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ELECTION 2006: Surfside, Meet Your New Town Commission



Surfside Town Commission (from L-R): Howard S. Weinberg, Steven Levine, Mayor Charles W. Burkett, Marc Imberman (Absent: Mark Blumstein-on Naval Reserve Duty)

On Tuesday, March 21st, with a community voter turnout of 41%, and only one incumbent official being returned to office (Steven Levine), Surfside residents delivered a very clear mandate for change. The Town Commission is now comprised of Mayor Charles W. Burkett and Commissioners Howard S. Weinberg, Marc Imberman, Steven Levine and Mark Blumstein.

Mayor Charles W. Burkett, grew up in Miami Beach and moved to Surfside in 1995. Mr. Burkett graduated from the University of Miami and works as a preservationist. He has renovated art-deco properties and currently restores other historic properties. He has served as a Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce Board Member and was Chairman of its Code Enforcement Committee for many years. He served on Miami Beach's Nuisance Abatement Board and Community Development Block Grant Board, allocating federal monies to needy organizations like Meals on Wheels and Log Cabin Nursery for



Commissioner Mark Blumstein at his Swearing-In ceremony, with wife Dalia and their children Joel, Allen and Eva.

the disabled. He served as Commissioner of the Miami Beach Housing Authority for eight years, including four years as Chairman, where he managed a \$22 million budget & staff of 40.

Commissioner Howard Weinberg has lived in South Florida for over 20 years. Mr. Weinberg earned a degree in Business Administration from the University of Miami, a Master's Degree in Government from Georgetown University and a Law Degree from Boston University. Howard's law practice currently focuses on an area that has touched his own life: helping to build families through the miracle of adoption. He and his wife Laurie (Lulu) moved to Surfside in 1998 along with their Giant Schnauzer, Doogie. The Weinberg family has been blessed with three children (ages 4, 2, and 2). The Weinbergs restored their 1958 home and won a MiMo preservation award last year. Mr. Weinberg served as a Holocaust survivor interviewer for Steven Spielberg's Foundation. He also produced and hosted a documentary about the lives of South Florida Holocaust survivors. The Weinbergs have enjoyed the Town's Family Fun Days.

Commissioner Marc Imberman is a 14-year resident of Surfside. He is married to the former Kathy Aszkenas of Connecticut. They have two children, Max and Hannah, and provide a home for the retired racing greyhounds they rescued. Marc received his education from the University of Miami, Florida International University, and Temple University in Philadelphia. Marc is a computer consultant specializing in systems analysis. His professional career has led him to positions with a top public relations firm in New York City, the United States District Courts, and a local investment management firm. For the past nine years, Marc and Kathy have run their own computer consultancy. Marc sits on the board of the Advocates for Gifted and Advanced Education, and has served on the Parks and Recreation, and Merchants Committee.

Commissioner Steven Levine is a graduate of James Madison High School in

1974 and Brooklyn College in 1978. He earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Miami School of Law in 1981. Mr. Levine is an Assistant Public Defender in the Felony Division. Mr. Levine is married to Elizabeth, a Registered Nurse who is the Director of Womens Services at North Shore Medical Center. Mr. and Mrs. Levine have three children aged 16, 14 and 10, and their family has been very active in the public schools. They have lived in Surfside since 1987. Mr. Levine has served as a Den Leader and Cub Master of Cub Scout Pack 320. As an attorney, he has served on the Florida Bar Grievance Committee. Mr. Levine serves on the Board of Directors of Temple Menorah.

Commissioner Mark Blumstein is a United States Naval Officer, Attorney and moved to Surfside in 2000. Mr. Blumstein has volunteered with Team Surfside. Mr. Blumstein served on an advisory committee during 2005 to consider the future of the Town's Community Center. He was also appointed by the Miami-Dade County School Board to serve on its Attendance Boundary Committee. Mr. Blumstein is a former active duty Judge Advocate General in the United States Navy and continues to serve our nation in the United States Navy Reserve. As an attorney, Mr. Blumstein devotes his practice principally to commercial litigation and admiralty law. Mr. Blumstein is a native of Miami and son to Cuban-born parents, Sara and Ruben Blumstein. Mr. Blumstein graduated from Miami Beach Senior High School in 1987. He is a 1991 graduate of the University of Florida where he received his Bachelors of Science in Business Administration with a specialty in Finance. He later received his Juris Doctor Magna Cum Laude from Nova Southeastern University in 1996. Mr. Blumstein has extensive business experience having managed major retail stores and banking centers. He presently serves as Chair of the Florida Bar Military Affairs Committee. He is married to Dalia and has three young children: Joel-age 7, Allen-age 5, and Eva-age 1.

FROM THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,

I want to thank you on behalf of my new colleagues on the Commission, Howard Weinberg, Marc Imberman, Steven Levine and Mark Blumstein and myself for placing your valued trust in us. It was a long hard campaign and many of us were very hurt by the tasteless tactics of a very few. But be that as it may, the residents of Surfside have won and a mandate for a new vision in Surfside will now unfold.

