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I believe we will be experiencing enormous challenges to our way of life in the years ahead, particularly those of us with children in their teen years. The economic conditions that we are faced with, i.e. unemployment, cost of living increases, reduction in public services and a social structure that does not fit all, particularly those young people who feel left out, will contribute to the challenge.

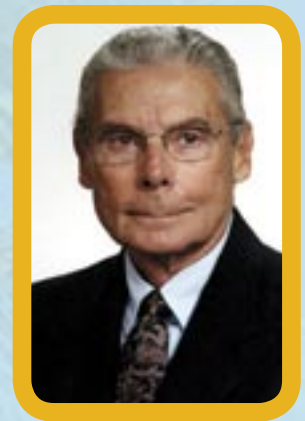
It doesn't matter who you are, your ethnic background, or how rich or poor your family may be. Our young people are looking for a higher self image and self esteem from their relationships that they may not receive at home or in school. Today, a number of criminologists call it a "gang mentality." It can be seen in the damages to neighborhoods, vandalism, graffiti, property destruction, burglary, robbery and other human injustices.

We are fortunate that Bay Harbor Islands has not experienced this growing trend of gang violence spreading across the United States. But, and it's a big "but," if we take our good fortune for granted, we can easily fall victim to these conditions.

As a community we must not allow this to occur. Programs and services by our Town and its police cannot answer this challenge alone. This must be supplemented by parental involvement. **Take Charge.** Your children are not lacking in character or intelligence. We all need guidance and role models during our formative years. Be aware of who your children associate with when you are not present. Peer pressure may strongly influence their participation in improper conduct. Listen to what your child has to say. Make them understand that they are responsible for their actions involving anti-social behavior. Help provide alternatives to "hanging out." We cannot expect our community resources to fulfill all of our parental responsibilities.

If we come together to demonstrate such simple acts like picking up litter, maintaining our property in good repair and making our presence felt, we can reduce mischievous and anti-social behavior by setting the example.

Spending our time on young people is a contribution towards the betterment of our community today and in the future. We must take responsibility collectively for our youth or our problems will grow with each generation. We live in a safe and secure community. Let's all work to keep it that way regardless of the sacrifices we will be facing in the forthcoming years.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING,

- Ken

Hundreds March To Beach At Moonlight MADDness

The Mothers Against Drunk Driving Moonlight MADDness event continues to grow in popularity with several hundred children and families participating in the march from Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center to the beach in Bal Harbor. In addition to the BHI Police Department, law enforcement agencies from throughout South Florida were represented. On the beach, participants enjoyed food and



refreshments, music and entertainment, displays and fireworks.

In their bright red T-shirts, children representing Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center and Surf Bal Bay PAL led the march.



Joining the children were Town residents, elected officials and staff.

AARP Defensive Driving For Seniors

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is offering a refresher course for drivers 50 and older on Monday, November 16, noon to 6 p.m. All participants must pre-register and can receive a three-year insurance discount upon completion of the course, if eligible. The class will be held at the Bay Harbor Islands Town Council Chambers, 9665 Bay Harbor Terrace on the second level. To register call 305-382-5331.

Student Leads Pledge

Nine-year-old Megan Blenet, a student at Ruth K. Broad Bay Harbor K-8 Center, led the Pledge of Allegiance at the October Council meeting. She received a Certificate of Appreciation from Mayor Kenneth Weinstein.



The Bay Harbor Civic Association Continues the Tradition of the Employee Holiday Fund

The annual Holiday Fund was established 45 years ago to provide a method of sharing the goodwill of residents and business owners with employees in *all* departments of the Town. Through your contribution, employees “behind the scenes” or working at times or locations not usually seen by residents will not be forgotten.

The Holiday Fund provides the only bonus given to Town employees, who work hard throughout the year. They truly value this token of appreciation from our residents. This effort is carried out every year by the Bay Harbor Civic Association, headed by Peter Cohn, Gold Coast Chamber of Commerce President. Checks may be made payable to “Bay Harbor Civic Association Employees Holiday Fund” and sent to P.O. Box 546258, Bay Harbor Islands, FL 33154. Contributions may also be dropped off at Town Hall.

County to Perform Water Chlorination

From Nov. 9-22, the County will be implementing a special chlorination process to provide a somewhat stronger disinfection process than normally used at regional water plants. Consumers may experience an unusual chlorine taste or odor in the tap water. However, these temporary conditions will not cause adverse health effects. This periodic change in chlorine treatment has taken place annually and will provide additional protection against bacteria. This task is part of the on-going effort to provide a safe, potable water supply for the citizens of Miami-Dade County.

