



## TOWN OF SURFSIDE

# GAZETTE

## Manager's Message

There is much good news as we pass the midway point of the summer. Top of the list is the successful opening of the new and wonderful Community Center. The opening hosted more than 1000 Surfsiders, speeches were short, Belkys Nerey was great, the entertainment and food were superb and the closing fireworks were terrific. Thanks to many folks who worked hard to make this a success. Thanks to Tony Murray for sponsoring the event with a generous donation. Please consider buying a brick to provide funds for extra programming. Call 305-866-3635.

There are two major water/sewer/storm drainage projects that will begin after years of discussion in the next few weeks. The first is the new sewer force main that will run the entire length of Surfside on Collins Avenue. This will give us a back-up force main to take our sewage to Miami Beach and eventually allow the possibility of a second disposal source at the North Dade Treatment Plant. The second is the replacement of our water and sewer systems as well as upgrades to the storm drainage system predominantly west of Harding Avenue. Both these projects will cause some traffic disruptions. We are trying to complete the Collins Avenue project before Christmas. The other project west of Harding is divided into three neighborhoods and their incentive bonuses to complete the work quickly. The total project is 18 months long in three six month segments. To learn more please go to the Collins project website at [www.balharboursurfsideconstruction.com](http://www.balharboursurfsideconstruction.com) and the west of Harding project at [www.utilityupgradeproject.com](http://www.utilityupgradeproject.com). There will also be a townwide meeting at City Hall on August 3 at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be televised on Channel 77.

We are nearing the completion of the most successful summer camp in history. 182 Surfside children from age 6 to 15 have enjoyed field trips, crafts, swimming at the Community Center and other activities. The Town has also trimmed every tree in the public right of way to be ready for hurricane season and many residents took

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## Employees Recognized for Efforts to Complete Community Center

Three Surfside Department heads shared in the Employees of the Quarter award for their tremendous efforts to successfully complete the Town's new Community Center. Public Works Director Bill Evans, Building Official Paul Gioia and Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian all worked countless hours and performed at a high level of professionalism during the critical weeks and months leading up to the grand opening in June.



(L-R) Public Works Director Bill Evans, Building Official Paul Gioia, Parks and Recreation Director Tim Milian, Mayor Daniel Dietch and Town Manager Roger Carlton.



## Surfside Business Directory Available

A complimentary copy of the new and revised Business Directory, produced by the Tourist Bureau, is available at Town Hall.

## Surfside Spice Returns From July - September

The 2nd Annual Surfside Spice restaurant specials are back! From July through September diners can enjoy three-course dinners for one price: \$22 or \$30, depending on the restaurant. Check out the menus on [www.visitsurfsidefl.com](http://www.visitsurfsidefl.com).



Surfside Spice 2011 kicked-off with a popular Culinary Passport to the World on Harding Avenue. Restaurants offered delicious samples of their specialties, while musicians and dancers entertained the crowd.

## Visit the Farmers Market

The Surf-Bal-Bay Farmers Market is a success! This tri-community initiative features a wealth of fresh local and organic produce and a wide variety of other products. The market alternates weekly, year round, between Kane Concourse in Bay Harbor Islands and 95th Street (at Collins Avenue) in Surfside. See the Calendar section for dates and locations. Information is also posted on the Town's website ([www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov)) and the Publix bulletin board.

## Fresh Produce Buyers Club Comes to Surfside

Surfside welcomes Endlessly Organic, a fresh and easy approach to an organic produce buying club. Endlessly Organic delivers fresh and delicious organic fruits and vegetables directly to Surfside Community Center every other week. All produce arrives fresh,



chemical free, ready to eat and at a cost often lower than conventional produce at your grocery store.

Deliveries are divided into full and half shares. A full share contains approximately 25-30 pounds, enough for a family of 3-4 (\$50). A half share contains approximately 14-15 pounds, for 1-2 people (\$35). For more information visit [www.endlesslyorganic.com](http://www.endlesslyorganic.com), call 866-944-9564 or email [info@endlesslyorganic.com](mailto:info@endlesslyorganic.com).