Rest assured that we will move quickly and diligently on our campaign promises. The Gazette will become a much more useful communication tool as we outline in detail what is really happening in your Town. We will fully employ the use of our committees to guide and keep us on track with regard to the many important decisions we will be making in the coming months.

Residents no longer will be subjected to capricious visits by code enforcement. No longer will our legal department be a black hole in our Town's budget. Punishing ordinances will be scrapped and rewritten from scratch with resident and committee input. Surfside will become a good neighbor to adjacent Villages, Towns and Cities. Our downtown and beach walk will get the attention they deserve. And, most important, residents will be treated with respect and dignity when expressing their views at meetings and when visiting your Town Hall.

Please contact my colleagues and me on the Commission and let us know which of our many terrific boards you would like to serve on, we'll be appointing to them soon.

All the best and thanks again.

Charlie

WELCOME TO A NEW GAZETTE FEATURE THE COMMISSIONERS' CORNER

A nos vecinos Hispanos,

Mi agradecimiento por apoyarnos y tener fe en nuestra persona y eligirnos para representarles. Espero cumplir con Ustedes para el bienestar de nuestra comunidad.

Su Comisionado, Mark Blumstein

E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR TOWN COMMISSION *and* TOWN MANAGER

The entire community is encouraged to contact the Town Commission and/or the Town Manager regarding any issues or suggestions residents may have.



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ATTENTION SURFSIDERS: YOUR TOWN COMMISSION NEEDS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

It is the pleasure of the new Town Commission to invite and encourage *all* Surfsiders to consider serving on a Town Bureau, Board or Committee. At the Town Commission meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at 8:00 pm in the 2nd Floor Commission Chambers, new appointments may be made to the following Bureaus, Boards and Committees:

- Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
- Education Committee
- Planning & Zoning Board
- Personnel Appeals Board
- Pension Board of Trustees for the Retirement Plan for Employees of the Town of Surfside
- Police Officer Retirement Trust
- Tourist Bureau
- Merchants Advisory Committee
- Community Center Committee

If you are interested in serving on any particular Bureau, Board, or Committee, please contact the Town Clerk at barguelles@townofsurfsidefl.gov or the Town Manager's office (305) 993-1052, by Friday, April 7 at NOON with the following details: the name of the Bureau, Board or Committee that interests you, as well as your name, address, telephone number, email address and whether or not you happen to have an area of expertise or special interest. All information received will be forwarded to the Mayor & Town Commission to assist them in their Committee appointee selection process.

Thank you for your kind consideration of the Town Commission's request.

SHAWN PATRICK O'REILLY SWORN IN AS SURFSIDE POLICE CHIEF



Proud mother, **Judy Harrell**, pins Badge of Office on her son, **Shawn Patrick O'Reilly**, newly appointed Surfside Police Chief

On Friday, March 17, 2006, Saint Patrick's Day, the Surf Club hosted a Swearing-in Ceremony for Police Chief Shawn Patrick O'Reilly. Chief O'Reilly is a 15 year veteran of the Surfside Police Department. He rose through the ranks, and by virtue of his dedication, higher educational pursuits, excellent policing skills and leadership development, he successfully achieved the Chief position. Prior to the ceremony, Town Manager, W.D. Higginbotham had appointed Shawn O'Reilly, Chief of Police, with an

effective date of February 1, 2006.

The Master of Ceremonies for the occasion was Brian Andrews of local television station CBS - WFOR (4), and the event was witnessed by well over one hundred attendees including Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman, Mary Anne Shula and several area Police Chiefs and Executive Officers. Chief O'Reilly was sworn into office by Miami-Dade County State Attorney, Katherine Fernandez Rundle. During his comments afterwards, Chief O'Reilly referred to Fernandez Rundle, and stated that "it was an honor to have the Oath of Office administered by such a fine example of professionalism and integrity."

Chief O'Reilly utilized his speech to talk about all the wonderful people in attendance. He told them how overwhelmed he was emotionally and thanked everyone for being part of such a special day in his life. Chief O'Reilly's honored guest was 7 year old, Kylie Brown and her mom, Cherrilyn Hutchinson. Kylie is battling a brain tumor and developed a special



(L-R) Surfside Police Chief **Shawn P. O'Reilly** beams with delight having been sworn into office by Miami-Dade County State Attorney, **Katherine Fernandez Rundle**.

friendship with the Chief after meeting him during a Make-A-Wish appointment. Chief O'Reilly encouraged her to keep up the fight and told those in the audience that he draws strength from the courage and strong will displayed by Kylie and her mom.

Chief O'Reilly concluded his remarks by thanking his mom for being his true friend, confidant, and mentor; for being the outstanding woman who helped him become the person he is today.

Following the Swearing-In ceremony, Chief O'Reilly spoke very candidly about the community he serves and the future of the Surfside Police Department.

