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I want to wish all of the residents of Golden Beach a Happy New Year.



I cannot believe we are already one month in to 2024. I hope everyone had a great holiday season and are ready for all of the improvements and enhancements we have planned for this year. 2024 is going to be an exciting year for the Town of Golden Beach and its residents.

I am happy to say that the Civic Center Complex is in the final construction stages. We expect to have our staff working out of the building any day now. I know I speak for the whole Council when I say that this project is a feather in our cap, bringing Golden Beach into a new era of growth and success. Once we start the resident tours, I encourage each of you to take some time out and come tour the new building.

As you know the Civic Center Complex is part of a Masterplan including the Reimagined Tweddle Park and construction of a brand-new Wellness Center. The Reimagined Tweddle Park project is well underway, and we anticipate completion of the project by June of this year. The park promises to enhance the Town's amenities and offerings which will include brand new tennis courts, pickle ball courts, basketball courts, and a dog park. The Town has already begun working on the Wellness Center project which we anticipate breaking ground on this year!

With all these exciting projects in the works, it is important that we do not lose sight on the most valuable commodity in Town – your safety and security. It continues to be one of our top priorities, which is why one of the first things we are doing this year is adding emergency call boxes throughout 11 locations in Town. In addition, we are adding 208 additional closed-circuit tv cameras throughout Town this year and have increased patrols and police staff. The men and women in blue in the Golden Beach PD are working around the clock to protect our community and I am grateful for all their hard work and dedication to keeping our Town safe.



Our 95th year began with a "BANG!" at the New Year's Eve party at the Beach Pavilion.

In addition to all the projects the Town has lined up for 2024, this year is a milestone year for the Town as we celebrate our 95th Anniversary of incorporation. We have come a long way since 1929 and things are only going to get better! Make sure to keep an eye out for upcoming magazines and the Town's website for updates on all the events we have planned for our 95th Anniversary celebrations taking place in the month of May.

I want to extend a heartfelt welcome to all our new residents who have chosen to call Golden Beach home. We are extremely excited about the future of the Town as we work towards keeping Golden Beach the premier place to live and raise a family. I hope you grow to love this Town as much as I do.

As always, if I can ever be of assistance, I am just a phone call or email away. I encourage all residents to reach out to me, any time at (305) 778-5491 or via email at gsinger@goldenbeach.us.

Thank you all for your continued support throughout my years on Council, I appreciate it and look forward to our continued growth and many successes together in the coming years.

Your Mayor.

Glenn Singer

MESSAGE FROM THE THE TOWN MANAGER.

Dear Residents of Golden Beach.



As the first month of the New Year comes to a close, I wanted to take a moment to wish all of you a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. In addition, I wanted to take a moment to update you on the important topics and projects that are going on in Golden

Beach. We were busy at work going into 2024 and we have many important milestones to reflect upon.

I would first like to take a moment to touch on a topic that is very important to the Town's Administration -Communication. In recent months, we have seen an increase in civic engagement amongst our residents - something that the Town values and appreciates. We encourage communication and the exchange of ideas on how to improve our Community, and we value the input and feedback. However, recently we have been extremely concerned with the amount of misinformation and inflated information to make situations seem worse than what they are. Know that when sharing information, if it has not been fully vetted it can create a sense of hysteria, concerns about safety and more importantly can begin to devalue our community. Nobody wants to live in a community where there is a concern about safety, especially if it unfounded.

No one is more concerned about safety than the Administration, Mayor and the Council, which is why we have taken active steps to invest in your safety.

- We now have 23 full-time police officers (up two from prior years) actively patrolling your streets 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- We are adding 208 additional cameras throughout Town.

• In the coming months you will see 11 emergency call boxes throughout our community - the first of the nation to do so.

This is why it is critical that we exercise caution when using social media platforms to advocate concerns about the community. When you see something, it's important not to wait to call or notify our police. We cannot investigate and we cannot act if we do not know, and too often we find out third party or second hand of something that may or may not have happened in Town.

