

THE SHERIFF'S STAR



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**Volusia County Sheriff
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**Lake County Sheriff
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Pete Bucher**

FSA Mid-Winter Conference 2007

**Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office hosts
another successful conference.**

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**Suwannee County Sheriff
Tony Cameron**



**Highlands County Sheriff
Susan Benton**



**FSA President Leon County
Sheriff Larry Campbell**

From the desk of . . .
Gary Perkins, Executive Director
Florida Sheriffs Association



By the time you read this, we will have just hosted our first-ever "Florida Sheriffs Day at the Capitol."

The Florida Sheriffs take the role of legislative relationship-building very seriously. When the Legislature is in session, FSA coordinates numerous meetings between Sheriffs and lawmakers to offer a common-sense approach to the bills being proposed – and limit or avoid damage to the Sheriffs' Office mission, which is to protect citizens and reduce crime in our communities.

What we've discovered over the years is a need to help those who are writing the laws better understand the work of Sheriffs, so they can put these bills (and their implications) in context. That's what the Florida Sheriffs Day at the Capitol seeks to accomplish.

We will have exhibits from numerous Sheriffs' Offices, including boats, crime scene vans, robots and even a bomb truck. It will be difficult to miss the law-enforcement presence if you're anywhere near the Capitol that day in Tallahassee.

Of course, this one-day presence does not replace our vigilance throughout the three-month session. To get issues accurately represented takes around-the-clock, day-to-day and week-to-week monitoring by our governmental consultant Frank Messersmith and his staff, as well as Sheriffs and their command staff. Representation won't happen on its own – we've got to get out there and support issues of critical concern to public safety.

In memory

Another event held at the Capitol where you'll see a high profile law-enforcement presence is the annual Law Enforcement Memorial parade and ceremony (scheduled for May 7 this year). Though a somber event, it's a fitting tribute to fallen officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

Honoring the memory of our law-enforcement community is something FSA seeks to do year round. As you will read in this issue, we've experienced some deaths and tragedy among our law-

enforcement family in recent months. Jackson County Sheriff John "Johnny Mac" McDaniel's wife and deputy were murdered January 30. And we also lost one of our longtime "Dean of Sheriffs," retired Union County Sheriff John Whitehead (father of the sitting Sheriff Jerry Whitehead).

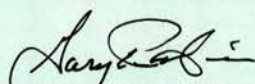
Saying goodbye is never easy. Our hearts and prayers go out to the surviving family members. We never want to forget the contributions they made in their counties, the law-enforcement community and the state.

Sheriff John Whitehead had already earned such great esteem in Union County that citizens named a major thoroughfare after him. As a founding father of the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, his legacy continues to live on in the lives of children who are rescued and given a future at today's Youth Ranches as well.

Whether you are a new member just coming on board after our recent invitation, or a longtime supporter, we invite you to drop by when you're in this part of the state to see our Florida Sheriffs Memorial, which is located in a shady area behind our main building. FSA headquarters are easy to find and the memorial wall is always accessible.

Feel free to contact us for more information using the addresses and phone numbers on the opposite page, or visit our Web site to see images of the memorial: www.flsheriffs.org/.

We hope to see you sometime this spring or summer.


Gary Perkins, Executive Director

Tackling Mental Illness: Protection Through Training

The Florida Sheriffs Association has long supported legislation and other positive developments that have helped families and communities deal with those who are mentally ill. Sheriffs have responded in their individual counties, as well, including recognizing that prisoners suffering from mental illness often need to be separated from the general jail population.

A partnership that Sheriffs supported in its early stages is the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT).

The CIT program was first introduced to Florida at the Pinellas County Mental Health Coalition in July 1997. The PCMHC is comprised of mental health providers, advocates, law enforcement, persons with mental illness, and others. By March 1999, the state's first 40-hour CIT training course was presented to 35 Sheriffs' Deputies and Police Officers. It was an overwhelming success. Since then, thousands of law enforcement personnel have received the training in hundreds of classes throughout the state.

Melissa Hutton, LPN, recently wrote a letter to express how CIT training of law-enforcement is recognizable on the front line. Hutton, who works in the centralized Baker Act Receiving Facility in

Pinellas County, says it is making a difference in communities, families and individuals affected by mental illness. She wrote:

"CIT deputies and officers are a special breed, and we are very lucky to have them in our community. As we all know the mental health field is not for everyone, so the law enforcement officers who complete the training...become even more of an asset to the police force. It really does make a difference. The training provides basic but detailed knowledge regarding the signs and symptoms of psychiatric disorders, names of medications, and other useful information that they can use in their daily interactions with the mentally ill.

Being employed as a nurse in one of the community mental health facilities, I have had a lot of interaction with the deputies and officers. (I personally) was inspired to participate in the training due to the difference I've noticed in the CIT trained officers and deputies bringing consumers into the facility...It was wonderful to see how much they evolved throughout the training. I have heard many stories of how the training has impacted the officers and deputies in the field. When they bring clients who need to be hospitalized, it is great to not

only hear about the changes but to see the change in how they interact with the mental health (patients).

It is refreshing and rewarding when the officers and deputies report, "Hey, I used my CIT training and, wow, what a difference. It really works! Before I would have gone into the same situation and the outcome could have been totally different or somebody could have gotten hurt."

I would like to encourage each law enforcement agency to please send your deputies and officers to CIT training, especially if they are interested in attending. The more CIT trained individuals that we have in our community, the better. I would also like to say thank you to all of those special law-enforcement officers who have been through CIT. All of your hard work and dedication really does make a difference."

For more information about CIT training, visit the National Alliance on Mental Illness Web site, <http://www.nami.org>; call the information helpline: 1-800-950-6264, or write to Donald Turnbaugh, NAMI of Pinellas County, via e-mail:

Turn2cit@aol.com.

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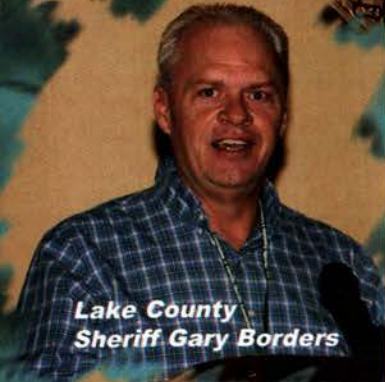
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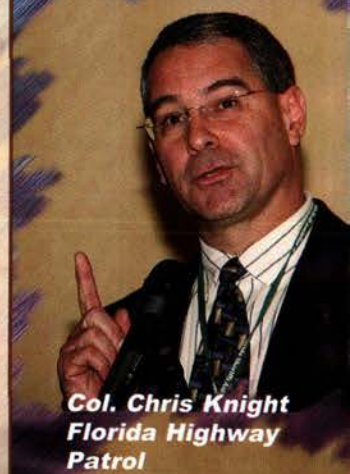
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FSA's Mid-Winter Conference 2007

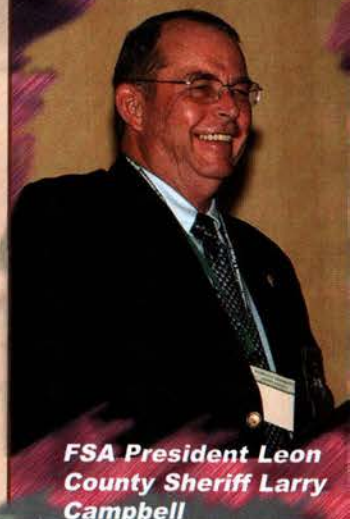
The Florida Sheriffs Association's 2007 Mid-Winter Conference was held at Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort's Baytowne Conference Center, January 28 – 30. **Okaloosa County Sheriff Charlie Morris** and his staff were our highly accommodating hosts, going out of their way to make sure meetings ran smoothly, and that the Sheriffs and other participants felt welcomed and were entertained. With 123 exhibitors and sponsors, it continued the long-running tradition of high attendance that FSA has enjoyed at our twice-annual gatherings.

