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REEF PROJECT UPDATE

The Town Commission agreed to spend up to \$60,000 to help a non-profit organization build a steel-frame artificial reef that uses



a low-level electric current to help accelerate coral growth.

Thomas Goreau, president of Global

Coral Reef Alliance, a non-profit organization based in Cambridge, Mass., first outlined his idea to the Commission in July 2005. The Commission at the time asked former Commissioner Marc Furth, a scuba diver, to study the artificial reef proposal.

The Commission last month agreed to allocate \$15,000 this fiscal year to help Goreau get started with the paperwork necessary to obtain local, state and federal permits before the artificial reef project can proceed.

DOG BEACH UPDATE

The Town Commission will not set aside an area of the beach in Town for people to take their dogs.

The Commission held a workshop on June 6 to review the issue, but decided not to pursue the matter after concerns were raised about health risks to beachgoers.

Terra Mar residents will be notified when to hook into new sewer system

Terra Mar homeowners will soon be required to hook-up to the Town's new sewer system following the completion of Phase I of its \$5 million sewer project.

Engineers under contract for the Town recently completed testing the new Terra Mar lift station (*see photo on Page 5*) on East Terra Mar Drive. The station will pump sewage from Terra Mar Island to the **City of Pompano Beach**, where it will be treated.

"The testing went well," said **Bill Mason**, the Town's **Municipal Services Director**. "Everything is ready to start up."

Town Consulting Engineer Kevin Hart said Terra Mar homeowners will be required to abandon their septic tanks and connect to the sewer system within 90 days after being notified by the Town per Ordinance 2005-08.

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Three debris pick-ups planned should a hurricane strike this year

One of the biggest post-hurricane challenges for property owners is debris removal. After a powerful hurricane hits any area, local homeowners face the task of picking up shingles, housing debris, tree limbs, palm fronds and other vegetation.



If their house is damaged, homeowners may also have screened porches, awnings, roofing debris, storage sheds or other construction material that needs to be removed.

Town Municipal Services Director William Mason said **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea** plans three separate townwide debris pick-up sweeps if a hurricane hits us this year.

"People should put any debris curbside as quickly as possible after they return to their homes," said Mason, emphasizing that all Town residents are required to evacuate east of **U.S. 1** once a **Hurricane Warning** is issued for

South Florida.

Mason said it's hard to precisely predict when the first debris pick-up will

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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.

July POA meeting will highlight landscaping

By **Cindy Geesey**
 Property Owners Association

Landscaping and gardening experts will speak at the next meeting of the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea**

Property Owners Association at 7 PM on July 12 in **Jarvis Hall**.

The meeting will feature **Diana Guidry of NatureScape Broward**.

Meeting topics will include the use of native plants, how to increase

your home's value through landscaping, balcony gardening and water gardens. A representative of the **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Garden Club** will also speak on the activities of that organization.

The 2006 Hometown Hero will also be recognized and plans for **Oktoberfest** will be discussed. A light snack will be served starting at 6:45 PM.

Membership is open to all property owners in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. The cost is \$10 for the entire year.

For more information, call 954-776-5974 with any questions and ideas for meeting topics. □

NATURESCAPE

NatureScape Broward is an educational outreach program sponsored by the **Broward County Commission**.

A Sunrise family recently received a brand new yard worth \$50,000.

A team of landscape experts designed the family's yard according to NatureScape Broward landscaping principles, which focuses on simple ways to create environmentally friendly yards that conserve water, reduce pollution and provide native habitat for wildlife. For more info, go to

www.broward.org/naturescape.

MEETINGS GUIDE

Town Commission

NO AUGUST MEETINGS

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

AUGUST 16 - 6:30 PM

Parking Hearing

AUGUST 28 - 6 PM

Code Compliance

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

Master Plan Steering Committee

AUGUST 21 - 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
- 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.

SKATING CHAMPION!



HER OWN DAY: Oct. 27 was officially declared "Hyaat Aldahwi Day" by the Town Commission back on June 13th.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea resident Hyaat Aldahwi, 7, was recognized by the Mayor and Town Commission in June after taking two first place finishes in the Florida Sunshine Games Figure Skating Championships. Hyaat is the daughter of Town residents Hayder and Angela Aldahwi. The Commission presented Hyaat with a proclamation on June 13th and declared Oct. 27th – her birthday – as "Hyaat Aldahwi Day" in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. Hyaat represented the Town during the Florida Sunshine Games competition in May in Coral Springs. Hyatt said she has been skating for five years.

LBTS Woman's Club installs new officers

The **Lauderdale by the Sea Woman's Club** met for its annual installation of officers luncheon in April at the **Deerfield Country Club**.

The club was entertained by wonderful accordion music and members sang and danced.

The club's outgoing president, **Addie Williams**, received a beautiful set of candle holders from the members in appreciation of all of her efforts over the past two years. During her presidency, the club got a new roof, remodeled the meeting room and received a fresh coat of interior paint.

