



# Village Connect

Electronic Newsletter

*"To Provide a Safe, Quality Community Environment for all Islanders through Responsible Government"*

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### Village Offices Closed (Friday)

Date: July 3, 2009

### Independence Day Celebration; Community Center Closed

Date: July 4, 2009

### Parade

Time: 11:00 am

Place: Crandon Boulevard

### Fireworks

Time: 9:00 pm

Place: Beach

### Zone 2/3 Water- Sewer Project Progress Meeting

Dates: July 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2009

Time: 10:30 am

Place: BZP Conference Room, Village Hall

### Village Council Meeting

Date: July 7, 2009

Time: 7:00 pm

### International Children's

## July 2009

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### A Message from the Village Manager

Welcome to the Village e-newsletter! A new way to inform Village of Key Biscayne residents has arrived. Through an electronic newsletter, residents will rapidly have the latest departmental news, articles, previews of scheduled events, and much more.

Please click below to view a video clip from our Village Manager:

[Video Message](#)

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### Hurricane Season Is Here ... Be Prepared!

It's that time of year again - hurricane season began June 1 and ends officially on November 30. Now is the time to recheck your hurricane plan and make sure your evacuation and shelter-in-place kits are stocked. The Village's [Hurricane and Flood Information webpages](#) are full of information and handy checklists to prepare your family, pets, home and garden, pool, vehicles and boat.

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### Beach Park Access Card Required as of June 26

The gate control for the Village Beach Park at the end of East Enid Drive has been activated as of June 26, and thereafter access cards are required for entry. Residents can apply for cards at the Community Center from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Two cards per family will be issued. Follow this [link to a list of required documentation and an application form](#).

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### July 4th Parade and Fireworks Are Just Around the Corner

Join your friends and neighbors at the Key Biscayne 4th of July Parade. This summer tradition begins at 11:00 am with an Air Force jet flyover, and is followed by an All-American BBQ and Picnic on the Village Green. Fireworks at the beach start at 9:00 pm. Tune into 88.9 FM WDNA for the fireworks music simulcast. Don't forget to bring your radio if you're watching the fireworks away from home.

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### Water-Sewer-Reuse Project Update

Sewer work on the final section of streets west of Crandon Boulevard continues as the project enters its third year. New water pipes in Zone 2/3 are installed; once certification is complete, residences will be switched to the new system. Homes in Zone 1 and 4 are already hooked up to the new water pipes. Zone 4 residents should be able to connect to the new sewer system by August. For weekly updates on work locations, street closures, detours, etc., visit the [WSR News article](#) at the Village website.

**Day-****Bilingual Theatre**

Date: July 12, 2009

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: Community Center

**July Bulky Waste****Pickup Week**

Dates: July 13-17, 2009

**Zone 2/3 Water/ Sewer Project Progress Meeting**

Dates: August 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2009

Time: 10:30 am

**August Bulky Waste****Pickup Week**

Dates: August 10-14, 2009

**Village Council Meeting**

Date: August 25, 2009

Time: 7:00 pm

*More information on these events is available at the Village website Event Calendar*

**Contact Information****Village Manager**

(305) 365-8919

**Village Clerk**

(305) 365-8935

**Public Works**

(305) 365-8945

**Police**

(305) 365-5555

**Fire**

(305) 365-8989

**Community Center**

(305) 365-8900

**Building, Zoning, and Planning**

(305) 365-5512

**Village Hall****Mosquito Control ... What You Can Do**

Residents should call the Miami-Dade County Help Line at 3-1-1 and report mosquito infestations to trigger a spray mission by the County, and/or to be notified in advance of spraying. Check around your home for any containers that may hold standing water. For more information on how the Village Public Works Department supplements County mosquito control efforts, visit the Village [Mosquito Control webpage](#).

**Community Center Updates**

New treadmills, elliptical machines and StairMasters have been added to the [Wellness Center's suite of cardio equipment](#). Five new spin bikes were added to the spinning studio. Want to keep your kids occupied during vacation? Enroll them in Summer Camp that continues through August 21. Everyone is invited to International Children's Day on July 12. This free bilingual children's theater event begins at 3:00 pm at the Center and Village Green.

**Village Department News You Can Use*****Building, Zoning and Planning:***

Homeowners and multifamily/commercial property owners should check that address numbers are clearly visible from the street so that emergency response personnel can easily find the location. [Guidelines and requirements](#) are available at the Village website.

***Fire Rescue:***

Free CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation)/AED (Automated External Defibrillator) and First Aid classes are offered year round on request. The minimum class size is four. Call the Fire Rescue Training Center at (305) 365-8989 to set up a class.

***Parks and Recreation:***

The Community Center is an approved US Passport Acceptance Facility where you can apply for a new passport or passport card, or renew an existing passport, by appointment only. Call (305) 365-8953 for an appointment.

[More passport information](#) is available at the Village website.

***Police:***

Summer vacation means many kids biking throughout the Village. Did you know that State law requires all children under 16 years old to wear a helmet, even if they are passengers in a bike child carrier? Also, as of July 1, seat belt use will be mandatory for adults as well as children. Learn more about this law and other safety tips [here](#).

***Public Works:***

Downpours associated with rainy season can carry debris to storm water drains. Clogged drains reduce the intake of water. If you notice debris in the drain near your home, please rake up the material and dispose of it. This action will reduce the chance of local flooding. The Village checks all storm drains after severe weather events.

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Send an email to [jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov](mailto:jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov)

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