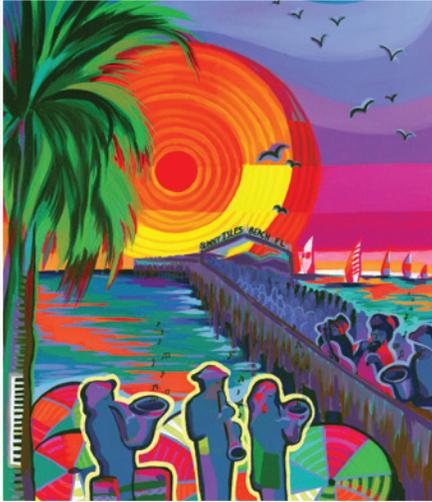


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CITY OF SUNNY ISLES BEACH

September 2018

11th SIB Jazz Fest Poster Contest



Submit an original painting to be chosen as a lasting symbol of the City's love for rich and cultural experiences. Incorporate this year's theme, *Jazz Around the World*, or capture the spirit of Jazz music in Sunny Isles Beach. The winning artist receives \$500 and will be recognized during the main event on Saturday, November 17.

The contest is free and open to everyone. Submissions accepted only between September 1 and October 1, 2018 at the Visitor Center in the SIB Government Center, 18070 Collins Avenue. For more details including rules and waiver go to sibfl.net/postercontest.



from our Mayor



George 'Bud' Scholl, Mayor

We are coming up on another election season during which I urge you to get informed and vote if you are able.

Our municipal elections have staggered four-year terms. This means that three of our five elected positions (Mayor and residential area Commission seats 2 and 4) will be up for election this year. In two years, two positions (residential area Commission seats 1 and 3) will be up for election.

The City Charter was designed this way to ensure continuity to our City Commission. Staggered terms make sure that the Commission is not composed of all newly elected officials in the same year. Who governs our City has a major impact on the direction of our community and how our City is managed. While a lot of us do not exercise our right to vote, many of us vote but do not spend the time to familiarize ourselves with the candidates on the municipal and county level. We typically have stronger feelings about governor, senate, congress and presidential races. Perhaps this is because of intense press coverage and that these are partisan races, meaning candidates run with a political party affiliation.

Our municipal and county elections are non-partisan. Often voters are the least familiar with these candidates, however, municipal and county elected officials can have some of the most direct impact on our quality of life. So, before you vote, take some time to familiarize yourself with the backgrounds of the candidates and their positions. Typically, registered voters will receive a lot of mail from candidates. Additionally, our local newspapers will run articles in print and online describing candidates in most local races. Finally, there are usually local activities devoted to candidate forums and debates.

Look out for these as they will be some of the best opportunities to meet and hear from your local candidates, which will enable you to make an informed voting decision. In the end, the most important outcome of election season is not who wins or loses; it is that all of us exercise our right to vote for the candidates of our own choosing.

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SIBAlert

The City is rolling out a new emergency notification system: SIBAlert. SIBAlert enables citizens to receive accurate and up-to-date notices and warnings from the City of Sunny Isles Beach during critical incidents and emergencies. Notifications are sent based on location through a variety of methods including phone calls, SMS text messages, emails and a mobile application. You can choose any and all methods of alerts you would like to receive.

This system provides you with critical, time-sensitive information quickly during a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, hurricane evacuations, boil water notices, and major traffic delays or accidents.

To sign up, visit sibalert.net and create your account today. We recommend creating a contact in your phone for SIBAlert: our caller ID number is 305.792.1911; our email display is: SIBAlert (sibalert@sibfl.net); and text messages come from 89361.

We also encourage you to download the Everbridge app to your mobile device so that during times of crisis, you and your family will receive emergency alerts from trusted sources, your local City government and law enforcement agency. Just search "Everbridge" in the App or Google Play stores.

For more information, visit sibalert.net.

Fall Programs

The beginning of a new school year is a great time to enroll your child in a fall activity or athletic program. In addition to our favorite recurring programs such as karate, chess, cheerleading, and basketball, we are offering some exciting new programs. Beginning September 13, Super Soccer Stars offers an introductory class on the fundamental skills of this popular sport for ages two to five years old.

