



Golden Beach Newsletter December 2023

Welcome 2024 Golden Beach Associates Directors and Officers

The membership of Golden Beach Associates, Inc (GBAI) has elected a Board for 2024.

Thank you in advance to each of these Directors and Officers for their service in months to come, and thank you to every community member who has served in the past.

Newly Elected Directors and Officers

Kelly Scolaro, *Secretary*

Andy Liscow, *Treasurer*

Karen Calder, *Director (3 year term)*

Mike Muhlbauer, *Director (3 year term)*

Julia Palucci, *Director (3 year term)*

Chris Derbak, *Director (1 year term)*

John Spada, *Director (1 year term)*

Directors and Officers continuing in office

Sandi Knepp, *President*

Gene Dillahunty, *1st Vice President*

Steve Oglethorpe, *2nd Vice President*

John Burkhardt, *Director*

Bob Mondelli, *Director*

Peggy Parys, *Director*

Margot Urmano, *Director*

Our By-Laws, published on the GBAI website, describe Board responsibilities:

<https://goldenbeachassociates.com/documents/>

Golden Beach Holiday Tree Decoration

Golden Beach neighbors came together on November 30 to decorate the Golden Beach Holiday Tree in the Arboretum at Blalock Park. The tree, a majestic and sturdy oak, is transformed for the season! Our display is one of dozens at the Arboretum, which has become a wonderland of imagination and cheer. The displays will be lit at night for the month.

Particular thanks to neighbors Jeanne Johnson and Rina Caldwell for leading this project.

It was wonderful to see the smiles of Golden Beach "adults" when given a chance to indulge their inner 11-year-old by climbing a tree!



And the beautiful result of their efforts...



Golden Beach Chili Festival 2023

GBAI Chili Festival 2023 -- hard to beat a beautiful autumn evening at the beach, with friends and a good bowl of chili! Many thanks to all of our cooks, and special thanks to Diane Dixon and Jill O'Connell for their donation of colorful centerpiece Mums!





Fighting Blue Hen -- Editor's Choice!

Golden Beach Social Calendar 2024

Our social committee plans an active calendar of community events, kicking off the year with the **January 20th Golden Beach Tailgate Event!**

Please watch your email for your paperless post invitation to this event. Please plan on bringing your chair, beverage and a tailgate food to share.

Don't forget to wear your favorite team colors!

February will feature the Golden Beach annual event, to be held at Maxine Barrett Park and catered by Gold Rush restaurant. Cost for the event (ribs included!) will be \$25 per person. You will receive a paperless post invitation in January for the February event, including information for mailing your payment by check.

Mark These Dates!

January 20 -- Golden Beach Tailgate Event
(rain date January 21)

February 10 -- A catered event at Maxine Barrett Park

March 9 -- Corned Beef and Cabbage
(rain date Sunday, March 10)

April 13 -- Taco Night
(rain date Sunday, April 14)

October 19 -- Italian fest at Golden Beach Gazebo
(rain date Sunday, October 20)

November 16 - TBD
(rain date Sunday, November 17)

WATERING RULES

City of Venice residents are permitted to irrigate lawns **one day** per week:

Even addresses on Tuesdays

Odd addresses on Thursdays

Before 8 a.m. and after 6 p.m. for properties under 2 acres. For properties 2 acres or greater, watering is allowed before 10 a.m. and after 4 p.m.

Hand watering hot spots and micro-irrigation of other plants is allowed on any day, at any time.

New and replaced lawns get a 60-day exemption. Irrigation can occur any time of day on the day of installation, and during the restricted hours on any day thereafter for up to 60 days.

There are no restrictions on car washing, pressure washing, use of fountains or use of reuse or reclaimed water. A shut-off nozzle on hoses should be used for car washing and hand watering of garden plants. Conservation is encouraged.

City of Venice Lawn Watering Rules

Our neighborhood – in fact, southwest Florida in general – has experienced a very dry year. To help ensure we continue to have water available, the City of Venice has in place regulations on watering of lawns and plants. The regulations, shown here, are simple. Complying with these regulations on lawn watering benefits everyone.

There are no regulations on car or pressure washing, though conservation is encouraged.

Beach Parking Passes

Please display your 2023 member parking pass in the lower driver's side windshield area, or ask your houseguests to display a guest pass face-up on the dashboard when parking at the beach access lot. Please park just one car at a time, per household.

New Parking Passes for 2024 will be distributed in the near future.

Gazebo Reservations If you would like to use the gazebo for a large event – birthday parties, graduation celebrations, etc – please make a reservation in advance by contacting Dee Leatherbury at dleatherbury@peoplepc.com.

The gazebo cannot be reserved on holidays, or when Golden Beach is holding a neighborhood social event. The schedule of reservations is posted in the bulletin board at the beach easement.

When you use the gazebo for an event, remember: only Golden Beach members or their houseguests may park in the parking lot, and parking is limited to one vehicle at a time per household. Because trash facilities are limited, we ask that you remove perishable trash when you leave.

FOR MARINE LIFE IN NEED WHO YOU GONNA CALL?

Contact Number:

Sick, injured or dead turtles or marine mammals?
Stranding Hotline at **888-345-2335**



Dogs want a vacation on the Beach?

According to the City of Venice, dogs are not permitted on the beach except at Venice's wonderful Brohard Paw Park, a beach park dedicated to canine fun:

"The Brohard Paw Park features a fenced dog play yard that leads to the only beach area in Sarasota County where dogs are allowed." A beach where your dog can frolic, run free, and play with other dogs – without other beach goers giving you dirty looks, or running the risk of ruining your day with a hefty fine from the city.

Brohard Paw Park – it's the place to be for your dogs!

Beach Access & Gazebo – a shared Golden Beach treasure

Our beach access is shared and maintained by our community. Please use the facilities as you would any treasured resource. Pick up your trash and, if it's large, take it with you. And if you use the picnic facilities, please clean up afterwards. You and your neighbors reap the benefits.

GB emails going into your Spam/Junk folder?

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 and contact@goldenbeachassociates.com

Contacting Golden Beach Associates -- 2 easy ways!

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

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

