

# BARTOW POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Monthly Activity Report

# February 2019



**Joe Hall**

**Chief of Police**

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## PATROL DIVISION

### CAPTAIN HIRAM SAUNDERS, PATROL DIVISION COMMANDER

#### ALPHA SQUAD - SGT. WILLIAM STEVENS

##### NEW EMPLOYEES

Officer Fabrizio trained with Officer McKee for Phase IV of his training.

##### EDUCATION

Officers completed monthly Police One and Police Law Institute Training online.

##### SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

- ♦ MORGAN, Joshua: Possession of Methamphetamine and Domestic Violence Battery.
- ♦ CARWISE, George: False Imprisonment and Battery

##### OTHER

Alpha Squad is responsible for 13 arrests and issued 44 citations this month.

Officers conducted heavy patrols in the area of Sugar Hill, 9th, and MLK, Jr. Blvd. in an attempt to reduce calls for service in these areas.



#### BRAVO SQUAD - SGT. MICHELLE SMITH (REPORT SUBMITTED BY O.I.C. J. MARCH)

##### NEW EMPLOYEE

Ofc. Cerezo was released from training and has been assigned to Bravo Squad. Ofc. Schussler was assigned to Ofc. Jordan March for Phase II of his training.

##### EDUCATION

Officers completed their online training assignments.  
K9 Ofc. A. Anderson completed k9 Training.  
Ofc. March completed the Firearms Instructor Course.

##### SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

PEREZ, Leslie: Battery on a Person 65 or older.  
MODGLIN, Joshua: Possession of Meth/Paraphernalia  
GERINGER, Heather: Possession of Meth/Paraphernalia

##### OTHER

Patrol Officers effected 29 Arrests during the month of February and issued **151 Citations** for the month!

#### CHARLIE SQUAD - SGT. LUKE HAUSER

##### NEW EMPLOYEES

N/A

##### EDUCATION

Officers completed monthly Police One and Police Law Institute Training online.

##### SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

- ♦ JONES, Franklin Elroy: Tampering with evidence, Leaving the Scene of an Accident and Resisting w/o Violence.
- ♦ WIGGINS, Tyler J: Possession of Methamphetamines, and Paraphernalia.

##### OTHER:

Charlie Squad made 10 arrests this month and issued a total of 76 Citations.

Officer Arturo/Rico presented a K-9 demonstration for the Achievement Academy on Feb. 26th.

*CHARLIE SQUAD K-9 Officer Arturo Gonzalez and his K9 partner Rico competed in the Region One USPCA Field Trials in Lakeland, hosted this year by Lakeland Police Department. Ofc. Gonzalez/Rico finished 2nd Overall in the Patrol Division. The pair teamed with J. Lopez and K-9 Will from the Lake Alfred Police Department to finish 3rd overall in the two-man portion. Approximately 40 K-9 officers participated in the annual competition. Attending the Awards Ceremony were: Deputy Chief Bryan Dorman, Sgt. Michelle Smith, Ofc. Arturo Gonzalez and Police Chief Joe Hall.*

#### DELTA SQUAD - O.I.C. David Bilbrey

##### NEW EMPLOYEES

Officer King trained with FTO Fernandez for Phase I of his training.

##### EDUCATION

Officers completed monthly Police One and Police Law Institute Online Training.

##### SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

- ♦ OAKLEY, Waddel: Possession of Methamphetamine and Cannabis.
- ♦ LUCKETT, Torre & LOCKERD, Christine: Driving With License Suspended or Revoked with Knowledge and Possession of Cannabis during Lawful Traffic Enforcement on Van Fleet Drive.
- ♦ GARY, Michael: Driving with License Suspended or Revoked during traffic enforcement of South Broadway Ave.

##### OTHER:

Delta Squad members made 12 arrests and issued 40 citations for the month of February



**DETECTIVE BUREAU-SGT. ERIC SHEROUSE****NEW EMPLOYEES**

Records Clerk Linda Covay was selected for the vacant CST/Evidence Custodian position. CST Covay will be joining the Criminal Investigations Section in March.

**EDUCATION**

Detectives completed Police Law Institute and Police One Academy Training.

**SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS**

- ♦ HAMMOCK, Kenneth Lee: Grand Theft, Dealing Stolen Property, Burglary, Possession of Burglary Tools and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. The investigation linked this suspect to several cases,, including a burglary which occurred at the Bartow Golf Course earlier this the month. Detectives seized HAMMOCK's vehicle which had been used to facilitate multiple burglary/theft events. This operation also netted the

recovery of several thousand dollars in stolen property, as well as a stolen firearm which occurred in the Polk County Sheriff's Office jurisdiction.

- ♦ BAZZEL, Nicolas: Burglary and Criminal Mischief.
- ♦ CHAVIS, James: Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor and Child Abuse.
- ♦ MAESTAS, Christopher: Possession of Child Pornography.
- ♦ JOHNSON, Rashaad: Lewd Molestation of a Minor Child.

**OTHER ACTIVITY/COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Detectives participated in the "Teach-In" Program at Bartow High School this month.

