Challenges Made for Champions!
I have been thinking about the past year or so as we prepared this issue of The Rancher. We faced a downturn in the economy, and charitable giving, which resulted in having to close five cottages. We saw a real outpouring of generosity from our donor family which has now allowed us to reopen those cottages and get back to full capacity.

I always want to learn from experience. We can learn from both good and bad situations. We have seen a lot over the past few years that will make us a stronger and a more resilient organization in the future.

One lesson we take with us is that we can always learn to do more with less. Having less money and fewer employees did not mean we had to reduce the quality of care we provide for children. It did make us look at all areas of our programs to see what the highest priorities were for our children to be successful. We focused our efforts on providing a safe and loving environment, the highest quality education, good food, healthy recreation and solid moral/spiritual development for our kids. Although our employees received no raises in pay and took a day off each month without pay, we continued to ensure they received adequate training and growth opportunities to enable them to do the best job possible.

As I attended our awards banquets I had the chance to honor our seniors and those going on to college on our scholarship program. I was so proud of these young men and women who took advantage of what was offered and made the most of the opportunity. I was touched that in spite of the tough financial times, we were able to provide them with the tools they needed for success.

One of the most important lessons we took away from this time was that the Youth Ranches has a wonderfully faithful and supportive group of donors who care about children and were willing to make personal sacrifices to help. I cannot begin to express my appreciation for all of you who gave above and beyond to provide for our children.

I hope you enjoy this issue of The Rancher. The articles give you a glimpse of life at the Youth Ranches and the children whose lives are being changed. If you get a chance, please stop by one of our campuses so we can show you around. We love visitors and look forward to meeting you when you come.

Sincerely,

Roger Bouchard, President
"In an effort to help during these economic hard times, we would like to make a contribution to help with the monumental task of preparing our disadvantaged children to be productive members of our community. Please extend our heartfelt good wishes to these well deserving children."

~ J. Robinson, President of Chapter IX Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club

"Thank you for inviting me to the Awards banquet. I was so proud as I applauded the successes of each Rancher in your care. I keep praying to win the lottery just so I could help the Ranch even more."

In Friendship, ~ P. Douglass, Donor

"In memory of a man, Jack Murray, who carried the love of children in his heart all of his life. We were fortunate to move to Florida in 1958 as the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch was in its beginning and allowed Jack to lend support to the movement. Enclosed is a donation to carry your work on, ‘for all of our children.’"

~ F. Murray, Donor

"I have so many fond memories of my three years at the Ranch. They saved my life! Without the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch, I can honestly say that I have no idea where I’d be today. God bless everyone there and keep up all the great work you do each and every day!

~ J. Glass, Boys Ranch Alumnus

"Hello Roger, Thank you and the Ranch boys for the delightful birthday card. It is my very favorite card! ...I am enclosing a check for “whatever” you want to use it for. Thank you again for your dedication and friendship"

~ L. Perkes, Donor

"I would like to thank you from the bottom, top and every other part of my heart for the blessings you have given me....the simple fact that you care enough to bestow a blessing on a child in need...I appreciate the seed you have sown in me."

~ Rancher Timothy

Editor’s Note: These are just a few of the notes we receive in the mail or from our website — www.youthranches.org. Minor adjustments may be made for clarity within the content, but the context remains the same.
many new, exciting activities await the boys and girls who spend the week in the great outdoors! For some, the challenge may be learning to swim, shooting a bow and arrow, designing the perfect piece of art work or even just going to sleep at night in a new environment. Regardless of the feat, there is always a mixture of fear and exhilaration when trying something new and a correlating shout of success when the challenge has been conquered!

One of the most thrilling adventures at Camp is the Challenge Course. Initially, a series of activities “on the ground” enables the group of campers to build trust, create solutions and experience encouraging communication through teamwork. Then, once the team shares the responsibility and celebration of collective success, we begin to infuse individual achievements that are not possible without the participation and invested attention of the entire team.

