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Letter FROM THE MAYOR



want to wish all of our residents a happy and healthy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and are looking forward to 2018 which I know will be a fabulous and prosperous year in Golden Beach. We have many projects and events planned for 2018.

Some current project updates: We are progressing on our Beach Pavilion. Until the project is completed, there will be limited use of the Pavilion, but our residents and their guests will still have access to the beach. There are temporary bathrooms available to utilize while construction is in progress. Once the Beach Pavilion is completed, the residents will see a major improvement to our Beach amenities.

Work on the Guardhouse/Police Substation is progressing nicely which will provide extra security to the Town. I'd like to remind our residents that there may be occasional traffic back-ups during peak hours while entering and exiting at The Strand. Please be patient and considerate while the project is going on.

The street lighting project is underway. We have signed the contract with Florida Power & Light and are ordering the lights. An additional 80 plus lights will be added to the Town's current system, which will add more safety to the residents and at the same time, beautify our Town. All of these projects are expected to be completed in 2018.

We hope our residents plan to participate in our very first Doggie Day on the Beach. Due to years of requests by so many of our residents, we the Council, decided to give it a try are hopeful it will be a success.

Town resident safety and security are a major concern of our staff and Council. We are investigating additional measures to keep our Town safe and improve the security of the Town.

Hurricane season has ended, however Hurricane Irma had a major impact on the Town. The time to prepare is now. If you are interested, now would be the time to investigate acquiring a generator. Please be advised that existing TECO Gas customers who would like to install generators or add a gas-powered appliance must confirm meter capacity size by applying for a permit. For more information please contact the Town's Building & Zoning Department.

If you have not already, please be sure that you complete and return the Resident Survey. It is very important that you submit this information to us. It will help us provide the kinds of services that our residents want. We have a lot of projects in the works, and we are very excited for 2018.

YOUR MAYOR,

Mayor Glenn Singer



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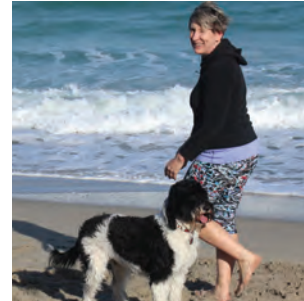
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2018 COMES TO GOLDEN BEACH

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

Residents gathered to ring in the New Year in South Park. With the Beach Pavilion renovations well under way the Town set up a pop-up venue in South Park. The event called “Starry Night in South Park” was an obvious nod to the outdoor nature of the event, but subtle cues also paid tribute to the famed Vincent van Gogh painting of the same name (décor in shades of navy and gold and centerpieces featuring the artist’s favorite, sunflowers). The central focal point was an illuminated futuristic dome that doubled as a mini night club, with a DJ and dancefloor. Partiers ate, drank and danced the night away and welcomed in the New Year.









*Happy
New Year!*





Doggie Day ON THE BEACH

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

Every dog has his day, as the saying goes, but January 18th was a very special one for our four-legged friends in Town. On that day, Golden Beach held its very first Doggie Day on the Beach, a special event where dogs were allowed to use a designated area of the beach to play and frolic in the surf for a few hours.

Don't worry about possibly finding a misplaced chew toy under your towel the next time you're at the Beach Pavilion, the dogs were not allowed access to the main beach area or pavilion. Town staff and police presence were on hand to help ensure safety and compliance among all guests. Many Residents and their dogs turned out to celebrate this momentous occasion and the Town is considering holding follow up Doggie Days in the future. Stay tuned for more details!





Golden **BEACH CARES**

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

Mayor Glenn Singer and Town Manager Alexander Diaz recently met with officials from Cité Soleil, Haiti. Cité Soleil is a densely populated area of Haiti's capital city Port-au-Prince. It is a proud community despite lacking much of the basic infrastructure that we as US citizens take for granted every day.

In hopes of making a difference for the people of Cité Soleil, the Mayor and Town Manager offered support by way of infrastructure guidance along with the donation of used surplus equipment from the Town.



Golden BEACH

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2018

FEBRUARY

Tuesday, February 6 – *Public Safety Workshop – Town Hall - 6PM*

Wednesday, February 14 – *Valentine's Day Event – South Park - 5PM*

Monday, February 19 – *Presidents' Day - Town Hall Closed*

Tuesday, February 20 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*

MARCH

Sunday, March 18 – *Bagels on the Beach – Beach Pavilion – 11AM*

Tuesday, March 20 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*

Spring Youth Programming Details Coming Soon!