"I have always, and will continue, to dedicate my professional life to this great community. The Town of Surfside has become much more than my place of employment. I have bonded with the residents, business owners and their staff, and my fellow employees in Surfside. Surfside has become my home away from home and my extended family.

The Surfside Police Department has, and continues, to make great strides. Our police officers and support personnel are committed to professional service and humanitarian aide. I am proud to be a part of such a tremendous organization and I look forward to serving the Town and its citizenry for many years to come."

SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM (CIT): *Improving the lives of people with mental illness*

On Friday, February 24, 2006, Chief Shawn O'Reilly and Detective Sergeant John Davis were invited as special guests to an awards ceremony recognizing individuals working in Miami-Dade County who are dedicated to improving the lives of people with mental illnesses in the Criminal Justice System. The event was hosted by the 11th Judicial Circuit of Florida and Florida Partners in Crisis, Miami-Dade County Chapter.

The Master of Ceremonies was Glenna Milberg of Channel 10 and guest speakers and award presenters included Miami-Dade County Mayor

Carlos Alvarez and the Honorable Steve Leifman, Associate Administrative Judge, Eleventh Judicial District of Florida and Chairman of Miami-Dade County Mayor's Mental Health Task Force.

Chief O'Reilly instituted a Crisis Intervention Team [CIT] in Surfside, in 2005. A program overview is below:

The Surfside Police Department Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) is made up of specially-trained police officers who provide immediate response to and management of calls for service

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SURFSIDE COMMISSION HIGHLIGHTS



1. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

Town Manager W.D. Higginbotham announced the appointment of Shawn Patrick O'Reilly as Town of Surfside Police Chief, effective February 1, 2006. He noted that Chief O'Reilly has been with the Town since June 1991 and has been an asset to the Police Department.

The Town Manager announced that the Town Commission in years past has made Teacher Appreciation Awards of \$1,000 each to Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor Elementary School, Nautilus Middle School, and Miami Beach High School and recommended that the Commission implement the award. The Town Commission concurred and awarded each school \$1,000 for teacher appreciation.

Regarding the Beach Walking Path, the Town Manager announced that the second workshop was held Tuesday, February 7 and was facilitated by Coastal Systems International. He announced that a Conceptual Design Report has been received, including an estimated Construction Cost of just over \$3 million. Following a cursory review of the document, he noted the plan provides for pavers on the walking path rather than compacted shell rock as was preferred by those attending the February workshop. He requested Coastal Systems to make the necessary modifications to the report. The report also contains a schedule for project implementation. The next step is for the Town to retain an architectural/engineering consultant to provide professional consulting services including surveys, coastal permitting, engineering and landscape architecture design, and preparation of construction documents. The Town Manager explained that an RFP will be prepared and the Town will go through a selection process.

Regarding the broadcasting of Commission meetings, the Town Manager noted that the first live

broadcast was on February 14. He announced on-demand audio replays are available after the meetings on the Town web-site at www.townofsurfsidefl.gov. He stated that Surfside Channel 77 will replay the Commission Meetings on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at Noon. He added that because the equipment requires staff to monitor the replays, they have been limited to normal business hours. In order to electronically schedule replays outside of normal business hours and on weekends, etc. it is necessary to acquire certain enhancements to the present system. Three quotes have been received, two of which were for complete systems, including playback components and equipment. The two responsive quotes were \$8,351 and \$14,991. The Town Manager announced plans to proceed with the purchase of the equipment from Digital Video Systems for \$8,351. He noted that funds were budgeted for this purpose and are available in the Executive Department, Capital Outlay account. In addition, the Town Manager stated that the new camera has been installed which should greatly improve the broadcast quality.

The Town Manager reported that the flag poles around Town are being repaired or, as is the case at the Recreation Center, replaced.

Regarding Parks and Recreation programming, the Town Manager noted that all programs are on-going and are not being impacted at this time.

The Town Manager announced a temporary parking facility at 9264 Collins Avenue. He noted that the lot was filled and paved to provide over twenty spaces for use by Town employees, freeing up space at the Harding and 93rd street lot for use by Town Hall Visitors and the temporary library customers. An additional handicapped space will be provided near the temporary library entrance. Modular Units have been delivered to temporarily

house the Town's Community Center and Library. The units have utility connections installed. Security fencing and landscaping are also being planned for.

Regarding the internal televising of the Town's storm sewer system, the Town Manager reported that only 88th street and a portion of 89th street drainage remains to be cleaned and televised. He noted that over 16,000 cubic feet (594 cubic yards) of internal sediments have been removed from the pipes and disposed of. Segments of pipes with major defects are being identified for repair or replacement, prior to the milling and resurfacing operations. Two areas that suffered serious flooding in the past, the north end of the Abbott parking lot and the south side of the intersection of Abbott and 95th street should experience some relief because segments of pipe were replaced after they were found to be obstructed or collapsed during the internal inspection of the system.