“High Ropes” occur with one member of the team “off the ground” trying to conquer their individual fears while completely supported by the team. Group members each have critical jobs that ensure the safety and well being of the climber. The challenge sounds simple, climb up and honk the horn,
One of the most thrilling adventures at Camp is the Challenge Course.
but it doesn’t look so simple – that horn is 35 feet off the ground!

Imagine scaling a high ladder, then climbing a telephone pole up to another pole suspended 25 feet off the ground, walking across the log, and then climb 10 feet higher to a wire stretched out for 30 feet in the air. Then you have to move, reaching out to grasp dangling ropes six feet apart which help you balance as you cross this “tight rope” to the horn of honor.

You are perspiring, perhaps trembling with fear...and excitement! Your team surrounds you...safe and scared all at once! You have almost made it! You hold on to the last rope with one hand and reach out as far as your body will stretch. Cheers of encouragement come from below. Stretch, REACH, LE-E—E-EAN out...and finally you squeeze the small red rubber ball attached to the bike horn. HONK! HONNK! The sound of CHAMPIONS!

Yes! The thrill of success is safely shouted once the climber’s toes touch the ground. Another child has conquered her fears, realized she has a team of people who love her, care for her, will protect her and support her as she takes on the challenges of life. Trust, courage, communication and teamwork – all lessons learned at camp. Here, miracles happen every day! ★
Youth Villa Alumnus Kelly, and former campers Noel, Teniyah and Ashley are thrilled to be a part of the summer Camp staff of 2011.

This year, we have a record number of young adults who experienced summer camp as a child and have now returned to be a Counselor.

Through a special program called “Leaders in Training” older teens shadow the counselors and prepare to take on a greater role. If their performance is solid and they turn 18, they can apply to become full time counselors. These young women, along with several others assigned to other sites, know this job as a summer camp counselor will help them with their future careers. More than that, they want to “give back” to the next generation of campers. What a blessing!

Here, miracles happen every day!
Some of the best lessons in life come from real life experience!

Last year, the boys and staff of Blackburn and Merrill Cottages were determined to plant a garden. The Cottage Pops and boys toiled for hours in the sun, preparing the ground, planting the seeds and nurturing their crops. The results were a bounty of fresh cucumbers, zucchini, squash, potatoes, tomatoes, collard greens, cantaloupes, peppers and other tasty vegetables and fruits.

Pop Young said, “We had so many tomatoes, we shared them with the whole Ranch (i.e. over 80 boys). Our Cottage ate collard greens every night nearly all summer long.” Then, with a friendly tone of competition he added, “Pop Dodd and his boys planted several items, including potatoes. Do you know how many potatoes it takes to feed a bunch of hungry boys? More than I care to grow! We will stick with growing other veggies and buy our potatoes at the store!”

The produce was plentiful and the boys really enjoyed watching their garden grow. The boys learned how to cultivate a small piece of land and plant things to help feed their cottage family and enjoyed sharing the surplus with others. They had to have patience and a daily commitment to a long term project. Eventually, they got a great feeling of...
accomplishment when they cooked and ate something grown right here on the Ranch.

That was last summer… This year, the boys in Merrill and Blackburn Cottage learned a different lesson.

With anticipation and experience, they once again prepared the land and planted a garden. Sadly, dry weather, bugs, critters and other forces of nature destroyed the bulk of the crop. “In some cases, there isn’t much you can do,” said Pop Young. “It was disappointing, but we approached it as a lesson of life. Some days you work hard and everything goes well; other times, things just don’t work out as you had hoped.”

Either way, the garden gives our boys an opportunity to learn. Rancher Tracy explains, “I really enjoyed working with Pop in the garden. It made me feel good to help raise the veggies we ate in the cottage plus it taught me a good work ethic which I have used to get a job… actually, now I have two jobs – one with the maintenance department on campus and one in town through the Vo-Tech. The lesson I have learned is that hard work pays off one way or the other!”
Witchler received the Program Director's Awards from Dwight Lord at the Youth Ranch-Bradenton/Sarasota.