APRIL

Wednesday, April 4 – *Spring Cleaning Shred Day – 9AM-3PM – Town Hall*

Sunday, April 15 – *Annual Luau/Spaghetti Dinner - Beach Pavilion – 5PM*

Tuesday, April 17 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*

Friday, April 27 – *Doggie Day on Beach - 4PM-6PM*

MAY

Sunday, May 13 – *Mother's Day (Symphony in Singer Park) – 5PM*

Tuesday, May 15 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*

Monday, May 28* – *Memorial Day – Town Hall Closed*

**Please note Construction is not allowed*

Monday, May 28 – *Memorial Day Event – Beach Pavilion – 5PM*

JUNE

Sunday, June 17 – *Father's Day*

Tuesday, June 19 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*

JULY

Wednesday, July 4* – *Independence Day - Town Hall Closed*

**Please note Construction is not allowed*

Wednesday, July 4 – *Independence Day – Hot Dogs on the Beach -12PM*

SUMMER FOOD TRUCKS – *Vendor Information to Follow*

Saturday, July 8 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*

Sunday, July 14 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Saturday, July 22 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Sunday, July 28 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Monday, July 30 – *Deadline to Register to Vote in National Primary Election*

AUGUST

Saturday, August 4 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Sunday, August 12 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Saturday, August 18 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Tuesday, August 21 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*
Sunday, August 26 – *Food Truck at the Beach Pavilion - 12PM*
Tuesday, August 28 – *National Primary Election*

SEPTEMBER

Monday, September 3* – *Labor Day – Town Hall Closed*
**Please note Construction is not allowed*
Monday, September 3 – *Labor Day – Hot Dogs on the Beach -12PM*
Tuesday, September 4 – *First Budget Hearing & Special Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*
Sunday, September 16 – *5K Run - Town Hall - 7:30AM*
Tuesday, September 18 – *Final Budget Hearing & Special Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*
Friday, September 27 – *Doggie Day on Beach - 4PM-6PM*

OCTOBER

Monday, October 8 – *Columbus Day – Town Hall Closed*
Tuesday, October 9 – *Deadline to Register to Vote in National General Election*
Tuesday, October 16 – *Regular Town Council Meeting – Town Hall – 7PM*
Wednesday, October 31 – *Halloween – North Park – 5PM*

NOVEMBER

Tuesday, November 6 – *National General Election*
Sunday, November 11 – *Veterans Day Event – Beach Pavilion - 5PM*
Monday, November 12 – *Veterans Day Observed – Town Hall Closed*
Saturday, November 17 – *Tea Party – South Park – 4PM*
Thursday, November 22* – *Thanksgiving Day – Town Hall Closed*
**Please note Construction is not allowed*
Friday, November 23 – *Town Hall Closed*
Thursday, November 29 – *Doggie Day on Beach - 4PM-6PM*

DECEMBER

Monday, December 24 – *Christmas Eve – Town Hall Closed*
Tuesday, December 25* – *Christmas Day – Town Hall Closed*
**Please note Construction is not allowed*
Monday, December 31 – *New Year's Eve – Town Hall Closed*
Monday, December 31 – *New Year's Eve Party – Beach Pavilion – 9PM-1AM*

Police BEAT

2018 is already well underway. I hope everyone has had a healthy and prosperous start to the new year.

In 2017 the Golden Beach Police Department accomplished many goals and planned activities, such as: the Florida DMV event, Back to School event, Career Day at OJUS Elementary School, Red Ribbon Week, Boating Safety Training class with the Coast Guard, National Night Out, and Movie Night.



Reflecting on the past year, as we strive to serve you better, I would like to thank Mayor Singer, the Town Council members and the Town Manager for their constant support in making the Golden Beach Police Department a Class 1 Law Enforcement Agency.

After Hurricane Irma, officers from the Golden Beach Police Department sat for a Sergeant Promotional Examination. Promotions will be held as soon as we receive the approval of the Town Manager and Mayor Singer. These promotions will enhance the operation of the Police Department as we continue to set goals to improve the department.

On the December 14, 2017, the Golden Beach Police Department hosted a Movie Night at South Park where close to 40 residents attended to watch the movie "MOANA". We will continue doing Movie Night as a yearly entertainment event for all our residents. On December 18, 2017, I was invited by the 3rd District Court of Appeals to participate in the promotional ceremony of police officers assigned to the courthouse.

The Golden Beach Police Department is not only very proactive inside the Town but also beyond our borders, as we assist adjacent police departments, schools and non-profit organizations.

