



# Bay Harbor Islands

NOVEMBER 2021 + VOLUME 67 NUMBER 11

**NewsWaves**

## A Message from Mayor Fuller

Building Department at Work

- Page 2

Be Aware of the King Tides

- Page 2

Bay Harbor Islands Toy Drive

- Page 2

Veterans Day Dedication at Town Hall

- Page 4

Pizza With the Police on November 17

- Page 5

Swing-in to New Tennis Programs for Residents

- Page 7

The holiday season is rapidly approaching, and with it comes both celebration and contemplation. As a nation and as a community, we have been through a lot the last year (or two), adapting to the realities of a pandemic, altering how we work and how we spend our leisure time, experiencing an unprecedented shift in political and social discourse nationally, and enduring separation from family and friends. Day to day life may now be resembling something we recognize, but it would be difficult to argue that rather than returning to our old practices, there is a new normal. Despite these changes, there exists the solid foundation of our shared belief in the necessity of coming together with loved ones to celebrate and give thanks for all our blessings. That is the essence of Thanksgiving. While the holiday derived from the story of the Pilgrims, it has morphed into an all-encompassing contemplation of how truly lucky we are to live in this great country and to share time with the people dearest to our hearts.

Thanksgiving is a time to appreciate that we live in this incredible community. It is a time to recognize what we have collectively gained over the last year, not what we have endured. Please share your joy with those less fortunate, as some of your neighbors may be struggling to make ends meet, or may not be able to share the holiday with family. An invitation to join you for Thanksgiving may mean more to someone than you could ever imagine. We have said it before many times, Bay Harbor Islands is a community, not just a spot on a map.

As always, please take extra care when driving around the Town over the next few months. The holidays mean multiple school breaks, and that means more children playing and bicycling on the streets. Also, the forthcoming cooler weather (let's hope) inspires more people to take evening strolls around the Town. Again, please be careful, and keep your neighbors safe.

Finally, it is important to address the return of Bay Harbor Islands community events. While a few events have already occurred over the last couple of months, we are not yet back to our standard schedule. Many events were postponed or canceled over the last two years, as public safety necessitated. The community events our Town residents have long enjoyed are being placed back on the calendar, and we look forward to celebrating together once again in this slice of paradise we call home. Have a wonderful November, and a very happy Thanksgiving.



## Your Building Department at Work

During the Fiscal year 2020-2021, the Bay Harbor Islands Building Department received 1,254 new permit applications, issued 1,067 permits and closed 956. As part of the described permit activity, the department performed 4,132 inspections, 3,956 plan reviews and issued nine Certificates of Occupancy.

Additionally, as part of our ongoing efforts to ensure the structural integrity of all buildings in the town, we have initiated mandatory inspections of all buildings greater than 25 years-old, four or more stories high and/or where the Town has cause to believe structural problems may exist. Thus far, 55 properties have been visited, as part of this program.

As we move forward into the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, one of our main goals as a department is to better utilize technology to streamline processes for greater efficiency and a more positive customer experience. To that end, we have begun implementing new permitting software and scanning/digitizing all our files and plans, with an eye toward becoming completely paperless. Join us in this effort by visiting [citizenserve.com/bhi](https://citizenserve.com/bhi) for all your permitting needs.

## Temporary Location for Building Department

**We're getting a facelift!**

Visit the Bay Harbor Islands Building Department at our temporary home in the Morris N. Broad Community Center.



While our 2nd floor offices at the Mayor Joseph J. Gardner Government Center are undergoing a long-awaited refurbishment and remodeling, the Bay Harbor Islands Building Department has been temporarily relocated to the Morris N. Broad Community Center.

The Community Center is located at 1175 95 Street and our hours of operation are 8 a.m. – 3.30 p.m. Visitors are asked to utilize the Town's Municipal Garage, located just next door. We thank you for your patience as we work to improve your experience.

## BE AWARE OF KING TIDES

King Tides are the highest predicted high tides of the year. King Tides occur in both the spring and fall seasons. The highest tides in southeast Florida most often occur in the fall, in part because the water is warmer and the seasonal winds drive water levels higher at that time of year. They can often cause flooding in low-lying areas, especially when combined with heavy rainfall.

Based on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's tide predictions, the next King Tides are expected in South Florida on the following dates:

- November 3 – 9, 2021
- December 2 – 7, 2021

**YOU CAN HELP!**

Volunteer to serve *and* make a real difference in your community.

