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## Town News

### NEW VICE MAYOR SELECTED

The Town Commission elected Commissioner John Yanni in March to serve as Vice Mayor and Commissioner Chuck Clark to again serve as Mayor Pro Tem. Jerry McIntee and Jim Silverstone were also sworn into office as Commissioners. The Commission also thanked outgoing members Ed Kennedy and David Wessels for their service to the Town.

### TRIM YOUR PALM TREES

The Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea has an ordinance requiring all homeowners to remove the coconuts from the palm trees on their property during the month of May.



The Town adopted this law last year to cut down on the damage caused by flying coconuts during a hurricane.

If you have questions, call Code Compliance at 954-776-3611.

### TOWN HALL CLOSED MAY 29

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, May 29th, for Memorial Day. Town Hall will also be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

### FREE SMOKE ALARMS

The Broward Sheriff's Office Fire Marshall Bureau is offering free smoke alarms to single-family homeowners. Call 954-831-8210.

## Beach area property owners must shield lights during sea turtle season

Beach area property owners in Town will soon be notified if they are violating the Town's sea turtle lighting ordinance. Lights that directly illuminate the beach can disorientate nesting loggerhead sea turtles and sea turtle hatchlings, which will sometimes crawl towards an artificial light – and usually their death — instead of the ocean.

Broward County's **Environmental Protection Department** notified the Town that marine biologists will be surveying beaches all along the county's coast to determine if there are beach lights that need to be dimmed or shielded.

The Town will notify Lauderdale-By-The-Sea property owners if they are in violation of the ordinance. Sea turtle nesting season runs from March through Oct. 31st.

If you have any questions, please call Code Officers **Jeff Bowman** and **Kami Parker** at 954-776-3611. □

### LIGHTING TIPS

Tips on how beach area property owners in Town can shield their lights to protect threatened loggerhead sea turtles. **Page 4.**

## Town seeks residents to serve on the Master Plan Steering Committee

The **Town Commission** is seeking residents to serve on the **Master Plan Steering Committee**.

The Commission needs seven members to serve on the committee, which provides suggestions to the Commission on planning and other issues.



The Commission invited the committee's current members to reapply, but is also seeking applications from other Town residents.

Applications can be picked up at **Town Hall**. The Commission plans to pick members to serve on the committee in June.

For more information, please contact the **Town Clerk's** office at 954-776-0576. □

### TOWN DIRECTORY



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**Oliver Parker**

Vice Mayor

**John Yanni**

Mayor Pro Tem

**Chuck Clark**

Commissioners

**Jerry McIntee**

**Jim Silverstone**

Town Manager

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Town Clerk

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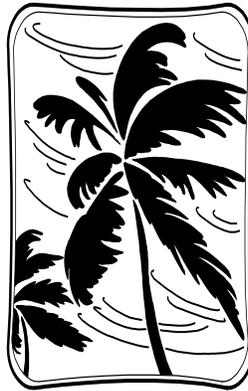
Tel: 954-776-0576

### TOWN TOPICS

Town Topics is published at the beginning of each month and is also available on the Town's Web site. Ads can be dropped off at Town Hall and are only accepted from businesses with bonafide Town occupational licenses. Articles can be submitted via e-mail to the Town's Public Information Office at [lbtspio@yahoo.com](mailto:lbtspio@yahoo.com).

## POA meeting in May will feature experts on hurricane season

The Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Property Owners Association's meeting on **May 10th** will feature experts to answer all your questions about the upcoming 2006 hurricane



season. The meeting starts at **7 PM** in **Jarvis Hall**, but refreshments will be served starting at 6:45 PM.

The questions residents will ask include:

- What does mandatory evacuation mean?
- Who enforces it?
- How are condo evacuations handled?
- When is water shut off to the barrier island?
- What exactly is impact resistant glass?
- Should I place outdoor furniture in the pool?
- What shelters and hotels take pets?
- What do I do if a neighbor won't prune their trees?

The POA will provide those residents attending with information on the different kinds of shutters that are available, what supplies you should have on hand and the Do's and Don'ts regarding safety.

Whether you're new to the area or have been through storms before, this is information that can help you and your property. Bring your neighbors!