Code Explorers allows children ages 4 to 13 an opportunity to delve into computational thinking and coding appropriate to their age level. FAB (Fun Activity Based) Fitness is a high-energy one-hour session designed for kids to get active and develop coordination while playing exciting games. Following the success of our summer camp, Bomb Squad Baseball Academy is back for the fall as former professional baseball player, Smaily Borges, teaches fundamental and progressive skills. To view all of our fall programs, visit sibfl.net/ccs.

Short-Term Vacation Rental Program

For residents, living in a safe and secure neighborhood is imperative. Short-term vacation rentals have previously caused negative impacts in the City, and last May, the City Commission passed the Short-Term Vacation Rentals Ordinance requiring all owners renting condominiums or apartments for six months or under to obtain a license from the City. This Ordinance will help protect the public welfare and ensure peace of mind for our residents.

Beginning October 1, 2018, the Planning and Zoning department will begin accepting applications, with enforcement commencing on December 1, 2018. There are several components to the application including, but not limited to, proof of a DBPR Transient Public Lodging Establishment License and Certificate of Registration with the Florida Department of Revenue and Miami-Dade County Tax Collector.

Throughout the next couple of months, we will be sharing more information regarding the application process. For more information, visit sibfl.net/short-term-rentals, call 305.792.1740, or email infopz@sibfl.net.



A Message from the City Manager

by Christopher J. Russo



In January of 2013, we introduced the inaugural Car Show in Sunny Isles Beach. Five years later, this event has grown to be one of my favorites. Every car is unique and tells its own story. Our most recent Car Show held in May found a new home at Gateway Park. This move helped us accommodate a growing number of cars, vendors, and attendees. The additional space at Gateway opened up new opportunities for development and fresh partnerships.

I recently met with the production company to brainstorm new ideas for the upcoming Car Show on Saturday, October 13, and I think our residents are going to be very pleased with the outcome. You can expect all your favorite vendors, in addition to a new twist. Not only will you get to view the classic cars shining on the lawn, but you can also browse through vendors selling handcrafted jewelry, soaps and more at our Craft Fair. Whether you are a car enthusiast or a maker at heart, the Car Show and Craft Fair offers a great afternoon out.

As you might have read in previous

publications, Gateway Park is quickly becoming the hub for our cultural and larger-scale special events, such as the Car Show. The great amenities of the five-acre park, including the performance stage, playground, and parking garage with more than 300 spots, provide an opportunity for the growth of larger events.

The first notable event at Gateway Park was the 10th Annual SIB Jazz Fest, which also happened to be our most successful Jazz Fest in recent years. More than 1,000 jazz lovers enjoyed our stellar lineup of artists last year at Gateway Park, which has now become the home of our premier festival. More recently this summer, we held two musical productions, *Dueling Pianos* and *Decades Rewind*, both of which brought out our residents in droves.

We will be continuing our offerings of bigger and better productions here in Sunny Isles Beach this October. In addition to the Car Show, next month we are launching our new Gateway LIVE! series. Gateway LIVE! is bringing various cultural genres and live performances by

talented musicians, theatre productions, and entertainers to our City. These are not your typical concerts. The best part of this quarterly series is that it is free for Sunny Isles Beach residents with a valid Resident ID Card.

Kicking off the series on Saturday, October 6 is a concert by global music sensation, Ethan Bortnick, Guinness certified as "The World's Youngest solo musician to headline his own concert tour." Already on the Gateway LIVE! schedule for February 2019 is the Chinese Acrobats of Hebei. This unique performance is guaranteed to amaze audiences with its stunning acrobatics, costumes, Chinese props, and beautiful music.

I encourage you to visit our website at sibfl.net to see all of the events happening in the City. You can also stay up-to-date by signing up for our eSIBi email notifications at sibfl.net/notifyme. We've got some exciting and entertaining events coming to Sunny Isles Beach in the next months you won't want to miss.

