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It really is the most wonderful time of the year. While the holidays get all the headlines, the true gift of the season is the opportunity for friends, family, co-workers and even new acquaintances to spend time together and enhance their relationships. Social barriers are broken, distant family members (even the strange ones) are brought back into the fold, and kids celebrate a long break from school at the end of the month. At the same time, please remember there are those not as fortunate as you, and a simple kind word or invitation to participate in a holiday celebration can make all the difference in their lives.

December is also the perfect time to look back and appreciate what we have together accomplished over the past year in Bay Harbor Islands. Our Town is thriving. Restaurants and shops on Kane Concourse are flourishing, our community event schedule is plentiful (including concerts, movie nights, snow day and more), our tax rate has been lowered, we have added police officers to increase safety, our Town services have been digitized to allow on-line access and transparency, our infrastructure has been improved, a new waterfront park is being built, existing parks are being enhanced, town hall has been renovated, a free on-demand car service has been initiated, and future improvement projects have been planned/designed. More importantly, we have emerged from our COVID-19 isolation to once again embrace our social community.



There is still work to be done. 2023 will greet us with new challenges, as well as new possibilities. Together, we will address parking and traffic issues, work to improve our school, attempt to limit the impact of local construction, provide public water access, mitigate flooding, and continue the increase in Town events. To that end, please reserve February 4-5, 2023, on your schedule, as the Town of Bay Harbor Islands will celebrate its 75th anniversary with our first Town Arts Festival, as well as numerous additional events related to that festive weekend.

We welcome the holidays and new year with renewed optimism and the irrefutable knowledge that Bay Harbor Islands is the premier town in Florida. The credit goes to our residents, our law enforcement officers and to our amazing Town staff. We will not rest on past accomplishments. Bay Harbor Islands strives to improve each year, and to provide all residents a place they can proudly call home. Please enjoy a safe and festive holiday season, and a very Happy New Year.



Bring a smile to a needy child, this holiday season!

Drop off donations of new, unwrapped toys in the Police Department Lobby or Town Hall until December 23rd!



## Officer Kathy Sullivan Retires



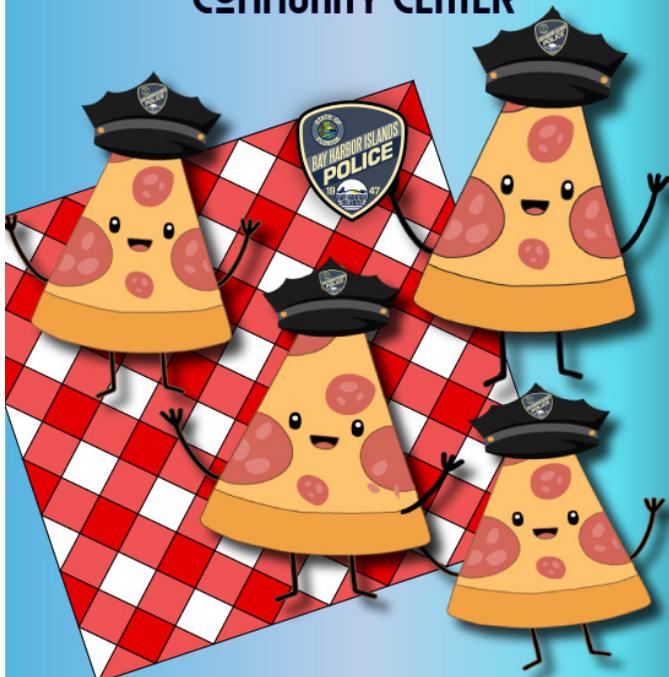
Long-time Bay Harbor Islands Police Officer Kathy Sullivan has retired. As a dedicated member of the department since 2008, she served as a BHI PD Marine Patrol Officer, where she received numerous life-saving awards, as well as a field training officer and a member of the bicycle patrol unit.

Officer Sullivan was passionate about people, especially the youth in our community. This was evident in her willingness to give of her time and make an investment in people. Her positive legacy has made our community and our police department a better place. We wish Kathy all the very best in her retirement. She will be missed.

## Detective Castellanos Recognized

On November 12, Bay Harbor Islands Police Detective Alan Castellanos was recognized by the Dominican Law Enforcement Officers of Florida Organization at their annual gala. He was presented with an award for "Investigative Excellence" for his successful work as a Detective with the Bay Harbor Island Police Department.

