



## Golden Beach Newsletter October 2021

**2022 Golden Beach Membership Application** Our volunteer 'data-queen' reports that over 175 membership applications have been received. *Thank you* to all who have sent in their applications!

Need an application? Go to: [www.goldenbeachassociates.com](http://www.goldenbeachassociates.com). Click on *Contact Us* on the upper right. On the Contact Us page you will find a link to the 2022 Membership Application.

DEADLINE for inclusion (if you wish) in the 2022 Membership Directory is NOVEMBER 1, 2021. Membership gives you many benefits such as use of the parking lot, bike racks, shower, benches, grill and the gazebo. See you at sunset!

### Halloween Treat – free plants!

Golden Beach has great growing conditions, and Fall weather now gives neighbors the ability to stay outside for longer than 15 minutes. All that we're missing is something to plant. Bill and Susan have come to the rescue with a HALLOWEEN FREE PLANT event! Below is a general list of what will be available for their Golden Beach neighbors, friends and anyone just wandering through our neighborhood.

***Succulents*** - lots of varieties, and low maintenance

***Angel Wing Begonia***

***Variegated spider plants***

***Milkweed for Monarchs*** ... *this is the season before they migrate!*



*Sorry, this plant not available.*

**Longevity Spinach** - a delicious and very healthy addition to the diet, grown from cuttings donated friends/neighbors Irika and Rick. Very productive!

### **Pepper plants**

**Yellow Buttercup Butterfly Bush** - the description is perfect

**Buttonwood trees, 5' plus** - Thrives in our sandbar 'soil' conditions. Descended from the tree in Bill's back yard, which originally sprouted from the seeds of a tree growing on a lava flow irrigated by the Pacific Ocean in Kauai. Use the wood for grilling, smoking anything from brisket and ribs to fish and chicken and hot peppers.

**Sansevieria** - several types divisions and potted

**Plumeria cuttings** - from a multicolored plant of yellow, pink and rose, and deliciously fragrant

**Other plants are yet to be determined.**

All plants and info are free!

Sunday, October 31 starting about 8 AM until the treasures are gone

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## **Trespass Problem in a Nutshell**

This image from Channel 7 Weather, which includes a "Golden Beach Entrance" label on the weather map, illustrates our problem: how do we keep our private deeded access private, when public perception is that it is open access for all?

After discussion at the GBAI September Board meeting, a decision was made to form a committee to study options for addressing the problem of trespass. That committee is currently composed of board- and individual-members of GBAI: Steve Oglethorpe (chair), Andrew Tuss, Dick Eberhart, Mike Mueller, George Leatherbury, Dale Kunz, Bill Sinibaldi, Peter Virgilio, and Andy Liscow. The first formal meeting (via Zoom) held on 9/28.



To reduce trespass initial measures were taken in 2020-21: improved signage and the issuance of parking warnings and tickets. These have proven only partially effective, and bring with them the danger of confrontation with trespassers. 'Community policing' hasn't been enough; there have been incidents involving trespassers at the beach access that required the Venice Police.

Population numbers in Venice are increasing dramatically: per the City of Venice website, Venice showed a population *growth of 22.7%* from 2010 to 2020. Development continues, and usage pressure from the general population will increase in tandem with population growth.

Therefore, the committee adopted this goal, based on input from all members present: ***To keep our deeded beach access private for the benefit of our neighborhood, incorporating passive designs to avoid the need to police trespassers, without diminishing the beauty of the access.***

Discussion ranged over possible options, converging on a need to pursue these:

- 1) Probable installation of a pedestrian gate across the 'Bird of Paradise' entrance.
- 2) Possible installation of a drop-arm or rolling gate across the drive-in parking lot entrance, to be activated by a keypad or card sensor, and restricting motor vehicle access while allowing pedestrian and bicycle access.
- 3) Installation of perimeter fencing as needed to reduce 'walk around the gate' type trespass.

The goal is not to complete the project at the lowest possible cost, but rather to achieve the most attractive and effective results possible while keeping costs to a reasonable level.

Consensus of the committee is that while some portions of the project could be implemented based on simple Board approval (for example, the installation of an un-secured pedestrian gate across the 'Bird of Paradise' entrance), it would be proper to secure the approval of the extended community of Golden Beach property owners before implementing the entire project as outlined above.

**GB emails going into your Spam/Junk folder?** GBAI *manually* sends out emails, a batch at a time. To help guide GB emails to your inbox, add 2 emails to all your computer address books and contacts (Gmail webmail, Apple mail, Contacts, Outlook, Thunderbird, etc). Add: [news@goldenbeachassociates.com](mailto:news@goldenbeachassociates.com) and [contact@goldenbeachassociates.com](mailto:contact@goldenbeachassociates.com)

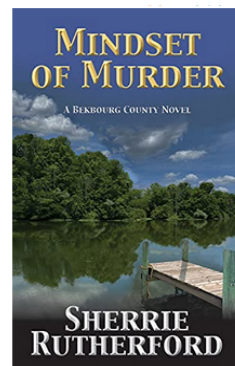
**Golden Beach Social Event** After a long hiatus in our calendar of social events, a Sunset Happy Hour is planned for Saturday, November 13, at the beach access, beginning at 5 p.m. To minimize possibility of virus transmission, no food or drink will be provided – please bring your own food, drink, and lawn chairs if you want them. Use your own discretion regarding masking, please do be aware that neighbors may wish to maintain a social distance, and enjoy the sunset!



### Exciting news for book lovers

A new bookstore, The Island Bookshop, has opened on the Island at 206 West Miami Avenue in the Merchants of Venice building. This community-oriented bookshop, owned by

Aimee Odette and Michael Rank, offers new books and showcases works of local authors and artists. Their Grand Opening event is set for the last weekend of October. The event features local authors, including Sherrie Rutherford, a Golden Beach resident, who will be signing her latest mystery novel “Mindset of Murder” on October 29, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Aimee and Michael look forward to welcoming Golden Beach to The Island Bookshop. Website: [theislandbookshop.com](http://theislandbookshop.com)



**Gazebo Reservations** Due to Covid restrictions, the moratorium on formal reservations of the easement and gazebo will remain in place in October.

### Contacting Golden Beach Associates -- 2 easy ways!

If you need to contact Golden Beach Associates with a problem, a question, or a suggestion there are two quick and easy ways:

Email: [contact@goldenbeachassociates.com](mailto:contact@goldenbeachassociates.com)

Or use the *Contact Us* page on the Golden Beach website:  
<https://www.goldenbeachassociates.com/>