Condo Clinic Helps Residents Know Their Rights Under State Condominium Act

from the desk of Vice Mayor Dana Goldman



Issues with condominium associations are among the most vexing concerns of our City's residents. That's why I've been working hard to ensure that our residents know their rights under Florida's Condominium Act.

The state's Division of Condominiums recently proposed new rules that would provide enhanced enforcement and civil penalties for non-compliance with the Condominium Act. The Division is hearing public comments about the new rules, which are needed after recent changes were made to the state law.

Our City's condo associations will soon be subject to fines and penalties for additional violations. The list of "minor offenses" under the proposed new rules has diminished. But the list of "major offenses" has expanded. These include improper board elections, failure to provide official records, conflict of interest disclosures, and violations of fiduciary duty.

Equally important, the proposed rules reflect a major policy shift from education and rehabilitation, to enforcement. These enhanced compliance measures are welcome news for our residents.

As a City Commissioner, I have met so many residents and have always done my best to assist all individuals—even those outside of our City—with their problems.

I am now escalating my commitment to help our residents by hosting periodic "Condo Clinics" at City Hall. These meetings will allow me to help more of our residents. I am here to ensure that our city becomes a valuable resource, and even an advocate, to protect your rights.

Please contact me for a copy of the proposed state rules, or for more information about the Condo Clinics, at dgoldman@sibfl.net or 786.512.6364.

Welcome Back: Traffic Safety Tips for the New School Year

from the desk of Police Chief Dwight Snyder



We at the Sunny Isles Beach Police Department welcome back our parents, students and teachers to the Norman S. Edelcup/Sunny Isles Beach K-8 and hope your summer vacation was enjoyable and full of new adventures. But as summer comes to a close, it's the start of a new school year, which hopefully brings new enthusiasm, challenges and learning opportunities.

As with every new school year, there is also the added responsibility for each of us to follow the rules of the road to help create a safe community for everyone. Below is a quick list of safety tips to help get us on our way to a new and safer school year.

- Parents, use the designated drop-off/pick-up lane on the east side of the school for the safe arrival and departure of your children. Remember, "School Zone" speed limits are 15 mph.
- Stay off your phone! There is no place for distracted driving, especially in school zones. Alert motorists save lives.
- Never stop in traffic to drop off your child. You may think it's convenient, but it is also dangerous and illegal.
- When walking, be aware of your surroundings and pay attention to the school crossing guards; they are there for your safety.

These are just a few safety tips to get you started. Please remember, traffic safety is everyone's responsibility and together we can make a difference. Stay safe!

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Behind the Scenes With Ocean Rescue

Long summer days at the beach might be over, but beach safety never stops. Our Ocean Rescue division works year-round to keep you safe in and out of the water. With 10 lifeguard towers stationed across approximately two miles of beach, our team of 37 lifeguards is trained to prevent, rescue, and assist in first aid.

The safety and enjoyment of all beach goers is important, so please follow our beach rules and regulations:

- Do not swim in dangerous water conditions.
- Do not disturb sea turtles or their nests.
- Use of umbrellas and tents are permitted as long as they do not obstruct Ocean Rescue's view of the water.
- Directives given by the lifeguards must be adhered to at all times.
- Glass containers, fishing, camping, and fireworks/explosives are among the list of items not allowed on the beach.

For more information on Ocean Rescue and to view the complete list of beach rules, visit sibfl.net/ocean-rescue.

May 1–July 31 Statistics

Rescues: 14

Preventions: 6,820

First Aids: 433, includes stings

**September 3**

Monday, Labor Day
Government offices closed
SIBshuttle does not run.

