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THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who attended our 2021 Swearing-In Ceremony. The swearing-in consisted of me as Mayor for my 9th term, Councilmember Judy Luskin for her 5th term, and Councilmember Jaime Mendal for his 2nd term. I want to congratulate them! It is an honor and a pleasure to work with them and Councilmembers Ken Bernstein and Ben Einstein. I look forward to the next two years as we, the Town Council and Town Administration, have many goals and objectives that I am confident we will meet. The swearing-in ceremony was beautiful. I want to thank the Honorable Judge Robert J. Luck who administered the Oath of Office, and I'd like to thank my fellow Councilmembers and all of our residents and invited guests.

We here in South Florida, have the distinct pleasure of enjoying great weather practically all year long. But we must remain vigilant as we slowly increase our activities. COVID-19 is not over. Now is not the time to get complacent or to let our guard down. Masks are still required and social distancing is strongly encouraged when out in public. The Town of Golden Beach has been selected as a Point of Administration Site (POA) for the COVID-19 vaccine, and we are working with the State as we wait on our allotment of vaccine. We will notify you as soon as our site goes active.

We invite you to enjoy Art in the Park, with a current exhibit of "Slumpies" by artist Jillian Mayer. "Slumpies" are sculptures designed to interact with our bodies and posture. The exhibit is located at the Beach Pavilion and throughout South Park, and will run through mid-April. Contact Michael Glidden at Town Hall for more information.



This past year has been challenging on a lot of levels, yet here we are ushering in a new spring season. Spring represents renewal and rebirth. It is an awakening of hope for a brighter future. It's time to "spring forward" as Daylight Savings Time began on March 14th. This will mean longer days to enjoy the benefits of living in Golden Beach.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Town Hall. The Town Manager and his staff are always available to assist you.

Your Mayor,

Glenn Singer



MY HOW TIME FLIES!

Spring is here, and summer is fast approaching, which will give residents an excellent opportunity to enjoy the beauty of Golden Beach and all of its amenities. As I usually do every year, I would like to remind our residents that a safe, and simple way to keep the sun's UV radiation at bay, is to wear sun-protective clothing, as a first line of defense against the sun's harmful ultraviolet rays. A long-sleeve shirt and pants cover more skin than a t-shirt and shorts.

Sun Damage Explained

Sun damage of the skin can either be acute like sunburn, or chronic like the gradual changes of the skin caused by an accumulation of sun exposure throughout your life. Chronic damage results in either a cosmetic change in the skin's appearance, such as fine and coarse wrinkles, or changes that are of medical and health concerns, such as pre-cancerous lesions. The sun's rays can also change skin through freckles, discolored areas of the skin and more. There's very strong evidence that ultraviolet light is the cause of many of the changes associated with the premature signs of aging skin.

What's the Difference Between UVA & UVB Rays?

There are two types of UV rays - UVA and UVB - both of which can harm your skin. UVA rays penetrate deep into the layers of the skin and lead to premature signs of aging, which include fine lines and wrinkles. UVB rays are the primary cause of sunburn, because they penetrate the outer layer of skin and cause damage to skin cells. Too much exposure from either UVA or UVB rays can play a part in causing skin cancer. It's important to use sunscreen protection year-round, because the amount

of UVA stays relatively constant throughout the year, and also exceeds the amount of UVB rays in both summer and winter. Even on a cloudy day, 80% of the sun's UVA rays may pass through clouds. What's more, when it comes to tanning beds, it's important to know that tanning beds work by emitting primarily UVA rays, which penetrate deep into the skin.

What can you do to protect your skin against UVA and UVB rays?

Because SPF measures protection against sunburn caused primarily by UVB rays, be sure your sunscreen protects against UVA rays as well by choosing products that provide both UVA and UVB protection. These are usually labeled "broad spectrum," and are available as body and face sunscreens as well as daily moisturizers.