It's important for our residents to stay informed by reading the Town magazine or visiting the Town website (www.goldenbeach.us), and to also sign up for the BuildingLinks app and the Constant Contact eblast, as those are the official means of communication from the Town. The Town will never engage in gossip, or put out information that isn't fully vetted because we do not want to waste valuable resources.

But when you do see something, say something. Call the Substation immediately at (305) 935-0940. It doesn't matter the time of day, our Substation is staffed 24 hours a day.

Now I would be remiss if I didn't touch on all of the exciting projects and upcoming events the Town has in the works for the first half of 2024!

We are very excited to take delivery of the new Civic Center building at 100 Ocean Boulevard. Although it may seem as if it has taken longer than expected to finalize the project, weather and unforeseen site conditions have caused minor delays. The building is expected to be ready for business in the coming days. We will be welcoming Residents to take tours of the new Civic Center and the reimagined Tweddle Park as the facilities are completed. The next phase of the project will include preparations for the new Wellness Center. Upgrades to Pump Station #1 will also be commencing soon as we have already issued the

Request for Proposals. These are just a few of the many projects that we will be working on in this coming year.

I want all of our residents to take a close look at our calendar where we have provided a lot of information on what is going to be taking place through the year. Take particular note to the month of May, where we will be celebrating our 95th Anniversary. This will be a wonderful opportunity for residents to come together and recognize that we are one of the oldest municipalities in Miami-Dade County – something that we should all be very proud of!

It's important that our residents remain vigilant, remain involved and stay active in our community. I want every resident to always feel that they can call me directly

(786.236.4211) at any time of the day or night, that's what I'm here for!

In closing, I would like to thank each of you for your continued support and trust in me as your Manager. In March I will have completed my 17th year as your Town Manager. It has been my honor to serve as your Manager, and I look forward to what lies ahead.

Thank you,

Allos

Alexander Diaz

Town Manager

Our new Civic Center made
an appearance in December
issue of Ocean Drive Magazine!
The new Civic Center was also
featured in this year's Art Basel
guide. We're so excited to move
in and can't wait to greet all of
you there in person!



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POLICE BEAT



YOUR SAFETY IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

As we've turned the calendar page to 2024, I want to wish everyone a healthy and prosperous near year.

Now that the holiday season has concluded, it is not only a good

time to reflect on the past year, but also to look ahead with the desire to invoke goodwill and continue to build on the community's confidence with enthusiasm and fresh ideas.

The Golden Beach Police Department's Administration goes out of its way and strives to deliver professional police services to our residents and in a collaborative effort with our Town Manager and Councilmembers, improve the quality of life in Golden Beach.

This partnership and networking that we have embodied with our Councilmembers, the Town Manager and residents are the perfect recipe to strengthen our community relations efforts. Community engagement is critical to every law enforcement agency, as it helps close any gaps in communication and assists us to better serve you.

Significant 2023 Year Accomplishments

- Hired and trained four (4) new Police Officers, two (2)
 Public Service Aides and one (1) Executive Assistant to the Chief.
- Continued with the high visibility initiatives which contributed to a sharp decrease in the Year-to-Date Crime rates.
- We conducted a full inventory of the Police Property/ Evidence Rooms to ensure and confirm accountably and integrity of systems.
- Throughout this past year the police department hosted several events and workshops geared toward better community relations, which included one "Meet and Greet" neighborhood meeting, one Movie Night

event, one youth sports event, a boating safety course for the residents and the DHSMV Driver License Renewal event.

- The police department successfully maintained the minimum mandatory training for all sworn members.
- Through the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA),
 Homeland Security (HIS) and Internal Revenue
 Service (IRS) Task Forces, where Golden Beach Police
 Department undercover officers are assigned to, the
 Town was awarded \$812,490.16 in Federal Forfeiture
 funds. Additionally, the Town was also awarded
 \$52,143.16 in State Forfeiture funds from the South
 Florida Strike Force, where a detached GBPD detective
 is assigned as well.
- The Police Department sponsored (1) one new recruit and put him through the police academy.
- The GBPD enhanced their firearms by purchasing the new GLOCK 45, 9mm, with Red Dot optic feature for all assigned officers.
- The GBPD trained one (1) officer as a RED DOT Optic firearm instructor for firearm qualifications.
- The Golden Beach Police Department qualified with the new Red Dot Optic System.
- The GBPD assisted two (2) fellow accredited agencies with their mock assessments and/or On-Site Assessment through the expertise of our Accreditation Manager, certified CFA Assessor.
- The GBPD sent an officer to receive the necessary criminal investigation training to become the next full time in-house detective.