## SURFSIDE SPICE

July, Aug, Sept  
3 Courses - 1 Price

Participating Restaurants  
(subject to change and availability)  
(beverages, taxes and gratuities not included)

3 Courses - \$22: choice of appetizers, choice of entrees, set dessert		3 Courses - \$30: choice of appetizers, choice of entrees, set dessert	
Aer-2 9489 Harding Avenue 305-866-8400	Fishery's Seafood Bar & Grill 9516 Harding Avenue 305-867-0099	Adriano Restaurant 9477 Harding Avenue 305-867-1220	Café Ragazzi 9500 Harding Avenue 305-866-4495
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Cine Citta Caffè 9544 Harding Avenue 305-866-8608 (Kosher)	Sushi Republic 9583 Harding Avenue 305-867-8036	4 Course Tasting Menu - \$22 6 Course Tasting Menu - \$30	
Divine Pizza 9476 Harding Avenue (305) 397-8559	The Greek Place 9561 Harding Avenue 305-866-9628	Lotus Miami 9487 Harding Avenue 305-397-3062 (Kosher)	

[www.visitsurfsidefl.com](http://www.visitsurfsidefl.com) - 305.864.0722

## An Open Letter

### Surfside Residents, Town Commission and Administration:

The Tourist Board would like to congratulate everyone in bringing the Community Center to a reality for all to enjoy. This significant project is a beautiful addition to our Town and is a focal point in bringing tourists and residents together in a family atmosphere.

It is a pleasure to know the Tourist Bureau generated Resort Tax dollars contributed to the construction of this project. The Tourist Board is committed to supporting the operational expenses of running this fine recreational and cultural landmark.

On behalf of the Tourist Board, we are proud to call Surfside our home.

Sincerely,  
Eli Tourgeman, Chair

# Parking Permit Program



The Surfside Police Department will be providing the 2012 Resident Parking Permits at Town Hall beginning Monday, August 22 between 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. To obtain your permit, proof of residency is required. Examples include driver's license with a Surfside address, property tax bill, water bill, rental or lease agreement. You must also bring your vehicle registration or copy. There is a limit of three permits per address. There is a \$10 fee per permit and it will expire September 30, 2012. Please call (305) 861-4862 or 861-4863 for further information.

## Hurricane Assistance For Seniors

Surfside Seniors are eligible for hurricane assistance. If you would need assistance in an emergency situation, please register for the Police Department's Seniors in Surfside Program. Contact Dina Goldstein, Executive Assistant to the Chief, at (305) 861-4862 or [dgoldstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov](mailto:dgoldstein@townofsurfsidefl.gov). The Police Department will check on registered residents and coordinate a volunteer effort to assist with chores and hurricane preparedness.

## Public Meeting on Utility Upgrade Program

A Public Outreach Meeting for Surfside's Utility Upgrade Project has been scheduled in the Town Commission Chambers from 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday August 3. Representatives from the Town CGA and Ric-Man (Contractor) will discuss the project schedule, methods of construction, phasing plan, equipment to be used and public notifications. The Collins Avenue force main will also be discussed. Time for public questions and answers will be allocated.

The meeting notice has been posted on both the Construction and main Town Websites. Please see the links below: [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/Surfside-Home/news/11-07-18/Public\\_Outreach\\_Meeting\\_Scheduled.aspx](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/Surfside-Home/news/11-07-18/Public_Outreach_Meeting_Scheduled.aspx) and [www.utilityupgradeproject.com/?page\\_id=16](http://www.utilityupgradeproject.com/?page_id=16)

# 2011 CALENDAR

## AUGUST

- Mon 1 Town Tourist Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Wed 3 Public Meeting on Utility Upgrade Program, 6:30 p.m.
- Thur 4 Bike With The Chief, 6 p.m.
- Sun 7 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (BHI)
- Tue 9 Endlessly Organic Produce 4-6 p.m. Community Center
- Tue 9 Town Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Sun 14 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am-2 pm (Surfside)
- Mon 15 Police Department Blood Drive 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Mon 15 Parks & Recreation Committee, 7 p.m.
- Thur 18 Pension Board, 2 p.m.
- Sun 21 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (BHI)
- Tue 23 Endlessly Organic Produce 4-6 p.m. Community Center
- Thur 25 Planning & Zoning Board, 7 p.m.
- Sun 28 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (Surfside)

