



Surfside Town Gazette

April 2007

The Mayor's View



Hi Everyone,
It looks like summer is almost here and we at the Commission want to ensure, to the greatest extent possible,

that we are ready for it. To that end, I want to go through a few things you may want to watch for, as you will soon see them happening in our Town. Of course, the Manager and his staff of the Parks and Recreation Department headed by the very capable Tim Milian, continue to overwhelm us with the pages of activities every month in this publication. Plan on that list continuing to be long and exciting!

As I ride my bike through town each day, I get to speak with many of you and listen to your great ideas. As a result of a discussion with residents Tony and Stacy Hart, I had placed a proposal for the Commission to discuss a temporary above ground pool on the sand directly adjacent to our old pool to

allow our kids not to miss a summer without a pool. The Commission heartily approved the concept and directed the manager to move forward with obtaining permission from the State to undertake this. (Let's keep our fingers crossed that they approve it) See, your ideas really do make a difference, so pull me

over and let me hear from you!

In other news, after proposing this idea, I was pleased that Miami Beach Officials had accepted my invitation to make a proposal to provide Fire and Rescue services, in lieu of the County, for Surfside.

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CHARRETTE DOCUMENT PRESENTATION

TO ALL RESIDENTS & BUSINESS OWNERS

Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m.
At Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue
2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

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**Surfside's
Water-Use
Restrictions**
See page 2 for details

Commissioner's Corner



Fellow Neighbors and Friends,

At past Commission meetings, we discussed improving the Town's parks, beaches, business district, streets, sewers, stormwater, landscaping, fire service, community center, library, and pool, among a myriad of other issues. Your Commission has directed the Town Manager to issue Request for Qualifications for a Planner, Architect, Project Manager, and Forensic Accountant. Unfortunately, however, even after marathon Commission meetings, including two last month, our Town pool remains closed and out of operation.

Back in the 1980's, my grandmother, parents, brother and I spent many afternoons enjoying the outdoors and swimming in the Town pool. Over the last several years, I spent priceless time with my wife, children, friends and fellow neighbors, and even taught 2 of my 3 children to swim at the Town pool. Hopefully, some day Baby Eva - now 2 - will learn how to swim there too! It was truly an extension of my home. Unfortunately, though, our Town pool remains closed and out of operation.

My challenge to your Commission - is to refocus our tremendous energy to reviving the Town Pool. I invite you - my fellow neighbors and friends - to attend Commission meetings, express your frustrations and desires to your Commission to focus its time, energy and our money first and foremost to re-opening a new Town pool.

With many capital improvements on the horizon, the Town - according to its Manager - is poised to spend close to 40 million dollars on major capital improvements. I am informing you of this not to scare you, but to give you a sense of reality for those who do not follow the daily business of your local government. Although the Town budgeted for a Grant Writer to try and secure

grant monies wherever possible, we remain without a Grant Writer to address these issues. We currently rely on our Lobbyist to secure such monies, which may help to some extent. However, the bulk of the dollars needed for our projected capital projects will come from us-the taxpayers of the Town.

Much to my surprise, for the first time in recent history of the Town of Surfside, a proposed bond measure came before the Commission to fund capital improvements. Because Surfside has gone a long time without the necessary maintenance and improvements, the Commission may face difficulties reviving our entire Town in 2 short years. We need to take a collective deep breath, slow it down, plan meetings with Town residents and staff, and focus on prioritizing capital projects-completing them timely, correctly and on budg-

et without breaking the bank. Summer is around the corner. Is anyone up for a swim in our new Town pool?

Please forward your thoughts to mblumstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov. I remain proud and honored to serve you.

Yours Truly,
Mark



Water-Use Restrictions Are Now In Effect For Surfside's Commercial & Residential District



South Florida Water Management has recently introduced Phase 1 water-use restrictions for the residential and commercial districts of Surfside and the rest of the County. These moderate restrictions requires everyone to limit outdoor water use.

A two page fact sheet is available at the front counter in Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue, between 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. which details the new regulations for lawn watering (including property greater than 5 acres), hand watering, new landscaping, irrigation system repair, pesticide application, boat, car and equipment washing and commercial/recreation uses. All residents and business owners are encouraged to obtain a copy for their handy reference.



Please take note of the con-

densed, simple-to-follow watering regulations below:

Water your lawn on assigned days based on your address:

- ODD: If the last number in your home address is odd (1,3,5,7, or 9), water your property (homes on less than 5 acres), from 4-8 a.m., only on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.
- EVEN: If the last number in your home address is even (0,2,4,6, or 8), water your property (homes on less than 5 acres), from 4-8 a.m., only on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.
- The washing of cars, boats and other equipment is permitted 4-8 a.m. and 5-7 p.m. on the landscape watering days
- COMMERCIAL: Landscape watering for Licensed Individual/Company is on the same odd/even schedule as residential landscape watering.