Projected New Initiatives for Year 2024

The following initiatives have been adopted for Fiscal Year 2024 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 to further reduce crime and remain one of the safest communities in South Florida.
- As part of the Staff's continuous
 training effort, Sgt. Joseph Bautista
 will be attending the University of
 Louisville's 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 has recommended the hiring of one, or possibly two, Full-Time Certified K-9 Patrol Officers.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will continue to address the lack of parking and traffic issues to provide input for the Town's development on traffic and parking solutions.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will also recommend the hiring and training of additional fulltime 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" training (simulated/nonlethal ammunition).
- The Staff and Supervisors will continue the implementation of specialized police operational assignments and duties for the various areas of the department, as needed.



Corporal Edsel Carrasco (far right) competed in the Central Florida Rifle & Pistol Club (CFRPC) Action Steel competition in December in Orlando, Florida. He ranked among the top competitors, Congrats Corporal Carrasco!

- The Golden Beach Police Department will 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 to participate in a DUI check point.
- The Golden Beach Police Department will remain alert and vigilant, 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.

As a proactive police department, we will continually seek to improve by implementing new initiatives to maximize the level and quality of our police services. If you have any ideas as to how we may serve you better, please call our office and talk to a staff member for evaluation and possible implementation. I thank you for allowing us to humbly serve in our mission 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, while providing a wide range of services to the community in which they work.

Thank you,

Chief Rudy Herbello

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Your Council, Hard at Work!

The Town Council was hard at work, even during the busy Holiday season. The Mayor and Councilmembers held a special meeting on Wednesday, December 27 to discuss official business. Some members joined in person and others connected via Zoom; thank you all for your commitment to our Community!



Making a Difference: Nicole Mesa

The Town is excited to partner with Golden Beach Resident Nicole Mesa for her efforts regarding Miami Diaper Bank. Below is a message from Nicole introducing Miami Diaper Bank and its impact on communities.

Babies are reliant on others to keep them fed, dry and clean. Therefore, it is crucial to assist their families with basic essentials so they can develop and flourish. Miami Diaper Bank has given me, Nicole Mesa an 11th Grade student at American Heritage High School, the opportunity to have such a positive impact on these families' lives. I have set up donation boxes, with the help of my sister and mom, at several local businesses. Their generosity allowed us to collect numerous diapers, wipes, formula, and more importantly raise awareness about Miami Diaper Bank. It is an amazing non-profit organization that is helping many

families in need of basic baby essentials. Diapers can be very expensive and are not covered under any government assistance. Miami Diaper Bank has stepped up and has created a unique way to help parents keep their babies clean and dry. I encourage everyone to visit their website, miamidiaperbank.com,

as it has a lot of valuable information pertaining to this topic. I want to thank the Town and Residents of Golden Beach for donating to this amazing organization.

Instagram: @miamidiaperbank

miamidiaperbank.com

If you would like to make a donation to Miami Diaper Bank, please bring them to Town Hall, Monday through Friday, 8:00 -5:00PM or you may

> leave items at The Strand Gatehouse, 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

Because YOU "paved the way" for Golden Beach 2.0!



The passing of last year's General Obligation (GO) Bond has made projects possible that were

unimaginable just a few short years ago. This new era in Golden Beach will be ushered in by our state-of-theart Town Hall facilities and upcoming Wellness Center project.

Since your support helped the new Civic Center Complex come alive, we wanted to recognize you as an integral part of the project. The Town will be creating a paved walkway in the new Civic Center Complex recognizing the "founding families" of the new Golden Beach 2.0 era.

