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# Bay Harbor Islands

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## UPCOMING TOWN MEETINGS

Bay Harbor Islands Town Council welcomes your attendance and participation at all meetings. Unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, meetings are open to the public.

To confirm all meeting dates and times, please contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 305-866-6241. The Town Public Meetings will be held at the Morris N. Broad Community Center at 1175 95<sup>th</sup> Street. The public and other members of staff are welcome to participate in person.

The following future tentative meeting dates are subject to change, therefore, closer to the date, contact the Office of the Town Clerk or visit the Town's website at [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)

**Committee Meetings: To be announced**

**DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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### FOR INFORMATION OR EMERGENCIES

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EMERGENCY: 911

Police: (305) 866-6242



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## TOWN COUNCIL

Isaac Salver  
*Mayor*



Stephanie Bruder  
*Vice Mayor*



Teri D'Amico  
*Council Member*



Molly Diallo  
*Council Member*



Joshua D. Fuller  
*Council Member*



Eric Rappaport  
*Council Member*



Robert Yaffe  
*Council Member*

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## TOWN OFFICIALS

Lindsley Noel  
*Town Manager*

Skip Miller  
*Town Attorney*

Evelyn Herbello  
*Town Clerk*

Luis E. Alvarez  
*Chief of Police*

## A Future of Opportunity for Bay Harbor Islands

Bay Harbor Islands continues to be one of the best managed and most responsibly led communities in our district. This past legislative session delivered major wins for the city with state funding secured for priority projects that strengthen public safety and upgrade key infrastructure. Working together with every elected official and your excellent city manager made these victories possible. When a city is organized and focused, Tallahassee responds.

This year, Bay Harbor Islands received one million dollars for the Broad Causeway Bridge Replacement Phase II construction and nine hundred thousand dollars for the Public Safety and Emergency Management Facility. These investments directly support long term mobility, structural resilience, emergency preparedness and the continued safety of residents.

### 2025 LEGISLATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Highlights of what we delivered for the district and for Bay Harbor Islands.
- Education and Accountability. More resources directed into classrooms. Stronger standards that protect students and ensure transparency across the system.
- Public Safety. State support for law enforcement and emergency response, including nine hundred thousand dollars for the Public Safety and Emergency Management Facility.
- Infrastructure. Major investment in stormwater systems, coastal resilience and structural needs throughout the district, including the one million dollar allocation for the Broad Causeway Bridge Replacement Phase II project.
- Health and Community Support. Expansion of diabetes prevention and care access, support for mental health initiatives and wider availability of overdose reversal medication for first responders.
- Environmental Partnerships. Continued work to protect Biscayne Bay through water quality improvements and coastal resilience planning.
- Transparency in Spending. Strengthened accountability so residents see real value in how their money is used at every level of government.

*From Florida State Representative Fabián Basabe*

## Message from the Town Manager



As we welcome December, I want to thank our residents, businesses, and staff for your continued support throughout the year. This month brings one of our favorite events, Snow Day on December 7, a wonderful opportunity for families and neighbors to come together and celebrate the season.

We are also moving forward with an important milestone for our community. The Town Council has officially approved the relocation of Town Hall to 1045 95th Street. This move will allow us to provide more efficient, streamlined services to our residents and better support the needs of our growing town.

As we celebrate the holidays and look ahead to the new year, I encourage everyone to take part in our upcoming events, enjoy time with loved ones, and continue showing the spirit of unity that defines Bay Harbor Islands.

We are also in the busy shopping season and everyone should stay aware of their surroundings. Protect yourself and family in the house and in the car, particular when you are moving deliveries and packages. Make sure your not a target during this holiday and remember – if you see something, say something.

Wishing you a safe, joyful, and peaceful holiday season.

**Lindsley Noel**  
**Town Manager**



## Students are Again Reading Winners at Summer Camp

Students again from the The Children's Trust summer camp were honored at the Town's November 12 Council meeting. Holding their shiny trophy, the smiling children are the second group to win the Bright Paths Youth Development Program that promotes literacy and academic excellence and campers received story-books to read throughout the summer.

Congratulations to the 4th and 5th graders are winners of the Literacy Competition Battle of the Books Books champions! The Children's Trust is in conjunction with Florida International University Explorers Annual Reading Comprehension Books.



**Council Member Joshua Fuller and Town Manager Lindsley Noel** represented the Town of Bay Harbor Islands at the National League of the Cities City Summit in Salt Lake City. They connected with municipal leaders from across the country, shared ideas, and brought valuable insights for our community.

