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PALM BEACH Crime WATCHER

GET TO KNOW YOUR OFFICERS!



Officer Ryan Burgoon

Age: 35

How long have you been an officer with the Town:
2 years and 3 months

Current position: Police Officer

Where do you see yourself in 10 years: Mentoring young Police Officers in The Town of Palm Beach

Favorite food: Fried oysters from the "Reef Grill"

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Favorite movie: Fool's Gold

Favorite sports team:
Miami Dolphins

Favorite vacation spot:
New Jersey

What's playing on your ipod right now: Lionel Richie, James Brown and Adele

What are you reading right now:
"Victims of Circumstance"
by John Scanlan

Three things you can't live without:
My wife Kimberly, son Brant and daughter Laila

Crime Prevention Alert Thefts From Unlocked Vehicles

The Palm Beach Police Department has apprehended numerous individuals in connection with auto burglaries in Palm Beach. These individuals have targeted residential areas and stole items that were left unprotected. In most of these cases, vehicles have been left unlocked with the keys left inside.

The Palm Beach Police staff worked diligently to apprehend these individuals and alerted residents by running a week long ad in the Palm Beach Daily News, released a Town News Release and E-blasts to residents that have signed up on our Town's website for Police alerts. If you have not yet signed up to be alerted, go to www.townofpalmbeach.com and sign up at the "Stay Informed" tab. Make sure you click the box for Police Alerts and Police News and Events. Don't forget our new Police app, "MyPD", which can be downloaded to your smart phone from your phone's app store.

Palm Beach Police are asking residents to please be especially vigilant. Always trust your instincts and take note of the following crime prevention tips:

- **LOCK YOUR CAR DOORS:** Secure your vehicle at all times, especially when it is parked in your own driveway or condominium parking lot. Never leave handbags, phones, brief cases, wallets, cash or any other valuables in plain view.
- **LOCK YOUR RESIDENCE & USE YOUR ALARM:** Don't leave doors or windows unlocked at your residence. If you have an alarm, use it at all times. Make sure to call your alarm company to schedule a test of the system each season and replace the back-up battery as needed. You can also sign up for "Residential Direct Connect". This service would instantly alert the Palm Beach Police Department of an alarm activation. For more information, contact Christine Cunningham at 561-227-6460.

If you become suspicious about any individuals, vehicles or activities call the Palm Beach Police at 561-838-5454 or 9-1-1.

"IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING"

GET TO KNOW YOUR VIPS!



Charles James Frankel III ("Charlie")

How long have you volunteered with the Police Department: 5 years

Current position: Crime Scene Evidence Unit

Favorite food: Anything that's not good for me

Favorite holiday: Easter, it is an amazing uplifting day

Favorite movie: Perhaps Animal House, because I am convinced it was modeled after my college fraternity

Favorite sports team:
University of Virginia

Favorite vacation spot:
Charlottesville, Virginia,
my birthplace

What's playing on your ipod right now:

That is one luxury I don't have

What are you reading right now:
"Under Fire" by Grant Blackwood

Three things you can't live without:
My wife and family (daughter, son-in-law, and two beautiful grandchildren)
My Christian faith, My many friends

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Crime Watch Members' Breakfast at the Colony



Director of Public Safety Kirk W. Blouin
and Speaker Edward Davis

The Palm Beach Crime Watch Members' Breakfast was held on Friday, February 26th at the Colony Hotel. Our Speaker, Edward Davis, served as the Police Commissioner of the City of Boston from December 2006 until October 2013. Mr. Davis has been in law enforcement for 35 years. He comes from a police family, which has allowed him to better understand the needs of police officers and the communities they serve. Davis, who is now retired from law enforcement, is the President and CEO of Edward Davis, LLC, a business strategy and security services.

Mr. Davis addressed the members and guests recounting the details of the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing. There were 280 injured and three killed at the scene of the two explosions. It took five days to apprehend the two brothers who committed the terrorist bombings on April 15, 2013. The older brother, Tamerlan Tsarnaev, died following an exchange of gunfire with police and his younger brother ran him over with a car in his escape from police. A crucial tip came from a resident who had gone outside his home and noticed a tarp on his boat was flapping. When he went to investigate, he saw what looked like a curled-up person wearing bloody clothes. He ran into the house and called police. Dzhokhar Tsarnaev was later captured, tried and sentenced to death.

Director Blouin thanked the members of Crime Watch for their commitment to their community and reminded them of the importance of reporting suspicious activity to the police department.



