POLICE BEAT

Dina Goldstein Named August Civilian of the Month

Executive Assistant Dina Goldstein organized a crime prevention seminar for female residents on August 11, 2014. The workshop was *Survival Mindset, A Personal Safety Seminar* with a nationally known instructor who is a friend of Dina's. The class taught women to recognize and avoid potentially dangerous situations; learn practical safety measures designed to keep them safe; and learn what sex offenders do not want you to know. About 40 people attended. The seminar and the instructor were extraordinary. I have received much praise and thanks for hosting the class.

However, the praise and thanks should be directed to Dina, who did all of the work – scheduling, advertisement, registration, venue, equipment, materials, and refreshments. She continues to offer excellent programs to the community. Her dedication and commitment to Surfside is apparent to all. She certainly makes me and the Surfside Police Department always look impressive.

-Chief David Allen

It's the Law: Clean Up After Pooch

Taking your dog out for a walk? Please be kind to your neighbors and Town property by collecting and properly disposing of any waste your pet leaves behind. Pet waste can transmit disease.

Did you know that ...

CODE COMPLIANCE CORNER

The Clean Energy Coastal Corridor is now active under the Property Assessed Clean Energy or PACE Program.

Funding for qualifying improvements including energy efficiency projects that will reduce consumption, renewable energy such as solar, geothermal and wind energy and

wind resistant improvements are all considered under the PACE Program.

Interest rates are determined by market conditions and are then fixed for up to 25 years and repayment is through a non-ad valorem assessment on the property tax bill. Application fees are \$25 for residential and \$50 for commercial properties. For more information please visit www.FloridaPACE.gov

For a Good Cause, Give Your Old Cell Phone a New Life

The Surfside Police Department is collecting unused cell phones and donating them to a local domestic violence shelter. The new initiative is being



coordinated by Officer Dianna Hernandez and the drop-off location is the Communications Unit of the Police Department. Commissioner Marta Olchyk has helped the program by collecting many phones that have been distributed to domestic violence victims. Thank you!

If you are interested in making a donation, please follow these guidelines:

- You must delete all your personal information from the device, including stored phone numbers, call history and text messages.
- Make sure that the service is disconnected to avoid any fees.
- The phone must be in good working order.
- A working charger or charging connection must accompany the cell phone donation.
- If the phone isn't working properly or you don't have the charger, please recycle the phone.

For further information please contact Officer Dianna Hernandez at (305) 861-4862.



If you observe an adult sea turtle or hatchling sea turtle on the beach, do not disturb, bother or touch them. DO NOT report normal crawling or nesting. If a turtle is in a dangerous situation, under duress or has wandered off the beach, contact Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission at 1-888-404-FWCC or *FWC (Mobile Phone).