



## Golden Beach Newsletter October 2025



# Oktoberfest

Join your neighbors at the gazebo for our Golden Beach Oktoberfest celebration on **Saturday, October 18th at 5:30 pm!**

Golden Beach is grilling bratwurst and hot dogs. Please bring a salad, a side dish, or a dessert to share. Bring a beverage of your choice (including water) and your chair.

Rain date: Sunday, October 19th, 5:30 p.m.

*Hosted by Golden Beach Social Committee*

### ***Downloading a Membership Application from our website***

If you haven't received your 2026 Membership Application via the mail, please download one from our website. Here is how:

- 1) Go to the Golden Beach website: <http://www.goldenbeachassociates.com>
- 2) In the upper right hand corner of the homepage click on: CONTACT US
- 3) Click on 2026 Membership Application
- 4) Print the 2026 Application from your computer
- 5) Fill in the form and return it by mail, along with your \$50 membership contribution

## ***2025 Atlantic Hurricane Season***

Golden Beach, along with most of the hurricane belt, has been very fortunate so far in 2025. There have been only 4 named hurricanes, with much of their drama played out in the mid-Atlantic. The hurricane season though does not end until November 30. For more information on hurricane preparedness visit the Venice website to download this Hurricane Guide.

### **Download the City of Venice 2025 Hurricane Guide**

*Your local information for how to prepare for, respond to and recover from a storm, setting realistic expectations for living in a low-lying coastal community. Includes emergency contacts, City department information, and a preparedness checklist!*



## ***An Update on our Fourth of July 'No Parking at Beach Access' Test***

The City moved its fireworks display to nearby Service Beach, just south of Golden Beach Access. On the advice of the Venice Police Department, and in the interest of community safety, Golden Beach tested a new approach to managing Fourth of July beach access. This test was done in the Police Department's anticipation of receiving larger than normal fireworks event crowds in our area.

The test consisted essentially of closing the beach access parking lot to vehicles on the Fourth of July, while leaving pedestrian beach gate open and unlocked. The goal was to reduce hazardous conditions for both pedestrians and automobiles in the parking lot, particularly as viewers exited in the dark at the conclusion of the fireworks display.

The test proved successful. GBAI members reported that there were more people than usual on the beach fronting our beach access, but not huge crowds. Members present felt that the parking lot closure barriers did deter some non-members from coming onto the Golden Beach property. GBAI received no trouble reports or complaints of inconvenience to neighbors and members.

At least until the Jetty is repaired, the City fireworks events, usually twice a year, will be staged south of our access. GBAI plans to use the successfully tested approach for managing beach access during these events.

# Golden Beach is on Facebook!

GBAI now has a private Facebook group! The purpose is for neighbors to share information on local topics related to Golden Beach and the nearby area:



- water quality / red tide
- beach access / social events
- local politics affecting GB
- flora and fauna
- stormwater / flooding
- hurricane preparedness and updates
- recommended contractors
- etc.

Photos and videos around GB are encouraged! (please describe the location)

Also, check out 4 chats set up for us which address these specific topics: Beach Access; Golden Beach Drainage; Hurricane Preparedness; Recommended Contractors.

## Two options for joining the GBAI FB private group:

### 1) Via the FaceBook App

- go to: menu
  - go to: groups
  - tap on: discover
  - tap on: magnifying glass
  - enter: GBAI
  - tap on: join
  - fill in the box with your name & address
  - read: group guidelines
  - tap: submit
- After an administrator reviews your request, you will be notified.

### 2) Via [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)

- find: magnifying glass / search bar
- search: GBAI
- click: join group
- under: "membership pending approval" fill in the box with your name & address
- read: group guidelines
- click: submit (After an administrator reviews your request, the *join* button changes to *share*.)

## Celestial Visitor

Comet A6 Lemmon will be visible in the evening sky from Golden Beach over the coming month. This image was taken with a telescope. You may want to use at least binoculars. With the naked eye the appearance of the comet will be less dramatic.



- In **early October**, Comet Lemmon is more of a **morning object** (visible before sunrise) in the **northeastern / northern sky**, near or within the area between **Ursa Major / Leo Minor**.
- Over time it shifts so that by **mid-to-late October**, it is placed in the **evening sky**, toward the **western / northwestern horizon** shortly after sunset.
  - A useful reference: on **October 21**, the comet will be about **20° above the western horizon** around evening twilight, in the constellation Boötes (near Arcturus)
- Use bright stars like **Arcturus** or patterns like the **Big Dipper's handle** to help guide your line of sight.
- In **early November** the comet is expected to be near its peak brightness. It will be visible in the evening skies, low after sunset, drifting through the **southern / southwestern** sky.
- After **mid-November**, the comet's altitude (angle above the horizon) will drop, and twilight will make seeing it more difficult. By late November, it may be too faint or too low in the glow of twilight in most locations to observe reliably.



**Public service announcements,  
suggested by your neighbors in Golden Beach**



**Do you have eyeglasses or sunglasses you no longer need?**

Friends at Open Word Ministries (based in PA) are hosting their biennial eyeglass clinic in Kenya in early 2026. Please consider donating your glasses!

<https://www.openwordministries.net/>

Both prescription and non-prescription glasses for adults and children are needed.

Volunteer optometrists provide eye exams and donated glasses to local villagers free of charge. They are expecting several hundred people who need eyewear.