At the January 10 meeting, the Town Commission authorized the Town Manager to enter into negotiations with Miller Legg Landscape Architects for the Town of Surfside Landscape Master Plan. The Town Manager announced that he met with the Architect and plans to return to the Town Commission at the April 11 meeting with a recommended contract, including timelines for the project.

The Commission approved the following Resolutions:

2. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, approving a grant of \$5,000.00 to the Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor Elementary School Drug Prevention Program from the 2005/2006 Police Confiscation Fund; and providing an effective date.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS 4-0

Surfside (CIT) Team

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involving people with mental illness who are in crisis. These specially trained officers continue to perform regular assigned law enforcement

duties, but in addition, they are the first responders (at least one CIT Officer will be dispatched to a crisis event) to an event involving a person(s) in crisis. The CIT Officer, regardless of rank, will be the "officer-in-charge" when responding to calls for service or events

pertaining to mental illness issues. Members of the Surfside Police Department Crisis Intervention Team successfully completed one week of intensive training at Jackson Memorial Hospital.

SURF-BAL-BAY LIBRARY

Storytime: Resumes April 11, 2006, 2nd Tuesday of the month from 10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m., ages 4 and under. The Library is closed to the general public at this time, so be sure to knock on the Library door to gain entrance.

For your reading pleasure...



Children's Books:

- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane *by Kate Dicamillo* (junior fiction: Grade 3 and up) A cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who loves him.
- The Hello, Goodbye Window *by Norton Juster*; Pictures *by Chris Raschka* (easy reader) A magical window leads to a world of discovery and imagination. **This year's Caldicott Medal winner!!**
- Rabbit's Good News *by Ruth Lercher Bornstein* (easy reader) Spring is here!!
- Rosa *by Nikki Giovanni* (junior biography) A biography of Rosa Parks. **A Caldicott Honor Book and Winner of the Coretta Scott King Award**

Adult Books:

- Does the United States Need a National Health Insurance Policy? **Nancy Harris, book editor: Helen Cothran, managing editor**
- Read Right: Coaching your Child to Excellence in Reading *by Dee Tadlock*
- Chapman Boating Etiquette *by Pat Piper*
- Train from Marietta *by Dorothy Garlock* (period fiction, large print)
- The House *by Danielle Steel* (fiction)



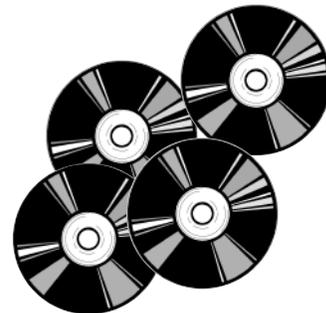
Videos and DVD's

Children

- Wallace & Gromit Curse of the Were-Rabbit (children's)
- Zathura • Chicken Little
- Howl's Moving Castle

Adult

- The Constant Gardener
- Bad Education (foreign film)
- March of the Penguins
- Capote • Memoirs of a Geisha
- King Kong • Good Night and Good Luck





Smiles the Clown with Darryl, Lauren & Blake Bernstein



Expedito, Alejandro, Liliam & Victoria Hernandez

SURFSIDE SPRING CARNIVAL

The Surfside Tourist Bureau hosted a Spring Carnival for the town residents and tourists on Sunday, March 5, 2006, in conjunction with J Productions and Entertainment. Tourist Bureau members, Dorie Lurie, Rita Lebowitz, Evelyn Jordan, Marie (Rosie) Ivens and Juan Yanes greeted guests.

During the course of the perfect weather day, about 500 people attended the event. The event was held from 1-5 pm at 95th Street and Harding Avenue, Surfside, FL. J Production provided all staff and equipment. Included in the entertainment were stilt walkers, a

magician, jugglers, MC/DJ, Top 40 music, carnival booths with free prizes, treats such as popcorn, cotton candy, snow cones, and large inflatables. The MC/DJ worked continuously to entertain, holding dance and hula hoop contests.

Another highlight was the Surfside Recreation Department's jump-roping team, who excited the crowd with their intricate routines. They also gave lessons to the audience.

Surfside police officers were in attendance to close the street and direct traffic. Several town merchants participated by opening their shops and either served food or displayed their wares.

By all reports it was a most successful and enjoyable event.



*Organizers of the Spring Carnival (L-R) Tourist Bureau Director **Ruth Gardner**, and Tourist Bureau members **Rita Lebowitz**, **Juan Yanes**, **Dorie Lurie** (in front), **Evelyn Jordan** and **Marie Ivens***



*The Blumstein Family (**Mark**, **Dalia** and their children **Joel**, **Allen** and **Eva** have a great time at the Spring Carnival)*



Parks & Rec. Dept. Jump Rope team members entertain the Spring Carnival crowd

BAYNANZA BISCAYNE BAY CLEAN-UP SCHEDULED FOR EARTH DAY: SATURDAY APRIL 22, 2006



Interested in spending the day enjoying Biscayne Bay and giving a hand to protect it? Miami-Dade DERM's (Department of Environmental Resources Management) will host their annual **Baynanza Biscayne Bay Clean-Up Day** on Saturday, April 22 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Now in its 24th year, this is the largest shore

cleanup of its kind. Last year alone, participants collected over 20 tons of trash. All volunteers will receive plenty of water, garbage bags and a commemorative Baynanza t-shirt.

