget for the entire State of Florida was delayed because Eddy was out of the state on a special assignment for the Governor. On another occasion he moved the state line “ever so slightly” to complete an assignment.

Eddy is 73 but shrugs off the advancing years by declaring that “age is just a state of mind.” He thrives on a diet dominated by prodigious amounts of milk, home-grown cabbage and potatoes, and describes himself as an example of “imperfection at its best.”

Father sues school for failing to halt drug-alcohol abuse in dorms

Here’s another unusual lawsuit:

The father of a boy who allegedly developed a drug habit at boarding school filed a federal court suit against the school. He charged that the school officials knew about drug and alcohol abuse in the dormitories, but failed to stop it.

The Pennsylvania litigant sought reimbursement for the cost of his son’s rehabilitation programs along with tuition and compensation for loss of enjoyment of life; two years’ lost income from the interruption of his education; loss of future earning capacity; and damage to his reputation due to “the stigma of drug and alcohol addiction.”



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. & Mrs. Boyd Armstrong
Col. George P. Bahler
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Belin
Mrs. Margaret S. Braun
Brooksville Coca-Cola
Bottling Co.
Ms. Susan Cabot
Camp Younts Foundation
Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph C. Cap
Mr. John Chapin
Columbia County Sheriff's
Office
Crapps Pontiac-GMC
Trucks, Inc.
Dr. & Mrs. Donald B. Dewar
Mrs. Dorothy Epley
Ms. Carmella Federice
First Church of Religious
Science
Florida Custom Fabricators
Florida Progress Foundation
Mr. & Mrs. Sayer L. Frisbie
Mr. & Mrs. William A.
Frye, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Doyle H. Gambrell
Mrs. T. M. Glatfelter
Mr. David Glover
Gorman Co. of Stuart, Inc.
Gorman Co. of Tallahassee,
Inc.
Gorman Co. of Orlando, Inc.
Mr. & Mrs. Don W. Hardin
Mr. Grady Harrison
Heritage Ridge South
Property Owners Assoc.
Mrs. Helen B. Hodges
Holiday Inn West

Mr. & Mrs. Al Hudgins III
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hunter
Instrument Transformers,
Inc.
Mrs. Jean Irwin
Mr. & Mrs. Richard C.
Johnson
Kiwanis Club of Northeast
Pinellas
La Societe de Femme Cabane
Locale No. 1526
Lady Tigers Booster Club
Live Oak Buy and Sell, Inc.
Ms. Glenola B. Locher
Lynn's Hallmark
Mr. & Mrs. Dale Malloy
Mrs. Rose A. May
Merle Norman Cosmetics
of Stuart
Mr. Gilbert Nelligann
Mr. & Mrs. Charles H.
Norris, Jr.
Mr. Spencer T. Olin
Orlando Magic
Palmetto Mobile Home
Star Club
Mrs. Anne B. Panaccione
Mrs. Landa Philebaum
Mr. William E. Puckett
Mr. A. L. Rabinowitz
Mr. Edmund G. Randolph
Mrs. Margaret Reid
Mrs. Irene Ritchey
Ms. Shelley Robinson
Saint Lucie County
Sheriff's Department
Ms. Joanie Scalise

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.



A four-star Lifetime Honorary Membership was presented to the J. Gordon Barnett Foundation by Youth Ranches President Harry K. Weaver (right). The Foundation was represented by Dr. Wayne D. Hales and Patricia Barnett Stasak, daughter of J. Gordon Barnett.

Ms. Lois E. Schilling
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence L.
Shackelford
Mr. & Mrs. George C.
Spillner, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Howard A. Stark
Ms. Dorothy Suto
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Switzer
Mrs. Margaret Talach
Mr. Robert Thackeray
The Optimist Club of Halifax
Sheriff Thomas S. Tramel III
Dr. & Mrs. Frank N. Trovato

Ms. Dawn Vida
Mr. George W. Vogt
Mr. Robert Wagner
Dr. & Mrs. Charles W. Walton
Mrs. Mae W. Welbon
William E. Powers, Jr., P.A.
Mr. & Mrs. William H.
Winsemann
Ms. Elizabeth Woodbury
Mr. Todd Woods

Youth Ranches Honor Roll continued . . .



STUART — Presented by Martin County Sheriff James D. Holt to Floretta Bartlett.



BARTOW — Presented by Polk County Sheriff Lawrence W. Crow, Jr., (left) to David M. Mitchell.



STUART — Presented by Robert C. Haag, Youth Ranches Vice President for Planned Giving, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Riess.



YOUTH RANCH — Presented by Fred "Mac" Stones (right), Youth Ranches Regional Director and Vice President for Corporation/Foundation Relations, to Mr. and Mrs. John Beach. Mrs. Beach is employed at the Youth Ranch as Mr. Stones' secretary.



LARGO — Presented by Pinellas County Sheriff Everett S. Rice (left) to five Lifetime Honorary Members. They are (from left) Kerri Eggert, representing R. E. Sherer of North America, Harold Gear, Mrs. Rosemary Shepherd, Leslie Mayer and Robert Lawson.

Three added to Sheriff's Honor Roll

FORT PIERCE — St. Lucie County Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles has added three more names to the honor roll of employees who have received quarterly awards for outstanding performance of duty. They are:

David Trimm, who was named Deputy of the Quarter. He was responsible for arresting three subjects who were burglarizing vehicles at an auto dealership. He was also credited with eight warrant arrests and ten felony arrests during the third quarter of 1989.