The Mayor's View

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There are many details to both proposals, and the Commission will soon take up the discussion, possibly in a workshop, to reach a final conclusion on which plan best fits our Town. Some of the highlights of the County plan include their substantial resources and the building of a brand new fire/rescue station right here in Town which would service four municipalities including ours. The Miami Beach offer includes fire and rescue services for Surfside from their satellite station just a few blocks south of Town on Collins Avenue and their North Beach Indian Creek Station. Miami Beach has offered to provide Fire/Rescue services at a 50% discount to the \$3.5 million dollars that the County receives from Surfside Taxpayers each year. The Miami Beach proposal would save Surfside Taxpayers almost \$1.8 million dollars each and every year. This \$1.8 million dollar savings is equal to 25% of all property taxes collected from Surfside Taxpayers and is for all intents and purposes, a 25% property tax cut for Surfside Taxpayers. The Commission will certainly need to carefully evaluate these two very significant and impacting proposals.

The Commission gave the Manager permission to move forward on the proposal to place a working gate for Surfside residents using a transponder at 88th and Bryon. While I've been told that there are hurdles and complicated issues associated with this location and the currently placed traffic barriers authorized by prior administrations, we're excited about this idea and will

work hard to get it done!

I was very proud to participate in the swearing-in of our new Police Chief, Dave Allen and Assistant Chief John Di Censo. Congratulations to both and welcome to our Surfside family! Please call them, send an email, or stop by and introduce yourself. They are there for you, and are eager to meet and help all of our Town's residents. These two men, along with the other incredibly professional officers that make up the force, have committed to be a top tier Police organization and we're all right behind them!

Here are this month's quick hits: The Beach walk is almost ready to bid. We will go back to two meetings a month this summer. We're looking for ways to soften the financial blow of the mostly empty trailers sitting in Town brought

in by our predecessors. The Manager has been given permission to consider all offers including residents who may want to rent them on a month-to-month basis. Crime stats continue to fall. We've given the Manager permission to present proposals for new and good looking modular news racks, to replace the old and ugly boxes currently out there. I've asked the Manager to consider replanting beautiful and low level landscaping in the Downtown district, to look into repainting Town Hall which is suffering from peeling paint, and to incorporate some other small and easy, but meaningful ideas that will give our Town a very "well attended" look! Stay tuned and keep those suggestions coming. Until next time,

All the best,
Charlie

Valet Parking Has Arrived In The Surfside Business District



**From 5 P.M. - Midnight
7 Days A Week:**



AT THE FOLLOWING TWO LOCATIONS:

- 1. On the East side of Harding Ave., immediately North of the pedestrian crosswalk, in the middle of the 9500 block**
- 2. On the North side of 95th St., West of Harding Ave.**

AND

WEDNESDAY - SATURDAY:

On the West side of Harding Ave. immediately North of the pedestrian crosswalk, in the middle of the 9400 Block



E-MAIL ADDRESSES FOR THE TOWN COMMISSION & MANAGER



***Please note that the e-mail addresses for Surfside's Elected Officials
& Town Manager are now listed on the back page of the Gazette***

Residents are reminded that they can also communicate with the Town's administrative departments through the BetterPlace link on our Website. Please refer to the Surfside Cable Channel 77 or the Town website www.townofsurfsidefl.gov for meeting notices, upcoming events, Parks & Recreation Department programming information or the play-back of Commission Meetings.



Surfside Commission Highlights



1. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

The Town Manager announced that copies of the Surfside Crime Statistics & Citizen Survey, presented by Chief Allen, had been distributed to the Commission.

Regarding the introduction of valet parking in the downtown area, the Manager reported that the Town has been working with the Surfside Business Association to implement valet parking during the evening hours. He indicated that valet parking is now available in two downtown locations from 5:00 p.m. – midnight, seven days a week. One location is on the East side of Harding Ave. immediately North of the pedestrian crosswalk, in the middle of the 9500 block. The second location is on the North side of 95th St., West of Harding Ave. Valet parking is also available Wednesday – Saturday, from 5:00 p.m. – midnight, on the West side of Harding Ave., immediately North of the pedestrian crosswalk, in the middle of the 9400 block.

The Manager stated that a Beach Walking Path workshop was held on March 12. There were no suggestions or material changes to be made to the beach path, as presented. As such, unless the Commission directed him otherwise, the Town Manager said that he would continue critiquing the material and would send out a Request for Proposals for the construction project. Once the Town received the proposals, it would be able to address and/or modify the project with respect to costs of the specific elements. This information would also assist the Town in seeking funding opportunities.

The Manager reported that the bus service contractor has been working on modifying the current bus schedule to include daily trips to the Miami Shores Aquatic Center and to Mount Sinai Hospital. A meeting between the Manager and the contractor was set for Thursday, March 15.

Addressing the issue of the closure of the Town pool, the Manager reported

that the Community Center Committee had met on Thurs., Feb. 8th. The Committee determined that it could be summer of 2008 or later before the construction of the Community Center, including the pool, is complete. This conclusion led them to discuss the possibility of making interim repairs/improvements to the pool so that it could be re-opened. The Town Manager stated that he immediately sought professional advice and assistance on “how the Town could get the pool open” regardless of the state of the Community Center project. He offered the suggestions presented at the Feb. 8th Committee meeting. The Manager expressed his reluctance to use the word “impossible”, however, he told the Commission that the Town is essentially there. He explained that he received a report on Feb. 20 which sets forth the problems that would have to be overcome. The grounding problem would have to be corrected before anything else could take place. The report states, if the grounding problem could be overcome, the Town would have to correct the problems in the Community Center and have it satisfy the requirements for the 40 year re-certification. He stated that those who had seen the report on the repairs necessary to re-certify the Community Center know full well that is not an option.

