

# Bulletin

# 17-10 Date: October 3, 2017

## CIVILIANS OF THE MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2017 - COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR SUSIE SPERBECK AND COMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR TAMEKA BURNELL

From September 9-13, 2017, the Surfside Police Department implemented full Alpha/Bravo staffing for Hurricane Irma. Communications Supervisor Susie Sperbeck and Communications Operator Tameka Burnell were assigned to Alpha Shift and worked from Saturday morning at 0900 hours to Monday morning 1000 hours before relief was available. Both were back to work Tuesday and Wednesday from 0700-1900 hours. Although other personnel assigned to Alpha Shift worked the same number of days and hours, they did have down time, waiting for the storm to pass. Susie and Tameka staffed and operated the Communications Unit 24/7 before, during and after the storm.

This took a tremendous amount of effort, dedication and perseverance as they not only operated the radio system but also the numerous telephone calls from frightened or concerned residents and businesses and others seeking information on the storm. The professionalism and patience of these communications operators was phenomenal. They really shined during an extremely difficult and challenging time. I praise Susie and Tameka for an incredible effort and thank them for an outstanding job that was well done! Congratulations to Susie and Tameka as recipients of the Civilian of the Month award...well deserved!

#### **HURRICANE IRMA**

I would like to personally thank all police and civilian staff for the exceptional performance during Hurricane Irma. Before the storm I had emphasized that discipline, teamwork and safety would be critical. All of you did that and more through a very long challenging weekend. We worked together as a team and we had no injuries. I again thank each of you and sincerely say that I am proud to work with all of you!

#### SEPTEMBER SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS

Residential Burglary

09/08/2017 from 0900 hours to 09/11/2017 at 1800 hours: 900 block of 91<sup>st</sup> Street A door to a residence was observed door to be open on the west side of the home. Upon police arrival, pry marks were visible on the exterior of the door. The home had been ransacked with belongings strewn about and wall paper torn off of the wall. It also appeared that the subjects consumed alcohol from the owner's liquor cabinet. The home owners had evacuated their home due to Hurricane Irma on Friday, September 8, 2017. Due to the power outages caused by Hurricane Irma no surveillance footage is available.



#### Residential Burglary

09/08/2017 from 1500 hours to 09/11/2017 at 1800 hours: 900 block of 91<sup>st</sup> Street While conducting a canvass of the neighborhood officers observed an open window with shutters removed on the east side of this residence. The home owners advised that they did not leave any windows in their home open. The home had been ransacked with belongings strewn about. The home owners evacuated their home due to Hurricane Irma on Friday, September 8, 2017. Due to the power outages caused by Hurricane Irma no surveillance footage is available.

#### **Auto Burglary**

09/12/2017 between 0700 to 1100 hours: 9400 Harding Avenue - Publix parking lot Unknown subject(s) entered an unlocked vehicle and stole a Springfield Armory XD-9 pistol from the unlocked glove compartment. There were no witnesses or surveillance cameras that captured this incident.

#### **HIGH ACHIEVERS - SEPTEMBER 2017**

Officer Valino

Parking Enforcement Officer Acosta

#### SHIFT BID

The Patrol Shift Bid process has been completed and is effective October 9, 2017.

A Squad B Squad

Sergeant Matelis
Officer Arch
Officer Campbell
Officer Carraquillo
Officer Lovellette

Communications Supervisor Sperbeck Communications Operator Burnell

C Squad D Squad

Sergeant Mckenna

Officer Gentile

Officer Knight

Officer Matthews

Officer Ruiz

Sergeant Pacheco

Officer Durante

Officer Hernandez

Officer McGavern

Officer Smith

Communications Operator Villar



#### **HIGH HOLIDAY DETAIL**

The High Holiday services began 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 are 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 have assigned 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, <u>you</u> 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.

<u>DATES</u>	<u>TIMES</u>
<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.
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There are uniformed security guards working at the Shul and Young Israel. The Shul has five to nine security guards working daily throughout the holidays. Young Israel is operating 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.

### RETIREMENT LUNCHEON FOR OFFICER IAN LEONARD AND OFFICER ANTONIO MESA

The Police Department will recognize Officer Ian Leonard and Officer Antonio Mesa at a retirement luncheon in their honor for their many years of service to the Town of Surfside on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers. We wish them both the best of luck in their retirement!

#### SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The 16<sup>th</sup> Citizens Police Academy class began on September 21, 2017 and will conclude on December 7, 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.

Chief Allen will attend the Cleared Chiefs Briefing at the FBI Headquarters on October 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The Surfside Police Department will host a community blood drive on October 11<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. The blood mobile will be in the Town Hall lot.

The supervisory staff meeting is October 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is October 18<sup>th at</sup> 2:00 p.m. Sgt. Marian Cruz will assign a detective to attend.

The North Miami Police Department will host the Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Sgt. Marian Cruz will assign a detective to attend.

The Surfside Police Department will host a Mobile Department of Motor Vehicles event for residents to apply for and renew their driver's licenses on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is October 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is October 26<sup>th</sup> 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.



The Prescription Drug Drop Off Day is October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Lobby. Dina Goldstein will manage this event.

Surfside PD, Aventura PD, Bal Harbour PD, Bay Harbour Islands PD and Sunny Isles Beach PD will host a Shred a Thon and DEA Drug Take Back on October 28<sup>th</sup> at Bill Bird Marina (Haulover Park) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A CSA will be assigned to attend.

The Halloween Block Party is on October 31<sup>st</sup> on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and Byron Avenue from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Police Officers and civilian staff will distribute candy and glow necklaces.

#### TRAINING COMPLETED IN SEPTEMBER

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres ICS Training - All Personnel Hurricane Training - All Personnel

#### TRAINING IN OCTOBER

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres
Basic Crime Prevention Training - Officer Lorente