Our Department has (3) three detectives assigned to investigate in-depth crime-related activities with the Internal Revenue

Service, South Florida Money Laundering Task Force and Drug Enforcement Agency. These investigations could lead to the prosecution of individuals arrested for offenses against our Country, or of any State, County, Municipality or any territory of the United States. If any assets are seized for forfeiture, such as money, vehicles, land, real property, businesses, etc., the lead agencies participating in the investigation could benefit from the sale and/or distribution of equitable shared funds. The Assets Forfeiture Program is used as a tool by many law enforcement agencies to enhance law enforcement goals, objectives and operations.

The Golden Beach Police Department has long established efforts to foster open communication with our residents. We have tried to accomplish this through community events, and other collaborative efforts in order to partner with our residents. This partnership is a two way street of communication where we as the police department work closely together with the community strengthening and improving the relationship that exists. Community engagement is critical to every law enforcement agency, as it helps close any gap in communication. Therefore, we as the law enforcement agency serving Golden Beach, are concerned with some observed behavior that we need to address. There are areas of concern that we've noticed while patrolling the streets of Golden Beach. Many of our officers are reporting seeing these security concerns on a regular basis. Concerns such as the front door to a dwelling wide open, a car left with the windows down and the car keys inside the car, garage doors left completely open for easy access, bicycles left unsecured on driveways, etc.

We have also noticed that residents are going out of town and are not notifying us nor are they setting their burglar alarms. While you're on vacation an officer could routinely go by your residence to make sure it is secured. This can be done by calling the administration officer at (305) 936-2444 and requesting a "Watch Order".

Should you be out of Town and your home or property be burglarized, we ask that notify the Golden Beach Police Department immediately. We have noticed that in many instances this has not been done. By keeping us informed you allow us help us serve the community as a whole and prevent crimes before they occur.



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One of our major concerns is the monitoring of beach goers and beach access to non-residents. This has been a topic that has been debated for years, and officers were enforcing mandates without a policy. So to ease the officers concern(s) and to satisfy the residents demands, I drafted the below policy so we could all have some guidance to follow.

POLICY:

It is the policy of the Golden Beach Police Department to safeguard the welfare of our residents and their property. Hence, the beach patrol is the responsibility of all department members on duty and was initiated in order for police officers to watch the beach residences along the beachside in Golden Beach. The Golden Beach Ocean and/or beach perimeter area is for the exclusive use of land owners and their visitors. Therefore based on the platted surveys and maps such area is to be considered private, and not a recreational beach area. All residents of Golden Beach can use the beach designated area at the Beach Pavilion.



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PHOTOS

1. A K-9 OFFICER POSES WITH SIZEABLE SEIZURE CONFISCATED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA MONEY LAUNDERING TASK FORCE.

2-3. MOVIE NIGHT IN SOUTH PARK

Fast FACTS:

THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH POLICE
DEPARTMENT TYPICALLY STAFFS:

- *2 OFFICERS FOR MORNING SHIFTS*
- *3 OFFICERS FOR AFTERNOON SHIFTS*
- *4 OFFICERS FOR MIDNIGHT SHIFTS*

Did YOU KNOW?

THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT
TYPICALLY HAS 9 “BEACH RUNS” (PATROLS
ALONG THE SAND) PER DAY.

THE MARINE PATROL NAVIGATES OUR
WATERWAYS DURING DAYTIME HOURS & ALSO
OVERNIGHT WHILE MOST RESIDENTS ARE ASLEEP.

PROCEDURES:

1. While on routine patrol, an officer will advise any person on the beach who hasn't been invited by a homeowner, that the beach is not a recreational beach but private property.
2. He/she must advise visitors to traverse to Hallandale Beach or Sunny Isles Beach by giving them directions.
3. **If visitor refuses to move/ traverse, he/she must be advised of the consequences for refusing to leave the immediate area, which includes; a “Trespassing after Warning” arrest, at which time a supervisor will be requested to respond to the scene. Additionally, the lot owner will also be contacted and advised of the situation and asked if they want the person(s) evicted from their lot, and/or arrested for trespassing. The Homeowner will need to be advised that he will need to prosecute by filling out a prosecution form. Also the homeowner will be informed that his/her information will be included in the arrest form for subpoena purposes. The visitor will once again be advised to leave the immediate area, or will be arrested for trespassing after warning on private property.**
4. A homeowner can call police for trespassers on neighboring properties, but cannot demand an arrest if the trespasser is not on their property.
5. The wet and compact sandy area below the “mean high-water line” is considered a public area and is to be utilized by visitors to traverse to Hallandale Beach and/or Sunny Isles Beach. Officers can't demand anyone on the water to leave as the water is owned by the state.