It was the first conference for two of our newest Sheriffs, **Alachua County Sheriff Sadie Darnell** and **Lake County Sheriff Gary Borders**. As rookie Sheriffs (though both are highly credentialed in law enforcement), they endured their share of practical jokes and kidding, very often at the hands of **FSA President Leon County Sheriff Larry Campbell**, who ran the meetings. It was balanced, of course, by numerous welcoming comments by individual Sheriffs throughout the week, as well as generous offers to help them in their transition time.

This also was the first conference following the death of Lake County Sheriff Chris Daniels. **Suwannee County Sheriff Tony Cameron** set the tone for the week, by kicking off an effort to raise money for a memorial fund in his honor that would benefit the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. Sheriff Cameron presented a check for \$1,000 to the Ranches as seed money for the fund. The Sheriffs generously stepped forward throughout the week with contributions, culminating in a check presented by Volusia County Sheriff Ben Johnson at the Tuesday night banquet. He said the \$60,000 were proceeds from the fundraiser bus race, where Sheriff Daniels died. Sheriff Daniels' widow, Michelle, was presented with a framed print representing the FSYR with an inscription at the bottom about the memorial.



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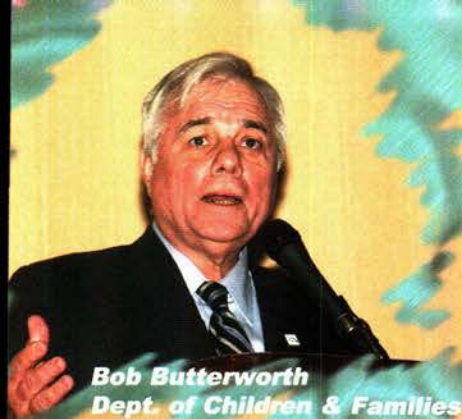


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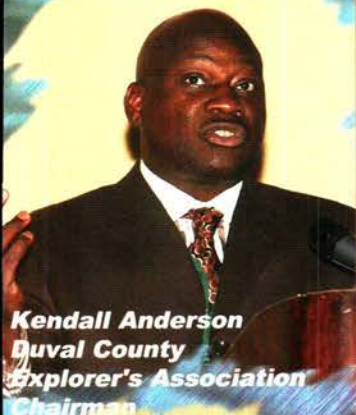
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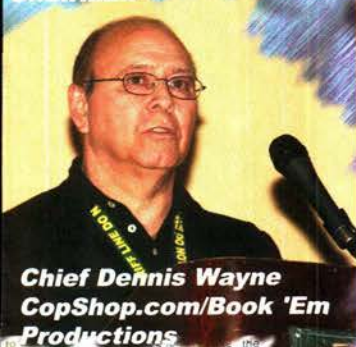
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Kendall Anderson
Duval County
Explorer's Association
Chairman



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Productions



St. Lucie Sheriff Ken Mascara
Jewel Aardema, Real Performance Marketing

Conference continued . . .

Despite the emotion of the evening, Michelle Daniels graciously and courageously walked to the front of the ballroom to accept the award.

Business meetings full of ideas

One of the first items on the agenda for the business meeting was an introduction to FSA's Teen Driver Challenge. Osceola County Sheriff's Deputy Ron Kelley and Hernando County Sheriff's Deputy Steve Klapka provided a report on the pilot class held in Leon County. The TDC can be packaged for individual Sheriffs' Offices to offer in their communities in an effort to reduce the accidents and fatalities caused by teenage drivers (find out more at: www.flsheriffs.org - News & Events link).

Lee County Sheriff's Office **Crime Prevention Coordinator Stacey Payne** introduced another program that's packaged and ready for Sheriffs' Offices: the CASE Partnership. Profiled in The Sheriff's Star last year, CASE seeks to make it easier for Sheriffs' Offices to reach out to the senior citizens in their community and help prevent them from becoming victims of crime.

During the week, former Attorney General **Bob Butterworth**, now secretary of the Florida Department of Children and Families, assured the Sheriffs that in his new position they would have a better working relationship. A former Sheriff himself, Butterworth said that when Florida Gov. Charlie Crist appointed him, he said, "I find whenever a Sheriff takes on an obligation, the job gets done." At the end of his talk, Butterworth told his law-enforcement family, "I'm proud to be called a former Sheriff."

Another new face in state government, Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink, was congratulated on her recent election. She took the time to explain more about the office, being the "fiscal watchdog" for the state and serving as "an insurance advocate." As one of four members of the Cabinet, she encouraged Sheriffs to contact her with their issues. "You'll always have our ear at DFS," she said.

Highlands County Sheriff Susan Benton introduced a growing concern for many counties: marijuana grow houses. She introduced **Assistant U.S. Attorney Bob Waters** who provided some startling statistics about the increase of this clandestine activity in the state. He said Florida is a perfect fit,



Michael Rozos
U.S. Department of
Homeland Security
Immigration & Customs
Enforcement



Jim Klindt
Project Safe Childhood
U.S. Attorney's Office

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Osceola Sheriff Bob Hansell (right)
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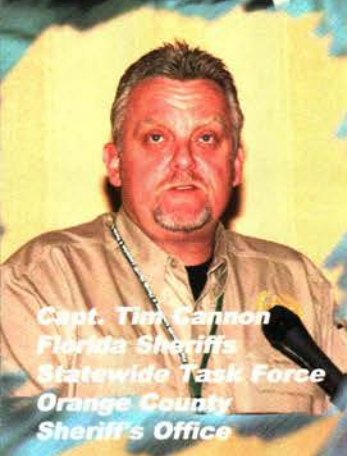
Major Connie S. Glededecker
Manatee County Sheriff's Office
"Unexplained Infant Death"



Bob Waters
Assistant U.S. Attorney
Marijuana Grow Houses



Roger Bouchard
Florida Sheriffs Youth
Ranches



Capt. Tim Cannon
Florida Sheriffs
Statewide Task Force
Orange County
Sheriff's Office



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Florida Law
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Corrections
Accreditation
Commission



Robert Webber
U.S. Department of
Homeland Security
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Enforcement

Conference continued . . .

because of the transient nature of neighborhoods in our state.

