

SAILING Surfside FLORIDA

INTERNAL EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

Spring 2024

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Important Announcements

Full-Time Lifeguard

Internal Candidates ONLY

We are looking for an internal candidate to fill the full-time position of Lifeguard. If interested and you meet the minimum qualifications, submit your resume and internal job posting application to Human Resources no later Tuesday, March 5, 2024.



Statutory Accidental Death and Dismemberment Beneficiary Designation Form

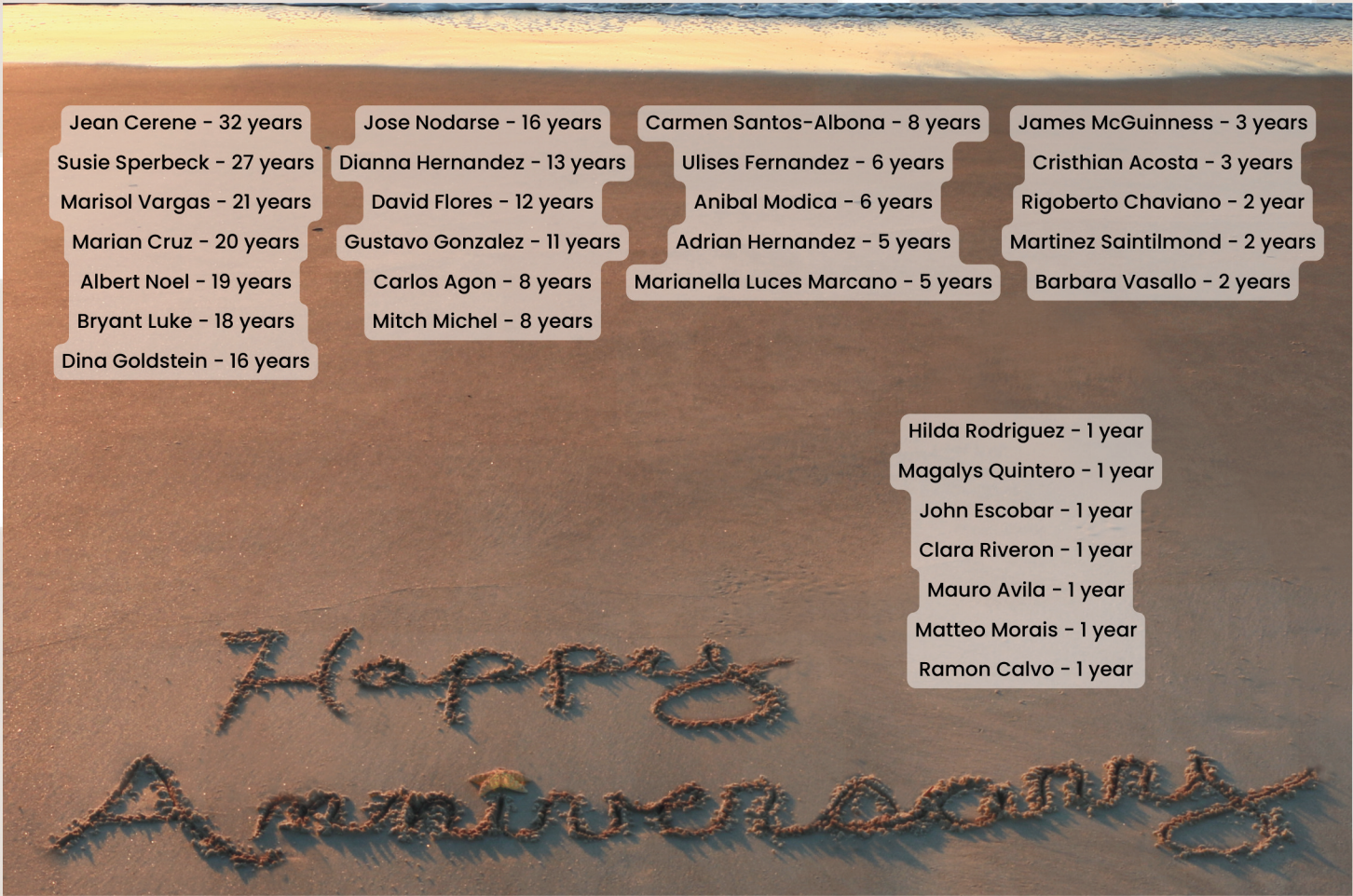
Reminder – If you have not submitted your beneficiary designation form to HR, please submit it ASAP.

