

# Bulletin

# 18-11

Date: November 6, 2018

**OFFICER OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER 2018 – DETECTIVE DIANA DULANEY**

On Tuesday, September 25th, 2018, an unknown subject(s) stole a credit card which was left under a towel on a lounge chair by a tourist visiting from Guatemala while he was in the ocean. Detective Dulaney contacted the victim who informed her that his credit card had already been fraudulently used by the subject(s). A total of eleven transactions were attempted, but only six were successful which totaled \$12,560.05 dollars. The Guatemala bank informed the victim that although it was fraud, all the transactions made on his account were solely his responsibility and therefore he would not be reimbursed. Knowing the victim would suffer such a big financial loss, Detective Dulaney wasted no time in taking the next investigative step.

Detective Dulaney identified and contacted the company which was used to make the fraudulent transactions and was informed a court subpoena was required to obtain information. Due to Detective Dulaney's diligence and persistence, an expedited subpoena was obtained from the State Attorney's Office. Time was of the essence in this case, since \$12,000.00 dollars had not yet been transferred to the subject(s) account. Before the day was over, Detective Dulaney had been able to intercept and freeze \$12,000.00 dollars. Salvaging most of the victim's stolen money.

Detective Dulaney's investigation led her to various stores in Miami-Dade County, where she obtained images of a subject making the fraudulent transactions and the vehicle he was driving via the stores surveillance cameras. A Need to Identify flyer was created and disseminated to neighboring police agencies. Moreover, she checked the License Plate Reader Systems in the area in an attempt to locate the vehicle. Her strong desire to identify the subject and or the vehicle led her to also visit the hotel where the theft occurred to share the subject's images in case anyone could recognize him or his vehicle. Although her attempts were unsuccessful, her determination to identify the subject(s) stood out and did not go unnoticed. The victim was so grateful for Detective Dulaney's hard work he made a donation to the P.O.A.T. (Police Officer Assistance Trust).

Detective Diana Dulaney conducted an excellent and thorough investigation which ultimately led to the recovery of \$12,000.00 dollars out of the \$12,560.05 dollars initially stolen. Congratulations to Detective Diana Dulaney as the recipient of Officer of the Month...well deserved!

**CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER 2018 – ADMINISTRATIVE AIDE DONNA NATALE-PLANAS**

During the month of October, Administrative Aide Donna Natale-Planas was assigned numerous tasks and duties that were required to meet the operational and administrative needs of the Surfside Police Department. Donna was tasked with updating all police employee training files and ensuring that all the training information was entered in to the police CSD training module for use in the upcoming Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation assessment. This information is now readily accessible to police department supervisors for use in the employee evaluation process and for accreditation proofs of compliance for mandatory police training requirements. Donna also helped prepare for and participated in the police department's annual Halloween Block Party at 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and Byron Avenue. She assisted in preparing over 1000 bags of candy and 2,000 glow sticks that were then distributed to children in Surfside by police department personnel. Donna also assisted with the Surfside Citizens Police Academy with any needed task. She also utilized her professional skill set as a photographer to capture the interactions of police department personnel with the Surfside citizens during these civic related events.

Donna is a true professional and has always been willing to assist police personnel. Donna is to be commended for her tireless dedication and commitment to the Town of Surfside and the Surfside Police Department. Congratulations to Donna as the recipient of Civilian of the Month...well deserved!

**HIGH ACHIEVERS – OCTOBER 2018**

Officer Colonna  
Officer Gentile  
Officer Hernandez  
Officer Valino  
Parking Enforcement Officer Castro

**OCTOBER SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS****Auto Theft**

10/01/2018 at 2330 hours – 10/02/2018 at 0126 hours

9000 block of Byron Avenue

An unknown person(s) stole a vehicle parked on the roadway in front of a house that was under construction. The vehicle was entered as stolen into a national database.

**Loitering and Prowling/Threaten Law Enforcement Officer Arrest**

10/19/2018 at 1118 hours

9200 Collins Avenue -Residence Inn by Marriot

A male took a bicycle lock from a hotel bicycle but returned it once confronted by hotel management who notified police. The male was not a hotel guest and ignored repeated requests to leave. He was arrested and while being transported to the detention facility, threatened to cause harm to the transporting officer and his family.

Battery on Police Officer/Disorderly Conduct/Trespass after Warning/Resisting Officer without Violence Arrest

10/20/2018 at 0045 hours

9516 Harding Avenue- Flanigan's

Officers made contact with a female who was given a trespass warning earlier in the evening and returned. When contacted, the female began yelling and cursing at the officers. While being handcuffed, she resisted officers and kicked an officer on the leg.

## **SHIFT BID**

The Patrol Shift Bid process has been completed and was effective October 22, 2018.