"LIFE is not about now but about what happens NEXT!"
At the young age of 13, Witchler was already headed for BIG trouble.

His GPA was 0.5 and his problems included fighting, school suspensions, disrespecting people, making poor choices and frankly being totally LAZY!! As he put it, “I use to eat, sleep, play, sleep, and eat. I didn’t care about anyone but me.”

Something needed to change. Witchler was not so sure about coming to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranch but he made the decision on the first day to try to fit in and change his ways.

Immediately, Pop Suggs began working with Witchler to help him be more accepting of others and taught him how to deal with the anger he kept inside. Witchler added, “I took the opportunity to better myself. I started listening more and arguing less. I began to look at things differently and started to tell myself, ‘Yes, I can do anything if I put my mind to it!’

Our teacher, Mr. Sinibaldi and I still disagree on some things, but he is always telling me I have great potential. Sometimes he challenges me, asking if I am being ‘intellectually lazy.’ He tells me I need to use my mind and go places...be somebody!”

The change and challenge is working. Witchler has improved his GPA to 2.71. He is a leader on campus and is known for helping other kids resolve conflict. “I lead by example, and try to be a positive person. The other kids respect me, not because of my size, but because I don’t take sides. I just work to bring peace which is far better than fighting. I show them they can stay positive and make it to the next level in life. I tell them, ‘LIFE is not about now but about what happens NEXT!’”

So what is NEXT for this young man? He would like to be a business entrepreneur. “I want to be the one who does well and then helps others! I plan to run my business on teamwork, motivation, and results. I want people to say, ‘THAT guy changed something in the world!’ ★
We want you to share in the great celebration of our young men and women! Not only did our seniors graduate with pride but many other youth received recognition and awards for outstanding accomplishments throughout the past school year.

Generosity led the way! Each of our four Ranch sites hosted a delightful dinner to honor our young people and praise them for their excellent achievement. Tony and Rose Delleani of Pinellas County and the Outback Steakhouse in Bradenton actually provided the delicious dinner for our Ranchers and guests at SPECTACULAR SUCCESS for our BOYS & GIRLS!

(l-r, back row) Suwannee County Sheriff Tony Cameron, Madison County Sheriff Ben Stewart, Bill Powers, Karen Powers and Boys Ranch Alumni President Bill Riggins congratulate the 2011 Boys Ranch seniors (l-r, front row) Cody, Kyle, Tyler, Cody and Rashad.

Youth Villa Cottage Parents at Dorista Cottage (l-r, back row) Mom and Pop Young along with Mom and Pop Bedal are quite proud of their award winners (l-r, front) Danielle, Hailey and Amber.

Youth Ranch Safety Harbor Unit Director Robin Sumner presented Rancher Harley the Family and Community Service award.
two of our campuses. Friends like the Boys Ranch Alumni Association, the Moose Lodge in Venice and the Moose Lodge in Hialeah helped pay for the plaques. Board member Charles Rollason and his wife, Shirley, made sure each child received a gift card along with the award plaque. Many other kind donors, some through current gifts and others through trust or estate gifts, provided special funds earmarked for our graduating seniors and those alumni eligible for the Youth Ranches college scholarship program.

After witnessing the smiles and success of the Ranchers, our vision is evident. We have raised young men and women, who because of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, are able to face the future with a sense of direction, ability and hope.

Thank you for making their success possible! ★

Highlands County Sheriff Susan Benton is very proud of Highlands County youth Karissa who was awarded the Youth Villa Program Director’s Award by Jim Semple.

Highlands County Sheriff Susan Benton (right) awarded Youth Villa Seniors (l-r) Kelly, Gabby, Kaneka and Gabrielle with a senior medal. (not pictured: Sarah)

The Sheriff, also known as “Tank” received the Boys Ranch Program Director’s Award from Brad Gregory. Tyler, age 12, is quite possibly the youngest Rancher to ever receive this top award.

