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I hope everyone is enjoying an exciting and busy summer in Bay Harbor Islands! As you know, your Council is on a break during the month of July, but are working diligently with staff on next year's fiscal budget. Stay tuned for more information on the budget in the coming months.

While summer is often thought of as a laid-back time of relaxing and vacations, everyone should still make an effort to stay alert and keep safety in mind. First, we are already into hurricane season and residents should have their hurricane kit prepared and their emergency plans in place. The keys to keeping you and your family safe during this period are readiness and communication. Stay informed and prepared and don't forget to register for CodeRED.

Summer is also the time when children are out of school. Anytime you are driving through our neighborhoods, remember to slow down and keep a sharp eye out for kids playing, walking, biking and skating.

If traveling this summer, you should notify the Bay Harbor Islands Police Department that you will be away so they can watch your home. Here are a few easy tips to make your home look as though it is lived in while you are away: have automatic timers to turn on lights in the evening, have a friend or neighbor collect mail, newspapers and other deliveries and, if you are away for an extended time, arrange for your lawn to be mowed.

And don't forget the dangers of fireworks. If you plan on doing your own fireworks, please do so safely. Use only legal fireworks and make sure a responsible adult is present at all times.

This month, the County will resume bi-weekly larvicide treatments throughout Bay Harbor Islands. This alone won't keep the mosquito population in check. We need our residents to practice "Drain & Cover" in and around their own homes and businesses, as well. Together, we can fight the bite!

Finally, join me in welcoming our two beautiful new hotels that are now open and bringing guests into our Town. The excitement of TRYP by Wyndham and Grand Beach Hotel Bay Harbor have already resulted in a noticeable increase of customers at our restaurants and shops.

Whether you are traveling or relaxing at home, have a fun and safe Independence Day and a wonderful summer!



- Stephanie

# TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE

## 2018 Outstanding Senior Receiving Scholarship

Ian Krupkin, a junior at Miami Beach Senior High School, was named the Bay Harbor Islands Outstanding High School Student of the Year, received a \$1,000 scholarship and a certificate of Recognition from the Town Council at the June 11 meeting. Winner of the Bay Harbor Islands Outstanding Middle School Student of the Year award was Christopher Anderson from Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center.



(L-R) Council member Isaac Salver, Council member Kelly Reid, Lucas Krupkin, Ian Krupkin and mother Cynthia Vul, Mayor Stephanie Bruder, Council member Jordan W. Leonard, Council member Robert Yaffe and Vice Mayor Josh Fuller.

## Former Mayor Zilber Honored

Former Mayor Linda Zilber was honored by the Town Council for her many years of dedicated service to the Community as a member of the Miami-Dade County's Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT). She served on the 15-member body that was created to oversee the People's Transportation Plan funded by a half-penny sales tax. For more on the CITT, visit [www.miamidade.gov/citt](http://www.miamidade.gov/citt).



(L-R) Council member Isaac Salver, Council member Kelly Reid, Mayor Stephanie Bruder, Former Mayor Linda Zilber, Council member Jordan Leonard, Council member Robert Yaffe and Vice Mayor Joshua Fuller.

## Long-time Mail Carrier Recognized at Retirement



For more than 20 years, Stephanie Ross (center) was a well-known face in Bay Harbor Islands as she delivered the mail to residents. Stephanie, with her husband and son, received a special recognition plaque for her service to the Town from Mayor Stephanie Bruder and Vice Mayor Joshua Fuller.

## Council Members Honored with Home Rule Hero Awards

The Florida League of Cities recently recognized city officials from across the State with 2018 Home Rule Hero Awards. Home Rule is the ability for a city to address local problems through and by local decision makers with minimal state interference. Council members Jordan Leonard and Isaac Salver both earned this prestigious award for their tireless efforts to help protect the Home Rule powers of our Town during the 2018 legislative session.



Council member Jordan Leonard; C. Scott Dudley, Legislative Director for the Florida League of Cities; Rep. Joe Geller, Florida House of Representatives; Council Member Isaac Salver; Tallahassee Commissioner Gil Ziffer, President of the Florida League of Cities.

# After-School Students Recognized at Awards Ceremony



With shiny trophies in hand and medals around their necks, children of all ages left the Morris N. Broad Community Center with recognition of their achievements during the 2017-18 after-school program. Sports, music, languages, dancing and cheerleading awards were all presented on June 3 with proud parents, family, coaches and teachers looking on. The event was held by the Community Services Department.