2015 National Night Out Against Crime

The National Night Out Against Crime was held on Tues., August 5, 2015 at St. Edwards Parish Hall from 5:00pm to – 7:00pm and was sponsored by Palm Beach Crime Watch, Inc. Residents, business owners, community members and families were able to interact with Police Officers, Fire-Rescue personnel and civilian teams. Police and Fire-Rescue vehicles were on display for the public to view and children enjoyed climbing on and having their picture taken. The Special Operations Unit displayed their confiscated weapons and Fire-Rescue demonstrated CPR and Animal CPR. Chief Assistant State Attorney Brian L. Fernandes hosted a table at the event and answered questions regarding identity theft and tax fraud scams in Palm Beach County. Pictures in the photo booth and face painting was enjoyed by the children. Those who attended enjoyed a complimentary serving of PDQ chicken and fries and Amici's fresh pizza slices served by owner Maurizio Ciminella himself. Also, Italian ice cups were served as a nice cooling treat! A big thank you to the teen and VIPS volunteers who helped make this annual event a huge success!



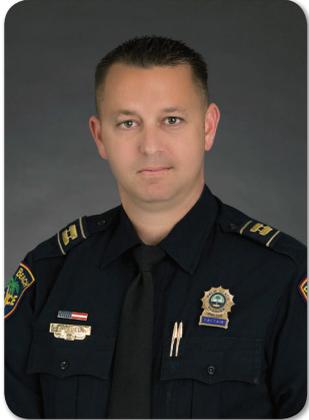
2015 Teen Police Academy

The 2015 Teen Police Academy was held June 8 -12, 2015 at the Palm Beach Police Department. Twenty-one teens participated in the week long program which is modeled after the Citizen Police Academy and is designed to give young people an overview of the training undertaken by police officers. The program included a variety of classroom and hands-on instruction on crime scene investigation, firearms training at the Department's gun range, marine and patrol ride alongs, Taser instruction, physical agility testing at The FOP Lodge, simulated ammunitions (SIMMS) and simulated firearms training (FATS) at Guns & Range in West Palm Beach. On the last day, the teens visited the Palm Beach County Correctional Facility in West Palm Beach for an eye opening, behind the scene look, at the correctional facility. After the tour, a graduation ceremony was held in the Town Council Chambers and was attended by the recruits, parents and instructors. The Teen Academy recruits received a Certificate of Completion and USB drive with pictures and videos of their week.

It was a great experience for all involved and we look forward to our next class. If you have a child or know of one that would be interested in participating, please call the Training Office at 561-838-5467.



Captain Curtis Krauel 2015 Employee of the Year



Congratulations to Captain Curtis Krauel, the recipient of the Town of Palm Beach Employee of the Year for 2015. The event was sponsored by the Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce at the Breakers Hotel. His dedication, hard work and technical wisdom,

has brought the Town into a new technological age along with new programs such as MyPD App. He was also instrumental in getting the new digital camera installed and in place. Captain Krauel, 41, joined the police department in 1997 and first served in the Bicycle Patrol Unit. He was promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 2005 and Captain in 2011. He has worked in Organized Crime, Vice and Narcotics, Code Enforcement/Parking Control, Business and Community Relations and criminal investigations. Throughout his career Captain Krauel has received 60 department/citizen commendations. He's also been Officer of the Month, Officer of the Quarter and 2013 Kiwanis Officer of the Year. In 2003, he received the distinguished service award from the West Palm Beach Police Department for contributions in dismantling a heroin trafficking organization operating since the late 1980s.

Once again, congratulations to Captain Krauel for being recognized Town of Palm Beach Employee of the Year 2015!



**REPORT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY
CONFIDENTIALLY**

227-6464 or www.palmbeachpolice.com



Town of Palm Beach
Police Department

LIGHTS OUT

SHARE THE BEACH

The federal Endangered Species Act lists all five species of sea turtles in Florida as either threatened or endangered.

Sea Turtles are protected by Florida Statute 370.12, the Marine Turtle Protection Act.

Anyone found harassing a sea turtle or interfering with the nesting process faces criminal and civil penalties.

Call the Palm Beach Police Department to report:

- Stranded Hatchlings
- Harassment of sea turtles
- Disturbance of nest
- Dead or injured sea turtles or hatchlings
- Entangled sea turtles



Sea Turtles Dig the Dark

All Oceanfront property owners must ensure that their lights are not visible from the beach at anytime from **March 1st until October 31st**. Please shield or redirect any such lights, or simply turn them off *during this time of year*.

