

# Bulletin

# 16-04

Date: April 5, 2016

## **HIGH ACHIEVERS – MARCH 2016**

Officer Colonna  
Officer Gabriel  
Officer Gambirazio  
Officer Gentile  
Officer Leonard  
Officer Lorente  
Officer Luke  
Officer McGavern  
Officer Mesa  
Officer Ruiz  
Officer Smith  
Parking Enforcement Officer Acosta  
Parking Enforcement Officer Castro

## **2015 LEO AWARDS WINNERS**

Officer Craig Lovellette and Communications Operator Peter Filiberto won LEO awards at the annual Miami-Dade County Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Gala on March 19, 2016. They tracked, and located by cell phone a suicide victim and called for emergency assistance to save his life. Congratulations to both!

## **SHIFT BID**

The Patrol Shift Bid process has been completed and is effective April 11, 2016.

### Squad A

Sergeant Matelis  
Officer Arch  
Officer Campbell  
Officer Luke  
Officer Mesa  
Communications Supervisor Sperbeck

### Squad B

Sergeant Torres  
Officer Colonna  
Officer Gentile  
Officer Leonard  
Officer McGavern  
Communications Operator Burnell

### Squad C

Sergeant Valino  
Officer Gabriel  
Officer Lorente  
Officer Lovellette  
Officer Matthews  
Communications Operator Filiberto

### Squad D

Sergeant Pacheco  
Officer Gambirazio  
Officer Knight  
Officer Ruiz  
Officer M. Smith  
Communications Operator Villar

## **MARCH SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS**

Grand Theft Arrest (1):

9516 Harding Avenue (Flanigan's), 03/7/2016 at 1645 hours

Between 10/13/2015 and 01/01/2016, on three separate occasions female elderly victims reported their wallets stolen from inside their purses while shopping at Publix supermarket. Detectives were able to identify the subject and located him with the assistance of the Probation & Parole Department on March 7, 2016. SPD detectives interviewed him and obtained a full confession. The subject was arrested and charged with three counts of grand theft and one count of fraudulent use of credit card in connection with the three separate crimes.

Residential Burglary Arrest (1):

9100 block of Byron Avenue, 03/11/2016 at 2255 hours

On March 8<sup>th</sup>, the victim left her home at 1100 hours and returned at 1925 hours and she discovered a rear bedroom ransacked in the house. Officers responded and found a rear bedroom window pane broken. A hammer was found in the backyard which the victim stores in her shed. Two pairs of earrings were stolen from the room valued at \$500.00. The remainder of the home was not disturbed. The subject exited through the same rear window. An area canvass was conducted with negative results. MBPD Crime Scene responded and latent prints were lifted for processing.

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, the victim arrived home and heard the subject exiting her home. It is believed the same subject burglarized the home the previous day. The victim looked on the side of her home, saw the subject and confronted subject who stated "I didn't touch anything, I was in the house and just wanted a beer". The victim stated she saw walk towards his home (address listed above). Officers surrounded the house and were organizing when a neighbor drove by and stated a white male wearing a blue striped shirt and jeans had ran through her backyard, last seen east bound on foot approximately 15 minutes before. An area canvass was conducted with negative results. CIU and MBPD Crime Scene responded to process the scene. A BOLO was issued via municipal frequency. The victim stated that the house was ransacked and reported that approximately five pieces of jewelry, a jewelry box and us currency were taken.

On March 10, 2015 Detectives responded to the State Attorney's office and filed an Arrest Warrant for the subject in connection with the second incident. Later the same day Detectives received a latent finger print comparison report from Miami Beach identifying the subject's finger prints as those lifted from the interior master bedroom sill frame on the first scene. The following day after talks with his attorney the subject turned himself in to the police station. With the assistance of Miami Beach Crime Scene and through great investigative work Detectives were able to identify, locate and arrest the subject two days later. The subject was charged with two counts of burglary (1) occupied (1) unoccupied and two counts of grand theft.