In closing, I would like to thank you for your support. We look forward to continuing to serve our residents and their families in the coming years.

YOUR CHIEF OF POLICE,

Rudy Herbello





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PHOTOS

4. MOVIE NIGHT IN SOUTH PARK

5. GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES BACK THE BLUE RECOGNITION BY THE AVENTURA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

6-8. CHIEF HERBELLO WAS RECENTLY INVITED AS A GUEST SPEAKER TO THE 3RD DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS.



Teach For America – Miami-Dade is grateful for Golden Beach’s support of its mission to ensure that every child in has the opportunity to receive an excellent education.

Teach For America finds, develops and supports a diverse network of promising leaders who are dedicated to expanding opportunities for children. Leaders like Jamyah Cox, who teaches students just a few miles away from Golden Beach at North Miami Middle School, commit to teaching for at least two-years in low-income communities.

On the importance of playing a meaningful role in her students’ personal and academic growth, Ms. Cox says:

“When they say it takes a community to raise a child, it really does and I am glad I get to be a part of each of my students’ communities.”

Ms. Cox invests in her students’ personal growth and lives outside of the classroom. From theatrical plays, to athletics, dance recitals, and birthday parties, Ms. Cox supports her students and has formed a network with other influential people in their lives.

What was the result? Over a year and a half of academic growth in one school year – the highest growth of 8th grade



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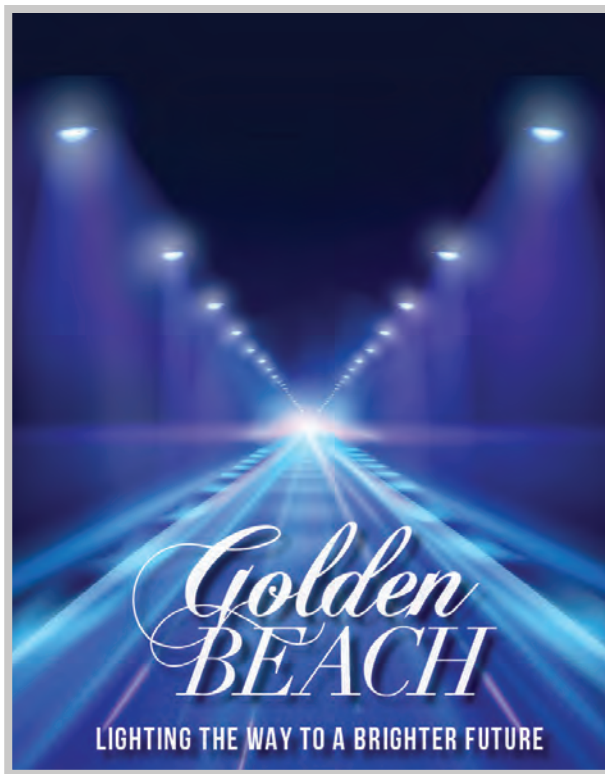
pre-algebra students at North Miami Middle School. Ms. Cox says, “Because I was able to be present for my students, they were able to be present and work hard when they entered my classroom.”

Ms. Cox’s Teach For America coach, Eugene Gerthy, reflects on the leadership of this teacher, sharing that “Jamyah’s upbeat energy and enthusiasm in her classroom keeps students engaged and persistent through rigorous content. She finds building relationships with students, families, and her school community to be the most important thing about her work as an educator.” The strategy is paying off for Ms. Cox and her students.

To learn more about Teach For America Miami-Dade and what you can do to support students in the community, visit <https://miamidade.teachforamerica.org/> or contact our office at 786-245-8412 Ext 37134.

Around TOWN

**SOME EXCITING THINGS ARE BREWING AROUND TOWN.
HERE'S A QUICK BREAKDOWN OF SOME THINGS TO EXPECT:**



> STREET LIGHTING

The Town's eagerly anticipated street lighting contract has just been signed with conversion expected to be underway by the third quarter of 2018. The project involves a complete overhaul and replacement of the Town's existing street lighting with more modern, energy efficient and attractive fixtures.