Please drop off at 405 Villas Drive (mailbox) or contact Karen Fallon

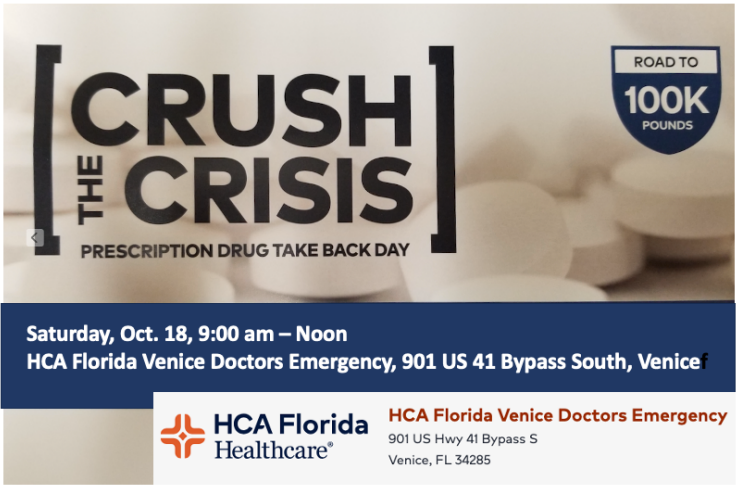
**Donations accepted until  
December 1st!**



**Help others,  
while sorting out that cluttered bedside drawer or medicine cabinet.**

Some among us are lucky to have natural 20-20 vision. The rest of us often have a treasure trove of perfectly fine glasses that no longer suit our vision. Your old glasses may be perfect for a person who needs vision correction, but does not have access to professional eyecare.

Here is your chance to examine that bedside drawer for hidden optical treasures!



**[ CRUSH THE CRISIS ]**  
PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

**Saturday, Oct. 18, 9:00 am – Noon**  
HCA Florida Venice Doctors Emergency, 901 US 41 Bypass South, Venice

**HCA Florida Healthcare**  
HCA Florida Venice Doctors Emergency  
901 US Hwy 41 Bypass S  
Venice, FL 34285

And a special bonus opportunity to safely clean out the medicine cabinet -- get rid of old or no longer needed medications.

Saturday, October 18 is "Prescription Drug Take Back Day", sponsored by HCA Florida Venice Doctors Emergency at 901 US 41 Bypass South.

Take this opportunity to look at the medicine cabinet, and safely dispose of unneeded prescription medications.



## Golden Beach Community Resources

Emerging from the 2024 hurricane season Golden Beach began building a list of useful resources, as recommended by members of the community based upon their own experience. The list as it stands today is below. If you have a recommendation for the list, please contact Julia Paulucci ( [juliapminor@gmail.com](mailto:juliapminor@gmail.com) ) or Wendy Derbak ( [wwagman@gmail.com](mailto:wwagman@gmail.com) ).

FINE PRINT: LIST BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS BY NEIGHBORS. GBAI TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR VENDOR PERFORMANCE.

### GOLDEN BEACH COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Specialty	Company Name	Contact	Phone	Email
<b>Gutters</b>	Johson Gutters	AJ	813 245-1134	
<b>Power Washing</b>	Sabrina's Integrity	Chris	941 253-2742 941 223-1801	
<b>Landscape &amp; Clean up</b>	Exotic Landscape	Sam Crosen	941 809-3551	
	Tupelo Landscape		941 266-7016	
	Lawn Service Inc	Russell	941 812-3863	
	Diaz Lawn Service		561 633-9315	
<b>Screens / Pool Cage</b>	All About Aluminim	Jordan	786 810-2681 941 876-4779	
	Storm Smart	Ganem Milan	786 810-2681	<a href="mailto:ganem-milan@gmail.com">ganem-milan@gmail.com</a>
	S&E Renovations, Inc.	Harry Snell	239 938-1000	
<b>General Contractors</b>		Sam Green	941-313-3310	David@serenovations.com
<b>Carpenter</b>	Master Finish Custom Carpentry	Joe Dieter	941 303-0297	<a href="http://www.masterfinishcustomcarpentry.com">www.masterfinishcustomcarpentry.com</a>
<b>Sprinklers</b>	Pacific Lawn Sprinklers	Jimmy	941 462-2070	
	Palm Irrigation	Tom	941 800-5674	
	Clark Connections		941 493-2777	
<b>Roof</b>	Kirkey Roofing		941-474-2113	
<b>Windows</b>	Absolute Windows	Mark Lamb	941 232-0004	
<b>Counter Tops</b>	Sunmac of Sarasota		941 271-4326	
<b>Plumber</b>	Babe's Plumbing		941 488-2402	
<b>Floor Clean up / Repair</b>	Integrity Crew	Kevin	808 725-0059	
	Palm Island Electric	Matt Brooker	941 468-6375	
<b>Electrican</b>	Sunshine Electrical Services		941 441-9300	
<b>Fencing</b>	H&Y Fence		941 379-3444	
<b>Heating AC</b>	Venice Cooling & Heating		941 485-8572	
<b>Handyman</b>	GranRooster LLC	Rui Grangeiro	248 705-1222	
<b>Volunteers to help Neighbors</b>	Lisa Boltz			<a href="mailto:rooro2@comcast.net">rooro2@comcast.net</a>

## PARKING PASSES

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

## 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.

## 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 her new email address: [deeleatherbury@gmail.com](mailto:deeleatherbury@gmail.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. 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.

The gazebo is for use of Golden Beach members and their guests only.

## 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](mailto:news@goldenbeachassociates.com) and [contact@goldenbeachassociates.com](mailto: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](mailto:contact@goldenbeachassociates.com)

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