Wear or use a broad spectrum sunscreen every day to protect your skin from the harmful effects of the sun. Apply generous amounts of sunscreen, especially when you are active outdoors. Use a water resistant sunscreen when swimming or sweating, and always choose a sunscreen that offers an SPF (sun protection factor) of 30 or higher.



Ready to Protect and Service: GBPD Officers participate in Centralized Roll Call



On the Road: GBPD's New Motorcycle Officer David Guzman

SPF is a measure of how much a sunscreen can protect you from sunburn. If you apply a sunscreen with an SPF of 30, for example, sufficiently and evenly, SPF indicates that it will take 30 times longer for your skin to begin to burn than if you did not wear any sunscreen protection at all. With this in mind, you should reapply sunscreen at least every 2 hours and after swimming, towel dry, and apply again for extended sun exposure.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin and Councilmember Jaime Mendal for their re-election to office. They are goal achievers always looking for ways to better the Town of Golden Beach and we are lucky to have them.

I wanted to take a moment to provide a few important safety and security reminders:

- Residents, visitors and workers must continue to follow the CDC safety guidelines for the Coronavirus pandemic. We can't lower our guard until we are certain

that the virus has been eradicated and/or medically controlled.

- We have already established that our police department has a partnership with our residents in order to keep our residents safe. Therefore, we need our residents to help us by remembering some important personal safety tips that are critical in keeping criminals out.

- 1) Call 911 for emergencies, but when reporting prowlers or suspicious activities that are in the immediate vicinity, call the substation so a patrol unit can be dispatched to investigate. Please do not delay in calling us, so that we may be able to identify these individuals and make sure that they are not wanted.

- 2) We need residents to please secure all doors and windows and not leave the keys to the house, cars or garage door opener easily accessible. This of course includes bicycles and other valuable items.

- 3) When using any water navigational vessels, the speed limit must be adhered to. We have been receiving complaints of adolescents speeding inside the canals with their wave runners and these concerns are been addressed.

- 4) The same goes to following the speed limits inside the town. We have many children playing around the parks and residences that could be at risk of a speeding car. This has become a concern and the police department trained an additional motorcycle officer in order to address traffic violators. Distracted driving crashes account for more than 700 injuries on a typical day.

There is a Crime Pattern Theory that claims that a crime involving an offender and a victim can only occur when the activity spaces of both cross paths. Therefore, a pattern of behavior and/or daily routine activities will help assailants determine your daily routine and schedule and plan when to commit a crime.

Rules to Crime Pattern

- 1) Criminals travel on a day-to-day basis making decisions based on the daily activities of their victims. When decisions to commit crime are made this is called a "crime template."

- 2) Usually criminals do not function individually, they are always involved in some type of network such as family or friends.
- 3) The accumulation of newspapers and mail is a sign that no one is home. Stop the correspondence and newspaper while on vacation.
- 4) Do not leave windows or doors unlocked. Close garage doors when not in use.
- 5) Make sure that you do not become comfortable as you might be surprised that not all of the homes are burglarized by strangers. A report from the U.S Department of Justice revealed that 66% of burglaries are committed by someone who knows the victim.
- 6) Limit visibility of valuables and make it hard for an intruder to see them from the outside.
- 7) Light up your house at night. It's a deterrent and it helps police search for offenders.
- 8) Make sure that your Alarm Company calls the Police Substation before calling you or calling the Miami Dade Police Department. Give them instructions to call us first, we don't mind checking your house, even if it is a false alarm.
- 9) Be vigilant, if you see something suspicious call us immediately. We rather check the complaint and assure that everything is ok, than later find out that we had intruders inside the town. "SEE SOMETHING- SAY SOMETHING"
- 10) Document serial numbers of all electronics, watches, etc. and take pictures of valuables.
- 11) Request a "Residential Security Survey" from the Golden Beach Police Department, which provides a general assessment of the

vulnerability of your residence. For information, call the Executive Assistant to the Chief, Sheila Pirrone at (305) 936-2444.