## SEPTEMBER

- Thur 1 First Budget Workshop, 4 p.m.
- Sun 4 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (BHI)
- Mon 5 Labor Day - Town Offices Closed
- Tue 6 Endlessly Organic Produce 4-6 p.m. Community Center
- Wed 7 Town Tourist Board Meeting , 5:30 p.m.
- Sun 11 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (Surfside)
- Tue 13 Budget Hearing 5 p.m.
- Tue 13 Town Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Sun 18 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (BHI)
- Mon 19 Parks & Recreation Committee, 7 p.m.
- Tue 20 Endlessly Organic Produce 4-6 p.m. Community Center
- Tue 20 Seminar: Survival Mindset for Women
- Sun 25 Surf-Bal-Bay Farmer's Market, 9 am- 2 pm (Surfside)
- Mon 26 Budget Hearing 5 p.m.
- Tue 27 Eye on Surfside

*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](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov) or tune in to Channel 77.*

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advantage of the low prices from our contractor to trim trees on their property. The work of the Downtown Vision Committee is showing results with cleaner sidewalks, painting of buildings and soon better regulation of news racks and sidewalk tables. The Town Commission has also authorized the renovation of parking lots like recently done at the Post Office throughout downtown and a location sign program is in design. We will also be undergrounding the electric and other utilities in the alleys east and west of Harding as a project cost born by developers. There is also good news on the FY 2011-12 Budget front. The Town Commission set the property millage at 5.5000, a real dollar tax reduction for more than 90 percent of our taxpayers.

Finally, a proposed 342-room hotel on both sides of Collins on the old Beach House property has been reviewed by the Development Impact Committee and the Planning and Zoning Board review was held July 28. Take a look at their website at [www.grandbeachhotelsurfside.com](http://www.grandbeachhotelsurfside.com). The Town Commission will review the project in September. We have run out of space and there is much more happening. As always, thanks to the Town Commission and the residents of Surfside for the opportunity to manage this wonderful community.

- Roger M. Carton

# Highlights of the July 12 Commission Meeting

## *Voted to approve the following resolutions:*

- Supporting and endorsing the South Florida Parks Coalition Charter and Principles on which it stands
- Determining a proposed operating millage rate of 5.5000 mills, determining the current year rolled-back rate, establishing the date, time and place for the first and second public hearings for fiscal year 2011-2012
- Opposing any initiative to amend Florida's Constitution to allow casino gambling

## Leave a Legacy, Buy a brick

Residents still have the opportunity to purchase a brick paver that will become a permanent part of our beautiful new Community Center. Your personalized brick will be visible to all as they pass through the breezeway entrance. A lasting legacy to your community!

The bricks have six lines of wording with a maximum of 18 characters per line. Cost is \$250 per brick. Any inappropriate text will be rejected.

To participate, you must go in person to the Parks & Recreation Department in the Community Center. All payments must be made in person. No mail-in orders will be accepted. Office hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call 305-866-3635 or email: [tmilian@townofsurfsidefl.gov](mailto:tmilian@townofsurfsidefl.gov).

## Restaurant Update

• Chef Claude Labi, the owner of **Cafe Vert** in Surfside, has opened **Lotus Miami** an Asian Kosher Restaurant at 9487 Harding Ave. Master Chef Armando Litiatco, believes the key to great cuisine starts with great ingredients. The cuisine is modern and elegant with luxurious dishes incorporating Japanese, Chinese and South East Asia cuisines. Lotus Miami is open for lunch and dinner, call 305-397-8062. (under K Supervision)



• Miami Subs is now **Divine Pizza & Restaurant**. The menu includes most of the Miami Subs specialties along with Italian Chef Richie La Rocco's authentic specialties. There also is a variety of salads, appetizers and deserts to eat in, take out or delivery. Open daily 11 a.m.-1 a.m. at 9476 Harding Ave. Order online at [www.hotdivinepizza.com](http://www.hotdivinepizza.com).



