

# Bulletin

OB # 11-06

Date: 6/15/2011

**HIGH ACHIEVERS – MAY 2011**

Colonna	86 traffic citations	101 traffic warnings	9 reports	
Gentile	74 traffic citations	45 traffic warnings	3 arrests	5 reports
Matelis	66 traffic citations	25 traffic warnings	2 reports	5 community events
Leonard	44 traffic citations	5 traffic warnings	1 arrest	2 reports
Macklin	36 traffic citations	4 reports		
McGavern	35 traffic citations	5 traffic warnings	8 reports	1 FIC

Thanks and keep up the good work!

**COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING**

The grand opening for the community center is Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. The event will conclude with a fireworks display at 8:00pm. The Police Department will assist with parking, security, beach patrol and pedestrian crossing. There will be a multi-agency police honor guard presenting the colors. Neighboring law enforcement agencies have been requested to send their marine patrols. The Miami Fire Department and Miami-Dade Fire Department will also participate in the event. Let's make sure this event is safe and enjoyed by all!

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS**

As you are aware, we are back in hurricane season. Be prepared at home and with your families. Review our emergency operations plan and administrative directions for your duties and responsibilities. There will be refresher training for roll calls.

**OFFICER GIRANNY FERNANDEZ**

Officer Fernandez began his new career with Miami Beach PD on June 13. We wish him the best of luck and thank him for his years of service with Surfside PD.

**PERSONNEL TRANSFER**

Officer Hernandez has completed her training program and will be assigned to Squad B. She will report to work at 0700 on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>.

**PERSONNEL POSITIONS**

We anticipate hiring one police officer and one dispatcher/PSA in the near future. If you know of qualified candidates have them complete an application ASAP.

**ANNUAL MADD AWARDS**

Officer Giranny was recognized as MADD's TOP COP in Surfside. Surfside PD received an award for our participation in events and details to combat drunk driving.

## **NEW POLICE CARS**

At the June 14<sup>th</sup> Town Commission meeting, approval was granted to lease ten new vehicles for the Police Department. Our thanks to the Mayor, Commissioners, and Town Manager for authorizing this much needed resource!

## **CRIME PREVENTION INITIATIVES**

The below are new crime prevention initiatives that will be implemented:

- Citizens Patrol – trained residents who will work directly with the Police Department to be the eyes and ears of the community and report suspicious activity
- Crime Watch – Eye on Surfside neighborhood watch signs installed in the residential area
- Bike with the Chief – residents join the Chief and other police officers on a recurring bicycle ride through the residential area to get to know their police department and identify crime problems and quality of life issues
- Crime Prevention Expo – a fair at the 96 Street Park to demonstrate to our residents the latest crime prevention techniques
- Crime prevention through environmental design – landscaping, lighting, and physical barriers at the entrances to residential areas enhance safety and deter criminal activity

The June Eye on Surfside meeting is June 21 at 6:00pm in the training room. The topic will be emergency preparedness.

The Police Teen Camp begins June 23 and meets every Thursday, 1:00pm to 3:00pm, as part of the Parks and Recreation Summer Camp Program. Contact Dina Goldstein or Officer Matelis to participate.

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

The Farmers Market will reopen this Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> and will take place every other Sunday. The market is held in the Shul lot from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Vendors will begin arriving at 5:00 AM to unload and set up. Vendors will be issued a parking pass allowing them to park in the new lot adjoining the Post Office lot after they unload. It is imperative that we secure the Shul lot Saturday evening to ensure no vehicles are parked overnight. It will be the responsibility of the Second Platoon supervisor to see that the lot is secured and then opened at 5:00 AM. The key for the lock on the chain is located in the box outside the Chief's office.

On Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> the Town will be sponsoring a Culinary Festival in the Business District. The festival runs from 1900 - 2200 hours and will require closing the 200 block of 95<sup>th</sup> Street. There is an overtime position available from 1400- 2300 hours. Any officer interested in working the festival should contact me ASAP.

## **SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL BADGES**

Surfside 911 badges are available for you to purchase. Please contact Officer Jay Matelis if interested.

**CRASH REPORTS**

The Department has been experiencing delays submitting accident reports due to several factors including:

- reports not being submitted at the end of the officers shift
- careless mistakes and overall poor quality of reports
- supervisors not checking the reports
- reports needing correction not being resubmitted in a timely manner

Our goal is to have the report available to the public 48 hours after the accident occurred. In order to meet this goal and expedite the process *supervisors are to notify Sgt. Valino via e-mail once an officer has completed an accident report.* Sgt. Valino will immediately review the report and either submit it or return it to the officer for correction. If the report is returned to the officer it is imperative that he/she make the necessary corrections ASAP. Please make sure that every officer is made aware of this procedure and follows it.

**POOL VEHICLES**

Any officer, who needs to sign out a pool vehicle due to, patrol, vehicle repairs, etc, will notify the on duty supervisor. The supervisor can look on the dry erase board located in the squad room to see which vehicle(s) are available. Only a supervisor after determining the vehicle status for upcoming shifts can assign a vehicle. The supervisor will log the entry on the vehicle sign out log located in the squad room as well as make the change on the dry erase board. If we follow this procedure we should always know where our vehicles are. Vehicles 211 and 82 (white unmarked), will be used first if available over a marked vehicle when a take home vehicle is sent for repairs. Officers are reminded that pool vehicles do not have Sun pass transponders

The following pool vehicles are available for use.

- 331
- 312
- 211
- 82

Assigned vehicles:

- 355 – Officer McGavern
- 341 – Officer Hernandez

**SPECIAL ELECTION**

The Miami-Dade County Special Run-off Election is June 28<sup>th</sup> in the Commission Chambers. Set up is June 27<sup>th</sup>. Sgt. Pacheco will be responsible for parking and access to the building for the election workers.

**TRAINING**

- Accreditation – Sgt. Williams
- New telephone system – supervisors and civilian staff
- Vehicle searches – sworn personnel
- Less than lethal weapons – sworn personnel
- TASER – Officers McGavern and Hernandez
- Emergency Management Operations – all personnel