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Mon. - Fri........ 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
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Officer Spotlight of the Quarter

Officer Sandy Owens, is a part
ime reserve officer for the last
13 years! In the past few months
his name has been brought to
our attention, informing us of
how he goes beyond the call
of duty in assisting residents
on and off the clock. He takes
pride in wearing the El Portal
uniform and in serving and protecting our great Village. Thank you Officer Owen!

Community Policing

Did you know, our El Portal Police Department is made up of 6 full time Officers
and 19 part time Officers. Here are just some of them involved in Community
Policing!! Thank you!

- Officer Rojas, Officer
Benitez and Officer
Battaglia.
- Sergeant Hufnagel with
Artic, our new Communi-
ty Policing K9, at training.
- Officer Rajkumar, Officer
Owen, Officer Loussaint
and Officer Payne with Li-
yah Sweet-Chance.
- Officer Sharp, Councilperson
Mathis, Officer Rajkumar, Officer
Rojas, Sergeant Hufnagel, Artic and
Mayor Cubillos

A warm El Portal welcome to
our 2 new part-timers that we're
sworn in at the January Council
Meeting. Officer Benitez and Of-
cer Newman

Councilperson Mathis and Mayor
Cubillos with Officer Battaglia.
FROM THE MAYOR’S DESK

Good day El Portal and Happy Spring!!!

The first quarter of 2017 has been a very busy one for us. We have worked together to make strides. The following are just some of our successes:

- El Portal named Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation
- El Portal has a new Official Seal – commemorating our 80th Anniversary
- We celebrated our 3rd Annual Art Fair (a 2 day event) kicking off our 80th anniversary
- Initiated an El Portal Farmer’s Market – to support local business/vendors
- Started the process of an Education Compact Initiative with School Board and Horace Mann Middle School
- We passed the First Reading for the Form Based Code & Comprehensive Plan
- In support of Equal Rights, we unanimously passed the Second Reading for The Conversation Therapy Ordinance
- Council held a Strategy Session to consolidate priorities and direction for the Administration
- Twice in Tallahassee lobbying for El Portal – El Jardin Storm water funding, to alleviate flooding, as we move into rainy season and mosquitoes (Zika). To date they have appropriated $50K for El Portal—we’ll know in the summer if these monies will be awarded to us.
- In May 2016 the Council voted to have a Sewer Design Master Plan, and we’ve just received the Design, and this Council will be reviewing.
- We’ve initiated an enhanced Community Policing Program to include a K9, Artie! Our Community Policing is in place to improve Public Trust with Police and further increase civic engagement.
- Passed a resolution authorizing the Manager and CFO to enter into an agreement with Florida Community Bank, as we consolidate El Portal’s accounts to better serve the Village as move into the 21st Century of Banking
- Passed a resolution for the Village Manager to work with

FIU’s Internship Program to hire a Public Works Intern.

- Implementing an End of the Year Citizenship Award to the top student at our 2 local neighboring Schools – Phyllis Ruth Miller and Horace Mann Middle School
- Village Website has a new tab “Community Photos” we are working to have all Village events photos in one central place – we are going as far back in years as we have.

As you can see your Village Council is diligently working for you - we hope to see at one of our many community events!

Sincerely,
Mayor Cubillos
Chair of Public Safety
Chair of Planning and Zoning
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Save the Date:
Tuesday, August 1st
“National Night Out and Mayors Backpack Give-away”

Tuesday, August 22nd
at 7pm
“State of the Village Address”

Citizen Spotlight of the Quarter
Tim Silimon, is El Portal’s Citizen of the Quarter! He lives on the West Side and I always see him picking up the garbage off the swales, he cuts all his neighbors swales (when their landscaper is perhaps running a week behind or so), and is always always offering his assistance to the neighbors on his block. Although, he is full-time Corrections Officer, he still finds the time to help his neighbors, while keeping his lawn squared away too - Thank you Tim!!!

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Annual Little River Clean-Up

Thank you Kristen, Hugh and Adam for your generous time in logistically coordinating such an important community event! Thank you to the sponsors, the many residents and as always we love iPaddle Miami!