There has been an alarming increase of average people – real estate agents, bankers and other leaders in the business community – over-seeing these types of operations. Once limited to drug dealers, more people are getting in on the game because the plants can now be grown indoors through hydroponics, making it highly profitable. They don't see it as a high-risk endeavor or even as dangerous. Perhaps they think of it as a recreational drug, too. But Waters says today's marijuana is "more dangerous, more potent and more expensive," than its predecessor plants in the 1960s.

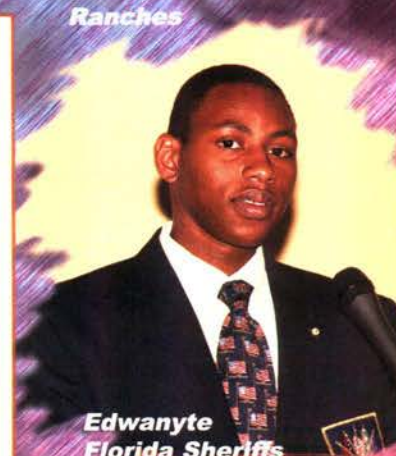
As part of the crack-down on those who choose to get into this business, Waters proposed multiple ways to increase the penalties, including federal prosecution. He said there also are funds available that can offset the Sheriffs' Office expenses of the investigations and yield other benefits, including asset forfeiture. Waters also warned the Sheriffs of the rise in booby traps within the grow houses that might be dangerous to their deputies and investigators.

Ranchers and other friendly faces

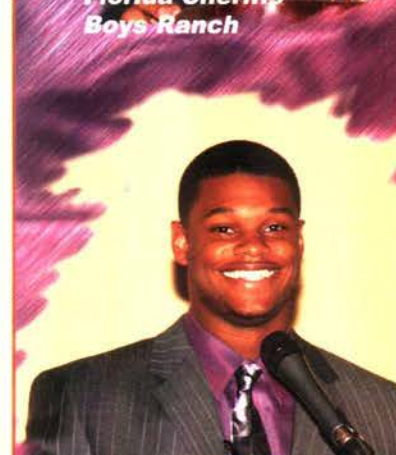
As is the tradition of the conference, the Sheriffs were able to meet youths from the Youth Ranches and learn how the program saved their lives. Rancher **Edwanyte** said his grandmother sent him to the FSYR when he was 14, at a time when he says he needed to learn tough love. When he arrived, he was two grade levels behind in school. He has since made up for the lost time and has a bright future, including prospects for a career as an engineer.

His fellow Rancher and graduating senior **Grady** is headed to college this fall and hopes to be a cardiologist one day. Both young men talked about how the positive influence of law enforcement through the Youth Ranches changed the negative image they had in their early years growing up.

Congratulations to **Electra Bustle** who takes over the helm as Executive Director of **Florida Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles**. Bustle, a former assistant legal counsel to FSA, Sarasota County Sheriff's Office and assistant commissioner for FDLE, was named to the new post by Florida Gov. Charlie Crist. We look forward to continuing our longtime, positive working relationship with Bustle in the coming years.



Edwanyte
Florida Sheriffs
Boys Ranch



Grady
Florida Sheriffs
Boys Ranch

Far left and right David Schupp and Keith Stripling
Florida Crime Prevention Association
Stacey Payne, Lee County Sheriff's Office





Brevard County Corrections Deputy Frederick Mendiola (left) and Corrections Corporal Belden Ferguson (right) are congratulated by FSA Vice President Baker County Sheriff Joey Dobson. Thanks to their quick actions and wise response during an attempted prisoner escape, tragedy was avoided.

Two Honored as “2006 Correctional Officers of the Year”

By Julie S. Bettinger

The Florida Sheriffs Association presents two major awards each year – the Deputy Sheriff of the Year and Correctional Officer of the Year. With more than 30,000 employees working for Sheriffs in this state, we have quite a pool of candidates to draw from.

The job of protecting the public is a difficult one, and our deputies and correctional officers face a very real threat to their own personal safety when confronting a suspect. And though the circumstances in which injury or death of a suspect are avoided far outweigh those in which a death occurs, the controversy-focused public tends to hear only about the minority...those that end in tragedy.

Brevard County Corrections Corporal Belden Ferguson and Corrections Deputy Frederick Mendiola foil an attempted escape, avoid injuries

The story behind our 2006 Correctional Officer of the Year award is a chance to highlight the other side. It's an example of an incident that could have very easily ended in death – of the prisoner and/or the officers confronting her. But through quick actions and wise response, tragedy was avoided.

As the story goes

On Sunday, January 29, 2006, at approximately 2:00 in the afternoon, a prisoner transport van pulled up to the back entrance of the Brevard County Jail, where about 1,500 inmates are housed. The transport deputy was helping prisoners out of the vehicle and into the booking port, when 27-year-old inmate Jamie McEvers jumped into the driver's seat of the van, started the ignition and began racing toward the closed security gate.

The van, out of control and moving at a high speed, crashed into the sally port fence. After ramming it several times, the van finally penetrated the perimeter and – surprisingly – was still operational.

Inmate McEvers continued driving,

2006 Correctional Officers of the Year continued . . .

sideswiping a parked maintenance van and driving into another outer sally port fence. In her quest to be free, McEvers showed no regard for the life and safety of the officers and civilian staff in proximity to her escape route.

Immediately following the call for assistance, Corrections Corporal Belden Ferguson and Corrections Deputy Frederick Mendiola grabbed two shotguns and raced after the van. Deputy Mendiola fired three rounds into the front driver's tire in an attempt to stop the escape, while Corporal Ferguson maintained cover on the suspect.

With the front tire now flat, the van got tangled up in the fencing that had been knocked to the ground and it became disabled.

Corporal Ferguson and Deputy Mendiola carefully approached the stopped van, taking cover behind surrounding vehicles. They did not know if a gun or other weapon might have also been left inside the van and was available to the escaping inmate.

They directed McEvers several times to exit the van. When she finally complied, they advised her to show her hands, which she was hiding

under her shirt, holding what appeared to be a gun.

While still maintaining cover, Corporal Ferguson and Deputy Mendiola began talking to McEvers in an effort to convince her to lower her weapon and give herself up. As McEvers focused mostly on answering Corporal Ferguson's commands, Deputy Mendiola crept closer, using a nearby van as cover. He managed to get close enough to kick at McEvers, knocking her off balance and into the fallen fence. A quick apprehension followed.

Incredibly, Corporal Ferguson and Deputy Mendiola were able to gain control of this highly volatile situation without injury to staff, inmates or the public.

She's a convicted felon

A short time after the event, Corporal Ferguson and Deputy Mendiola learned that McEvers was a convicted felon who expressed later that she hoped the officers would kill her during the botched escape. Other inmates riding in the van with McEvers to the jail said she also had told them she planned to escape. McEvers had slipped a handcuff just before making her attempted getaway. The item she was concealing

under her shirt turned out to be a cell phone that belonged to the driver of the van. She seemed to be cradling it as though to provoke the officers.

McEvers originally was being brought to the jail on a violation of community control warrant. Her previous arrests include numerous drug offenses; this was to be her seventh stay at the Brevard County jail.