Detectives are currently working 121 Felony Investigations.

**CRIME SCENE / PROPERTY & EVIDENCE**

CST Lloyd and Covay continued the mandated evidence inventory.

**C.S.T. COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM / SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS****SGT. RANDY TAGLIARINI****NEW EMPLOYEES:**

Officer Sergio Fernandez has been selected to fill a vacancy in the C.S.T. Team and will begin March 11, 2019

**EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Lyn Bryan, CST Coordinator attended the RPO Training, and completed monthly PoliceOne Training.

**SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS:**

None to report

**COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS / ACTIVITIES**

- \* Feb. 5th (Tue) attended the Monthly Chief's Chat held at Perkins at 7:30 AM.
- \* Participated as a vendor at the Annual L.B. Brown Festival held Feb. 9th (Sat) at the LB Brown House.
- \* Feb. 12th (Tue) attended the Monthly EPAC Meeting at Carver Rec. Center at 5:30 PM.
- \* CST participated in the "Heroes Day" Program, reading books to pre-k children at Gram's Day Care Center.
- \* At the City Commission Meeting on Monday, Feb. 18th, Lyn Bryan and Chief Hall accepted a proclamation from Mayor Leo Longworth recognizing Volunteer Appreciation Week Feb. 17-23, 2019.
- \* A luncheon was held on Feb. 21, 2019 in honor of the Police Volunteers. Volunteer of the Year 2017 was awarded to Billy Groover, Reserve officer.
- \* Explorer Advisors, Officers White and Guzman, facilitated two (2) Explorer Post Meetings this month.
- \* On Tues. Feb. 26th during the monthly meeting, American Legion Post No. 3 was presented with a donation from the Legion to help with training and future endeavors.

**SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS****SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY IN THE SCHOOLS****BARTOW HIGH SCHOOL**

- 1 - Youth Tobacco Violation
- 1 - Narcotic violation and
- 5 - Complaint Affidavits for Battery, and
- 1 - Stalking

**BARTOW MIDDLE SCHOOL**

- 3 - Baker Acts
- 4 - Complaint Affidavits for Possession of Cannabis
- 1 - Culpable Negligence
- 1 - Battery
- 1 - Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer and
- 1 - Warrant Arrest

**GAUSE ACADEMY**

- 1 - Warrant for Arrest for Failure to Appear on Charge of Grand Theft

**FEBRUARY 2019 VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY**

The COP Volunteers patrol in pairs, throughout the city during the daylight hours. In addition to patrolling, the volunteers look out for and report suspicious activity. They assist the Crime Prevention Practitioner with many Crime Prevention Programs, and the CST Unit in many public events and several parades throughout the year.

**If you are interested in one of the Volunteer Programs, please call:**

Community Services Coordinator

Lyn Bryan (863) 534-5034 or email

[lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net](mailto:lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net)

**VOLUNTEER HOURS LOGGED THIS MONTH**

Citizens on Patrol (COP)	43.75
Reserve Officer Unit	8.50
TOTAL HOURS THIS MONTH	<b>52.25</b>
Total Volunteer Hours for 2019	150.75

# February 17-23, 2019 Volunteer Appreciation Week

The Bartow Police Department accepted a Proclamation for Volunteer Appreciation Week from Mayor Leo Longworth during last night's City Commission Meeting. Accepting the proclamation was Lyn Bryan, Community Services Team Coordinator, Police Chief Joe Hall and Reserve Officer Michael Butler. Butler expressed his "thanks" to the commissioners for giving him the opportunity to serve the City of Bartow in the Bartow Reserve Unit.

In addition to the Bartow Reserve, volunteers are active in a Citizens on Patrol (COP) Unit and also those who work in the office behind the scenes.

A luncheon in honor of the Volunteers was held on Thursday, March 21st. Volunteers of the Year for were honored for outstanding service to the citizens and for accumulating the most hours for 2017 and 2018.

Volunteer of the Year for 2017 was Reserve Officer Billy Groover with 168 hours. The 2018 award went to Reserve Officer Mike Butler with 275 hours. Also attending the luncheon were Volunteer members Saralyn White, Dolores Lane, David Lane, Marvin Wiggins, Patrick Halley and Julie Shaffer.

If you would like information about Joining the Bartow Police Volunteer Program, please contact:

Lyn Bryan at 863-534-5037

email at

[lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net](mailto:lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net).



