# 12-11 Date: 11/2/2012

## POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER 2012

On Friday October 12, 2012 at 8:30 pm, Sgt. Jose Pacheco assigned a proactive, plainclothes detail in the residential neighborhoods to combat recent auto burglaries. Sgt. Pacheco observed a suspicious dark colored vehicle circling the area of 8800 block of Dickens and Carlyle Avenue. He notified Officer Les Ruiz to make the stop of the vehicle.

The vehicle was occupied by three subjects. A records check revealed all of subjects had criminal history for burglary. The subjects were interviewed and gave conflicting stories and were subsequently arrested for loitering and prowling. One subject was detained at the request of Bay Harbor Island Police Department for a residential burglary committed in their town earlier that evening. The subject was identified by the victim and arrested.

Sgt. Pacheco and Officer Ruiz are praised for their role in stopping certain crimes from occurring in our community and clearing a burglary in Bay Harbor Islands. Both officers are also thanked for taking the initiative to identify and prevent crimes in Surfside. Well done!

# **HIGH ACHIEVERS – OCTOBER 2012**

Luke	42 traffic citations	27 traffic warnings	5 arrests	8 reports	
Lorente	63 traffic citations	49 traffic warnings	2 arrests	11 reports	2 Fls
Campbell	30 traffic citations	21 traffic warnings	2 arrests	2 reports	
Gentile	58 traffic citations	21 traffic warnings	4 arrests	7 reports	
Smith	38 traffic citations	26 traffic warnings	3 arrests	9 reports	
Ruiz	35 traffic citations	20 traffic warnings	5 arrests	4 reports	1 FI
Hernandez	32 traffic citations	25 traffic warnings	1 arrest	13 reports	1 FI
Smith-Bustillo 1047 parking citations					
Acosta 677 parking citations					

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL PERSONNEL

Exceptional overall work by the police department over the past few months! We were reaccredited. Traffic and parking enforcement citations and warnings are up. Arrests have increased for felonies, sale of narcotics, and loitering and prowling charges in the residential neighborhoods. We are also conducting and planning more community/ crime prevention events such as a new Citizens Police Academy, Halloween Safety Night, Feral Cat Program Fundraiser, Island Beach Bash and Parade, Blood Drives, Prescription Drug Drop Off Days, Cancer Relay for Life, and the Thanksgiving and Holiday Toy Drives. Thanks for your commitment and dedication to the community!

## **NEW PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Please welcome our new Parking Enforcement Officer Angel Melendez aboard! He was a lifeguard with the Parks and Recreation Department. Angel will begin November 5.

#### **ELECTION DAY PARKING**

Police personnel are to park in the police lot only on November 5, Election Day. Sgt. Pacheco will barricade off the Town Hall lot, the Community Center lot, and the SE lot behind Town Hall on Monday evening. Sgt. Pacheco will allow the election workers access. They arrive about 5:00 am. Sgt. Torres is responsible to staff and open the lots at 7:00 am for voters. Town personnel can park in the south employee lot or the 94 Street lot on Tuesday.

#### ISLAND BEACH BASH AND PARADE

The annual Islands Parade and Beach Bash is November 2. The event raises funds for the local PAL and several thousand people attend as well as many law enforcement agencies. Officer Ruiz will be part of the multi-agency Honor Guard. PSA Smith-Bustillo and the Reserve Police Officers will provide traffic and security for the event. If interested in participating, contact Sgt. Matelis.

#### **VETERANS DAY EVENT**

Sgt. Torres will assist the Parks and Recreation Department with the November 11<sup>th</sup> Veteran Day's event with traffic control and a road closure. Officers Luke and Alvarez will participate as the Honor Guard.

#### **POLICE CHALLENGE**

F.I.U. North campus is hosting a Police Challenge on Wednesday 11/14/12 from 4:00-5:30pm at the Kovens Conference Center at 15100 Biscayne Blvd. at the Ropes course on the right side of the building.

The challenge is called "Big Dog Challenge" and the event organizer will pledge \$100.00 per team that participates and donate the money to the winner's charity of choice. The winning team will receive a trophy.

Rules: The team has to consist of three persons, two men and one woman. We can also have more than one team from our city. The obstacle course will be under 10 minutes and will be something a person with an average fitness level can compete in. The main purpose is to bring the community closer, raise money for charity and to have fun.

Please contact Sqt. Matelis if you are interested joining a team.

## **VEHICLE CALIBRATION**

Vehicle calibration will take place on November 13 600 am – 700am at the Town garage. Officers with take-home cars who are unable to make this date are responsible for having their vehicles calibrated at Lauderdale Speedometer, 300 West State Road 84. Second Platoon officers may leave their vehicles and arrangements will be made for the calibration. All vehicles are to be calibrated by November 19.

# ANNUAL PAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Surfside PD will assist with annual Miami Beach PAL Thanksgiving food drive event on November 20<sup>th</sup> at Nautilus Middle School in Miami Beach. If you would like to volunteer, contact Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein.





# **CLICK IT OR TICKET TRAFFIC CAMPAIGN**

Surfside PD will be participating in the 2012 Thanksgiving Holiday "CIOT" Click it or Ticket Traffic Wave. This Traffic Wave will be from November 12 to November 25. On this campaign we will have the "Agency Top Producer" and the following stats will be counted towards the final report:

- Citations
- Suspended Licenses
- DUI Arrests
- Uninsured Motorists
- Felony/ Drug & other arrests
- Speeding Citations
- Child Safety Seat Citations
- Seatbelt Citations
- Reckless Driving
- Recovered Stolen Vehicles
- Bench Warrant Arrest

# **BIKE RIDE WITH CHIEF**

The monthly Bike Ride with the Chief will be November 28 at 5:30 pm. All are welcome to participate.

# **NOVEMBER TRAINING**

Money Laundering Investigations – Detective Dulaney Sexual Deviance in the New Millennium – Det. Valino