**PIZZA WITH THE BHI POLICE  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH AT 6:30 PM  
AT THE MORRIS N. BROAD  
COMMUNITY CENTER**



*Come have a slice and get some safety advice!*

*Save the Date*

**BAY HARBOR  
ISLANDS  
ART FESTIVAL**

*February 4-5th!*

Don't miss the Bay Harbor Islands Arts Festival, February 4 – 5, 2023. The two-day event will feature works of art from all genres, exhibited along beautiful Kane Concourse. It's our 75th anniversary so we are planning a super weekend. AND it's free and dog-friendly! We hope to see you there.

60+ renowned artists • Live art activations  
Live Music & DJ • Family & children activities  
Food & beverage stations • Product Sampling and more!

*For sponsorships, sampling or general inquiries,  
please email [info@mmgmiami.com](mailto:info@mmgmiami.com)*





# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Surf-Bal-Bal Super Night Out



(L-R) Bay Harbor Islands Chief Raul M. Diaz, Surfside Chief Rogelio Torres, Bal Harbour Chief Raleigh Flowers.

The Bay Harbor Islands Police Department hosted Surf-Bal-Bay Super Night Out on October 27, along with the Bal Harbour and Surfside Police. They were joined by neighboring agencies who brought out their coolest vehicles and gear for the hundreds in attendance to check out, up close. Fun was had by all at this super event. Thank you to our Police Department and all the agencies who participated.



## Bay Harbor Islands Honors U.S. Veterans



On November 11, 2022, Bay Harbor Islands proudly hosted the Town's Annual Veterans Day event. Residents, Town staff and guests saluted those who have served in the U.S. military and those who continue to keep our country strong. Chief Raul Diaz recognized our veterans and Mayor Josh Fuller and Town Manager Maria Lasday made comments. Keynote Speaker was our own Lt. Joe Locke. Police Chaplain Rabbi Zalman Lipskar offered the invocation and benediction.



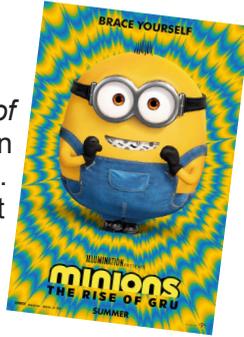


## UPCOMING EVENTS

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17**

### Outdoor Movie Night • 7 p.m.

Enjoy the fun of *Minions: The Rise of Gru* at the 95th Street Park. Popcorn and refreshments will be available. Bring your own chairs or blankets, but keep your pets at home. Residents and friends only with I.D.



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18**

### Snow Day is Back! • 2 - 5 p.m.

Our popular Snow Day is back with rides, a giant slide, games, refreshments and lots of snow. Join us at the Mayor Joseph J. Gardner Government Center, 9665 Bay Harbor Terrace. Residents only with I.D.



**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023**

### Concert in The Park • 7 p.m.

Join us as we celebrate the new year with a concert featuring Jonathan Moody at the 95th Street Park. This event is for residents and their guests only. Proof of residence is required. Bring your chairs and blankets but leave your pets and home.



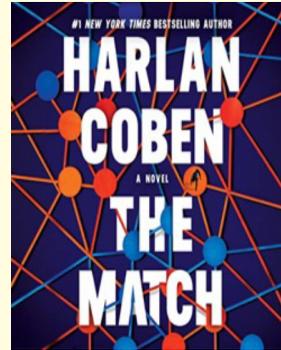
## BAY HARBOR ISLANDS BOOK CLUB READS FOR DECEMBER

Join us every second Wednesday of the month at the Morris Broad Community Center. All are welcome to the club!

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, AT 6 P.M.**

### THE MATCH

BY MARLAN COBEN



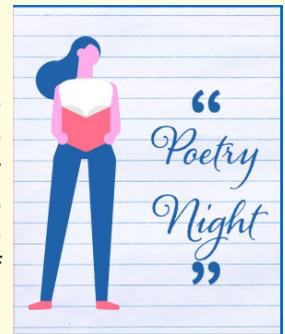
From the modern master of suspense, author Harlan Coben, is a gripping new thriller. Wilde follows a tip that may reveal the truth behind his abandonment, only to end up in the sights of a ruthless killer. Wilde returns to the Ramapo Mountains, in a failed bid at domesticity, which confirms what he's known all along: He belongs free from the comforts

and constraints of modern life.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 AT 6:30 P.M.**

### POETRY NIGHT

You are invited to a special evening of poetry – everyone will choose a poem and share by reading it aloud and briefly explain why this poem is significant. We will enjoy the imagery, rhythm and context of the discussed poems.



## An Early Holiday Gift: Free Trial Classes in December

Register now for these free trial classes in December. These new classes will begin in January.