The Surfside Coordinator for the Baynanza event will be Melissa Moonves-Colon. If you would like additional information she can be reached at (305) 867-1757.

Biscayne Bay Cleanup Day is a great event for all ages and **community service hours can be arranged.** So

pack a lunch, and bring your friends and family! **Advance registration is necessary for participants.** Registration closes Monday, April 3, 2006. Volunteers may register by email at www.miamidade.gov/derm/baynanza or may write to: Baynanza Registration, c/o DERM, 33 SW 2nd Ave., Suite 1200, Miami, FL 33130-1540.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT

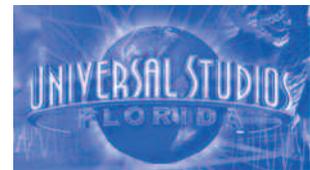
ATTENTION SURFSIDERS: An Important Programming Update

The Parks and Recreation Department will continue to hold scheduled programs. Please refer to the Town Gazette and website www.townofsurfsidefl.gov for program locations, dates and times, or call the Parks and Recreation Department office (305) 866-3635 for details.



UNIVERSAL STUDIOS YOUTH TRIP

Re-scheduled for Saturday, April 29, 2006
Ages: 8 -15 (Must show proof of age)
Surfside Residents Only



The Town of Surfside is hosting a fun filled youth trip to Universal Studios in Orlando. Children will be able to experience the joy of ET, Back to the Future, Fear Factor and The Mummy

Drop off time will be between 5:15 - 6:00 am • Buses will be Departing at 6:00 am
Buses will return to Surfside at 10:30 pm

Cost: \$65.00 per child (NO REFUNDS)

Please send additional money for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and spending.
Parents are not permitted to accompany their child.



Registration will be on a first come, first serve basis. The last day for registration will be **Monday, April 10, 2006**. For more information, contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635.



The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department



Spring Break "One" Day Camp with The Florida Marlins

The Parks & Recreation Department would like to invite Surfsiders, ages 8 to 15 to enjoy a baseball game, featuring the Florida Marlins vs the San Diego Padres

Wednesday, April 12th

Fee: Residents \$20 / Non-Residents \$ 30 per child

Time: 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

Ages: 8 - 15



Children must be dropped off at the Community Center, located at 9301 Collins Ave. Buses will depart to Pro Player Stadium at 11:30 am sharp. Buses will return to the Community Center at approximately 5:15 pm.

All children must be picked up by 5:30 pm

Children must bring their own lunch and snacks.

Lunch will be eaten at the
Community Center.



Tickets must be purchased at the Surfside Community Center in advance. **Deadline is April 10, 2006.** For more information contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov.

The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department

Summer Camp 2006

The Town of Surfside is proud to announce our 2006 Summer Camp. Your child's summer will be filled with activities such as Gymnastics, Arts and Crafts, Football, Soccer, Swim Lessons and much more. Awesome field trips will include, Wannado City, Palladium, Bowling and many Water Parks.

Summer Camp

No Camp: May 29 & July 4

Camp Fees:

May 30 - July 21

Surfside Residents \$350.00 for 8 weeks
 Non-Resident \$650.00 for 8 weeks
 (2 T-Shirts included)



Extended Camp

Camp Fees:

July 24 - August 4

Surfside Residents \$85.00 for 2 weeks
 Non-Resident \$125.00 for 2 weeks
 (1 T-Shirt included)

Ages: 6 - 12 (Child must turn 6 by December 31, 2006)

Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

(A late charge of \$5.00 will be assessed for every 5 minutes after 6:00pm)



Registration

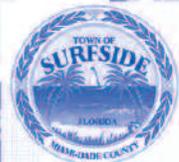
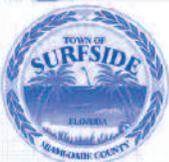
Sunday thru Saturdays 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

- Permanent Surfside Residents: April 10 - April 30
- Bay Harbor / Bal Harbour Campers of 2005, Surfside Store Owners: May 1 - May 14
- All others: May 15 - May 26

Registration spaces are limited and will be on a first come, first serve basis. Everyone must present a proof of residence such as a current water bill, lease or electric bill.

Proof of Insurance is mandatory at the time of registration. A payment for the first two weeks of Field Trips must be paid in CASH at the time of registration in order for your child to attend.

For more information contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov





Senior Program
Every Wednesday, In the Lanai Room
10:00 am - Noon



The Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a morning of activities for Seniors at the Community Center. Come join and play dominoes, cards, board games, mahjong, and more! Activities are Free. Coffee and Light Refreshments will be served.