2017 Bulk Waste Schedule, Village of El Portal (New Dates)

- Service will be provided once each quarter, during the last week of the last quarter of each month. See schedule below for exact service days for your area this year.
- The Village will be divided into three zones, with each zone scheduled for a specific day of each quarter. Residents MUST have the bulk waste set out no later than 7:00 a.m. on their scheduled service day. It is strongly recommended that residents put the bulk waste out the evening before their scheduled service date.
- Zone 1 includes all homes west of North Miami Avenue. Zone 1 will be serviced on Tuesday of each quarterly service week.
- Zone 2 includes all homes east of North Miami Avenue from NE 88th St. to NE 90th St. Zone 2 will be serviced on Wednesday of each quarterly service week.
- Zone 3 includes all homes east of North Miami Avenue from NE 87th St. south to the southern end of Village limits (Little River). Zone 3 will be serviced on Thursday of each quarterly service week.

Service days for 2017 will be as follows:

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The regular bulk collection schedule above is for approved bulky wastes that cannot fit within the carts. Acceptable bulky items include yard trash with pieces no larger than 6 feet, vegetative and wood matter that is part of normal yard maintenance, household furniture, and household trash. Please place appropriate bulk waste items away from trees, cars, and other objects in order to provide access by the crane trucks. Waste generated by contractors or subcontractors is NOT considered household trash, and should NOT be placed out for collection.

Residents requiring special bulk waste collections (at times other than the regular schedule) should contact Village Hall BEFORE placing bulk waste out. Additional fees will apply for special bulk collections. Please visit www.elportalvillage.com for up-to-date information.

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2nd Arbor Day Celebration

Once again this event was wonderful, led by Barbara Fuechsl along with the assistance of so many residents (too many to mention) that came together to break bread as a Village - as a Family!

Artist, Nicole Soden, painted our Foot Bridge.

Janis Koch - thank you for coordinated the dishes!

Barbara, Tree Board Chair with Mayor Cubillos

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Next one coming up:

Thank you Nataly and Alba for all your hard work!
January in El Portal

Councilperson Mathis and Mayor Cubillos at Detective David Adlets Retirement Dinner

February in El Portal

El Portal Village Council presented a Key to the City to Sarah Holmes, the designer of our New Official Seal!

Mayor Cubillos in Tallahassee meeting with Senator Latvala, Chair of Appropriations.

Mayor Cubillos, winner of the El Portal Seal Contest, signing the Seal for us.

March in El Portal

Tree Board Chair Barbara Fuechsl, Vice Mayor Nickerson, Councilperson Mathis, Councilperson Dreher and Mayor Cubillos

Mayor Cubillos accompanying officer Rego and Sgt Hufnagel while Community Policing on bike on a Sunday afternoon.

Women of El Portal

Mayor Cubillos and Village Manager meeting with our State Representative.

Vice Chair - County Commissioner Audrey Edmonson and Councilperson Mathis honored Mayor Cubillos as a leading Trailblazer in El Portal during Women's History Month.

Village Manager, Plusurbia's Team and Mayor Cubillos meeting with the Little Farm owners.
Food Truck January - March 2017

Ernst, El Portal resident played his great tunes at the January Food Truck Night

Mayor cubillos celebrated her birthday with the Community at Food Truck Night in January

Nicolle Chirino joined our Food Truck in March!

Your Council Around Town

El Portal Council, Madam Clerk and Lilian Pico with Senator Campbell at the Miami Dade County League of Cities Board Meeting.

Mayor Cubillos and Ms. Belizaire, State Farm agent in El Portal, at the Sister to Sister Town-hall meeting in Broward.

Ms. Carroll, Mayor Cubillos and Principal Boyd of Phyllis Ruth Miller pumping the kids before testing!!

Thank you Sgt. Hufnagel for coordinating Crime Watch to attend

Vice Mayor Nickerson, Nariman, Councilperson Roman and Village Manager at the 5000 Role Model Breakfast.
El Portal’s 3rd Annual ART FAIR on February 3rd and 4th

On Friday, February 3rd we hosted the 3rd Annual El Portal Art Fair at the Antique and Design Mall! This year, this fantastic event was a 2-day affair, kicking off our 80th Anniversary, with the unveiling of our new Village seal!

The purpose of this and every event we host is to promote civic engagement, provide a sense of community, while improving our quality of life!! This year, we did just that as we welcomed many – many residents and friends from our surrounding communities. Our residents, visitors and many elected officials from other municipalities enjoyed 2 days of free live music, Airbrush Body Painting by Arvi Ram (as seen on Skin Wars), Yoga, the beautiful works from 20 local artists, of course delicious food trucks and much more more!!

This event would not be possible without our Generous Sponsors along with the collaboration of the Village of El Portal Administration and Police Department – thank you all!!

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We are incredibly fortunate to live in such a diverse and welcoming community – see you next year! Visit: elportalvillage.com/officials/mayor/ to view video footage of this event.