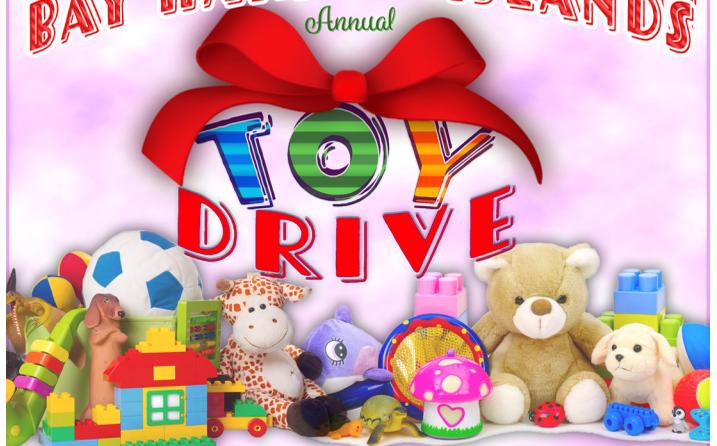
★ Planning & Zoning Board

★ Parks and Recreation Committee

★ Charter & Ordinance Committee

Go to <https://tiny.one/i-volunteer>

**BAY HARBOR ISLANDS**  
Annual



**DROP OFF YOUR DONATION  
OF NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS  
AT TOWN HALL OR THE  
POLICE STATION UNTIL  
DECEMBER 23RD.**



# BHI Hosts Surf-Bal-Bay Night Out on October 26



Hundreds of residents of all ages enjoyed a fun evening as Bay Harbor Islands, Surfside and Bal Harbour police agencies showed-off their newest equipment while families had the opportunity to meet their first responders. Held next to Town Hall, the event offered demonstrations, crime fighting tips, new equipment, give-aways and a giant slide. There were plenty of refreshments, including hot dogs, pizza and cotton candy. Thanks to all who made the event a success!



(L-R) Surfside Police Chief Julio Yero, Bal Harbour Police Raleigh Flowers and BHI Police Chief Raul Diaz.



- Bay Harbor Islands Police Department
- Surfside Police Department
- Bal Harbour Police Department
- Medley Police Department
- North Miami PD Mounted Unit
- Miami Beach Police Department
- U.S. Air Force JROTC
- Miami-Dade State Attorneys
- Florida Department of Transportation
- Miami-Dade & Florida Keys Crime Stoppers
- Aventura Police Department
- BHI PD Staff, Public Works & Administration



BHI Sgt. John Grimes (L) with Mayor Josh Fuller.



BHI Town Manager Maria Lasday (L) with former Mayor Ileene Wallace.





### BAY HARBOR ISLANDS POLICE SUPPORT BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



With pink badges, a pink patrol vehicle, and pink themed social media pages, our Bay Harbor Islands Police Department showed their continued support for Breast Cancer Awareness this past October. The new pink patrol car got attention throughout the Town and was a hit with local agencies in a Miami-Dade County event at the Miami International Airport.

### SEMI-ANNUAL MULTI AGENCY COLLECTION EVENT ON OCT. 23

Bay Harbor Islands Police joined in the semi-annual Multi-Agency Shred-A-Thon, Prescription Drug Take-Back and Electronics Recycling Event held at Bill Bird Marina at Haulover Park. The event enabled residents to safely dispose of prescription medications, electronics and properly destroy important documents that could possibly be used for identity theft.



(L-R) Sgt. John Grimes, Surfside Officer Dianna Hernandez and BHI Explorer Payton Nilly.



## ANNUAL BAY HARBOR ISLANDS VETERANS DAY BARBECUE & BLOCK PARTY

and Official Dedication of the Bay Harbor Islands Veterans Memorials

Graciously donated by the Revitz Family

Thursday, November 11, 2021 • 12:30 - 2 PM

MAYOR JOSEPH J. GARDNER GOVERNMENT CENTER  
9665 BAY HARBOR TERRACE



## Annual County Water Treatment

From November 8 to 21, the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department in partnership with the Florida Department of Health of Miami-Dade County and the County's Regulatory and Economic Resources will conduct an annual water chlorination using the free chlorine treatment to ensure safe drinking water for residents.



Chlorination is the process of adding chlorine to drinking water to kill parasites, bacteria and viruses, and provides protection against waterborne disease outbreaks. During this time period, customers may notice a chlorine taste or smell in the water. This is a temporary condition and does not cause adverse health effects. However, dialysis patients, individuals with health concerns, owners of tropical fish, restaurants and store owners with fish holding tanks are advised to seek professional advice.

**No bulk pick-up on Thanksgiving Day.**  
**Eat your vegetables!**

As with previous years, there will be no bulk trash pick-up on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2021. Please do not put out bulk trash expecting pickup on Thanksgiving, as you will be cited. Bulk pick-up will be on Friday, November 26. Garbage and recycling pick-up will follow the normal schedule.