## *Voted to adopt the following ordinances on second reading:*

- Repealing Ordinance 2011-1571 "Temporary Moratorium on the Processing of Site Plans, Building Permits, and the Issuance of Certificates of Use or Occupancy for Non-Retail, Non-Restaurant Uses for the properties generally located between 96th and 94th Street and Harding Avenue"
- Creating a section of the Town Code for Permits for Special Events, Enforcement and Coordination with the Police Department
- Amending the Town Code regarding Commercial Standards relating to the appearance of vacant storefronts
- Creating a section of the Town Code regarding Newsracks on public rights-of-way

## *Town Commission voted/concurred to:*

- Using People's Transportation (gas tax) funds, the Town Commission approved the expenditure of \$225,000 as the Town's share of a multi-million dollar State repaving project to install upgraded crosswalks, repair cracked sidewalks, raise manholes and install a bike path which spans the entire length of Collins Avenue in the Town of Surfside.

## **ATTENTION RESIDENTS:**

The fall schedule for Parks and Recreation Programs is being finalized and will be posted in late August on the Town Website [www.townofsurfsidefl.gov](http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov). For more information call (305) 866-3635.

## **Surfside Aquatics Center Hours**

*Through August 21*

Note that due to programming only portions of the Main Pool will be available from 10 -11 a.m.

**Main pool: Open swim and Sand Dollar Key:**  
Monday – Sunday: 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

### **Water Slide:**

Monday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 12 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

### **Lap Swimming:**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 6:45 – 8:30 a.m.  
(5 Lap Lanes) Monday -Friday 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.  
(limited Lanes)

### **Beach lifeguard tower**

(Located behind the Community Center)  
Every day, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.



## **Collins Avenue Sewer Force Main Construction Project From 96th Street to 72nd Street**

The Village of Bal Harbour in conjunction with the Town of Surfside will begin a utility improvement project to construct a new 16" sanitary sewage transmission main along Collins Avenue from 96 Street to 72 Street, to provide a sewage lateral and connection from the Village of Bal Harbour to the City of Miami Beach. Work will be completed by TB Landmark Construction. The project is scheduled to begin in early August, last approximately six months and costs an estimated \$4.2 million.

### **Work Includes**

- Installing the new sewer line in the center of the roadway to enhance the existing line that services Bal Harbour and Surfside
- Interconnecting the system for the Town of Bay Harbor Isles and the Town of Surfside

**Please note that weather and/or other unforeseen circumstances could impact this schedule**

### **Traffic Flow and Hours of Operation**

In order to perform this work safely there will be lane closures and sidewalk closures at various locations. Entrance to businesses and condominiums will be maintained at all times and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times in areas that do not pose a safety risk.

Work will be done in phases and with the latest technology to minimize time and impacts to the community. Standard hours of operation will take place from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. At times the contractor may need to work 24 hours. Proper notification will be distributed to the community prior to work taking place.

### **Always Put Safety First**

The Village of Bal Harbour and Town of Surfside will make every effort to minimize these effects throughout the construction. For your safety and the safety of others, please use caution and common sense when driving, walking or biking around any construction area. Be advised that this work will not affect your drinking water; safe to drink – safe to flush.

Please note that you might experience the following while construction is under way:

- Partial Road closures — access will be maintained at all times - (SEE REVERSE SIDE)



- Partial Lane closures — access will be maintained at all times
- Partial Sidewalk closures — pedestrian access will be maintained at all times
- Established detours— maintenance of Traffic signs will be clearly marked
- Increased dust and noise — daily restoration of the work area, watering and sweeping
- Increased travel times through the project area
- Heavy machinery, equipment and personnel moving in and around the construction zone

### Helpful Tips

- Give yourself a little extra time to reach your destination
- Obey all signs posted within the construction zone
- “NO PARKING” signs will be strictly enforced
- Timely information about upcoming detours and lane closures will be posted weekly on the Village of Bal Harbour/Surfside Project website at [www.BalHarbourSurfsideConstruction.com](http://www.BalHarbourSurfsideConstruction.com) .
- Sign up for weekly construction updates via email by contacting the Public Information Officer
- Off-Duty officers will be present while work is in progress

