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# **Bulletin**

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## Officer of the Month – July

Ofc. Craig Lovellette responded to a call of a subject masturbating on the beach in the vicinity of families. A BOLO was issued for the subject with negative results. Ofc. Lovellette continued to search the area for another 40 minutes until he found the suspect hiding behind a wall of a building. The subject was identified by three different witnesses and arrested. Further investigation revealed that the same subject was involved in two similar incidents in the past in Surfside and has been arrested for the same crime in another jurisdiction. Ofc. Lovellette is recognized for his determination and persistence that resulted in the apprehension of this criminal.

# **High Achievers – July**

M. Valino	96 traffic citations	17 traffic warnings	4 arrests	12 reports
G. Fernandez	96 traffic citations	39 traffic warnings	3 arrests	4 reports
J. Valino	41 traffic citations	15 traffic warnings		1 report

### 2010 UCR Crime Statistics

The preliminary UCR crime statistics have been completed. There was an increase in Part One Crimes and a decrease in arrests for the first six months of 2010 as compared to 2009:

2009 2010	Violent Crimes 12 8	Property Crimes 72 84	Total Crimes 84 92	Total Arrests 283 178
		2009	2010	
Murder	•	0	0	
Rape		0	1	
Robbery		1	0	
Aggravated Assault		11	7	
Burglary		11	12	
Larceny		58	70	
Motor Vehicle Theft		3	2	

The increase in property crimes was for auto burglaries (unlocked cars) and shoplifting. There was a decrease in violent crimes (aggravated assault). The decrease in arrests was for DUI, traffic, and narcotic apprehensions. We did have an increase in our crime clearance rate from 14.3% to 30.4%.



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#### **Communications Committee**

Sgt. Alberto, CS Sperbeck, Dispatcher Burnell, Ofc. M. Valino, Ofc. Smith and Det. Matthews have developed new uniform radio and laptop procedures that should make the department more efficient and enhance teamwork between officers and dispatchers. The dispatchers are also receiving training from the MBPD Public Safety Communications Unit this week. Good work by the committee!

#### **Police Website**

Sgt. Williams is in the process of reviewing the police link to the Town website. He is making updates and improvements. If you have suggestions or recommendations contact Sgt. Williams.

#### Interviews with Chief

The individual personnel interviews with the Chief will be completed this week. The goal is for personnel to identify issues and recommend improvements for the organization. The results of the interviews will be distributed soon. Thanks again for your input and honesty.

# **Community Services/ Crime Prevention**

Police Summer Teen Camp – Thank yous are in order for Sgt. McKenna (K-9), Det. Torres (SWAT), Ofc. Lovellette (Patrol Procedures), Bal Harbour Police Officer Jamie Balikes (Police Motorcycle), North Miami Police Crime Scene Tech Sharon Plotkin (Crime Scene Investigations), Sgt. Arch and Det. (Criminal Investigations) Colonna for their participation in our second annual police summer teen camp. Good work by Ofc. Matelis and D. Goldstein for managing the six week program!

The Police Department is sponsoring the following upcoming events: Emergency Preparedness Seminar – August 12 – Assistant Chief Di Censo, Ofc. Matelis, D. Goldstein

Town Resident and Employee Blood Drive – August 26 – Ofc. Matelis SAFE Class – September 7 – Ofc. Matelis

# **August Election Day**

The Commission Chambers will be used as a polling place for the Primary Election on August 24. The election equipment and supplies will be delivered to the facility on Monday, August 16 and removed on Wednesday, August 25. Access is needed by election workers on Monday, August 23 at 4:00pm and Tuesday August 24 at 5:30am to begin Election Day preparations. Sgt. Williams will oversee and assign personnel when needed.

# **Parking Issues**

Parking complaints have been received in the Abbott lot and the residential areas due to the increase in the number of construction workers from the Bal Harbour hotel project. The vehicles should be chalked and cited daily. Sgt. Williams will oversee the enforcement efforts.

## **August Training**

Crime Statistics and UCR Reporting – Det. Matthews

Courtroom Testifying - TBA

Monthly Tactical Training – Use of Force and Felony Stops

Good job by Sgt. McKenna and Det. Torres for the training in July on TASER recertification and Suspicious Persons Stops.