*(L-R) At the Community Center trophy table are Council members Robert Yaffe and Isaac Salver; Town Manager Ron Wasson and Assistant Town Manager JC Jimenez.*

## POLICE BEAT

### Two Officers Join BHI Police Department

The BHI Police Department added two new officers to their ranks this past June, Officer John Davilmar and Officer Michael McNamara. Be sure to say hello, introduce yourself and make them feel a part of the Town of Bay Harbor Islands family!



*With Chief Sean Hemingway looking on, Officer John Davilmar assists pinning a new badge on Officer Michael McNamara (right).*



## MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER

Monday - Friday: 8 am - 8 pm; Saturday & Sunday: 10 am - 6 pm. Phone (786) 646-9970.

### NEW PROGRAMS

Note that the Second Summer Session for classes will start the week of July 29th. For more information about classes being offered please call, (786) 646-9970.

### SENIOR MATINEE: *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*

The Senior Matinee will be on Friday, July 27 at 1:30 pm. The film will be *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* (PG-13). Based on a true story, this classic 1969 film famously paired actors Paul Newman and Robert Redford as two likeable Wyoming outlaws on the run from a posse at the turn of the last century. Winner of four Academy Awards. Join us for a free viewing of this entertaining film for seniors 55+. Please arrive early for seating.



### GAME DAY AND SOCIAL

Wednesday, July 18 at 10 am (Note that there is no Game Day on Wednesday, July 4)

Join us at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on the first and third Wednesday of every month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m for conversation, cards and board games. Play bridge, mahjong, chess, rummy and checkers. Refreshments will be available.

### YOUTH

Note our Game Room hours: Fridays, 3:30-5 pm on; Saturday and Sunday, 12- 4 pm.

LEGO Club: first and third Sunday 12 -4 pm. Try your hand at building and creating something incredible. Test your skills as you create the challenge of the week.



### On Facebook?

So are we! See what is happening now at the Morris N. Broad Community Center. Go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and search for @BHICommunityServices. Get access to Community Events, Youth Athletic Highlights and New Updates.

For more information about the Community Services Department, call the Morris N. Broad Community Center at (786 ) 646-9970.



## ACTIVE SENIORS

**SENIORS ON THE GO • SAWGRASS MILLS SHOPPING TRIP  
TUESDAY, JULY 17**

Leaving from the Community Center at 9:30 am,  
returning at 4 pm

**TRIP IS FREE**

Join us for a day at the Mills. Renown as the nation's largest outlet and value retail shopping destination, you will find more than 350 stores, including Nike, Tommy Hilfiger, Ralph Lauren and Gap, plus value retailers OFF 5th Saks Fifth Avenue, Bed Bath & Beyond, Target and many more. Remember to bring money for your purchases. Questions? Call: (786) 646-9970.



Active Senior Trips are for Residents only; proof of residency will be required for registration. Residents may bring guests but must register for the group.



# 2018 SUMMER CAMP!



Enjoy a wide variety of recreational activities, including arts and crafts, sports, games, Friday field trips and more. Each camper will experience a safe, positive and enriching environment with the Community Services' staff members.

**SECOND HALF OF SUMMER CAMP STARTS THE WEEK OF JULY 9, 2018**  
**Space is limited so please register early.**

For information, call (786) 646-9970. Applications are available on the website, [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)

# Keep Our Waterways Clean! Give a Hoot! Don't Pollute!

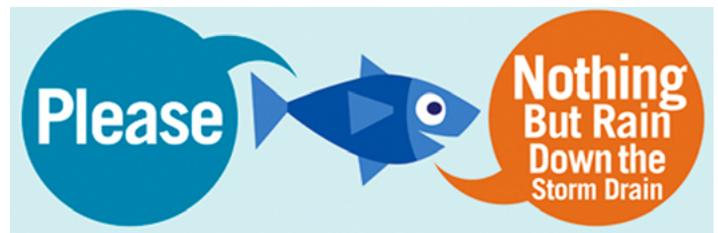
The 2018 Hurricane season is officially upon us, and so are the heavy rains that inevitably follow. We want to remind residents and visitors to be extremely careful to NOT litter or otherwise pollute our Town and its surrounding waterways.

