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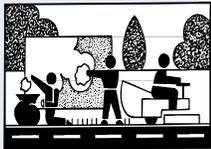**THE PRETTIEST SMALL TOWN IN AMERICA**

Town News

HEIGHT LIMITS WORKSHOP

The Town Commission will hold a workshop to discuss Town building height limits on June 7th at 6 PM in Jarvis Hall. The Town currently has a 3-over-1 story height limit south of Pine Avenue, which basically limits building heights to four stories, although the first story cannot be occupied.

BULK PICK-UP REMINDER

Waste Management will not pick-up loose lawn debris left by residents on their property for bulk pick-up. Please remember to bundle all loose trimmings. Thank you for your cooperation.

BEL AIR WEB SITE

The **Bel Air Improvement Committee** has a new Web site: **www.BelAirIsle.org.**

The site not only provides Bel Air residents with news and status reports on neighborhood improvement projects, but it is also a way for residents who support improving Bel Air to join the Bel Air Improvement Committee.

The site is maintained by the Bel Air Improvement Committee, a registered non-profit organization.

Town residents will see 10 percent reduction in flood insurance premiums

The **Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea** has some excellent news for Town residents and business owners who are *required* by their mortgage holder to have flood insurance: As of May 1, 2005, you should notice a 10 percent discount on **National Flood Insurance Program** insurance whenever it's renewed. If you carry homeowners' flood insurance even though you are not required to, you are not eligible for the 10 percent premium reduction.

Municipal Services Director Bill Mason said the savings are a result of the Town's efforts to upgrade and improve stormwater drainage over the past two years. As a result, the Town's rating was upgraded to Class 8 under the NFIP's Community Rating System.

"It's pretty big," Mason said, referring to the Class 8 rating. "Instead of a 5 percent premium insurance reduction, residents will now get a 10 percent reduction. It took us two years of stormwater system maintenance to get it down to 8 from Class 9."

The Town was informed of the Class 8 rating in May by the **Federal Emergency Management Agency**. FEMA said the rating will automatically be renewed every year as long as the Town continues to efficiently maintain its stormwater system.

Get ready for a patriotic Fourth of July celebration!

Our nation's birthday is just around the corner! With the Fourth of July falling on a Monday this year, the **Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea** has events planned for the Saturday and Sunday (July 2nd and July 3rd) prior to the Fourth!

JULY 4TH INFO

For more information on the Fourth of July celebration, see the flier on pages 4 and 5.

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Sister Cities Association** is sponsoring a **Festival of the Americas Party** on **Saturday**, **July 2nd** from **5 to 9 PM** under the tent at Town Hall.

There will be Latin American music and dancing, as well as a variety of foods, beer, wine and soft drinks.

All residents are invited to come dressed in a native or national costume. There will be prizes awarded for youngsters and adults.

Pelican Hopper provides valuable transportation service to Town residents

The **Pelican Hopper Community Bus** provides a valuable service to Town residents by connecting them to the **Broward County Transit** system — for free.

The Pelican Hopper operates Monday through Friday (9 AM to 5:25 PM), Saturday (10 AM to 5:25 PM) and Sunday (8 AM – 6 PM). Broward County Transit recently

PELICAN HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

There is no regular **Pelican Hopper** service on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans' Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas and the day after Christmas.

sent updated bus service route and timetable brochures to Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, which are available at the Chamber of Commerce.

The Pelican Hopper's routes are designed to work in conjunction with Broward County Transit routes 11, 36, 62 and 72. The bus stops at three locations that connect to the Fort Lauderdale Galt / North Beach Community Bus.

For more info about Broward County Transit routes, call 954-357-8302. You can also visit the department online at www.broward.org/bct.

Town luncheon honors two former employees

Two former Town employees were honored with a luncheon at the Village Grille in mid-May. About 25 people, including some Town workers and Town Commissioners, turned out to say thank you and good luck to **Laura Ward** and **John Schlegel**.
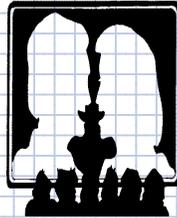
Ward, a former Assistant Town Manager, had worked for Lauderdale-By-The-Sea since November 2000. She left her position on May 6. Schegel was the Town's Zoning and Code Administrator from October 2001 until April 15th.

