ith the Holidays behind us, it is a good time to reflect on the past year, but also look ahead with the desire towards goodwill and continuing to build on the community's confidence with enthusiasm and fresh ideas.

The Golden Beach Police Department's administration strives to deliver professional police services to our residents and collaborate with our Councilmembers on ways to improve the quality of life in Golden Beach. A combined partnership with our Councilmembers, the Town Manager and Residents is the perfect recipe to strengthen our community relation efforts. Community engagement is critical to every law enforcement agency, as it helps close any gap in communication and it assists us to better serve you.

All things considered, we still have some concerns that must be addressed to minimize chances for you to become a victim of a crime of opportunity. Our officers have noticed that residents are still leaving their vehicles unlocked with the car keys, house keys and garage door opener inside the vehicles. They have also noticed that residents leave their houses with the garage door open, as well as their gates.

In order to assist us, we are asking our residents to be mindful of these seemingly harmless oversights, as criminals would rather hit a house that is unoccupied and accessible than a house that is occupied and secured. We ask residents to also help us at night by leaving their backyard lights on; light is a deterrent to crime and it helps officers to clearly see your property and/or look for possible suspects.

We have also noticed that residents are leaving town and are not notifying us of their vacation schedule. Some are not even turning on their burglar alarms. If you are planning to be away, we ask you notify the Police Department so we can complete a "Watch Order" form to periodically have officers check on your property. Contact my Executive Assistant, Sheila Pirrone at (305) 936-2444 if you would like to arrange a "Watch Order" for your property.

We have plenty to look forward to in 2020 but we would also like to review some moments from last year of which we are rather proud. Below you will find some of our significant a c c o m p l i s h m e n t s for 2019 and also the anticipated plans for 2020.



SIGNIFICANT 2019 YEAR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- · Hired and trained new Police Officers.
- CSA Brandon Jackson attended and graduated from the Doral Police Department Public Service Aide Academy.
- Implemented high visibility initiatives which assisted the Year to Date Crime rates to sharply decrease.
- We conducted full inventory of the Police Property/Evidence Rooms to ensure and confirm accountably and integrity of system.
- In August 2019, the Golden Beach Department was re-accredited by the "The Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation".
- Throughout this past year the police department hosted several events and workshops geared toward better community relations, which included (6) six "Meet and Greet" neighborhood meetings.
- The police department successfully maintained the minimum mandatory training for all sworn members.
- Through the DEA Task Force (where a Golden Beach Police Department undercover officer is assigned to) a 2015 white Infinity QX-60 was confiscated and subsequently awarded to the Town of Golden Beach.







Police BEAT

- The Town purchased two Polaris Ranger Side-by-Side in order to assist officers patrolling the beach houses, (3) three SUVs Tahoe) and two Hardly Davidson Motorcycles for the Field Operations Division.
- The Police Department sponsored (3) three new recruits and put them through the police academy.
- The Golden Beach Police Department applied, completed and signed a Mutual Aid Agreement with the Tallahassee Police Department in order to have electronic capabilities to issue electronic citations and complete accident reports (TRAC).
- The Golden Beach Police Department purchased additional ballistic helmets and a ballistic shield for officers participating in the newly formed Island Chief's Field Force Team. Moreover the Taser and Narcan was also acquired for all sworn personnel.
- As part of our continuous training efforts, Lt. Leila Perez attended and graduated from the University of Louisville "84th Command Officer's Development" training course for mid-managers.
- The Golden Beach Police Department trained (3) officers for Navigational and Marine Patrol duties,
 (3) officers as Field training Officers in order to train new recruits, and one officer as a firearm instructor for firearm qualifications.
- The Golden Beach Police Department assisted (3) three fellow accredited agencies with their mock assessments and/or On-Site Assessment through the expertise of our Accreditation Manager, certified CFA Assessor.

PROJECTED NEW INITIATIVES FOR YEAR 2020

The following initiatives have been adopted for Fiscal Year 2020 and are relevant to the Department's objectives, providing the necessary guidelines that will be utilized by the Chief's office to assess the effectiveness and quality of the services it provides.

