



# Bay Harbor Islands

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## Message from the Mayor

### An Ounce of Prevention

Perfect or absolute security should be the goal of every member of the Bay Harbor Islands community. However, in reality, a state of absolute security is impossible to attain. There is no object so well protected that it cannot be stolen, damaged or destroyed. With the summer already upon us, we are apt to be less attentive to our vulnerability due in part to the heat and sun during the day and the mugginess at night that we are experiencing these days on our Islands.

Although we don't have a problem of epidemic proportions in our community "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Realistically we can't expect our police and judicial system to solve the problem alone. We can help to make it difficult for criminals to victimize us. By working with out law enforcement as a team we can make a difference. Listed below are some previously tested ways you can make it difficult for criminals to have the advantage:



- Update locks; use cylinder locks with deadbolt feature. Secure your homes.
- Don't leave an extra key in the mailbox, under the doormat, etc.
- Remember that the best lock in the world is worthless if you carelessly leave your door unlocked or open your door without knowing who is there. Be wary of solicitors, etc. They should have proper credentials.
- Don't attract burglars by leaving tools, furniture and toys in the yard overnight. Don't leave notes indicating when you will return.
- Going on vacation? Cancel deliveries, notify the police that you will be away, double check all doors and windows, have a neighbor check your home occasionally.
- Be prepared. You can minimize your loss to a burglar if you plan ahead. Store your valuables in a safe deposit box. Keep serial numbers and mark your property.
- Start a "Buddy System" with your neighbors to check each others' homes. Report any suspicious actions, sounds or strangers to the police.
- Stay off the dark streets; walk with a companion when possible.
- Warn your children, in terms they can understand, about child molesters and other sex offenders.
- Know where your children are who they are with and what they are doing.
- Call the police if you see or suspect a crime. Don't investigate it yourself.
- Lock your car when you leave it; use your trunk to store valuables; keep your vehicle registration to show "legal" possession of your car.
- Don't pick up hitchhikers. Harmless looking youngsters could be criminal psychopaths.
- Support the groups working with young people to foster a sense of neighborhood loyalty and build character.
- Obey the law yourself, "all the laws," all the time. Set an example for your children.
- Secure your boating equipment and mark it with your identification code.

Take it from an old time cop, don't put off these simple steps to reduce your vulnerability. Our police are knowledgeable and willing to help you make your individual crime prevention work. Call and ask them for advice. As the saying goes, they are here to "serve and protect" and they do just that in Bay Harbor Islands. However, we could do a lot better if everyone joins in our community crime prevention program.

- Ken

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# Garbage and Recycling Reminders

## Garbage & Trash

- Household garbage should be bagged and placed inside your 95-gallon container. Containers should not be over-filled and lids should be kept closed.
- Ordinary trash and yard clippings are also to be placed in containers. **Do not place these items curbside.** You may be assessed a fee for violating the Town's ordinances. Lawn maintenance companies are required to remove all yard debris.
- Special pick-ups of bulk trash such as furniture or large boxes are only done on Thursday. Place these items curbside on Wednesday. You must call Town Hall to schedule the pick up of large home appliances such as refrigerators. **The Town will not pick-up construction debris.**

## Recycling

- All recycling materials should be placed together in the recycling bin.
- Items that should be recycled are: newspaper, folded cardboard, aluminum and tin cans, glass bottles, juice and milk cartons and plastic containers with 1, 2 & 3 on the bottom.
- Items that **should not** be placed in the recycling bin are bubble wrap, packaging materials, pizza boxes, shoe boxes, plastic bags, lids, caps, straws, foil, chemicals, wire hangers, aerosol cans, ceramics, light bulbs or window glass.
- Phone books will be picked up from August-November only. **Bring household batteries to Town Hall for recycling. For disposal of paint and other chemicals, call (305) 594-1500.**

### Garbage and Trash Pick-up Days

East Island: Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
West Island: Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday  
Bulk trash items: Thursdays only (Both Islands)

### Recycling Pick-up Days

East Island – Monday & Thursday  
West Island – Tuesday & Friday

## - POLICE BEAT -

### Sgt. Block Completes Leadership Training

Sergeant Alan Block recently graduated from the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute/ Florida Leadership Academy #16. The academy prepares first-line supervisors to exemplify the character and integrity expected of criminal justice professionals. Participants learn the skills to support their agency and the community.



(L-R) Florida Department of Law Enforcement Special Agent in Charge Amos Rojas, Sergeant Alan Block, Chief Duncan Young and Asst. Chief Allan Sjoberg.

## Save Dollars By Saving Water

*Did you know the most common cause of high water bills are leaky faucets and toilets?*

Take a quick survey of your home faucets and toilets to ensure you are not wasting water while your dollars are going down the drain.