The club survived **Hurricane Wilma** and pulled together for a clubhouse cleanup.

The officers for the upcoming year are: **Betty Buttel**, President; **Linda Collins**, First Vice President; **Jane Perrin**, Second Vice President; **Gloria Walker**, Treasurer; **Virginia Eckersley**, Recording Secretary; **Jessie Quellman**, Corresponding Secretary, and **Ven Endsley**, Parliamentarian.

Jane Perrin will also be in charge of programs while Addie Williams will be the club's new Historian. **Ad Wilson** is our liaison with the Town and her efforts helping out are appreciated.

The Lauderdale by the Sea Woman's Club was founded in 1948 and still stands today on Tradewinds Avenue. If you are looking for a great group of ladies who love to play bridge and games, call us on Wednesdays at 954-772-0707. For information about upcoming events, call **Linda Collins** 954-234-6662. □

HURRICANE FAIR



Meteorologist Erik Salna was among more than 16 exhibitors at the Town's Hurricane Preparedness Fair in May. The event attracted about 75 people. The Town wishes to thank the following for donating \$25 gift certificates for door prizes: Aruba, Athena-By-The-Sea, Mulligan's and the Village Grille.

BACK on the MARKET

For Sale

33 1/3 RPM phonographic recordings. Opera, symphony, male & female vocalists, plus others. Sony Receiver Techniques Quartz Turntable. Two speakers. Call 954-202-0234.

OPTIMIST CLUB YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME
BOYS & GIRLS AGES 6 to 12

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

Chamber strives to support entire community

By Bob Terrien

LBTS Chamber President

The **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Chamber of Commerce** is a little different and, I hope you will agree, a little better.

Most Chambers strive to provide business contacts and solid business leads, expand potential business opportunities and increase networking. While we share those worthy objectives, our goals are broader in scope. We are also 100 percent committed to our two stated objectives of promoting:

- A positive image of the business community to the Town.

- A positive image of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea to the world.

But the biggest difference between ourselves and other chambers is our interest in the community. Many of the Chamber's **Board of Directors** and members reside in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea or have long histories associated with it. We are very proud of the fact that 10 of our 15 directors live in Town in addition to being business people. We are not only your neighbors, but community volunteers who strive to improve our Town. Our major annual events, **Taste of the Beach** and **Christmas-By-The-Sea**, are well attended by Town residents. **Jazz on the Square**, first initiated by the Chamber and now sponsored by a valued director, **Dave Gadsby**, is a favorite with many locals. The 30-foot Christmas tree was also the brainchild of Mr. Gadsby. The fund drive was sponsored by the Chamber and financed by local businesses and a few residents to the tune of \$30,000 plus. The annual **Fish Fry** was started as a reminder of the original cookout held on the beach as a sales promotion for land first sold in the Town.

Many residents use the Chamber as a source of information and regularly pick up our Visitors Guide to send to family and friends who

**The Chamber
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are planning a trip here.

One reason we want businesses in Town to be successful is so they can pay their fair share of taxes. Residents are always concerned about property values. Every time we present a positive image of the Town, we raise awareness and interest in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. This translates to a more valued community and higher property value.

Many Chamber directors and members are among the most active citizens in the community. They've served as mayors, commissioners, Planning & Zoning and Board of Adjustment members, **Fourth of July** celebration co-chairs, directors on many Town organization boards, officers of the **LBTS Property Owners Association** and volunteers for many Town events. They make positive contributions every day.

Our board of directors consists of 15 members, 10 from the business/merchant category and five hotel/motel members. Within the board we have an Executive Committee comprised of four members with over 136 years of business experience and with many years of service to the Chamber and the Town.

We have a merchant liaison and hotel liaison on our Board; these sub-committees are very effective in reaching out to all our members.

Director positions are open to all members. An election is held every November to replace or re-elect half of the members, in accordance with Chamber By-laws. We are very mindful of our responsibilities and the faith the **Town Commission** has put in our organization. Therefore, we are very careful about every dollar we spend and are audited yearly. We are also scrupulous about adhering to the By-Laws. If any resident has a question about our operations, please don't hesitate to call me at 954-776-1000.

We have been very successful in the past three years in adding 100 new Chamber members, thanks to the great efforts of **Judy Swaggerty**, our executive director. With the support and leadership of the Board of Directors, Judy has excelled in membership recruiting and in providing advertising opportunities for our members. She has trained her staff very well to provide

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occur. "Everything depends on the severity of the storm," he said.

As always, homeowners should separate vegetation from construction debris when placing any material on the curb for pick-up.

If a homeowner misses all three hurricane related pick-ups, Mason said, the debris will still be picked up during the Town's regular monthly bulk pick-ups, as long as homeowners comply with Town bulk pick-up regulations (*see box*).

Debris will also be picked up if it is small enough to be placed in a homeowner's garbage can. Mason said if a homeowner needs to hire a contractor to make major repairs, the contractor will remove construction debris as part of the contract.

