



Golden Beach Newsletter February 2021



2021 Parking Passes & Directories ...

have been delivered!

Many thanks to all involved this major annual project. Thanks particularly to our team of Street Captains for hand delivery of the Directories:

Rick Tuss (Gardenia), Bebe Teichman (Baynard), Amy Ladehoff (Cincy / Coral / Firenze / Serata), Susan Stam (Darling), Nancy Liscow (Everglades), Joyce Thompson (Flamingo), Nancy Strickland (Gulf / Hibiscus), John Drost (Golden Beach), Joel Malkerson (Harbor), Dee Leatherbury (Mahon), Nancy Thompson (Poinsettia), Helen Quallich (Ravenna), Pam Marble (Robert), Carole Goolden (Spadaro) and Jeanne Johnston (Villas).

And many thanks to Elizabeth Virgilio, for managing the entire project!

Parking Enforcement When parking at the beach access, please display a new 2021 GBAI Member parking sticker (installed on the lower front windshield, driver's side) or guest pass (placed face up on dashboard). We do not want any member's car ticketed or towed.

Pavilion Reservations In keeping with guidelines on minimizing Covid-19 spread via social gatherings, the restriction on reserving the beach access pavilion will remain in place this month. Stay safe and well!

Many Hands make Light Work

The shell topping of our beach access parking lot was looking a bit the worse for wear recently. Led by Andy Liscow (2021 Beach Access Committee Chair), a group of a dozen Golden Beach neighbors recently joined together in renewing the topping by installing a layer of fresh clean shells.

The project required 8 cubic yards of crushed shell. That doesn't sound like much, but it amounts to over 19,000 pounds. Nearly 10 tons of shell to be shoveled, moved, spread, leveled, raked out and swept up.

Many hands do indeed make light work! Completion of the project, from arrival of the delivery truck to sweeping up the last scattered shells, took just an hour. It was a wonderful thing to see this team in action!

Some photos of the project ...

*Parking lot "before",
with shell topping
looking a bit worn from
normal parking wear
and tear.*

*Start time:
~9:00 am on a
beautiful January
morning in
Golden Beach*



10 tons of shell, delivered by local supplier White Cement Specialties



The delivery driver was kind enough to help with the initial spreading of the load ...



... yet still left plenty of hand labor to be completed by neighbors.

Loading the shells by shovel and distributing by wheelbarrow:



Raking out the shells for nice uniform coverage:



*Leaving us with a gorgeous renewed parking lot
to be enjoyed by all Golden Beach members and their guests*



Finish time: 10:00 am

*Disclaimer: No neighbors were harmed in the project –
zero strains, sprains or blisters reported!*

SPAM Alert E-mail spam, sometimes generated by ‘fraudsters’ who impersonate our personal contacts, is an unfortunate fact of modern life. Deb Dean reports that some Golden Beach neighbors recently received emails that appear to be from her, but are not. Please be aware, and use a proper level of caution in on-line activities.

City of Venice ‘Schedule of Violations & Penalties’

Occasionally visitors to the beach violate City of Venice regulations. As we talk with violators to better educate them and help them avoid future violations, it may be helpful to know that Venice can impose serious fines. Some examples:

Violation	Penalty
Animals on beaches	\$75 - \$375
Use of tobacco in prohibited areas	\$150 - \$450
Drinking, consuming or possessing an open container on public property	\$175 - \$500
Off-street parking	\$75 - \$375
Prohibition of activities disruptive to marine turtles	\$200 - \$500

Benches in the Dunes Saga: Return of the Sand (or) Entropy Happens

The latest news in the continued evolution of our beach benches!

Round 1 (early 2020): Installation of lovely historic Golden Beach benches, situated in the beach dunes for all to enjoy while communing peacefully with nature

Round 2 (hurricane season 2020): Tropical storm Eta brushes by Golden Beach, burying the benches in sand nearly to seat level

Round 3 (late 2020): Valiant Golden Beach neighbors shovel some serious sand, restoring the benches to their original height

Round 4 ('Return of the Sand', early 2021): In an un-named January storm with strong winds and high surf, Mother Nature again redistributed beach sand, casting her vote in favor of short benches. The short benches are proving to be surprisingly comfortable!