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Bryan was an angry young man when he first came to us in 2004. He had a difficult family life and was headed down the wrong path. During his years at the Ranch Bryan grew into a responsible, dependable young man. Bryan was asked to speak about his life on several occasions. He even addressed the Sheriffs of Florida at their annual conference in 2008.

Bryan’s goals after graduation included becoming a Firefighter, and now he has reached this goal. He recently graduated fire school and sent us this message.

“I am greatly appreciative for all the Boys Ranch has done for me. After graduation I was awarded a scholarship to help me start my career. I recently graduated from one of the most respected Firefighter Academies in North Carolina. I just wanted to say thanks for helping me build a solid foundation to help accomplish my dreams and goals to become a Firefighter.”

Many of our children go into public service. When a Law Enforcement Officer, Fireman or National Guardsman comes to help they may just be one of our alumni! Thank you for providing a solid foundation on which our boys and girls can build their futures! Your gifts today help protect our communities tomorrow!
“Avery Peak looms above where I am now. It looks like a rock wall that will be impossible. But, mountains never are impossible. Sometimes, they just take awhile!” ~ Debbie Crowder, 2011

In 2005, Debbie Crowder, wife of Martin County Sheriff Bob Crowder, retired and decided to fulfill a lifelong dream. She set a goal of hiking the entire 2,181 miles of the Appalachian Trail, straight through from Maine to Georgia. Deb knew there would be challenging moments so she added some extra pressure...every step she would take would help a child in need!

Debbie sought out friends and sponsors who made encouraging gifts to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches in honor of her effort. The response was overwhelming and over $50,000 was raised for the children we serve. However, a serious fall and subsequent injury took Debbie off the trail that summer. Most people would have been defeated, but not Debbie Crowder!

She healed up and has returned to the trail every year since, slowly but surely knocking off different segments of the hike. “It may not have turned out as I planned, but I am still determined to meet my goal and fulfill my commitment to these kids.”

Remarkably, even more donors have stepped up and encouraged Debbie’s perseverance with additional gifts to the Ranch. This renewed support has increased her motivation. She recently finished a 400 mile section and will return to the trail later this year to add more miles to her total. We applaud her tenacity and invite you to join in this triumph by making a gift to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches in honor of Debbie Crowder! ✫
For the first time in many years Kyle felt happy about the first day of school. He put on clean, new clothes, tied the shoe laces to his new shoes, picked up his back pack full of school supplies and headed to breakfast.

Kyle thought back to the years when he dreaded school. He rarely had clothes that fit and he was lucky if they were clean. He would have skipped school due to his embarrassment but his only sure meal was at school so he went.

Today was different! At the Youth Ranches he has the extra help he needs to succeed! He would never have this type of educational opportunity without the help of concerned donors like you.

Your “back to school” investment will provide:

- Advanced educational software such as Read 180, Accelerated Math, and EdOptions to help our kids overcome learning deficiencies
- Small classes allowing a high degree of individualized attention
- Two to one computer to student ratio insuring computer literacy
- Summer school programs to help kids advance grade levels
- Tutors for students at school and after school

Kids like Kyle can turn their live’s around. Education is the key. Wouldn’t you agree?

Please help a child like Kyle become a success!

YES! I want to ensure a child receives a good education!

Here is my gift of □ $50   □ $25   □ $10   Other $_______

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Use this form to make certain your gift is properly identified and return it in the enclosed envelope. Please send your gift in the enclosed envelope or mail your gift to Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches – P.O. Box 2000 – Boys Ranch, FL 32064.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CARING AND TIMELY GIFT!
NEED MORE RELIABLE INCOME?

Convert your assets into a stream of guaranteed income and be sure the remainder goes to help kids.

Your gift of $10,000 or more in the form of a Gift Annuity (cash or stocks) can help deserving youngsters and secure a reliable future income for you or someone you love. This irrevocable agreement is backed by the assets of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc.

A portion of your charitable gift annuity is immediately tax deductible. In addition, a portion of your annuity payment is tax free during normal life expectancy. The amount of the payment is based on the amount of the gift and the age of the annuitant. These rates are consistent with the recommendations made by The American Council on Gift Annuities.