McEvers has since been charged with aggravated assault on a law-enforcement officer, escape, grand theft auto and criminal mischief and is now serving a two-year sentence in a state prison for her actions.

All together, the escape attempt caused about \$4,000 in damages, which included the transport van, other vehicles and the security fence.

For their heroic actions, Corporal Ferguson and Deputy Mendiola received a Medal of Valor from Brevard County Sheriff Jack Parker.

The Florida Sheriffs Association echoes that commendation. And as the nomination form states, "For placing their lives in danger to protect the lives of not only the public but other civilian staff and workers at the jail that day," we have named Corporal Belden Ferguson and Corrections Deputy Frederick Mendiola our 2006 Correctional Officers of the Year.

Jacksonville's Hensley Named Runner-Up

Corrections Officer Hubert T. Hensley, a 10-year veteran of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, has demonstrated competence and dedication in his service over the years. Last September, during routine activities at the county jail, he was faced with one of his greatest tests when he found himself in the middle of an altercation between a fellow officer and an inmate.

The inmate, housed in an area known for violence, refused to end his telephone call when inmates were being moved during the regular course of the day. After attempts to talk him into compliance failed, offi-

cers disconnected the phone. The inmate became angry and pulled a mop wringer off a nearby bucket and started threatening one of the officers.

In an attempt to block the inmate's blow to a fellow officer, Corrections Officer Hensley stepped in front of the inmate with his hands raised. The inmate hit Hensley several times, injuring his hand and arm and striking his head, stunning him. After falling dazed to one knee, Hensley saw the inmate go after his fellow officer, choking him. He again joined the battle and did not retreat until he saw that more officers had responded to help.

The violent inmate was eventually handcuffed and Hensley was transported to the hospital, receiving care for his hand and arm and staples to close the

gash in his head.

Demonstrating further tenacity, Officer Hensley returned to work the following morning, despite suffering from a sore arm and headache.

It's clear that Officer Hensley's actions prevented the inmate from causing serious bodily harm to other officers. His instant reaction, his continued efforts to get the inmate under control and his instinct to survive demonstrate his true spirit. With these facts, the Florida Sheriffs join the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office in commending Corrections Officer Hubert T. Hensley on his courage, and we name him sole "Runner-Up" for the 2006 Corrections Officer of the Year.

Congratulations, Officer Hensley.

FSA Mourns Loss of Sheriff's Wife and Deputy

Many citizens of Florida know about the tragic deaths that occurred in Jackson County on January 30. Jackson County Sheriff John P. "Johnny Mac" McDaniel's wife, Mellie, and Deputy Michael Altman were murdered in Sheriff McDaniel's driveway.

Much has been written about the

deaths, with the apparent motive being revenge on the Sheriff by the suspect in a six-year-old murder case and his accomplice.

Our hearts continue to mourn along with Sheriff McDaniel for his great loss. We are grateful for the fast work of responding deputies who were able to prevent further

tragedy in the shootout that ended in the deaths of the two suspects.

Thank you to all our members and friends who have reached out to the McDaniel family during this difficult time. Please continue to keep them in your prayers and we will do the same.

Former "Dean of Sheriffs" Has Died

Retired, longtime Union County Sheriff John H. Whitehead, the father of current Sheriff Jerry Whitehead, died February 9 in Gainesville. He was 82.

Serving as "constable," before being elected as Sheriff in 1952, Whitehead was part of an era when serving as the chief law-enforcement officer required living the job 24 hours a day, including living at the jail. It also was a time when, as Sheriff, if you put the breadwinner in jail, you took care of the family.

A native of Lake Butler, Sheriff Whitehead served in the Navy before he was elected to the office of Sheriff at the age of 27. "They called me 'the Boy Sheriff,'" he once said.

He recalled that on Sundays, the family took turns staying "home" (the jail), while the others went across the street to church. "The jail never shut down," and that's just the way their family learned to adapt.

During his distinguished law-enforcement career, Sheriff John



*Former Union County Sheriff
John H. Whitehead*

Whitehead earned the title of "Dean of Florida Sheriffs" in recognition of his long tenure. He also served as a founding member of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. Sheriff Whitehead's ties clearly went beyond his rural community as he was elected president of Florida Sheriffs Association in 1975 and was

recognized by the Florida Legislature as "Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" in 1984.

A founding member of the Lake Butler Rotary Club, Sheriff Whitehead also served as a deacon of First Christian Church of Lake Butler.

Sheriff John Whitehead served his constituents faithfully until 1985, and when it came time to retire, the community chose his son, Jerry, to succeed him.

Sheriff John Whitehead is survived by his wife of 61 years, Vivian Crews Whitehead; three children, John H. Whitehead, Jr. (and wife, Brenda), Cynthia Whitehead and Union County Sheriff Jerry Whitehead (and wife Tammy) all of Lake Butler; three brothers, Jack Whitehead, William Whitehead and James Whitehead of Lake Butler; and one sister, Merle Brown of Lake Butler. The family requested that memorial contributions be made to the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranches; P. O. Box 2000, Live Oak, Florida 32064.

ID Program is Valid

Not everything you read on the Internet is authentic (or safe). But if you've received an e-mail about a Florida Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles "Emergency Contact Information" program, you can believe it.

The emergency ID program was initiated by a woman whose daugh-

ter died in a motorcycle accident. It took more than five hours for the mom to be notified. By having emergency contact information associated with your driver's license, law enforcement will be able to notify your loved ones more quickly.

It takes only a minute or two to register. Go to the Highway Safety

& Motor Vehicles Website: <http://www.hsmv.state.fl.us/>. Choose "Emergency Contact Information." You'll need your current Florida Driver License or Florida Identification Card number, plus your date of birth (month, day, year). The service is free.

For more information, call: 850-488-2276.

LETTERS

Readers:

We received many positive comments about our 2007 Annual Guide to Government, a special edition of *The Sheriff's Star* magazine. Agencies and individuals have requested extra copies, which we're always pleased to hear.

Of course, since the directory listed hundreds of thousands of names, titles, phone numbers and other information, our members also checked behind us to make sure we got it right. And they let us know when we didn't!

This year proved especially challenging with the change of administration at the state level. With the elections in November and many state agency appointments not being announced until January, we had some difficulty. We apologize to readers who were frustrated by incorrect telephone numbers, names or other identifying information.

While the Florida Sheriffs Association recognizes the Annual Guide is useful – and we will continue to publish it – we also know that it will never be complete. It's the nature of traditional publishing.

The information is accumulated over a period of months and with production schedules, by the time it is mailed, some of the material is bound to be outdated. We'll continue to publish helpful Web site addresses and encourage our readers to use the Internet for the latest contact information.

In the interim, we're including on this page a few corrections we're aware of...some of them our errors, and some the result of our sources. Our apologies to all and thank you for your patience!