- The Golden Beach Police Department will continue our progressive crime prevention initiatives in order to further reduce crime and stay as one of the safest communities in South Florida.
- The Golden Beach Police Department Standard Operating Procedures dealing with the firearm

- qualifications was changed whereas instead of qualifying (target practice) every year, the department will follow the state mandated provision of qualifying every other year, therefore allowing us to train officers with tactical training during the other years when we are not qualifying.
- As part of the Staff's continuous training effort, Sgt. Julio Soca will be attending the University of Louisville "84th Command Officer's Development" training course for mid-managers.
- As part of enhancing the Substation training and function, additional Community Service Aide Personnel will be attending and graduating from the Public Service Aide Academy.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will recommend the hiring of a Full-Time Certified K-9 Patrol Officer.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will continue to address the lack of parking and traffic issues, in the quest to provide input for the Town's development on traffic and parking solutions.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will be hiring and training a new Accreditation Manager and Code Compliance Officer. This individual will maintain the Florida Accreditation certification and efficiently comply with all State, local and internal regulations, to include Code Compliance.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will also recommend the hiring and training of additional full-time and/or part-time police officers as needed.
- The Golden Beach Police Department Field Operations Division will continue addressing any traffic, parking and quality of life issues with the assistance of the code enforcement unit.
- The Police Department will maintain the minimum mandatory training for all sworn officers, which will include additional "Simunition" (non-lethal ammunition) training.
- The Staff and Supervisors will continue the implementation of specialized police operational assignments and duties for the various areas of the department, as needed.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will



Images 1-4 Members of the Golden Beach Police Department and Town Manager Alexander Diaz attend Miami Police Academy Graduation for Officer Christian Ricano

have a "Meet and Greet Community Meeting", DMV driver license renewal event, a First Day of School Event and a Gun Safety Course.

- The Golden Beach Police Department will schedule and invite other neighboring agencies for a DUI check point.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will remain proactive, alert and vigilant, in order to deter crimes inside the Town. The criminal investigations detective will also continue to attend monthly criminal investigation meetings with neighboring agencies in order to keep all police officers abreast of the latest, accessible intelligence information.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will continue to address the lack of parking and traffic issues, in the quest to provide inputs for the Town's development on traffic and parking solutions

As a proactive police department, we will continually seek betterment by implementing new initiatives in

an effort to maximize the level and quality of our police services. If you have any ideas on how we may better serve you, please reach out to the Police Department. I thank you for allowing us, to humbly serve as your public servants in our quest to keep you and your loved ones safe.

My sincere thanks for the work our officers do every day to make this a safe community, all while providing a wide range of services to the community in which they work.

Your CHIEF OF POLICE.



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Around Town

Some exciting things are brewing around Town.

Here's a quick breakdown of some things to expect:



∧ Pickleball is almost here!

So what is "Pickleball" you may ask? It's a fast-paced mix of tennis, racquetball and ping pong. Pickleball is fun for all ages and abilities. You may have seen this trend creeping up in your social media recently and we're excited to be able to offer it as yet another amenity here in Town. We have broken ground on the project already; the new Pickleball courts will be in Tweddle Park next to the tennis courts.

Keep Kids Safe when Accessing Dog Parks >

The Town is asking Residents who use the dog parks located at Tweddle Park to ONLY use the entry path located at the south end of Tweddle Park near the South Gate. The south entry path allows pets to enter the park without crossing by the children's playground. Even the most obedient pets may be spooked and act erratically when surprised by playing children. Let's keep everyone safe while enjoying the park.





Family PaintingFun! *DATE CHANGE!*

Join us for an afternoon of family painting and fun! Our February painting event is moving to Saturday, February 15 at 2PM at the Beach Pavilion. We'll have a painting instructor guiding you every step of the way, and we've chosen a design that suits art-curious "newbies" and seasoned painters alike. Spaces are limited, and RSVP is required for this event. As this is a process painting class we ask that RSVPs be at least six (6) years old, so that they may follow along with the pace of the class. Canvases, paint and snacks will be provided, all you have to bring is your artistic side and sense of fun!