All members will also vote on the 2006 Hometown Hero! Call POA **President Cindy Geesey** with your nominations or other suggestions at 954-776-5974. □

## MEETINGS GUIDE

### Town Commission

JUNE 13 - 7 PM

JUNE 27 - 7 PM

Town Commission regularly meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in Jarvis Hall. Pre-meeting agenda conferences start at 6 PM and are open to the public.

### Board of Adjustment

Meets as needed on the third Tuesday of the month at 3 PM

### Planning & Zoning

Meets as needed on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM

JUNE 21 - 6:30 PM

### Parking Hearing

JUNE 26 - 6 PM

### Code Compliance

Meets as needed on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 2:30 PM

### Master Plan Steering Committee

JUNE 19 - 6:30 PM

TOWN MEETING DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

## PUBLIC ACCESS

- The Town Commission agenda and related backup materials are available for review in Town Hall during business hours (9AM - 4:30 PM). The agenda is posted on our Web site: [www.lauderdalebythesea-fl.gov](http://www.lauderdalebythesea-fl.gov)
- Commission meetings are televised live on Channel 78. Meetings are also re-broadcast at noon on Wednesday, Friday and the following Monday.
- The Town will provide appropriate auxiliary aids and services as required under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. **Town Topics** will be read, upon request, to those persons with visual impairments. Persons with disabilities should contact the Town Clerk at 954-776-0576 for further assistance in accessing Town information important to you.

## PORTAL DEDICATION



**FORMAL DEDICATION:** The members of the Town Commission at the March 25th dedication of the Washingtonia portal for former Assistant Town Manager Laura Ward, who passed away this year.

## Sister Cities in talks with Henley-on-Thames

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Sister Cities Association** is discussing forming a sister cities agreement with **Henley-on-Thames**, England.

Henley is a delightful, riverside community in **Oxfordshire** with easy access to London and many historic sites, such as Windsor Castle. It is also famous for its annual rowing regatta, which was first held in 1839.

The **Henley Regatta** was originally sponsored by the Mayor and residents of Henley as a public attraction with a fair and other amusements, but the emphasis rapidly changed so that competitive amateur rowing became its main purpose.

"The Henley local newspaper is organizing a committee to pursue the necessary negotiations with us,"



said **Dr. Kenneth S. Most**, chairman of the Town's Sister Cities Association.

An hour west of London, Henley-on-Thames is located on one of the most beautiful stretches of the **River Thames**, in gently wooded, rolling countryside. With a population of 10,000 residents, it supports the many small, attractive villages in the nearby countryside.

The Town's history dates back to the 12th century, when river trade developed because of its location on the River Thames.

Henley-On-Thames today has a comfortable mix of architectural styles spanning the centuries with many interesting features for the historian, some of which are [conveniently] hidden in the church and local pubs. □

## The Town's July Fourth plans are already underway!

Mark down **Tuesday, July 4th** on your calendar!

That's when the Town will hold its annual **Fourth of July** festivities,



**Adam Geesey as Uncle Sam**

featuring a parade through Town and one of the best fire-works displays in South Florida.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Chuck Clark**, chairman of the **July Fourth Committee**, said most of the planned activities and events will be held under a tent

at Town Hall.

"We're moving ahead and getting all the necessary permits," Clark said.

The **Property Owners Association** will also announce its 2006 Hometown Hero. □

## BACK on the MARKET

### For Sale

- 84" Queen sofa sleeper. Light taupe with shades of coral/blue print. Very good condition. \$100 or best offer.
- Wall hugger recliner (Lane). Tan/olive tweed. Very good condition. \$75. Call 954-771-4533.

### For Sale

White "Kenmore" heavy duty, top-loading, washing machine. Excellent working condition. No scratches or dents. \$50. Call 954-229-7009.

# Eliminating beach lights can help sea turtles

Solving the problems created by artificial lighting on beaches where sea turtles nest requires the understanding of citizens and business owners. The most direct and complete way to resolve problems for sea turtles is to eliminate all artificial sources that emit light visible from the nesting beach.

Light visible from the beach may include light emitted directly from sources, light reflected by buildings and other objects, light from interior sources shining through windows and light scattered by sea mist.

Unfortunately, eliminating all beachfront lighting is not always practical. Human safety concerns and the magnitude of some lighting problems require some compromise. The following are a few techniques designed to reduce the effects of artificial lighting on sea turtles.