April Programs

Surfside Community Center Adult Classes and Programs

Water Aerobics for Adults 55 and over:

Resident \$10 / Non-Resident \$20 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Aerobic water workouts incorporate a variety of rhythmic body movements and dance steps performed in the water. The participant learns to combine arm and leg movements in varying combinations. The main purpose of water aerobics is to improve cardiovascular conditioning.

Wednesday **March 22 - May 10** **10:30 - 11:30 am**



Yoga for Surfside Residents 55 and over:

Surfside Residents Free!

Enjoy invigorating and relaxing yoga classes while engaging in techniques that benefits your mind, body, and spirit. You will learn proper breathing exercises and relaxation methods long associated with this proven ancient tradition.

Thursday **Ongoing** **10:00 - 11:00 am**



Yogalates:

Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$65 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Yogalates integrates exercise from Yoga and Pilates. The results are increased flexibility, stronger core strength, and greater overall power and grace. This is an effective and challenging workout for all ages and fitness levels.

Thursday **April 6 - May 25** **7:00 - 8:00 pm**

Yoga:

Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$65 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Enjoy invigorating and relaxing yoga classes while engaging in techniques that benefits your mind, body, and spirit. You will learn proper breathing exercises and relaxation methods long associated with this proven ancient tradition. ***New Instructor**

Monday **April 3 - May 22** **7:00 - 8:00 pm**

Pilates:

Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$65 (per person 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Pilates focuses on core strengthening (abdominals) and helps reshape the body by creating long, lean muscles. It also helps to strengthen the back muscles and increase flexibility.

Tuesday **April 4 - May 23** **7:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

Wednesday **April 5 - May 24** **7:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

Surfside Community Center Youth Classes and Programs

Theatrical Dance Class:

Resident \$75 / Non-Resident \$125 (per child 5 weeks = 5 classes)

This class will teach children the beginning stages of musical theatre. This is an introduction to acting, singing, and dancing. This class will also help with your child's self esteem and speaking in public. We will be working on different musicals that everyone knows and the children will love to perform.

Saturday **April 22 - May 27** **10:30 am - Noon**
No Class May 13



Jump Rope:

Resident \$30 / Non-Resident \$48 (per child 6 weeks = 12 classes)

Classes are designed to inspire and motivate physical fitness through jump rope as a lifetime sport. The Beginner Jump Rope Program will be used as a feeder program for the Competitive Jump Rope Team. Appointment to the Competitive Jump Rope Team is by invitation only. **Note: Registration in Progress.**

Tuesday and Friday (Session II) **March 14 - May 2** **Ages: 7 and up** **3:30 - 4:30 pm**
No Class: Friday, March 24 • Tuesday, April 11 • Friday, April 14

Chess Program:

Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$65 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)

This program is for children that want to learn how to play chess or for children who are familiar with the game and want to improve on their abilities in a fun learning environment.

Note: Registration in Progress. Dates are subject to change based on facility.

Saturday (Session II) **March 18 - May 6** **Beginners** **Noon - 1:00 pm**
Open **1:00 - 2:00 pm**



Arts and Crafts: Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$60 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Join the fun with this instructional Arts & Crafts program for kids. Children will create projects with paper, fabric, and other age appropriate media. Classes are taught by certified teachers.

Note: Registration in Progress. Dates are subject to change based on facility.

Saturday (Session II) **March 18 - May 6** **Ages: 3 and up** **10:00 - 11:00 am**



Kidokinetics: GIVE YOUR CHILD THE GIFT OF FITNESS

Resident \$56 / Non-Resident \$72 (per child 7 weeks = 7 classes)

Kidokinetics is a way to improve and enhance your child's fitness. Each week we work on different sports in a non-competitive setting. This program helps to develop their motor skills and self-confidence. We teach the basic of various sports. Our classes are for boys and girls. **Note:**

Registration in Progress. Classes will be held at Novack Park (9572 Bay Drive)



Session II: **March 14 - May 9 (No Class Tuesday, April 11)**
 Tuesday **Ages: 3 - 5** **4:30 - 5:15 pm**
 Tuesday **Ages: 5 - 10** **5:15 - 6:00 pm**

Gymnastics:**Resident \$34 / Non-Resident \$56 (per child 6 weeks = 6 classes)**

Come join our gymnastics program taught by certified instructors. Through praise, encouragement and skillful attention, your child will be taught the sport of gymnastics.

Note: Registration in Progress.