James Stuart, who was named Detective of the Quarter. He investigated a difficult case involving three subjects who shot into a home and a car. The homeowner retaliated, and an innocent bystander was shot and killed in the ensuing gun battle. Stuart's many hours of diligent investigation identified the person responsible for the homicide.



Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles (left) with quarterly award winners. They are, from left, James Stuart, David Trimm and Lawrence Richardson.

Lawrence Richardson, who was named Corrections Officer of the Quarter. He was cited for finding a quantity of cocaine hidden in a van used for transporting inmates, and thus preventing contraband from being smuggled into the county jail.

Florida Sheriffs Association Honor Roll

The Florida Sheriffs Association Honor Roll gives special recognition to individuals who have demonstrated a strong commitment to progressive law enforcement by giving loyal and substantial support to the Sheriffs Association, or by attaining outstanding career goals. Those who have supported the Sheriffs Association as Honorary Members for 25 or 30 years receive Distinguished Service Certificates. Lifetime Honorary Memberships are awarded to Honorary Members whose donations to the Sheriffs Association total \$1,000 or more; and to law enforcement veterans whose careers span 40 years or more.



Lifetime Honorary Membership

BRADENTON — Manatee County Sheriff Charles B. Wells (right) presents a Lifetime Honorary Membership to Under-sheriff A. E. Hambacher in recognition of a law enforcement career spanning more than 40 years.



MR. AND MRS. JENKINS



DAVES



GEOHEGAN



DR. BIGGER

Distinguished Service Awards

FORT PIERCE — St. Lucie County Sheriff Robert C. "Bobby" Knowles presents 30-year Distinguished Service Certificates to Mr. and Mrs. Zac Jenkins; Maxine Daves; Eamon D. A. Geoghegan; Dr. Bernard W. Bigger, DVM; Rue Lane Brown; Erney Kope; Dr. Frank Finger; Norman Koppenhoefer; and Louis Forget.



BROWN



KOPE



DR. FINGER



FORGET



KOPPENHOEFER

Sheriff praises lifesaving effort

ST. AUGUSTINE — Ten people who participated in a valiant lifesaving effort received Florida Sheriffs Association Distinguished Service Awards from St. Johns County Sheriff Neil J. Perry. Afterward Sheriff Perry gave this account of the incident:

"John Wilson was electrocuted at a job site. Wilson's partner, David Nesmith, of Miller Electric, aided by David Israel, of Russell Security, began cardiopulmonary resuscitation. They worked feverishly despite the fact that the temperature that day reached 100 degrees inside the building where they had been working.

"Soon emergency services personnel arrived and relieved Nesmith and Israel. Approximately one hour passed, and through the diligence of Capt. Hall; Paramedics Creedon, Rybicki and Stevens; Fire Marshal McElroy; Deputy Bennett; Officer Lang; Nesmith and Israel, Wilson was revived."

Unfortunately, Wilson subsequently succumbed to his injuries, but Sheriff Perry felt that his tragic ending did not detract from the exemplary nature of the lifesaving effort.

Paramedics Joseph Rybicki and Jerome Creedon, together with Public Safety Communicator Mary Herring, were also cited by Sheriff Perry for apprehending an armed robbery suspect who was involved in a highway accident. When the paramedics arrived at the scene of the accident, they saw the driver fleeing, apprehended him and held him until deputy sheriffs arrived.



Sheriff Perry (second from right) with Distinguished Service Award recipients. They are (front row from left) Frank McElroy, Fire Marshal; Andy Bennett, Deputy Sheriff; Bobby Hall, EMS Captain; Margo Stevens, EMS Director; Bonnie Creedon, Public Safety Communicator; Jerome Creedon, Paramedic; and David Nesmith; (back row) Mike Lane, Jr., Fire Service Medical Officer; Joseph Rybicki, Paramedic; and Richard Israel, Security Guard.



Sheriff Perry (right) with the trio involved in apprehending a suspected armed robber. They are, from left, Joseph Rybicki, Paramedic; Mary Herring, Public Safety Communicator; and Jerome Creedon, Paramedic.

Computers in prison cells! What next?

Prison cells do not have all the comforts of home, but another step in that direction occurred when prisoners in the Monroe, Washington, reformatory were allowed to have personal computers in their cells.

Forty inmates were permitted to buy the computers through a vocational training program designed to teach them data processing skills.

Later the computers were banned, but, before they

were removed from the cells, one prisoner used his PC to prepare a court suit claiming that the prison entered into a binding contract when it allowed inmates to buy and use computers, and it could not lawfully take them away.

According to a news story, officials said they banned the computers because they feared the inmates might store escape plans on their floppy disks.

Florida Sheriffs Association

"BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP"



Special Recognition for Business Firms that enroll as "Partners for Progress"

For the first time in its 80-year history the Florida Sheriffs Association is inviting business firms to enroll as business members in three categories determined by the amount of their annual dues: Bronze members will pay \$50 per year; Silver, \$250; Gold, \$500.

Each category will receive a distinctive wall plaque; an embossed plastic identification card; an office window decal; plus a subscription to *The Sheriff's Star*.

Complete details and an application form will be found on pages 2 and 3 of this issue.

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