Ward, who retired, and Schlegel, who took a job in the private sector in Fort Lauderdale, both did an excellent job for the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea during their tenures.▯

FREE MOVIE NIGHT AT COMMUNITY CHURCH

WED., JUNE 29 at 7:30 PM

MOVIE TBA

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Community Church
Friedt Hall

FREE POPCORN & SOFT DRINKS

There is a short discussion after the film. For information, call 954-776-5530.

Property Owners have hurricane info packets

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Property Owners Association** has hurricane information folders and is willing to give them to any Town resident who wants one for free.

The packets contain a hurricane tracking map and valuable information from Broward County and weather experts about pet safety, evacuation routes, shutters, supplies needed and local telephone numbers and advice.

Because Lauderdale-By-The-Sea is on a barrier island, all residents must evacuate their homes after a hurricane watch is posted.

To get your packet delivered for free, call POA President **Cindy Geesey** at 954-776-5974. ▯

DISTRICT 13 BLOTTER

04/01/05
A subject was arrested at 4655 Bougainvilla Drive reference driving with a suspended license.

04/02/05
A subject was arrested at 4501 Ocean Drive for domestic battery.

04/03/05
A subject was arrested at 1620 South Ocean Drive on a confirmed warrant from Orange County for violation of parole.

04/04/05
• A subject was arrested at 1750 South Ocean Boulevard for driving with a suspended license (habitual offender).

• A subject was arrested at 2505 North Ocean Boulevard for driving with a suspended license.

• A subject was arrested at 741 Hibiscus Avenue on an active warrant reference consumption of alcohol.

04/07/05
A subject was arrested at 540 NW 4th Avenue on an active warrant reference driving with a suspended license.

04/10/05
A subject was arrested at 263 Commercial Boulevard on felony warrants reference insurance claim fraud and six active felony warrants reference grand theft.

04/12/05
A subject was arrested at 4116 North Ocean Drive for burglary and theft.

04/14/05
A subject was arrested in the 200 block of Commercial Boulevard for six active warrants reference traffic and battery.

04/15/05
• A subject was arrested at 228 Commercial Boulevard on two active warrants reference theft and failure to register vehicle.

• A subject was arrested at 4552 Bougainvilla Drive for discharging a firearm in public.

04/16/05
A subject was arrested at 4216 Seagrape Drive reference possession of marijuana and driving with a suspended license.

04/17/05
• A subject was arrested at 4200 North Ocean Drive for grand theft auto.

• A subject was arrested at 4660 North Ocean Drive for DUI.

04/18/05
A subject was arrested at 4500 West Tradewinds Avenue for DUI.

04/20/05
A subject was arrested at 275 Commercial Boulevard for driving with a suspended license (habitual traffic offender).

04/22/05
A subject was arrested at 3000 East Commercial Boulevard for obstruction/resisting. An active warrant was found from Ohio reference non-support. Ohio advised it would extradite.

04/25/05
A subject was arrested at 4051 North Ocean Boulevard for driving with a suspended driver's license and with an expired vehicle tag.

04/30/05
A subject was arrested at 4200 North Ocean Drive on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Town of Lauderdale By The Sea 4th of July Celebration

This year's July 4th Town Celebration will consist of 3 days of special events. Admission is free for all events. Free town-wide parking July 4th ONLY

*Free parking Sat & Sun "El Prado" *
* Call Town Hall for times.. 954-776-0576*

Saturday Night, July 2nd 6:30 - 10:00 PM

The Town in conjunction with the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Kiwanis Club** is holding a dance featuring live bands in front of Town Hall, under the tent. **Music: "The Legend's of Doo-Wop"** is a 50's style band, **"Hello Goodbye"** a Beatles band & an Elvis Impersonator **Jim Del Valle**. Come and enjoy a night of fun & dance to some familiar tunes... (Food & refreshments available at nominal

Sunday Night, July 3rd 6:00 - 9:00 PM

Lauderdale-By-The Sea Sister Cities "Festival of the Americas"

With a Latin theme, come enjoy live music and dance. You are invited to dress in a native or national costume. There will be prizes awarded for juvenile and adult categories. (Food & refreshments available at nominal cost.)

