

Bulletin

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Date: May 2, 2013

OFFICER OF THE MONTH – APRIL 2013

On April 8, 2013 at 2:47am, the Police Department received a call of two subjects breaking into a car in the 8900 block of Collins Avenue. Officer Alberto Knight responded and detained two subjects who were identified by the witness. One subject was in possession of stolen property from the car and the other in possession of marijuana. One was also reported as missing juvenile by his mother from the day before. The subjects were interviewed by Officer Knight and gave confessions to the burglary as well as committing another vehicle burglary in Surfside. Further investigation revealed that one subject was also wanted by Hialeah Police Department for an armed robbery with a firearm committed a few days earlier. Outstanding arrests!

CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH – APRIL 2013

Alain Acosta is a diligent worker and consistently excels each month in his role as a Parking Enforcement Officer as well as being a proactive presence in the business district and residential neighborhood. He is a professional, courteous, optimistic and great representative of the Town of Surfside.

Aside from his role in the Parking Department, Alain is always willing to lend a hand with community events such as Bring Your Child to Work Day, Northshore Kiwanis Charity car wash and Meow Mobile events. Alain is an enormous asset to the volunteers of the Town's Feral Cat Program who assist with the Meow Mobile. Along with the set up and retrieval of the cat traps, Alain provides a peace of mind and an extra sense of security to the volunteers who work late into the night. He has been praised for his hard work and reliability and is personally requested to help out with the spay/neuter day events.

Parking Enforcement Officer Alain Acosta is recommended for Civilian of the Month for April because of his positive outlook, professionalism and integrity.

HIGH ACHIEVERS – APRIL 2013

Gentile	34 traffic citations	22 traffic warnings	2 arrests	8 reports	3 FIs
Luke	35 traffic citations	26 traffic warnings	3 arrests	11 reports	
Campbell	32 traffic citations	15 traffic warnings	4 arrests	7 reports	
McGavern	35 traffic citations	15 traffic warnings	9 reports	2 FIs	
Matthews	20 traffic citations	11 traffic warnings	3 arrests	2 reports	
M. Valino	4 felony arrests				
Melendez	340 traffic citations				
Castro	322 parking citations				

Excellent work!

OCCUPIED BURGLARY ARREST

Excellent teamwork by patrol officers, detectives, and civilian personnel on the investigation, community notifications, and speedy arrest of the occupied burglary subject last week!

COMMUNITY/ CRIME PREVENTION EVENTS

A thank you to all SPD personnel who participated in the many community events over the past month including the Meow Mobile, Charity Car Wash, Bike with Chief, Eye of Surfside crime prevention meeting, Prescription Drug Drop Off Day, and Take Your Child To Work Day.

ETERNAL BLUE LINE FLAG

The Police Officer Assistance Trust (POAT) was founded in 1989 as a support organization for the law enforcement community of Miami-Dade County, Florida. Traditionally, POAT has provided support for the families of those officers killed in the line-of-duty. Most importantly, the organization has dedicated its resources to honoring our fallen officers during the yearly Police Memorial Ceremony.

The POAT recognizes the importance of honoring those who have sacrificed their lives for the sake of making our communities a safer place to reside. In an effort to further recognize the fallen officers of Miami-Dade County, POAT has initiated Project Honoring Every Resting Officer (HERO). The goal of Project HERO is to honor officers killed in the line-of-duty at their resting location. The officers will be honored during the month of May, annually. During this period, POAT will place United States and Eternal Blue Line flags at the foot of each grave or crypt. Grave markers, labeled *Police Officer* and in the shape of police badges, will hold the flags in place. In addition, POAT is requesting that local agencies fly the Eternal Blue Line flag at their stations to honor the fallen officers and raise community awareness. SPD will fly the flag in front of Town Hall for the month of May.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

We will be back in hurricane season soon. All personnel should familiarize themselves with Administrative Directive 03-01 Hurricane Emergency Operations Plan. Sergeants are to review the same at roll calls. The updated Emergency Operations Plan has been completed. Training is scheduled for May 3, 2013 for Police staff and Department Heads

CPR TRAINING

All Police Department personnel, sworn and civilian were re-certified in CPR training in April and May.

MONTHLY CIU MEETINGS

SPD will host monthly criminal intelligence meetings with local law enforcement agencies. Lt. Rory Alberto will oversee the meetings.

COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM

SPD has been requested to expand its Community Traffic Safety Team with FDOT, Bal Harbour and Bay Harbor Islands PDs and add Sunny Isles Beach PD, Aventura PD, Golden Beach PD, North Bay Village PD, and Miami-Dade PD Intracoastal District. The Safety Team conducts joint traffic operations and traffic safety awareness programs. The SPD Team is headed up by Lt. Alberto.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND STAFFING

The personnel staffing for Memorial Day Weekend has been distributed to all supervisors.

MOCK DUI CRASH

On May 31, 2013, SPD will participate with Miami Beach Senior High School and the Miami Beach Police and Fire Departments to conduct a mock DUI traffic crash demonstration for the students to deter them from drinking and driving on prom nights.

MARKED POLICE VEHICLES

All of the marked Chargers were equipped with rear deck lights for officer safety purposes. Officer John Gentile's Charger was painted black and restriped in stealth graphics.

VEHICLE CALIBRATION

Vehicle calibration will take place on May 7, 2013, 600am behind 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. Second Platoon officers may leave their vehicles and arrangements will be made to have them calibrated.

HONOR GUARD DETAILS

Police Memorial Ceremony – Officer Lorente
PBA Officer of the Year Ceremony – Officer Lorente
Memorial Day Event – Officers Lorente and Valino

BIKE WITH CHIEF

The Bike with Chief Day is May 29, at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to participate.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a Community Blood drive on May 29, 2012, 12-5pm, in the Town Hall parking lot. Dina Goldstein will be the liaison for the event.

APRIL TRAINING

Felony Vehicle Stops – All sworn officers
Speed Measurement – Officer Arch
Leadership Training – Lt. Williams
Public Corruption Seminar – Chief Allen