If you have cash, stocks or property that you would like to transfer into a Gift Annuity with the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches and want to lock in this annual payment rate, please contact Debbie Parnell at 1-800-765-3797 for a free, personalized example. Joint rates can also be given upon request.

RATES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2011

Please call us at (800) 765-3797 if you have any questions.

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CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

☐ Please send me “no obligation” calculations showing the income and tax benefits of a gift annuity. Please base the calculations on a potential agreement in the amount of $___________ (minimum of $5,000.)

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Early this summer, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Children and Family Services David Wilkins and the Executive Director of the Family and Community Services division Dr. Jamie Self visited the Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch. Each brought his own family who joined us for our Chapel services and Sunday dinner. Secretary Wilkins spoke to the boys during Chapel, sharing about his own struggles as a young man and encouraging them to overcome individual adversity with a strong sense of determination and hard work.

After lunch with all the boys, they visited one of the cottages for a first-hand look inside daily life at the ranch. It was a heartwarming experience to see the strong interest and personal conversations that took place with our boys, the cottage parents and our special guests.

In a thank you note from Dr. Self, he said, “The Secretary has mentioned the Ranch several times in different venues as an example of excellence. He appreciated the way the Ranchers “stood up straight and looked you in the eye.” We are quite proud of our Ranchers and invite you, our donor family, to also visit with us anytime!”

Secretary Wilkins visits the Boys Ranch
54th Annual Open House & Horse Show
October 7, 8, and 9, 2011
Gates Open Wednesday,
October 5 at 8 a.m.
Grand Entry Parade Saturday
Oct. 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Admission - $5.00 Per Vehicle
For more information, please contact Anna Lou Harrell at
(386) 842-5555 or AHarrell@youthranches.org.

Leverock’s Seafood House ~ 840 South Pasadena Ave. South Pasadena, FL 33707
Saturday, November 12, 2011
11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
A generous portion of fish, hush puppies (Aunt Bertha’s secret recipe), fries, coleslaw and a soft drink.

Tickets: $5 in advance ~ $7 the day of the event
Additional tickets can be purchased from the Pinellas County Sheriffs Office (727) 582-6204 or Reed Rue at the Youth Ranches (800) 765-3797.
### YES I want to be a Florida Sheriffs Association Member for 2011-2012!

I understand that my tax-deductible dues entitle me to:
- An identification card
- A window decal
- Two magazine subscriptions
- Special discounts on insurance through StarAndShield.com
- Additional benefits for Gold and Silver levels (see below)

**Choose options here:**
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- ___ For tags, only, please add 6% Florida sales tax, plus .5%, .75%, 1% or 1.5% discretionary sales tax, if applicable (for tags only). _________

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- **Honorary Silver members** receive regular member benefits (above), plus one free official Florida Sheriffs Association auto tag and lapel pin their first year of membership (a $15 value!).
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Make a Great Charitable Gift!

Would you consider making a gift to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches through your will, trust or possibly list us as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy?

Your gift, small or large, will help us prevent juvenile delinquency and develop lawful, productive members of our communities.

Many people believe in our children and want to help, but they need to preserve the money they have right now to cover the rising cost of medical care and other living expenses. We understand this dilemma and know you should first care for yourself and your loved ones. However, one way you can fulfill your intent to support our boys and girls is by including the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches in your will or other estate plans.

As you think about your plans, a simple way to make a commitment of this type would be to change the beneficiary of a life insurance policy or add the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, PO Box 2000, Boys Ranch, FL 32064 as a beneficiary to your investment or retirement account.

This will ensure the remaining funds will be used to help serve the children in our care. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about these gifting options, please contact President Roger Bouchard at (800) 765-3797.

Your will should be reviewed annually.

About your estate planning...