Monday, July 4th starting at 10:00 AM

10:00 AM   **Annual 4th of July Parade**

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Fire Department

Show your **support** and **join us** in our **Annual Town Parade!** Contact **Chief Ian MacLean** at the **Volunteer Fire Department,** our official parade organizer. **954-772-8978**

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM   **Town Hall Celebration**
Featuring; food & refreshments, music by ***Patty Lee James & Co.,*** history of LBTS slide show. There will also be bed races, water bucket brigade, pony rides and more... Along with the raffle drawing. Fun for all ages.

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM   **Down Town Party (El Mar & Commercial Blvd.)**
8:30 PM   **Fireworks**
... staged off-shore North end of El Mar Drive

Raffle ... Fireworks Fund-raiser

Grand Prize

$7995
Turn Plasma into a work of art... with ArtScreen

VUTEC

42" Plasma Display with ArtScreen

Win a 42" Plasma Display and hook up to your home entertainment center for theater sound & programming. Then turn it into a work of art when not in use with an ArtScreen from Vutec. Visit their site... **www.vutec.com**

Second Prize   Third Prize

$299.00   **$249.95**

Sanyo VPC-MZ3   Win a Sanyo
Still & Motion   DVP-P1
Digital Camera   Photo Printer
     No Computer
SANYO   Donated by   Needed
   Shirley Russotti

Donated by Athena By The Sea

Get your tickets now... For your chance to win great prizes! Winners need not be present to win! Drawing takes place 4th of July - Town Hall Celebration

Raffle Ticket Donation
$15.00 each or (7) for $100.00
All Proceeds Benefit Fireworks Display

Tickets Available at ...   LBTS Chamber Office
   Village of Sea Ranch Lakes Village Hall
   Banco Popular, Sea Ranch Lakes Plaza

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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: Bob Eckblad Tel: 954-788-1352
LBTS 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 Second Monday, 9:30 AM, Jarvis Hall.
Contact: Kit Cashman Tel: 954-943-5594.
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. Summer Mass Schedule:
SATURDAY: 5 PM (Vigils).
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM.
DAILY: Mon-Fri 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM.
Community Church of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea
4433 Bougainvilla 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.

BSO rescue rockets can save drowning swimmers

Some **Broward Sheriff's Office** deputies in **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea** are now carrying a potentially life-saving rocket.

The **ResQmax Rescue Rocket** is a portable, easy-to-use device that uses compressed air to shoot a lifeline up to several hundred feet to swimmers in distress offshore. A highly visible, self-inflating flotation device connected to the end of the lifeline can help keep a struggling swimmer afloat as first responders tow the victim to shore or summon more help to the scene.

"Every year, we and our partners in BSO Fire-Rescue respond to emergencies on the beach here in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea," said **BSO District-13 Chief Scott Gooding**. "It makes a lot of sense that we give our deputies more tools to help save lives and keep residents and visitors safe."

Deputies will keep four of the Rescue Rockets in patrol cars while a fifth will be kept with BSO's beachfront all-terrain vehicle. The five new rockets are an addition to one already in service with BSO Fire-Rescue in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea.

The five Rescue Rockets purchased by BSO for use in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea cost $12,600; the money came from the **Law Enforcement Trust Fund**, which is funded by monies confiscated from criminals and criminal activities.

Rescue Solutions International, Inc., a California-based firm, manufactures the Rescue Rocket for use in fire-rescue, law enforcement, military, offshore oil operations and other applications. ▥

KEY PHONE NUMBERS

TOWN HALL
954-776-0576

BUILDING / CODE COMPLIANCE / 954-776-3611

MUNICIPAL SERVICES / 954-776-5119

POLICE & FIRE

EMERGENCY / 911

NON-EMERGENCY / 954-765-4321

BSO BUSINESS OFFICE / 954-491-3920

SHIFT COMMANDER CELL / 954-275-9939

BSO FIRE & RESCUE BUSINESS OFFICE / 954-831-8200

WEB SITE

www.lauderdalebythesea-fl.gov

TOWN TOPICS

Town Topics is published 12 times per year and is available on the Town's Web site the first of the month. All articles or ads for the upcoming issue must be submitted by or prior to the seventh of each month. Ads must be dropped off at Town Hall and are only accepted from businesses with bonafide Lauderdale-By-The-Sea occupational licenses. All articles must be submitted on a computer disc in word format. Articles can also be submitted via e-mail to the Town's **Public Information Office** at **lbtspio@yahoo.com**. E-mail submissions are preferred.

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