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#### **INSTALLATION OF ANNUAL FLOWERS**

The summer change out of annual flowers at entries to Palmer Ranch is scheduled next week, with mixed purple, pink and white Pentas. The colorful Pentas will be installed at directional signs within the Community. Please be aware of workmen in these areas.

#### Happenings at Oscar Scherer State Park

Oscar Scherer State Park is located at 1843 South Tamiami Trail, Osprey. For more information, please contact the Ranger Station (941) 483-5956.

#### OSCAR SCHERER STATE PARK - GUIDED SCRUB JAY WALK

This walk begins at the Nature Center on **Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am** and includes an informative walk through an ancient dune system. This unique habitat is home to the threatened Florida scrub-jay and a variety of plants and other animals. Participants should wear comfortable footwear for walking in soft sand. Cameras and binoculars are suggested. Space is limited to 15 people. There is no cost to participate other than normal park entrance fees for day-use visitors.

#### OSCAR SCHERER STATE PARK - GUIDED PADDLE OR WALK

Learn about the life in South Creek or take a leisurely stroll through one or more of the park's seven natural communities. South Creek is a tidal water, therefore the water may sometimes be too shallow for a paddle; a guided walk will be an alternate option. Either way, be prepared to explore a slice of the "Real Florida." Bring your camera and binoculars for wildlife viewing. Registration is between **8:00am and 8:45am on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** at the Ranger Station on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the paddle. Canoe/kayak rentals apply to both day-use visitors and campers at \$10.00 plus tax per hour. Folks are welcome to bring their own paddling gear instead of renting. Program is free with paid park entrance for those providing their own paddling equipment. If the program features a walk instead of a paddle, program is free with paid park entrance.

### News You Can Use

#### COFFEE AND MARKET TALK -TUESDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am to 10:00am - Flyer Attached

Join in to listen and share conversation with leading financial industry professionals on current market trends. This is the last Coffee and Market Talk of the season until November, so be sure to RSVP! TPC Prestancia is located at 4409 Tournament Players Club Drive, Sarasota. RSVP to <u>robert.yan@ml.com</u> or contact (941) 364-5630 for more information.

#### BROOKDALE DEER CREEK - BAKE SALE

Brookdale Deer Creek is hosting a bake sale, **Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 11:00am**. The proceeds of this bake sale are to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. It promises to be a good time for a great cause. Brookdale Deer Creek is located at 8450 McIntosh Road. For more information and reservations, please call (941) 416-3274.





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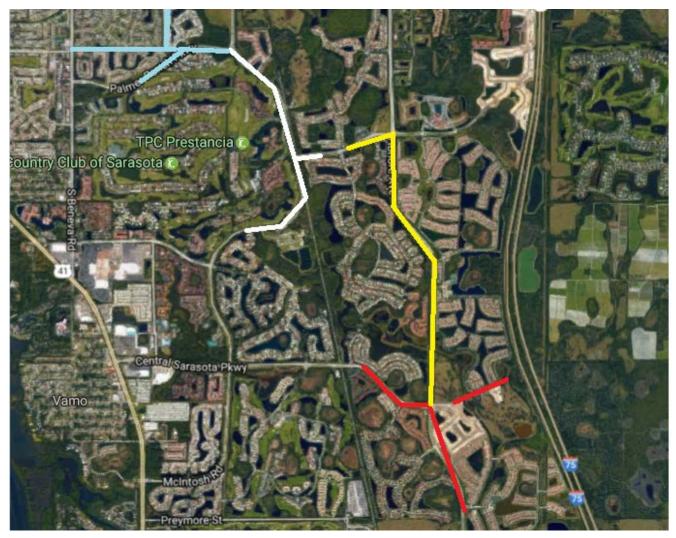
#### STONEYBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB IS HOSTING MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH



Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club is hosting Mother's Day Brunch on **Sunday**, **May 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 3:00pm.** Cost is \$32.95++. Stoneybrook Golf and Country Club is located at 8801 Stoneybrook Blvd. For more information please call (941) 918-9595 or <u>kathleen@stoneybrookgcc.com</u>.

## FPL Hardening Project Update - Work Continues

FPL will be working in the area of Central Sarasota Parkway, Honore Avenue and Palmer Ranch Parkway East now and in the coming weeks. See the areas highlighted in red and yellow on the map below. Please use caution while driving in these areas. If you have any questions concerning this project, please call **1-800-693-3267**, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and refer to Interstate Storm Secure, WR 5553746. To see these and other projects in your area, visit <u>FPL.com/maps</u> to view their System Improvements map.