Wednesday (Session I)

April 19 - May 24**Ages: 3 - 5****4:00 - 4:55 pm****Ages: 6 - 10****5:00 - 5:55 pm**

Thursday (Session I)

April 20 - May 25**Ages: 3 - 5****4:00 - 4:55 pm****Ages: 6 - 10****5:00 - 5:55 pm****Acrobatics and Tumbling:****Resident \$34 / Non-Resident \$56 (per child 6 weeks = 6 classes)**

Boys and girls 10 and up are invited to join our tumbling and acrobatics class taught by certified instructors. Learn the basics of both tumbling and acrobatics. **Note: Registration in Progress.**

Wednesday (Session I)

April 19 - May 24**Ages: 8 - up****6:00 - 6:55 pm****Hip Hop Jazz Dance:****(Resident \$34 / Non-Resident \$56 (per child 6 weeks = 6 classes))**

This dance class is designed to incorporate jazz technique as well as hip hop moves to today's pop music. This class will also improve your child's flexibility as well as coordination. **Note: Registration in Progress.**

Thursday (Session I)

April 20 - May 25**Ages: 8 - 16****6:15 - 7:10 pm****"Learn To Swim Program"****Registration in Progress**

Fees for Weekdays – Resident \$20 / Non-Resident \$40 Fees for Weekends – Resident \$20 / Non-Resident \$40

Preschool Swim Lessons: Ages: 3 - 5

Preschool age children will learn water adjustment, how to breathe properly, floating, and basic arm and leg movements.

Monday & Wednesday (Session II)

April 3 - April 26**3:45 - 4:15 pm**

Tuesday & Thursday (Session II)

April 4 - April 27**3:45 - 4:15 pm**

Saturday and Sunday (Session II)

April 8 - April 30**9:45 - 10:15 am****Beginner Swim Lessons: Ages: 6 - 12**

Learn the basic principles of swimming. Personal safety is stressed throughout the course.

Monday & Wednesday (Session II)

April 3 - April 26**4:20 - 4:50 pm**

Tuesday & Thursday (Session II)

April 4 - April 27**4:20 - 4:50 pm**

Saturday & Sunday (Session II)

April 8 - April 30**10:20 - 10:50 am**

For further information on the upcoming Summer Swim Program, please contact the Surfside Community Center at (305) 866-3635

Surfside Community Center Pool Hours

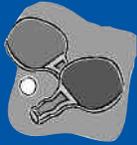


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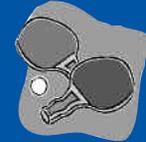


Monday – Friday	Lap Swimming (ONLY)	7:45 am – 9:00 am
	Regular Operating Pool Hours	9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Saturday – Sunday	Regular Operating Pool Hours	9:00 am – 6:45 pm

APRIL GAME ROOM HOURS:



Hours of Operation are subject to change.



Monday - Friday	2:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday	10:00 am - 6:30 pm



SURFSIDE TENNIS CENTER



The regularly scheduled Hours of Operation are listed below. However, the tennis courts are open anytime *by pre-arranged appointments*. For more information please call the Tennis Center at 305-866-5176. *Gift Certificates are available.*

Monday through Friday	3:30 - 10:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday	Opened to lesson appointments

Closed Sunday, April 16 • Except by lesson Appointment

Tennis Classes

Wednesday	Ages: 4 - 6 (Tiny Tot)	April 5 - April 26	7:30 - 8:30 pm
Thursday	Ages: 9 & 10 (Junior)	April 6 - April 27	6:30 - 7:30 pm

Fee: \$15 per 1 class; \$54 per 4 classes. Limit 4 students per class. Reservation required.

Adult Tennis “Get Together” (Round About Game Play)

Tuesday	Adults	March 28	7:15 - 8:45 pm
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Fee: \$10 per person; Pre-paid reservations required. Limit 12 students per class.

PROGRAMMING ALERT:

April starts our “Tournament Training Month”. Classes will be held to teach players
“How to Compete in Tournaments.”

SURFSIDE POLICE DETECTIVE TAMMY PEDRE NAMED "OFFICER OF THE YEAR"

At the February meeting of the Surfside Commission, Chief O'Reilly presented Detective Tammy Pedre with an award for Distinguished Police Officer of the Year for 2005. Detective Pedre was chosen as Distinguished Officer of the Year 2005, for exemplary investigative and patrol service, commitment to the community and attention to duty. She has excelled in her role as a criminal investigator and has continually displayed above average initiative when pursuing and apprehending the criminal element in our society.

In March of 2005, Detective Pedre was selected to attend a "Women in Law Enforcement Conference" hosted by the Federal Bureau of Investigations. This prestigious training included an intensive classroom component and a rigorous and demanding physical element that included combat ground fighting, weapons retention and

survival shooting.

In addition to her daily investigative responsibilities, Detective Pedre has participated in multi-agency street crimes and narcotics task force, and a separate multi-agency gang task force. Detective Pedre willingly put her many assignments on hold to fulfill a temporary departmental need to serve as a Field Training Officer for new police officers. This assignment was critical to the long-term and future successes of the Surfside Police Department and she equally excelled in that role.

In the summer of 2005, Detective Pedre's professional diligence led to the apprehension of two carjacking suspects and an armed and unrelated third suspect who were all wanted

in connection with numerous robberies in Northeast Miami-Dade County. She has received numerous letters of commendation and was selected as Officer of the Month [August 2005] for her courage and initiative in removing these dangerous robbery subjects from the streets of our community.