Page 7: Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink's political affiliation should have been listed as Democrat

Page 10: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Michael Crews (Professional Program) should be listed under Program Directors. Phone: 850-410-8600

Page 11: Department of State, main phone number: 850-245-6500. Numerous other changes that Secretary Kurt Browning made in

January. Please consult Web Site:

www.dos.state.fl.us

Page 15: Rep. Will S. Kendrick (R)

Page 23: 6th District also includes Bradford County

Page 29: County information. Find the most recent listings on the individual county Web sites. Locate the sites: <http://www.myflorida.com/counties/>

Pages 33 – 52: Find the most recent biographies of Sheriffs online at:

www.flsheriffs.org "Meet the Sheriffs" U.S. Representative, Page 27

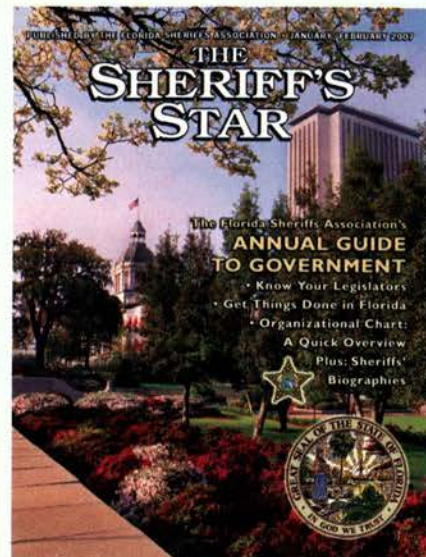
Our apologies to U.S. Rep. Ron Klein for running an incorrect photo with his bio. The full biography and correct photo appear below.

22nd District

Portions of Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

Ron Klein (D)

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*The Sheriff's Star
January/February 2007*

Editor:

I just wanted you to know that the Annual Guide to Government that you sent is wonderful! I can't thank you enough for publishing this guide.

Sincerely,
Lois A. Schmidt

Editor:

I received my Sheriff's Star last week, which has a beautiful picture on the front cover. I like the information that is inside but there needs to be some corrections made. On page 32 Wakulla County Shows Ms. Anne W. Ahrendt as the Property Appraiser. This is incorrect, as she was defeated in November. Our son Donnie R. Sparkman was elected and sworn in the next week. We would like a letter to this effect.

On page 11, under Division of Elections, Dawn Roberts – no one knows who this is, so that is incorrect. Where did you get the population of Wakulla County from?

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HAVE A COMMENT?

If you would like to send a comment, please write:

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Five (more) Traffic Stop FAQ's

By Sgt. Rick Hord
Okaloosa County
Sheriff's Office



Traffic-related concerns claim the lion's share of this column's comments from citizens, so let's tackle some more Frequently Asked Questions.

Q. If I'm pulled over, should I get out of the car?

A. Unless the officer gives other instructions, leave the door closed, roll down the driver's window and place your hands in plain view. Don't reach into the glove compartment unless the officer asks you to. At night, turn on the interior light. Few motorists appreciate the hazards of traffic stops. A driver exiting the vehicle raises concern, and could be an effort to distract attention.

Q. Why wouldn't the officer show me my speed on his radar?

A. Florida law prohibits the use of police radar units that lock in a speed reading. By law, six conditions are required for radar speeding tickets. The prohibition against speed-display lock and audio alarms may seem odd, but it makes sense in light of two other requirements: that the officer make "an independent visual determination" that the vehicle is speeding, and that "conditions permit the clear assignment of speed to a single vehicle." Running radar is a highly skilled and demanding job; a speed-display lock or alarm might tempt an officer to devote less than his full attention. The other three requirements? The officer must be certified, the radar must meet design criteria, and a technical feature known as "audio Doppler" is required.

Q. Am I required to drive in the right-hand lane except when passing?

A. Florida law says "any vehicle proceeding at less than the normal speed of traffic... shall be driven in the right-hand lane... except when overtaking and passing another vehicle proceeding in the same direction or when preparing for a left turn" If you're driving in the left lane, you might check your mirror. If you see a line of traffic behind you, and you're not actually passing the traffic in the right lane, you could get a ticket.

Q. If I'm in a wreck, should I leave the car in place or move it?

A. Years ago, many of us were taught not to move the car until the police arrive. That may have been the conventional wisdom of the day, but it's no longer good advice. In fact, you can get a ticket for failing to move out of the roadway after a crash, unless the vehicle is disabled or it's otherwise not feasible to move it.

Q. What happens to the money from traffic fines?

A. The Florida Legislature is clearly sensitive to the common but inaccurate perception that cops write more tickets when their budgets run low. Florida Statute 318.21 contains 28 paragraphs detailing in excruciating detail the distribution of every penny from traffic fines, portions of which are part of the revenue mix for cities, counties, and state as well as and the Seminole and Miccosukee Indian tribes. Also receiving a slice of the pie are the Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation, trust funds for Epilepsy Services, Non-game Wildlife, School Crossing Guards, Crimes Compensation, Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation, and many other recipients.

Send your crime prevention and personal safety questions to Rick Hord, c/o Okaloosa County Sheriff's

Office, 1250 Eglin Parkway,
Shalimar, FL 32357-1234 or via
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LETTERS

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Congratulations to Sheriff Larry Campbell as the new president of FSA. Things should run smoothly.

Thanks for all your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Clara R. Sparkman

Editor replies:

Thank you for writing to let us know where we erred. Although it's painful when we hear about errors, we need to hear about them to find the sources, so we can be assured the error won't occur the following year.

Our apologies to your son for the incorrect listing. We're making changes that should increase our accuracy for next year.

As for the Division of Elections listing, Secretary of State Kurt Browning was appointed after the first of the year (after we had already compiled the Guide). He made some new appointments in early January, including changes in his senior management team. Dawn Roberts, formerly director of the Division of Elections, was appointed Assistant Secretary of State and Chief of Staff. Amy Tuck was appointed to succeed her. Other appointments can be found on the Department of State's Web page: www.dos.state.fl.us.

As mentioned on page 29, preceding the listing of Florida's County Officials, population figures were provided by the U.S. Census Bureau's 2006 estimates. The Web page is: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/>

Again, we appreciate your concern and attention to detail. We look forward to continuing to improve on the process in future issues of our Annual Guide to Government.

Bass Tournament Cancelled

The Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office notified us that their 2007 Bass Tournament for Public Safety, originally scheduled for May 5-6, has been cancelled.

Memorial Coin Proceeds Benefit Youth Ranch

Long time FSA conference exhibitor, Chief Dennis Wayne with CopShop.com/Book 'Em Products,



Chief Dennis Wayne

says he wanted to do something to help honor the memory of Lake County Sheriff Chris Daniels, who died late last year during a Youth Ranch fundraiser.

Wayne's company designed a memorial coin with Sheriff Daniels' image on it and his signature theme – Faith, Family, Community – as well as a message from those who knew him as, "Leader, Gentleman, Friend."

The reverse side has "In memory of Sheriff Chris Daniels," and a star with the traditional black stripe to signify mourning and respect.

Introduced at the FSA Mid-Winter conference, Wayne says they are taking orders for the coin on the



copshop.com Website. They are \$10 each, of which \$7 will go to the Florida Sheriff Youth Ranches.