Rainwater that runs off our rooftops, streets, driveways and lawns flows directly into the storm drains. Typically referred to as "stormwater," it flows through the streets and into the storm drains. The water transports litter, animal waste, lawn cuttings, pesticides, fertilizers, soil, bacteria, oil, grease and chemicals and are all deposited into our waterways. Because our Town is in the middle of the Intracoastal Waterway, the stormwater is carrying this pollution straight into Biscayne Bay and the surrounding waterways.

Stormwater is a leading cause of water pollution. This runoff can kill aquatic life and make our waterways an unhealthy place to live, work and play. The effect of such pollution can be devastating. We have a ZERO tolerance for pollution.

How can you help? You can actively participate in preserving our environment by doing the following:

- Shop Wisely. Buy products labeled biodegradable, non-toxic, non-phosphorous, or water-soluble. Common trash from consumer goods makes up the majority of what eventually becomes marine debris, polluting our waterways and oceans.
- Store Products Carefully. Keep toxic products in original containers, closed and clearly marked, since spillage can easily occur.
- Don't drain used motor oil, paints, mineral spirits, weed killers and pool chemicals into storm drains.
- A free non-commercial disposal option is available for residents at the Home Chemical Center, 8801 NW 58 St, Doral, FL 33178. Items up to 50 pounds may be dropped off between 9 AM - 5 PM, Wednesday through Sunday or call (305) 594-1500.
- Use mulch for fertilizer and only use chemical pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. Avoid application if there is rain forecast or these chemicals will be washed into the Bay.
- Select native plants and grasses that are drought and pest resistant. Native plants require less water, fertilizer, and pesticides.
- Sweep up yard debris, rather than hosing down areas. Compost or recycle yard waste when possible. Never ever blow yard waste into the street!
- Don't over water your lawn. Water during the cool times of the day, and don't let water run off into the storm drain. Follow South Florida Water Management District regulations.
- Cover piles of dirt and mulch being used in landscaping projects to prevent these pollutants from blowing or washing off your yard and into our local water bodies. Vegetate bare spots in your yard to prevent soil erosion.
- Pick up and properly dispose of pet waste.
- Dispose of litter in the designated containers and keep the lids closed. Plastics in the aquatic environment are of



increasing concern because of their persistence and effect on the environment, wildlife, and human health.

- Recycle plastic and glass bottles, cardboard and newspapers. Be sure to dispose of plastic bags and Styrofoam products in your regular GARBAGE containers - these are not readily recyclable. Do not place plastic bags and Styrofoam in the recycle containers.

## Committee Members Needed

The Town Council approved the creation of a new citizen's committee called the Sustainability and Resiliency Committee. This committee has combined the Environmental Impact and Disaster Preparedness Committee.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve, please submit a letter of interest and resume to the Town Clerk Marlene Siegel. For more information, call at 305-866-6241 or email to: [msiegel@bayharborislands-fl.gov](mailto:msiegel@bayharborislands-fl.gov)

An advertisement for CrossFit 77. At the top left is the logo for "LA BASE BAY HARBOR" which is a red and white circular emblem with a cross and a globe. To the right of the logo is contact information: "(786) 877 - 5083", "1086 Kane Concourse, Bay Harbor Islands, FL. 33154", "@77.CROSSFIT", and "WWW.CROSSFITSETENTAYSIETE.COM". Below this is the text "CROSSFIT 77" in large, bold, white letters with a black outline. The background of the advertisement is a photograph of the interior of a CrossFit gym, showing various pieces of equipment like barbells, racks, and treadmills. At the bottom of the advertisement, there is a red and white "Now OPEN Box" graphic, followed by the text "Monday - Friday", "10:30am until noon", and "Make it your own gym! do your own workout at your own time".

# TRYP by Wyndham Sails into Bay Harbor Islands

TRYP by Wyndham®, Wyndham Hotel Group's urban lifestyle brand, boosted its growing presence in Florida with recent opening of their newly constructed, 96-room hotel in Bay Harbor Islands.

