

# Bulletin

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

Officer Craig Lovellette was dispatched to a medical emergency with no further information. Upon arrival, Officer Lovellette walked into the apartment to find an elderly male down on the floor. The victim was unresponsive and barely breathing. Officer Lovellette began administering CPR while waiting for Fire Rescue's arrival. Fire Rescue stabilized the victim and transported the patient to the hospital.

Officer Craig Lovellette is commended and congratulated for saving the life of one of our residents!

## **HIGH ACHIEVERS – NOVEMBER 2012**

Gentile	44 traffic citations	26 traffic warnings	4 arrests	4 reports	
McGavern	43 traffic citations	21 traffic warnings	3 reports	1 FI	
Smith	39 traffic citations	10 traffic warnings	2 arrests	3 reports	1 FI
Lorente	41 traffic citations	41 traffic warnings	2 arrests	8 reports	2 FIs
Alvarez	85 traffic citations	28 traffic warnings	1 arrest	7 reports	2 FIs
Luke	38 traffic citations	18 traffic warnings	3 arrests	9 reports	
Campbell	32 traffic citations	7 traffic warnings	4 arrests	6 reports	5 FIs

Excellent work!

## **LEO AWARD NOMINATIONS**

Congratulations on your selection as a nominee for the 2012 LEO Awards:

Lt. Richard Williams – Support Services Award  
Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein – Support Services Award  
Sgt. Jose Pacheco, Officer John Gentile, Officer Lesmes Ruiz, Officer Micah Smith –  
Uniform Services Award  
Detective Marian Valino – Investigative Services Award

The nominations have been sent to the LEO Awards Committee who will choose finalists. The finalist will be invited to the LEO Awards Gala on January 26 at the Miami Beach Convention Center. I thank each of you for the great work over the past year and wish you the best of luck during the selection process!

## **NEW PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Please welcome our new Parking Enforcement Officer Josue Castro aboard!

## **BURGLARY CRIME PROBLEM**

As you are aware, we experienced ten residential burglaries from September through November. Operational, investigative, and community awareness initiatives were put in place. The proactive operational actions resulted in nine arrests and 61 suspicious person stops by Surfside and assisting police officers from other agencies. The investigative measures included crime scene examination, background checks on workers in town, locating and interviewing burglars arrested in the past, sharing of criminal intelligence with other agencies, researching pawnshops and flea markets for stolen property, meetings with confidential sources, compiling and checking vacant homes and an independent review and recommendations of each burglary case file by a veteran Surfside Reserve Officer. Our public awareness efforts were community meetings, notifications to the media, flyers distributed and posted throughout town, Code Red Alerts, crime preventions tips on flyers and Channel 77, and watch orders and security assessments for residents' homes. A thank you to all and in particular to Lt. Rory Alberto and Sergeant Patrick McKenna for leading our response to combat this crime problem and keep the community safe!

## **FERAL CAT PROGRAM**

A Trap, Neuter, and Release event was scheduled for December 8, 2012 in the Town Hall lot. Thank you to Dina Goldstein for coordinating this event.

## **TEENAGE CLASSES**

Officer Dianna Hernandez conducted a presentation at the Bay Harbor Islands K-8 School on the topic of bullying on December 4, 2012.

Officer Hernandez also spoke on the topic of etiquette texting by teenagers before assemblies of the middle school and high school students at the Miami Arts and Charter School on December 11, 2012.

## **HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE PARTY**

The Holiday Toy Drive Party is December 19, 2012 at 3:00 pm in the Commission Chambers. Please contact Dina Goldstein to volunteer at the event or to donate toys.

## **CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY**

22 residents and businesspersons graduated on November 29, 2012 from the 11<sup>th</sup> Citizens Police Academy. The course as always was very successful and enjoyable. Special thanks to Dina Goldstein, Sgt. Jay Matelis, and Hector Perez for coordinating the academy for 11 weeks!

## **FOOD TRUCK EVENT**

Enjoy South Florida's favorite food trucks as they roll into downtown Surfside on December 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm to 9:00pm in the 94<sup>th</sup> Street municipal parking lot. A supervisor will be assigned to coordinate the traffic, parking, and security for the event.

## **DECEMBER TRAINING**

Parking Conference – Elinor Joseph