- **Insight for Life for Kids and Teens, Dec. 13, 6-7 p.m.** Learn how to manage stress, peer pressure, develop creativity, emotional resilience and feel empowered. This powerful course was created to help kids and teens discover their unique talents and learn valuable tools and techniques that will prepare them for success in school and life.
- **Clarity Catalyst, Dec. 13, 7-8 p.m.** This 8-week program is based on the famed Stanford University Master's Degree Course, *Creativity in Business*. Whether you are in a career or life transition or just stuck, this class can ignite self-discovery, empowerment and personal insight.
- **Belly Dancing Fitness, Dec. 14, 6-7 p.m.** This 8-week class combines belly dancing and fitness principles for a safe, low impact dance workout that benefits the body and mind.
- **Mat Pilates & Restorative Chair Pilates, Dec. 15, 6-7 p.m.** Mat Pilates is a program for all ages, using strengthening and lengthening exercises that focus on the core while training the arms and legs. Restorative Chair Pilates is a class designed for seniors, with an emphasis on injury prevention and movement efficiency.

**REGISTER AT**  
[tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)



# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS COMMUNITY SERVICES



## Winter BREAK CAMP

From Tuesday Dec. 27– Friday Jan. 6  
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Space will be limited

**For more information, please call (786) 646-9970**

## SENIORS-ON-THE-GO VISIT NSU MUSEUM OF ART



On Nov. 12, the Seniors enjoyed the art collections and exhibits at the Nova Southeastern University Museum of Art.



Plan to attend next month, as Seniors visit the Knaus Berry Farm, Wednesday January 18, 2023. The bus leaves the Community Center at 9:30 a.m.

## ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS

PROGRAM	RESIDENTS/NON	DAYS & HOURS
Senior Yoga	\$50/\$100	Mon/Wed 9:30–10:30 a.m.
Senior Tai-Chi	\$50/\$100	Tues/Thur 10:30–11:30 a.m.
Senior Computer	\$50/\$100	Wed 11 a.m. –1 p.m.
Adult Yoga	\$90/\$150	Monday/Thurs 9–10 a.m.
Adult Zumba	\$90/\$150	Mon/Wed 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Mindfulness Classes (adult)	\$525/\$615	2 hours, coming soon
Senior Art Classes, 2 hours	\$80/\$130	Sunday 9:30–11:30 a.m.
Belly Dancing (all levels)	\$105/\$145	Sun/Wed 10–11a.m.
Mat Pilates	\$90/\$150	Tues/Thur 10:30–11:30 a.m.

## TOT & YOUTH PROGRAMS

PROGRAM	RESIDENTS/NON	DAYS & HOURS
Pee Wee Soccer	\$105/\$200	Hours vary
Just You & Me Club	\$80/\$150	Friday 4:30–5:30 p.m
Kids Piano	\$180/\$270	Wed hours vary
Kids Yoga	\$80/\$180	Mon/Fri (hours vary)
Mindfulness Classes - youth	\$300/\$450	1 hour, coming soon

### YOUTH GAME ROOM HOURS

Fridays from 3-5 p.m. and weekends from 12-4 p.m.

## AFTER-SCHOOL RECREATION PROGRAMS

(9 MONTHS, TWICE A WEEK FROM SEPT.- JUNE)

PROGRAM	RESIDENT/NON	SEASON
Basketball (competitive)	\$375 \$600	Jan–June
Kung Fu	\$625 \$850	Aug - June
Soccer (competitive)	\$550 \$775	Aug - June
Volleyball	\$375 \$600	Oct - Jan
Art	\$625 \$850	Aug - June
Spanish	\$575 \$800	Aug - Dec
French	\$575 \$800	Aug - Dec
Study Hall/Homework Help, 1 day	\$200 \$425	Aug - Dec
Study Hall/Homework Help, 2 day	\$400 \$625	Aug - Dec
Study Hall/Homework Help, 3 day	\$600 \$825	Aug - Dec
Dance Classes	\$825 \$1,050	Aug - Dec
Flag Football	\$375 \$600	Aug - Dec

**Morris N. Broad Community Center**  
1175 95th Street • (786) 646-9970  
Open Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.,  
Saturday-Sunday 9:30 a.m.- 6 p.m.