"TRYP by Wyndham Miami Bay Harbor – with its prime waterfront location – is the perfect example of a unique destination not always uncovered by travelers, offering guests a chance to confidently cruise their way around the Bay Harbor Islands, a slice of Miami adored by locals," said Mark Kukulski, president, Wyndham Hotel Group Management. Surrounded by waterways and just minutes from the beach, TRYP by Wyndham Miami Bay Harbor couples the relaxed

pace of an island vacation with the exciting accessibility of a city-chic destination. Minutes from shopping, dining and beaches, the hotel offers a heated rooftop pool and bar with 360-degree views.

Guests can enjoy one and two-bedroom suites with scenic views, as well as access to the hotel's fitness center and lobby lounge. Later this year, the hotel will also open TRYP's signature Gastro Pub offering tapas, or small plates, inspired by the brand's Mediterranean roots.

TRYP by Wyndham Miami Bay Harbor is now offering a special 15% off "Good Neighbor rate" for Bay Harbor Islands residents. Welcome to the neighborhood, TRYP!



## Bi-weekly Mosquito Spraying Begins on July 12

Bi-weekly Larvicide treatment by truck will be restarted in Bay Harbor Islands by Miami-Dade County beginning on Thursday, July 12, 2018. The time-window in which treatments are to occur is between the hours of 2 a.m. and 5 a.m. The treatments are strictly proactive and not in response to any immediate threat regarding Zika or any mosquito borne disease.

**TAKE THE BITE OUT OF MOSQUITOES  
AND STOP ZIKA!  
REMEMBER TO DRAIN & COVER.**

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## Trim Trees Away From Power Lines

Residents remember how many power lines were brought down by falling overgrown trees during Hurricane Irma and other tropical storms. In an effort to prevent this from happening, the Town Council passed an ordinance requiring property owners to keep their trees and vegetation trimmed and away from power lines. Check your trees and be proactive. By trimming trees and vegetation away from power lines, you can minimize the impact of storms to the area. Visit Florida Power and Light's website, [www.fpl.com](http://www.fpl.com), for

more information on tree trimming and search for "Trees and Power Lines" or type the direct web address: [www.fpl.com/reliability/trees.html](http://www.fpl.com/reliability/trees.html). If you don't have internet, stop by Town Hall for a copy of FPL's publication *Right Tree, Right Place*.

If the trees are already growing into the powerlines, please contact FPL, 1-800-226-3545, and ask about their Line Clearing Program. For additional information, contact the Code Compliance Department, at (305) 993-1786.

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**Building Department: (305) 993-1786**

**Police: (305) 866-6242**

**Emergency: 911**

**[www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)**

## Upcoming Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance at meetings. Regular Council meetings are scheduled for the second Monday of the month at 7 pm and the regular scheduled Planning & Zoning Board meetings are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday at 7 pm. To confirm all dates and times, contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public.

- Planning & Zoning Board – Tuesday, July 3 at 7 p.m.

### **NO REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING IN JULY**

- Planning & Zoning Board – Wednesday, July 18 at 7 p.m.
- Budget Workshop – Thursday, July 19 at 7 p.m.

The following future meeting dates are tentative and subject to change. Check the Town's website, [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov).

- Regular Council Meetings:  
August 13, 2018 and September 17, 2018
- Planning & Zoning Board Meetings:  
August 7 & 21 and September 4, 2018

**ALL MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## Council Action at the June 11 Council Meeting

- **Approval** of a Resolution extending a temporary moratorium for an additional period of one hundred and eighty (180) days on approving registrations and applications for communication facilities, including small wireless facilities and utility poles for collocation of small wireless facilities.
- **Approval** of a Resolution establishing policy for Town Council Members when representing the Town as a voting delegate at meetings and functions before outside organizations.
- **Approval** of an expenditure for reimbursement of additional bonding cost associated with the increased contract amount with M & J Construction Company of Pinellas County.
- **Approval** of contract awards to Lakes Engineering Inc. and STV Inc. for continuing bridge engineering services.

## Anticipated Discussion Items for August 13, 2018

### Council Meeting

*At the time of printing. All items are subject to change.*

- **Consideration** and **Approval** of an ordinance on **second** reading amending the Town Code to provide enhanced outdoor lighting requirements.
- **Consideration** and **Approval** of an ordinance on **second** reading amending Section 5-23-01 of the Town Code providing for staggered terms for the Members of the Planning & Zoning Board.
- **Consideration** and **Approval** of an ordinance on **second** reading amending Chapter 20 of the Town Code relating to utility billing and collections.