To qualify to be included in the "Founding Families" walkway, you must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a CURRENT HOMEOWNER in Golden Beach (past owners or current tenants/renters are not eligible to be included).
- Must provide your FAMILY name with EXACTLY how you would like it to appear on your commemorative brick.

Additional details:

- One brick per family, homeowners with multiple homes in Town would be represented by a single brick.
- Character counts may be limited.

If you would like to have your name included in the walkway, please contact Jisel Krepp at jkrepp@goldenbeach.us.

Addressing Wildlife

While not necessarily common in Town, it's not unusual to see a certain amount of wildlife in the community. A variety of animals call Golden Beach home and are typically harmless. Still, please exercise common-sense caution with any wildlife. Give animals their space, in most cases they are just passing though.

In the event you see an animal that appears sick or is acting in a threatening manner, Miami-Dade County has animal services which can assist. They can be reached by dialing 311.

• RACCOONS, POSSUMS, SNAKES, FROGS AND MORE....

The Town currently does not have services to address wildlife concerns on private properties and recommends Residents contact their own licensed professionals to handle issues with pest control. For more information on vermin in Town please visit Chapter 14 of the Town's Code of Ordinances.

• BEES

Should you find a bee infestation in your home or on your property or in another area of Town please call Town Hall.

Town Hall understands the important environmental role that bees play and will work to have the hive relocated if possible, and as long as the hive is not comprised of dangerous Africanized bees.

WILDLIFE TIP: Don't Attract Wildlife to Your Home

Animals are often attracted by food. Keep wildlife away by keeping pet food indoors and be sure to clean up thoroughly after dining outdoors.

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Happy Holidays from the Town of Golden Beach







The Holiday Season would not be complete without our annual holiday gift delivery. The Resident Services Department teamed up with Public Works again this year, to spread plenty of holiday cheer throughout Town. The Resident Services Department selected and oversaw packaging of the items again this year, and Public Works meticulously delivered packages to each home.

If you did not receive your gift, please contact Town Hall and we will consult our delivery list as gifts are strictly limited to one per household.

For inquiries, contact Jisel Krepp at jkrepp@goldenbeach.us.

Hotwire begins Door-to-Door Campaign

Hotwire Communications will be going door-todoor in Town to meet with any residents who have not yet registered for services. Remember, the Town assesses all Residents through an annual tax line item for infrastructure purposes regardless of whether Residents subscribe to services or not.

If you have not yet subscribed, have questions about service packages, or would like to speak to the Town's designated Hotwire Account Manager, please contact Melissa Kellam at 954-829-8773 or melissa.kellam@hotwirecommunication.com.



Make History, be a part of the Golden Beach Time Capsule



The Town is collecting items for the Civic Center time capsule. Items must be no large than shoe-box sized. The items will be sealed within the walls of the Civic Center and will be opened in 25 years. What will life in Golden Beach be like in 2049? Write a message to future Golden Beach, include items that speak about you and your families' experience in Town! **Deadline Extended!** Items will be collected at Town Hall through March 15, 2024. For questions, please contact Director of Resident Services, Michael Glidden at mglidden@goldenbeach.us.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER









Did You Know...

- Lawn clippings can block drains and cause flooding to your home and neighboring properties. Be sure your landscapers remove and dispose of all landscape waste.
- Consider our waterways when using fertilizers or draining swimming pools, as runoff can cause environmental hazards.

• Public Works WILL NOT pick up used motor oil, paint, batteries, gas tanks, and other combustible or potentially hazardous material.

Miami-Dade County has a facility located at 140 NW 160th Street, Miami, FL 33169 that will accept hazardous items for disposal. This center is open daily from 7AM to 5:30PM. Call (305)468-5900 for details.

For more information on how you can protect our environment, visit: www.miamidade.gov/environment.

BuildingLink: Book Amenities. Stay in Contact. Join the App Today.

BuildingLink is the new property management software that allows Residents to create and manage reservations for the new Town amenities and services, including Pickleball Courts and Tennis Courts. It also has message board options, so that you can communicate with



fellow residents and Town administration and staff.

