



ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – APRIL 14, 2017

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EASTER SERVICES AND EVENTS AT COVENANT LIFE CHURCH ON PALMER RANCH

Covenant Life is located at 8490 McIntosh Road. For information please visit: www.covenantlifepca.com

Good Friday Service – **Friday, April 14th at 7:00pm**

Easter Egg Hunt – **Saturday, April 15th at 10:00am** (infants to 5th grade)

Easter Services – **Sunday, April 16th at 9:00am** (modern service), **11:15am** (classic service)

STONEBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB – SUMMER SCHEDULE - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! -[FLYER ATTACHED](#)

HERON CLUB AT PRESTANCIA - 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, April 18th at 10:30am**. For more information or to RSVP, contact Laurie Blackwell at Heron Club (941) 922-1669.



TPC PRESTANCIA IS HOSTING TED TALKS - APRIL 20TH

Join in on the conversation, featuring guest speaker David Houle on **Thursday, April 20th from 4:00pm to 5:00pm** at TPC Prestancia. RSVP to amarcotte@heritagegolfgroup.com or call (941) 922-2800, ext. 3237.

BIRD WALK AT OSCAR SCHERER STATE PARK WITH SARASOTA AUDUBON SOCIETY

Every Thursday from 8:30am to 11:00am through the month of April, join the Sarasota Audubon Society for a Bird Walk through Oscar Scherer State Park, located at 1843 South Tamiami Trail, in Osprey. Search for Florida Scrub Jays and many more. Meet inside the park at the Nature Center. Park fee applies. Alternating leaders are Joyce Leary (508) 737-8954 or Peter Brown (508) 241-5541.

28TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY CELEBRATION!

Friends of Oscar Scherer State Park are throwing a party in honor of Earth Day **Saturday, April 22nd from 10:00am to 4:00pm**. Did you know that the first Earth Day occurred in 1970 and was started by the ecology movement in the U.S.? Come celebrate Earth Day at Oscar Scherer State Park with live music, full-filled activities for kids, various environmental and informational booths and more! Oscar Scherer is located at 1843 S Tamiami Trail, in Osprey.



TPC PRESTANCIA HOSTS LUNCHEON APRIL 25TH

Tuesday, April 25th 11:30am – 1:00pm, TPC Prestancia will be hosting a Palmer Ranch Luncheon, featuring special guest speaker Christine Johnson. Christine will share about protecting the bays, beaches and barriers of the beautiful Florida Gulf Coast. Cost: \$20.00 (includes tax and gratuity) cash or member charge accepted. RSVP by April 23rd, call (941) 922-2800 x1 or email dsmith@heritagegolfgroup.com



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FREE DIRECTOR CERTIFICATION COURSE

Local business partners are presenting the required Director Certification Course, free of charge, on **Thursday, April 27th from noon to 2pm**. Class will be held at TPC Prestancia, 4409 TPC Drive. Lunch buffet included with the free seminar. To register, you must RSVP to Epittman@kevinwells.com by 12:00 noon the Monday before the event. Space is limited.



HEALTHY KIDS DAY AT THE YMCA

Evalyn Sadlier Jones Branch YMCA will be hosting Healthy Kids Day on **Friday, April 28th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm**. The YMCA is located at 8301 Potter Park Drive. Event is free and open to the public. For more information visit <https://www.sarasotaymca.org/healthykidsday> or call (941) 922-9622.

Artists of Palmer Ranch, Featured Artist – Liz Ann Thomas

Liz Ann Thomas is from upstate N.Y., and has been a Sarasota resident for twenty years. Primarily an oil painter, she has been creating art for fifteen years. She paints portraits of women of olde, flowers, as well as rural landscapes. Painting almost every day Liz Ann's goal is to create beauty for people to enjoy. She believes that life is too short to dwell on negative subjects when there is so much beauty around us to see. She tries to convey this in her paintings. Ms. Thomas paints in the style of the Old Masters using Realism and Impressionism. One of her teachers was the Master Russian portrait artist, J. Tsatsin who painted murals used in the Moscow Olympic Games.



A member of the Artists of Palmer Ranch since 2001, Liz Ann can be reached at lizannthoma@gmail.com or see her paintings on Facebook under Liz Ann Thomas.





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Birding on Palmer Ranch

This week's photos are of Limpkins, seen visiting the grounds of *Palmer Ranch*.

Looking like something between a Crane and a Rail, this odd wading bird has no close relatives. It is widespread in the American tropics, but enters our area only in Florida and southern Georgia -- only where it can satisfy its dietary requirement for fresh-water snail. Mostly solitary, Limpkins may be overlooked as they stalk about



in marshes and swamps; they draw attention with their piercing banshee wails, often heard at dawn or at night.

We would like to encourage you to send in your photos of birds seen on Palmer Ranch to feature in future newsletters. If you've pictures you'd like to share, please email your photos to Carrie at carrie@palmerranch.net. Please include your name, species and location of where the photo was taken.

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Sarasota County Notice of Public Hearing

Notice of Public Hearings

Sarasota County Planning and Development Services wants you to know that the property owner of the Palmer Ranch Development of Regional Impact (DRI) has applied for: 1) Application for Incremental Development Approval for Increment XXV of the Palmer Ranch DRI; and 2) Rezone Petition No. 16-32 to rezone approximately 21 acres from OUE (Open Use, Estate, 1 unit/5 acres) to RMF-3/PUD (Residential, Multi-Family, 13 units/acre/Planned Unit Development) zone district.

The Sarasota County Commission will hold public hearings beginning at 9:00 a.m., or soon thereafter as possible, on April 25, 2017, at the Sarasota County Administration Center, Commission Chamber, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida.

You are invited to appear, be heard, and submit relevant evidence. A complete draft of the proposed ordinances are available during normal business hours in the Planning and Development Services Department at 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida. Supporting documents will be available the Thursday prior to the public hearing at www.scgov.net, Meetings and Agendas (Meetings on Demand) to view or download.

You are invited to comment on the request by attending the public hearings or submitting your written comments to:

Planning and Development Services Department
1660 Ringling Blvd.
Sarasota, FL 34236
planner@scgov.net
941-861-5000, TTY 7-1-1 or 1-800-955-8771

Palmer Ranch
Increment XXV
RZ 16-32



Stoneybrook Golf and Country Club of Sarasota on Palmer Ranch

Open to the Public!



Holiday
Brunch

10am-3pm

32.95++



Summer Schedule (begins 5-15-17)

- **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!**
- **Sunday Breakfast Buffet** 9:30am-1:30pm
- **Lunch Service:** Daily 11:00am (Closed Tuesday's)
- **Dinner Service:** Wed-Thurs-Fri 5:00pm-8:00pm
- **BINGO & Buffet:**
(First, Third and Fifth Thursday Nights)
- **Rib Night:** Every Thursday Evening
(Featuring Prime Rib and Baby Back Ribs)
- **Book Your:** Luncheons, Dinner Parties, Golf Packages or Tournaments, Special Events and Weddings!

Club Events and Entertainment: Check Calendar or Call

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