### Contact Information

***For general inquiries, please visit [www.BalHarbourSurfsideConstruction.com](http://www.BalHarbourSurfsideConstruction.com) or contact the Project Information Hotline, at 786-306-6615. Your call will be returned within 24 hours. You may also e-mail the Public Information Officer, Monica Diaz, at [info@balharboursurfsideconstruction.com](mailto:info@balharboursurfsideconstruction.com).***

Bal Harbour Village 655 - 96th Street Bal Harbour, Florida 33154  
Town of Surfside 9293 Harding Avenue Surfside, Florida 33154

# Antonio Mesa Named June Officer of the Month

For his outstanding work in removing a dangerous criminal from the streets, Officer Antonio Mesa was named Officer of the Month for June 2011. While on patrol, Officer Mesa investigated a suspicious car with the driver was asleep at the wheel and the car running. There was an open beer in the car and the driver was arrested for DUI. It was later discovered the suspect had an extensive criminal history and was on probation for burglary. Two firearms were found in the car, one of which was reported stolen in a burglary. Congratulations for a job well done!



Chief David Allen (L) and Mayor Daniel Dietch (R) present the Officer of the Month award to Officer Antonio Mesa (with plaque) and his family.

## Taking a Spin Through Town with the Police Chief

Bike with the Chief is a monthly program open to all residents (adults and children). Join Chief David Allen, Assistant Chief DiCenso and other officers for a leisurely ride through the residential neighborhood. Participants become acquainted with the police department as well as assisting in keeping an eye on the neighborhood. Check Town calendars for the next scheduled ride.



(L-R) Chief David Allen, Dina Goldstein, Stan Bershad, Mayor Daniel Dietch, Ofc. Jay Matelis, Alan Gorme, Ofc. Loxley Arch.

## New Officer Joins Force



Officer Jonathan Alvarez was sworn in on June 29, 2011 as Surfside's newest police officer. He was previously with Broward Sheriff's Office as a deputy for two and a half years. He is also a reserve with the United States Air Force.

## Having Fun in the Summertime

More than 180 children and teens are participating in the Parks & Recreation Department's successful 2011 summer camp. They have enjoyed a variety field trips, crafts and swimming at the Community Center and other activities. At left, members of the Police teen camp attend a SWAT class and below a Crime Scene investigation class where they learned how to process different types of fingerprints. At right, youngsters learn to swim at the pool.



# SURFSIDE

## Surf-Bal-Bay Farmers Market ATri-Community Venture

SUNDAYS 9AM - 2PM  
YEAR ROUND

Surf-Bal-Bay Farmers Market is now weekly featuring a wealth of fresh local and organic produce and much more at an outdoor market!

### AUGUST SCHEDULE

☀ SURFSIDE, 95TH ST @ COLLINS AVE  
AUGUST 14TH & 28TH

☀ BAY HARBOR ISLANDS,  
KANE CONCOURSE  
AUGUST 7TH & 21ST

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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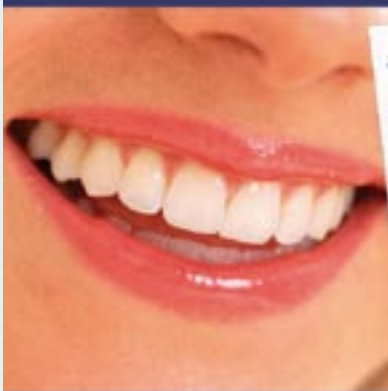
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### **TOWN MEETINGS ON DVD**

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 Debra Eastman, Town Clerk at 305-861-4863 x226.

### **TOWN COMMISSION**

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Parks & Recreation	(305) 866-3635
Tennis Courts	(305) 866-5176
Tourist Bureau	(305) 864-0722
Police	(305) 861-4862
Fire Rescue	(305) 861-1115

### **TOWN WEBSITE**

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