## A Proclamation to March of Dimes

The Town Council gave a proclamation to the March of Dimes for their Prematurity Awareness Month naming November. March of Dimes impacts every family through research, education and advocacy, with help can give every mom and baby a healthy start.



## Important Notice: Hazardous Waste Disposal



Residents of Bay Harbor Islands are reminded to dispose of hazardous items properly. Do not to place batteries, helium tanks, propane tanks, charcoal, or similar items in garbage or recycling containers. These materials are dangerous and prohibited under county regulations. Please dispose hazardous items properly through Miami-Dade County's Solid Waste Department: Department of Solid Waste Management. Thank you for helping keep our community safe.

*Administrative AP & Utilities Coordinator  
Yusnielkys Palacio (Ruiz)*

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

Patrons of our Business District may park for free up to three hours while visiting our local merchants, from December 15 to January 1. After three hours, parking will be subject to enforcement.





# Police Department Officers of the Quarter Awards



(Left) Council Members Joshua Fuller, Robert Yaffe, Teri D'Amico, Civilian of the Quarter: Code Compliance Supervisor Scherrie Griffin, Caption Alan Castellanos, Corporal John Davilmar, Mayor Isaac Salver, Sergeant Patrick Menschy, Officer Jaileen Romo, Chief Luis E. Alvarez, Council Members Molly Diallo and Eric Rappaport.



## Officers Giving our Turkeys

Our BHIPD team joined forces with local law enforcement partners to help make the holiday a brighter for families in need.

Detectives Murado and Alvarez, along with Officers Romo and Garcia, worked together with agencies across the region to deliver Thanksgiving turkey bags to deserving households — a true reminder of what community is all about.

## Captain Castellanos Leadership in Action

Congratulations to Captain Alan Castellanos on completing the prestigious FBI-LEEDA Trilogy, a nationally respected trifecta of leadership excellence.

By completing the Supervisor Leadership Institute, Command Leadership Institute, and Executive Leadership Institute, Captain Castellanos has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to professional growth, leadership development, and the advancement of law enforcement standards. We are proud of his dedication and grateful for his continued service to the Bay Harbor Islands community.



## Students Against Police

The BHIPD officers with Bal Harbour and Surfside had an amazing time joining teachers and the talented Bobcats at today's CHESSGIVING event! Let's just say the kids definitely kept us on our toes — and might've taught us a move or two. Thanks to the Ruth K. Broad Harbor K-8 Center Chess Team for an afternoon full of strategy, sportsmanship, and community connection.

## Chief of Davie Marjory Stoneman Douglas Presentation



Chief Steve Kinsey of the Davie Police Department delivered a powerful presentation on leadership during crisis, sharing first hand lessons from the Marjory Stoneman Douglas incident. This experience and insight provided invaluable perspective for our officers and attendees. We also brought other representatives from agencies to this specialized training. The collaboration and commitment to strengthening public safety make all the difference.

**PIZZA WITH THE POLICE**

COME HAVE A SLICE

GET SAFETY ADVICE

MEET YOUR OFFICERS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025 | 7PM

MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER  
1175 95TH ST, BAY HARBOR ISLANDS, FL 33154

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

# BAY HARBOR ISLANDS • ARTS FESTIVAL • JANUARY 18 & 19 SATURDAY & SUNDAY • 10 AM - 6 PM



- More than 50 Artists
- Entertainment
- Kid Zone
- Live and Music & DJ
- Family & Kids Activities
- Foods and Drinks

The Arts Festival takes place on the palm tree-lined street of Kane Concourse. Enjoy exceptional fine art and craft exhibitors, culinary arts, hands-on activities for families and live performances.

For more information: [bayharborislandsartfest.com](http://bayharborislandsartfest.com)



## TOWN COUNCIL

### Highlights of the November 12, 2025 Council Meeting

- Authorize Atkins to perform Transportation, Police Services and Parks and Recreation Impact Fee studies.
- Tenth extension of the lease agreement between Sunshine Gasoline Distributors and the Town of Bay Harbor Islands to January 31, 2026.
- Ordinance on Second Reading requiring lobbyists to pay an annual registration fee of \$300 plus an additional \$100 for each principal they represent.
- A budget amendment to the FY 2024-2025 budget and a budget amendment to the FY2025-2026 budget.
- Council discussed the upcoming 2026 meeting dates.
- Council discussed and chose one day of early voting and tentatively changed the election date from April 7th to April 14th pending on the approval by the Miami Dade County Elections Department.

