

Bulletin

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HURRICANE IRMA

Now is the time to secure your home and make sure your family will be safe. We are working with Miami-Dade County Office of Emergency Management and the North Miami Regional Emergency Operation Center as we prepare the Town for Hurricane Irma. Days off have been cancelled. A/B staffing may commence by the end of the week. Bring extra uniforms, food and drinks to work. The landfall team will be in place with police officers and Public Works staff. The site for the team will be determined by the intensity of the storm. Any equipment needs contact Sgt. Alberto. All emergency equipment will be tested today and a Town EOC will be in place by tomorrow. Review your administrative hurricane directive. Be prepared to work long hours. Let's hope for the best!

OFFICER OF THE MONTH - AUGUST 2017 – OFFICER LESMES RUIZ

On August 8, 2017 at 0212 hours officers received a call from the complainant neighbor who advised of a group of juveniles possibly attempting to burglarize a home in the 8900 block of Carlyle Ave. As Officer Ruiz responded to the location he observed a group of three juveniles riding bicycles southbound in the 8800 block of Emerson Ave and promptly separated and detained them as other officers arrived at the incident location. Officers made contact with the homeowner and were able to obtain information that there were two bicycles taken from the front of the home in the driveway area. Officer Ruiz and back up officers individually questioned the three subjects and were able to obtain information from the juvenile subject that they arrived on foot at the location and took two bicycles from a residence in the 8900 block of Carlyle Ave and then took a third bicycle from a separate location. The officers drove the juvenile subject to the area and he was able to point out the home in the 8800 block of Emerson Avenue where the third bicycle was taken. Contact was made with the homeowner who responded to the scene and positively identified one of the bicycles as his. The officer who was at the incident location of 8900 block of Carlyle Ave drove the victim to the location where the juveniles were and he positively identified the other two bicycles as his. All three subjects were arrested and charged with Grand Theft and Petit Theft of the bicycles. Officer Ruiz is to be commended for his alertness and quick thinking in detaining these subjects as he responded to the call. The detaining of the subjects and the investigations at the separate locations ultimately led to the arrests of these subjects and the properties being returned to their rightful owners without any further crimes occurring. Congratulations to Officer Lesmes Ruiz as recipient of Officer of the Month...well deserved!

CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH – AUGUST 2017 – EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE CHIEF DINA GOLDSTEIN

From June 13th to August 3th, 2017, Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein organized, directed and coordinated the Police Department's 9th Police Summer Teen Camp. Behind the scenes of this program there is an enormous amount of work. The logistics include managing and scheduling classes, instructors, transportation, refreshments, venues, equipment, certificates, thank you correspondence, room set up, supervision of the teenagers and the graduation ceremony. The workload to continue this program to be successful and educational each year is considerable and extremely challenging. Dina did all of this expertly and in addition to her regular duties as the Executive Assistant to the Chief. This year new instructors were added and new classes were implemented. The camp was visited by the K-9 Squad, Legal, Fish and Wildlife Commission, Crime Scene, Venom Response Unit, and Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department. The teens enjoyed trips to Fire Station 25, U.S. Coast Guard Air Bases in Opa-Locka and Miami Beach, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Ocean Rescue. This teen camp was incredible and the best of all time. All of the credit goes to Dina who did another sensational job. Congratulations to Dina as recipient of Civilian of the Month...well deserved!

HIGH ACHIEVERS – AUGUST 2017

Officer Carrasquillo

Officer Ruiz

Parking Enforcement Officer Acosta

Parking Enforcement Officer Castro

AUGUST SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS

Grand Theft Arrest

08/08/2017 at 0200 Hours: 8900 block of Carlyle Avenue

Officers were dispatched to a possible theft in progress involving three subjects. Upon arrival, three subjects matching the description were observed riding bicycles. Officers stopped the subjects and discovered that they had just stolen two of the bicycles from the front driveway of the residence. The third bicycle was taken from the front porch of a residence in the 8800 block of Emerson Avenue. All bicycles had been left unlocked by the victims. Two subjects were arrested and one was issued a juvenile civil citation.

Attempted Occupied Burglary/Resisting with Violence/Simple Battery Arrest

08/18/2017 at 1543 Hours: 9000 block of Collins Avenue

Officers were dispatched to a disturbance. Upon arrival, they made contact with two victims and a subject. All persons involved were hanging out until the subject accused one of the victims of owing him money, at which time the subject became violent by pushing and attempting to punch one of the victims. The subject was then pushed out of the apartment by the second victim, who he also pushed and grabbed by the throat. The subject attempted to regain entry to the apartment by kicking the front door and breaking the glass. The subject failed to comply with officers' commands and physically resisted arrest.

Auto Theft Arrest

08/23/2017 from 0534 hours to 0539 hours: 9400 block of Collins Avenue

The victim reported that he valeted his vehicle at the hotel. When the victim returned to retrieve his vehicle from valet, it was discovered that the vehicle and keys were missing. Detectives retrieved surveillance footage of the area and identified that a past hotel employee was in the garage area at the same time the vehicle was stolen. Detectives located the subject and was arrested.

HIGH HOLIDAY DETAIL

The High Holiday services begin on Wednesday evening, September 20, 2017 and end Saturday, October 14, 2017.