Seniors on the Go

Mark your calendar for these upcoming trips:

- Tuesday, November 17, 2009
Legally Blonde at the Broward Center, \$47
- Tuesday, December 15, 2009
Normal Rockwell Exhibit at the Museum of Art Ft. Lauderdale, \$12.50, includes audio tour.
- Tuesday, January 5, 2010
Morikami Museum & Japanese Gardens, \$28
Includes tour and lunch.
- Wednesday, February 24, 2010
39 Steps at the Broward Center, \$42

For reservations, please contact Ruth Woods, 305-864-9580; Martha Astrella, 305-864-2086 or Bernice McKenney, 305-864-5854.

Meetings to Approve Phase III Community Enhancements

Basic improvement of the Town's infrastructure is coming to the **East Island**. It is a subject that has been discussed for many years and we are happy to announce that it will finally be happening. Phase Three of the Community Enhancement Project for the East Island is ready for final approval. The Planning and Zoning Board has approved the plan and will review lighting and traffic calming circles at the meeting scheduled for November 3, at 7 p.m. in the Town Council Chambers and the public is invited to attend. If the Planning and Zoning Board approves the plan, it will be presented to the Town Council for a final approval at the December 14 Council meeting.

The East Island Community Enhancement Project will include new streets, curbs, gutters, lighting fixtures, hurricane resistant overhead power lines, walking paths and additional landscaping. Once completed, our Town will be not only be beautiful, but will have a solid new foundation.

Proposed rendering of the intersection of 99th Street and W. Bay Harbor Dr.



Police Beat

Honor Guard & Manager Take Part in 9/11 Ceremony



The Bay Harbor Islands Police Department Honor Guard participated in the Town of Surfside candlelight vigil for the victims of September 11 held on Thursday evening, September 10, 2009. Town Manager Ronald Wasson was the guest speaker.



Above: Town Manager Ronald Wasson addresses the audience for the 9/11 ceremony.

Included in the group above are Bay Harbor Islands Lieutenant Joseph Locke and Officer Mark Klepser.

Upcoming Town Meetings

The Town Council welcomes your attendance at meetings. To confirm all meeting dates and times, please 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 and Zoning - Tuesday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m.
- Regular Council Meeting - Monday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m.
- Planning and Zoning - Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.

The following meeting dates are scheduled for various Committees and are open to the public. **Dates are subject to change**, therefore, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 305-866-6241 for confirmation of the meeting date and time.

- Environmental Impact - TBA
- Parks & Recreation - Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m.
- Education - Wednesday, Nov. 18 at 6:30 p.m.
- Charter & Ordinance Review - Monday, Nov. 23 at 7 p.m.

The following future meeting dates are subject to change. Closer to the date, please contact the Town Clerk's Office or check the Town's website www.bayharborislands.org.

- Regular Council Meetings: December 14, January 11, 2010 and February 8, 2010.
- Planning and Zoning Board Meetings: December 1 & 15, January 5 & 19, 2010 and February 2 & 16, 2010.
- Environmental Impact Committee - 1st Monday
- Parks & Recreation Committee - 2nd Tuesday
- Education Committee - 3rd Wednesday
- Charter & Ordinance Review Committee - 4th Monday
- Disaster Preparedness Committee - TBA

MEETING DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

At the time of printing of this newsletter, the topics listed below are anticipated for discussion or possible action at the Regular Town Council meeting of **November 9, 2009**. All items are subject to change.

- Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 7 ½ "Flood Damage Prevention" of the Town of Bay Harbor Islands Code of Ordinances to comply with FEMA requirements.
- Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 7 "Fire Protection and Prevention".
- Second reading of a proposed ordinance amending the Town Code to create regulations for outdoor recreational game court facilities.

Mark Your Calendar!
Bay Harbor Islands 5K Run
SUNDAY, JAN. 10, 2010

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Highlights of the October 12 Council Meeting

- Approved the appointment of Howard Hollander to the Planning and Zoning Board.
- Accepted the Annual Report of the Broad Causeway as prepared by Hardesty and Hanover, LLP with exception to Section 6.2.
- Approved on first reading a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 7 ½ "Flood Damage Prevention" of the Town of Bay Harbor Islands Code of Ordinances to comply with FEMA requirements.
- Approved on first reading a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 7 "Fire Protection and Prevention".
- Approved on first reading a proposed ordinance amending the Town Code to create regulations for outdoor recreational game court facilities.
- Approved an increase in the Town's parking fees to be implemented in January 2010.
- Approved the conceptual rendering and design for the Community Enhancements Phase III (East Island) with the recommendation that the plans return to the Planning and Zoning Board on November 3 for further discussion and the meeting be advertised to the Town residents.
- Approval of a contract with Calvin Giordano & Associates, Inc. for engineering services in connection with Phase III of the Community Enhancements Project in the amount of \$388,889.
- Approval of a proposal from CDI Enterprises in the amount of \$10,607.70 for the holiday light display on the median on Kane Concourse.
- Approved Resolution #1100 amending Resolution #1099 providing more detail for the expenditure of the funds from the grant to be received from the Safe Neighborhoods Park Bond Program for the development of the 92 Street and 98 Street Parks.