**TO REGISTER PLEASE VISIT [tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register](http://tinyurl.com/bhi-cc-register)**

## A Tradition Returns with the Halloween Parade and Carnival



The costumes, masks and candy bags were back! For both children and adults, the popular Halloween Parade spread out from Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center, up and down Kane Concourse and back to the carnival at the 95th Street Park. Local businesses and their employees handed out treats and other goodies to the parading children. At the 95th Street Park a carnival awaited with treats, face painting, games, a giant slide and refreshments. Thank you to all who participated, especially the businesses, for making the day's events such a huge success.



## Kids of All Ages Enjoyed Spooktacular Night Out

Two early Halloween parties brought music, dancing, refreshments, scary fog and costume contests for children at the Morris N. Broad Community Center.



## The Motowners Bring Back a Generation of Music

On November 13, the Motowners brought back the songs of the Temptations, Four Tops, Diana Ross and more to the 95th Street Park. Residents and friends enjoyed the music, dancing and perfect tropical weather.



## BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

# Bay Harbor Café Joins the Eateries on Kane Concourse

Bay Harbor Café is a Cuban-Latin style cafeteria in the middle of the Kane Concourse business district. The Café serves delicious and traditional sandwiches such as the Cuban and Media Noche, as well as beef, chicken, spinach and mushrooms empanadas, arepas (corn cake) and other Latin baked goods.

The Café bakes bread daily and proudly serves a variety of freshly brewed traditional Cuban coffees. The Bay Harbor Café is at 1048 Kane Concourse and is open Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Stop on by and bring your furry friends as they are pet friendly!



*Free Holiday Parking on Kane Concourse for Shoppers & Diners!*



**Park for free for up to 4-hours while you shop or dine on Kane Concourse through January 2, 2023!**

*Wishing you & yours all the joy and happiness this holiday season can bring and a happy, healthy New Year.*

## Play it Smart and Safe this Holiday Seasons



Don't make yourself a victim of crime this holiday season. Don't leave shopping bags, boxes, your purse, phone, wallet or luggage inside your vehicle where would-be-thieves can see them.

Never leave your vehicle unlocked even when parked in front of your home or in your building's garage. If you are expecting a package and you won't be home, have it sent to your office or a neighbor's so someone can receive it. Don't leave empty boxes with address or product labels outside on trash day. This is an easy clue for burglars looking for expensive items.

If you plan to travel during the holidays, alert the Bay Harbor Islands Police so your residence can be added to the watch list. Have your neighbors call 305-866-6241 if they see anyone unknown/suspicious on your property.

Joshua D. Fuller  
*Mayor*

Elizabeth Tricoche  
*Vice Mayor*

Stephanie Bruder  
*Council Member*

Teri D'Amico  
*Council Member*

Molly Diallo  
*Council Member*

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**EMERGENCY: 911**

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## Upcoming Town Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance and participation at meetings. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public. To confirm all meeting dates and times, please contact the Office of the Town Clerk at (305) 866-6241.

- Design Review Board  
Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m.
- Special Council Meeting,  
Thursday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

Public Meetings are held at the Mayor Joseph J. Gardner Government Center. All persons are welcome to attend in person. The following future tentative meeting dates are subject to change.

Design Review Board,  
Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023 at 7 p.m.

Regular Council,  
Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023 at 7 p.m.

Community Meetings – TBA

## Highlights of the Town Council on November 28, 2022

- Approval of an agreement between the Town of Bay Harbor Islands and David Caserta Government Relations, Inc. for consulting services related to government relations efforts at the State level.
- Approval of an Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the Town of Bay Harbor Islands Regarding the Shepard Broad Causeway Bridge.
- Approval of an ordinance on First Reading amending Sections 23-16.1 and 23-16.2 of the Town Code pertaining to Moratorium and Zoning in Progress.
- Approval of an ordinance on First Reading amending the Town Code, by creating a new Section 23-30.1 with provisions for Mechanically Stacked Parking Lifts.
- Approval of a Resolution for the first amendment to the FY 2022-2023 Budget appropriating funds for the cost of the new Public Works Director, Planner Positions, review of the Comprehensive Plan and the Town Charter, replacement of three (3) sanitary sewer pumps at the Main Pump Station D, and Discharge Piping Rehabilitation project for \$900,000.
- Appointment of Members to the Design Review Board for the 2022-2024 Term with the full membership of seven (7) professionals.

## The topics below are anticipated for discussion or possible action at the December 15, 2022, Special Town Council meeting.

- Consideration of an ordinance on Second Reading amending Sections 23-16.1 and 23-16.2 of the Town Code pertaining to Moratorium and Zoning in Progress
- Consideration of an ordinance on Second Reading amending the Town Code, by creating a new Section 23-30.1 with provisions for Mechanically Stacked Parking Lifts.