Paving Moratorium >

We hope that Residents are as happy as we are with how the Town's paving project turned out. The Town would like to remind all Residents that there is a two-year moratorium on disturbing the newly laid pavement. This means that the pavement cannot be cut or altered for any reason, including but not limited to installation of a new gas connection, cable or internet connection, laying of conduits, etc. Should you have any questions, please contact the Building & Zoning Department at Town Hall.





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< Civic Center Project Updates

Below you'll find a recap of recent Civic Center developments and important upcoming dates regarding the project.

JANUARY 17TH 2020 five firms returned bids for the project. The selection committee composed of Residents (not to include any elected officials or Town staff) will review the bid packages and score the responses for how closely they meet the needs of the community. The committee will recommend their top 3 firms to the Town Council.

FEBRUARY 18TH 2020 the Town Council will hold a daytime workshop to review the top 3 firms' proposals and interview members of the firms regarding the project.

FEBRUARY 18TH 2020 at the February 2020 Town Council Meeting the Town Council will make their decision as to which firm which be awarded the contract.

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A Message from a Resident

JOEY BADALATY WAS A FAMILIAR FACE IN TOWN TO MANY, AND THE TOWN WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIM AND HIS RECENT PASSING.



My friend Joey Badalaty has died. I do not think his spirit and zest for life will ever leave any of us who were his friends. Joey was a very gifted man who could do anything with his hands. He was a true artist He truly loved those of us who were his clients. He spent many years in Golden Beach helping so many Joey was an unusual handy man. He knew how to do everything and did it well with great thought and skill. I think Joey helped me at my home for at least 20 years. He could fix anything well. He was smart and could have been a great financial success in any building trade. But he chose his own way of life. He was happy and isn't that important? He was a pixie in a way. He danced to his own drummer. He showed up at your house at the time he felt like it. He always had something nice or clever to say. He was never mean or angry.

Joey helped to keep my home in good condition and that was not an easy task. He fixed

everything whether it was plumbing, electrical, mechanical or needed installation.

He was so very smart. I know he came to Florida from New York. He use to tell me the principal of his schools would call him out of the classroom to repair any necessary things in the school.

Joey in my estimation earned a Phi Beta Kappa in knowing everything about home and building maintenance.

He told me often that he promised my husband, Dick Fishbein, that he would always be there for me. And he was.

May his life continue to be a blessing and inspiration to all of us here in Golden Beach who were his friends.

