



TOWN OF SURFSIDE

GAZETTE

Town Manager's Message

What a month this has been. Here are some of the activities of your Town Staff and the Town Commission since my last message:

- After years of planning, discussion and continued deterioration of our water sewer and storm drainage system, the Town Commission on April 12, 2011 approved a \$16 million bond issue to fund the improvements. The next step is to open the bids for construction and determine which firm has given the Town the best price.

- Construction of the Community Center is moving at a brisk pace with work going on seven days per week (see page 2). We will be swimming this summer. Thanks to the neighbors who have lived with the construction for nearly eight months.

- The sewage force main break in Miami Beach created a real challenge which the Surfside Public Works Department met with flying colors. We had to truck nearly one million gallons of sewage to avoid an unthinkable mess in our single family neighborhood. Thanks to the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department and Shenandoah Septic Company who provided the hauling capacity to overcome this problem.

- The Downtown Vision Advisory Committee has been very busy. After the Town Commission challenged the Committee to finish its work on limiting certain non retail/restaurant uses in three months, the Committee met with landowners. A lively discussion ensued. Staff has presented a package of recommendations in late April which will eventually be reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Board and the Town Commission. Our appreciation to the many tenants and owners who responded to the Code Enforcement notices regarding more than 400 violations downtown. Check out the painting and other work as a result.

- The new high pressure washer has been delivered and downtown sidewalks are being cleaned and gum removed. To those of you who deposit used gum on

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Baynanza Volunteers Clean Surfside Beach

From school groups to Brownies to local beach lovers, more that 150 volunteers reported to the Surfside beach site as part of the county-wide Baynanza event on April 16. Garbage bags in hand, the volunteers patrolled from the hard-pack sand to water's edge, picking up litter and trash.



MAY 2011

Tree Planting Ceremony Marks Earth Day



The grounds of the soon-to-be-completed Community Center was the site of an Earth Day tree planting ceremony. Because of active construction, there was limited access to the site, but residents will be able to enjoy the trees at the opening of the Center. (L-R) Town Manager Roger M. Carlton, Arni Kotkin, Miami Dade Commissioner Sally Heyman, Mayor Daniel Dietch, Rosangela Hackett, Commissioner Michael Karukin and Police Chief David Allen.

Suggestion Box in Town Hall Lobby

The Town of Surfside wants to hear your ideas! A suggestion box has been installed in the Town Hall lobby for your convenience. Please submit your ideas, suggestions or feedback on Town programs or activities.

Memorial Day Ceremony • Monday, May 30

10 a.m. Veteran's Park • 8791 Collins Avenue

Contact Parks & Recreation Department (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov

Community Center Update

Construction continues seven days a week as the Surfside Community Center moves toward completion. At right is the exterior glass curtain wall system, which is designed to withstand hurricane force winds. Below is the concrete pavers for the pool deck are being installed. These pavers include a mixture of concrete, conch and abalone shell, creating an attractive and comfortable pool deck. Also, the mosaic tile installation began at the entry to the children's activity pool.



Trial Pet Waste Stations Now Available

On a trial basis, dog-waste disposal stations have been installed at several locations: Veterans Park (8750 Collins Ave.), at the beach entrance off the hard pack on 90th & 93rd Street, in front of Hawthorne Tot Lot Park, 89th & Dickens and 93rd & Byron. It is the pet owner's responsibility to clean up after their dog. Town Code Ordinances Sec. 10-32. A (1) and (2) state all dog waste must be immediately removed and disposed in a proper manner. If you are walking your dog near one of these trial stations please dispose of the waste in the containers provided. Please be considerate for those who use the park and beach.



Library Volunteers Recognized



More than 20 residents, Town staff and volunteers who provided assistance in the tremendous effort to distribute the resources of the Town Library were recognized and received certificates at the April Commission meeting. These volunteers eagerly await the Kindle library at the new COmmunity Center.

Kids Enjoy Spring Egg Event

Eggs-citement was in the air at the Surfside Spring Egg event at the 96th Street Park. The highlight of the morning was the dash across the field to pick up plastic eggs. The children and families also enjoyed arts and crafts and refreshments. The event was coordinated by the Surfside Parks and Recreation Department.



Employee of the Quarter

Bobby Gabriel, a member of Parks and Recreation Department, was recently named Town Employee of the Quarter. Bobby is pictured with Tim Milian and Mayor David Dietch.



2011 CALANDAR

MAY

- Mon 2 Town Tourist Board Meeting , 5:30 p.m.
- Tue 10 Town Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Thur 12 Downtown Vision Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Mon 16 Parks and Recreation Committee meeting
- Wed 18 Senior Trip to Actor's Playhouse, *The 39 Steps*
- Tue 24 Miami Dade County Mayoral Election, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Wed 25 Downtown Vision Advisory Committee 7 p.m.
- Mon 30 Memorial Day - TOWN OFFICES CLOSED
- Mon 30 Memorial Day Ceremony, Veterans Park, 10 a.m.

JUNE

- Mon 6 Town Tourist Board Meeting , 5:30 p.m.
- Tue 14 Town Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

All times and dates, except Town Commission meetings, are tentative and subject to change. To verify, contact Town Hall at (305) 861-4863, visit the website www.townofsurfsidefl.gov or tune in to Channel 77.

Music and Dancing at 3rd Thursday

Surfside residents enjoyed the smooth sounds of a talented rhythm and blues band and salsa dancing at the 2011 season's final 3rd Thursday event, sponsored by the Town's Tourist Bureau.



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the sidewalks...one question: Would you do that in your own home? Please use the trash containers.