Auto Theft Prevention Campaign

Too often criminals target vehicles and/or areas where the vehicles are left with valuables inside the car and as of late, with the car keys inside the car.

These individuals go around the neighborhood checking the car doors to see if any was left unlocked. Once they find a car with the door unlocked, they ransack the interior in order to find anything valuable. If they find the keys, they found the Jackpot and will steal your car.

This type of crime impacts everyone by increasing our crime rate and insurance costs.

Please do your part as this type of crime is 100% preventable.

Last but not least, in the next few weeks in preparation for the upcoming hurricane season and for your safety, the Golden Beach Police Department, in conjunction with the Residence Services Department, will be updating the emergency listing for residents. Police Officers will be visiting our residents between 5PM-8PM to verify that the information we have in our system is accurate.



Rudy Herbello

Chief of Police



Some exciting things are brewing around town.
Here's a quick breakdown of some things to expect.



COVID-19 Vaccine News

Local CVS & Publix Stores to offer COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments

Participating locations will administer the vaccine by appointment only based on local eligibility guidelines.

To find participating locations and book an appointment, please visit:

<https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine>

<https://www.publix.com/covid-vaccine>

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution in Golden Beach

The Town of Golden Beach has applied and has been selected to be a Point of Administration (POA) Site for the vaccine against COVID-19.

This means, once the vaccine becomes available to the General Population, the Town of Golden Beach will be allowed to administer the vaccine against COVID-19 to Residents using a team of medical professionals.

Golden Beach is only the THIRD municipality in Florida to receive this impactful agreement, which will help assure Golden Beach residents get access to the vaccine when it becomes available.

The Town will provide more information as it becomes available.

COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs:

Q: How soon will the Town begin administering COVID-19 vaccines?

A: The Town must wait until the State of Florida declares the vaccine may be released to the general public. At press time, the State continues to restrict vaccine availability to higher-risk priority groups.

Q: Who will be able to receive the vaccine through the Town?

A: Initially, the vaccine will be available to Residents and Town Employees. Depending on the quantity of doses

Calendar of Events

APRIL 2021

Thursday, April 1 - Tennis Clinic**
Tweddle Park - 7PM-8:30PM

Tuesday, April 13 - Building Regulatory Meeting* 6PM

Thursday, April 16 - Tennis Clinic**
Tweddle Park - 7PM-8:30PM

Tuesday, April 20 - Town Council Meeting* 5PM

Tuesday, April 27 - Bulky Waste Pickup

MAY 2021

Thursday, May 6 - Tennis Clinic**
Tweddle Park - 7PM-8:30PM

Tuesday, May 11 - Building Regulatory Meeting* 6PM

Tuesday, May 18 - Town Council Meeting* 5PM

Thursday, May 20 - Tennis Clinic**
Tweddle Park - 7PM-8:30PM

Tuesday, May 25 - Bulky Waste Pickup

Monday, May 31 - Memorial Day (Town Hall Closed)

*Due to health and safety concerns as a result of the ongoing pandemic, Town Council, board and advisory committee meetings are being held virtually until further notice. Visit www.goldenbeach.us for information.

**Limited Availability RSVP only event, contact Town Hall for details

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of vaccines received the Town may elect to expand availability to include Residents' home staff and other non-Residents.

Q: Which version of the vaccine will the Town receive?

A: Currently the Town does not know which vaccine it will receive. We do know that we cannot meet the refrigeration requirements of the Pfizer version of the vaccine, so that vaccine will not be one of the versions available to us.

Don't Find Yourself in the Doghouse: Pick Up After Your Pet

by Michael Glidden

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. Pet waste can also be washed into drains and that contaminated water can make it into our waterways, causing bacteria levels to rise and creating dangerous conditions. Golden Beach provides stations with plastic bags for picking up waste throughout Town and we ask for pet-owners to respect our shared spaces.

That said, 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. 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!