Town Ordinance requires all Oceanfront property owners to comply with this "Lights Out" policy to protect endangered sea turtles which nest on local beaches and the hatchlings that come from those nests. Artificial lighting confuses the sea turtle hatchlings causing them to veer off course from their intended destination directly to the Atlantic Ocean. It is believed that the resulting disorientation of sea turtle hatchlings from artificial lighting sources is a major cause in the decline of sea turtle populations worldwide. If you have been sent this reminder, the Town considers your property to be subject to the "Lights Out" ordinance.

The rule of thumb is

**"WHEN IN DOUBT,
TURN IT OUT."**



Dedicated to Excellence in Law Enforcement



Save the Date

IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION COMMUNITY SHREDDING EVENT

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

South Parking Lot - Phipps Ocean Park

(South of the tennis courts)

2145 South Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach, FL 33480

PUBLIC SAFETY DAY EVENT

November (TBD), 2016

For more information on any of these events, call
Police Community Relations Unit at 561-838-5467

Hurricane Preparedness Voluntary ID Cards & Out-Of-State Resident ID Cards

The Palm Beach Police Department is recommending that residents and businesses send their employees and household staff to obtain Town of Palm Beach Voluntary ID cards, in order to avoid long lines before a storm threatens. When a storm threatens Palm Beach and an evacuation order is issued, the Police Department will establish checkpoints at all entry points to the Town. After the storm, the Town's Damage Assessment Team will evaluate conditions on the Island in order to determine when it is safe for people to return.

Homeowners, property managers and employers please take note that Voluntary ID authorization forms will need to be notarized prior to arriving at the Palm Beach Police Department. Non-notarized forms will not be accepted. Residents that do not have another form of identification showing their Palm Beach address can obtain an out-of-state resident identification card. The Voluntary ID and out-of-state authorization form can be obtained from our website under the "How Do I?" section or the Police Department's main page under the "Quick Link" green button at www.palmbeachpolice.com.

If a storm is projected as a direct hit to southeast Florida, the Crime Scene Unit will cease issuing ID cards two days before landfall. Plan early and obtain your Voluntary ID card from the Palm Beach Police Department's Crime Scene and Evidence Unit located in the lobby at 345 S. County Road, Palm Beach.

Days and Hours of Operation
Monday – Friday (except holidays)
10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
For more information,
please call 561-838-5466.



CODE Corner

Town of Palm Beach Code of Ordinances

For more information, contact the Code Enforcement Office at (561) 227-7080

SEC. 42-199

HOURS FOR CONSTRUCTION

Out of Season 7 months – May 1st thru November 30th



Mondays thru Saturday

- Start work at 8 am • Stop work at 6 pm

Sundays and Town Holidays

- No construction permitted

C-WA Zoning District (Worth Ave.)

- Work permitted May 1st thru October 31st

SEC. 102-45

CURBSIDE PLACEMENT AND COLLECTION OF TRASH

Out of Season 6 months – May 1st thru October 31st

Yard trash may be placed on the public right-of-way adjacent to the property from which it came no more than three (3) days prior to the scheduled day of collection.

SEC. 122-78

IRRIGATION SYSTEM USAGE

Irrigation is prohibited from 9:00AM to 9:00PM every day and no irrigation is allowed on Friday at any time

EVEN Numbered Addresses, North of Southern Blvd.

- Lawn watering is permitted on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS, and THURSDAYS from 12:01 AM to 9 AM, OR, from 9 PM to 12 AM. NOT DURING BOTH TIME PERIODS

ODD Numbered Addresses, North of Southern Blvd.

- Lawn watering is permitted on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and SATURDAYS from 12:01 AM to 9 AM, OR, from 9 PM to 12 AM. NOT DURING BOTH TIME PERIODS

WEST Side of South Ocean Blvd., South of Southern Blvd.

- Lawn watering is permitted on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS, and THURSDAYS from 12:01 AM to 9 AM, OR, from 9 PM to 12 AM. NOT DURING BOTH TIME PERIODS

EAST Side of South Ocean Blvd., South of Southern Blvd.

