# 12-04 Date: 4/02/2012

# POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH - MARCH 2012 - K-9 KILO

Kilo was a 6½ year old Belgian Malinois from Holland and a five year veteran of the Surfside Police Department. He attended six months of patrol training and two months of narcotics detection training with Sgt. Pat McKenna in 2007 at Miami Police Department K-9 School. He was a dual purpose dog, certified in patrol and narcotics by the State of Florida. Kilo was a very obedient and intelligent dog. When he was not working he was extremely playful, especially with children. He participated in many demonstrations for the Town and for schools in the area. He was always ready to work or play. He was a very special part of McKenna, Lovellette, and Surfside Police Department families for five years. Kilo will be missed.

#### **HIGH ACHIEVERS – MARCH 2012**

Carrasquillo 41 traffic citations 90 traffic warnings 2 arrests

Matelis 52 traffic citations 66 traffic warnings 2 arrests 2 community events

Luke 34 traffic citations 12 traffic warnings 13 reports

Mesa 32 traffic citations 34 traffic warnings 2 arrests 7 reports

McGavern 40 traffic citations 35 traffic warnings 11 reports 2 community events

### SHIFT BID

The new squad assignments are effective April 1:

Squad A – Sgt. McKenna, Dispatcher Sperbeck, Officer Luke, Officer Mesa, Officer Campbell, Officer Arch

Squad B – Sgt. Valino, Dispatcher Burnell, Officer McGavern, Officer Colonna, Officer Hernandez, Officer Matelis

Squad C – Sgt. Torres, Dispatcher Villar, Officer Leonard, Officer Matthews, Officer Carrasquillo, Officer Lovellette

Squad D – Sgt. Pacheco, Dispatcher Gabriel, Officer Gentile, Officer Ruiz, Officer Smith, Officer Alvarez

### SERGEANT PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION

The sergeant promotional list expired several months ago. We are in the process of developing a new test with the Miami-Dade College School of Justice Assessment Center. The examination will be same as the previous sergeant test, a Behavioral Assessment Dimension Guided Evaluation. BADGE consists of four job-relevant scenarios of an immediate and dynamic nature that are simulated using role players and are delivered via a timed and cued video presentation. This exercise is administered individually where candidates are video-taped responding to each scenario in a free-response manner. Candidate video-taped responses will then be evaluated by an assessor team at a later time.

As per the FOP Contract, Article 13, the examination must be announced thirty days in advance of the testing. The tentative examination date is May 10<sup>th</sup>. A formal notice will be issued from the Human Resources Director this week. Candidate Orientation is set for April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at Miami-Dade College. I hope to receive the results of the examination by the end of May. I wish all candidates the best of luck!

### **CHARITY CAR WASH**

The North Shore Kiwanis Club car wash was very successful with about 50 cars washed and \$300 raised for scholarships for summer camps. Thank you to the residents who helped and to Assistant Chief Di Censo, Sgt. Williams, EA Goldstein, Finance Clerk Marisol Rodriguez, Officer Matelis, Officer McGavern, Reserve Officer Baldomero, and Reserve Officer Sawaya for volunteering their time and giving back to the community.

### MOBILE VETERINARY SERVICE

The Mobile Veterinary Service will be back at Town Hall on April 7, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm as part of the Town's trap and neuter feral cat program. The service is also available for pets for residents. Sqt. Valino will coordinate the event with the vet and the volunteers.

### EYE ON SURFSIDE CRIME PREVENTION MEETING

The monthly Eye on Surfside meeting is April 17 at 6:00 pm. Contact Dina for further information.

# **COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE**

A community blood drive will be held April 18, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm the training room. Contact Dina for more information,

### **BIKE WITH CHIEF**

The March Bike Ride with the Chief had 14 bikers. April's ride will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. All personnel are welcome to ride and get to know our residents.

# TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY

Take Your Child To Work Day is April 26. If you would like to participate or have your children attend, contact Dina Goldstein who will coordinate the event.

# PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP OFF DAY

The Prescription Drug Drop Off Day is April 29 in the Town Hall lobby. Contact Dina for more information.

# LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIAL CEREMONY

The annual Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony is scheduled for May 3, at 7:00 pm at Tropical Park. The SPD Honor Guard will participate. All are invited to attend and honor our fallen officers.

#### RELAY FOR LIFE

Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's overnight, community event; where teams form, raise money and walk throughout the night, camp out, while enjoying a DJ,



entertainment, food, fun and camaraderie. Cancer Survivors are the shining stars of Relay For Life; we celebrate their courage in the fight. The Relay For Life is coming to Surfside, Bal Harbour, and Bay Harbor on May 5<sup>th</sup> and 6th on the beach. Teams are forming from local companies, businesses, schools, churches, hospitals, clubs & organizations. During the 2011 fiscal year, the Miami-Dade Community raised an estimated \$1,672,000 towards the fight against cancer. If you are interested in joining the Surfside Team or donating to this cause, contact Yami Slate-McCloud in Human Resources.