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News You Can Use

CROSSWALK AND SIDEWALK ADDITION ON MCINTOSH ROAD ACROSS FROM PINESTONE

Sarasota County will be adding a crosswalk and sidewalk to an area on McIntosh, across from Pinestone Condominium starting **Monday, December 19th**. Please use caution while driving in the area.



HERON CLUB AT PRESTANCIA IS HOSTING AN ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Heron Club, located at 3749 Sarasota Square Blvd., is hosting an Alzheimer's Support Group. Their next meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 20th at 10:30am**. For more information or to RSVP, contact Laurie Blackwell at Heron Club (941) 922-1669.

STONEBROOK GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB - HOSTING FRIDAY NIGHT TRIVIA NEXT WEEK!

Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club, located at 8801 Stoneybrook Blvd., is hosting Trivia Night next Friday, December 23rd. Call (941) 918-9595 for more information or to RSVP.

SARASOTA AUDUBON SOCIETY – BIRD WATCHING TOURS

Sarasota Audubon Society is hosting bird watching field trips on Thursdays, throughout the month of **December (next tours scheduled for December 22nd and 29th)** at Oscar Scherer State Park, 1843 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey. Park opens 8:00am and park entrance fee applies. No reservations necessary.

INVITATIONS FROM COVENANT LIFE CHURCH

Covenant Life Church, located at 8490 McIntosh Road, has issued an invitation to attend their services planned for the Christmas holiday. **Sunday, December 18th at 6:00pm** is the children's Christmas Pageant. Come see the children present: *The Very First Christmas: Not Just a Baby in a Manger!* There will be two Christmas Eve services on **Saturday, December 24th**. The **5:30pm** Modern Service will feature the worship band, while the **7:30pm** Classic Service will feature the choir and classic hymns. Both are candlelight services. There will also be one service on **Sunday, December 25th at 10:30am**.

LETTER FROM VILLAGEWALK RESIDENT LLOYD NURICK – [SEE ATTACHED](#)

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AROUND PALMER RANCH

It is a treat to drive around Palmer Ranch and see the festive holiday decorations on community entrances. Here's some of the festive flavors seen throughout the property.





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Save the Date

SARASOTA COUNTY NEIGHBORHOOD 2017 GRANT WORKSHOPS

Sarasota County's Neighborhood Initiative Grant Program is accepting applications to fund changes that neighborhood groups wish to see in their communities. The program, which was enacted in 2002, provides up to \$10,000 per neighborhood in matching grants. Dates for the next round of Neighborhood Initiative Grant workshops are available at www.scgov.net (keywords: neighborhood grants). Although workshop attendance is mandatory for grant applicants, there is no cost to register, and materials are provided. Deadline for the next round of grant applications is **Tuesday, January 10, 2017**. To learn more about the program or register for a workshop, call the Sarasota County Contact Center at (941) 861-5000 or email neighbor@scgov.net.

TURTLE ROCK COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Turtle Rock will be having its annual "Trash to Treasure" sale on **Saturday, February 25, 2017 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** Gates at both the North (Palmer Ranch Pkwy.) entrance and South (Central Sarasota Pkwy.) entrance will be opened at 8 a.m.

2017 TOUR DE PARKS – SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017

Friends of The Legacy Trail and the Sarasota Manatee Bicycle Club will once again be teaming up to organize this great bike ride next year. The date for the 2017 Tour de Parks ride has been set for **Sunday, March 26, 2017**. More information to follow.



Did you know!?

Did you know that you can **LIKE** us on Facebook through our Palmer Ranch website!?! Just visit www.palmer ranch.net, then scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click the find us on Facebook Icon!

ON THE GROUNDS

Click to learn about some of the flora on Palmer Ranch

The park-like setting of the community surrounding the association neighborhoods is maintained by the Palmer Ranch Master Property Owners Association.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Central Sarasota Parkway / Honore Avenue Intersection
Sarasota County staff will be installing interim improvements ... [read more »](#)

Palmer Ranch Community Center
We are pleased to announce that plans are underway for the Master Association to build a much needed Community Center on Palmer Ranch. [read more »](#)

Flashing Lights at The Legacy Trail
Many pedestrians and cyclists are pushing the button to activate the flashing lights at the Legacy Trail crossing at Central Sarasota Parkway. [read more »](#)

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News from Sarasota County

COUNTY DESIGNATES 71 PARKS AS 'DOG FRIENDLY'

The Sarasota County Commission has approved a resolution designating 71 Sarasota County parks and preserves in north and south county as "dog friendly." These are sites where dogs are welcome, but must be leashed at all times.