Many of our friends have thoughtfully made provisions in their estate planning for our boys and girls. If you are considering a gift of this nature or if you would just like to know more about the many and varied opportunities for sharing, we can help. At your invitation, it would be our privilege and pleasure to visit you in your home. If you prefer, you are welcome to visit us or we can furnish information by mail or telephone, whichever is most practical and convenient.

Please send me the booklet:

- [ ] Giving Through Gift Annuity  - [ ] Giving Through Your Will  - [ ] Giving Real Estate  - [ ] Visit me when you are in my area.
- [ ] Other ______________________

Name ____________________________________________  City __________________________ State ______
Address ________________________________________________  Zip ________________ Telephone No. (________)________________________________

The proper legal name to provide a bequest is:

“I bequeath to the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Inc., Boys Ranch, Florida 32064:
100% of the residual amount of my estate • a specific amount of $___________ • a description of the property a certain quantity of stocks.” (or any combination of the above.)
**AWARDS, EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS**

Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Donor Relations Officer Lana Pate (right) presents Mr. and Mrs. Jerry King with the Sheriff and Boy Statue in appreciation for their generosity through the Polk Foundation.

Recently the St. Lucie County Sheriff’s Office held their annual golf tournament to benefit the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. This was the 25th year for the tournament. Pictured above from left to right: President of the Youth Ranches Roger Bouchard, Rancher Latonya, Rancher Carlie and St. Lucie County Sheriff Ken J. Mascara.

Martin County Sheriff Bob Crowder (left) and Youth Ranches Vice President of Donor Relations Alison Evans received a special gift from Acacia Masonic Lodge Master Jay L. Rex (right).

The Loyal Order of Moose Venice Lodge 1308 made a special presentation at the Youth Ranch Bradenton-Sarasota Award Banquet. On hand to present this gift were (L-R) John Johnson, Bob Anderson, Bob Skotzke, Junie Fontana, Youth Ranches President Roger Bouchard and Donor Relations Officer Frank Kenny.

The Lake County Sheriffs Office held their annual Golf Tournament to benefit the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches at the Arlington Ridge Golf Club in Leesburg, FL. The golf tournament raised over $8,000 for the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. Pictured from left to right are Youth Ranches Director of Marketing Maria Knapp and Lake County Sheriff Gary Borders.

The Blue Knights Florida IX made a special gift to the Youth Ranches at a recent meeting at the Volusia County Sheriffs Office. Pictured from left to right are: John Schineller, Mario Ursino, Treasurer Rudy Andre, Director Charles McDevitt, Youth Ranches Donor Relations Officer Debi Girard, Blue Knights President Joe Robinson and Volusia County Sheriff Ben Johnson.
AWARDS, EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

Sheriff Ben Stewart of the Madison County Sheriff’s Office presents a check to Youth Ranches President Roger Bouchard. The check represents proceeds from the Madison County Sheriff’s Office Golf Tournament. The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches would like to thank David Ballenger and his volunteers for all the hard work they put in over the years to help make this golf tournament a success.

St. Lucie County Sheriff Ken Mascara accepted a generous donation from The Grainger Foundation on behalf of the Youth Ranches. It was presented by Grainger’s Ft. Pierce Facility Branch Manager Kim Silcox and Account Manager Antoinette Greenan.

The Hunt Insurance Group helped orchestrate a gift from the Willis Foundation. On hand for this special presentation were (left to right) Sarah Hunt, Janice Lowe, Rancher Jonathan, Joe Antonio, Vince Butler, Scott Hunt, Ronnie McClain, Tom Coughlin, Rancher Bo, Clay County Sheriff Rick Beseler and Miranda Madden.

President of Anna Maria Island Kiwanis Club Foundation Sandy Haas-Martins presented Youth Ranches Major Gifts Office Craig Morrison with a special gift to benefit the children in our care.

Be sure to find us on “Facebook”. "Like" us and show your support!