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## Notice of Upcoming Neighborhood Workshop - See attached

### From Sarasota County

#### COUNTY TRAILS MASTER PLAN TO BE UPDATED

Sarasota County will be updating its Trails Master Plan over the next few months. This report, last updated in 2006, will evaluate and prioritize potential trail projects in the county. This work is just getting underway and a series of public meetings have been scheduled to outline the project and obtain input from the community. Although the Trails Master Plan covers all trails in the county, this study has particular significance for The Legacy Trail because of its potential recommendations for extension routes, road crossings, connecting trails, and user accessibility.

If possible, please attend one of the following public meetings: May 11, 11 AM - 1 PM Gulf Gate Library May 11, 4:30 PM - 7 PM Jacaranda Library May 12, 11 AM - 1:30 PM North Port Library May 13, 9 AM - 11:30 AM Sarasota Administration Building

## Artists of Palmer Ranch, Featured Artist – Margaret Bugatto



Born in Yorkshire, England, Margaret lived in Montreal, Toronto, and Atlanta before moving to Sarasota in 2000. She has loved drawing and painting since childhood, pursuing oil painting in Montreal, studying Interior Design and Architectural Drawing in Toronto, then discovering the magical medium and challenges of watercolor since living in Sarasota.



The glorious colors and beauty of all flowers and the Florida landscape with its birdlife, has made painting a constant source of inspiration. Spending time in Santa Fe, New Mexico, opened up a new window for experimentation in light, color and culture for her as an artist.

Now living in The Vineyards of Silver Oak, Margaret has been a member of the Artists of Palmer Ranch since 2002 and coordinator for the

group since 2005. She has exhibited with the group at various venues including Historic Spanish Point and The Women's Resource Center. Margaret may be reached via email at: <u>franmar2@verizon.net</u>





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## Birding on Palmer Ranch



This week's photo is of a Juvenile Red Shouldered Hawk seen visiting the grounds of *Mira Lago on Palmer Ranch*.

Red-tailed Hawks can be vexing birds. We tend to think of Northern Harriers and Rough-legged Hawks as hovering raptors, but Red-tails will also hover when the wind and occasion calls for it. They're bulky, all-purpose predators that primarily feed on mammals, but they're nimble enough to catch pigeons, too. They also vary in plumage based on age, range, and individual traits. You can have Redtails with no belly band, Red-tails that are chocolate brown from head to toe, and even Red-tails without an actual red tail.

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 <u>carrie@palmerranch.net</u>. Please include your name, species and location of where the photo was taken.

Photo credit: Leslie Merahn



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# COFFEE AND MARKET TALK

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# Rise and shine the first Tuesday of each month with Coffee & Market Talk! 9:00AM – 1

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RSVP TO ROBERT. YAN @ML.COM BY FRIDAY CONTACT 941-364-5630 FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## **NEIGHBORHOOD WORKSHOP**

Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2017

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Road, Sarasota, FL

**Contact:** James Paulmann, FAICP (941-907-6900)

The Agent, Mr. James Paulmann, FAICP, will be holding this workshop to discuss the proposed development of the property. The following applications will be discussed:

- An Application for Incremental Development Approval to add Increment XXVI to the Palmer Ranch Master Development of Regional Impact; and
- A rezone application for Parcel 9D to rezone the property from OUE-1 (Open Use Estate, 1 unit per 5 acres) to RSF-1/PUD (Residential Single Family, 2.5 dwelling units per acre)/Planned Unit Development.

D.R. Horton is proposing to develop 349 single family residential units on Palmer Ranch Parcel 9D. This parcel contains 169.3 ± acres, and is located at the northwest corner of Honore Avenue and E. Bay Street. The parcel is to be located within Increment XXVI of the Palmer Ranch Development of Regional Impact (DRI).

The development concept plan, enclosed, demonstrates the location of the proposed 349 single family dwelling units on the subject property, as well as the proposed access locations on Honore Avenue and E. Bay Street. The final development concept plan will be "binding" in nature.

This Neighborhood Workshop is not a public hearing. The purpose of the meeting is to inform neighboring residents of the nature of the proposal, to discuss the concept plan and to seek comments. We look forward to seeing you there. If you have questions, please contact Mr. James Paulmann, FAICP or Shelley Hamilton, at 941-907-6900. For more information, please also feel free to visit <a href="http://www.scgov.net/PlanningServices/Pages/Workshops.aspx">http://www.scgov.net/PlanningServices/Pages/Workshops.aspx</a>.

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