**SHARE THE ROAD**

ALERT TODAY  
FOOTBIKE  
SAFE TOMORROW

[fdotmiamidade.com/alerttodayflorida](http://fdotmiamidade.com/alerttodayflorida)

**PIZZA WITH THE BHI POLICE!**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH**  
**AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**AT THE MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER**  
**1175 95TH STREET**

**Happy Veterans Day to all who served.**  
**Remember to thank a veteran for their service to our country.**  
**To allow our veterans time to enjoy their day, there will be no bulk pickup on Thursday, November 11th. Please do not put out bulk trash on the 10th expecting pickup on Veterans Day, as you will be cited. Bulk pick-up will be on Friday, November 12.**



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

**For more information call the Morris N. Broad Community Center at (786) 646-9970**

## JOIN THE BOOK CLUB ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Join the Book Club at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at 7 p.m. The book for discussion will be "The Code Breaker" by Walter Isaacson. The zoom link for the Book Club is <https://zoom.us/j/99028457247>.



## MONTHLY HEALTH LECTURES WITH AVENTURA HOSPITAL

The Health Education Lecture Series with Aventura Hospital and Medical Center is on Zoom every third Thursday of the month. The next virtual meeting will take place on Thursday, November 18, at noon. The topic will be Structural Heart Disease by Dr. Shaun Smithson, MD, FACC. Visit [tinyurl.com/bhi-fun](https://tinyurl.com/bhi-fun) for the Zoom link.

## SHOPPING SHUTTLE DATES FOR RESIDENTS

Pick-up will be at 9:30 am at the Morris N. Broad Community Center on scheduled dates. Afterwards, residents will be dropped off at their homes.

The free Shopping Shuttle is exclusively for Town of Bay Harbor residents. Masks and social distancing are encouraged. Registration is preferred but not required. Email to [saugustin@bayharborislands-fl.gov](mailto:saugustin@bayharborislands-fl.gov) to register for your selection of the following trips:

- **Wednesday, November 3rd to Costco**
- **Wednesday, November 17th to Whole Foods**

## AFTERCARE PROGRAMS

**REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY AT THE MORRIS N. BROAD COMMUNITY CENTER**

Visit our Community Services Page at [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services](https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services)

## We've Got Jobs!

Join our team. Visit <https://tiny.one/tbhi-jobs> for more information and to apply. We are an equal opportunity employer & offer a drug-free workplace.

## PROGRAMS

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

**Masks and social distancing are recommended for adults and children over the age of two**

### TOT & YOUTH

**Story Time in the Park** - At the Tot Lot on the first and third Friday of the month at 4 p.m. and at the 98th Street Park on the second and third Friday of the month at 4 p.m.

**Pee-Wee Soccer** - At the 98th Street Park on Sundays for children, ages 12 months to five years. Times vary by age. Classes are October 3 to November 28, 2021. The 8-week session is \$95 for residents.

**Kids Piano** - Ongoing for 8-weeks, one-hour sessions are on Wednesdays from 2:15 p.m. for ages 6 to 14, \$150. Six students maximum.

### ADULTS & SENIORS

**Tai Chi** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. \$40 for 8 weeks.

**Gentle Yoga** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. \$40 for 8 weeks.

**Zumba for Adults** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Adult Yoga** - At the Morris N. Broad Community Center on Thursday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## SENIOR COMPUTER CLASS RETURNS

**Senior Computer Class** - Morris N. Broad Community Center on Wednesday, November 3 to 24, 2021 from 10 am to 12 pm.



# New BHI Tennis Program Offers Something for Everyone

From tots to adults to seniors, the Town's new tennis program has lessons and clinics for racket swinging residents of all ages. The schedule below shows times and costs for programs until December 1. In addition to the scheduled programs, one court will always be available to residents for free play on Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. There is also Basket of Balls free play on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12 - 2 p.m. Visit the Community Services Page to reserve your time slot at <https://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov/154/Community-Services>. First come, first served. Please note, dates and times may be subject to change.

## MONDAY

Senior Clinics	8-9 am	\$20/hr
Private Lessons (all ages)	9-11 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Afterschool Programs Beginners	3-4 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Intermediate	4-5 pm	\$25/hr
Private Lessons (all ages)	5-6 pm	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Clinic Group Lessons	6-7 pm	\$25/hr

## TUESDAY

Senior Pickleball Clinic	8-9 am	\$20/hr
Pickleball Free Play	9-11:30 am	FREE
Free Play for Residents	12-2 pm	FREE
Tiny Tots Clinics (K-1st grade)	2:15 -3:00 pm	\$20/hr
Afterschool Programs Beginners	3-4 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Intermediate	4-5 pm	\$25/hr
Private Lessons (all ages)	5-7 pm	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.