- Keep beachfront lighting turned off during the nesting and hatching season. This season extends from

**The sea turtle nesting season in Florida extends from March 1 thru October 31st. Ideally, beach lighting should remain off throughout the night during this period.**

March 1 - October 31 in Broward. Ideally, lighting should remain off throughout the night during this period. Light sources remaining on until 11 PM will still affect about one third of the hatchlings emerging from nests on a given night.

- Reduce the number of lights near nesting beaches to the minimum necessary. Lighting used for purely decorative purposes should be kept off.

- Reduce light reaching the nesting beach by lowering, shielding, recessing and/or redirecting light sources. Any light source visible to an observer on the beach is likely to affect sea turtles. Light sources that are indirectly visible from the beach also cause problems for sea turtles. For this reason, low-mounted down lights are preferred over lighting that shines upward.

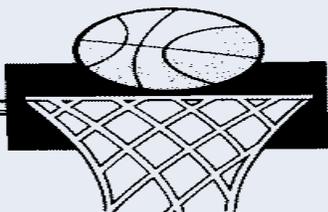
- Place security lighting on motion-sensitive switches that keep lighting off when it is not needed. Lights that come on only when approached can be quite effective for security purposes.

- Apply dark window tinting to windows visible from the beach and draw curtains after dark.

A great many lighting applications are known to affect sea turtles. These include porch, pool, street, stairway, walkway, parking lot, security, interior lighting, floodlights, up-lights, spotlights, area lighting, lighted commercial signs, flashlights, kerosene lanterns, open fires, car headlights and even bug-zappers.

The best way for a beachfront resident or visitor to determine whether their lighting could adversely affect sea turtles is to stand on the adjacent beach at night, a few hundred feet either way, and look for light. □

## OPTIMIST CLUB YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE



**ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME  
BOYS & GIRLS AGES 6 to 12  
WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY: 9 AM - 11 AM  
TUESDAY: 5:30 - 7 PM**

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT COMMISSIONER JIM SILVERSTONE AT 954-771-0355 OR MAYOR OLIVER PARKER AT 954-772-6468.

**BSO POLICE BLOTTER**

**03/02/06**

A subject was arrested in Deerfield Beach reference the burglary of an occupied dwelling at 4433 N. Ocean Drive, grand theft, grand theft auto and possession of cocaine and narcotics paraphernalia.

**03/04/06**

A subject was arrested at 218 Commercial Boulevard for loitering and prowling.

**03/07/06**

A subject was arrested at 1900 S. Ocean Boulevard reference driving with a suspended license.

**03/10/06**

A subject was arrested at 4520 Ocean Drive for misdemeanor battery.

**03/11/06**

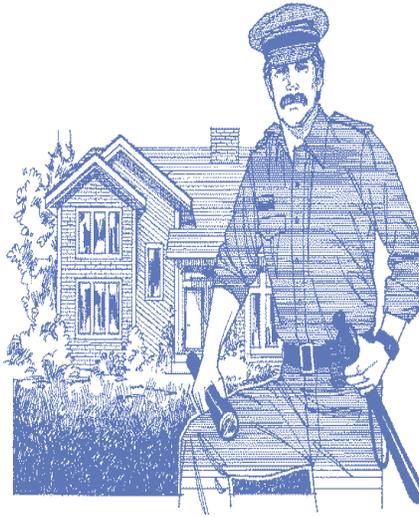
A subject was arrested at 1800 South Ocean Boulevard for domestic battery.

**03/12/06**

A subject was arrested at 1 Commercial Boulevard for disorderly intoxication.

**03/16/06**

A subject was arrested at 100 Commercial Boulevard for DUI.



**03/22/06**

A subject was stopped and arrested for passing a stopped school bus at 1400 S. Ocean Boulevard. The driver obstructed the deputy by giving false information and had a suspended license.

**03/22/06**

A subject was a passenger in the car that was stopped at 200 Commercial Boulevard with a missing

mirror, dark tint and a not assigned tag. The passenger was wanted on an active warrant for violation of probation reference trespassing and driving with a suspended license.

**03/25/06**

- A subject was arrested at 228 Marine Court on a warrant reference DUI and disobeying an officer.

- A subject was arrested at 4324 Seagrape Drive on an active warrant out of Broward County for driving with a suspended license.