Keep in mind, BuildingLink is a unique user platform; that means every person in your home who plans to use Town amenities must have their own user account.

Visit www.goldenbeach.us to register





IN MEMORIAM

The Town recognizes the recent passing of longtime Residents

Alfred & Sydell Herrick

The Herricks were familiar faces in Town, even gracing the cover of Golden Beach Magazine back in May of 2018 to celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. Known as a friendly, upbeat couple,

Mrs. Herrick was particularly known for her spitfire personality, never being short of a witty comment or a kind word. Both Mr. and Mrs. Herrick will be greatly missed. Our thoughts are with their family and friends during this difficult time.









Mayor Singer Appointed to Board of Directors at **Aventura Hospital**

Golden Beach Mayor Glenn Singer was recently appointed to the Board of Directors for Aventura Hospital. He is excited to participate in the surrounding community in a new capacity and will serve as a sounding board to Residents who have any feedback and be a voice for the Town of Golden Beach. Congratulations on your new role, Mayor Singer!

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 enjoy 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.

Gordon

Benhamou

Addicott

Dagan

Eisenman

Stiberman

Goldszmidt

Lencovski

Goldstein

Friedlander

Maloney

Fernandez Honowitz

Berdakin

Weber

Douer/Braun

Bengio/Mendal

Ventura

Lusskin Fishman

Cohen Klinger

Lasry

Cassuto

2023 Employee Luncheon Donations

Kessler/Pass	Mendal	Halliwell	Eilemberg	Feinman
Matalon/Abadi	Allen	Tobin	Madrid/Togores	Whitebook
Mendal	Willis	Smith	Marcuschamer/	Perlman
Peisach	Halfen	Hardoon	Ackerman	Alouan/Ades
Cherem/	Huppert	Olemberg	Ruben/Schwartz	Rub
Schlesinger	Snyder	Girardin	Amiel	Sprechman
Dagan	Myers	Sonn	Kotler	Garcia
Lasry	Almonte	Goldman	Barducci/Ghini	Leff
Ezratti	Motola	Sasson	Singer	Young
Abramowitz	Friedman	Gilson	Sandler	Sredni
Sredni	Fleischman	Newman	McHugh	Young/Malina
Rais/Ratner	Drozdow	Hollo	Peisach	Rose
Minski	Eidelstein	Willinger	Masciatti	Akerman/
Fishbein	Bianco	Croitoru	Lipton	Kamhazi
Schneider	Porges	Papo	Peisach	Tartell
Walasek	Israel	Carmona	Rubin	Levenfiche
Ben-Shmuel	Bromberg	Edery/Vainrub	Manners/	Newman
Ben-Shmuel	Ftaiha	Cohen	Headley	Levy/Behar
Ben-Shmuel	Banner	Martinez	Zinn	Elenson
Cicale	Armand/	Benayoun	Levy	Behar
Goldfarb	Blumberg	Norman/Extrakt	Almosny/Monk	Cohan
Levy	Benenson	Yagudaev	Mimoun	Groll
Eskenazi	Franco	Geduld	DiPietro	Vandam/
Bravo	Wexler	Gibb	Kay	Murciano
Brief	Lior	Trapana	Lindenfeld	Schwartz

Committees: Be Heard, Be Involved.

Town Committees give Residents an outlet to meet and discuss the direction of the Town. Do you have a hands-on approach? Are you committed and interested in volunteering your time? Consider joining the Town Committees. Committees are dependent on Resident commitment and involvement. Below is a list of the Committees with a description of duties:

Wellness Center Advisory Committee: This group of Residents will assist in guiding the Mayor, Town Council and Town Administration in decision-making involving what amenities will be featured INSIDE of the new Wellness Center. In anticipation of this project, for the past several months, the Town has been collecting names of Residents who are interested in participating in a committee for the discussion of interior amenities/ features. This Committee will be notified as soon as items for review become available. (Please note: there is a separate, existing committee involved with the exterior/architectural/structural planning of the Wellness Center that was appointed by Town Administration).

Beach Committee: This committee deals with all things beach-related. Whether it be the beautification, usage, safety or maintenance of the beach, this committee discusses all important actions related to the Town's beach.