This is an additional accidental dental death and dismemberment insurance that the Town purchased for ALL employees for the current fiscal year.

The policy covers all Town staff (while working within the scope of their duties). It is 100% paid by the Town and it does not replace any other coverage.

Work Anniversaries: March to May

We thank you for your commitment to excellence



New Hires

Let's give a warm welcome to the new talent joining the Surfside family



Laura Baglietto
PT Recreation Leader I



Denis Denlos
PT Recreation Leader I



Kiana Richards
PT Recreation Leader I



Ruben Ravelo
Police Officer



Samuel Villegas
Police Officer



Angie S. Bernal
PT Accountant

Celebrating Accomplishments



Alan Portaluppi, formerly a part-time Recreation Leader I at Parks & Recreation, has been promoted to a full-time Customer Service Representative. Having grown up in Surfside, Alan has been a resident for over 17 years. Congratulations to him on his well-deserved promotion.



The Building Department wishes to welcome aboard Darlene Martinat, one of our longest-term employees with over 25 years of excellent service to the Town, most of which have been in the Building Department. We enthusiastically welcome Darlene's positive attitude and deep institutional knowledge and look forward to her full-time transition to the Building Department as Building Department Administrative Supervisor II.



Wayne Taylor started in the Solid Waste department in 2019 where he quickly fit in following a longstanding familial legacy. In 2022, he transitioned to the Water & Sewer Department where he excelled further as a Maintenance Worker. Wayne celebrates 5 years of service with the Town of Surfside.

Wayne has been a great asset to both the Solid Waste and Water & Sewer department. Our deepest thanks and congratulations go out to Wayne for his dedicated service and great work to the Town!



Kimberly Ruvin was promoted to Code Officer II. Kim has been a valued member of the Surfside family and continues to demonstrate a commitment to the Town and its residents. We are proud of her achievement.



Please join us in congratulating Rony for passing the International Code Council (ICC) certification exam and becoming Surfside's First Certified Permit Technician!! WAY TO GO RONY!!



Congratulations to Manny Carta on 5 years of excellence service for the Town in the finance department.



The Building Department congratulates Marisol Vargas on her transfer to the Human Resources Department as Human Resources & Risk Management Specialist.

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Sailing Surfside

New Police Officers Join PD



Welcome Officer Samuel Villegas to the Surfside Police Department. A Swearing-In Ceremony was held on December 11, 2023, in the Commission Chambers.

The Town also welcomed Officer Ruben Ravelo to the Surfside Police Department. A Swearing-In Ceremony was held on Feb. 12, 2024, in the Commission Chambers.

PD's 2023 Officer & Civilian of the Year

In 2023, Officer Donoso demonstrated exceptional dedication and valor in serving the community, earning the prestigious title of Officer of the Year. Dina Goldstein's unwavering support and collaboration with law enforcement exemplified outstanding civic engagement, earning her the esteemed recognition as Civilian of the Year.



There's a New Chief in Town

The Town of Surfside announced the appointment of its new Chief of Police promoted Assistant Chief Antonio Marciante. Chief Marciante has been with the Town of Surfside for 5 years and brings to the Town a collaborative mindset with many years of experience. He started with the Town as a Lieutenant, and it is a privilege and honor to have him as our Chief of Police.



