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PALM BEACH **Crime** **WATCHER**

SPONSORED BY PALM BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND PALM BEACH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

GET TO KNOW YOUR **OFFICERS!**



Luke Pintacuda

Age: 36

**How Long have you been a
police officer:** 10 years

Current position: Training &
Community Relations Sergeant

**Where do you see yourself in
10 years:** Somewhere colder

Favorite food: Spaghetti & Meatballs

Favorite holiday: Christmas

Favorite movie: Vision Quest

Favorite sports team: Notre Dame

Favorite vacation spot: Lake Tahoe

**What's playing on your ipod
right now:** AC/DC

What are you reading right now:
Love & Respect

Three things you can't live without:
Gym time, good food,
My wife Steph

Crime Watch Members' Breakfast

**THE CRIME WATCH MEMBERS' BREAKFAST WAS HELD ON
DECEMBER 17, 2010 AT THE COLONY HOTEL.**

Chief Kirk W. Blouin welcomed guests and announced that crime rates are at their lowest in Palm Beach, due in large part to the members of Palm Beach Crime Watch.

This year's breakfast emphasized the partnership between law enforcement and TLO, a Boca Raton based software company that provides law enforcement with cutting edge tools that allow police to identify, investigate and arrest criminals around the world. Guest Speaker, Randall Huff,

Security Director for TLO highlighted the benefits their software provides in solving crimes. He also added that the anonymous tips law enforcement receive from the public play a significant role in solving crimes

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



SEE PAGE 2 FOR MORE PHOTOS FROM THE CRIME WATCH MEMBER BREAKFAST!

Upcoming Events - Save the Dates

- Shred-it Community Shredding Event - Spring 2011
- Teen Police Academy - Summer 2011

Join Palm Beach Crime Watch You CAN Make a Difference!

2011 Membership Renewals are now due. Please watch your mailbox for your renewals. Remember you can renew online www.palmbeachpolice.com

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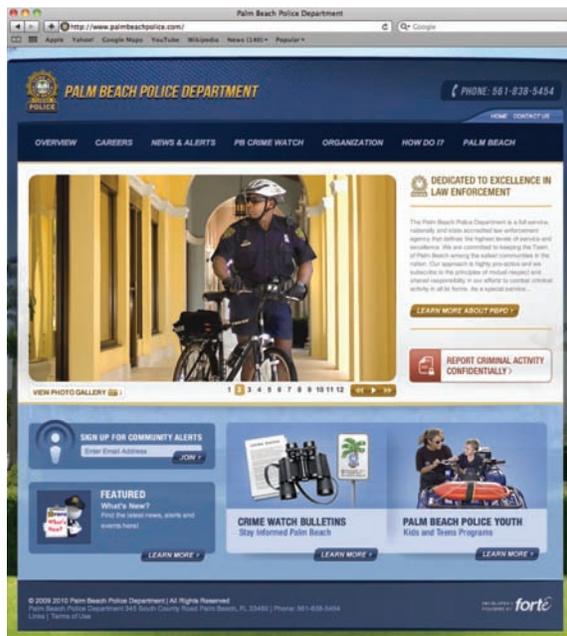
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Palm Beach Police Department Launches New Website

VISIT WWW.PALMBEACHPOLICE.COM TODAY



The Palm Beach Police Department's website recently unveiled a new look. The new format is designed to allow the visitor to find everything with ease. You will find more graphics throughout the site. In the upcoming months you will find photos featuring our events and new "how to" videos featuring our officers. Another new feature is the ability to submit information securely online.

Please be patient as we transition to the new site. If there is something specific you would like to see on our website please email us at crimeprevention@palmbeachpolice.com



**REPORT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY
CONFIDENTIALLY**

227-6464 or www.palmbeachpolice.com

Want up to the minute information from the Police Department?

Sign up for our alerts. We will send you information regarding upcoming events and information that will keep you safe. Go to the home page of the website www.palmbeachpolice.com and click "Sign Up for Community Alerts".

