

BARTOW POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Activity Report

September 2018



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9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE

Deputy Chief Bryan Dorman, Fire Department Chief Jay Robinson and Police Chief Joe Hall participate in the Annual 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony held at Summerlin Academy.

PATROL DIVISION

CAPTAIN HIRAM SAUNDERS, PATROL DIVISION COMMANDER

ALPHA SQUAD - SGT. WILLIAM STEVENS

NEW EMPLOYEES

Officer Brown completed training and was released to Bravo Squad on 9/12/18

EDUCATION

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

Officer Slade completed Interview and Interrogation Training at Polk County Sheriff's Office

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

- ◆ DAMPIER, Michael: Escape from a Juvenile Confinement Facility.
- ◆ SCOTT, Stevens: Possession of Xanax.

OTHER

Alpha Squad is responsible for 19 arrests and issued 54 citations this month.

Officers conducted heavy patrols in the area of Sugar Hill and Azalea Gardens in an attempt to reduce the calls for service in these areas.

Alpha conducted heavy patrols, focusing on Zone B.

BRAVO SQUAD - SGT. MICHELLE SMITH

EDUCATION:

Officer Riley Brown has been assigned to Bravo Squad for the next phase of her FTO Training.

Ofc. Anderson completed K9 training school with new K9 (Falco).

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS:

- ◆ PELLEGRINO, Joshua: On Sept. 25, 2018 officers with Bravo Squad encountered Joshua Pellegrino just after he committed felony battery against his wife. When attempting to apprehend the suspect, he barricaded himself inside the residence, claiming to have an AR-15 and a Glock 40. After a lengthy stand-off PCSO SWAT Team was notified and then entered the residence and safely removed Pellegrino.

OTHER:

Bravo Squad is responsible for 21 arrests and issued 62 citations.

CHARLIE SQUAD - SGT. LUKE HAUSER

NEW EMPLOYEES

Officer Charette began the 2nd Phase of FTO Training.

EDUCATION

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

Officer Gonzalez and his K-9 partner Rico obtained a National K-9 Certification from the USPCA at K-9 Internationals

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS

- ◆ WEBB, Ryan E.: Trespassing at a posted construction site (Bartow High School)
- ◆ LEAVENS, Hayden: Trespassing at a posted location (Bartow High)

OTHER:

Officer Gonzalez and his partner Rico, attended K-9 National in Huntsville, AL. Officer Gonzalez and Rico placed 2nd overall with the 4-Man Region 1-Team.

Charlie Squad made 14 arrests this month and issued a total of 40 Citations.

DELTA SQUAD - SGT. CARL SMITH

NEW EMPLOYEES:

Officer Warren has joined Delta Squad.

EDUCATION:

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

Officers also completed (RPO) Risk Protection Order Training.

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS:

- ◆ KANYA, Randy: Possession of Methamphetamine
- ◆ JOHNSON, Ricky: Trafficking Methamphetamine, Poss. of Alprazolam and paraphernalia.
- ◆ WILLIAMS, Paul: Trafficking Methamphetamine, Poss. of Alprazolam and paraphernalia.
- ◆ Gilley, Larry: Trafficking Methamphetamine, Poss. of Alprazolam and paraphernalia.
- ◆ SIMS, Joshua: Possession of Cocaine
- ◆ LEWIS, Victoria: Burglary/Battery
- ◆ BASHIR, Mikal: Possession of Cocaine

OTHER:

Delta Squad is responsible for 14 Arrests and 43 Citations this month.

DETECTIVE BUREAU-SGT. ERIC SHEROUSE

EDUCATION:

Det. Fender completed Interviews and Interrogations School at Polk State College.

Det. Vaughn enrolled at Saint Leo University and began his studies in Criminal Justice, pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Homeland Security.

Detectives and Crime Scene personnel completed Risk Protection Order Training. CST Lloyd completed Basic Crime Scene Training with Officer Brown.

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS:

- ◆ WIGGINS, Azinde: Burglary to a Conveyance, Petit Theft relative to two(2) burglaries in Sector 26A (Zone 1).
- ◆ VAUGHN, Jonathan: Discharging a Firearm in Public, Possession of Firearm by a Convicted Felon relative to a shooting incident which occurred in Azalea Gardens in July. Vaughn is currently being held on Armed Robbery charges from the prior month.
- ◆ WILLIS, Derek: Possession of Methamphetamines and Drug Paraphernalia.
- ◆ PELLEGRINO, Joshua: Felony Battery Domestic Battery, Burglary of a Dwelling, Felony Criminal Mischief and Resisting an Officer w/o Violence. On 09/25 at approximately 3:40 PM officers began investigating a Domestic Violence incident which reportedly occurred at 1185 Britts Lane. After interviewing the victim and obtaining medical treatment for her injuries, officers attempted to make contact with the suspect, Joshua Pellegrino at the home on Britts Lane. Pellegrino refused contact and ultimately barricaded himself within the home. After establishing verbal contact, Pellegrino alleged that he was armed with a firearm and would not be taken into custody. Based on this information, Detectives obtained a warrant for Pellegrino's arrest and PCSO SWAT members responded. Bartow Police Department secured the scene, evacuated surrounding residences and continued to converse with the suspect until the arrival of the SWAT team. At 11:55 SWAT members made entry into the residence and Pellegrino was taken into custody, concluding a nearly 7 hour standoff in which all negotiations with Pellegrino failed.