### A Squad

A/S Campbell

Officer Arch

Officer Carrasquillo

Officer Duran

Officer Valino

Communications Supervisor Sperbeck

### B Squad

Sergeant Torres

Officer Colonna

Officer Donoso

Officer Luke

Officer McGavern

Communications Operator Burnell

### C Squad

Sergeant Matelis

Officer Durante

Officer Hernandez

Officer Lovellette

Officer Matthews

Communications Operator Castillo

### D Squad

Sergeant Pacheco

Officer Gentile

Officer Knight

Officer Ruiz

Officer Smith

Communications Operator Villar

## **PERSONNEL UPDATE**

Officer Alejandro Lorente resumed his Business District Officer and Neighborhood Resource Officer responsibilities effective October 22, 2018. The BDO / NRO work schedule is Monday – Thursday from 1000 to 2000 hours. Officer Lorente's schedule will be modified to address department needs when required.

## **LIFE SCAN**

Life Scan testing will take place between December 3<sup>rd</sup> and December 6<sup>th</sup> for Surfside personnel. The patient packets and LabCorp locations have been provided to the participants. Bal Harbour Police Department personnel will be using our facility on Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> for their examinations.

## **SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS IN OCTOBER**

The 17<sup>th</sup> Citizens Police Academy topics included Marine Patrol, Crime Scene Investigation, Driving Range and Firearms Range.

The North Miami Beach Police Department hosted its 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Domestic Violence Walk on October 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 a.m. Officer Arch, Officer Carrasquillo and CSA Smith assisted with traffic control.

The supervisory staff meeting was October 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

The City of North Miami Beach participated in the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) detail on October 24<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. occurring throughout the City of North Miami Beach. This campaign partners national insurance companies, consumers and local law enforcement to combat insurance fraud and theft. Officer Lorente and CSA Smith participated in the event.

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride was October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

The Surfside Police Department hosted the Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops was October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

Chief Yero attended the Critical Infrastructure: Electrical Energy Sector Presentation and Tour on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the FPL Command Center in Miami.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six hosted an Agency Workshop on October 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Miami to introduce FDOT key staff and learn how FDOT works with municipalities to plan, build and maintain transportation projects. Captain Bambis attended the workshop.

Surfside PD, Aventura PD, Bay Harbor Islands PD and Sunny Isles Beach PD hosted a Shred a Thon and DEA National Drug Take Back on October 27<sup>th</sup> at Bill Bird Marina (Haulover Park) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. CSA Smith participated in the event.

The Prescription Drug Drop Off Day was October 27<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Lobby.

Halloween Safety Night was October 31<sup>st</sup> on 92<sup>nd</sup> Street and Byron Avenue from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

### **SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS IN NOVEMBER**

The Shul of Bal Harbour conducted a Prayer/Memorial Vigil to honor the victims of the tragic shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh. The memorial service took place at the Shul of Bal Harbour on November 1<sup>st</sup> from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Captain Bambis, Lieutenant Healy, Sergeants Matelis and Torres, Detective Gambirazio, Officers Durante and Lovellette assisted with security. Chief Yero had the honor of being asked to present a comforting community message.

The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting their annual Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Veterans Park. Officer Durante and Officer Luke will participate in the ceremony as members of the Honor Guard and the command staff will be in attendance.

The supervisory staff meeting is November 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

The Miami Beach Police Department will host the Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Citizens Police Academy topics will include Homicide Investigation, Firearms Simulator. A graduation ceremony will take place on November 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The Miami Beach Police Athletic League is hosting their 40<sup>th</sup> annual Thanksgiving Basket Giveaway on November 20<sup>th</sup> at the North Beach Bandshell at 6:00 p.m. Command staff and Officer Lorente will participate.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is November 21<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

The Surfside Police Department will host the Southeast Florida Crime Prevention Association monthly meeting on November 28<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the Commission Chambers. A guest speaker from the State Attorney's Office will discuss Human Trafficking. Officer Lorente will attend.

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is November 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is November 29<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.

#### **TRAINING COMPLETED IN OCTOBER**

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres

Less Lethal Impact Munitions ICP Training – Sgt. Torres

OC Aerosol Projectors ICP Training – Ofc. Colonna

OC Instructor Training - Sgt. Torres

Advanced Report Writing – Ofc. Duran

Camp Blanding/Training with Green Berets- Response to A Tactically Trained Subject – Sgt. Torres

Terminal Ballistics Workshop – Lt. Marciante and Sgt. Torres

FBI Let's Talk Safety Training – Ofc. Lorente

Annual Taser Controlled Electronic Weapon (CEW)- All Sworn Personnel

Multi-Agency Field Force Team Training - Sgt. Torres, Det. Gabriel, Det. Gambirazio, Donoso, Ofc. Lorente, Ofc. Luke

Animal Cruelty Investigation Training – Det. Dulaney and Det. Gambirazio

PTSD - All Sworn Personnel

Active Shooter Training – Sgt. Torres, Det. Gambirazio

Autism – All Sworn Personnel

**TRAINING IN NOVEMBER**

SWAT Training - Sergeant Torres

Bomb Threat Training for Law Enforcement Officers - All Sworn Personnel