September 4

Tuesday, 10:00 am–1:00 pm
Golden Era Movie: *Sabrina*
Pelican Community Park

September 4

Tuesday, 12:30–4:00 pm
Blood Drive
SIB Government Center

September 4

Tuesday, 5:30 pm
Special City Commission Meeting
FY 2018-19 First Budget Hearing
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers

September 4

Tuesday
PAAC Committee Meeting: 6:00 pm
Joint Commission/PAAC Workshop: 6:30 pm
SIB Govt. Center 1st Floor Meeting Room

September 5

Wednesday, 3:00 pm
Bingo
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers
September 26 Bingo rescheduled to October 10

September 6

Thursday, 10:00 am–noon
Medical Lecture Series
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers

September 7

Friday, 10:00 am–2:00 pm
Mini-FLOW
SIB Govt. Center 1st Floor Meeting Room

September 9

Sunday, 8:45 am
Cultural Event: Gator Park Airboat & Wildlife Tour
Miami, FL

September 12

Wednesday, 7:30–9:00 pm
Sunny Serenade: The Silent Shout
Samson Oceanfront Park

September 13

Thursday, 9:00 am–12:00 pm
Blood Pressure and Glucose Screening
SIB Govt. Center 1st Floor Meeting Room

September 13

Thursday, 6:00 pm
Special City Commission Meeting
FY 2018-19 Second Budget Hearing
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers

September 15

Saturday, 9:00 am–noon
Family Fun Fishing Tournament
Newport Fishing Pier

September 16

Sunday, 9:15 am
Cultural Event: Miami Beach Botanical Garden
& Holocaust Memorial Tour
Miami Beach, FL

September 18

Tuesday, 6:30 pm
Staff Workshop Re: Short-Term
Rental Application Process
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers

September 20

Thursday, 6:30 pm
Regular City Commission Meeting
SIB Govt. Center Commission Chambers

September 22

Saturday, 7:00–9:00 pm
Hispanic Heritage Concert
Gateway Park

September 23

Sunday, 5:00–8:00 pm
Hispanic Heritage Art & Culture Showcase
Heritage Park

September 24

Monday, 7:00–8:00 pm
Full Moon Yoga
Samson Oceanfront Park

September 30

Sunday, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
Wiggle and Paint
Samson Oceanfront Park

MDC-SIB Branch Library Programs

Miami-Dade County Sunny Isles Beach Branch Library: For more information about hours and the offerings below call 305.682.0726. Classes and programs are held in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Sunny Isles Beach Government Center, 18070 Collins Avenue, unless otherwise indicated.

Programs for Adults**Basic Computer Classes for Seniors**

Tuesday: September 18
10:00–11:00 am inside the library

Citizenship Classes

Saturdays: September 1–29
10:00–11:30 am

Poetry Reading

Saturday: September 8
4:00–5:00 pm
Share your own poetry or 'all-time' favorites.

Russian Social Club

Saturday: September 15
3:30–5:30 pm

Programs for Children**Bedtime Stories**

Wednesdays: September 5–26
7:00–7:30 pm
Sharing stories and music.
Ages 3 to 5 yrs.

Talking is Teaching:**Talk, Read, Sing for Toddlers**

Mondays: September 10–24
10:00–10:40 am
Activities for toddlers and caregivers.
Ages 19 mo. to 3 yrs.

Family Program

Saturdays: September 1–29
11:00 am inside the library
Activities for the entire family.

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All persons are invited to attend these meetings. If a person decides to appeal any decision made at such meeting or hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in any meeting because of that disability should contact the City Manager at 305.947.0606, no later than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

Family Fun Fishing Tournament

Spend a beautiful, family-fun day fishing on the pier while competing against friends and neighbors to win up to \$500 in prizes! Rods are available for rent upon early registration.



Saturday, September 15 • 9:00 am–noon
Newport Fishing Pier • 16501 Collins Avenue
\$5 with SIB Resident ID Card; \$10 without.

Free parking at the Gateway Park garage. For complete details and rules, visit sibfl.net/fishing or call 305.792.1706.

Hispanic Heritage Concert

Feel the beat at this live, free concert.

Saturday, September 22 • 7:00–9:00 pm
Gateway Park • 151 Sunny Isles Boulevard



Hispanic Heritage Art & Culture Showcase

Immerse yourself in everything Hispanic from food to art to stage performances.

Sunday, September 23 • 5:00–8:00 pm
Heritage Park • 19200 Collins Avenue

Free admission with free parking in the garage at each park as well as under the William Lehman Causeway at Heritage Park. The SIBshuttle provides free transportation to and from the events within City limits.

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