Recently the Manatee County Sheriff’s Office held the 26th Annual Michelle Wells Golf Tournament at the Waterlefe Golf and River Club to benefit the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. The event raised over $29,000 dollars for the Youth Ranches. Pictured from left to right: Youth Ranch Bradenton/ Sarasota Program Director Dwight Lord, Manatee County Sheriff Brad Steube, Youth Ranches Special Events Manager John Szaroleta and Youth Ranches Major Gift Officer Craig Morrison.
AWARDS, EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

Deputy Sheriff Doyle Anthony retired from the Indian River County Sheriff’s Office after thirty years of service. After a brief break, he returned to the Sheriff’s Office in 2005 as a Corrections Civilian Assistant.

As a volunteer, Doyle worked year after year single-handedly raising tens of thousands of dollars to benefit the boys and girls served by the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches. He was a wonderful person who touched the hearts of the people of Indian River County with his great personality and sense of humor. Doyle took great pride in generating support for the Youth Ranches though the Indian River County Sheriff’s Office annual barbeque and loved being a part of this tremendous community event.

With gratefulness and appreciation, we remember Doyle Anthony for his many years of dedicated service to the annual Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Barbeque and the children in our care.

FSYR Receives Special Gifts from Lee County Sheriffs Office

Recently, the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches received two much needed donations made possible by Sheriff Mike Scott and the Lee County Sheriffs Office.

One of the donations consisted of more than fifty confiscated kitchen appliances. The other donation was a very special addition to the horse program. Youth Ranch Bradenton-Sarasota Program Director Dwight Lord and Rancher Peter accepted a generous donation of five saddles, five saddle blankets and miscellaneous horse tack along with a cash donation of $2,000. Thank you Sheriff Mike Scott!

The Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Remembers Indian River County Deputy Sheriff Doyle Anthony

Deputy Sheriff Doyle Anthony

Doyle Ray Anthony

December 18, 1940 - January 30, 2010

(Front L-R) Chief Rob Homan, Deputy Tom Schmidt, FSYR Donor Relations Officer Craig Morrison, Captain Rick Joslin, Captain Morgan Bowden (Back L-R) Evidence Manager Ron Ralls (T-Shirt), Sergeant John Long, Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises Vice President Mark Davis

Youth Ranch Bradenton/Sarasota Program Director Dwight Lord, Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott, Rancher Peter, LCSO Corporal Randy Hodges.
AWARDS, EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

Moose Riders Donate Desktop Publishing Equipment to Boys Ranch Journalism Class

Major Gifts Officer Frank Kenny received a special email. The Moose Riders had seen the Boys Ranch campus newsletter (Monthly Entertainment Newsletter) produced by the Donald Ralph Cooke School senior English class. They wanted to make a donation to help them in their journalistic pursuits.

The Moose Riders sent up a new computer, monitor, printer and camera for the boys to use. The boys were so excited to have new, more powerful equipment to handle these special projects. This gift came just in time for them to finish up their annual yearbook and the last edition of the newsletter for the school year. Thank you to the Moose Riders for your ongoing commitment to the children of the Youth Ranches.

Robbie, Nathan and Bo investigate the new color printer.

PBS Television Series "American Heartland" Visits the Boys Ranch

We were surprised to receive a phone call from California about a video we posted on Facebook of Rashad sharing his story with the Sheriffs of Florida. The producer of a national television series saw Rashad’s speech and wanted to send his people for a visit to see what the Youth Ranches was all about. The series called America’s Heartland is a half-hour weekly show that airs on both PBS and RFD-TV. They travel throughout the country celebrating the American agriculture industry.

Rob (far left) and Brad (far right) spent the day on campus filming the boys in action. They watched the boys practice their roping. They fed the animals and fixed some fence line. You can view some of their other videos or visit their website at www.americasheartland.org. Our story will air in October or November so keep your eye on the tv guide!
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Helping Our Children through a Memorial Gift.

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A gift may be made to the Youth Ranches in honor of a person and/or a special occasion, such as a birthday, anniversary, etc. If appropriate, and if a mailing address is provided, a card of acknowledgement will be sent to the person being honored. A listing of the donor and the person honored will appear in a future issue of The Rancher magazine and, when address is provided, the person honored will receive a copy of the issue in which his or her name appears. In the listing below, the Honoree is listed first in all caps.

