

Bulletin

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POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH – SEPTEMBER 2012

Due to an increase in auto burglaries, Sgt. Jose Pacheco took a leadership role and set up a proactive detail to combat the problem. He assigned officers in plainclothes and on bicycles overnight in the residential area. On September 26, at 4:38 am, Sgt. Pacheco observed two suspicious persons on bicycles ride up to a driveway. With one subject acting as a lookout, the other broke into a car. Sgt. Pacheco notified his officers and approached the subjects who fled. Officer John Gentile who was also working the detail apprehended both subjects. Both subjects were in possession of burglary tools and stolen items from the vehicle and a second car that they had burglarized. Both subjects also have extensive criminal histories. Excellent work by Sgt. Pacheco and Officer Gentile!

HIGH ACHIEVERS – SEPTEMBER 2012

Luke	44 traffic citations	55 traffic warnings	2 arrests	12 reports	
Arch	40 traffic citations	10 traffic warnings	3 arrests	10 reports	
Lorente	56 traffic citations	53 traffic warnings	2 arrests	11 reports	2 FIs
Campbell	43 traffic citations	28 traffic warnings	3 arrests	7 reports	
Gentile	38 traffic citations	22 traffic warnings	5 arrests	3 reports	
Smith	37 traffic citations	26 traffic warnings	1 arrest	2 reports	2 FIs
Smith-Bustillo 999 parking citations					

LAW ENFORCEMENT REACCREDITATION

I am pleased to announce that the Surfside Police Department was awarded reaccreditation by the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation on September 27 in Sarasota. This was a three year project and I thank everyone for the great effort. Special thanks to Lt. Richard Williams for managing the project. You should be very proud!

COMMUNITY POLICING/ CRIME TRENDS

There has been an increase in auto burglaries in the residential area over the past few weeks. The auto burglaries occurred overnight and the vehicles are usually left unlocked. Although two subjects were arrested, it is imperative for officers to get to know the residents and let them know what is happening in the neighborhoods. Stop and take the time to talk. Remind residents to take valuables out of and lock their cars. Tell them about our crime prevention programs.

POLICE ACADEMY GRADUATION

Reserve Police officer Carol Sawaya will graduate from the Police Academy on November 2. Please congratulate her and welcome her to Surfside PD.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WALKATHON

The annual Domestic Violence Walkathon and Rally is October 6 in North Miami Beach. Sgt. Valino will assign an officer to participate.

CANCER AWARENESS BADGES

If you are interested in purchasing a pink Cancer Awareness Surfside Police badge contact Sgt. Matelis ASAP. Officers will be allowed to wear the badge in October and November. The badge company will donate proceeds to the Cancer Society.

FERAL CAT PROGRAM

The PD and Parks and Recreation Department are sponsoring a Zumba dance festival on October 13 at the Community Center to raise funds for the Feral Cat Program. Contact Dina Goldstein if you would like to participate.

CHARITY BIKE RIDE

The Live Strong Charity Bike Ride will travel through Surfside on October 14, 8:30 am to 10:30 am. Sgt. Valino will be responsible to coordinate the traffic detail.

CRIME PREVENTION AWARDS LUNCHEON

The annual Southeast Florida Crime Prevention Awards Luncheon will be on October 24 in Hollywood. Sgt. Jay Matelis and Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein will represent the Police Department. Jay and Dina were last year's winners.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CHIEF'S LUNCHEON

The annual Chamber of Commerce Chief's Luncheon will be October 24 in Bay Harbor Islands. The Chief's Office will attend.

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE

SPD will participate in the "Blocking the Box" Traffic Enforcement Initiative for Miami-Dade County. This initiative will commence on October 22 and will conclude on November 2, 2012. Sgt. Valino will coordinate the initiative. Patrol Sergeants will forward the statistics to Sgt. Valino.

HALLOWEEN BLOCK PARTY

The PD will host its 6th annual Halloween Block Party on October 31 at 6:00pm on 92 Street from Byron Avenue to Dickens Avenue. Contact Dina Goldstein if you would like to help out.

ISLAND BEACH BASH

The annual Islands Parade and Beach Bash will be November 2. The event raises funds for the local PAL. If interested in participating, contact Sgt. Matelis.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

A thank you to Sgt. Julio Torres, Detective Marian Valino, and PSA Smith-Bustillo for assisting at the CPA over the past few weeks.

BIKE RIDE WITH CHIEF

The monthly Bike Ride with the Chief will be October 17. All are welcome to participate.

OCTOBER TRAINING

Taser/ Baton, ADS Recertification – All sworn personnel
Sex Crimes Investigation – Sgt. McKenna