- Lawn watering is permitted on MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and SATURDAYS from 12:01 AM to 9 AM, OR, from 9 PM to 12 AM. NOT DURING BOTH TIME PERIODS



You can avoid receiving a Notice of Violation for watering newly planted sod or landscaping by providing documentation of the new planting, including the date of installation, to the Code Enforcement Unit. A copy of the invoice or other documentation may be sent or dropped off at the Police Department at 345 South County Road, Palm Beach, or may be faxed to the Code Enforcement Unit at 561/835-4736. If you have not provided the documentation and receive a Notice of Violation, please call the Code Enforcement Unit at 561/227-7080 for instructions. With proper documentation, the Notice of Violation will be rescinded.

NEWLY PLANTED LANDSCAPING & SOD

All Property Sizes

In place from the first day to 45 days:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday, Saturday AND/OR Sunday
(any days except Friday): 12:01 AM to 9 AM AND/OR 9 PM to 12 AM



Know the Scam...



TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

An identity thief may use your Social Security number to get a tax refund or a job. Contact the IRS if they send you a notice saying their records show:

- you were paid by an employer you don't know
- more than one tax return was filed using your SSN

UNCOVERING TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

The IRS uses your Social Security Number (SSN) to make sure your filing is accurate and complete, and that you get any refund you are due. Identity theft can affect how your tax return is processed. An unexpected notice or letter from the IRS could alert you that someone else is using your SSN, however, the IRS doesn't start contact with a taxpayer by sending an email, text or social media message that asks for personal or financial information. If you get an email that claims to be from the IRS, do not reply or click on any links. Instead, forward it to phishing@irs.gov.

If someone uses your SSN to file for a tax refund before you do, the IRS might think you already filed and got your refund. When you file your return later, IRS records will show the first filing and refund, and you'll get a notice or letter from the IRS saying more than one return was filed for you.

If someone uses your SSN to get a job, the employer may report that person's income to the IRS using your SSN. When you file your tax return, you won't include those earnings. IRS records will show you failed to report all your income. The agency will send you a notice or letter saying you got wages but didn't report them. The IRS doesn't know those wages were reported by an employer you don't know.

DEALING WITH TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

If you think someone used your SSN for a tax refund or a job — or the IRS sends you a notice or letter indicating a problem — contact the IRS immediately. Specialists will work with you to get your tax return filed, get you any refund you are due, and protect your IRS account from identity thieves in the future.

- Contact the Internal Revenue Service:
IRS Identity Protection Specialized Unit 1-800-908-4490
- Report the fraud.
- Send a copy of your police report or an IRS ID Theft Affidavit Form 14039 and proof of your identity, such as a copy of your Social Security card, driver's license or passport.
- Update your files.
- Record the dates you made calls or sent letters.
- Keep copies of letters in your files.

OTHER STEPS TO REPAIR IDENTITY THEFT

After you contact the IRS, it's important to limit the potential damage from identity theft:

- Put a fraud alert on your credit reports.
- Order your credit reports.
- Create an Identity Theft Report by filing an identity theft complaint with the FTC and filing a police report

SCAMMERS POSE AS IRS AGENTS

The Palm Beach Police Department warns residents about a sophisticated phone scam targeting taxpayers throughout the country.

Scammers posing as IRS officials call or email saying that you owe taxes and better pay up. They threaten to arrest or deport, revoke a license, or even shut down a business. How do they do it? By rigging caller ID information to appear as if the IRS is calling, and sometimes even making a follow-up call claiming to be the police or the DMV.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) generally first contacts people by mail — never by phone — about unpaid taxes and the IRS will never ask for payment using a prepaid debit card, a money order or wire a transfer. The IRS also will not ask for a credit card number over the phone.

UNCOVERING TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

The callers who commit this fraud often:

- Utilize an automated robocall machine.
- Use common names and fake IRS badge numbers.
- May know the last four digits of the victim's SSN.
- Make caller ID information appear as if the IRS is calling.
- Aggressively demand immediate payment to avoid being criminally charged or arrested.
- Claim that hanging up the telephone will cause the immediate issuance of an arrest warrant for unpaid taxes.
- Send bogus IRS e-mails to support their scam.
- Call a second or third time claiming to be the police or Department of Motor Vehicles, and the caller ID again supports their claim.

