### **POLICE BEAT**

# On-Street Parking Rate Increased

At the December 8, 2015 Surfside Town Commission meeting, a parking meter rate increase of 50 cents per hour from \$1.50 to \$2 for on-street parking was approved and will commence on January 1, 2016.

The rate increase is necessary to offset increased maintenance and operational costs. Note that the parking rate in the six Town Municipal Parking lots will remain at \$1.50 per hour. The new on-sreet parking meter rate of \$2 per hour is comparable to the hourly rates of our surrounding local jurisdictions and other Miami-Dade municipalities.

The on-street parking spaces are located on Collins Avenue, Harding Avenue, 88 Street, 94 Street and 95 Street and are mostly in the business district.

As in past years, Surfside residents may participate in the Annual Resident Parking Permit Program and purchase up to three parking permits per household. An application for the Parking Permit is available at Town Hall during business hours between 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday and on the Town website at www.townofsurfsidefl. gov/Pages/SurfsideFL\_Parking/2015-2016-parking-permit-rules.pdf.

## POAT Supports Police Officers and Families

The Police Officer Assistance Trust (POAT) is an organization providing assistance to the Miami-Dade County law enforcement community and their families in times of hardship and personal crisis. During the holiday season, POAT collects donations for spouses and children of fallen officers at several malls in Miami-Dade County. Police officers and department personnel volunteer their time.



At the Aventura Mall on December 5 are (L-R) Officer Bryant Luke, Dina Goldstein, Jennifer Lorente, Officer Alex Lorente, FDLE Special Agent Raul Perez, Capt. Dwight Synder of the Sunny Isles Beach Police Department.

### Dina Goldstein Named Citizen of the Month for November

Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein has recently professionally and resourcefully managed the 14th Citizens Police Academy. During the 11-week course, she directed NRO Dianna Hernandez, CSA Daniel Sanchez and Reserve Officer Pamela Ogden to assist and all were invaluable in this popular Surfside community project. The program was tremendous success with more than 25 residents attending. This academy requires a lot of work, including managing and scheduling classes, instructors, transportation, refreshments, venues, equipment, certificates, cor-



respondence, and graduation ceremony. Much is done on Dina's own time and outside her workday. She volunteered each Tuesday evening for 11 weeks to ensure the continued success of the CPA. Dina is truly committed to the academy and making it better each year.

### **Police Chiefs Make Thanksgiving Special**



At left, Surfside Chief David Allen with Miami Beach Chief Daniel Oates at the Miami Beach Police Athletic League's annual Thanksgiving Basket give-



away Nautilus Middle School. Lower left: Miami-Dade Chiefs team up to feed homeless veterans during Thanksgiving.

#### **Police Aide Attends Holiday Event**



Surfside Community Service Aide Daniel Sanchez (L) is pictured with Santa and Key Biscayne Police Chief Charles Press during a Family Holiday Event at Key Biscayne Beach Park.