



## ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – DECEMBER 8, 2017

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### News You Can Use

#### GREEN TEAM EVENT AT THE GLENRIDGE – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The Green Team at the Glenridge on Palmer Ranch located at 7333 Scotland Way, Sarasota, invites you to a presentation by Dr. Terry Root who will discuss the pervasive impacts of climate change. Dr. Root's presentation will take place at the Glenridge on Palmer Ranch in the MacIntyre Rooms 2 and 3 on **Monday, December 11, 2017 at 10:30 AM**. This event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Root is a senior fellow emerita at the Woods Institute for the Environment at Stanford University. She was a leading contributor to the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change which shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize with Vice President Gore and is Assistant Secretary on the National Audubon Society Board.

Please contact Susan Button at 941-360-1162 or [susanvinalbutton@gmail.com](mailto:susanvinalbutton@gmail.com) with any questions about the presentation by Dr. Root.

#### SARASOTA AUDUBON SOCIETY – BIRD WATCHING TOURS

The Sarasota Audubon Society is hosting bird watching field trips from 8:30am to 10:00am on Thursday's, throughout the month of **December (December 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>)** at Oscar Scherer State Park, 1843 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey, FL 34229. Park opens 8:00am and park entrance fee applies. No reservations necessary. No pets please, comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen, insect repellent, drinking water, camera and binoculars recommended. Guided bird walk on sandy hiking trails through the various park habitats, guided by the Venice Audubon Society.

#### STONEBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB IS HOSTING A BLOOD DRIVE - **FLYER ATTACHED**

#### CONDO & HOA DIRECTOR CERTIFICATION COURSES

Free Director Certification Courses featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells, Esq. will be held at TPC Prestancia, 4409 Tournament Players Club Drive. Sarasota. The Condo course will be held on **Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** and the HOA course will be held on **Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**. *Courses are from: 8:30am - 10:30am, registration will begin at 8:00am.* RSVP to Estelle Pittman at [epittman@kevinwellspa.com](mailto:epittman@kevinwellspa.com) by noon the Monday before the event, as space is limited.

#### STONEBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB SUPPORTS FOLDS OF HONOR

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Armed Forces Cup tournament was held at Stoneybrook of Sarasota on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Through the generosity of the community, \$12,600 was raised and donated to the Folds of Honor program, which supports educational opportunities for spouses and children of severely wounded or deceased members of the US Military.



For more information about Folds of Honor visit their web site at [www.foldsofhonor.org](http://www.foldsofhonor.org).



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### 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 a few of the festive flavors seen throughout the property. Below are photos of Palisades, Cobblestone and Marbella.



### HISTORY OF THE POINSETTIA



In 1810, Joel R. Poinsett was appointed the first American diplomat to Argentina and Chile; he wrote a constitution for Chile, using the U.S. Constitution as a model. He returned to the U.S. in January 1816, was elected to the South Carolina state legislature; he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1821, on the Foreign Affairs Committee. In March 1825 he resigned from Congress to be the first American ambassador to Mexico, to acquire Texas and convince Mexico to redraw the borderline farther south, which he was unable to do; he returned to Charleston in 1828 and remained politically active. Interested in science and art, he was involved in creating the National Institute for the Promotion of Science, forerunner of the Smithsonian Institution, and became its first president. On his return from Mexico, Poinsett brought back plants of a bright red flower known in Mexico as the Nochebuena, the flower of Christmas Eve. We know it as the *poinsettia*, named in honor of the man who brought it to America.

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Palmer Ranch Master Association – Mission Statement

*'Our mission is to enhance and maintain the aesthetic quality of Palmer Ranch and to preserve the overall unique identity and sense of community.'*

# Working Together to Save Lives



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## BLOOD DRIVE

8801 STONEYBROOK BLVD., SARASOTA 34238

VISIT THE BLOODMOBILE AT THE CLUBHOUSE PARKING LOT.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>**

**FROM 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

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OR TENNIS BALLS!

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