DON'T GET LOCKED OUT WHEN YOU WALK OUT

Keeping your security in mind, all of the Town's pedestrian gates will now be padlocked from 10PM to 6AM daily. The Golden Beach Police Department is tasked with locking the gates and Residents will not be given keys to these locks. If you're heading out for a stroll outside the gates be sure to be back before they are locked, otherwise you'll have to hoof it to The Strand to enter Town; on the bright side think of all those extra calories you would burn off!





BEACH PAVILION AND STRAND GATEHOUSE RENOVATIONS

It's hard to miss that renovations are well underway at both the Strand Gatehouse entrance of Town and the Beach Pavilion. Pardon our dust while we wrap these projects up; estimated time for delivery is April 2018.



CANAL MAINTENANCE

In order to make our intracoastal waterways more navigable and to remove excess silt deposits the Town will undergo canal maintenance. The Town has entered the permitting phase for the canal dredging project; more details on when the process will begin will be released when they are made available.

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN

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A BRIGHT IDEA

Leaving a light on at night can help deter potential break-ins or other crimes of opportunity. Would-be criminals are less likely to strike homes that are well lit or appear to be inhabited. Consider installing motion sensor lights for added security at night.



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**RESIDENTS SURVEY
2017**

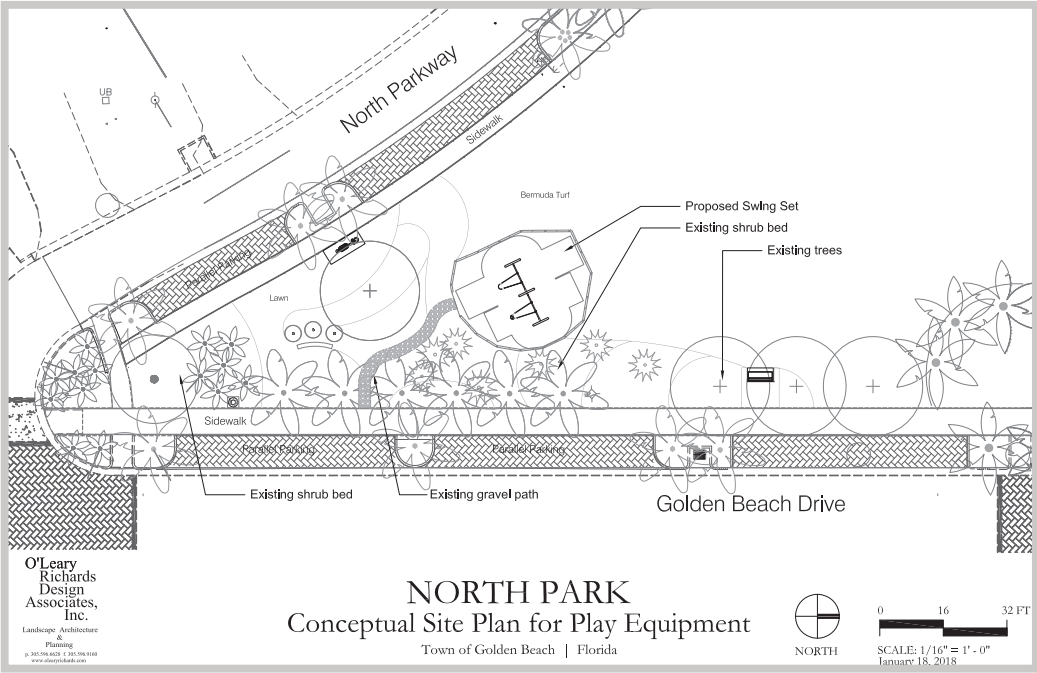
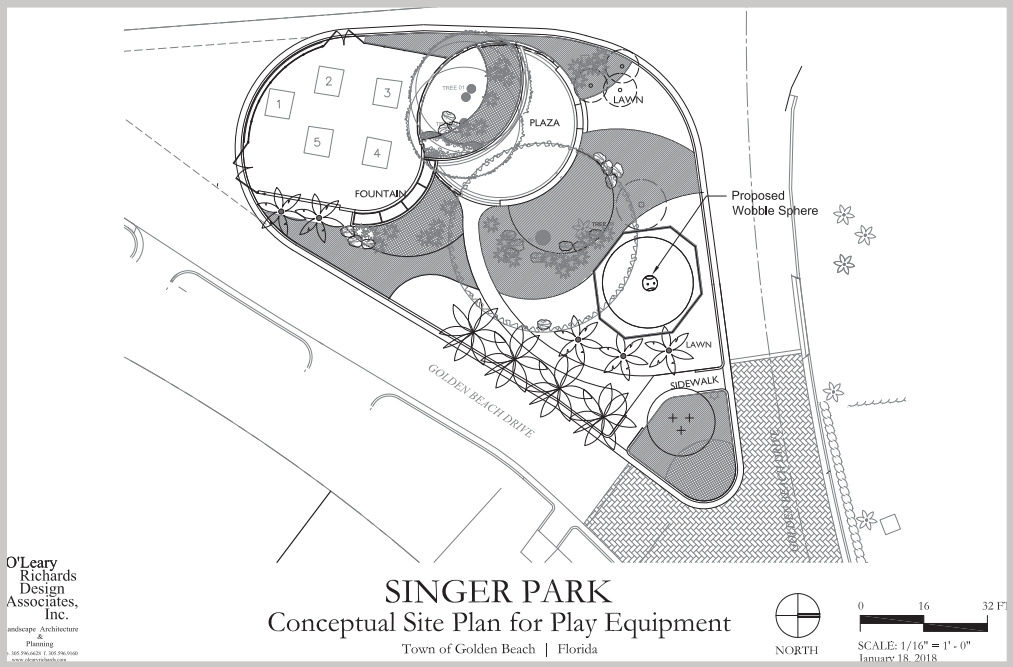


