

Bulletin

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Date: July 2, 2014

**CIVILIAN OF THE MONTH – JUNE 2014
COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR SPERBECK**

On Saturday June 7, 2014 at 1329 hours, Communications Supervisor Susie Sperbeck dispatched Surfside Police Officers to 9225 Collins Avenue to a male who had jumped from a 10th floor balcony. Sergeant Patrick McKenna was first to arrive on scene and immediately rendered aid to the victim who had suffered multiple broken bones and was screaming in the pain. Officers Bryant Luke and Antonio Mesa also responded and located the apartment that the male had jumped from. Officers Luke and Mesa cleared the apartment for any other potential victims or subjects that may have been inside and then secured it as a possible crime scene.

Sergeant McKenna secured the scene in the north parking lot where the victim was laying on the ground while waiting for Miami-Dade Fire Rescue to respond. Communications Supervisor Sperbeck played a critical role in making proper notifications and relaying critical facts to the command staff as well as dispatching information to the officers on scene, Miami-Dade Communications, and Miami-Dade Fire Rescue and Air Rescue. During this same time period, Supervisor Sperbeck was dispatching routine calls and answering telephone calls from citizens.

This incident was very critical and a highly stressful event. Exceptional and efficient police work was conducted by all and in particular Communications Supervisor Sperbeck. For her outstanding actions Susie is recognized as the Civilian of the Month for June.

HIGH ACHIEVERS – JUNE 2014

Officer Luke
Officer Campbell
Officer Arch
Officer Carrasquillo
Officer Hernandez
Officer Matthews

The above officers are recognized for their high performance WITH arrests, field interview stops, and community events.

PSA SMITH-BUSTILLO

PSA Andrea Smith-Bustillo will resign from the Police Department effective July 11, 2014. Andrea will begin a new career as a police officer with the Miami Gardens Police Department on July 14, 2014. We wish her the best of luck!

PERSONNEL TRANSFERS

Effective June 30, 2014, Sgt. Matelis is assigned to the Criminal Investigations Unit and reports to Chief Allen.

Effective June 30, 2014, Sgt. Torres is assigned to the Training/ Administrative Unit and reports to Lt. Williams.

Effective June 30, 2014, Officer McGavern is assigned to Squad B and reports to Sgt. Alberto.

Effective June 30, 2014, Officer Gabriel is assigned to Squad C and reports to Sgt. Valino.

SPECIAL INFORMATION/ COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/ LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

As you are aware the Police Department and the Town experienced recent outages with our phone system carrier where we could not receive incoming calls for a period of time. The backup system we had in place also failed. With the assistance of the Town Attorney's Office and IT Department we have switched over to a new carrier and will have a new backup system in place shortly.

The new laptops will be distributed this month. Lt. Williams will oversee this project.

Lt. Williams, Sgt. Matelis, and Sgt. Torres will be responsible to conduct a mock hurricane exercise and set up the Emergency Operations Center this month.

Surfside, Bal Harbour, Bay Harbor Islands, and Golden Beach Police Departments will implement a new Police Explorer Program this summer. The Explorer Academy will begin on August 2, 2014. Officer Dianna Hernandez is the liaison. If you would like to participate or if you know of children interested that may be interested please contact Officer Hernandez.

Surfside PD will participate in a new north county multi-agency bike patrol deployment program. Other agencies involved are Aventura, Golden Beach, Miami Beach North Miami Beach, Sunny isles Beach, Bal Harbour, Miami Shores, Bay Harbour Islands, and Indian Creek Police Departments. Bike officers from the departments will ride together and address crime, traffic, and quality of life issues in the north end of the county.

The Surfside Police Department is hosting a regular Women's Self Defense Classes for residents and police officers from 6:00 to 8:00 pm in the training room. Sgt. Julio Torres is the instructor. The training shows you how to resist and how to escape a sexual assault. The techniques are easy-to-learn and easy-to-use. The training also shows you how to escape a standing assault and what to do if the attacker has you pinned on the ground. These techniques do not require strength, speed or coordination and are perfect for women of all ages and physical types. This class is free of charge. Dina Goldstein will coordinate the dates for the classes.

The Surfside Police Department is offering emergency preparedness seminars to condominium associations. Officer Dianna Hernandez is the contact person to schedule a workshop.

The Surfside Police Department is offering free residential and commercial security assessments for residents and business owners. Sgt. Matelis is the contact person to schedule the assessment.



Officers Ruiz and Gabriel are assigned to the Town's 4th of July event. The on duty supervisor is responsible for this event and to have an on duty officer assigned to the Polaris. An on duty officer will also be assigned to the Polaris throughout the weekend.

Community Outreach Specialists from the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles will be setting up a mobile DMV at Town Hall on July 2, 2014 from 9:30am to 3:00 pm in the Police Training Room. Dina Goldstein is the contact person.

Police Department will host a community blood drive on July 4 from 4:30-7:30 pm. The bloodmobile will be in the Town parking lot.

The annual Police Summer Teen Camp runs from June 12 – July 31, on Thursdays. If you are interested in participating, contact Dina Goldstein who will oversee the camp. Classes so far have included anti-bullying, crime scene investigation, a K-9 demonstration, and a visit to the Coast Guard Air Station and Miami-Dade Police and Fire Aviation Units.

The Bike with the Chief Ride is July 23 at 5:00 pm. All are welcome to participate.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is July 25 at 10:00 am. Residents, business persons, and visitors can meet with the Chief and his staff over coffee to discuss community issues or provide feedback on the Police Department.

The regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting is June 31, at 10:00 am at SPD.

TRAINING

Indoor Cannabis Investigations – Detective Dulaney

Interviews – Detective Valino

Southeast Florida Analytical Training Symposium – Sgt. Matelis

New Electronic Arrest Report Project – Sgt. Matelis, Sgt. Torres