## Summer is the Season to Check Your Seawall

Summer weather brings hurricanes, strong thunderstorms and tropical weather of all types. Owners of waterfront property are reminded that lack of good seawall maintenance can result in the loss of your seawall and portions of your property during storms. Often the cause is deteriorated tieback rods, which can be checked by digging and making a visual inspection.

Seawalls are the responsibility of the property owner, not the Town. Replacement is expensive and usually is not covered by insurance. As the saying goes, *an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.* Contact the Building Department at 305-993-1786 for more information.



# New East Island Park Dedicated

Bay Harbor Islands officials, residents and guests recently gathered to dedicate the new East Island Park with a ribbon cutting ceremony. The pet-friendly park is located at 92nd Street and East Bay Harbor Drive.



Top: Mayor Kenneth Weinstein addresses the crowd. (L-R) Sugar Firtel, Councilman Robert Yaffe, Councilman Alberto Ruder, Councilman Isaac Salver, Councilman Jordan Leonard, Florida Congressman Richard Steinberg, Vice Mayor Ileene Wallace, County Commissioner Sally Heyman and Councilwoman Stephanie Bruder.

## Business Spotlight Boutique Hotel Opens in Bay Harbor Islands

The previous Bay Harbor Inn & Suites has undergone a \$5 million renovation and has been reborn as a 23-room luxury boutique hotel, the Daddy O. Owner Martin Grimes opened his first Daddy O in Long Beach Island, New Jersey and this is his second hotel. Room rates are from \$169 - \$250 a night, including a continental breakfast.



The renovations and interior design work took two years. The hotel features a “retro chic” ambiance. Guests enjoy personalized service in a quiet, intimate and luxurious setting, while being close to the beach, shopping and dining. For more information, call 305-868-4141 or visit [www.daddyohotel.com](http://www.daddyohotel.com).

## AARP Driving Class for Seniors

The American Association for Retired Persons (AARP) will offer a classroom refresher course for drivers 50 years and older on Monday, August 16 from noon to 6 p.m. in the Bay Harbor Islands Town Council Chambers. It is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. You must pre-register and may receive a three-year insurance discount, if eligible. For information and to register, call 305-382-5331.

## Upcoming Town Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance at meetings. All meetings, unless regarding topics specifically exempt by state law, are open to the public and held in the Council Chambers, 9665 Bay Harbor Terrace. **Meeting dates and times are subject to change.** Residents are encouraged to confirm all meeting dates and times. Please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241 or check the Town website, [www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org).

- Planning & Zoning Board - Tuesday, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting - Monday, Aug. 9 at 7 p.m.
- Planning & Zoning Board - Tuesday, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m.

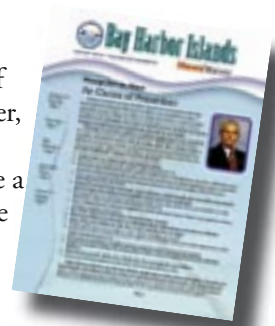
The following future meeting dates are tentative and subject to change. Therefore, as the dates draw near, please contact the Town Clerk's Office or visit the Town website [www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org).

- Regular Council Meetings: Sept. 13, Oct. 11 and Nov. 8.
- Planning and Zoning Board Meetings: Sept. 7 & 21, Oct. 5 & 19 and Nov. 2 & 16.
- Committee meeting dates and times to be announced.

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[www.bayharborislands.org](http://www.bayharborislands.org)

## Highlights of the July 12 Council Meeting

- Approved on second reading Ordinance #901 amending Chapter 5 of the Town Code related to Buildings and Construction; Section 5-19.1 window tints and Section 5-19.1.1 setting specific provisions for windows and door openings.
- Approved on second reading Ordinance #902 amending Chapter 16, Retirement System, with requested changes from Sugarman & Suskin, to comply with requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States.
- Approved on second reading Ordinance #903 amending Article II of Chapter 19, Traffic, Parking and creating Article III, Broad Causeway.
- Approved a request from Assistant Town Manager Jimenez for authorization to enter into a grant agreement with the Florida Energy and Climate Commission in the amount of \$33,000 for replacement of all lighting fixtures at the Town Hall Buildings to reduce future energy costs for the Town.

## Discussion Items for the August 9 Council Meeting

*At the time of printing, the topics listed below are anticipated for discussion or possible action at the Regular Town Council meeting of August 9, 2010. All items are subject to change.*

- First Reading of a proposed ordinance amending Article 1 and 2 of Chapter 12, Noises, Clotheslines and other such Nuisances.

### Town Channel Changes On Digital Dial

Beginning August 1, the Town's cable television provider, Atlantic Broadband, will be changing the locations of its public and government channels. For those residents with digital cable service. The Town's information channel, 77, will now be located at 29.3.