Building Regulatory Advisory Board (BRAB): This Board meets once a month, quorum permitting, for approval of all Resident's building projects including new construction, additions and exterior alterations to existing homes, pools, pool decking, gazebos and pergolas, boat lifts, and docks and ensuring that these projects adhere to the aesthetics and code of the Town.

Security & Public Safety Committee: Working directly with the Golden Beach Police Department, this committee deals with the safety of the Town, making sure the voices of Residents are heard.

Employee Pension Board: The Town invites Residents to participate in shaping the Pension services and benefits for Town Employees. The Board meets quarterly, unless there is an urgent matter to be discussed.

Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group (GBYLG):



Are you a Golden
Beach resident
between the
ages of IO and
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 throughout the year at Town Hall to discuss and plan events. As a group, members participate in community service activities including Beach Clean Ups and Food Drives. It is an excellent way to earn Community Service hours for school as well as have a great time and make friends. Town Councilmember and Golden Beach Youth Group Advisor Judy Lusskin is available to answer questions regarding the Group at (305) 986-4377.

Any Resident interested in joining a Town committee should send their NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, EMAIL and COMMITTEE(S) to the Town Clerk, Lissette Perez at Iperez@goldenbeach.us, if they are interested in joining.

Please note that committees typically meet on a quarterly schedule and may adjust schedules on an "as-needed basis," meaning should special circumstances arise members can petition for special meetings and committee members will be notified of any special sessions in advance. Should there not be sufficient interest in a committee, the committee will be disbanded until further notice. Please contact Town Hall for more information on which committees are currently active.

GBPD hosts Family Game Day

Golden Beach Police Department hosts Family Game Day on Saturday, February 24, 2024, 9:00AM in North Park.

Join us for a day of family fun and refreshments!

For Info, Contact Officer Daniel Larrea at DLarrea@goldenbeach.us



Play it Safe! Wear a Helmet When Riding

The following information is from https://www.cdc.gov

When you ride a skateboard or bike, always wear a helmet to keep your head and brain safe.

Your helmet should fit properly and be:

- · Well taken care of
- Age and size appropriate
- Worn consistently and correctly
- · Appropriately certified for use

While there is no concussion-proof helmet, a helmet can help protect you from a serious brain or head injury. Even with a helmet, it's important for you to avoid hits to the head.

Your helmet should:

- Sit flat on your head make sure it's level and isn't tilted back or forward.
- The front of the helmet should sit low about two finger widths above your eyebrows to protect your forehead.
- The straps on each side of your head should form
 a "Y" over your ears, with one part of the strap in
 front of your ear, and one behind just below your
 earlobes.
- If the helmet leans forward, adjust the rear straps. If it tilts backward, tighten the front straps.
- Buckle the chinstrap securely at your throat so that the helmet feels snug on your head and doesn't wiggle up and down or from side to side.



Report Suspicious Activity

The Town is asking Residents to be vigilant and immediately report suspicious activities. There have been increased calls regarding vagrancy and trespassing within Town and in the surrounding municipalities. Day or night, if you see someone attempting to access

a property who doesn't appear to belong there, call the Police Substation immediately so that an officer can investigate; reporting unusual activity immediately is the best way to safeguard against crime.

We have **BIG** things on the Horizon!

Mark your calendars and save the dates, 2024 is Golden Beach's 95th Anniversary year!

Stay tuned for fun, celebratory programming befitting such a major milestone. Below are just a few things coming your way with new events being added soon!



Valentine's Day at the Beach Pavilion, Wednesday February 14, 2024 5PM

Golden Beach Police Sports Day in North Park, February 24, 2024 9AM

Spring Break Programming - March/April - Dates and Details coming soon!