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# Bay Harbor Islands Honors on the Veterans Day

On the 11th month of the year and the 11th day, Bay Harbor Islands honored those who have served and continued to serve in the United States Armed Forces. On a cool morning at the corner of 92nd Street Park, residents, friends, Police Department offices and Town Council, all paused the courage, sacrifice and commitment of the veterans. The keynote speaker was Zev Neuwirth, M.D., Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy (former). The opening remarks was Chief Luis E. Alvarez and the flag was brought the Honor Guard and the national anthem was sung by Gabriela Bargas. Other remarks from Mayor Isaac Salver, Council Member Josh Fuller and Town Manager Lindsey Noel. The benediction was Rabbi Zalman Lipskar.



# SHRED- A-THON

Electronics Recycling

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 6, 2025**

**10 AM - 2 PM**

9500 Bay Harbor Terrace, Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154

*Shredding for RESIDENTS ONLY, please. No business shredding.*

# New Attractive Lights Bring an Exciting Holidays



Top: Broad Causeway, seen from the west.  
Two at left: At the end of the bridge east side.  
Blue lights: at the end of the Causeway, at both sides, before the bridge.

## Bay Harbor Islands Volleyball Team

Middle girls at Ruth K. Broad Harbor K-8 Center are playing volleyball in the Town and away with other schools. Come and see these girls hit the volleyball!



### Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 CLUB Y ENRICHMENT CLASSES

SESSION 1: SEPTEMBER 22ND - JANUARY 9TH  
REGISTRATION CLOSES OCTOBER 6

M	T	W	Th	F
Art Explosion Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35-4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$300 Non-Resident: \$390	Awesome Science Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35-4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$330 Non-Resident: \$429	Mini Chefs Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35-4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$325 Non-Resident: \$422	Martial Arts Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35-4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$325 Non-Resident: \$422	Dance Club Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35-4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$300 Non-Resident: \$390
YMCA Basketball Competitive 2nd-8th: 3:30 - 4:30 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$625 Non-Resident: \$812	YMCA Volleyball Competitive 2nd-8th: 3:30 - 4:30 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$575 Non-Resident: \$747	YMCA Basketball Competitive 2nd-8th: 3:30 - 4:30 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$625 Non-Resident: \$812	YMCA Volleyball Competitive 2nd-8th: 3:30 - 4:30 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$575 Non-Resident: \$747	Archery Club Pre K-1st: 2:30-3:30 2nd-8th: 3:35 - 4:35 <b>Cost</b> Resident: \$325 Non-Resident: \$422

**WELCOME TO CLUB Y!**

We're excited to have you join our vibrant community. At Club Y, your child will have the opportunity to explore a variety of exciting activities, from art and science to cooking and basketball. It's the perfect place for your child to learn, grow, and have fun!

Register now for an unforgettable experience!

**Register Here!!**

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NOTES: 1. No Refunds for missed classes. 2. Inclusive Care! If your child has special needs, we'll arrange an intake assessment to ensure the best after-school experience. 3. Registration fee for Non-YMCA Participants: \$25

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

PRESENTS

10th Annual

# Snow Day



A CELEBRATION OF WINTER SEASON

**RIDES - REFRESHMENTS - SNOW!**

**7 DEC**  
**2025**  
**1 - 5 PM**

**9500 BAY HARBOR TERRACE**  
BAY HARBOR ISLANDS, FL 33154

**MORE INFO:**  
CALL THE COMMUNITY CENTER  
AT 305-404-2271



## NIKKI KID BAND

**Sunday, December 14**

**95th Street Park • 7 PM**

**Experience Timeless Jazz with Nikki Kidd**

Nikki Kidd is an international jazz vocalist with a passion for music. Her unique blend of classic and contemporary jazz creates an immersive experience that resonates with audiences worldwide. Explore the captivating moments of Nikki Kidd and her band.