SURFSIDE WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all of our spring birthdays



Rory Alberto
Jorge Galdo
Hector Gomez
Adrian Hernandez
Craig Lovellette
Antonio Marciante
Rodny Napoles
Kiana Richards
Jose Pacheco Jr.
Denis Denlos
Daniel Dominguez

March

Frank Colonna
Carlos Malvarez
Jose Matelis
Harry Saintil
Wayne Taylor Jr.
Jose Valino
Alex Villeda
Lauren Felder
Mitch Michel
Carolina Paz
Samuel Villegas

April

Gretel Alpizar Alvarez
Bernardo Cordova
Kerline Dorcely
David Flores
Andria Meiri
Martinez Saintilmond
Andres Sassi
Curtan Turner
Ileana Hernandez
Clara Riveron
Hilda Rodriguez

May

Supervision in Government Training for Staff Leaders

Throughout the month of February, some of the Town staff leaders along with neighboring municipality leaders dedicated their Fridays to intensive supervision in government training sessions. This initiative aimed to enhance managerial skills and ensure effective governance. By investing time and resources into this program, authorities are equipping managers with the necessary tools to navigate the complexities of their roles and drive positive outcomes for their respective departments and the community at large.





Staff Appreciation Valentine's Day

The team gathered on Feb. 14 for a Staff appreciation Valentine's day. Massages, a lunch box, smoothies and were shared and enjoyed by all.



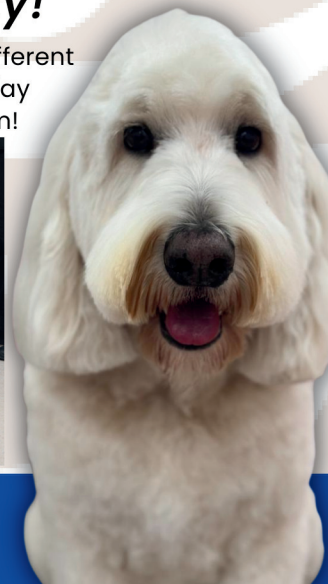
Happy Holidays

The team enjoyed a Holiday Luncheon on Dec. 2023. The delicious food was cater and served by department heads. The staff came together to close out a successful year and celebrated with food, refreshments, sweets and dancing!



Officer Mike's 6th Birthday Party!

Congratulations to Surfside's cuddliest cop: Officer Mike! Different departments came together to organize the pooch's birthday party in December at the police training room and via zoom!

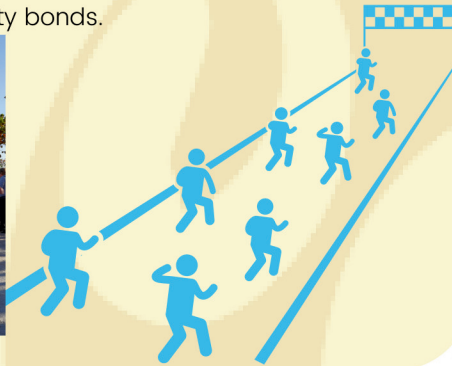


Crossing The Finish Line

Congratulations to Parks & Rec. team for a successful annual Parks and Recreation 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, Feb 25 that drew a robust crowd. Participants gathered at the starting line at 8 a.m., ready to tackle the course.

The race commenced smoothly, with runners and walkers of all ages setting off eagerly. Enjoying the scenic route through Surfside's beach waterfront, participants pushed through with determination.

Spectators lined the streets, offering encouragement as participants passed by. Crossing the finish line, competitors celebrated their achievements and strengthened community bonds.



Koko's Pet Corner



Brotherly Love

Mickey, a cherished companion of Officer Jose Valino, is a delightful pooch who brightens the days of everyone around him. At the age of 10, Mickey continues to exude an infectious energy and playful spirit. He forms a special bond with Officer Mike, finding joy in their shared moments of playfulness. With his endearing personality and loyal nature, Mickey brings warmth and happiness wherever he goes, enriching the lives of those lucky enough to know him.

Stay tuned

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Sailing Surfside, the internal employee newsletter for The Town of Surfside is published quarterly on the first week of the season.

Summer Edition - June 1st

Fall Edition - September 1st

Winter Edition - December 1st

Spring Edition - March 1st

If you'd like to recognize a team member, shout out a colleague, or feature any other relevant information in our next publication please contact Cindy Reyes at creyes@townofsurfsidefl.gov

Thank you