Valentine's Delivery: Sweet Treats

The Town made Valentine's Day a bit sweeter for Residents with a festive and delicious baked brownie. Keeping COVID-19 in mind, the Town continues to offer alternative programming and ways to recognize the holidays when gathering is not yet a safe option. Residents also received an electric hand sanitizer pump which was made possible through the Federal CARES Act (the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Securities Act).



Tennis Clinics

The Town Continues to offer its Tennis Clinics as part of its Social Distancing Programming

Upcoming Tennis Clinic Dates*

Thursday, April 1, 7PM-8:30PM

Thursday, April 15, 7PM-8:30PM

Thursday, May 6, 7PM-8:30PM

Thursday, May 20, 7PM-8:30PM

Thursday, June 3, 7PM-8:30PM

Thursday, June 17, 7PM-8:30PM

*PLEASE NOTE: TENNIS COURTS ARE CLOSED FOR THESE EVENTS. TOWN STAFF RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ASK ANYONE USING THE COURTS TO LEAVE DURING A SCHEDULED CLINIC TIME.

Want to RSVP for a Tennis Clinic? Contact Jisel Krepp at jkrepp@goldenbeach.us

Restrooms at Tweddle Park

Due to COVID-19 the restrooms may only be left unlocked when there is staff available to clean them throughout the day. Typically this is Mondays through Friday. It has come to our attention that the restrooms have been unintentionally left unlocked over weekends, this has been in error and does not fall in line with the Town's current COVID-19 safety initiative.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Permitting is Getting Even Easier

Did you know that in the near future, for building projects that require permitting the Town will be offering on-line permit submittals. This will be for minimal projects such as Kitchen and Bathroom renovations, and other permits that do not require signed and sealed plans.

Larger projects such as a New Home, Additions, Pergolas, Cabanas, and Pools, to name a few, will still require an appointment for submittal to the Building Department to get your project started. In the near future we will be publishing a complete list of those permits.

Below is a list of some of the permits that will be accepted for on-line permitting:

Low Voltage Electricity

Hot Water Heaters

Contractor Information Forms

Window Replacement

Exterior Paint Approval

This streamlined process will save money for both the residents and The Town - No expensive software programs are required for these upgrades to this service!

Beach Pavilion Update

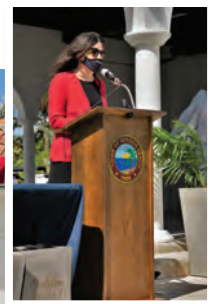
The Town looks forward to reopening the Beach Pavilion for event reservations as soon as possible. Thank you for your continued patience as we investigate the best ways to offer amenities while keeping events as safe as possible.

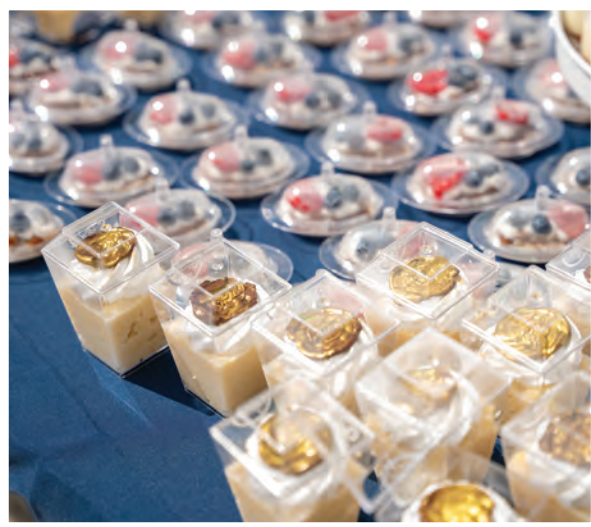
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A Celebration of Continued Service

The Town held an intimate ocean-front ceremony honoring the Mayor and Council for their recent uncontested re-election. Adhering to strict CDC Guidelines for event safety protocols, a small number of Residents, staff and local dignitaries celebrated

Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin and Councilmember Jaime Mendal. Mayor Singer begins his ninth term with the Town, Vice Mayor Lusskin enters her fifth term and Councilmember Mendal enters his second term of service. Congrats to the Council!