**TRAFFIC/PARKING IMPROVEMENT RECOMMENDATION MEETING**

The Town of Surfside will host a Traffic/Parking Improvement Recommendation meeting for residents on Tuesday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at Surfside Town Hall, in the Commission Chambers.

The meeting will include a presentation on the current traffic mitigation systems, traffic calming devices and enhanced loading zones. Recommendations will also be discussed about modified traffic patterns between Collins Avenue and Harding Avenue and expanding the use of on-street parking. The goal of the meeting is to present considerations for these topics and allow for needed feedback from the public. The meeting will start promptly at 5:00pm and parking is available in the municipal parking lot just north of Town Hall on 93<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**SURFSIDE POLICE ENFORCES SEAT BELT LAW**

The Surfside Police Department participated in a statewide Click it or Ticket campaign March 1-14 as law enforcement agencies statewide dedicated resources to enforce seat belt laws and encourage people to wear their seat belts. A total of 242 citations in connection with the campaign were issued by Surfside officers in the two week period. An additional 98 citations were issued for violations ranging from speeding to driving with suspended license. Officers also made 24 arrests for DUI, Warrants and Narcotics on the traffic stops during this campaign.

**NOTIFICATION OF TRAFFIC ALERTS**

It is be the responsibility of the Communications Operator or the Police Officer assigned in the Communications Unit to notify the dispatchers of neighboring police departments by radio or telephone of incidents (major crashes, road closures, fires, gas leaks, crime scenes, etc.) causing heavy traffic congestion in Surfside. The Police Departments to be immediately alerted are Miami Beach, North Bay Village, Bal Harbour, Bay Harbor Islands, Indian Creek, Sunny Isle Beach and Golden Beach. Supervisors are to confirm that the notifications have been completed.

**TRAFFIC CALMING**

Speed calming tables have been installed in the 9300 and 9400 blocks of Byron Avenue and in the 9100 and 9200 blocks of Bay Drive.

**EARTH DAY EVENT**

Parks and Recreation will be hosting an Earth Day Event on April 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The Community Service Aide or Parking Enforcement Officer will cross volunteers (200-300 volunteers expected) at 93 and Collins to community Center. An on duty officer will be assigned to the Polaris on the beach during the event. Parking will not be enforced at the 94<sup>th</sup> Street lot, Town Hall lot or Community Center lot during event.

## **SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS**

The supervisory staff meeting is April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

The Miami Gardens Police Department is hosting a family fun day called Peace in the Gardens on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The event will take place in Rolling Oaks Park. Several Police agencies will be in attendance to show solidarity amongst all law enforcement. NRO Hernandez will attend.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is April 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Sgt. Alberto will assign a detective to attend.

SPD will host a Mobile Department of Motor Vehicles event for residents to apply for and renew their driver's licenses on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The Tourist Board's Third Thursdays event is April 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Two police officers and a parking enforcement officer will work the event.

The Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting is April 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Miami Beach Police Department. The Criminal Investigations Unit will attend.

The monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is April 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. 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 Prescription Drug Drop Off Day is April 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Lobby. Dina Goldstein will manage this event.

### **TRAINING COMPLETED IN MARCH**

SWAT Training- Sgt. Torres

Sniper Training- Sgt. Torres

Marijuana Impaired Driving Detection Training- Ofc. Luke and Ofc. Lorente

Crisis Intervention Team Training- Sgt. Torres, Det. Cruz, Ofc. Lovellette

Search and Arrest Warrant Preparation Training- Det. Carrasquillo

Police Applicant Background Investigation- Det. Cruz

How to Properly Document Employment Actions- All Supervisors

### **TRAINING IN APRIL**

SWAT Training- Sgt. Torres

Sniper Training- Sgt. Torres

Crisis Intervention Team Training- Sgt. McKenna, Det. Carrasquillo, Ofc. Matthews