Designation of sites is necessary as Sarasota County Code prohibits dogs, cats and other pets in county-owned parks but allows for areas to be specifically designated for activities involving animals such as dogs.

The need for additional dog parks and dog-friendly parks was identified in the county's 2016 Parks, Preserves and Recreation Strategic Master Plan. The initial sites designated as dog-friendly in 2012 have been popular and are regularly used by park visitors with their dogs.

"Sarasota County parks are for families, and for many of us, our dogs are part of the family," said Carolyn Brown, director of Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources. "We heard very clearly from the public during our master plan process that dog-friendly locations are a priority need for the community, and we're happy to fill that need."

The following guidelines will continue to apply in those areas designated as dog friendly:

- All dogs must be kept on a hand-held, 6-foot maximum leash, and under the physical control of a person at all times.
- It is the responsibility of each dog owner to bring appropriate pet waste bags and immediately pick up and properly dispose of waste.
- Dogs are not allowed in playgrounds, athletic fields or other areas not designated for dogs on leash.

The dog-friendly designation will take effect Jan. 1, 2017.

In addition to dog-friendly parks, Sarasota County operates and maintains five dog (or paw) parks at 17th Street Park, Lakeview Park, Arlington Park, Woodmere Park and South Brohard Beach. Dog parks are places where dogs can safely be off-leash in a fenced area specifically designed for such use, often with associated amenities.

For more information and a list of the county's dog-friendly park locations, visit www.scgov.net/parks or call the Sarasota County Contact Center at (941) 861-5000.

Dear Neighbors,

It is that time of year when many of us make our charitable contributions. Through the generosity of the Palmer Ranch Master Property Association, several of us are offering, in the weekly newsletter, suggestions for your charitable gifts.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States. It has many forms; one of the more terrible types is multiple myeloma. It is a blood cancer that grows in the bone marrow and over time causes a variety of problems that eventually lead to death. Thus far, there is no cure—only delay.

The American Cancer Society's estimates for multiple myeloma in the United States for 2016 are:

- * About 30,330 new cases will be diagnosed (17,900 in men and 12,430 in women).
- * About 12,650 deaths are expected to occur (6,430 in men and 6,220 in women).

My daughter was diagnosed with this disease at the age of 37. She had a wonderful, caring, physician husband and two (pardon the proud grandpa) brilliant young boys. For almost nine years, she had dangerous clinical trials, more than a dozen fractures in her back, a spontaneous hip fracture and replacement, renal failure, dozens of blood transfusions, too many hospitalizations to count, pain that made everyone cry, and exhaustion. Despite her strong desire to live, to see her boys mature, to enjoy life, she died too young on the fourth of July, 2015 at age 46.

If not for the research that has developed a large number of clinical trials that are extending the lives of multiple myeloma victims, she would have died a number of years sooner. One of the most important organizations raising funds for research and development of new treatments is the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation.

The MMRF has a unique model to break down barriers to traditional cancer research. It provides the only end-to-end solution in cancer research. It is based on three interrelated pillars: The Data Bank, The Learning Network and The Clinic. This model is fueled by information and data sharing, collaborative expertise, technology, speed, and urgency. Applying this innovative model to precision medicine—getting patients the right treatment at the right time—puts the promise of a cure within reach. It is the most effective approach in cancer research today.

Almost 90% of the MMRF total budget goes directly to research and related programming, consistently earning this non-profit top rankings from the nation's leading charity evaluators.

Please join me in contributing to this worthwhile charity. Donations can be sent to:

Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation
383 Main Avenue, 5th Floor
Norwalk, CT 06851

Thank you.

Lloyd Nurick
Resident of VillageWalk