The following Resolutions were approved by the Commission on March 13, 2007:

2. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, providing for the fiscal year 2006/2007 Police Confiscation fund expenditure in the amount of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to be funded by proceeds of confiscated funds. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

3. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, providing for the fiscal year 2006/2007 Police Confiscation fund expenditure in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be funded by

proceeds of confiscated funds. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

4. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, providing for the fiscal year 2006/2007 Police Confiscation fund expenditure in the amount of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be funded by proceeds of confiscated funds. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

5. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, approving a Resolution opposing HB529 and SB380, which seek to eliminate local franchising of cable services; urging the Governor and the Florida Legislature to oppose these bills and any other bill that seeks to effectuate a similar result; supporting existing law under which local governments are franchising authorities for the provision of cable services; and directing that this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor, Members of the Florida Legislature, the Miami-Dade County Legislative Delegation, Miami-Dade County League of Cities and the Florida League of Cities and providing for an effective date. **Vote: 4-1** with Mayor Burkett dissenting.

The following Ordinances were approved on Second Reading on March 13, 2007:

6. An Ordinance of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, relating to ad valorem taxation; providing for an additional homestead exemption for certain qualifying senior citizens to be applied to millage rates levied by the Town; providing for the submission of an annual application and supporting documentation to the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser; providing for waiver of exemption; providing for an annual increase in the income limitation; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; providing for inclusion in the Code; and providing for an effective date. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

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Surfside Commission Highlights

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7. An Ordinance amending the Code of the Town of Surfside; amending Section 2-185(a) of the Town Code to change the creditable service requirement eligibility provision for the Police Officer and General Employee Trustees from five to one years of creditable service; providing for severability; providing for codification and providing an effective date. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

The following Ordinances were approved on first reading on March 13, 2007: Second Reading is scheduled for April 10, 2007:

8. An Ordinance of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside,

Florida, adopting a Code of Ethics; providing for severability; providing for inclusion in the Code; providing for conflicts and providing for an effective date **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

9. An Ordinance of the Town commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, providing for amendment of the Town Charter by amending Article II, Section 5, "Town Commission; Number; Selection, Term" to include term limits; providing requisite ballot language for submission to electors; providing for copies of this Charter Amendment to be available for public inspection; providing for the Town Clerk to utilize the services of Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections; providing for inclusion in the Charter; providing for notice of election; providing for severability, and providing for an effective date. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

10. An Ordinance of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, amending Chapter 86 "Waterways" Section 86-41 "Peddling"; providing for severability; providing for inclusion in the Code; providing for conflicts and providing for an effective date. **Vote: UNANIMOUS**

In other matters:

March 13, 2007 was proclaimed "Coach Alton Strachan" day in recognition of his commitment to the students at Nautilus Middle School.

Wanda Flores, Police Department Special Projects Coordinator was recognized as "Civillian of the Month" for February by Chief Dave Allen.

City of Miami Beach Fire Rescue Department gave a presentation to the Commission regarding the possibility of contracting with the Town for Fire Rescue Services.

SURFSIDE LIBRARY

Storytime: Will be held on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 from 10:00 until 11:00 a.m. The library is closed Tuesday mornings, so please knock on the door for admittance.

For your reading pleasure...

ADULT BOOKS:

Fiction:

- Whitethorn Woods *by Maeve Binchy*
- The Rising Tide: A Novel of World War II *by Jeff Shaara*
- Water for Elephants: a Novel *by Sara Gruen*

Non-fiction:

- Power, Faith, and Fantasy: America in the Middle East 1776 to the Present *by Michael B. Oren*
- Train Your Mind, Change Your Brain: How a New Science Reveals Our Extraordinary Potential to Transform Ourselves *by Sharon Begley*
- The Hadassah Jewish Holiday Cookbook: Traditional Recipes from Contemporary Kosher Kitchens

CHILDRENS' BOOKS:

- Passover *by David Mamet*
- Passover *by Norma Simon*
- The Children's Jewish Holiday Kitchen: 70 Ways to Have Fun with Your Kids and Make Your Family's Celebrations Special *by Joan Nathan*
- Happy Easter Dear Dragon *by Margaret Hillert* (easy reader)
- Minnine and Moo: The Attack of the Easter Bunnies *by Denys Cazet*

DVD's

- Little Miss Sunshine
- Catch a Fire
- Casino Royale
- Backyard
- Monster House

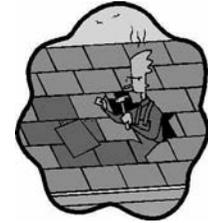


The Surfside Education Committee "Speaker Series" Presents

"CONTRACTORS & PERMITS"



Sunday, April 29, 2007
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM



Special Presentations By:
Harry Muñoz, Surfside Building Official
And
Chris Masciatti, Code Enforcement Consultant

Discussion Topics will include:

- *what requirements are specific to Surfside*
- *what you should know before hiring a Contractor*
 - *when do you need a permit*
 - *how do you get the correct permit*
 - *how do you avoid penalties*

Bring Your Questions and Get Answers From the Experts!!!

Location:

Surfside Municipal Building, 9293 Harding Avenue, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

Light Refreshments will be served

For further information, please contact Marta Olchyk at 305-867-5887

Education Committee Honoree



Mayor Charles Burkett proclaimed Tuesday, March 13, 2007 as "Coach Alton Strachan" Day in the Town of Surfside in recognition of Mr. Strachan's dedication and inspiration as a physical education teacher and coach of the students at Nautilus Middle School, and for his commitment to the children of Miami-Dade County.

Girl Scout Troup 802 Visits Surfside Police Department

On Monday, February 19, the Girls Scouts Cadette Troup 802 and Junior Troop 272 visited the Surfside Police Department. Their tour guide was Special Projects Coordinator, Wanda Flores. Surfside Police Officer, Edwin Pineda also spoke to the girls and their parents about police emergency equipment. The girls learned about police protocol and procedures, in preparation for another visit where they will be introduced to crime scene investigative techniques, including forensics.



(Front row from L-R) Megan Beauregard, Madison Stern, Adriana Vivas, Emily Groff, Grace Hill, and Bianca Javogue. (Back row L-R) Kira Feldman, Surfside Police Special Projects Coordinator, Wanda Flores, Hannah Imberman, Alexandra Mamber, and Anais Grezelowski

THE MIAMI SHORES AQUATIC CENTER

Shipwreck Cove Waterpark for Children Re-opens

March 17 – April Open Weekends Only

11:30 am – 2:00 pm & 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm



The Center also features a pool with slides, water activities, and an eight lane competition pool. Surfsiders must present a valid, updated resident ID card. For the Center's hours of operation, please check www.townofsursidefl.gov and select the direct link to the Miami Shores Aquatic Center. Please note that the Aquatic Center is closed on Mondays, in April.

Surfside Circulator Adds Miami Shores Aquatic Center To Its Route

The new bus route begins Tues., April 3rd and includes stops at the Miami Shores Aquatic Center, Tuesday through Saturday.

Town of Surfside New Schedule - Effective April 3, 2007

Community Center/Town Hall	Publix	Post Office	Bay Dr. & 95th Street	Bay Dr. & Dickens	Bay Dr. & 92nd Ave.	Byron & 92nd St.	Dickens & 90th St.	Hawthorne & 90th St.	Hawthorne & 88th St.	Byron & 88th St.	Bryon & 87th St.	90th St. & Collins Ave.	Community Cntr. Town Hall	Miami Shores Aquatics Cntr.
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Saturday Hours - 8:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.														
Please Note: Monday Service will add a 9:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Local Surfside Route.														

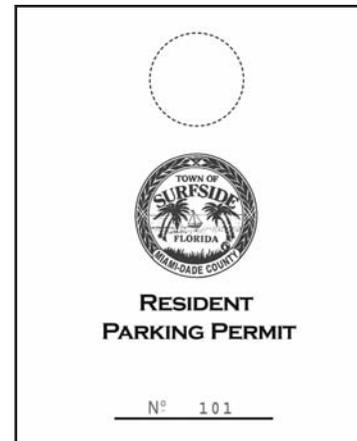
FREE METERED PARKING UPDATE

The free metered parking program for the Surfside business district and municipal lots, instituted by the Commission, in conjunction with the downtown merchants, will be continued, to encourage our Town residents to shop, eat, drink and patronize the local business community.

The blue pass expires on April 30,

2007 and the new, green colored passes are valid from **May 1 through July 31, 2007.**

If you are a resident who would like to participate in this program, parking permits are available at Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. To obtain a permit Surfsiders are required to bring an acceptable proof of residency (eg. dri-



PLEASE NOTE:
NEW parking passes will be mailed to all residents who have *registered their vehicles with Town Hall and have previously obtained a pass.*

ver's license, water or tax bill) and their license plate number. The permits should be hung, clearly visible, from the vehicle's rearview mirror.



The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department

SENIOR TRIP TO GULFSTREAM

Thursday, April 12th, 2007

Buses will depart from the
Community Center
(9301 Collins Ave) at Noon
And will return approximately at 6:00 pm.

Race times vary, starting at 1:10 pm continuing every
30 minutes. Slot machines open continuously.

Transportation Fee: \$5.00 Residents
 \$10.00 Non-Residents

Open to Surfside Residents and Non-Residents Deadline to register will
be Friday, April 6th. For more information contact the Community Center
at 305-866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov

The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department

Movie Under The Stars Presents



"A Night At The Museum"
Rated: PG
Located at:
 96th Street Park
 9572 Bay Dr.
 Saturday, April 21st, 2007



Doors open at 7:30 pm; Movie will start promptly at 8:00 pm

Guests are welcome to bring Blankets and Lawn Chairs.
Light refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Movie is free of charge for: Surfside residents and their guests. Proof of
residency is required. Guest must be Accompanied by a Town Resident for admission.
Hotel guests are also welcome free of charge, but must present Hotel Identification.

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

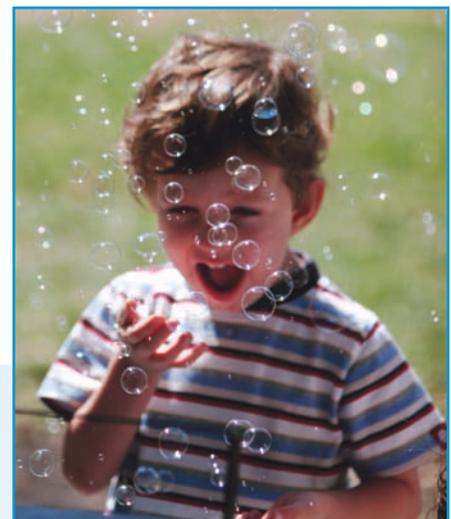
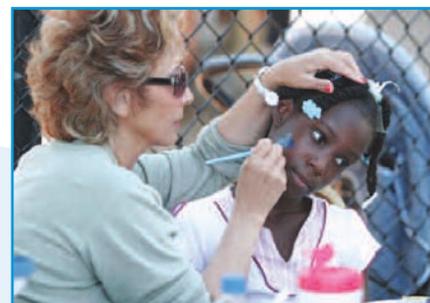
Tourist Bureau

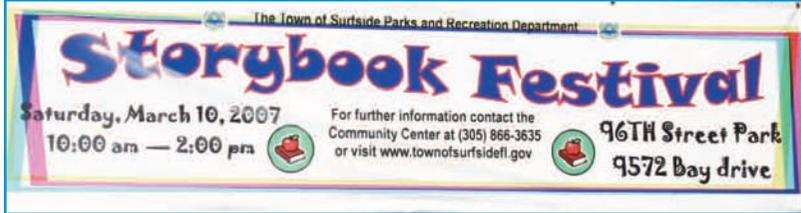


The Tourist Bureau is pleased to introduce new, brightly colored banners which enhance the attractiveness of the Harding & Collins Avenue corridor. The distinct, modern signage is designed to appeal to residents, visitors and business owners alike.



Parks & Recreation Department Storybook Festival Photos





The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department

Summer Camp 2007

The Town of Surfside is proud to announce our 2007 Summer Camp. Your child's summer will be filled with activities such as Gymnastics, Arts and Crafts, Football, Soccer, and much more. With awesome field trips, but not limited to, Wannado City, Palladium, Bowling and plenty of Water Parks.

Summer Camp

No Camp: July 4

Camp Fees:



June 4—July 27

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

Extended Camp

Camp Fees:

July 30—August 10

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 September 1, 2007)

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

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



Registration



Monday thru Thursday

Friday thru Sunday

1. Permanent Surfside Residents:
2. Bay Harbor / Bal Harbor Campers of 2006, Surfside Store Owners:
3. All others:

9:00am—6:00pm

9:00am—4:00pm

April 9—April 29

April 30—May 13

May 14—May 25

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





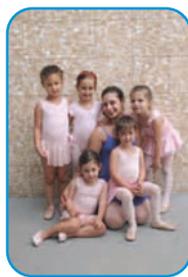
NEW PROGRAM PRE-SCHOOL BALLET

Resident \$45/ Non-Resident \$75 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)

The Pre-School Ballet class will cover the fundamentals of ballet movements. Children will learn *passé*, pile skipping first and second positions, dancing across the floor, walking on tippy toes along with proper posture and grace, under the instruction of Jessica Wolland. Classes will be held at the Community Center (9301 Collins Ave).

Friday February 23 - April 13 • Ages: 3 - 5 4:00 - 4:45 pm

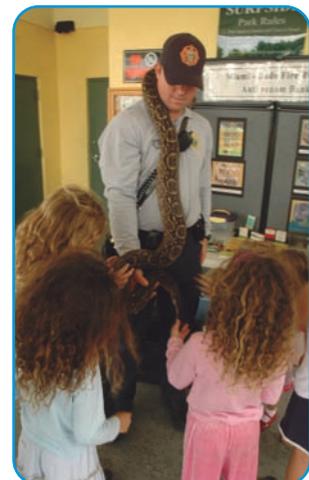
Ballet Instructor, Jessica Wolland & Surfside's future prima ballerinas.



**New Ballet Class for ages 6-10 years old begins April 9.
Register Now (305) 866-3635**

Town of Surfside Safety Day

The Surfside Police Department & the Education Committee hosted "Safety Day" on Sun., Feb. 25th. Pictured is the Miami-Dade County Fire Rescue, Venom Unit personnel, who brought some slithery friends to entertain the children. Special thanks is extended to Jackson Memorial Hospital for the Coalition of Kids/Injury Free Mobile Bus, and to the Miami-Dade County Fire Department for featuring Air Rescue Demonstration, Search & Rescue Dogs, Motorcycle Paramedics, the Fire Rescue Boat, and the Venom Unit.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT



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.

Senior Bingo

Residents \$5 / Non-Resident \$10 (per person 8 weeks = 8 sessions)

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to invite seniors to come and enjoy a friendly game of Bingo every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. The game will be held at the Community Center from 4:00 – 6:00 pm. Prizes will consist of gift certificates, gift sets, and much more. For more information contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635.

Thursday February 1 - May 17

4:00 - 6:00 pm



Upcoming Events:

Senior Performing Arts Trip
Wednesday, May 23rd, Actors Playhouse (Coral Gables)
"A Boy From Russia"

For more information contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635.

The Town of Surfside Parks and Recreation Department

Senior Trip to ... Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden

One of the world's preeminent botanic gardens, with extensive collections of rare tropical plants including palms, cycads, flowering trees and vines. Established in 1938, the 83-acre garden is among the region's most popular visitor attractions and offers a variety of programs in environmental education, conservation and horticulture. An international leader in tropical plant research, Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden plays an important part in preserving the biodiversity of the tropical environment.

May 17, 2007

Buses will leave promptly at 10:30 am from the Community Center. Buses will return approximately at 3:30 pm

**Cost: \$10.00 Residents
\$15.00 Non-Residents**

(Fees Include: Transportation, Admission and Special Tram Tour)

Registration will be held at the Community Center Sunday thru Saturday from 9:00am—5:00pm. For more information contact the Community Center at (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov

April Programs

Surfside Community Center Adult Classes and Programs

ZUMBA



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

ZUMBA combines high energy and motivating music with unique moves and combinations that make it easy for dancers and non-dancers alike to have fun while getting fit. Zumba uses a fusion of Latin and international dance themes (from the Colombian Cumbia to Merengue, Salsa, and Calypso) creating a dynamic, exciting, effective fitness system. The routines feature aerobic/fitness interval training with a combination of fast and slow rhythms that tone and sculpt the body. Classes will take place at the Community Center (9301 Collins Ave)

Monday March 19 – May 7 7:00 – 8:00 pm

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.

Session III Thursday March 15 - May 3 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 benefit your mind, body, and spirit. You will learn proper breathing exercises and relaxation methods long associated with this proven ancient tradition.

Session IV Monday April 9 - June 4 7:00 - 8:00 pm
 No class - May 28



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.

Session IV Tuesday March 20 - May 8 7:00 - 8:00 pm
 Wednesday March 7 - April 25 7:00 - 8:00 pm



Youth Classes and Programs



KIDOKINETICS “TOTS” PROGRAM

Ages 2 - 4 years old



Resident \$64 / Non-Resident \$80 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)

This is a high energy, active program for your little ones. The classes will introduce them to sports and make fitness fun, while setting the pace for them in years to come. This class will help your child develop coordination, concentration, and motor skills, while having fun in a safe, non-competitive environment. Every week your child will learn about a different sport. Activities include soccer, hockey, basketball, hula hoops, bean bag skills, football, tennis, t-ball, obstacle courses, golf and much more. Don't miss the FUN! Free T-Shirt with 1st time enrollment. **Note: Registration in Progress.** Classes will be held in the Community Center Auditorium.

Session III Monday March 26 - May 21 9:15 - 10:00 am
 No class April 2

Youth Instructional Soccer Program:

Participants will learn the fundamentals of soccer to include dribbling, passing, shooting, ball control, soccer game rules, scrimmage games, and many other skills. Head Coach will be Gabriel Alves from Cyclone Soccer Inc. Balls will be provided at each practice. **Note: Program will be held at 96th Street Park.**

FEES:

Returning kids

Residents \$ 75 includes 2 t-shirts + 1 pair of Soccer socks
 Non-Residents \$110 includes 2 t-shirts + 1 pair of Soccer socks

New registration

Residents \$ 85 includes 2 t-shirts + Shin Guards + 1 pair of shorts + 1 pair of Soccer socks
 Non-Residents \$115 includes 2 t-shirts + Shin Guards + 1 pair of shorts + 1 pair of Soccer socks



Session II	March 15 - May 24	Tuesdays & Thursdays	10 weeks = 19 classes
Ages 4-6 (coed)		Times 3:00 - 4:00 pm	
Ages 6-9 (coed)		Times 4:00 - 5:00 pm	
Ages 9-12 (girls)		Times 5:00 - 6:00 pm	
Ages 9-12 (boys)		Times 6:00 - 7:30 pm	

Jump Rope:

Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$72 (per child 9 weeks = 18 classes)

*Please Note: The Jump Rope Program also has an annual Registration Fee of \$50 which includes AAU membership, USA Jump Rope membership, a Hurricane Jumpers T-Shirt and one jump rope. Checks should be made payable to: Hurricane Team



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 is by invitation only.

Note: Registration in Progress.

Monday & Tuesday	March 19 - May 22 No class April 2 & 3	Ages: 7 & up	3:30 - 4:30 pm
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Kidokinetics: GIVE YOUR CHILD THE GIFT OF FITNESS

Resident \$64 / Non-Resident \$80 (per child 8 weeks = 8 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. Free T-Shirt with 1st time enrollment. **Note: Registration in Progress. Classes will be held at 96th Park (9572 Bay Drive)**



Thursday	March 22 - May 17 No class April 5	Ages: 3 - 5	4:30 - 5:15 pm 5:15 - 6:00 pm
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Gymnastics:

Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$75 (per child 8 weeks = 8 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	March 7 - May 2 No class April 4	Ages: 3 - 5 Ages: 6 - 10	4:00 - 4:55 pm 5:00 - 5:55 pm
Thursday	March 8 - May 3 No class April 5	Ages: 3 - 5 Ages: 6 - 10	4:00 - 4:55 pm 5:00 - 5:55 pm

Hip Hop Jazz Dance:

Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$75 (per child 8 weeks = 8 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 March 8 - May 3 Ages: 6 - 10 6:00 - 6:55 pm
 No class April 5



Acrobatics and Tumbling:

Resident \$45 / Non-Resident \$75 (per child 8 weeks = 8 classes)

Boys and girls 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 March 7 - May 2 Ages: 8 - 15 6:00 - 6:55 pm
 No class April 4



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.

Session IV Saturday March 3 - May 5 10:00 - 11:00 am
 No class April 7



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.**

Session III Saturday March 31 - May 26
 Beginner Ages: 3 - up Noon - 1:00 pm
 Advanced Ages: 5 - up 1:00 - 3:00 pm
 No class April 7



Prior to entry in the advanced class, the Instructors will evaluate the child's skill level.

April Game Room Hours:



Monday - Friday 2:30 pm - 5:30 pm
 Saturday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
 Sunday 10:00 am - 5:30 pm



Upcoming New Class

Ballet: Ages 6-10 years old

Mondays April 9 - May 21
 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm



Resident \$40 / Non-Resident \$70
 Space is limited. Call now to register (305-866-3635)

Surfside Tennis Center



Pictured are a few of the Surfside Tennis Center's Thursday night regulars ready to do battle. From left to right: Satish Balraj, Surfside Tennis Center Head Pro Margaret Buchignani, Beatriz Von Borsig holding the trophy from her recent placing at a local tournament, Maria Conturbi, and Mark Riordan. The Tennis Center holds a "Meet and Greet" on Monday nights from 8 to 10 pm and a more informal session on Thursday nights from 7 to 9 pm. Looking forward to seeing you on the courts!

The regularly scheduled Hours of Operation are listed below:

Monday - Friday	8:30 am to 10:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday	8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Tennis Classes

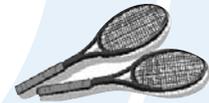
Saturday	Ages: 6 - 9 (Junior)	10:30 am - 11:30 am
Saturday	Ages: 4 - 6 (Tiny Tot)	11:30 am - 12:30 pm

*Please Note:
The Tennis
Center will be
CLOSED Sun.,
April 8th*

"Meet, Greet, and Play Tennis"

Monday	Adults	8:00 - 10:00 pm
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Fee: \$9 per person, plus a can of tennis balls.

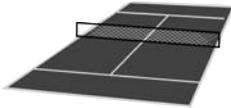


"Open Play"

Thursday	Adult	7:00 - 9:00 pm
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Reservation Required

Fee: Free for Surfside Residents. \$4.00 Non-Residents per person



Adult Education Classes

Classes are offered through Miami-Dade County Public Schools at the Surfside Community Center.

Yoga

Tuesday	10:00 - 11:30 am Noon - 1:30 pm	Ages: Adults Ages: 55 +
Thursday	10:00 - 11:30 am Noon - 1:30 pm	Ages: Adults Ages: 55 +

Drawing & Painting

Thursday	10:00 - Noon	Ages: Adults
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(Beginners)

Drawing & Painting

Thursday	12:30 - 2:30 pm	Ages: 55 +
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(Intermediate)

Current Events

Monday	10:00 - Noon	Ages: Adults
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Please call Miami-Dade County Public Schools for Fees 305-531-0451
Call the Recreation Department 305-866-3635 for scheduling information.

Sworn into Office: Surfside's Police Chief, Ass't Chief and 2 new Police Officers

Pictured (L-R): At a ceremony held on the morning of Monday, March 19th, Town Manager, W.D. Higginbotham, swore into office Surfside's Police Chief, David Allen, Assistant Police Chief, John Di Censo and the department's newest Officers, Maximo Moreno & Chase Bonville. Proud family members, colleagues, elected officials and adminis-

trative staff watched the proceedings, and they applauded the new direction the Surfside Police Department has taken by raising the performance standards, professionalism and accountability of its law enforcement and civilian personnel.



Surfside Police Chief, David Allen Presents First Civilian Meritorious Service Award

At the Commission Meeting held on Tues., March 13 Surfside Police Chief, David Allen, presented the first Civilian Meritorious Service Award to the department's Special Project Coordinator, Wanda Flores.

Wanda began her career as a Dispatcher and later became a Public Service Aide. In the performance of those duties over several years she became a well-known police department representative, respected and endeared by Surfside residents and the members of the business community. Wanda has demonstrated a high degree of professionalism and attention to detail during her current tenure as the Surfside Police Department's Special Projects Coordinator. She has assisted

with, and arranged numerous events with the Town's civilian employees, Police Officers, Education Committee and the North Shore Kiwanis Club including: Safety Day, the 5K Run, Drug Awareness Day, Citizen Surveys, Christmas and Thanksgiving Dinners for the Elderly, Bike Giveaways, Halloween Night, the Reassurance Program, Monthly Crime Watch meetings, Girl Scouts Law and Order Day, as well as countless other events like Alzheimer's Roll Call Training, Community Patrol, and the Banker's Forum, just to name a few.

In her position as Special Projects Coordinator, Wanda has volunteered much of her off-duty time, including many weekends, in the furtherance of



these events. Often, she has used her numerous contacts within rescue agencies & law enforcement departments, the County & other municipalities, and has successfully arranged for a donation of their time and resources for Surfside events.

Wanda Flores has proven to be a credit not only to herself and to the Surfside Police Department, but also to the citizenry of the Town of Surfside.

Cruisin' in Style



(From L-R) Lt. Manuel "Manny" Crawford, Officer Edwin Pineda, Officer Lesmes Ruiz and Chief Dave Allen.



A return to the "black & whites"

The Surfside Police Department unveils the latest look for its cruisers. The retro black & white appearance is a proactive initiative to a scheme proposed by the State of Florida.

Surfside Police Department Offers Two Opportunities For Emergency Response Team Training (CERT)



The Surfside Police Department, is offering local residents the opportunity to receive free basic training in disaster survival and rescue skills. In the event of a disaster situation, such training improves the ability of citizens to survive in the aftermath of a critical situation and enables them to help their neighbors until other assistance (police & fire personnel) arrives. Once trained and certified, a graduate CERT will be able to provide the following services to their neighborhood:

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| Increase the community's disaster readiness | Assess damage after a disaster |
| Extinguish small fires | Perform light search & rescue operations |
| Organize procurement of supplies | Perform triage & provide medical services to the injured |

Training sessions will be offered in April by Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, and in May, by Miami Beach Fire Rescue. Residents may register for whichever training course best fits their schedule. Please keep in mind that participants must attend all of the classes in order to satisfy the training requirements.

Classes will be conducted by Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, at Surfside Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue, in the 2nd floor Commission Chambers. Training dates are Sat. and Sun., April 14 & 15, & Sat., April 21 (from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.).

Classes will be conducted by Miami Beach Fire Rescue Station 2, at 2300 Pinetree Drive. Training dates are Wed., May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 and June 7 (from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., each night). On June 30th there will also be a refresher course offered for those residents who are already CERT graduates. For registration, or other details, please contact Surfside Police Special Projects Coordinator, Wanda Flores (305) 861-4862 ext. 283.

25TH ANNIVERSARY OF BAYNANZA BISCAYNE BAY CLEAN-UP DAY SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2007



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 14 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Now in its 25th year, this is the largest shore cleanup of its kind. All volunteers will receive plenty of water, garbage bags and a commemorative Baynanza t-shirt.

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. Site preferences are based on availability and fill up quickly. Volunteers may register by email at www.miamidade.gov/derm/baynanza and view a complete site list as well. For additional information, please contact Baynanza Registration Coordinator, Velma Amaya, at (305) 372-6495.



SURFSIDE POLICE DEPARTMENT Monthly Activity by Classification January & February 2007

CLASSIFICATION	JAN.	FEB.	+/-
HOMICIDE	0	0	0
INVOLUNTARY SEXUAL BATTERY	0	1	1
LEWD / LASCIVIOUS.....	1	0	-1
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT - BATTERY.....	0	0	0
BURGLARY RESIDENCE.....	2	0	-2
BURGLARY CONVEYANCE.....	0	5	5
GRAND THEFT	6	3	-3
FRAUD.....	1	5	4
ROBBERY.....	0	1	1
GRAND THEFT AUTO.....	1	2	1
TOTAL PART ONE CRIMES	11	17	6
BATTERY SIMPLE.....	0	0	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.....	3	3	0
THEFT UNDER.....	6	2	-4
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF.....	2	3	1
DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE.....	1	0	-1
DISORDERLY CONDUCT.....	1	0	-1
TOTAL PART II CRIMES	13	8	-5
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	663		
ARRESTS.....	56		
PARKING CITATIONS.....	341		

APRIL 2007 Calendar

COMMISSION MEETING IS TUESDAY, APRIL 10, AT 7:00 PM

- Community Center Committee..... To be Announced
- Education Committee..... Re-scheduled to Wed., April 4 at 8:00 pm
- Parks & Recreation Committee.....Third Thursday of the month, at 7:00 pm (04/19/07)
- Planning & Zoning BoardLast Thursday of the month, at 7:00 pm (04/26/07)
- Tourist Bureau..... Re-scheduled to Mon., April 9 at 6:00 pm

CHARRETTE DOCUMENT PRESENTATION

Thursday, April 12 at 7:00 pm
 At Town Hall, 9293 Harding Avenue
 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers

MOVIE UNDER THE STARS

Saturday, April 21, Movie Starts 8:00 pm, 96th Street Park

EDUCATION COMMITTEE SPEAKER SERIES

“Contractors & Permits”
 Sunday, April 29 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
 At Town Hall, in Commission Chambers

UPCOMING:

Memorial Day Ceremony.....Monday, May 28, Veterans’ Park

Please note that all times & dates listed, except Town Commission meetings, are tentative and subject to change. To verify the information, contact Town Hall at (305) 861-4863, visit the Website www.townofsurfsidefl.gov or tune in to Cable Channel 77.

Town Commission

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Howard S. Weinberg	Vice Mayor
Marc Imberman	Commissioner
Steven Levine	Commissioner
Mark Blumstein	Commissioner

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Weiss, Serota et al.	Town Attorney
David E. Allen	Police Chief

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Community Center	(305) 866-3635
Tennis Courts	(305) 866-5176
Tourist Bureau	(305) 864-0722
Library	(305) 865-2409
Surfside Police Department	(305) 861-4862

Emergency Only

Fire/Police	(305) 861-1115
All Other:	(305) 861-4862

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