To order, go to www.copshop.com and search Code: CP-4087, or the name Chris Daniels.

The Florida Sheriffs appreciate efforts by members and vendors who continue to recognize the loss

of such a gifted individual. It's true, Sheriff Chris Daniels will be remembered among his fellow Sheriffs as "leader, gentleman and friend." And we are grateful that these coins will be collected and shared in his honor.



FSA Contributions to Youth Ranches

Pictured above, the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Board Chairman Sumter County Sheriff William O. "Bill" Farmer (right) presents Florida Sheriffs Association Executive Director Gary Perkins with the prestigious Crystal Star Award for the Florida Sheriffs Association's faithful and generous support of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches.

As the organization that helped create the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches through the establishment of the Boys Ranch in 1957, FSA has continued to provide ongoing support – through financial, promotional and administrative resources.

In the past 5 years alone, FSA has contributed more than \$33.8 million to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. These funds are provided by

a variety of means, including: cash contribution, funds raised through the FSA direct mail program, wills and bequests generated through FSA members, funds received directly by the Youth Ranches from FSA members and administrative fees.

Though it remains sponsored and generously supported by FSA, the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches operates independently as a separate not-for-profit corporation. Photo by Allison Evans, FSyr



Gadsden County Sheriff Morris Young took time to visit with two young men from the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, after they spoke to the Sheriffs at the Mid-Winter conference. On the left is Rancher Edwanyte and right is Rancher Grady. Photo by Allison Evans, FSyr

Polk County Deputies Rescue Man from Gator's Grip

By Donna Wood
Polk County Sheriff's Office

The midnight shift on Wednesday, November 29, 2006, started out pretty routine: traffic citations, patrols in neighborhoods and not much more.

Except for the multiple calls about a man yelling for help.

During the pre-dawn hours, the telecommunications center of the Polk County Sheriff's Office received several calls about a man yelling for help in the area of Lake Parker County Park, on East Lake Parker Drive in Lakeland.

As a telecommunicator was assisting one 9-1-1 caller, he overheard the man yelling, "Help! A big gator's got me! Both my arms are broke!"

Deputy Billy Osborne took the call and was on scene within five minutes. As he arrived, he heard a man in the water calling for help, saying he was being attacked by an alligator.

Before Deputy Osborne could call for additional assistance, Deputy Michael Parker arrived. Without regard for their own safety, the two immediately entered the murky, alligator-infested water and began a search for the man who was in the grasp of a "very large gator."

Once the victim, 45-year-old Adrian Apgar of Polk, was located, Osborne and Parker began to pull Apgar from the alligator in what they described as a "scary tug of war."

Think fast

Their first thoughts were to shoot the attacking gator, but the darkness and the commotion in the water prevented them from clearly seeing their target.

The gator was thrashing violently in the water, still holding the victim in its jaws, and their concern was that the victim would be shot in the confusion. "When it started thrash-

ing, we couldn't get a good shot, and the man was in the line of fire," Osborne says.

It had been only seconds after Osborne and Parker made their way to the man still firmly trapped in the jaws of the gator, when two more PCSO deputies were entering the water to help. Deputy David Clements and Sgt. Andrew Williams arrived and quickly became part of the watery chaos.

All of the deputies found themselves in waist-deep water approximately 20 feet from the shore in the pitch-black night. Each one had to work their way to the victim using flashlights to scan the lake while trying to focus on where the commotion and cries for help were coming from.

A slurry lake bottom made each step they took seem as they were walking in quicksand. "We were sinking with every step," says Sgt. Williams.

"He was saying, 'He's gonna kill me!'" says Parker, describing the man's cries for help. Those cries were silenced only once when the gator pulled the man under the water and began to roll.

The struggle lasted approximately 20 minutes before the deputies managed to pull the man away from the gator's grip and began to make their way to shore, approximately 40 feet, where an ambulance was waiting to transport the victim to Lakeland Regional Medical Center.

Apgar arrived at LMRC in critical condition with an apparent broken right arm, a partially amputated left arm and major trauma to his left upper leg. As of late January, Apgar was still recovering from his



The captured gator. Photo provided by The Ledger, Lakeland, FL



Calmer moments followed at the press conference. Pictured from left: Deputies Michael Parker, Billy Osborne and David Clements; Sheriff Grady Judd and Sgt. Andrew Williams. Photo provided by The Ledger, Lakeland, FL.

injuries.

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission responded to the scene and captured the alligator. Trappers reported that the gator weight approximately 500 pounds and was nearly 12 feet in length.

The four have been recognized locally by the Polk County Police Chiefs Association and have been contacted by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. They have been nominated to receive the Polk County Sheriff's Office "Medal of Valor" for their heroic efforts.

"They may not call themselves heroes, but I will," says Sheriff Grady Judd. "They put their lives on the line every day, and this was certainly a dangerous rescue."

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Sheriff's Office/Fire District Teamwork Saves Lives and Tax Dollars

By Catherine Whitaker, PIO
St. Lucie County Fire District
and Mark Weinberg, PIO
St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office

In the world of emergency services, many communities have an informal wall between fire-rescue and law enforcement.

That's not the case in St. Lucie County, where cooperative arrangements extend from the purchase and use of key pieces of equipment to frequent communication between the Fire Chief and Sheriff.

It's been that way for years, say Fire Chief Jay Sizemore and St. Lucie County Sheriff Ken J. Mascara.

"It is more than just professionalism; we have all become friends, which translated to the job," explains Chief Sizemore. "It starts at the top and extends down throughout the ranks."

"The public expects us to be on the same page, and that's standard procedure for our two agencies," adds Sheriff Mascara.

Equipped to serve

The latest collaboration between the Sheriff's Office and Fire District involves the Fire District's Airport Rescue and Firefighting truck – "ARFF" for short – to handle airport



fire emergencies.

The ARFF truck is an Oshkosh Striker with a 1,500-gallon water capacity. It also can disburse 210 gallons of foam and 500 pounds of dry chemical – all simultaneously. The Fire District acquired the \$700,000 truck in August 2006, with help from the St. Lucie County Board of Commissioners, which secured a Florida District of Transportation grant.

The ARFF truck is housed at the Sheriff's Aviation Unit hangar, where it is staffed 24 hours a day by Fire District personnel.

When construction is complete on a new airport fire station, the ARFF truck will be located there. That fire station is a cooperative venture with the St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners; the board also owns and operates the airport. A Florida District of Transportation grant to the Board of County Commissioners is paying 80 percent of the \$1.74-million construction cost of the fire station, with the Fire District paying 20 percent.

Air quality

The longest-running cooperative arrangement involves the county's air ambulance, an Agusta A-119 Koala helicopter known as Air Rescue One. The Sheriff's Office, Fire District and Board of County

Commissioners shared the \$2.42-million acquisition cost of the advanced craft in 2002. The helicopter is housed at the Sheriff's Aviation Unit hangar at St. Lucie

International Airport, north of Fort Pierce.

Fire District flight paramedics are assigned to the hangar to provide 24-hour-a-day trauma transport service under a state license held by the Fire District. The Sheriff's Office supplies the pilots and maintenance staff.