## WEDNESDAY

Private Lessons (all ages)	8-9 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Clinic Group Lessons	9-11 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Beginners	3-4 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Intermediate	4-5 pm	\$25/hr
Adult Clinic Beginners	5-6 pm	\$25/hr
Adult Clinic Intermediate	6-7 pm	\$25/hr

## THURSDAY

Private Lessons	7:30-11:30 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Free Play for Residents	12 - 2 pm	FREE
Tiny Tots Clinics (K-1st grade)	2:15 -3:00 pm	\$20/hr
Afterschool Programs Beginners	3-4 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Intermediate	4-5 pm	\$25/hr
Private Lessons (all ages)	5-7 pm	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.

## FRIDAY

Private Lessons	8-11 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Afterschool Programs Beginners	3-4 pm	\$25/hr
Afterschool Programs Intermediate	4-5 pm	\$25/hr
Private Lessons (all ages)	5-6 pm	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.

## SATURDAY

Private Lessons (all ages)	7-11 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
----------------------------	---------	-------------------------

## SUNDAY

Private Lessons (all ages)	7-8:30 am	\$80/Hr or \$45/30 min.
Round Robin	8:30 am-12 pm	\$2 residents, \$5/non

**TOGETHER, WE CAN BEAT COVID-19!**

**GET TESTED & VACCINATED**

**MONDAY-SATURDAY • 8 AM - 5 PM**

**1185 95 STREET**

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY Nomi Health

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital PRESENTS

**Cooking & Fire Safety**

with **Dr. Tamar Levene, MD MS**

**November 17 at 12:00 Noon on Zoom**

<https://zoom.us/j/98813467474>

Joshua D. Fuller  
*Mayor*

Elizabeth Tricoche  
*Vice Mayor*

Stephanie Bruder  
*Council Member*

Molly Diallo  
*Council Member*

Jordan W. Leonard  
*Council Member*

Isaac Salver  
*Council Member*

Robert Yaffe  
*Council Member*

Maria D. Lasday  
*Town Manager*

Alba L. Chang  
*Town Clerk*

Joseph Geller  
*Town Attorney*

Raul M. Diaz  
*Chief of Police*

Peter V. Kajokas  
*Finance Director*



9665 Bay Harbor Terrace  
Bay Harbor Islands, FL  
33154

PRESORT  
STANDARD  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
MIAMI, FL  
PERMIT NO. 2001

**For information or emergencies:**

**Town Hall: (305) 866-6241**

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

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

**Emergency: 911**

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

## 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.**

- Public Hearing, Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 6:30 pm
- Regular Council Meeting, Wed., Nov. 10, at 7 pm
- Planning & Zoning Board, Tue., Nov. 17 at 7 pm

The Town Public Meetings will be held at Town Hall Council Chambers. 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, please contact the Office of the Town Clerk or visit the Town's website at [www.bayharborislands-fl.gov](http://www.bayharborislands-fl.gov)

## Future Tentative Meetings

Planning & Zoning Board: Tuesday, Dec. 7  
Tuesday, Dec. 21

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS TBA**

**ALL MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## Highlights of the Oct. 13, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

- Approval of a Resolution authorizing members of the Town Council to participate in the Town's Employees Group Health Insurance Plans, effective November 1, 2021.
- Approval of a Resolution amending the Employment Agreement with the Town Manager.
- Approval of a Resolution by Council Member Yaffe opposing Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners' ordinance prohibiting municipalities from requiring permits for work on certain rights-of-way and easements located within municipalities.
- Approval of an ordinance on second reading requested by Council Member Yaffe amending Section 5-19-3 of the Town Code to allow single-family homeowners to install emergency generators and for adequate hedges between properties to be used as screening of the generators from the street and from neighbors.
- Approval of parking leases with Hippo Land, Inc. and Kane Concourse Enterprise, LLC in Block 11.

## Topics anticipated for discussion or possible action at the November 10, 2021 Council meeting

- Consideration and approval of an ordinance on second reading requested by Council Member Yaffe and co-sponsored by Council Members Salver and Leonard amending Chapter 24 of the Town Code establishing registration requirements for condominiums and requiring the delivery of engineering reports, reflecting the condition of the buildings, including structural and life safety components, to the Town's Building Department.
- Consideration and approval of an ordinance on second reading approving Budget Amendment No. 3 to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget to adjust funds within the General Fund and Sewer Fund appropriations.
- Consideration and approval of an ordinance on second reading increasing the monthly charges for water service to \$5.00 per one thousand gallons and to increase the minimum monthly service charges for each water meter to \$23.25.
- Consideration and approval of an ordinance on second reading amending Section 20-9 of the Town Code to increase the monthly base and flow charges for sewer service.
- Discussion requested by Council Member Bruder on the feasibility of building a Municipal Parking Garage behind Town Hall