•Soon you will see a pre-hurricane season tree trimming program begin for every public tree in Surfside. Many of our residents have dead trees in their yards. Code Enforcement has notified you of the need to remove those dangerous and unsightly trees. The prices provided by our Town-wide vendor for removing trees on private land are very reasonable. E-mail Public Works Director Bill Evans at Bevans@twonofsurfsidefl.gov to access this company.

•The Town Commission approved an additional

protection to ensure that future development is beneficial to the Town. The new Development Impact Committee (DIC) will ensure that projects are not only compliant with the Code, but also address off-site impacts and other community goals. The DIC has held its first meeting and the results were reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Board.

These are just some of the activities of your Town Commission, Town Attorney and Staff. As always, thanks for the opportunity to manage this wonderful and unique community.

- Roger M. Carlton

Off. Diana Dulaney Named Officer of Month (Twice)

For her quick actions in cases involving children, Officer Diana Dulaney has been twice honored as Officer of the Month for January and February.



Officer Diana Dulaney (C) is surrounded by her parents and Chief David Allen (L) and Mayor Daniel Dietch.

In the January incident, she was joined in the honors with fellow officer Craig Lovellette and an officer from Bal Harbour. The three worked together to track down a child who never arrived at school. Through their efforts, the child was found and returned unharmed to the parent. In February, Officer Dulaney was called to a home with a report of a baby in distress. When she arrived, she found a mother holding a one-year-old who was choking on food and starting to turn blue. Officer Dulaney used her training to dislodge the food and allow the baby to begin to breathe normally. Miami Dade Rescue arrived and treated and released the child on the scene. She was recognized for her professionalism and quick actions to protect and save lives.

Sgt. Torres Thanked by Strike Force



Sgt. Julio Torres (R) was recently honored for his nearly three years of dedicated service to the South Florida Money Laundering Strike Force. He is pictured with Police Chief David Allen.

Leave a Legacy. Buy a brick.



The Town of Surfside is honored to offer the opportunity to purchase a brick that will become a permanent part of OUR beautiful new Community Center. **But you better step on it!** Bricks are available in a limited quantity. If you want your brick to be in place for the Community Center opening, please order by May 15, 2011. To take part in this unique one time opportunity - bring this completed form, along with payment (cash or check) to the Parks & Recreation Department. All payments must be made in person. No mail-in orders will be accepted. The Parks and Recreation Office is located at 9293 Harding Ave Surfside, FL, 33154. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tel: 305-866-3635. Email: tmilian@townofsurfsidefl.gov.

Bricks are 8" x 8" and require a donation of \$250 per brick. A separate form is required for each brick.

Please use this form. Any symbol is considered one space (period, comma, dash). All text is centered unless otherwise noted. Each brick will have a maximum of 6 lines with a maximum of 18 characters per line. We reserve the right to reject any inappropriate text.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ PHONE _____

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SUMMER CAMP

For ages 6 –12 (Child must turn 6 by September 1, 2011, proof of age required)

Registration Fees & Camp Dates (Excluding Field Trips)	Full Session June 13 - Aug 5 (No Camp July 4)	Session One June 13 - July 8 (No Camp July 4)	Session Two July 11 - Aug 5	Extended Camp Aug. 8 - 19
Surfside Resident	\$472	\$305	\$305	\$115
Non-Resident	\$1,080	\$610	\$610	\$310

Registration fee is to be paid in **full at registration**. A payment for the first two weeks of field trips must be paid in **CASH** at the time of registration. Approximately \$100 per camper. Registration hours: Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday- Sunday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Summer Camp Registration

Permanent Surfside Residents:	April 11
Returning '10' Non-Resident Campers	May 2
Non-Residents	May 23
Deadline to register for Summer Camp	June 8

Teen Camp Registration

Permanent Surfside Residents:	April 18
Non-Residents	May 9
Deadline to register for Teen Camp	June 8

Registration spaces are limited and will be on a first come, first serve basis. Everyone must have proof of residence (current water bill, lease or electric bill). Proof of current insurance for participants is required at the time of registration. No driver licenses will be accepted as proof of residency. For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Department: (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov.

Teen Camp

Camp Dates	June 13 - Aug 5, (8 weeks, two T-shirts, no camp July 4)	
Camp Fees (excluding field trips)	Residents: \$270	Non-residents: \$540

Requirements for Teen Camp participants (Ages 12-15, must be of age before start of camp)

- Campers must be able to swim
- Campers must have proof of insurance
- Campers must CIT on the designated days
- Proof of age required

For Parks and Recreation Department programming, please call (305) 866-3635 or visit www.townofsurfsidefl.gov for department programming information. Adult and Youth Programs will resume in the fall

Surfing

Ages 5 - 15	Sunday	5/1/11-5/22/11	10-11:30 a.m.	\$100 residents, \$150 non-residents
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Tennis

Adult Meet & Greet Doubles	Monday	5/2/11-5/23/11	7:30-10:00 p.m.	\$10 (per class)	5/31
Ladies Doubles	Thursday	5/5/11-5/26/11	9:30-11 a.m.	\$10 (per class)	
Junior Group Tennis, age 9 - 12	Tue & Thurs	5/3/11-5/26/11	5:30-6:30 p.m.	\$48/4 classes, \$95/8 classes	

For Tennis information and registration, contact (305) 866-5176

Senior Trip

May 18 Alfred Hitchcock's *The 39 Steps*, Actor's Playhouse

Lifeguard Stand Now Open Seven Days

The Town of Surfside lifeguard stand at the beach and 93rd Street is now open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Residents Can Be a Part of History

Surfside residents can be a part of history by visiting the Parks and Recreation office and signing the 75th anniversary registry book. The book will be placed in the 75th anniversary time capsule and will be buried at the new Community Center.


For more information, call the Park and Recreation office at 305-866-3635.

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