"Officer of the Year" Detective Tammy Pedre (center) with proud family members.

Surfside Traffic Safety Officer Woodward "Woody" Brooks Honored By Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)

On Thursday evening, February 23, 2006, Surfside Traffic Safety Officer Woodward Brooks received a Special



Traffic Safety Unit Officer receives award from Janet Mongshein, Executive Director of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)

Enforcement Award from MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving). The award ceremony honored law enforcement officers from numerous Police agencies throughout Miami-Dade County who consistently demonstrate exceptional performance and commitment to combating the serious offense of Driving Under the Influence (DUI).

Officer Brooks is a dedicated Police Officer who takes great pride in removing impaired drivers from the roads in our community!



The Surfside Police Department invites all residents to attend a

Crime Prevention Workshop

Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.



Guest Speaker:

**Stephanie Mayoliz, BSW
Outreach Coordinator, Kristi House
Orlowitz-Lee Advocacy Center**



**TOPIC:
Sexual Assault Awareness**

Surfside Municipal Building, 9293 Harding Avenue, 2nd Floor Police Training Room

*Bring a friend & you will both receive a complimentary gift, courtesy of the Surfside Police Department
Light refreshments will be served.*

Please RSVP: (305) 861-4862 to confirm your attendance

The Surfside Police Department & the Alzheimer's Association, South Florida Chapter Host the "Safe Return" Program, April 18 – 20

Alzheimer's disease and related dementia cause millions of Americans to lose their ability to recognize familiar places and faces. Six in 10 people with these diseases will wander from their homes. Many people cannot even remember their name or address. They may become disoriented and lost, even in their own neighborhood. Although common, this wandering can be dangerous; if the individual is not found within 24 hours, up to half of those who wander risk serious injury or death.

To address this problem, the Alzheimer's Association sponsors "**Safe Return**", a nationwide identification and enrollment program. From 10 a.m. - Noon on April 18-20, 2006, the Alzheimer's Association South Florida Chapter, in conjunction with the Town of Surfside, will accept applications from caregivers interested in obtaining **free** engraved identification bracelets or necklaces for their Surfside loved ones suffering from dementia. Applications will be taken in the 2nd

floor police training room, in the Surfside Municipal Building.

For more information, please call

Public Service Aide, Wanda Flores at (305) 861-4862 ext. 283.

FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL WARNS DRIVERS TO "MOVE OVER"



Florida's "Move Over" law requires drivers to "move over" or "slow down" when approaching an authorized emergency vehicle parked on a roadway with their emergency lights activated. Where possible, drivers must move away for the stopped emergency vehicle or slow down to 20 mph below the speed limit or to 5 mph when the speed limit is 20 mph or less.

The "Move Over Act" passed during the 2002 session of the Florida legislature and was signed by Governor Jeb Bush on May 1, 2002. Between 1996-2000, motorists in Florida crashed into working law enforcement vehicles that were stopped/parked along

Florida's roadways 1,793 times, resulting in 5 deaths and 419 injuries.

There have been several incidents recently involving law enforcement officers on the side of highways while they were conducting traffic stops in Florida. Officers have been killed or seriously injured. Despite educational campaigns, Florida newspapers have reported that about 90% of drivers do not know about the law.

The Florida Highway Patrol urges motorists to help protect the people who protect you. Move over, slow down, and be aware. Help make it safer for law enforcement officials and emergency workers to do their jobs.

APRIL CALENDAR

COMMISSION MEETING IS TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2006 AT 8:00 PM

Education Committee.....Time and Date To Be Determined
Parks & Recreation Committee.....Time and Date To Be Determined
Tourist Bureau..... Time and Date To Be Determined
Contact Town Hall for details

Planning & Zoning Board Last Tuesday of the month, at 7:00 pm (04/25/06)

Spring Egg Hunt.....Sunday, April 2, Novack Park , 10:00 am – Noon

Crime Prevention Workshop.....Wednesday, April 26, 2006, 6:30 pm
Surfside Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Police Training Room

Spring Break “One” Day Camp with the Florida Marlins..... Wednesday, April 12, 2006
8:00 am – 5:30 pm, Ages 8 - 15

Alzheimer’s Association “Safe Return” Program.....April 18 - 20, 10:00 am - Noon.
Surfside Municipal Building, 2nd Floor Police Training Room

Baynanza Biscayne Bay Clean Up Day.....Saturday, April 22, Surfside Beach, 9:00 am - Noon

UPCOMING

Surfside Police Department..... Hurricane Expo.....Saturday, May 27, 2006 9:00 am – Noon
Municipal Parking Lot at 9400 Harding Avenue

Please note that all times & dates listed, except Town Commission meetings, are tentative and subject to change.
Please verify the information by contacting Town Hall at (305) 861-4863,
or visit our Website at www.townofsurfsidefl.gov for updates.

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