

# 2013

## Lt. Dave Bush Promoted to Captain, Commander Ft. Myers Unit



On Thursday, September 5, 2013, Dave Bush was promoted to the rank of Captain and appointed as Commander of the Ft. Myers Auxiliary Unit. The promotion ceremony was presided over by Major Vazquez and emceed by Auxiliary Major John Prescott. There was a large crowd that attended to support Capt. Bush in his new endeavor. Auxiliary Capt. John Rumsey recently

retired after 33+ years of service.



# Professional Photographer takes Individual Pictures for the 75th Anniversary 'Year Book'

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday September 4, 5 and 6, Troop F formal pictures were taken in the Ft. Myers and Bradenton stations.



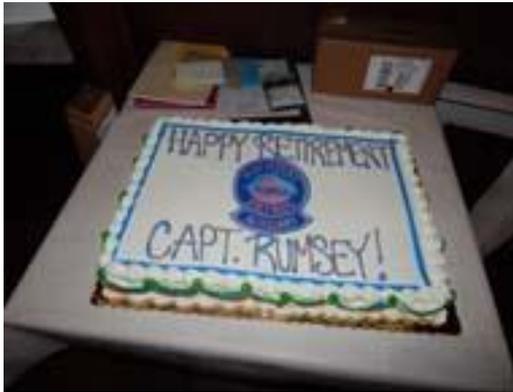
# Law Enforcement & Civilians Gather to Celebrate/Mourn Fallen Officer.

On Saturday, August 10th thousands of Law Enforcement Officers, Government Officials and citizens expressed their sorrow for the loss of Sgt. Michael Wilson of the Charlotte County Sheriff's Department. He was shot and killed in the line of duty. FHP and FHPA members volunteered to provide traffic management and support. Auxiliary members from Troops F, L, Q and C were working the many intersections. The support is appreciated by all. Thank you!!!



# FHPA Celebration of Major John Rumsey's Retirement.

On August 9th members of the Florida Highway Patrol & the Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary met in Fort Myers, Florida to celebrate over 33 years of service to the FHP/FHPA. Over 40 members, new and old, attended the party.



Major Ed Cleveland (Ret) & Major John Prescott



The tables are set



Major John Rumsey & Guest



Marge Bush & John McCann



Tpr. Phil Osborne & Lauren



Marge Bush, John McCann, Tpr. Jim Larson & Betty Larson



Major Prescott & Capt. Bush



Master Corporal Powell, Shirley & Ed Trimner, (Rumsey's daughter)



David Childress, Tpr. Richard Stevens & Karen, Nancy & Don Spahl



Capt. Dave Bush, Marge & John McCann



Major Prescott &  
Chief Price



Chief Spence  
Price & Marsha



Major Ed  
Cleveland (Ret)



Trooper A.J.  
Goodwin (Ret)



Judy & Major  
Prescott



Presentation of  
Awards



Capt. Bush  
presents plaque



Chief Spence  
Presents Letter  
from Colonel  
Brieton



Chief Price  
presents  
retirement  
Certificate



Major Rumsey  
cuts the cake as  
Vonnie looks on

# V-POTUS Visits the Sun Coast



On Friday and Saturday the FHP/FHPA stepped up to the plate, once again, providing security support to Vice President Joe Biden's visit to Troop F. Full time troopers and Auxiliary troopers were assigned posts to man during the arrival and departure of the VP. All worked as expected and no incidents were encountered.

Here is a list of members participating:

Lt. James Sellers FHP	Lt. Greg Bueno FHP	Sgt. DanTaylor FHP
Cpl. Juan Quintana FHP	Lt. Montie Dowling FHPA	Major John Prescott FHPA
Tpr. Eric Oleson FHP	Tpr. Jim Larson FHPA	Lt. Dave Bush FHPA
Tpr. George Smyrnios FHP	Tpr. Nelson Tineo FHP	Sgt. Mike Gideons FHP
Sgt. Tommy Keen FHP	Tpr. Dan Hinton FHP	Tpr. Mike Grider
Tpr. Booker Ferrell FHP	Tpr. Dave Pollard FHPA	Lt. Bill Harris FHP
Cpl. Jeff Rongish FHP	Cpl. John Benton FHP	Cpl. Andrew Close FHP
Tpr. Roldan Rodriguez FHP	Sgt. Dwayne Cooper FHP	Tpr. Phil Osborne FHPA

## Dr. Calkins becomes Troop F Troop Surgeon!



At a ceremony today at the Ft. Myers Station, Dr. Karen Calkins, MD was issued the Oath of Office to become the Troop Surgeon. Her appointment is a Level One Auxiliary Trooper until she can complete the Basic Recruit Class and become a sworn Auxiliary Trooper. Major Vazquez administered the oath of office. Here is more about Dr. Calkins:

Karen Calkins is an Emergency Medicine physician with over fifteen years' experience working in a busy emergency department both in New England and, for the last ten years, in Lee County. She has participated in the teaching of residents from Brown University while working as an attending in Rhode Island. Last year Karen decided to vary her work experience by changing to the work environment of a busy walk-in clinic which sees over one hundred patients a day. In this setting she has taken on the role of lead physician. She has also become lead physician for the newly developing call center for a large hospital system.

Karen earned a B.S in biology from Northeastern University in Boston. She then received her medical degree from New York Medical College. After medical school she did five years of residency at the University of Ct. She belongs to the American College of Emergency Physicians and the American College of Physician Executives where she is pursuing another degree.

Karen grew up in New England but she and her husband and eleven year old son have lived on Sanibel Island for the last twelve years. She and her family enjoy all the outdoor activities offered while living on an island.