Civic Center and Tweddle Park Ribbon Cutting

95th Anniversary Cake Cutting, May 21, 2024

95th Anniversary Street Fair, May 23, 2024

Memorial Day, May 27, 2024

Independence Day, July 4, 2024

Labor Day, September 2, 2024

Halloween, October 31, 2024

Town Council Election Qualifying Period Begins December 30, 2024, 12:00PM

New Year's Eve, December 31, 2024

Town Council Election Qualifying Period Ends January 6, 2025, 12:00PM

Town Council General Election, February 18, 2025



February 2024

Tuesday, February 13 - Building Regulatory Meeting - Town Hall - 6PM***

Wednesday, February 14 - Valentine's Day Event - Beach Pavilion - 5PM

Wednesday, February 14 - Security and Public Safety Committee Zoom Meeting - 6PM**

Monday, February 19 - Presidents Day - Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, February 20 - Town Council Meeting*** - Town Hall - 6PM

Saturday, February 24 - Police Family Fun Day - North Park - 9AM

Tuesday, February 29 - Bulky Waste Pickup

**Meeting log-in information will be posted at www.goldenbeach.us.

^{***}Participate in person or via the ZOOM virtual platform.

Meeting log-in information will be posted at www.goldenbeach.us.



Keeping things













Golden Beach embraces inclusivity. We want to be sure we are also offering options for those who are Kosher-observant or have other dietary needs alongside our other roster of vendors, assuring there is something for everyone.

The Town of Golden Beach wants to be sure we're making decisions that will keep all tummies happy, but we need your help! If you would like to give input on how to make our menus more inclusive, please reach out to Jisel Krepp of the Resident Services Department at jkrepp@goldenbeach.us.



NEW YEAR'S EVE

The New Year's Eve party took Residents on a trip to Toyland. In a sparkly sea of disco balls and shimmering fabrics, revelers dined and danced their way into 2024.

Want to see more images from our events, please visit: https://www.goldenbeach.us/galleries

























A special shout out to Jisel Krepp of the Resident Services Department: Jisel served as coordinator, RSVP list manager, AND host for this year's stellar New Year's Eve event!

A big thank you to members of the Public Services Department, Police Department, and Resident Services Department for ensuring a safe, maintained and organized event space; your hard work is appreciated by all!