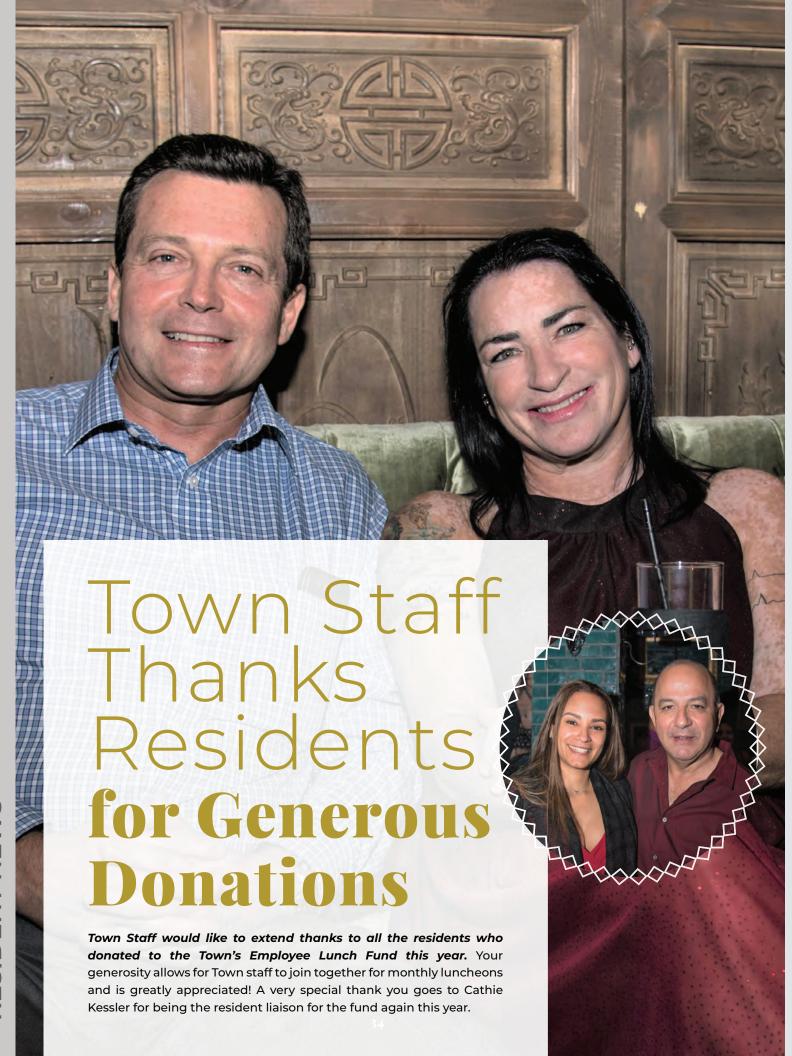
Alene L. Fishbein



GOLDEN BEACH IS APPLYING FOR THE ALL AMERICAN CITY AWARD. We can't hide our Golden Beach pride! The Town of Golden Beach is applying for the All American City Award, and we need your help! The award process is Resident-driven, and if we are selected as finalist, the Town will have our Resident volunteers represent Golden Beach in person at the ceremony in Denver, Colorado! If you're interested in participating or would like more information please contact Community Development Specialist Marie Talley at mtalley@goldenbeach.us.

GOLDEN BEACH CLEANS UP. After Hurricane Irma, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) denied the Town's \$87,000 claim to replace our street sweeper. After some persistent negotiation from Town Manager Alexander Diaz and Finance Director Maria Camacho, FEMA finally agreed to honor the claim and we will receive the funds soon!

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2019 Employee Luncheon Donations

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Why you should care about the 2020 Census

This year the Census Bureau will be collecting data about the Nation's people and its economic standing. This survey occurs only once every 10 years and it is critical that we all participate.

WHEN IS THE CENSUS HAPPENING?

On or between March 12-20, 2020, you will receive an invitation to respond online to the Census (some recipients may also receive a printed questionnaire). A series of reminder notices may follow in the weeks after the initial invitation is sent. If a response is not returned to the Census Bureau by the end of April, the Bureau will attempt to make contact in person.

WHY PARTICIPATE IN THE CENSUS?

Federal funding, grants and support from the US government is based on population counts as well as sex, age, race and other factors. These funds affect representation and legislation, as well as bolster quality-of-life programs and community initiatives.

IS MY CENSUS INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL?

Yes, Federal law protects your Census responses. Information is strictly used for statistical information. Federal law also protects your responses from being used by any government agency or court in any way. Your information cannot be used by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), nor by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). Federal law mandates that your data is kept confidential.

WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE TIME TO TAKE THE CENSUS?

The Census Bureau has made replying to the Census even easier this year, you can respond online through the Census website www.census.gov.

If you have additional questions regarding the United States Census or how to participate, please visit www. census.gov.

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- 1. Enter your billing account and meter number.
- 2. Create a unique user name and password.
- The password must be:
 - At least seven (7) characters in length
 - Must include at least one (1) special character, such as an exclamation mark, asterisk, dollar sign, or any other special character
 - The user name is not case sensitive
 - The password is case sensitive
- 4. Enter and confirm your email address.
- 5. The account holder's first and last names are optional.
- 6. Select a secret question from the pull-down menu and provide an answer.
- 7. This is used to verify your identity if you forget your password.
- 8. Click the REGISTER button at the bottom of the page to complete your registration.
- 9. Confirm your registration.
- 10. After clicking the REGISTER button, you will see a summary of your registration. If your registration
- is unsuccessful, review the red highlighted information boxes and make corrections.
- 11. Review the Terms and Conditions.
- 12. Review the Terms and Conditions, and then check the box stating you've done so, and then click OK.

You will receive on-screen confirmation that you have successfully registered and a login screen will appear. Use your newly created user name and password to access your personal web portal.



NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given...