In 2004, the Sheriff's Office, Fire District, St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners and Fort Pierce Police District bought a 40-foot, custom-designed mobile command center. Florida Power and Light Company, which owns two nuclear power plants in the county, also contributed to the purchase cost.

With this addition to the county, all the agencies can work from a unified command center, equipped with Internet-connected computer work stations, a telescoping mast equipped with a computer-controlled camera and other features. The mobile command center is housed and maintained at the Fire District's maintenance garage.

The spring dry season in St. Lucie County brings with it brush fires. Law enforcement works alongside the Fire District for traffic control, home evacuations when necessary and other services. The Board of County Commissioners, which has a state-mandated role in declaring local emergencies, also sends representatives to major fire scenes.

Through these partnerships, the citizens of St. Lucie and surrounding counties are better served. And all personnel will be more effective in carrying out their particular agency's mission.

For more information, contact Mark Weinberg, via e-mail: weinbergm@stluciesheriff.com or phone: 772-708-5259.

Rescuers Save Man's Best Friend from Debris



Holly Hill Sgt. Sergeant Aldrich crawls to safety.



Seminole County Sheriff's Deputy Mike Cannaday and Fred.



The home

By Carrie Hoepfner
Public Information Officer
Seminole County Sheriff's Office

Seminole County Sheriff's PIO Specialist Kim Cannaday remembers the call from her husband, Deputy Sheriff Mike Cannaday on February 4. He had been deployed to Volusia County in the aftermath of the devastating Groundhog Day tornadoes. "Kim, we made our first rescue. His name is Fred and he's fine." As would be expected, Kim was elated by her husband's contribution, even after he clarified: "Oh, Fred isn't a person...he's a Jack Russell terrier."

"We weren't leaving until the dog came out," Deputy Cannaday said later.

Group project

It took a team of law enforcement from the Holly Hill Police Department, Seminole County Sheriff's Office and Volusia County Sheriff's Office to rescue man's best friend from two stories of debris and rubble left in the wake of the Groundhog Day tornadoes.

The four person, multi-agency team was conducting area patrols of storm-damaged communities when neighbors directed them to a more than 100-year-old home destroyed by the devastating storms. The Alexander House, an icon in the Volusia community, lay crumpled in the wake of Central Florida's severe weather. Neighbors explained that while thankfully everyone inside got out safely, the family dog (Fred), did not.

While surveying the historic debris, rescuers began to hear a faint "arf." More than 48 hours had passed since the home was destroyed, they canvassed the broken home and identified the origin of the bark. The rescuers bent beams, pulled back pieces of tin roof, and removed exposed, jagged nails. They managed to create a 4-foot crawl space within the rubble. Sgt. Stephan Aldrich, an officer with the Holly Hill Police Department serving on the Volusia County SWAT Team, entered the tiny space where he found a very excited Jack Russell named Fred in a crumpled kennel. Fred's cage had nearly collapsed all around him, except for a small area that had protected him. Sgt. Aldrich managed to cut Fred from the kennel with a pocket knife and hand him off to nearby deputies for safety.

"Neighbors said he (Fred) was a timid and quiet dog, but the closer we got to him, the more he would whimper," says SCSO Deputy Cannaday. Inside, the kennel had nearly collapsed all around him,



Group photo: From left, Seminole County Deputy Sheriff Mike Cannaday, Volusia County Sergeant Al Perrotta, Holly Hill Sergeant Stephan Aldrich and Seminole County Deputy Sheriff Todd Moderson.

but luckily he was isolated in a pocket and unharmed.

An emotional owner was happy to be reunited with his faithful companion who was saved from what would have most certainly been a tragic fate. With a very difficult road to rebuild ahead of him, though, Fred's owner was unable to continue to care for him. Today, man's best friend has a new family and home as well as a new name: "Lucky."

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FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION

Honor Roll



This awards program gives special recognition to individuals who have demonstrated their commitment to progressive law enforcement by supporting the Florida Sheriffs Association. Certificates are given to those who have been Honorary Members for 25 years or more. A special "Lifetime Honorary Member" plaque is reserved for those individuals who give \$2,500 or more and for law enforcement personnel who have served at least 40 years. Business leaders who support the Florida Sheriffs Association and its anti-crime activities are recognized with plaques and yearly renewals at the following levels: Gold (\$500), Silver (\$250) and Bronze (\$50). For membership information, please email us: membership@flsheriffs.org or visit our website: www.flsheriffs.org



PASCO COUNTY – Gold Business Member award presented by Pasco County Sheriff Bob White to Bryan and Kimberly Moses, owners of New Source Notes, Inc.



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY – Gold Business Member award presented by Indian River County Sheriff Roy Raymond to Pastor Buddy Tipton, Indian River Christian School.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY – Gold Business Member award presented by St. Johns County Sheriff David Shoar to Michael E. Stover, Action Heating & Air Conditioning.



HIGHLANDS COUNTY – 30-year certificate presented by Highlands County Sheriff Susan Benton to James Lyons.



INDIAN RIVER COUNTY – 40-year certificate presented by Indian River County Sheriff Roy Raymond to Mr. & Mrs. J. Leroy Pressley.



JEFFERSON COUNTY – 25-year certificate presented by Jefferson County Sheriff David Hobbs to Robert L. Lackey.



CLAY COUNTY – 25-year certificate presented by Clay County Sheriff Rick Beseler to Joseph and Ester Daly.



OKALOOSA COUNTY – Gold Business Member award presented by Okaloosa County Sheriff Charlie Morris to George Gonzalez, Aerospace Integration Corp.



OKALOOSA COUNTY – 40-year award presented by Okaloosa County Sheriff Charlie Morris to Lewis "Rocky" Heckroth.



OKALOOSA COUNTY – 25-year award presented by Okaloosa County Sheriff Charlie Morris to Bill M. Robinson.



POLK COUNTY – 30-year certificate presented by Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd to Kenneth Kaminga and Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Richardson.



POLK COUNTY – 40-year certificate presented by Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd to Mr. & Mrs. Hobson Strain.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY – 40-year certificate presented by St. Johns County Sheriff David Shoar to Mr. & Mrs. Warren K. Anderson.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY – 40-year certificate presented by St. Johns County Sheriff David Shoar to John Bailey and son Mark Bailey, Bailey Insurance Group.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY – 25-year certificate presented by St. Johns County Sheriff David Shoar to Mr. & Mrs. Luis Iglesias.



VOLUSIA COUNTY – 30-year certificate presented by Volusia County Sheriff Ben Johnson to Kenneth Modzelweski and Joseph Small Sr.



VOLUSIA COUNTY – 30-year certificate presented by Volusia County Sheriff Ben Johnson to Kenneth Modzelweski and Joseph Small Sr.

FLORIDA SHERIFFS YOUTH RANCHES



VOLUSIA COUNTY - Presented by Sumter County Sheriff Bill Farmer to Volusia County Sheriff Ben Johnson for personal giving.