Street Smarts

by Michael Glidden

We know gym closures have had more people taking to the streets to get their fitness fix. Whether walking, running, riding bikes or any other activities it is important to be aware of your surroundings.

Put your safest foot forward when walking:

Sidewalks are by far the safest method of traversing Town. But we understand that another oncoming exerciser might have you concerned about social distancing. If you decide to step out into the street be sure to look both ways beforehand. Traffic may be flowing around you and a driver may not expect you to enter the roadway.

Sidewalks help keep traffic flowing smoothly. Be considerate. It can be frustrating when you are trying to drive to your destination only to get stuck behind someone walking in the street. It is even worse when the sidewalks are clear and you wonder why the walker would not simply walk there instead. If the sidewalks are clear and vehicles are trying to get through we kindly ask that you use the sidewalks.

For those on Bikes:

- Be sure to check that your bike is ready to roll, before you head out. Are all parts in good working order? Are

the tires adequately inflated?

- Particularly for new bikes/riders, make sure your bike is adjusted to fit you.

- If you are new to bike riding (or maybe haven't been in a while) consider starting with shorter trips until you are confident in your abilities.

- Don't forget to warm up: Stretching can help curb those pesky cramps

- Load up on the right supplies: a helmet is the most important biking accessory you need, a bell helps alert pedestrians, mirrors help you see others, and a headlight, taillight and reflectors help others see you especially at night.

- Bring water to stay hydrated

- Dress accordingly: Consider heat and sun exposure before hitting the road

Take a few steps to be sure you are creating a safe experience for yourself and those around you:

- **Know the Rules of the Road:** Staying safe starts with playing by the rules, don't put yourself in danger by breaking laws while cycling. Stop signs and traffic lights apply to bicyclists as much as they do to motorists.

- **Avoid Surprises:** Travel in a straight line, without wavering or swerving. Travel at the far right side of traffic. Utilize hand signals to let others know if you are changing directions. Motorists can maneuver around you more safely if you are traveling in a consistent manner.

- **Connect with Others:** Eye contact is an easy way to communicate awareness, just a simple look lets both drivers and cyclists understand that we are on the road together. DO NOT wear earbuds or headphones while cycling. It is important to use your senses when on the road.

- **Anticipate Hazards:** Anything from palm fronds, manhole covers, sand or debris can make for an unexpected riding surface. Avoid hazards while still maintaining a safe path of travel.

Keep safety as a top priority. Stay smart, stay safe!



Fillian Mayer brings her 'Slumpies' to Golden Beach



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Through videos, sculptures, online experiences, photography, performances, and installations, artist Jillian Mayer explores how technology affects our lives, bodies, and identities by processing how our physical world and bodies are impacted and reshaped by our participation in a digital landscape.

Mayer investigates the points of tension between our online and physical worlds, and makes work that attempts to inhabit the increasingly porous boundary between the two. Mayer's artwork has a consistent thread of modeling how to subvert capital-driven modes of technological innovation. (Information courtesy of artist and David Castillo)

Interview by Michael Glidden

Over bagels and juice, we sat down in South Park with internationally renowned artist Jillian Mayer, who has brought her Slumpies sculptures to Golden Beach as part of the Town's "Art in the Parks" initiative.



Michael Glidden cozies up to a Slumpie at the Beach Pavilion



You may know Jillian Mayer, aside from being an active and prolific Miami-based artist, Mayer also created quite a stir with her viral video "I am your Grandma," a hallucinatory virtual hug to her future grandchild. To date the video has more than 4.6 million views on the YouTube platform alone.

We dug a little deeper into the world of Slumpies to find out more.

What are Slumpies? And where did the idea come from? In a world where technology has become a ubiquitous part of life, Mayer was inspired by observing people on their mobile devices in public spaces. The postures and shapes that bodies take while scrolling through social media, texting or checking emails. She looked at the silhouettes that people's bodies created and imagined armatures that would support that endless scrolling.

