

Golden Beach Newsletter October 2020

Autumn Arrives Golden Beach greets Autumn! The Vernal Equinox (September 22) marked the first day of Fall, and a beautiful day in Golden Beach. The day began with the arrival of our first cool air of the season (temperature at dawn in the low 70s, with a clear sky and a light breeze), and ended with a beautiful sunset featuring an unmistakable green flash. The GBAI astronomical calendar accurately predicted the location of the setting sun, using only time-tested paleolithic technology. And that annual Florida Fall event marking the arrival of Autumn has begun -- license plates in Venice are changing color.



Sunset calendar at the Golden Beach astronomical observatory.

In Memory Longtime Golden Beach friend and neighbor Roger Krinke of Spadaro Drive has passed away. Roger was dedicated to the betterment of Golden Beach neighborhood and will be sorely missed.

Pavilion Reservations In keeping with guidelines on minimizing Covid spread through caution in social gatherings, the current restriction on reservation of the beach access pavilion for social events will remain in place this month.

GBAI Membership Applications for 2021 GBAI membership were mailed to each Golden Beach household on September 4. In order to publish a timely new neighborhood directory with current information, the deadline for returning your application and annual dues is November 1. Information received after November 1 cannot be guaranteed to be included in our 2021 Directory. The membership drive is the most complex annual project undertaken by GBAI, and we want to acknowledge and thank three neighbors who have been particularly essential to the project -- Elizabeth Virgilio, JoAnn Bova and Sandi Knepp. *Thank you!*

GBERT Thanks to all who have applied for admission to GBERT (the Golden Beach Elite Refuse Team). Application volume has been heavy, and available spots for 2021 may be oversubscribed. This supply / demand issue has been brought to the attention of the GBAI board, who will strive to find an equitable solution enabling all who qualify to take their turn in wheeling the barrels in 2021.



Beach Access Landscaping

For this ongoing neighborhood project, a sincere thank you goes to Beat Lehmann for his garden knowledge, excellent design sense, and Kubota tractor! Several planting changes were made this month, tuning the garden both for visual appeal and improved salt resistance.

Green Flash Golden Beach is particularly fortunate with regard to a magnificent sunset phenomenon, the "Green Flash". For much of the world, these are rare and elusive events -- in fact, so rare that claiming to have seen one traditionally throws doubt on any statement about not having inhaled. However, they are real, and are reasonably common here in Golden Beach. For those new to the neighborhood, something like this is what you might expect to see on clear evenings over the coming months. For enquiring minds, two additional brief articles on the how and why of the Green Flash:



https://aty.sdsu.edu/explain/obs_colors.html

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Green_flash



Another day in Golden Beach