HONOR ROLL

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 \$2,500 or more in cash or \$5,000 or more in non-cash gifts to the Youth Ranches. Each Lifetime Honorary Member receives a plaque, a lifetime identification card and lifetime subscriptions to *The Sheriff's Star* and *The Rancher*. Those whose gifts total over \$5,000 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.

❖ New Lifetime Honorary Members ❖

New Lifetime Members from 12/7/06 to 4/5/07.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Dods



CHARLOTTE COUNTY - Presented by Charlotte County Sheriff John Davenport to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Antalec (left photo), Mr. & Mrs. Edward T. Loya Sr. (center photo) and Martha Pra-Martin (right photo).



CITRUS COUNTY - Presented by FSyr Vice President of Donor Relations Allison Evans (left) and FSyr Donor Relations Officer Frank Kenny (far right) to Mr. & Mrs. Frank Pastula.

BREVARD COUNTY - Presented by FSyr Chairman Sumter County Sheriff Bill Farmer (far right) to (from left) David Jacobs, MACOM/TYCO; Sonny Deor and Bob Stork, Communications International, Inc.; and Chuck Lang, MACOM/TYCO.



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CLAY COUNTY - Presented by Clay County Sheriff Rick Beseler to Fred Davis.



DESOTO COUNTY - Presented by DeSoto County Sheriff Vernon Keen to Phil Turner Sr.



ALACHUA COUNTY - Presented by former Alachua County Sheriff Steve Oelrich to Dr. Madelyn M. Lockhart.



HENDRY COUNTY - Presented by Hendry County Sheriff Ronnie Lee Sr. to Ruby Davis.

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY - Presented by Indian River County Sheriff Roy Raymond to Mr. & Mrs. Gene Linn.



Ray Buck

MADISON COUNTY - Presented by Madison County Sheriff Pete Bucher to Ray Buck, John Foster, Foster & Son Plumbing; and Earl Smith, Geo Technologies, Inc.



John Foster



Geo Technologies



POLK COUNTY - Presented by Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd to Mr. & Mrs. Hoyt Mason.



POLK COUNTY - Presented by Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd to Victor Story, Story Citrus Service.



SANTA ROSA COUNTY - Presented by Santa Rosa County Sheriff Wendell Hall (right) to Neal Flukinger.



SARASOTA COUNTY - Presented by FSYR Donor Relations Officer Bill Brown (left) to Joanne and John Hegener.



LEE COUNTY - Presented by Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott to William E. Horn.



SUMTER COUNTY - Presented by Sumter County Sheriff Bill Farmer to Thomas W. and Maureen Nelson.



ST. JOHNS COUNTY - Presented by St. Johns County Sheriff David Shoar to Retired Deputy Sheriff Thomas Faircloth.



WALTON COUNTY - Presented by FSYR Donor Relations Officer Lana Pate to Walton County Sheriff Ralph Johnson.

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The Florida Sheriffs Association is offering a unique opportunity for you to show your support for law enforcement in your community through a limited edition Member Tag and Frame combination. These handsome frames come in two designs – chrome or brass – to fit the front of most any style vehicle. Tags are embossed aluminum with baked on enamel colors. Demonstrate your support for FSA and the crime fighting efforts of Sheriffs by ordering your Tag and Frame combination, while supplies last.

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P.O. BOX 12519, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32317-2519

I wish to purchase ___ Tag/Frame sets
___chrome ___brass @ \$25 each \$ _____

(postage & handling cost included in prices)

* Please add 6% Sales Tax Tax \$ _____

(Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for shipping) TOTAL \$ _____

* Add .5%, .75%, 1% or 1.5% discretionary sales surtax, if applicable.

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Has your address changed? Please send us . . .

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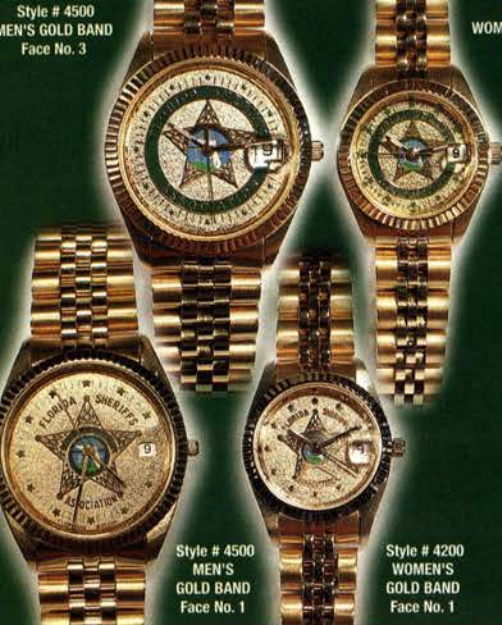
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Style # 4500
MEN'S GOLD BAND
Face No. 3



Style # 4500
MEN'S
GOLD BAND
Face No. 1

Style # 4200
WOMEN'S
GOLD BAND
Face No. 1

Style # 4200
WOMEN'S GOLD BAND
Face No. 3

NOTE: These water resistant, ETA Swiss quartz analog timepieces featuring a beautifully engraved "Sheriff's Star" in an all gold dress medallion, or a multi-colored sports style are available in both all gold or gold/steel two-tone as depicted. In addition to the gold and two-tone bands, we also offer all silver. Also displayed are the patriotic Flag watches. These are available in three background faces: Face 1 - Gold; Face 2 - Silver and Face 3 - Black. All watches carry a 6-year limited warranty from the date of purchase against failures due to defective materials or workmanship. Gold or two-tone bands can be purchased with either of the four available faces. Style 4500 denotes men's gold band; 4502 denotes men's two-tone band; 4503 denotes men's all silver band. Style 4200, 4202 and 4203 are the women's gold, two-tone and silver respectively.

Style # 4502
MEN'S TWO-TONE BAND
Face No. 2



Style # Flag
MEN'S
GOLD BAND
Face No. 1

NOT SHOWN
Style # Flag Black
Face No. 3

Style # Flag
WOMEN'S
TWO-TONE BAND
Face No. 2

MEMBERSHIP ITEMS ORDER FORM

Public safety is a concern to all citizens, and one way you can support public safety in your community is to show your pride in local law enforcement. To help you demonstrate your pride in crime-fighting efforts, the Florida Sheriffs Association has designed several items displaying the Sheriff's Star logo, and made them available to the general public. These quality items make great gifts too. Just fill in the order form above and return it with your payment.

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Quantity _____ White (size S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL ☐ XXL ☐)

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_____ *Belt buckle(s) at \$28.00 each. \$ _____

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Flag Style Watches Face: ☐ Gold-1 ☐ Silver-2 ☐ Black-3

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(postage & handling cost included in prices) Total \$ _____

* Please add 6% Sales Tax for membership items \$ _____

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GOLF SHIRTS
green or white with
multi-colored embroidered logo



BELT BUCKLE 3 1/2 x 2 3/4" solid brass



CAPS - WHITE OR GREEN
with multi-colored embroidery inc
metallic gold thread, adjustable



Honorary Member LAPEL PIN
7/8" die cast metal with
5 color enameled finish



11oz. COFFEE MUG
white color, with multi color
green bands listing all 67