OTHER ACTIVITY / INFORMATION

The Detective Section's monthly clearance rate for September was 23%

Sgt. Sherouse and Det. Vaughn attended a community organization meeting with the newly re-established Lions Club in Bartow.

Detective Jason Griffith retired at the end of this month. He has served the Bartow Police Department since 1996. Det. Griffith has worked as a Patrol Officer, School Resource Officer and finally a Detective in the Detective Bureau. He served on the Polk County Gang Task Force for many years.



Detectives are actively working 97 Felony Cases.

CRIME SCENE & PROPERTY EVIDENCE:

- 141 Items of evidence was received, catalogued, and filed.
- 63 items of evidence was submitted to PCSO/FDLE for identification.
- Crime Scene Tech Lloyd and Perry completed 57 evidence requests from outside agencies (SAO/PDO etc.).
- CS Tech processed evidence relative to 4 cases, recovering latent evidence which was submitted to PCSO for identification.

Crime Scene personnel responded to five (5) Crime Scene Call-Outs this month.

C.S.T. COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM / SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

SGT. RANDY TAGLIARINI

NEW EMPLOYEES:

N/A

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

Officers report they are up to date with Police Law training.

Honor Guard members attended monthly training with Polk County Sheriff's Office.

SIGNIFICANT ARRESTS:

None to report

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:

CST set up the traffic trailer in Griffins Landing due to speed complaints.

CST and Patrol members conducted traffic patrols in the areas of Bartow High, Bartow Elementary, Floral, Stephens and Spessard Holland Elementary Schools.

COMMUNITY SERVICE EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2018 CST attended the Monthly Chief's Chat held at the Broadway Diner at 7:30 AM.

Sgt. Tagliarini met with the Principle of Stephens Elementary School to discuss issues with Parent/Student Drop-Off occurring on Trask Lane.

Wednesday, Sept. 5, CST attended the monthly Traffic Safety Team Meeting held in Winter Haven.

On Sept. 11th CST and Police Chief Hall attended a 9/11 Memorial Service at Summerlin Academy. Bartow Honor Guard members performed the 3-shot volley.

CST Lyn Bryan attended the Yearly Diversity Luncheon held Wed. Sept. 19th at the Bartow Civic Center.

CST members and Explorers from BPD Post 631 assisted with the American Legion Post No. 3 fundraiser for Kristi Tew on Friday, Sept. 21st.

SCHOOL RESOURCE ACTIVITIES

BARTOW HIGH SCHOOL:

- 24 Incidents and
- 2 Baker Acts.

BARTOW MIDDLE SCHOOL:

- 23 Incidents
- 1 - Arrest for Disruption of a School function.
- 4 - Complaint Affidavits for 3 Batteries and 1 Violation of Probation
- 3 - Baker Acts.

GAUSE ACADEMY:

- 8 - Incidents
- 2 - Complaint Affidavits for a Battery and a Baker Act.

UNION ACADEMY:

- 4 - Incidents

EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

All SRO Officers attended Polk SRO Training held at Polk State College.

SEPTEMBER 2018 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

VOLUNTEER HOURS LOGGED THIS MONTH	
Citizens on Patrol (COP)	46.25
Reserve Officer Unit	14.00
TOTAL HOURS THIS MONTH	60.25
Total Volunteer Hours for 2018	661.75



K-9 Unit Activity

TRAINING				DEPLOYMENT			
OFFICER/K-9	EVENTS ATTENDED	TOTAL TIME	DETETECTION/PATROL EXERCISES	SEARCH AREAS/ Total Deployment	PEOPLE FOUND	ARRESTS W/BITES	ITEMS SEIZED
Gonzalez/Rico	5	14.2	10	3	0	0	0
Billbrey/Brody	0	0	0	3	6	0	0
Anderson/Falco	11	32	20	13	0	0	0

FOOTBALL FRIDAYS

Bartow Police Department members declared Friday's to be College Football Friday for the length of the Autumn Season. Each week members will contribute 'Tail-Gait' fare to celebrate the day before 'GAME DAY'.



Representing their respective teams are: Bryan Dorman-USF, Linda Covey -Notre Dame, Chris Albright-Alabama, Michelle Jordan-Non-committal, Chief Hall-FSU, Lyn Bryan-UF, and Tiffany Somerlot-Ohio State.



Annual 9/11 Memorial Service

Police Chief Joe Hall and members of the Bartow Police Department Honor Guard participated in an Annual 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony held at Summerlin Academy on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018. Joined by Summerlin Cadet Brendan Dorman, Chief Hall placed a Police Hat at the memorial to honor police officers who lost their lives as a result of the 9/11 attack.

