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LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA'S OFFICIAL TOWN NEWSLETTER

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## Town News

### TASTE OF THE BEACH

The Chamber of Commerce's Taste of the Beach will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 23rd from 6 to 10 PM under the tent at El Prado, one block north of Commercial Boulevard. For \$30, you can sample seafood and other culinary delights from dozens of local restaurants. Proceeds benefit the Chamber and the Fort Lauderdale Art Institute's Culinary School. For more info, call Chamber Executive Director Judy Swaggerty at 954-776-1000.

### PELICAN HOPPER SERVICE

The Pelican Hopper Community Service Bus will not be running on President's Day, Feb. 21st.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Volunteer Fire Department is looking for some new members. If you would like to learn more, contact Volunteer Fire Chief Ian MacLean at 954-772-8978.

### SILVER TEA & BRUNCH

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Women's Club** will hold its **Silver Tea & Brunch** on Saturday, **Feb. 5th at 11 AM in Jarvis Hall**. Tea, sandwiches, cookies and beverages will be served. A book review will also be presented by **Jerry Layton**. This is open to the public. A \$5 donation is requested. For more info, please call 954-772-8484.

## Commission adopts proposal creating north, south districts

**T**he **Town Commission** formally adopted a voting district plan after a presentation was made by the **Catanese Center for Urban and Environmental Solutions at Florida Atlantic University**.

FAU was asked to establish the Town's voting districts after Lauderdale-By-The-Sea voters approved a referendum in March to create four Town Commission seats in two separate voting districts.

**Lenore Alpert**, a senior research associate with the Catanese Center, along with senior analyst **Andrew Yancey**, presented five districting options to the Commission at its Jan. 11th meeting.

The Commission selected Option 1, which divides Lauderdale-By-The-Sea into north and south voting districts as required by the Town Charter.

District 1 includes 3,276 Town residents who live north of Gatehouse Road in Sea Ranch Lakes. District 2 includes 3,350 residents who live south of Gatehouse Road.

Voters Townwide can cast ballots for the District 1 candidates who run for Commission Seats 1 and 3. Voters Townwide can also vote for the District 2 candidates who run for Commission Seats 2 and 4. Voters can also cast ballots for the mayor, who will still be elected Townwide. ■

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## Town cuts 15-minute free parking policy down to 5, citing lost revenue

**T**he Town Commission has decided to revise its decision to be more parking friendly with tourists by giving them an extra 15 minutes of free parking at meters.

After a resident suggested the idea, the Commission implemented the program on a 90-day trial basis in December. In the first month of the program, however, the Town estimated a loss of \$30,000 in parking meter and parking ticket revenue.

The Town Commission in January agreed to revise the program and only give motorists who park at meters an extra 5 free minutes per hour. The Town plans to monitor the revised policy closely and see what impact it has on overall parking revenue.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and other coastal cities in Broward generate parking revenue to help maintain their beaches, and to avoid assessments against local taxpayers for facilities used by residents countywide. ■

### TOWN DIRECTORY



Mayor  
**Oliver Parker**  
 Vice Mayor  
**Ed Kennedy**  
 Mayor Pro Tem  
**Chuck Clark**  
 Commissioners  
**David Wessels**  
**John Yanni**

Town Manager  
**Robert Baldwin**  
 Town Attorney  
**James Cherof**  
 Assistant Manager  
**Laura Ward**  
 Town Clerk  
**Alina Medina**  
 Finance Director  
**Esther Colon**  
 Municipal Services Director  
**Bill Mason**  
 Development Services Director  
**Harry Diehl**  
 Broward Sheriff's Office  
**Chief Scott Gooding**  
 Fire Administrator  
**Frank Buchert**  
 Volunteer Fire Chief  
**Ian MacLean**  
 Town Chaplain  
**Rev. John Hanrahan**  
 Public Information Officer  
**Steve d'Oliveira**

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea  
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### TOWN TOPICS

Town Topics is published at the beginning of each month. Information or ads can be dropped off at Town Hall or submitted via e-mail to the Town's Public Information Office at [lbtspio@yahoo.com](mailto:lbtspio@yahoo.com).

### Town names park facilities

The Town Commission took steps to honor some of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea's civic leaders and firefighters.

To honor **Glenn H. Friedt** and his wife, **Lucy**, the Commission in January named the playground area in Municipal Park the "**Friedt Family Playground.**"

It also named:

- The soccer field as "**Firefighters Field.**"
- The tennis courts as the "**Sylvia Neely Tennis Courts.**"
- The bocce courts as "**Spicola Courts**" in honor of **Michael S. Spicola.**

The Town plans to install appropriate signage at the park in the near future to honor these civic leaders. □

### Garden Club plans field trip

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Garden Club** is planning a field trip to the Palm Beach Flower Show on Feb. 24th. The cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for guests. They will meet at **Jarvis Hall** at 8:30 AM and return at 3 PM. Guests are welcome. Please make reservations by Feb. 20th. If you are interested in joining the club for this event, please call **President Kitten Cashman** at 954-943-5594. □

### FREE MOVIE NIGHT AT COMMUNITY CHURCH

WED., FEB. 16 at 7 PM

FEATURING

**PATCH ADAMS**

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea  
 Community Church  
**Friedt Hall**

**FREE POPCORN & SOFT DRINKS**

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

### MEETINGS GUIDE

#### Town Commission

FEB. 8 - 7 PM  
 FEB. 22 - 7 PM

The Town Commission meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Pre-meeting agenda conferences are held on meeting nights beginning at 6 PM.