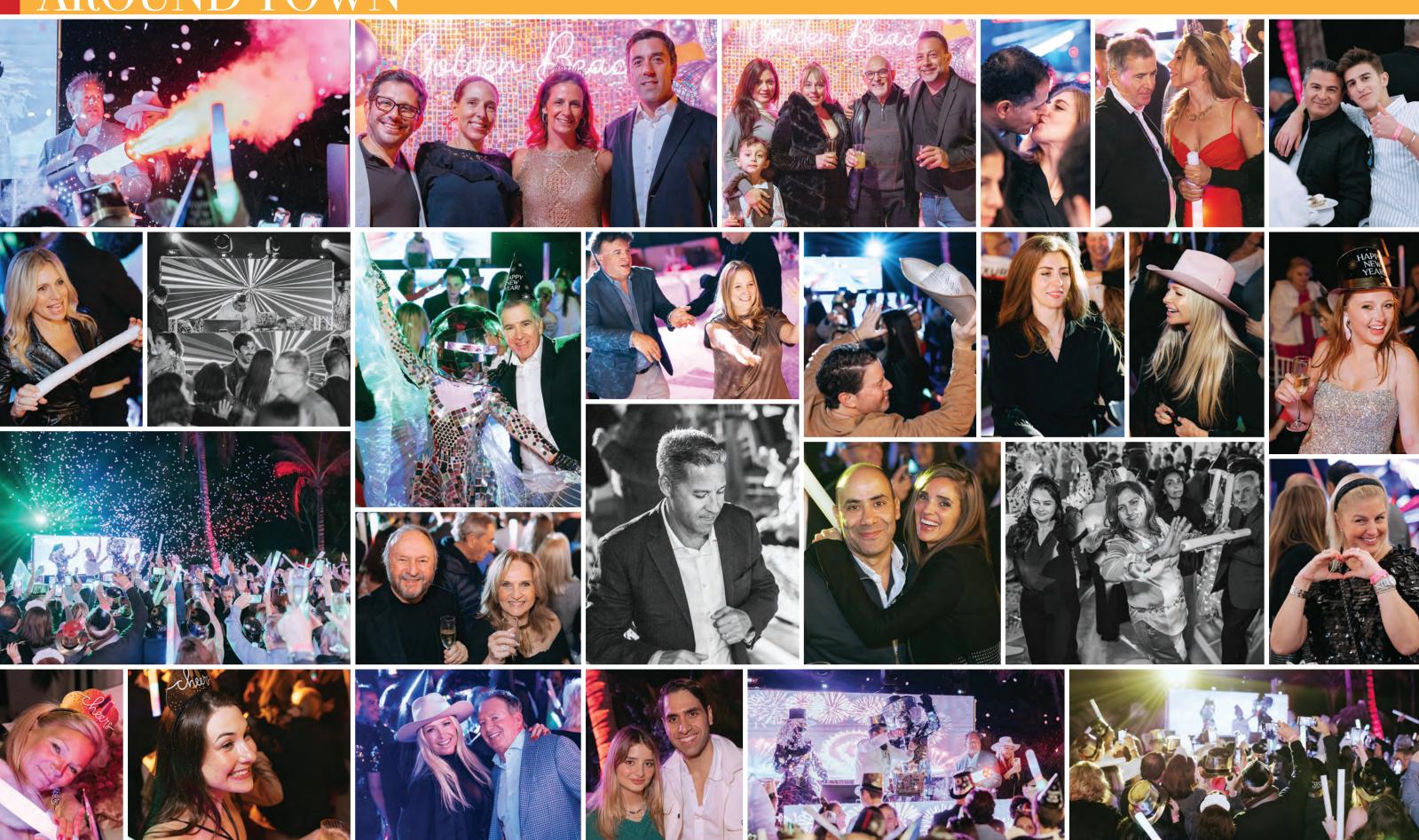












CODE NEWS



Landscaping & Property Lines

Be a good neighbor, keep landscaping tidy along property lines.

Should you notice a neighbor's landscaping growing over onto your property, please be aware that any resolution would be a civil matter between neighbors. The Town does not manage, mediate or rule on civil matters between neighbors.

You may want to speak to the property owner about their landscaping, they may not be aware that their landscaping is causing concern. As a neighborly courtesy, the property owner may volunteer to have their landscaper trim back the offending landscaping; if so, you may need to coordinate access to your property. Communication goes a long way, work with your neighbor to see what solution may work best for everyone.

Please note, Residents have the right to trim intruding tree branches and landscaping back to the property line even without consulting the adjacent property owner.

Don't Stop Traffic

When having service done at your home, have vehicles park in your driveway.

The quiet, safe, narrow streets inside of Golden Beach are part of its neighborhood charm, but charm can turn to frustration when vehicles are inappropriately parked.

When having work done at your home by contractors, plumbers or any other services, those vehicles must park in your driveway. Vehicles parked in the street can cause traffic back-ups and create dangerous blind spots. Additional parking is available in parking bays at the Town's parks, please utilize available parking spaces and driveways rather than having vehicles park in streets. Together we can keep traffic safely flowing.

Tired Driveway?

The Town is asking Residents with paved/asphalt driveways that are dull, gray or in need of repairs to seal/maintain their driveways.

Unmaintained driveways can be considered an eyesore, a potential code violation and could be subject to replacement; there is no permit fee to sealcoat driveways so don't risk costly citations or expenses, act now and give your driveway a refresher!

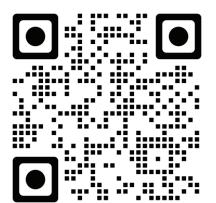




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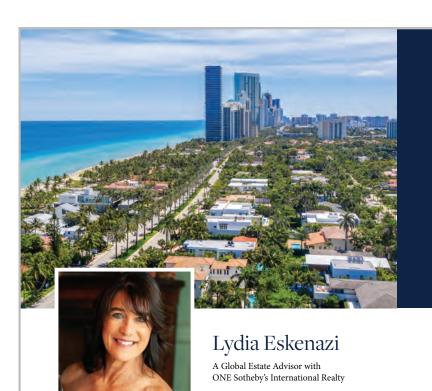
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