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Gateway Thanksgiving

By Diane Emeott

a happy holiday. The voling Outreach on Nov. 20,

out to people's cars for Some 32 volunteers from Thanksgiving. Brown bags Weatherby Healthcare in contained boxes of mashed Ft. Lauderdale spent their potatoes and stuffing, cans Tuesday before Thanksgiv- of green beans, corn and ing helping others in the carrots. Reusable tote bags Deerfield community have were filled with fresh potatoes, onion and celery. The unteers, who worked either last stop on the line was

the morning or afternoon to pick up fresh butter, eggs shift at the annual 10 a.m. to and Publix refrigerated pastry 2 p.m. Gateway Thanksgiv-dough for pies – a real treat!

One of the volunteers said assisted in carrying turkeys they had 130 bags ready for and bags full of all the fixin's people who had already signed



up. The 130 families represent over 500 people within their households, added Denise Chavez of Gateway Community Outreach.

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(1) Weatherby Healthcare assists at Nov. 20 Gateway Thanksgiving Outreach. (2) Zach Nelson (R) assists Chanel McCloud with her Thanksgiving items. (3) Passing out fresh butter, eggs, pastry dough. (L to R): Tracia Paisley, Julie McLean, Carol Fernaays. (4) Denise Chavez and Gateway Founder & CEO Carol Ray are hard at work grant writing.

Ocean Way Holiday Celebration

The 5th Annual Deerfield Road closures: Celebration, presented by the Deerfield Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, will be held Saturday, Dec. 1, at the International Fishing Pier (200 NE 21 Ave). Festivities will begin at 5 p.m. and run until 9 p.m.

Come out for a family night of fun while walking the parade of lights display. Take your photo with Santa. Step into a life-size snow globe. Enjoy snow flurries, kid's activities, live reindeer, an ice skating rink and entertainment throughout the event! Be sure not to miss the special Holiday Character Show from 7 to 8:30 p.m., followed by a character meet and greet. Arts and crafts, as well as refreshments and food will be available for purchase.

Pier parking lot will be closed at 6 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1 and will reopen around 11 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1.

• On Saturday, Dec. 1, at 10 a.m., A1A and NE2 Street will be closed to Ocean Way (NE 21 Avenue) and NE 20 Terrace and will reopen around 11 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 1.

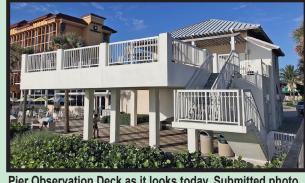
• On Saturday, Dec. 1, at 6 a.m., all parallel parking spaces along Ocean Way (NE 21 Avenue) from NE 1 Street to Hillsboro Boulevard will be closed until Sunday, Dec. 2 during regular parking hours.

Parking/Shuttle:

Parking on the barrier island will be limited during the event. Complimentary parking will be available at The Cove Shopping Center

(1500 E. Hillsboro Blvd.). Beach Ocean Way Holiday • The International Fishing Attendees can make the short walk across the bridge to the event or take the complimentary shuttle service between The Cove Shopping Center and the beach. The shuttle service will run continuously from 4:30 to 9:30 pm.

For more information, visit www.dfb.city/owh or call 954-480-4429.



Pier Observation Deck as it looks today. Submitted photo.

Pier Observation Deck to get expanded roof

By Diane Emeott

got the go-ahead from Deer- fix in the near future." field Beach CRA Board to befor the pier observation deck discussed. at the Nov. 13 CRA meeting.

velopment Agency (CRA) unified and consistent." Board is next slated to meet on Tuesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. at Deerfield Beach City Hallthe next opportunity for three schematic design concepts from Carlson to be presented, would attract Iguanas and from least to most expensive.

The CRA Board unanimously approved Carlson's contract for an amount not to exceed \$18,000.

CRA Director Kris Mory an issue. said that while the pier observation deck structure is only 6 years old, "it's already showing signs of aging."

Said CRA Board Member Joe Miller, "I was there today. One option is NOT to extend tural canopy that currently covers only a portion of the described it as a "bird's nest and a bird mess," referring to roost there.

Board Chair Bill Ganz

agreed, saying, "The pigeon Architect Kenneth Carlson issue is something we should

The merits of a flat roof gin designing a roof extension vs. a pitched roof were also

Resident Michael Hudak The Community Rede- said, "We need something

Resident Rita Masi said, "I hope you are very careful with what you do put there."

She asked the Board "not to put any plants there that the like."

Board Member Todd Drosky remarked on the fact that with no awning structure, the winds and storms become

"I would NOT like to see the architect take whatever design concepts he comes up with all the way to the end [of the pier observation deck]," Drosky added.

Board Member Bernie Parthe pergola — a slatted struc- ness said he liked the idea of a retractable roof.

After an initial meeting observation deck. Miller with staff at the site, Carlson suggested extending the pergola to the end of the what happens when pigeons observation deck to provide additional cover.

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Quite a view! (View of International Fishing Pier from atop Pier Observation Deck).

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