#### Board of Adjustment

Meets as needed on the third Tuesday of the month at 3:30 PM

#### Planning & Zoning

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

#### Parking Hearing

FEB. 28 - 6 PM

#### Code Compliance

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

#### Master Plan Steering Committee

FEB. 3 - 6 PM\*

FEB. 21 - 6 PM\*\*

\*Meets in Jarvis Hall.

\*\*Meets in Development Services Department. Citizens are invited to attend these meetings.

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.

## Property Owners' Association includes entire Town

**By Cindy Geesey**  
Property Owners Association

From Bel Air to Codrington and from El Mar to West Tradewinds, if you own property anywhere in Town, you're welcome at the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Property Owners' Association meetings**.

We feature interesting speakers who inform us about real estate prices, property taxes, developments, ideas on how to safeguard and increase your investment and Town projects. All areas of the Town are included. Local restaurants also generously provide delicious munchies for your enjoyment.

### Walk for the Animals set for Sat., March 5th

Join the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Sandy Paws Pack** at the **Walk for the Animals** on Saturday, March 5th. Get donation pledges,

### Annual meeting dates

Below are meeting dates for the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Property Owners' Association** this year. Meetings are held in **Jarvis Hall** starting at 7 PM.

**MARCH 23**

**MAY 11**

**JULY 27**

**OCT. 12**

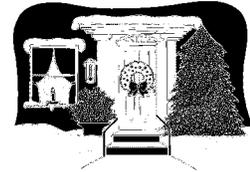
**DEC. 7**

enjoy a fun stroll down Las Olas Boulevard, receive prizes for you and Fido and know that you helped homeless animals at the **Humane Society of Broward County**.

You can also make a donation in

honor of your pet or in memory of one who lives now just in your heart.

### POA announces its 2004 decoration contest winners



Thanks to all those residents and businesses who made this holiday season so festive! And kudos to our holiday decoration contest judges:

**Bob Terrien and Maureen Stanton, Lindsay Braverman and Dwayne Turner, Rob and Janell Duritsa, Dave and Krissy Gadsby, Ruby Sokol and Bob Schuyler, and Michael and Ellen Arker.**

The contest winners are listed in the box below.

**You can contact President Cindy Geesey at 954-776-5974.** □

## Holiday contest decoration winners announced

### SINGLE FAMILY

#### First Place

3261 Spanish River / Vitollo/Weber

#### Second Place (Tie)

256 Imperial Lane / Geesey

#### Second Place (Tie)

1615 SE 19th Ave. / Eid

#### Fourth Place (Tie)

2100 SE 19th St. / Lamantia

#### Fourth Place (Tie)

223 Bombay Avenue / Brady

#### Fourth Place (Tie)

222 Bombay Avenue / Chevy

### MULTI-FAMILY/APTS

#### First Place

4528 Poinciana / La Florida Apts.

#### Second Place

258 Neptune / Reitano

#### Third Place

4488 Seagrape / Decamill



#### Fourth Place

263 Neptune / Waller

### CONDOS

#### First Place

5100 N. Ocean / Sea Ranch A

#### Second Place

1800 N. Ocean / Hampton Beach Club

#### Third Place

4900 N. Ocean / Sea Ranch C

#### Fourth Place

5000 N. Ocean / Sea Ranch B

### HOTELS/MOTELS

#### First Place

4424 El Mar Drive

High Noon / Seafoam / Nautilus

### Second Place

4110 El Mar Drive / Villa Caprice

### Third Place

4616 El Mar Drive / Tropic Seas

### RESTAURANTS

#### First Place

1 Commercial Blvd. / Aruba

#### Second Place

4400 North Ocean / Athena

#### Third Place

Commercial & El Mar / Mulligan's

#### Fourth Place

Commercial & El Mar / Village Grille

### BUSINESS

#### First Place

217 Commercial / Rossi Jewelers

#### Second Place

235 A Commercial / Interior Digs

#### Third Place

236 Commercial / Jo-An's Papers

#### Fourth Place

237B Commercial / Sandbox Junction

## **Sister Cities grateful for donations of medical equipment for San Isidro**

By Dr. Kenneth S. Most  
Sister Cities Association

The **Sister Cities Association's** collection of medical equipment for **San Isidro, Peru**, has begun and we are grateful to those firms and persons who have contributed wheelchairs, walkers, crutches and even a hoist to transfer a disabled person from a bed to a wheelchair. Donations will continue to be received at the **Community Church**. You can also arrange to have them picked up by calling 954-946-1783.