IF YOU GET A CALL OR EMAIL LIKE THIS, REPORT IT. HERE'S HOW

- If you owe — or think you owe — federal taxes, call the IRS at 800-829-1040 or go to irs.gov. IRS workers can help you with your payment questions.
- If you know you do not owe taxes, fill out the "IRS Impersonation scam" form on Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration website, www.tigta.gov, or call them at 1-800-366-4484.
- File a formal complaint with the Federal Trade Commission at ftc.gov/complaint. From the complaint homepage, select "Other" and then "Imposter Scams." In the notes, please include "IRS Telephone Scam."
- If it's an email, forward it to the IRS at phishing@irs.gov. Don't open any attachments or click on any links in those emails.

Visit our website www.palmbeachpolice.com and sign up for alerts about upcoming events, crime prevention tips and more.

Lt. Nicholas Caristo - Support Services Division



On January 2, 2015, Sergeant Nicholas Caristo was promoted to the position of Lieutenant and on August 1, 2015 was assigned to the Support Services Division. Lt. Caristo oversees Code & Parking Enforcement, Business & Community Relations, Records Information Systems, and Communications.

Lt. Caristo retired from the New York Police Department with 20 years of service before joining Palm Beach in April 2005. He has worked in the Organized Crime Vice and Narcotics unit and was promoted to sergeant in October 2013. He's received 23 department/citizen commendations, was named Officer of the Month six times and won Kiwanis Officer of the Quarter twice. He also is a recipient of the Sons of the American Revolution Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. He holds a bachelor of science degree in Criminal Justice from State University of New York Empire State College.

Director Blouin stated that Lt. Caristo's enthusiasm for the job stands out and is somebody I can count on. "With 30 years of experience, he's one of the most well-versed police officers we have," Blouin said.

In Memoriam



Alan H. Miller member of the Palm Beach Crime Watch Executive Board of Directors, passed away May 29, 2015. Mr. Miller was a great friend to the Palm Beach Police Department. He was a graduate of the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Class, participated in the VIPS Program and Emergency Response Team for the Palm Beach Police. We send our most sincere condolences to his wife, Harriet, and to his extended family. We have lost one of our most dedicated supporters and he will be missed by all who knew him.



Palm Beach Police Department Announcing Our My Police Department App - MyPD

Get alerts, send crime tips, and more!

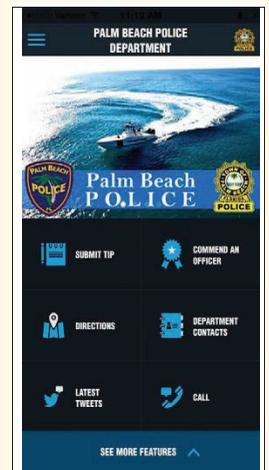
We are happy to announce that the police department is providing a new app for the public and Town employees. The app is named My Police Department or MyPD for short.

We hope this app will provide you, your families, and the public an easy way to keep in touch with our law enforcement and public safety.

The MyPD app provides a way to get alerts, send in messages, and easily find other contacts and resources.

Download MyPD

1. Open Android or iPhone Store
2. Search For and Download "MyPD"
3. Open and Choose the "Palm Beach Police Department"
4. Choose if you want to get alerts
5. You're all set, MyPD will open each time to Palm Beach Police Department



Smart Citizens

Smart Phones

Smart Policing

**Easily connect
with The Police
Department**

**Get it now by
searching for
MyPD in your
App store**

For more information
contact Palm Beach
Police Community
Relations Unit at 561-
838-5467





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www.palmbeachpolice.com for more information

GOING SOMEWHERE?

Don't forget about the Closed Home Program. Notify police and protect your property while you're away. Visit www.palmbeachpolice.com to complete the Closed Home Information Form.



STAY INFORMED

Visit our homepage and sign up for our community alerts. You will be notified of upcoming events such as the next shredding event, mature driver course as well as crime prevention alerts.



KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

In any emergency (police-fire-medical) 9-1-1
Police NON-Emergency 838-5454
Code Enforcement 227-7080
Parking Enforcement 838-5465
Voluntary ID Cards 838-5466
Crime Watch Office 838-5467
Anonymous TIPS 227-6464

Community Shredding Event

was held on November 10, 2015 at Phipps Ocean Park



Residents and small business owners came out and shredded their documents to help reduce their risk of Identity Theft. All the documents and information was safely and securely destroyed on scene.

Thank you to Shred Assured for providing their shredding van and volunteer services for this event.

ATTENTION Palm Beach Residents AND BUSINESSES

Officers are available for security needs, as well as for traffic and parking assistance. If you would like additional information or to set-up a special detail assignment – please contact Palm Beach Police Business and Community Relations Unit at 561-838-5467.