- An habitual traffic offender was a passenger in the vehicle stopped for illegal tint. The subject was arrested for violation of probation on a felony warrant reference driving with a suspended license.

**03/26/06**

A subject was arrested at 200 Commercial Boulevard for habitual driving with a suspended license. The driver was also operating a vehicle with no exhaust.

**03/28/06**

A subject was observed driving erratically on a moped at 4660 Ocean Drive and was arrested for DUI.

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## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Here is a listing of **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea** homeowner groups, community groups, civic organizations and churches. To update listings, please call the Town's **Public Information Office** at 954-776-3611.

### HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATIONS



#### **Bel Air Civic Association**

Contact: Michael Power Tel: 954-661-5558

#### **LBTBS Property Owners' Association**

Contact: Cindy Geesey Tel: 954-776-5974

#### **North Beach Civic Association**

Contact: Mark Brown Tel: 954-781-6538.

#### **Terra Mar Island Civic Association**

Contact: Kit Cashman Tel: 954-943-5594.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

#### **Garden Club**

Meets the second Monday from September through May at 9:30 AM in Jarvis Hall.

Contact: Christine Carlson Tel: 954-290-5609.

#### **Kiwanis Club**

Meets Second & Fourth Monday, 6 PM, Damon's Grill.

Contact: Sunny Eckhardt Tel: 954-772-6831.

#### **Optimist Club**

Meets Second Wednesday, 7 PM, Damon's Grill.

Contact: James Silverstone Tel: 954-771-0355  
or Oliver Parker Tel: 954-772-6468.

#### **Lions Club**

Meets First & Third Wednesdays, 7:30 AM, Jarvis Hall.

Contact: Marguerite Remigy Tel: 954-971-1707.

#### **Woman's Club**

Meets last Thursday, 11 AM.

October through April. Tel: 954-772-0707.

#### **Oceanside Chapter of Hadassah**

Meets the third Tuesday, Holy Cross Hospital. Contact: Joan. Tel: 954-565-0161.

### CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Chamber of Commerce**

4201 Ocean Drive Tel: 954-776-1000.

Monday - Sunday: 9 AM - 5 PM.

#### **Community Performing Arts Center**

Contact: Vincent Ragusa Tel: 954-202-2666.

#### **Citizens Action Committee**

Contact: Bob Karley Tel: 954-772-7332.

#### **Hillsboro Inlet District**

Meets Third Monday, 7:30 PM, Dixon AHL Recreation Center in Lighthouse Point Town Hall. Contact: Oliver Parker Tel: 954-772-6468.

#### **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Merchant Association**

Contact: Angela Aldahwi Tel: 954-958-9241.

#### **Lions Eye Foundation**

Contact: Nels Pearson Tel: 954-564-5258.

#### **National Save The Sea Turtle Foundation**

Contact: Jennifer Hartwig Tel: 954-351-9333.

#### **Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.**

Business Meetings: First Monday at 7 PM. Drills Second, Third & Fourth Mondays. Tel: 954-772-8978.

#### **Sister Cities Association**

Contact: Dr. Kenneth S. Most. Tel: 954-946-1783.

### CHURCHES



#### **Assumption Catholic Church**

2001 South Ocean Blvd., LBTS, FL 33062  
Tel: 954-941-7647. Winter Mass Schedule:  
Saturday: 5 PM (Vigil).

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM.

DAILY: Mon-Fri 9 AM

#### **Community Church of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea**

4433 Bougainville Drive

Tel: 954-776-5530. Sunday Worship: 10 AM.

Women's Group meets on the second Wednesday at Friedt Fellowship Hall. Dinner meetings held September through May. Moderator: Jeannette Checchia.

Tel: 954-772-4391. Taize Worship Service is the first Thursday of the month at 7 PM.

#### **First Church of Christ, Scientist**

251 Commercial Blvd.

Sunday Service & School: 10:30 AM.

Wednesday Meeting: 7:30 PM.

Reading Room: Monday - Saturday  
10:30 AM - 1:30 PM. Tel: 954-772-0424.

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COMMISSIONER JIM SILVERSTONE

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SHIFT COMMANDER CELL / 954-275-9939

FIRE & RESCUE OFFICE / 954-831-8200

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