Please Donate Your Vehicle to the Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises

The Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises accepts vehicles in fair to great condition. If your vehicle has proper emission controls, fair tires, no major body or rust damage, and an engine/transmission are in good working order, please consider sharing this resource with our charity. This donation goes to benefit the boys and girls of the Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches.

For more information or to set up an appointment for a Sheriffs Ranches Enterprises representative to pick up your vehicle, you may call 800-765-3797.

Please note: The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 contains new rules pertaining to the charitable deduction allowed for vehicles donated to a qualified charity after December 31, 2004. Basically, this law limits the donor's tax deduction to the fair market value of the vehicle. Under $500. We recognize that each individual's tax situation is different and the impact of any charitable deduction is based on a variety of circumstances. You are strongly encouraged to consult with your independent tax advisor.
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Please fill this form out and return promptly if you’re moving, even temporarily.

Use the envelope enclosed in the center of this magazine.

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☐ My address will change temporarily.
☐ Date from ____________ to ______________
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www.youthranches.org

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Hillsborough County Sheriff’s Office
Annual 5K Ranch Run.
September 17 – For more information contact Deputy Steve Ferreira or Deputy Mark Mitchelson at (813) 247-8115 for more information.

Bay/Washington County Sheriff’s Office
Annual Golf Tournament
September 24 – Sunny Hills Golf Club. Contact Sally Sparks at (850) 747-4700 or (850) 814-2468 for more information.

Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office
Annual Golf Tournament
September 26 – Belleair Country Club, Contact Captain Michael Castine at (727) 464-6694 or Josephine Mattson (727) 582-6204 for more information.

Clay County Sheriff’s Office Golf Tournament
October 3 – Orange Park Country Club. For more information contact Bill Doolittle at (904) 213-6062.

Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Open House and Horse Show
October 5-9 – call 386/842-5555 for more information.

Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch Golf Tournament
October 7 – Country Club at Lake City. For more information contact John Szaroleta at 386/842-5501.

Baker County Sheriff’s Office
Annual Golf Tournament
October 14 – Bent Creek Golf Club contact Lynn Taylor at (904) 259-2231 for more information.

Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office
Golf Tournament
October 15 – Ballen Isles Country Club. For more information contact Bill LaFlamme at (561) 315-4278.

Sarasota County Sheriff’s Office Corporate SWAT Challenge
October 15 – For more information, contact Wendy Rose at (941) 861-4927.

Florida Sheriffs Caruth Camp Turkey in the Ground
November 6 – Come out for a day of food and fellowship. Please RSVP at (352) 447-2259.

Leverock’s Seafood House Fish Fry
November 12 – Tickets are $5 for an old fashioned fish fry dinner. Pinellas and Pasco Sheriff’s Offices will have Law Enforcement displays on site. Come by for entertainment and fellowship in support of the Youth Ranches. To reserve tickets call the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office (727) 582-6204 or Reed Rue at the Youth Ranches (800) 765-3797

Florida Sheriffs Youth Camp Turkey in the Ground
November 13 – Celebrate Thanksgiving with your favorite charity! RSVP to 386/749-9999.

Caruth Camp Challenge Golf Tournament
November 17 – Plantation Inn and Spa in Crystal River. For more information contact Janet Mayo at 352-795-1605 Ext 326.

For Additional Information Contact: Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches Donor Relations Department at 386/842-5501 or the Sheriff’s Office sponsoring the event.
Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches
PO Box 2000
Boys Ranch FL 32064

Keep up with current happenings!

Become a “fan” of the Youth Ranches on “Facebook!”

Thank you!! Our kids had a silly, wonderful time at Summer Camp!

Faithful, generous donors like you sponsor hundreds of boys and girls each year. Your support helps us give these children a summer full of fun and a lifetime of memories. Volunteer Deputy Sheriffs make our camp programs even more special as they teach the children “Law Officers are Your Friends.”

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