What was her first Slumpie? Mayer said the first Slumpie had recently been destroyed, and added the Slumpies themselves speak of a temporary slice in time, a



Say Cheese: Tejas Mathur is all smiles atop this Slumpie

gesture or pose that lasts for moments and is gone. Even the gesture of holding a cellphone is an action that may disappear soon, as technology's evolution advances and becomes more integrated. So we asked what will become of the Slumpies, if technology users are no longer "slumping" over their devices? Mayer answered that the sculptures live on simply as art, relics of a bygone era.

How does she feel Golden Beach factors into the Slumpies' narrative? And what does she hope Residents take away from the exhibit? Mayer put down her bagel, looked out to the park and thought for a moment. "I love how art transforms spaces. I hope to allow people to see their familiar environment in new ways and with new possibilities." She added that she was excited to have been selected to be the first artist featured in the new Golden Beach "Arts in the Park" project.

When the COVID-19 Pandemic struck last year, most of these pieces were already created. How has the concept of Slumpies changed now that we have become even more dependent on virtual modes of meeting and communicating? Mayer expressed that Slumpies took on an additional layer of meaning, because during the Pandemic our awareness of our own bodies in public has become heightened, particularly how close we're standing to others. She elaborated that the openness and ventilation of being outdoors offers a "safe zone" where

people feel more at ease. Mayer is happy that she can exhibit her works in such a space, and that people can enjoy them together while maintaining safe distancing.

And where are the Slumpies (and Jillian) going next?

The Slumpies are heading to Düsseldorf, Germany in an exhibit at the prestigious NRW-Forum. This isn't the Slumpies first foray in Europe. Four Slumpie sculptures have found a home in a collection in Poland, as well as collections in Marbella, Spain and Vienna, Austria. Mayer continues to work on multiple bodies of work, including video and paintings. She has an upcoming video show at the South Eastern Center for Contemporary Arts (SECCA) in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

The project was coordinated by Reniel Diaz, and the sculptures were lent courtesy of David Castillo and the Artist.

For additional information, questions about availability and pricing, please contact David Castillo Gallery at INFO@DAVIDCASTILLOGALLERY.COM



Town Manager Alexander Diaz takes a moment to enjoy a Slumpie

GBPD Goes Door-To-Door

Hurricane Season is fast approaching, and as part of the Town's Safety and Securities initiative, the Police Department will be going door-to-door to be sure the Town has the most current registration information for homes in Town. The Department is confirming names and number of Residents residing in each home, confirming whether homes are owner or tenant occupied, and confirming vehicles registered to homes. We appreciate your cooperation as this information could be critical in the event of an emergency. Thank you!



GBYLG: Zooming into Action and Cooking Up Fun!



The Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group (GBYLG) is working on some exciting projects including a ZOOM cooking class which is expected to launch in mid-May! Stay tuned for details on the Town Website (www.goldenbeach.us). The Group is currently using the ZOOM meeting platform as a way to connect with others during the pandemic.

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 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 Councilmember and Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group Advisor Judy Lusskin at (305)986-4377.

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ANY QUESTIONS OR INQUIRIES?
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PROJECT UPDATE

Civic Center Complex

With much of Tweddle Park fenced off, the Civic Center footprint is already beginning to take shape. Surveys and soil samples are in the books, but the Builders have asked for some time to review the projected scope and pricing for the project. Unforeseen expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic have suggested that there may be a need to revisit the means and methods of the project. While this review is not expected to cause a substantial delay in progress, there may be some adjustments to the costs and/or final product. The project will continue to be discussed at future Town Council Meetings, please visit the Calendar in this issue for dates and times of upcoming meetings.