RESIDENT SURVEYS

We are excited to see the overwhelming response from our Residents in regards to the 2017 Residents Survey. We have gotten some amazing feedback, insights and suggestions. The Town's new Residents Services Department will be compiling data and presenting an all-encompassing report for the Mayor, Town Council and Town Manager to build an action plan based on your responses!

ADDITIONAL AMENITIES

The Town is considering adding additional amenities to Singer Park, North Park and Tweddle Park, including tot-friendly facilities. Want to know more, pass by the Residents Services Department at Town Hall.



Resident NEWS

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN



Love IS IN THE AIR

Cupid has set his sights on South Park this year. **The Town of Golden Beach will be holding its annual Valentine's Day Party on Wednesday, February 14th at 5PM in South Park. We will have live music, delicious food and plenty of ambiance.** Residents of all ages will have something to feel sweet about as there will be an assortment of yummy treats to choose from! RSVP is not required for this event; we look forward to seeing you there!

GBYLG MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

The Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group spearheaded a campaign this past fall collecting supplies for hurricane relief in the wake of Hurricane Irma. Thanks to their efforts and the generous donations of Golden Beach residents the Town was able to send a carload of nonperishable goods and toiletries to a shelter in the Florida Keys. And the Group hasn't stopped there; they held their first meeting of 2018 in January and are already planning more ways to get involved with their community and beyond.

The Golden Beach Youth Leadership is looking for even more members to join in the fun and service. Are you a Golden Beach resident aged 10 to 18 years old? Are you looking for a way to get involved and help the community around you, all while meeting other kids with similar interests? If so consider joining the Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group. The group meets several times a year at Town Hall to discuss and plan events. As a group, members participate in community service activities including Beach Clean Ups and Fundraisers. It is an excellent way to earn Community Service hours for school as well as have a great time and make friends. If you're interested in joining the Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group please contact mglidden@goldenbeach.us to be added to the group contact list, or for more information you may contact Golden Beach Vice Mayor and Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group Advisor Judy Lusskin at (305)986-4377.



Oceanfront Residents **ASKED TO UPDATE 'NO TRESPASSING' STATUS**

BY CHIEF RUDY HERBELLO

In an effort to ensure residents' safety and the safeguarding of their property the Golden Beach Police Department has initiated a high visibility detail on the beach area.

The purpose behind this detail is three-fold; first to keep visitors walking on the beach informed of our rules and laws concerning the properties along the beach side of Town; second as a deterrent to possible crimes; and third and most important, to build community trust and confidence in our Police Department.

To assist us with our goals, we are asking ocean-side residents to update their Trespass Affidavit by calling the Golden Beach Police Department, Monday through Friday, 9am to 5pm, at (305) 936-2444, to have a copy of this important form delivered to their home. This form must be completed by the owner of the property and authorizes the Golden Beach Police Department (as the property owner's representative) to enforce all applicable State and Municipal Trespass laws.

This procedure will authorize the Golden Beach Police Department to detain, cross-examine, arrest and prosecute any violator/trespasser.