CW Member Breakfast Photo Gallery

1. Sgt. Luke Pintacuda, Stephanie Pintacuda & Major Rick Howe
2. Major Dan Szarszewski, Randall Huff & Det. Keith Medeiros, Major Rick Howe & Chief Kirk Blouin
3. Randall Huff addresses guests
4. Major Dan Szarszewski & Mary Weiss
5. Ann Small, Jean Deyermond & Patti Sans
6. Chief Kirk Blouin & Janet Kinsella
7. Joyce & Clothier Vaughn



Be Car Smart!

LET'S RESOLVE TO BETTER PROTECT OUR VALUABLES AND PROPERTY THIS NEW YEAR!



Crimes, such as theft from vehicles, can easily be diverted with simple precautions. In order to understand why many residents in the Town of Palm Beach fall victim, we need to take a quick step into the shoes of burglars and see what helps them decide which cars to target and those to skip. Key factors that encourage a burglar's vehicle selection include:

• The PERFECT LOCATION

Vehicles that are out of the immediate eyesight of you and most anyone else would present an enticing offer for a would-be thief.



• **DARKNESS** can be a plus, aiding the burglar in their "secretive" act.

• **SILENCE** a burglar alarm can be very distracting and make a vehicle much less attractive to enter.



• **UNLOCKED DOORS OR OPEN WINDOWS** can be a burglar's best friend.

• **KEYS INSIDE THE VEHICLE!!!** You would never leave your house keys in the door, so why leave your car keys in your car?!?!



Reducing and eliminating these opportunity enhancements will certainly help to make your vehicle less desirable to a thief. However, the most important deterrent is simply to remove the "treasures" from inside car. A laptop, purse, backpack, camera, GPS Unit or cell phone is exactly what they're looking for.

Check your vehicle today. Is there something, anything, in there that would be a treasure for a burglar? Every time you leave your vehicle do you put loose items, electronics, phones and other items in the trunk or take them with you? The rule of thumb is to not leave anything in your vehicle when you're not inside with it!



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

Peak Season 5 months - December 1st thru April 30th

Mondays thru Fridays

• Start work at 9 am • Stop work at 5 pm

Saturdays

• Start work at 9 am • Stop work at 5 pm

• Only quiet interior work allowed • No exterior construction allowed

Sundays and Town Holidays

• No construction permitted



No Heavy Equipment or Other Construction Noise Permitted Prior to 9 am

ONLY QUIET WORK

Interior and exterior may start at 8am. Quiet work is defined as work which cannot be heard from the public right-of-way or from a neighboring property line.

SEC. 102-45

CURBSIDE PLACEMENT AND COLLECTION OF TRASH

Peak Season 6 months - November 1st thru April 30th

Yard trash may be placed on the public right-of-way adjacent to the property from which it came, no more than one (1) day 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



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FPL employees are regularly in your neighborhood for reasons including reading electric meters, administering energy-saving programs for your home and maintaining power lines. However, we occasionally receive complaints that people are posing as FPL employees. Please remember that all FPL employees carry a photo identification badge. Ask to see it if you are in doubt. In addition, FPL will not send employees to your home offering cash refunds on deposits or electric charges. More importantly, FPL will not call you to offer you energy surveys that will result in a refund or tax credit. You must call FPL to request this service. For more information or to verify that FPL workers are in your neighborhood please call them at (561) 697-8000.

From time to time we are contacted by residents who receive information via email about personal safety stories and threats of criminal activity. The majority of these emails are false and used as scare tactics. Please contact us if you receive one of these emails and we can assist you in determining its validity or you can visit the “myth busters” at snopes.com.

This is a website that conducts intensive research to determine the validity of various claims.

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT

- In any emergency (police-fire-medical)9-1-1**
- Police NON-Emergency.....838-5454**
- Code Enforcement227-7080**
- Parking Enforcement838-5465**
- Voluntary ID Cards.....838-5466**
- Crime Watch Office.....838-5467**
- Anonymous TIPS.....227-6464**

Citizen Police Academy

The 2011 session of the Citizen Police Academy has been cancelled. However, if you or someone you know is interested in attending a future session please contact us (561) 838-5467 or visit us on the web at www.palmbeachpolice.com and download an interest form.