If you have any property that is in the possession of the Golden Beach Police Department, (GBPD) Property and Evidence Section, and you have been cleared to pick it up, please make an appointment to pick up your property. You must bring the following items with you:

- A Golden Beach Police Department Case Number or Court Case Number;
- A Picture Identification (State Driver's License, State ID Card, Passport, or U.S. Armed Forces ID Card);
- An original Return of Property court order (if applicable);
- A Golden Beach Police Department issued Property Receipt.

Lt. Leila Perez is the Property and Evidence Custodian, and anyone who has legal claim to said property, may contact the Lieutenant at Leilaperez@goldenbeach.us or you may call her at 786-859-5346 to set up an appointment.

Also keep in mind that there is lost and found (abandoned) property items that are in the custody of our Property Room. If you have a photo or description of what you lost, it would be helpful in order to reunite you with your found property.

Pursuant to Section 705.103, Florida Statutes: After 90 days, the Golden Beach Police Department may elect to destroy the property, retain the property for its government agency, donate the property to a charitable organization, sell the property, or surrender the property to the finder, if it remains unclaimed.



Iguanas

With the winter months here the Town has had a bit of a respite from the iguana population explosion that has plagued South Florida in recent years. The Town will remain vigilant to keep numbers in check. Please note, the Town currently has an iguana eradication program, which covers common areas, including parks, bridges and other places that iguanas may congregate. This is a generalized service to offset the iguana population, but should not be seen as a "cure-all" solution.

The Town temporarily ran a more extensive service, in which our iguana eradication service would treat areas of severe infestation (including Resident's properties) in hopes of getting numbers under control. Please be aware that the Town no longer provides this service to private properties. We recommend any Resident wishing to have iguanas removed from their property contact their own licensed professional. As per Chapter 14 of the Town's Code of Ordinances, Residents are responsible for addressing wildlife on their own property.







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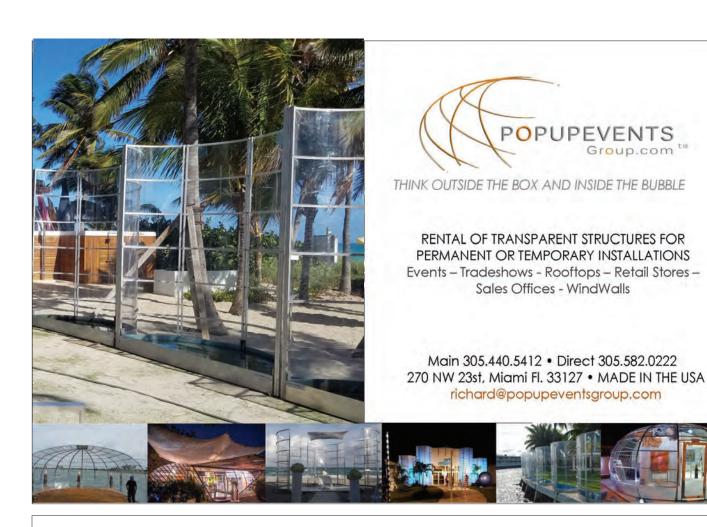
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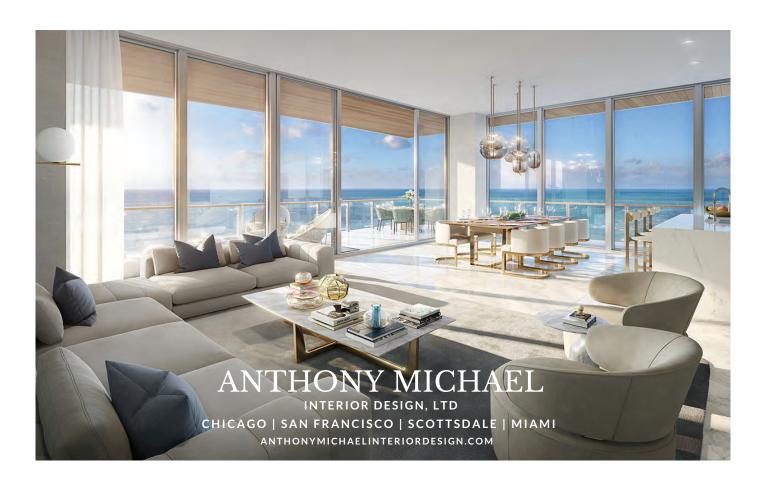
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