Resident NEWS

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN



Walking Season Returns: **FOOT TRAFFIC INCREASES**

As our thoughts turn to that New Year's resolution of finally getting back in shape combined with mild South Florida weather, it's no surprise people are motivated to get out and hit the streets. Winter and early spring are opportune times for those who enjoy walking, whether you live in Town or a short sprint away. You may see an influx of walkers using our streets and sidewalks and wonder who they are and if they could possibly all live here in Golden Beach; there's a very good chance that some of them don't. While unfamiliar faces may cause concern, that doesn't mean it's time to panic or haul them off for trespassing.

It's important to realize that the Town's streets are public roads, so any public citizen has the right to drive on them (or strap on their sneakers and go for a stroll on them). The Town is aware that we may have non-residents in Town, but rest assured that the Police Department is being extra vigilant in its patrolling to be sure fitness enthusiasts are not a potential problem for those who live here. Some residents have mentioned that the pedestrian gates in Town are not locked during the day and have inquired if those gates are malfunctioning. Please be aware that only certain pedestrian gates have the capability to lock (the North and South Gate entrances, for example) while others act as a visual deterrent but not a barricade; access is not completely restricted because those gates provide entry to public thoroughfares. Just like The Strand Gatehouse, where vehicles may be stopped but are never denied access (unless there is an outstanding safety or logistical issue to the vehicle entering); our pedestrian gates serve as a way to discourage an open flow of foot traffic into the Town but do not prohibit it in its entirety. However, please note that the Police Department will now padlock all pedestrian gates in Town from 10PM to 6AM. Residents will not be given keys to these padlocks; anyone wishing to enter or leave the Town during those hours will need to do so through The Strand.

The Town also requests any Residents who find gates malfunctioning or see potential areas of access (holes in hedges, fencing, etc.) please contact Town Hall at (305) 932-0744, and for afterhours concerns please contact The Strand Gatehouse at (305)935-0940. Please remember if you notice any suspicious activity please contact the Golden Beach Police Department immediately at (305)935-0940, for emergencies call 911.

Did You HEAR SOMETHING?

It's hard to know what's true and what's not these days. In a world where everyone is claiming "fake news" against someone else, you need to go straight to the source to find the real story. If you hear news around Town and you aren't sure what to believe reach out to Town Manager Alexander Diaz or Police Chief Rudy Herbello for the honest answers. You can reach both the Town Manager and Chief of Police at Town Hall at (305)932-0744. The Town Manager can also be reached by his cellphone at (786) 236-4211.

Don't Find Yourself in the Doghouse: PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

A bouquet of flowers, a platter of fresh baked cookies, or even finally returning that weed-whacker you borrowed last summer: These are all nice surprises you can give to your neighbor. There is another surprise that has been spotted around town that has neighbors steaming. This "gift" is usually left behind by one of the four-legged members of the family and can ruin anyone's stride across the lawn to pick up the morning paper. Let's just say being a good neighbor includes picking up after yourself, especially if Fido leaves something behind on your walk. It's not just a courtesy, it's also the law. Aside from being stinky and altogether unpleasant, pet waste transmits disease. That can be disease spread from animal to animal, or even animal to human.