The Sister Cities Association's first **International Soccer Competition** will be held in March. We are also planning a **Peruvian Night Out** in April. Call the same number for more information. These fund-raising events will be in aid of our projects to assist the poor and disabled of San Isidro, and any contribution (of money, goods or services) will be gratefully received. □

### **The Community Performing Arts Center of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea presents ...**



**FEB. 5TH**

**The Hal Schaefer Trio**

**GENTLEMEN GENIUS OF THE PIANO**

**FEB. 19TH**

**Bethany Owen**

**ONE VOICE - 50 CELEBRITY STARS**

**FEB. 23RD - 26TH**

**'Six in the City'**

**DINNER SHOW! A NEW, ORIGINAL COMEDY BY VINCENT J. RAGUSA!**

**For tickets and info, call 954-202-2666.**

## Visitor's Guide available at Chamber's Welcome Center

The 2005 LBTS Visitor's Guide, produced by the LBTS Chamber of Commerce, is now available at the Welcome Center at 4201 Ocean Drive.

You will find information on all Chamber business members, important phone numbers, travel information and some facts about

our Town you might not have known.

The glossy, 4-color guide has more information than ever before to help residents and visitors alike.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Chamber of Commerce Executive Director **Judy Swaggerty** sold a record amount of advertising.

Committee Chair **Cindy Geesey** worked on creative ideas and a new crisp look for the publication.

**Michael Feinstein** of Print Dynamics in Fort Lauderdale produced a Visitor's Guide that truly reflects the personality of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. Stop by and pick up your free copy today! □



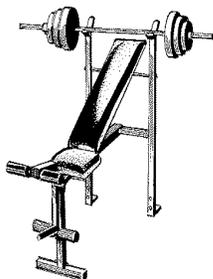
**For Sale**

Brand new double stroller.  
Call 954-772-5117.



**For Sale**

Men's bench. Press with bar & weights. Snorkel equipment. Rollerblades, size 8, Black. Hanging shelf - white. Call 954-784-8230.



**For Sale**

Electric scooter. Rascal 3-wheel with chair lift. Was \$4K and hardly used. \$1,500 or best offer. Call 954-771-2689.

### BSO District 13 Police Blotter

**12/01/04**

A subject was arrested at 6000 N. Ocean Drive on a warrant reference operating a vehicle without a license and driving with a suspended license.

**12/05/04**

A subject was arrested at 4343 N. Ocean Drive on an active felony for violation of parole.

**12/07/04**

A subject was arrested at 4420 N. Ocean Drive on an active warrant reference driving with a suspended license.

**12/07/04**

- A subject was arrested at 221 Commercial Blvd., for driving under the influence, expired tag, driving with a suspended license and no proof of insurance.

- A subject was arrested at 4420 North Ocean Drive on an active warrant reference driving with a suspended license.

**12/09/04**

A subject was arrested at 4200 N. Ocean Drive on an active capias.

**12/12/04**

A subject was arrested at 1480 S. Ocean Drive for carrying concealed brass knuckles.

**12/13/04**

- A subject was arrested at 5400 N. Ocean Boulevard for loitering and prowling.



- A subject was arrested at 1501 S. Ocean Boulevard for domestic battery.

- A subject was arrested at El Prado and El Mar Drive for driving with a suspended license.

**12/14/04**

A subject was arrested in the 3200 block of Ocean Drive for two outstanding warrants reference trespassing.

**12/16/04**

A subject was arrested at 4625 Poinciana Street for domestic battery.

**12/19/04**

A subject was arrested at 200 Commercial Blvd., on a misdemeanor warrant out of Monroe County.

**12/22/04**

A subject was arrested at 4305 Bougainville Drive for two active warrants out of Broward County for possession of controlled substance and alcohol violation.

**12/30/04**

A subject was arrested in the 3500 block of N. Ocean Boulevard for driving with a suspended license and an active capias for driving with a suspended license.

## 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: Derek Lewin Tel: 954-782-8071.

#### **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 at 6 PM at Damon's.

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

#### **Optimist Club**

Meets Second Wednesday at 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 at 11 AM

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

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

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

### CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

#### **Chamber of Commerce**

4201 Ocean Drive Tel: 954-776-1000.

MON-SUN: 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 at 7:30 PM in Hillsboro Beach 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 (Vigil).

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

DAILY: Monday-Friday 9 AM.

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

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 & Sunday School:

10:30 AM. Wed. Meeting: 7:30 PM. Reading Room: M-S

10:30 AM - 1:30 PM. Tel: 954-772-0424

**THE COMMUNITY CHURCH  
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND ITS**



**'TREASURES & BARGAINS'  
ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 12  
8 AM to 2 PM**

Clothing, jewelry, toys, linens, furniture,  
books, collectables, kitchen ware, raffle,  
refreshments and much, much more!!!

**DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE CHURCH!  
STOP BY OR PLEASE CALL 954-776-5530.**

**Sponsored by the Women's Association of the  
Community Church of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea  
4433 Bougainvillea Drive, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea.**

**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

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