Unlike last year, Mason said the Town will pick up hurricane debris along State Road A1A (Ocean Drive). The removal of debris along A1A, a state road, took a long time because the state was responsible.

The Town wanted to remove the debris itself, but did not because FEMA would not reimburse the cost. Mason said the Town will pick up debris on A1A after the next hurricane, because reimbursement is now available through the Federal Highway Administration. □

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her the time to visit existing members and to recruit new ones. In the last five years, some businesses outside the Town have found it advantageous to join us, a win win for all.

We are thankful to the 2003 Board of Directors for their foresight to enter into a partnership with the Town Commission. That five-year contract allows us to continue to operate the Visitors Center, which attracts more than 25,000 tourists a year.

We invite you to drop by the Visitors Center, meet our staff and volunteers and see what we have to offer both the businesses and residents of our Town. ■

LBTS BULK WASTE GUIDELINES

Single-family and duplex residential bulk collection guidelines:

— Bulk waste is to be placed not more than 5-feet from the curb or roadway in front of the residence.

— All yard or horticultural waste must be placed in toters or properly tied and bundled in lengths not exceeding 6-feet in length, 4-inches in diameter and 50 pounds in weight.

ACCEPTABLE BULK WASTE

— Household goods including appliances, furniture, mattresses, toys, carpets (bundled and tied in correct lengths and weight as set forth above), and other items normally and usually found in a residential household.

— Incidental/minimal debris from home improvement projects performed by the resident. Contractor-generated debris and waste materials will not be

accepted.

— Horticultural and yard waste as set forth above. Contractor-generated horticultural and yard waste shall not be accepted.

UNACCEPTABLE BULK WASTE

— Tree stumps, tree trunks, limbs and branches not meeting the size and weight limits mentioned earlier.

Construction debris generated by a contractor; construction debris generated by a home improvement project done by a resident that is more than incidental to the project. Construction debris includes concrete blocks, bricks, roofing material, drywall, paint, plywood and other materials produced by construction, remodeling, repair or demolition.

Automobile or marine parts, engines.

— Hazardous, bio-hazardous and other regulated wastes. □

LIFT STATION TEST SUCCESSFUL



MEN AT WORK: Engineers in June successfully tested the lift station on Terra Mar Island.

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Hart said the Town will notify Terra Mar homeowners to begin the process of hooking up once Broward County officially accepts the new system.

Homeowners can expect to be notified by the Town to start connecting to the sewer system sometime this summer.

Hart said construction on Phase II of the Town's sewer project — installing sewers in **Bel Air** — is scheduled to start during the 2006-07 Fiscal Year. □

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

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

Contact: Cheryl Hess Tel: 954-942-9259.

Kiwanis Club

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

Contact: Sec. -- Kaye Yanni Tel: 954-491-9737.

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, Damon's Grill.

Contact: Mike San Miguel Tel: 954-647-7752.

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.

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.

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
Fried 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 POLICE BLOTTER

05/02/06

A subject was arrested on a DUI felony warrant at 1 Commercial Blvd.

05/07/06

A subject was arrested at 4348 Ocean Drive for not possessing a motorcycle endorsement and no visible tag.

05/13/06

A subject was arrested in the 4500 block of El Mar Drive on a warrant reference possession of cannabis.

05/15/06

A subject was arrested on a Writ of Arrest for failure to pay child support at 2 Commercial Blvd.



05/16/06

A subject was arrested at 4241 El Mar Drive for failure to register vehicle and driving with a suspended license.

05/24/06

A subject was arrested on a warrant reference theft to deprive at 4648 Poinciana St. The subject was intoxicated.

05/24/06

A subject was arrested at 4116 Ocean Drive for violation of parole in California (weapons — no bond). Contact was made with subject during a disturbance.

05/26/06

A subject was arrested for domestic battery out of Nevada at 200 Hibiscus Ave.

05/31/06

A subject was arrested on a confirmed active capias during a traffic stop at 1900 South Ocean Blvd.

KEY PHONE NUMBERS

MAYOR OLIVER PARKER

H: 954-772-6468 / C: 954-599-6468

VICE MAYOR JOHN YANNI

H: 954-491-9737 / C: 954-605-6274

MAYOR PRO TEM CHUCK CLARK

H: 954-786-5244 / C: 954-610-7436

COMMISSIONER JERRY McINTEE

H: 954-943-8539 / C: 716-868-3333

COMMISSIONER JIM SILVERSTONE

H: 954-771-0355 / C: 954-232-8340

TOWN OFFICES

TOWN HALL: 954-776-0576

BUILDING / CODE COMPLIANCE / 954-776-3611

MUNICIPAL SERVICES / 954-776-5119

POLICE & FIRE

EMERGENCY / 911

LBTS BSO OFFICE / 954-491-3920

SHIFT COMMANDER CELL / 954-275-9939

FIRE & RESCUE OFFICE / 954-831-8200

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