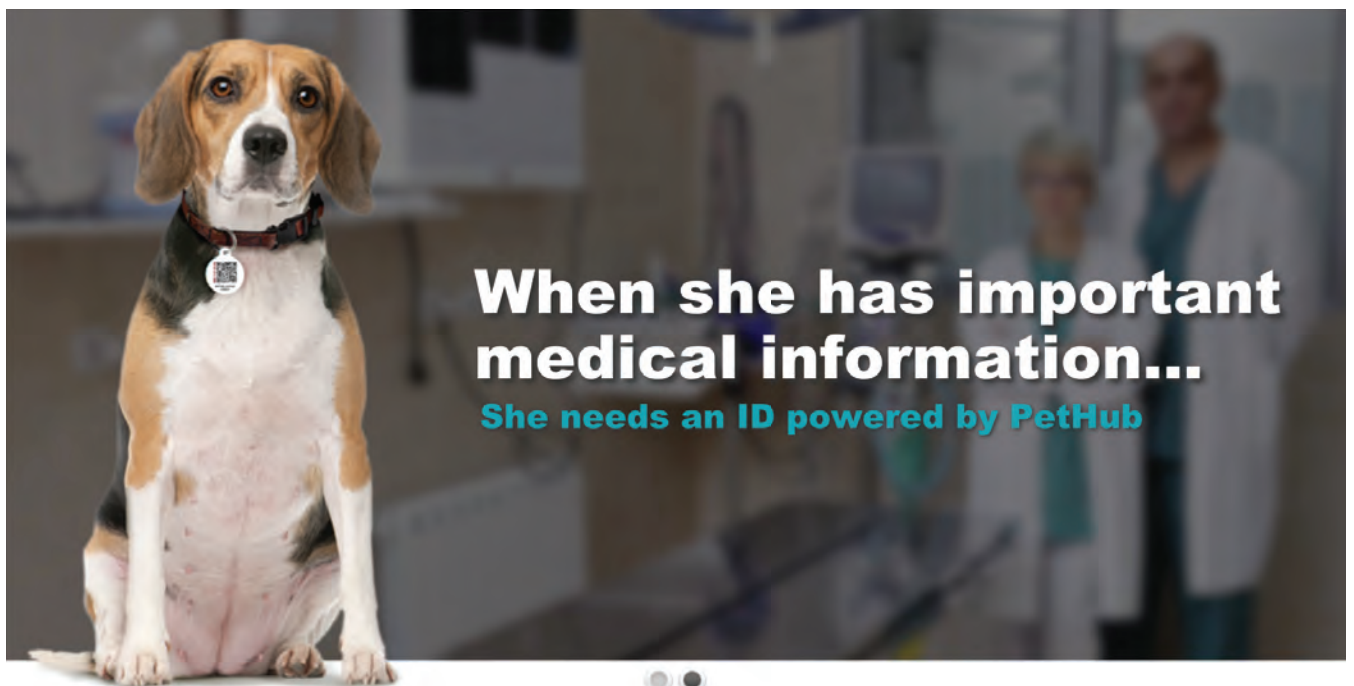
The Town has a zero tolerance policy on pet owners or pet handlers who do not clean up after their pets. Pet owners/handlers who do not clean up after their pets are committing a criminal misdemeanor which is prosecutable by the State Attorney's Office. This means, residents, their staff and/or guests who walk their pets on public or private property and do not pick up the pet's waste will be cited without warning or exception. Non-compliant pet owners/handlers are subject to a \$150.00 fine without warning for each offense. Residents, please inform your staff, that the State of Florida has enacted a mandatory hold policy on undocumented individuals; a seemingly small infraction could have major consequences. Please be aware that the Town is using surveillance, including undercover Police Officers, to identify offending pet owners/handlers and will act immediately on anyone who is not in compliance. Pet waste bag stations and trash cans are available throughout Town for your convenience. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TOWN'S PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR PICKING UP PET WASTE.**

So whether you're taking your animal for a spin around town or playing in the Town's dog park, be mindful and please make sure not to leave any "surprises" for those who come after. Avoid citations, be a responsible pet owner and clean up after your animals. Help us keep Golden Beach clean!



Resident NEWS

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN





When a single phone number isn't enough...

He needs an ID powered by PetHub

Golden Beach has a High Tech **WAY TO REGISTER YOUR PET**

We live in a “there’s an app for that” world. With your cellphone you can chat with friends, review your finances, and even order Chinese food from the place down the street, all with the swipe of a finger. There’s no doubt apps have made our lives more “user-friendly.” Joining this trend, the Town has partnered with an app to help keep you and your pets connected. While Fido and Mittens don’t have smartphones of their own, there’s no reason technology can’t help make their lives easier too. With the “Get Me Home” app managed by Pethub, residents will have a way to find their furry family members if they get lost or wander away from home. Each ID tag has a “QR (Quick Response) Code,” which is scannable by any smartphone. Residents will be able to create an Online Pet Profile complete with owner information and critical pet data. An image and stats of the pet, its license number and any health information are all pulled up simply by scanning the QR code. In the event their pet gets lost, residents will be able to reach a staffed Pethub call center 24/7; Pethub reports that 96% of pets are returned home in less than 24 hours. The Town of Golden Beach and Pethub want to keep you and your pets where they belong, within snuggling distance. [For more information on how to register your pet with the Pethub program contact Michael Glidden at Town Hall at \[mglidden@goldenbeach.us\]\(mailto:mglidden@goldenbeach.us\).](#)

Employee NEWS

BY MICHAEL GLIDDEN



For He's A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW

Town Staff gathered for a few moments on January 24 th to wish Golden Beach Police Chief Rudy Herbello a happy birthday.

Town Staff Thanks Residents **FOR GENEROUS DONATIONS**

Town Staff would like to extend thanks to all the residents who donated to the Town's Employee Lunch Fund this year. Your generosity allows for Town staff to join together for monthly luncheons and is greatly appreciated! A very special thank you goes to Cathie Kessler for being the resident liaison for the fund again this year.

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