

Bulletin

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CIVILIANS OF THE MONTH – MARCH 2017- PARKING OPERATIONS MANAGER ELINOR JOSEPH, PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ALAIN ACOSTA, JOSUE CASTRO, WILLIAM PEREZ AND HANS SMITH

Mr. Elinor Joseph is the Parking Operations Manager for the Surfside Police Department and in this position he oversees and supervises four Parking Enforcement Officers, manages 6 municipal parking lots, manages 37 multi-space pay stations, and several electronic single space meters. The lack of parking is a critical problem in Surfside and Mr. Joseph and Parking Enforcement Officers: Alain Acosta, Josue Castro, Willie Perez, and Hans Smith perform their work in an outstanding manner to ensure parking statutes and ordinances are adhered to by the public.

The Parking Enforcement Officers in Surfside have a difficult task in completing their work objectives of issuing citations to parking violators and controlling the flow of traffic, while they are often being confronted by the violators who can be confrontational. The Parking Enforcement Officers have shown great restraint and a professional demeanor during these situations and not one incident has led to an investigation or discipline against any of the Parking Enforcement Officers in the past several years. The Parking Enforcement Officers have averaged approximately 1,000 parking citations per month during 2017.

Parking Operations Manager Joseph in addition to his duties overseeing the Parking Enforcement Officers he has been involved in or completed the following tasks and projects:

- The full pay-by-phone system implementation
- The business parking permit program
- Overseeing the valet vendor program
- The Town overnight parking program
- Procurement and installation of 29 upgraded Pay Stations to replace the older model Pay Stations
- Procurement and installation of 8 new Pay Stations to eliminate the need for individual single space meters

In addition to his Parking Operations Manager duties, Mr. Joseph is also the Property and Evidence Unit administrator who oversees the intake, processing, storage, and disposition of all evidence and property for court or safekeeping. Mr. Joseph has handled this crucial function of the Police Department in a meticulous and accurate manner. Regular audits of the Property and Evidence Unit were conducted and everything has been accounted for and the high standards of the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation (CFA) have been attained. Finally, Mr. Joseph is also a trained communications operator who fills in at yet another vital role when needed or short staffed.

Parking Operations Manager Joseph and Parking Enforcement Officers: Alain Acosta, Josue Castro, Willie Perez, and Hans Smith possess the strong work ethic and high customer service levels that warrant the admiration of the Town of Surfside, the Police Department, the community residents, the business owners, and visitors. They are professional, and respectful to all and have been able to resolve all work related challenges and projects. They have provided an outstanding and exemplary work product and I am proud to formally document their efforts in this Letter of Commendation.

2016 LEO AWARDS WINNER

Parking Operations Manager Elinor Joseph won a prestigious LEO award in the Support Services category at the annual Miami-Dade County Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Gala on March 18, 2017. Joseph was recognized for overseeing the parking program and supervision of the parking enforcement officers as well as serving as the administrator for the Property and Evidence Unit. Congratulations!

HIGH ACHIEVERS – MARCH 2017

Detective Gambirazio
Officer Carrasquillo
Officer Colonna
Officer Durante
Officer Hernandez
Officer Lorente
Officer Mesa
Officer Valino
Parking Enforcement Officer Acosta
Parking Enforcement Officer Castro
Parking Enforcement Officer Smith

MARCH SIGNIFICANT INVESTIGATIONS/INCIDENTS

Case Update

03/12/2017: 9301 Collins Avenue

A bicycle thief responsible for taking two bicycles from the Community Center between 6/28/16-7/28/16 was identified after a thorough investigation and arrested.

Petit Theft Arrest

03/17/2017: 9225 Harding Avenue.

The subject was observed stealing a bicycle. The subject was apprehended and arrested.

SHIFT BID

The Patrol Shift Bid process has been completed and is effective April 10, 2017.

Squad A

Sergeant Alberto
Officer Arch
Officer Campbell
Officer Mesa
Officer Valino
Business District Officer Lorente
Communications Supervisor Sperbeck

Squad B

Sergeant Matelis
Officer Colonna
Officer Leonard
Officer Luke
Officer McGavern
Communications Operator Burnell

Squad C

Sergeant Torres
Officer Carrasquillo
Officer Hernandez
Officer Lovellette
Officer Matthews
Communications Operator Filiberto

Squad D

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

NORTHEAST COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Six, Aventura Police Department and North Miami Beach Police Department will host and conduct a multi-agency traffic safety enforcement and educational detail on Tuesday, April 18th, 2017 from 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This event will be made possible through the mutual-aid agreement and the Northeast (NE) Community Traffic Safety Team program. Law enforcement will be focusing on aggressive driving (as part of FDOT's Drive Safe campaign), red-light running, speeding, seatbelt use, impaired/distracted driving, move-over law compliance and general traffic safety. Educational materials will be provided by FDOT to all participating law enforcement personnel to distribute during the operation. Detective Diana Dulaney will represent SPD and participate on the detail.

SPECIAL INFORMATION/COMMUNITY INITIATIVES/LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENTS

The supervisory staff meeting is April 13th at 5:00 p.m. in the training room.

Chief Allen will attend the Cleared Chiefs Briefing at the FBI Headquarters on April 17th from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The Police/ Prosecutor meeting is April 19th at 2:00 p.m. Sgt. Marian Cruz 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 20th from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers.

The Third Thursday event is April 20th from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The set up will begin at 3:00 p.m. and the breakdown will end by 11:00 p.m. Two officers on overtime will be assigned.

The monthly Starbucks – Coffee with the Cops is April 25th 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 monthly Bike with the Chief Ride is April 26th at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

The Bay Harbor Islands Police Department will host the Regional Criminal Investigations Unit intelligence meeting on April 27th at 10:00 a.m. The Criminal Investigations Unit will attend.

Surfside PD, Sunny Isles Beach PD, Bay Harbour Islands PD, Bal Harbour PD and Aventura PD will host a Shred a Thon and DEA Drug Take Back on April 29, 2017 at Bill Bird Marina (Haulover Park) from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. CSA Duran will attend this event.

The Prescription Drug Drop Off Day is April 29th 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

Crisis Intervention Training – Sgt. Alberto

Glock Armorers Course- Lt. Bambis and Sgt. McKenna

Cultural Competency/Diversity, Customer Service, Violence in the Workplace including Bullying and Prevention of Sexual Harassment in the Workplace Training - Chief Allen, Parking Manager Joseph and Ofc. Colonna

Honor Code/Ethics Training- All Personnel

Miami Large-Scale Aviation Accident Response Workshop- Lt. Bambis and Sgt. McKenna

TRAINING IN APRIL

SWAT Training - Sgt. Torres