Fire Chief Jay Robinson placed a fireman's hat and Kozette Hubbard placed an EMS placard to honor both Fireman and EMS personnel who lost their lives in the attack. A military helmet and a civilian placard were also placed in remembrance of military and civilian personnel who sadly lost their lives as well.

The Bartow Police Department is honored to participate in this event each year, and appreciate Summerlin Academy and their staff for putting this memorial together.

We Shall Never Forget!



Diversity Luncheon

Civic leaders and members of the Bartow community attended the Annual JJ. Corbett Diversity Luncheon held Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2018 hosted by the Bartow Community Relations Committee.



The keynote address was given by Polk County Schools Superintendent Jacqueline Byrd who emphasized the importance of keeping the community's children safe.

The luncheon concluded with the simple song "The More We Get Together" performed by men chosen from the crowd, including Bartow Police Chief Joe Hall and City Manager George Long.

American Legion Post 3 BBQ Fundraiser for Tew Family

Members of the Bartow Police Department Explorer Post 631 and Summerlin Academy Rifle Team assisted American Legion Post No. 3 with a BBQ dinner fundraiser for retired Bartow Police Officer Kristi Tew.

The money collected during the event will help the Tew family. Officer Tew, who worked as School Resource Officer, was forced to take an early retirement last month in order to focus on her family and her health as she fights stage 4 cancer.

The Bartow Police Department is again proud to join forces with the fine men and women of the Bartow American Legion Post 3..

We would also like to thank the many people who purchased tickets, came out to help and donated in order to help the Tew family



JASON GRIFFITH RETIRES THIS MONTH

A long-time member of the Bartow Police Department retired today. Detective Jason Griffith retired after serving the citizens of Bartow for 22 years.

Jason began his career at the Bartow Police Department in 1996 in the Patrol Unit, then worked as a School Resource Officer for several years and finally as Detective.



Jason investigated a variety of crimes, but nothing more heinous than crimes against children. Detective Griffith took pride knowing his work led to the arrest and conviction of one of society's most dangerous predators and child molesters.

We would like to thank Jason for his dedication and service to the Citizens of Bartow and for being an advocate and voice for our children for over 20 years.

Right: Detectives Cody Vaughn, Sgt. Sherouse, Jason Griffith, John Zorn, Ken Fender



Grandparents Day

On Sept. 17, 2018 K-9 Officer David Bilbrey and his partner Brody performed a K-9 Demonstration at Fort Blount Park for the Clerk of the Courts Office.

The children and Grandparents of employees were celebrating 'Grandparents Day' as well as a school holiday.



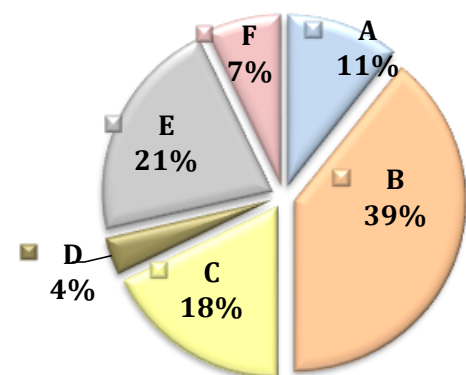
SEPTEMBER 2018 PROPERTY CRIME STATISTICS

TOTAL PROPERTY CRIMES - 28 PROPERTY CRIME TYPES RESIDENTIAL / CONVEYANCE / BUSINESS	TIME OF OCCURRENCE			TYPE OF ENTRY		
	DAY	NIGHT	UNK	FORCED	NO FORCE	UNK
TOTAL: 8 RESIDENTIAL: Includes Single family homes, Apartments, Mobile Homes, Carport, Storage Sheds	63%	13%	25%	38%	13%	50%
TOTAL- 16 CONVEYANCE: Includes All Vehicles, Boats, and Trailers	6%	88%	6%	6%	94%	0%
TOTAL: 4 BUSINESS: Includes Businesses, Churches, Storage Facilities, and Schools	0%	50%	50%	50%	50%	0%

TOTAL PROPERTY CRIMES 2018-2013						
MONTH	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
JAN	18	27	16	21	31	27
FEB	11	15	15	24	21	32
MAR	35	15	22	29	42	31
APR	20	16	47	33	47	39
MAY	24	16	42	26	25	32
JUNE	7	24	33	21	29	34
JULY	26	20	21	17	22	31
AUG	24	39	24	18	36	27
SEPT	28	19	23	23	34	35
OCT						
NOV						
DEC						
TOTAL	193	191	243	212	287	288

2018 PROPERTY CRIMES BY BEAT (A-F)							
	A	B	C	D	E	F	TOTAL
JAN	5	0	3	2	3	5	18
FEB	2	0	3	1	4	1	11
MAR	17	2	3	9	3	1	35
APR	5	2	7	1	3	2	20
MAY	7	6	4	1	6	0	24
JUNE	2	1	1	0	1	2	7
JULY	6	3	5	3	6	3	26
AUG	0	2	13	2	5	2	24
SEPT	3	11	5	1	6	2	28
TOTAL	47	27	44	20	37	18	193

Sept. Property Crimes by Zone A-F



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

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.