HELP US HELP THOSE IN NEED

Help us at Achieve Miami by donating any of the supplies below for families in need



- New diapers
- New baby food
- New baby bottles
- New baby formulas
- New wipes
- Used bikes



Or venmo **emolly-schlesinger** to help raise money to purchase more supplies

Drop off location: Golden Beach Town Hall

For any questions, contact: sydney.bianco@pinecrest.edu,
molly.schlesinger@pinecrest.edu, kathryn.bernstein@pinecrest.edu or
lily.fishman@pinecrest.edu

Center Island Pump Station

The Center Island Pump Station Project continues to move forward. The Town Manager and Town Administration have worked to decrease costs on this ongoing effort to alleviate water intrusion. Working with several vendors to direct-purchase materials for the project, the Town was able to save more than \$28,000.00. With these additional savings, the project is currently under budget, though the Town is eyeing costs for possible sea wall upgrades which may increase current projected costs.

For your reference, we have included the anticipated project timeline below. Please note that all dates are approximate and are subject to change. The date windows shown reflect the estimated duration of those phases.

April 1 – April 12, 2021 (estimated):

Excavation and groundbreaking will take place

Expect intermittent noise, dust and an active construction zone

April 13 – May 3, 2021 (estimated):

Pump Structure installation

Noise and dust concerns should minimize

Expect an active construction zone

May 4 – June 8, 2021 (estimated):

Pump Structure installation & Electrical work

Noise and dust concerns should be minimal

Expect an active construction zone

Town Researches Internet Service Options

Mayor Singer and Town Manager Alexander Diaz have been working with staff to explore options to bolster internet services in Golden Beach. The team has conducted site visits to multiple contractors in hopes of gaining perspective on what could make Golden Beach the first city to provide the option of fiber internet service to ALL its residents. The project is in the exploratory phase; the Town wants to be sure the option they choose will best serve Residents in the long-term.

Please be aware that currently the Town has NO contractual relationship with any internet service provider.

The Town Council and Town Administration are in the process of evaluating whether the Town should enter into a Bulk service agreement with a provider to offer bulk internet and cable services.

The Town has opened an online survey to collect feedback from Residents regarding the direction of this important project. If you would like to contribute feedback please visit:

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/sDQdYH9/TOGBinternetservice>

Keep in Mind:

Storm drains are connected directly to our waterways.
Keep used oil and other pollutants out of our drains.

For information please visit www.miamidade.gov/environment/tips-oil-disposal



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The Golden Gift First Generation Community Scholars Program in partnership with the Vice Provost’s Council at Biscayne Bay Campus (BBC)

The Golden Gift First Generation Scholarship Program at FIU’s Biscayne Bay Campus provides financial support to qualified undergraduate students who are the first generation in their families to attain a college degree.

The Golden Gift First Generation scholarships are need-based scholarships for juniors and seniors living in a surrounding five-mile radius of FIU’s Biscayne Bay Campus (BBC). These students are on track for graduation and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5.

Each student receives a \$2,500 scholarship from a Golden Gift Donor, which is matched by the State of Florida; currently the State matches 2:1 for a total of \$7,500.

The goal of the Golden Gift Program is to increase and improve graduation rates of students living in the surrounding community of the Biscayne Bay Campus.

The Vice Provost’s Council has raised over \$1.5 million since its inception nearly six years ago in 2014. Nearly 300 students on the Biscayne Bay Campus have received the Golden Gift First Generation scholarship.

The need, however, is far greater than available

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Using 2019-2020 data, over 1,400 BBC Community students were eligible for First Generation Scholarships (students living in zip codes within a 5-mile radius of the Biscayne Bay Campus).

The Vice Provost’s Council’s goal for June 30, 2021 is to create a minimum of 60 new scholarships for eligible juniors and seniors, to be awarded in the fall of 2021.

First Generation scholarships empower students to create opportunities that lead to a better life. You can make dreams a reality. Because this scholarship program is leveraged by state matching funds, donations provide an exceptional opportunity for donors to maximize the impact of their gifts. Become a ‘Dream Maker’ today and enrich the future of our first generation students.

For more information on the Golden Gift First Generation Scholarship Fund, please call Annick De Bruyne at 305-919-4008. Thank you.



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