**Enjoy the Crepe Stick Truck  
at the concert**

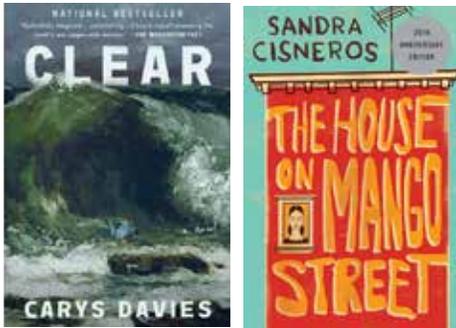


## BAY HARBOR ISLANDS BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10. 6:30 P.M.

**Clear: A Novel** (paperback)  
by Carys Davies

A lyrical novel in 19th-century Scotland, where a minister sent to evict a tenant on a remote island forms an unexpected bond, exploring themes of isolation, connection and the human spirit. With elegant prose and philosophical insight, *Clear* captures the stark beauty of nature and the complexities of human connection.



WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14. 6:30 P.M.

**The House on Mango Street**

by Sandra Cisneros (1984)

A modern classic told through vivid, poetic vignettes, this novel follows Esperanza Cordero as she grows up in a Latina neighborhood of Chicago and begins to understand the weight of family, tradition and expectation. It traces her longing for a home of her own, encounters with women around her, and the small but defining experiences that shape her emerging voice as a writer.

This novel is the NEA Big Read book choice for 2026-27.

## Storytime at the Park

At the 98 Street Park  
and Tot Lot

Come the 1st & 3rd Wednesday  
of each month. 4 – 5 p.m. FREE

## Senior Thanksgiving Dinner

Parks & Recreation hosted a marvelous Senior Thanksgiving dinner at Bay Harbor Bistro on November 21, 2025.



## Senior Christmas Dinner Party

Thursday, December 18 at 7 p.m.

Cafe Prima Pasta

## Senior Bingo Night

The November 20 Senior Bingo Night brought fun, friends and winning. On Thursday, December 11 night will be an Ugly Sweater Bingo. The best holiday sweater gets a prize!





# December Activities & Events

Event	Date	Time	Location
<b>Snow Day</b> <i>Join us for an afternoon of winter activities!</i>	Sunday, Dec. 7	1 – 5 p.m.	
<b>Senior Ugly Sweater Bingo Night</b> <i>Wear your ugliest holiday sweater - winner gets a prize!</i>	Tuesday, Dec. 11	7 p.m.	Community Center
<b>Town Concert: Nikki Kid Band</b> <i>Enjoy a festive evening of live music.</i>	Sunday, Dec. 14	7 p.m.	At 95th Street Park
<b>Senior Christmas Dinner Party</b> <i>Celebrate the season with friends and a special holiday.</i>	Thursday, Dec. 18	7 p.m.	Cafe Prima Pasta \$25 person



## Families Enjoy *FREEBIRDS* at the Outdoor Movie Night

Children and parents brought their blankets and chairs to the 95th Street Park for the Outdoor Movie Night for the charming film *FREEBIRDS*. There was popcorn and refreshments under a perfect night. Thanks to the Parks and Recreation Department and the YMCA Club Y Enrichment Classes.





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**ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS**

PROGRAM	DAY/DATES	HOURS	RESIDENTS/NON-RESIDENTS
Adult Yoga	Monday 9-10 a.m. / Thursday 10-11 a.m.		\$ 90 / \$150
Adult Zumba	Monday/Wednesday	6:30-7:30 p.m.	\$ 90 / \$150
Adult Mat Pilates	Tuesday/Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	\$ 90 / \$150
Adult Mixed Yoga	Friday	9-10 a.m.	\$ 30 / \$50
Adult Yoga	Saturday only	10-11 a.m.	\$ 30 / \$50
Senior Yoga	Monday/Wednesday	9 - 10 a.m.	\$ 50 / \$100
Early Bird Yoga Adult	Tuesday/Thursday	7 - 8 a.m.	\$ 90 / \$150 Early
Bird Yoga Senior	Tuesday/Thursday	7 - 8 a.m.	\$ 50 / \$100
Senior Tai-Chi	Tuesday/Thursday	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	\$ 50 / \$100
Senior Workout -108	Wednesday	10 - 11 a.m.	\$ 25 / \$30
Senior Computer	Wednesday	10 a.m.-12 p.m.	\$ 50 / \$100
Senior Mat Pilates	Tuesday/Thursday	9 - 10 a.m.	\$ 50 / \$100
English Classes	Monday/Wednesday	6-7 p.m.	\$ 130 / \$260
Spanish Classes	Tuesday/Thursday	6-7 p.m.	\$ 130 / \$260
Learning Piano	Saturday 1-2 p.m., 2-3 p.m. and 3-4:15 p.m.		\$180 for each program

**ADULT & SENIOR PROGRAMS**

New 8-week session classes for adults.