The Surfside Police Department has increased police presence with assigned details for high visibility during the High Holidays in the areas of The Shul 9540 Collins Avenue, Young Israel 9592 Harding Avenue, Hechal Shalom Sephardic Congregation 310 95th Street and Magen David Sephardic Congregation 9348 Harding Avenue. The enhanced patrols will be concentrated before and after services when congregants from the surrounding area and neighboring communities are walking to and from these locations. In addition, Bal Harbour and Bay Harbor Islands Police Departments will assign officers to further augment patrols in the area.

The following actions in accordance with the below schedule have been instituted:

- Assign specific officers to directed patrols with the overhead riding lights on in the residential and high pedestrian areas, focusing on congregants walking to and from local synagogues.
- Assign specific officers to bicycle & Segway patrols in and around the Business District, Collins Avenue and the 96 Street corridor where there is heavy pedestrian travel (rotate as necessary).
- As the shift supervisor, you visit the high risk locations (The Shul, Young Israel), check on their status and make them aware that we are proactively patrolling the areas.
- Have all available units maintain high visibility throughout their shifts, use riding lights in the residential areas for enhanced visibility.

Document all assignments and actions on the End of Shift Report.

DATES	TIMES
<u>Rosh Hashanah</u>	
Wednesday, September 20, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Thursday, September 21, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Friday, September 22, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
<u>Yom Kippur</u>	
Friday, September 29, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 30, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
<u>Sukkot</u>	
Wednesday, October 4, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 5, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Friday, October 6, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 7, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 11, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 12, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Friday, October 13, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 14, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
<u>Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah</u>	
Wednesday, October 11, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Thursday, October 12, 2017	9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
Friday, October 13, 2017	6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

There will be uniformed security guards working at the Shul and Young Israel. The Shul will have five to nine security guards working daily throughout the holidays. Young Israel will operate with three security guards during services from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and again from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER HANS SMITH GRADUATES FROM POLICE SERVICE AIDE ACADEMY

Surfside Police Department Parking Enforcement Officer Hans Smith is graduating from the City of Doral Police Department's Police Service Aide Academy on Friday September 8, 2017. Hans began the nine week academy on July 10, 2017 and he received training and certification in First Aid, Traffic Control, Parking Enforcement, Police Community Relations, and Traffic Accident Investigations. We congratulate Hans on his outstanding accomplishment.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE-OFFICE OF JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ON-SITE AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE MONITORING

On Monday August 28th 2017, the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice-Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention conducted an on-site audit and compliance monitoring of the Surfside Police Department. The on-site audit included a review of the Department's Juvenile Administrative Directives, Monthly Juvenile Detention Logs, and physical facilities. The Surfside Police Department was found to be in compliance with all audit criteria. A special thank you to the Criminal Investigations Unit and Sgt. Marian Cruz for their preparation and participation in the audit.

CASH OUT COMP TIME

The last pay day for the fiscal year is September 29th. If you wish to cash out your comp time please email EA Goldstein your request no later than 12:00 noon Friday 9/22/17.

2017 RED LIGHT CAMERA HEARING DATES

Please be advised that the remaining Red Light Camera Hearing dates for 2017 are as follows:

- 10-12-2017 (Thursday)
- 11-09-2017 (Thursday)
- 12-14-2017 (Thursday)

Please note these dates on your calendars. All Hearings will be conducted in the Surfside Commission Chambers.

The previously scheduled hearing date of September 14, 2017 has been cancelled.

SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The Surfside Police Department and Bal Harbour Police Department had a Critical Incident Training Meeting with the Shul of Bal Harbour and Young Isreal on September 5th at 10:30 a.m. in the Bal Harbour Police Department's squad room. The purpose of the meeting is to enhance the Surfside Police Department and Bal Harbour Police Department's response to a potential terrorism or emergency event at either location. Captain Yero attended.

The Dade County Police Benevolent Association will honor the heroes who gave their lives in the line of duty during the month of September which has been declared "Fallen Officer Tribute Month. The ninth annual "Fallen Officer Tribute" Opening Ceremony and Press Conference will be held on September 6th at 10:00 a.m. at the Stephen P. Clark Government Center. Sgt. Matelis will represent the Surfside Police Department.

The City of Miami Beach is dedicating the new fountain at South Pointe Park to Chief Mark Overton on September 6th at 7:30 p.m. Captain Yero will represent the Surfside Police Department.

Chief Allen will attend the South Florida Money Laundering Strike Force meeting at the HIDTA building on September 7th at 10:00 a.m.

The 16th Citizens Police Academy class will begin on September 14, 2017 and will conclude on November 16, 2017 with a graduation ceremony. The classes include K-9 Unit, Crime Scene Investigation, Homicide Investigation, Marine Patrol, SWAT, Police Involved Shootings, Officer Survival, Driving Range, Firearms Range, Fundamentals of Law and Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department.

The supervisory staff meeting is September 12th at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

The Aventura Police Department will host the Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting on September 26th at 10:00 a.m. Sgt. Marian Cruz will assign a detective to attend.

Chief Allen will attend the Cleared Chiefs Briefing at the FBI Headquarters on September 18th from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is September 27th at 2:00 p.m. Sgt. Marian Cruz will assign a detective to attend.

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is September 27th at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is September 28th at 10:00 a.m. Residents, business persons, and visitors can meet with the Chief and his staff over coffee to discuss community issues or provide feedback on the Police Department.

TRAINING COMPLETED IN AUGUST

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres

Bicycle Training – CSA Donoso and CSA Duran

Officer Safety, Wellness and Resiliency Training - Officers Durante, Matthews and Ruiz

TRAINING IN SEPTEMBER

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres