# TOWN OF SURFSIDE FLORIDA

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# **JULY** 2013

# Town Manager's Message

The Town has an on-going Employee of the Quarter recognition program. A unique feature of this program is that Town employees nominate their co-workers for this honor. Selection is made by a committee consisting of Town employees. The Employees of the Quarter are Hector Rodriquez, Harold Lacroix and Kenny Chaviano who work in the Water and Sewer Department. These outstanding employees are on call 24/7 and never fail to respond when needed. They are the employees you see evenings and weekends performing emergency repairs to our water and sewer system. Congratulations Hector, Harold and Kenny and thank you for your service to the Town and its residents. Your efforts are truly appreciated!

An informational meeting on the close-out of the Water/Sewer/Storm Drainage Project will be held on Monday, July 8, 2013 at 7 pm in the Commission Chambers (broadcast live on Channel 77). A highlight of this meeting will be a presentation by the consulting engineer and staff detailing the enhancements and benefits from the improvements including operational, financial and environmental. An update will be provided regarding the drainage upgrades and recent concerns about the functioning of the drainage system following the recent heavy rains which occurred prior to the new system pumps being operational and the contributing factor of the limited functioning of the FDOT's drainage system along Harding Avenue. FDOT completed this project the week of June 17, 2013. This meeting will provide another opportunity for you to let us know if there are any corrective/remedial actions necessary to your property or the right-of-way abutting your property prior to closing out the project.

For local governments, it's that time of year again – budget preparation. The Town Commission will conduct a workshop on the FY 13/14 on Tuesday, July 9, 2013 in the Commission Chambers at 4 pm (broadcast live on Channel 77). Beginning July 5, 2013, the proposed budget, supporting documentation and meeting information will be on the Town's website (www.townofsurfsidefl.gov).

In March, 2013, the Town received an independent estimate/analysis of the proposed cost for undergrounding of utility lines for FPL, AT&T and Atlantic Broadband (ABB). A staff report dated June 3, 2013 compared the independent analysis/cost estimate (\$14M) with the previous in-house cost estimates (\$8.5M prepared in January, 2013). When the independent cost estimate was requested, the Town asked for specific estimates for the undergrounding of AT&T and ABB as the Town's estimates were just that – rough estimates. The substantial portion of the increase of the overall project cost was due to AT&T/ABB undergrounding costs. Staff recommended to the Commission that, at this time, not to proceed with the project. A copy of the June 3, 2013 report is listed under Town News on the website.

Why was the recommendation made not to proceed at this time? Finance Director Donald Nelson and I recommended not to proceed due to the increased cost and financial ramifications of proceeding at this time. The project would have been funded through the use of the MGRUF Tariff (approximate 8% increase in residential electric rates for a 20 *Continued on Page 3* 

# Outstanding Student is Recognized



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Surfside resident Simone D'Antuono was recognized at the June 11, 2013 Commission meeting as an outstanding student. Joining in the presentation are (L-R) Mayor Daniel Dietch and Commissioners Michelle Kligman and Joe Graubart.

# ON HARDING AVE

## Long-time Surfside Optician Featured as Successful Business in Miami Herald

# Harding Avenue Streetscape Design Approved

At the June 11, 2013 Commission meeting, the Surfside Commission approved the Streetscape Design. With contractors already selected, the comprehensive project will begin later this summer and will include a dramatic make over of the two block section of Harding Avenue, from 94th to 96th Streets.

Designed by the firms of Stantec and Rosenberg Gardner, the Harding Avenue Streetscape plan will transform the dowtown area with Medjool palms, colorful tropical shrubs and eight "pocket parks" that will have benches, litter receptacles, pavers and street crossings. Infrastructure upgrades will include a new irrigation system and electrical for permanent and holiday lighting. Most of the funding for the streetscape came from developers involved in other projects in Surfside. For more photos and information, go to the Town website, under Town News for the *Harding Avenue Business District Streetscape Improvement Project*.

Artist renderings show one of the eight "pocket parks" at right and the new palms and landscaping below.





## Flanigan's Manager Ties the Knot



Steve Thomas, the General Manager at Flanigans Restaurant on Harding Avenue, was married to Sandra Martinez Thomas on May 18th. Steve proposed to Sandra in a hot air balloon ride. Congratulations to the happy couple.



Oberle Opticians, a Harding Avenue mainstay for 35 years, was recently profiled in the *Miami Herald Business Monday* in a Small Business Spotlight. Bernie Oberlender, owner and founder, discussed the growth of his business in the article.

Oberle has grown over the decades by adding international designer eyewear, and now

features more than 25 luxury brands. It was chosen by Daimler Mercedes to launch Maybach in North America, with prices ranging from \$2,000 to \$50,000. Most recently, Oberle began designing its own precious stones custom eyewear, featuring diamonds and sapphires.

# **Construction Brewing On Harding Avenue**



**Latte anyone?** The transformation of of the space at 9530 Harding Avenue into a Starbucks is moving along with an anticipated Fall opening.



### **Business Improvement District Meeting**

On Wednesday, July 17 at 7 p.m. Surfside will hold a public meeting to discuss the possibility of organizing a Business Improvement District (BID) for the Surfside Downtown Business District. BIDs have succeeded in improving commercial districts throughout the nation. BIDs formalizes a process for property and business owners to work together to improve a commercial district. There are BIDs in Coconut Grove and Coral Gables, and, most recently, for the Wynwood area.

Redevelopment Management Associates (RMA) will make a presentation regarding BIDs and how an association could be created for Downtown Surfside. Residents, property owners, and business owners are encouraged to attend.

For more information, contact Duncan Tavares, Tourism, Economic Development & Community Services Director at 305-864-0722.

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year period) plus Town financing resulting in up to \$800,000 in annual debt service payments for the same 20 year period.

The Town's current financial condition is strong – over \$5M General Fund reserves and the Town's Enterprise Funds, especially the water and sewer, are robust. Equally impressive is the financial strength of the Town's pension plan which has weathered the crisis which caused chaos for local governments across the nation. Town Commission and Staff crafted a solid financial strategy that enabled the Town to rebound and deal successfully with the negative impacts of the downturn in the economy (2008-2010) and the bursting of the real estate bubble.

The Town is several years away from realizing significant revenue growth as a result of the approved development projects along Collins Avenue. If the undergrounding project remains a top priority, the project could be funded through the use of new/additional revenue generated as a result of these projects thus possibly eliminating or reducing the need to consider the 8% increase in monthly residential electrical rates through the MGRUF Tariff. Equally important, by having a new, dedicated revenue source as a result of the new development, the project could proceed on a more secure financial footing thus positioning the Town to effectively deal with potential financial challenges similar to those local governments experienced over the last decade.

Finally, the July, 2013 Town Commission meeting will be held on July 16, 2013 at 7 pm (third Tuesday) instead of the usual second Tuesday.

Happy 4th of July and see you around Town!

#### - Michael Crotty, Town Manager

# **TOWN CALENDAR**

### JULY 2013

- Mon 1 Tourist Board Meeting, 5:30pm, Town Hall
- Thur 4 Town Hall closed for Independence Day Holiday
- Thur 4 Surfside July 4 Celebration, Comm. Center, 2- 6 p.m. Fireworks at 9 pm
- Mon 8 Water, sewer, stormwater close-out, Town Hall, 7 pm
- Tue 9
   2014-14 Budget Workshop, 4 pm, Town Hall
- Tue 9 Endlessly Organic Produce 3 -5 pm, Town Hall
- Mon 15 Parks & Recreation Meeting, 7 pm
- Tue 16 Regular Town Commission Meeting, 7 pm
- Wed 17 Business Improvement District meeting, 7 pm, Town Hall
- Sat 20 Rain Barrel Workshop, 10 am- noon, Comm. Center
- Tue 23 Endlessly Organic Produce 3 -5 pm, Town Hall
- Tue 23 Special Commission meeting on Budget, 7 pm
- Thur 25 Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting at 7 pm

### AUGUST 2013

- Mon 5 Tourist Board Meeting, 5:30pm, Town Hall
- Tue 6 Endlessly Organic Produce 3 -5 pm, Town Hall
- Tue 13 Regular Town Commission Meeting, 7 pm
- TBA Parks & Recreation Meeting, 7 pm
- Tue 20Endlessly Organic Produce 3 -5 pm, Town Hall
- Thur 29 Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting at 7 pm

### IN MEMORIAM • 1919-2013 Melba Manero, Six-time Surfside Commissioner

A native of Cuba and former United Nations official, 33-year resident Melba Manero was the first Hispanic woman elected to office in Surfside, serving from 1992 to 2004. She died June 1, at age 93. Former Mayor Paul Novack called her "a woman of wisdom, courage and dedication to public service."

Melba graduated with a degree in Philosophy from the University of Havana in

1940. She came to the U.S. in the 1940s to teach at St. Mary College and the prestigious Smith College in Massachusetts. In 1945 she joined the recently established United Nations in New York. There she met her future husband Jose. They were married in 1950 and returned to Cuba where her son, Jose was born. In 1955 she joined the staff of the U.S. Embassy in Havana until it closed in 1959 after the revolution. She then returned to the University for a Masters degree and joined the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Regional Office in Havana.

She would eventually become Chief Archivist and Documentalist with UNESCO, working in Africa, Paris and, finally, back to the UN in New York. She retired in 1979 and moved to Surfside in 1980. Melba always had an interest in politics and was elected Town Commissioner for six consecutive terms, from 1992 to 2004. For several years, she served on Surfside's Holiday Fund Committee. Throughout her service she prioritized communication with residents, responsive government and the highest standards of public service. She is survived by sister Ada, 92, also of Surfside; a brother Alberto, 90; and son Jose, and three grandchildren, who live in London. Paul Novack, Commissioner Joe Graubart, former Commissioner Orestes Jimenez and former resident and Town Manager Eduardo Rodriguez attended her funeral service.

"Melba was always very respectful, dignified, diplomatic and down to earth," said Paul Novack.

# Through Community Involvement, Ann Findlay Makes Surfside Better

Although Ann Findlay is a relative newcomer to Surfside, she is textbook example of a resident who became involved in her community and worked to achieve a goal that will benefit the entire Town.

RESIDENTS OF NOTE

SURFSIDE STARS

A native New Yorker and successful software sales executive, Ann came to South Florida from Manhattan to be with her partner, Joe Corderi. After living in Sunny Isles, they moved to Surfside in 2010. Joe's children, Joseph and Olivia, live part time with them.

Like many Surfsiders, they had pet dogs. When Ann walked Lucky and Elvis around the neighborhood, they often socialized with other dogs at a vacant lot on 89th and Dickens.

"When I learned that the property was going to be fenced and turned into a community garden, I went down to Town Hall to find out if any other space was available for a dog park," said Ann.

So began a nearly two-year process of meeting with Town officials, posting flyers, organizing residents, gathering and submitting petitions, and generally advocating for a community dog park.

"I attended my first Commission meeting. It was an excellent lesson in how to get involved, how to make something happen," she said. "I learned a lot."

The children, Joseph and Olivia, were with Ann and Joe all the way, learning how the process worked. "I hope the experience will stay with them and they will be active in their community as adults."

With encouragement from the Town, a parcel of land at 93rd Street and Byron Avenue was targeted as a potential dog park. Ann formed a non-profit organization to support the park and enlisted other dog-loving

residents to become stewards of the park. Meanwhile, Ann was staying busy with her job as director of corporate sales for a national software



Joe Corderi, Ann Findlay, Lucky & Elvis

# **Dog Park Poised to Open**



company that makes a corporate tax calculation accounting product. When she is not traveling for her job - or establishing dog parks she stays fit through boxing workouts. "Surfside is a great

place to live and I've learned that by getting engaged and making an effort, we can make it even better," she said.

Stay tuned for pending announcements of the opening of the Town's new dog park at 93rd Street and Byron Avenue. The dog park is scheduled to open in July. Be on the lookout for more information. Go to our website: www.townofsurfsidefl.gov and click on "Subscribe to News" and you will be automatically informed of the opening.

# Register Your Dog With Surfside PD

The Surfside Police Department has started a dog registration program for residents. If a lost dog is found in the neighborhood, the Police Department will check the list of registered dogs to help reunite the pet with its owners. Residents with dogs are encouraged to fill out a form to help identify their pet. For more information, contact Dina Goldstein (305) 861-4862 or dgoldstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov to receive a form.

# **Dispose of Home Chemicals Properly**

Did you know that many of the products used in your home are actually as hazardous as industrial chemicals? If improperly disposed, they can pollute our drinking water. Help protect the Town of Surfside and Miami-Dade's fragile environment by safely disposing of these chemicals. Surfside accepts all portable household batteries for disposal. A container is in the Town Hall lobby for drop off. The Town also accepts all electronics for disposal with a container located behind Town Hall in Public Works, including computers, monitors, TVs and radios. Miami Dade County Home Chemical Collection

Centers accept paints, pesticides, pool chemicals, unbroken fluorescent light bulbs and other electronic waste. Solidified paints can be placed in regular household waste containers for collection.

Propane tanks can also be disposed of at one of the two Home Chemical Collection Centers. You can also dispose of the smaller sized empty oxygen tanks. The Centers are located in West Dade at 8831 NW 58th Street and open Wednesday-Sunday, 9 am - 5 pm. For further information go to: www.miamidade.gov/publicworks/ chemical-collection-centers

# New Public Works Director and Building Official Join Surfside

Two important administrative positions within the Town have been filled. Joseph S. Kroll has been appointed Director of Public Works and Rosendo Prieto has been named Chief Building Official.

Joseph Kroll is a 30 year resident of South Florida. He and his wife, Galyna, reside in Boynton Beach. He has more than 20 years experience in municipal Public Works and was previously worked as Director of Public Works for the Cities of Lake Worth and Dania Beach. His education is in Engineering and Public Administration, with a Masters degree from Barry University.

Ross Prieto is a native South Floridian and earned both his bachelors and masters degrees in Construction Management from Florida International University. He has more than 20 years of experience in the construction industry.



Joseph Kroll



Ross Prieto

# Surfside PD Uses Reporting Program to Improve Communications

For several years, the Surfside Police Department has a powerful online tool called CrimeReports<sup>™</sup> aimed at improving communications with the community and lowering crime. **Residents can view local crime data by visiting the Town website under "Police Department" under the monthly reports link.** 

CrimeReports is an online platform that publishes local crime data, improves information flow and improves dialogue between agencies and citizens.

Surfside residents will be able to:

- View near real-time online reports of crime in the region
- Set-up daily, weekly, or monthly automated reports on a variety of crime types
- Send anonymous crime tips to police
- Access CrimeReports from their smart phone or mobile device

More than 1,000 other law enforcement agencies of all sizes are sharing crime information through CrimeReports.

"Our goal is to keep our neighborhoods safe, reduce crime, build a strong relationship with our community and t keep our residents informed," said Chief David Allen. "CrimeReports has helped us as we work to better serve our residents."

## **Surfside PD Brings Home Medals at Games**

Congratulations to the athletes of the Surfside Police Department! At the recent 2013 Annual Police and



Fire Games held in Ft. Lauderdale, Surfside officers took home seven medals. The winners were Sergeant Julio Torres, who was awarded three gold medals in grappling; Officer Tony Mesa, who won two gold medals in swimming and a silver medal in mountain biking; and Officer Don McGavern for receiving a bronze medal in the shot put competition.

# **Subscribe to Town News - and WIN!**

If you are the lucky 200th person to sign up for the Town website's *Town Notices*, you will win a \$50 gift card! The new website features an option to sign up for notices about important information and events. Go to the home page – **www.townofsurfsidefl.gov** – and click on "Subscribe to News" on the left-hand side. You will be informed every time new information is added. Contact Linda Jain, Web and Special Projects Coordinator at Ijain@townofsurfsidefl.gov.

# When is a Building Permit Required?

Most construction-related activity requires a permit from the Town Building Department. Alterations, remodeling, renovations, additions and other improvements, including any electrical, plumbing, mechanical (heating or airconditioning) work requires a permit. Obtaining a building



permit ensures that a record of the work performed is created and maintained at Town Hall and confirms that the work is properly completed and in compliance with applicable codes. The Florida Building Code prohibits the use of unlicensed contractors. Allowing unlicensed contractors and non-permited construction on your property may result in unprofessional or non-compliant work, unsafe conditions and fines for the property owner, such as double fees for permits and additional pre-permit inspection fees.

Let us help you keep your property safe and in compliance. If you have any questions or are unsure if a permit is required, call (305) 861-4863, and dial 4 for the Building Department or extension 230 for Code Compliance.

# New Police Department Programs include Vehicle Report Cards and Courtesy Warnings

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What crime prevention grade will your car score? The Surfside Police Department will introduce a new crime prevention initiative in July that will provide a "report card" to parked cars in the residential neighborhoods. The report card will indicate if the vehicle passed or failed the crime prevention test. Failed vehicles will be those found unlocked or with items visible inside. The purpose of the initiative is to remind residents to secure their property and lock their cars. Most vehicle burglaries occur overnight to unlocked cars. *Keep an Eye on Surfside!* Also in July, Surfside Police Officers will begin issuing written courtesy warnings to residents observed violating minor traffic laws. The courtesy warnings are **NOT** citations and will not affect your driving record. The purpose of this initiative is to remind residents to drive safely in Surfside. With school out, neighborhood streets are crowded with children, joggers, walkers and bikers. Please drive safe!

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# Natural Gas Service Available in Surfside

Surfside residents interested in having natural gas service provided to your home or business should call TECO Peoples Gas at (877) 832-6747. The customer service representative will send you a worksheet to gather information - such as the gas appliances you have.

Return the completed worksheet and an account will be established. The required work to provide you with service, including permits, takes six-eight weeks.

The installation of the gas service usually takes about three to four days. The final step is the installation of the gas meter, hook-up to the house line and final inspection of the work. The good news is that the first 150 cubic feet of gas service is free of charge, measured from the main line to the meter. Natural gas is a clean and safe alternative to electricity and urfside is happy to partner with TECO Peoples Gas to bring this service to the community.

### Resident Finds 'New Family' at Surf•Bal•Bay Club

Yafa, age 84, has found a new family with the Surf•Bal•Bay Club. She is a widow and a 23-year Surfside resident living in her own apartment. Because her grown children live in another state and she is in need of help due to health problems, she signed up for the Surf•Bal•Bay Club when she heard about it last November at the Surfside Community Center.

Yafa enjoys the free transportation, an emergency button and the responsiveness and personal attention she receives. Jewish Community Services created the Surf•Bal•Bay Club to bring all these services directly to the homes of seniors in Surfside and surrounding communities. Yafa can take advantage of home care assistance, personal aides who can accompany her to appointments or outings, cook meals and run errands. For more information, call 305.403.6515 or visit www.sbbclub.org.

# Summer Campers Enjoying Surfside !

The Community Center is currently hosting more than 130 Summer Campers. Campers ages 6-15 years old enjoy a variety of recreational activities including arts & crafts, sports, themed activities, field trips, swimming and more. The popular Surf-



side summer camp program is designed to provide each camper with a safe, positive and enriching environment.





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Town of Surfside

# Annual Resident Parking Permit Program RENEWAL COMMENCING MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2013

Parking Permits will be available for renewal commencing on August 19, 2013 for the upcoming fiscal year of October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014. They will be available at Town Hall during business hours between 9 AM – 5 PM, Monday through Friday.

### **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

- 1. Residents will be required to complete a Registration Application (on reverse side). The application is on the website, in the July 2013 Gazette and at the Town Hall's Front Office Counter.
- 2. Residents will be required to provide proof of residency. Examples include, but are not limited to:
  - Property tax bill
  - Utility bill (FPL, Water/Sewer)
  - Property Rental or Lease agreement
  - Current Driver's License with a Surfside address
- 3. Residents will be required to bring their current year's vehicle registration certificate. The vehicle must be **registered** in the name of the Surfside resident.
- 4. The Permit Fee will be \$10.70, sales tax included.
- 5. There is a maximum of three (3) parking permits per household. The decal will have a permit number printed on it and a space available for the license plate number to be entered by the Customer Service Representative.
- 6. Residents will be provided with a copy of the Resident Permit Parking Rules:

### • SURFSIDE PARKING PERMITS ...

- are NOT valid on Harding Avenue (9400 & 9500 blocks)
- are limited to four (4) hours a day in any location
- cannot be used for all day or overnight parking
- are non-transferable and non-refundable
- will **not** be issued to rental cars

### THE PARKING DECAL SHOULD BE AFFIXED TO THE INSIDE LOWER LEFT CORNER OF THE DRIVER'S SIDE FRONT WINDSHIELD



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# PARKS & RECREATION

### ADULT/JUNIOR TENNIS

Beat the heat by playing tennis or taking classes at night! The Surfside Courts are lit till very late and residents get discounts on all programs and lessons, and never pay court fees. Free reservations Mon thru Thurs evening for Surfside Residents. Discounts on lessons, racket rentals and re-stringing.

Adult doubles	Monday	July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	7:30-10:30 p.m.	Intermediate - advanced	\$10 per person	
(no partners necessary, late-comers welcome)						
Ladies hitting clinic	Tuesday	June 2 9, 16, 23, 30	8-9 p.m.	Beginner - advanced/must reserve	\$10 per person	
(Reservations by Sunday/minimum of four players)						
<b>Junior Tennis &amp; Fitness</b>	Tuesday	June 2 9, 16, 23, 30	7-8 p.m.	Beginner /must reserve by Monday	\$15 or \$54 for 4 lessons	
(Reservations by Sunday/minimum of four players)						

CLASS	DAY	DATES	HOURS	Fee (per person)	No class
Surf's Up in Surfside	Sunday	6/23/13-7/14/13	10-11:30 am	\$100 res/non \$150	
Youth Intro to paddleboard	Saturday	6/15/13-7/26/15	10 - 11:15 am	\$200 residents/ \$250 non	7/6
Adult Intro to paddleboard	Saturday	6/15/13-7/26/15	11:45 - 1:15 am	\$200 residents/ \$250 non	7/6
Stand-up paddle fitness	Wednesday	6/19/13-7/31/15	1-3 pm	\$200 residents/ \$250 non	7/3
Water Safety Instructor	Sat & Sun	6/1/13-6/9/13	9 am - 6 pm	\$300 per person	
Swim team, age 6-15	Mon & Wed	6/19/13-8/5/13	6:30-7:30 p.m.	\$90 Resident/non \$132	7/1,7/3
Swim team, age 6-15	Tue & Thur	6/20/13-8/6/13	6:30-7:30 p.m.	\$90 Resident/non \$132	7/2,7/4
Adult Learn to swim	Tue & Thur	6/18/13-7/18/13	6-6:45 p.m.	\$68 Resident/non \$118	7/2,7/4
Adult Learn to swim	Tue & Thur	7/30/13-7/18/13	6-6:45 p.m.	\$68 Resident/non \$118	
Learn to swim, age 3-5	Sat & Sun	7/13/13-8/4/13	9:30-10:00 am	Resident \$68/Non-Resident \$1	100
Learn to swim, age 3-5	Mon & Wed	6/10/13-7/3/13	9:30-10 am	Resident \$68/Non-Resident \$1	100
Learn to swim, age 3-5	Tue & Thur	6/11/13-7/26/13	4-4:30 pm	Resident \$68/Non-Resident \$1	100
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Learn to swim, age 6-14	Tue-Thur	7/16/13-7/31/13	4:40-5:10 pm	Resident \$68/Non-Resident \$1	100
Learn to swim, age 3-5	Sat & Sun	7/13/13-8/4/13	9:30-10:00 am	Resident \$68/Non-Resident \$1	100
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Aqua Zumba	Thursdays	6/27/13-8/8/13	8:45-9:30 a.m. Act	ive adults Res \$47/non \$90, Senior re	es \$30/non \$60

