

# Bulletin

# 3-12

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## **POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH – FEBRUARY 2012**

On February 11, at 12:57 am, Officer Eddie Carrasquillo was attempting to conduct a traffic stop on a speeding vehicle in the 9500 block of Collins Avenue when he observed a subject in another vehicle in the adjacent lane driving in an erratic manner. The driver of this vehicle attempted to strike Officer Carrasquillo's marked police vehicle by abruptly swerving into his lane. Officer Carrasquillo attempted to stop the vehicle by activating his police vehicle's lights and siren. The vehicle fled and attempted to elude the officer. The vehicle fled southbound running red lights, eventually losing control of his vehicle hitting a curb at 78 Street and Harding Avenue and crashing into a traffic sign and a tree. The driver fled from the scene of the crash. A BOLO was issued and a perimeter was established with the assistance of MBPD. A grid search was initiated by Officer Joseph Matthews who located and arrested the subject hiding in a backyard. The subject was charged with Aggravated Assault, Reckless Driving, Fleeing and Eluding, and Driving with a Suspended License. Officer Eddie Carrasquillo and Officer Joe Matthews are to be commended for their professionalism and excellent police work!

## **HIGH ACHIEVERS –FEBRUARY 2012**

Matelis	39 traffic cits	47 traffic warns	1 arrest	8 community events
Carrasquillo	33 traffic cits	75 traffic warns	1 arrest	3 reports
Arch	32 traffic cits	2 traffic warns		12 reports
Mesa	31 traffic cits	26 traffic warns	2 arrests	8 reports
Smith	24 traffic cits	12 traffic warns	2 arrests	7 reports

Thanks and keep up the good work!

## **INTERVIEWS WITH THE CHIEF**

Personnel interviews with the Chief have been completed. Overall employees are satisfied with our progress, professionalism, equipment, and customer service to the community. There were very few issues and they were minor. Some officers requested more tactical and firearms training. Many wanted information or an update on the status of the FOP wage re-opener. Officers were also concerned about the lack of promotional opportunity within the department. Dispatchers are interested in the 12 hour shift. A few officers hoped establish a Motor or Marine Patrol Unit in the future. Thanks again for your input.

## **SHIFT BID**

We will begin the shift bid process on Monday, March 12, 2012 and it will take effect Monday, April 2, 2012. Sgt. Williams will be contacting each officer in order of their seniority to bid for shift assignment. Supervisors will bid first. Available positions will be posted on a dry erase board in Sgt. Williams' office.

## **TRAFFIC/ QUALITY OF LIFE DETAILS**

Good work on keeping the traffic flowing as best we can each day with the residential and Harding Avenue construction. Enforcement and citizen awareness was prompt and superb on reports from the community of stop sign runners at 94 and 95 Street alleys, 88 Street illegal U-turns, Biscaya Drive speeders, and the feral cat problem on 87 Street. Supervisors are responsible to maintain the enforcement.

## **BIKE WITH CHIEF**

The next date for the Bike Ride with the Chief is March 27 at 5:30pm. All personnel are welcome to ride and get to know our residents.

## **CHARITY CAR WASH**

The North Shore Kiwanis Club car wash is Saturday, March 24, from 9am-1pm. All proceeds go to scholarships for local children to attend summer camps. We need volunteer car washers. Please confirm with Dina. Dina and Ofc. Matelis are also thanked for volunteering their time to help out with the Tech Trek event on the beach on their day off.

## **LAW ENFORCEMENT IDENTITY FRAUD**

Law Enforcement personnel are increasingly becoming victims of identity theft and are targeted for the filling of fraudulent tax returns. You can call 800-908-4490 to check if you have been the victim of a fraudulent tax return. Be prepared to spend about 30 - 40 minutes on the phone with the IRS employee to explain the procedures if you are victim.

## **FDLE NCIC/FCIC RECERTIFICATION**

The following personnel are due for recertification. Supervisors are responsible to have the tests completed for their personnel by March 23. If you have questions, contact Sgt. Williams or Officer Matthews.

Sgt. Alberto  
Ofc. Carrasquillo  
Ofc. Gentile  
E.A. Goldstein  
Det. Knight  
Ofc. Lovellette  
Ofc. Matthews  
Sgt. McKenna  
Ofc. Mesa  
Sgt. Pacheco  
Ofc. Ruiz  
C.S. Sperbeck  
Sgt. Valino  
Sgt. Williams

## **MARCH TRAINING**

Criminal Investigations –  
Detective Knight and Detective Valino  
Special Weapons and Tactics –  
Officer Alvarez