Chief Hall, Reserve Officer Mike Butler and CST Coordinator Lyn Bryan accept a proclamation from Mayor Leo Longworth at the City Commission Meeting



MARVIN WIGGINS



JULIE SHAFFER



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR  
2018 MIKE BUTLER



DELORES LANE



SARALYN WHITE



DAVID LANE



PATRICK "PAT" HALLEY



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2017  
BILLY GROOVER

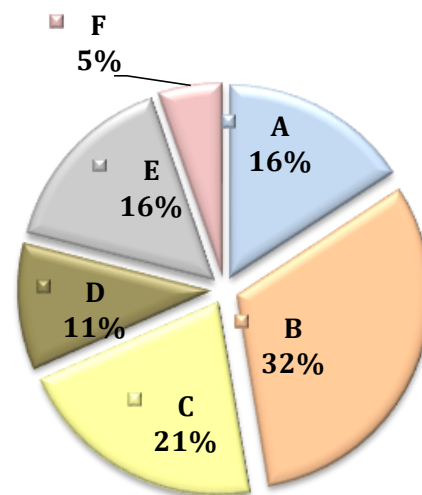
# FEBRUARY 2019 PROPERTY CRIME STATISTICS

TOTAL PROPERTY CRIMES - 19 PROPERTY CRIME TYPES RESIDENTIAL / CONVEYANCE / BUSINESS	TIME OF OCCURRENCE			TYPE OF ENTRY		
	DAY	NIGHT	UNK	FORCED	NO FORCE	UNK
TOTAL: 12 RESIDENTIAL: Includes Single family homes, Apartments, Mobile Homes, Carport, Storage Sheds	33%	33%	33%	8%	92%	0%
TOTAL- 3 CONVEYANCE: Includes All Vehicles, Boats, and Trailers	33%	33%	33%	0%	100%	0%
TOTAL: 4 BUSINESS: Includes Businesses, Churches, Storage Facilities, and Schools	25%	0%	75%	88%	13%	0%

TOTAL PROPERTY CRIMES 2014-2019						
MONTH	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
JAN	10	18	27	16	21	31
FEB	19	11	15	15	24	21
MAR		35	15	22	29	42
APR		20	16	47	33	47
MAY		24	16	42	26	25
JUNE		7	24	33	21	29
JULY		26	20	21	17	22
AUG		24	39	24	18	36
SEPT		28	19	23	23	34
OCT		32	19	26	27	40
NOV		34	15	23	33	25
DEC		30	17	17	37	25
TOTAL	29	289	242	309	309	377

## February 2019 Burglaries By Beats/Zones A-F

\*Beat/Zone map on page 6



## Does Neighborhood Watch Work?

**✓ YES!** In recent burglary cases, suspects were apprehended by the police as a direct result of neighbors who called the police to report suspicious activity in their neighborhood. In most cases, the victims recovered all of their stolen property!

**Neighborhood Watch** is one of the oldest and most effective crime prevention programs in the country. The program brings citizens and communities together, with law enforcement to deter crime and make communities safer.

For information on how to start a Crime Watch Group in your neighborhood, contact:

Crime Prevention Practitioner,  
Lyn Bryan at 863-534-5034 or  
email [lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net](mailto:lbryan.pd@cityofbartow.net)



# City of Bartow (26) Beat Map

## A

North of West Main St.(Hwy60) to  
Van Fleet, West of Van Fleet to  
Broadway (Hwy 98)

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Polk Street Center, Gause Academy
- Stephens & Spessard Holland Elem. Schools
- Highland Lake Estates, Richland Manor
- Magnolia Walk, Griffin's Landing & Green
- Wind Meadows, Saddlewood
- Holiday Inn Express
- Portions of Lyle Pkwy & EF Griffin Rd

## D

East of Hwy 98, North of Van Fleet Drive & Hwy  
60 Bypass, Primarily a Business District

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Bartow Ford Co. & Ernest Smith Blvd, Bartow Reg. Medical Center
- Old Bartow Eagle Lake Rd, The Meeting House
- James Point, Taylor Brooke
- Wal-Mart & The Hampton Inn
- Fountain Place Apts. Badcock Home Furn., Tractor Supply
- Bear Creek Apts.

## B

South of Main Street,  
West of Broadway Ave.

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Square Lake (gated homes), Wildwood Cemetery
- Floral Ave. Elem, First Methodist School
- 555 Ballpark Facilities, Bartow Chevrolet
- Civic Center, Polk School Bd. Offices, Floral Lakes
- Laurel Meadows & The Villages

## E

East of Hwy 17, South of Main Street (Hwy  
60) and Flamingo

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Azalea Gardens & Carver Village
- Savannah Court, Rohr Home, Bartow Center
- Jail Annex Facilities, Peace River CSU, County Offices
- County Extension Office, Agriculture Center
- Orange Plant (Peace River Citrus)
- Golf Course, Union Academy, Gibbons St. Elementary

## C

South of Main St, East of Broadway Ave,  
West of Hwy 17

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Bartow Elementary Academy
- Bartow Middle & High Schools
- Mary Holland & Nye Jordan Parks
- Oak Hammock Mobile Home Pk
- Post Office
- Kissingen Ave.

## F

The Center of Bartow, North of Main Street  
(Hwy 60) to Van Fleet (Hwy 60 Bypass)

### NOTABLE LOCATIONS:

- Polk Historical Courthouse, Polk Courthouse, PCBC Offices
- Historical Church Street, Summerlin Oaks Apts.
- Publix Shopping Center & Lowes
- Dept. of Transportation Office
- PCSO Book-In/Jail Intake
- Bartow City Hall, Police & Fire Depts.