### **AQUATIC PROGRAMS**

### AQUATIC CENTER HOURS (THROUGH AUGUST 18, 2013)

Main pool open swim: Mon-Thur: 9 am - 7:30 pm; Fri-Sun: 9 am - 8 pm Sand Dollar Key: Mon-Thur: 10 am - 7:30 pm; Fri-Sun: 10 am - 8 pm Water Slide: Mon-Thur: 11 am - 3:30 pm; Fri-Sun: 11 am - 7 pm Lap Swimming: Mon & Wed: 6:30-8:30 a.m. Mon-Fri: 3-5:30 p.m. (limited lanes)

**Beach Lifeguard Tower:** Every day 9 am - 5 pm On July 4th, Lifeguard Tower open 9 am - 7 pm

### **Rain Barrel & Water Conservation Workshop on July 20**

July is *Smart Irrigation Month* in Miami Dade and Surfside will be participating by hosting a Rain Barrel/ Water Conservation Workshop at the Community Center from 10 a.m. - Noon on Saturday, July 20, 2013.

The event is being hosted by the Surfside Urban Gardeners and presenting will be Barbara McAdam, Program Assistant for the Florida Yards & Neighborhoods Program from the University of Florida/Miami Dade County Cooperative Extension Service.



Note that the workshop is free and rain barrels will be available to purchase for \$40. A registration form is available on the Town website to prepurchase a rain barrel and to RSVP for the workshop. For information, contact Barbara Lynn McAdam at 305-248-3311, ext. 245 or Liza Luna ext. 242.

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# Surfside Participates in Good Government Initiative

Surfside Commissioner Joe Graubart and Town Manager Mike Crotty recently participated in the Good Government Initiative (GGI) Community Conversation Series: *Can We Conquer Congestion? Mobility for the 21st Century.* The event focused on South Florida transportation issues and population growth.

The Good Government Initiative, in partnership with the University of Miami, provides education for elected officials and a forum to discuss issues facing regional municipalities. Surfside Commissioner Michelle Kligman is a recent graduate of the organization's comprehensive 60-hour training program, Leaders of Excellence Program.

The Good Government Initiative is a non-political organization that is dedicated to creating a community of lasting value for all residents. It promotes educated, transparent and communicative leaders, as well as active, aware and engaged citizenry who communicate their desires to their leaders.



(L-R) Surfside Commissioner Joe Graubart, Katy Sorenson, President and CEO, The Good Government Initiative (former Miami-Dade Commissioner) and Town Manager Michael P. Crotty.

# TOWN OF SURFSIDE MARKETPLACE

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# **Meow Mobile Making a Difference**

The Meow Mobile visited Surfside on Saturday, June 8 as part of the on-going effort to spay and neuter Surfside's feral cat population. While inclement weather the night before limited trapping efforts, 10 cats were treated and one kitten adopted. Thanks goes out to all the volunteers and organizations who have assisted in the effort.



Commissioner Michelle Kligman joins residents and Meow Mobile staff.

# Picture Perfect: Enter the Surfside Photo Contest



Do you have a great photo of Surfside that you would like to share? The Town is sponsoring a photo contest. Prizes are: First place – \$75 gift certificate, second place – \$50 gift certificate and third place – \$25 gift certificate. All photos will become the property of the Town and the photographer may or may not be credited for the photo. Send us pictures of downtown, the

beach, wildlife, landscape and architecture. No photos of people. Limit five photos per person. Photos will be accepted until we reach a total of 100. Digital photos only with a minimum resolution of 1024 x768 (or higher) pixels and horizontal. Formats that are accepted are .jpg and .tif. Send all photos via email to Linda Jain at ljain@townofsurfsidefl.gov.





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### **ADVERTISING IN THE GAZETTE**

Reach the residents and businesses of Surfside by advertising in the monthly *Gazette*. For rates, deadlines and more information go to the Town website www.townofsurfsidefl.gov or email dhunziker@townofsurfsidefl.gov.

### **TOWN MEETINGS ON DVD**

A DVD recording of the current monthly Town Commission and Planning & Zoning meetings are available for check out at the Town Hall front desk. For more information, contact the Town Clerk at 305-861-4863 x226.

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