

PALMER RANCH

PALMER RANCH MASTER PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

YEAR IN REVIEW 2018

**2018 PALMER RANCH MASTER
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF TRUSTEES / OFFICERS:**

President/Residential Trustee:
Dick Beitel
Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club

President Elect/Residential Trustee:
Garry Wharton - Silver Oak

Vice-President/Residential Trustee:
Rob O'Connor
Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club

Secretary/Residential Trustee:
Lee Katz - VillageWalk

Treasurer/Residential Trustee:
Peggy Wells - VillageWalk

Recreational Trustee:
Bob Holzman – TPC Prestancia

Recreational Trustee:
Aaron Herschberger – Evelyn Sadlier
Jones YMCA

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Steve Anderson
Palmer Ranch Executive Office Center

Commercial/Industrial Trustee:
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Covenant Life Presbyterian Church

Commercial/Industrial Trustee:
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Residential Trustee:
Bob Swan – Prestancia

Residential Trustee:
Claudia Brooks -Deer Creek

Residential Trustee:
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Residential Trustee:
Nicholas Spina - Wellington Chase

Residential Trustee:
Kathrin Harris - Turtle Rock

Declarant Appointed Trustee:
Andrea Suarez - Palmer Ranch Holdings

**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.*

CONTACT US

**MASTER ASSOCIATION STAFF
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Budget

**2019 CALENDAR YEAR
BUDGET APPROVED**

In meeting of September 27th the
Master Association 2019 calendar year
budget was approved by the Board of
Trustees. The Master Association 2019
Assessment for the period January 1,
2019 through December 31, 2019 will
remain unchanged at \$167.00 per as-
sessable unit value.

**PALMER RANCH MASTER
ASSOCIATION LAUNCHED TWO ONLINE
SURVEYS THIS YEAR**

Palmer Ranch members were invited
to participate in two surveys this year; a
demographics survey as well as a strate-
gic planning survey. Members were
asked to visit the Palmer Ranch website,
www.palmerranch.net, to take each sur-
vey. We received great feedback from
the demographics survey and thank eve-
ryone who participated! The strategic
planning survey is currently up on the
homepage of the Palmer Ranch website
through January 2019 if you would like
to participate!

ARTISTS OF PALMER RANCH

The Artists of Palmer Ranch hosted
monthly get togethers to paint with
friends at the Gulf Gate Library though-
out the year. All Palmer Ranch residents
were welcome to attend!



**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE
ARTISTS OF PALMER RANCH**

The Artists of Palmer Ranch were
pleased to announce that their works
were on display and for purchase at the
Gulf Gate Library this year! Congratula-
tions to all of the Palmer Ranch artists!

BUTTERFLY/WILDLIFE GARDEN

Palmer Ranch Master Association
worked on an application for a grant
funded by Sarasota County to install a
butterfly garden on Palmer Ranch. The
garden is planned for a location that is
owned by the Master Association on
Honore Avenue just north of the main
entry into VillageWalk.



NATURAL ASSETS

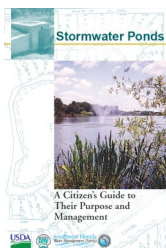
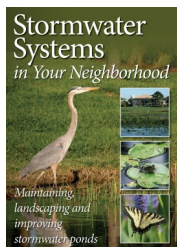
Palmer Ranch Master Association
hosted our first annual Palmer Ranch
environmental fair on November 8th.
Participants included Sarasota County,
Stoneybrook, Audubon, Florida House,
Ready for 100 and many others. It was a
great event to get more information on
our environment!





LOOKING FOR RESOURCE MATERIAL FOR YOUR COMMUNITY'S OWN NATURAL ASSETS?

Visit the natural Assets Section of the Palmer Ranch website:
www.palmerranch.net



MID COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS OFFICE RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

The ribbon cutting ceremony of the mid-county tax collectors office took place on May 2nd.

This site is located at 6100 Sawyer Loop Road, just south of Clark Road.



The 10,770 square foot building provides the full range of Tax Collector services including the issuance of new driver's licenses, testing and vehicle inspection services and is now open to the public.



CENTRAL SARASOTA PKWY AT HONORE ROUNDABOUT

The Central Sarasota Parkway / Honore Avenue roundabout was completed summer 2018.

HONORE AT BRIDGEHAMPTON / HONORE ROUNDABOUT

After a bit of a delay, this roundabout construction was completed fall 2018.

BAY STREET AT HONORE ROUNDABOUT

Bay Street / Honore Avenue roundabout was completed winter 2018.



Please use caution when traveling through the roundabouts throughout Palmer Ranch.

GROUND'S OF PALMER RANCH

Palmer Ranch Master Association scheduled various landscape maintenance projects/programs throughout the year to beautify the grounds of Palmer Ranch. These projects include:

CAPE MYRTLE TRIM
BRAZILLIAN PEPPER TRIM
**INSTALLATION OF ANNUAL FLOWERS
IN THE WINTER, SUMMER & FALL.**
CABBAGE PALM PRUNING
RYEGRASS SEED SPREAD
MULCH PREP & INSTALL



CULVERHOUSE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Residents who were interested in raising organic vegetables in a congenial community garden setting were invited to contact the Friends of Culverhouse Community Garden. The Culverhouse Community Garden is located in the Culverhouse Nature Park at the head of the Legacy Bike Trail on McIntosh Rd. The 80-plot garden is open to all Sarasota County residents.

HAPPENINGS AT OSCAR SCHERER PARK NEWSLETTER FEATURE

We featured happenings at Oscar Scherer Park throughout the year including crafts fair for kids, tram tours, eagle viewings, birth watching tours, scrub jay walks and guided paddle tours.

29TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

Friends of Oscar Scherer State Park threw a party and in honor of Earth Day on April 21st. Did you know that the first Earth Day occurred in 1970 and was started by the ecology movement in the U.S.? The event included live music, full-filled activities for kids, various environmental and informational booths and more!

HAUNTED TRAILS AT OSCAR SCHERER STATE PARK

Oscar Scherer State Park hosted a frightfully fun Halloween family event October 26th and 27th. There was a Trick or Treat Trail, Haunted Trail and Haunted House. The event also included food, carnival games and more!

COMMUNITY

CA DAY 2018

COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS DAY

CA Day was held on March 15th. The event included the highly recommended Board of Directors Certification Class.

RIDE THE TOUR DE PARKS 2018

Friends of The Legacy Trail proudly announced the annual Tour de Parks bicycle ride.

TURTLE ROCK COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Turtle Rock had their annual "Trash to Treasure" sale on February 10th. What a great turn out!

MARBELLA COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Marbella had their annual garage sale on March 24th with some great finds!

HEALTHY KIDS DAY AT THE YMCA

Evalyn Sadlier Jones Branch YMCA hosted Healthy Kids Day on April 20th

MOTHER'S DAY & FATHERS DAY BRUNCH

Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club hosted Mother's & Father's Day Brunch!

NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT WORKSHOPS

Palmer Ranch residents attended grant orientation workshops for the Sarasota County Neighborhood Grant Program. The program supports the county's initiative to preserve and enhance the quality of life in county neighborhoods by providing matching grants to neighborhoods to help fund improvement projects.

CIVICS 101

This year, several Palmer Ranch residents attended Sarasota County government's popular Civics 101 program, an 11-week program that introduces people to the operations and services of the Sarasota County government.

CONDO, CO-OP & HOA DIRECTOR CERTIFICATION COURSES

Your Community Partners offered several certification courses held at TPC Prestancia throughout the year.



HERON CLUB ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP

Heron Club at Prestancia hosted their monthly Alzheimer's support groups throughout the year.

BROOKDALE DEER CREEK

The staff at Brookdale Deer Creek invited Palmer Ranch members to reach out if interested in attending a seminar on caring for loved ones with dementia.

SURREY RIDES ON THE LEGACY TRAIL

Friends of Legacy Trail (FLT) volunteers pedaled the surrey and passengers on 30-minute surrey trips. Leaving from Laurel Park at the Sandra Sims Terry Community Center, riders could sit back and enjoy the ride on a four-passenger, four-wheeled canopy covered surrey while FLT volunteers provided the pedal power.

BINGO NIGHTS & TRIVIA NIGHTS AT STONEYBROOK

Bingo nights and Trivia Nights took place at Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club this year! These events were open to Palmer Ranch residents and enjoyed by many!

CHARITY GOLF EVENT

TPC Prestancia hosted the nonprofit PGA charity 'Birdies for the Brave' golf tournament. 'Birdies for the Brave' is a military outreach initiative dedicated to supporting the brave men and women of the US Armed Forces and their families.

COMMUNITY GARAGE SALES

The communities of Stonebridge, The Hamptons and Wellington Chase hosted their annual joint community garage sale on November 3rd. Sandhill Preserve also hosted a community garage sale on November 10th. It was a great turn out for these Community Garage Sales!

ISLES OF SARASOTA FALL FESTIVAL FINE ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

Isles of Sarasota held their annual fine arts & crafts show on November 3rd. Everyone was invited to come and shop!

SPECIAL NEWSLETTER FEATURE HONORING OUR PALMER RANCH VETERANS

This year we featured a special column honoring our Palmer Ranch Veterans, included were their names, rank and branch of service. It was a very moving tribute.

EVENTS AT TPC PRESTANCIA

We listed events held at Prestancia throughout the year. Some of the events included: Ted Talks, newcomer luncheons, hurricane preparedness and guest speakers.

GREEN TEAM EVENTS AT THE GLENRIDGE

The Green Team at the Glenridge hosted various events throughout the year. All Palmer Ranch members were invited to attend! Some topics of events included: Sea level rise and climate change, Friends of Legacy Trail, Chronicles stories of winter sports lovers and businesses that have been affected by recent shrinking snow seasons.

UF/IFAS SARASOTA COUNTY EXTENSION CLASSES

We posted several classes that UF/IFAS offered this year for homeowners to take advantage of. These classes were held at the extension office located at Twin Lakes Park. Topics of the classes included: landscaping, pruning, plants for wildlife and pollinators and the water stewardship program.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS AROUND PALMER RANCH

What a beautiful drive around Palmer Ranch this holiday season viewing the festive holiday decorations on community entrances!

COVENANT LIFE CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Covenant Life Church on Palmer Ranch hosted two candlelight Christmas Eve services on Monday, December 24th.



PALMER RANCH MASTER ASSOCIATION SPECIAL FEATURE

The Master Association added a special feature section in several newsletters throughout the months of January and February on the following topics:

- Just how large is Palmer Ranch?
- How do entities become part of Palmer Ranch?
- The Master Association
- Why do members have to pay an annual assessment to Palmer Ranch Master Association?
- Representatives to the Master Association and their voting interests

To find out more information about the Palmer Ranch Master Association please visit our website www.palmerranch.net.

PALMER RANCH COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

On December 19, 2018, the Board of Trustees of Palmer Ranch Master Property Owners Association, Inc. held a special meeting. At that meeting, after a lengthy discussion of several factors, including the square foot cost of construction of buildings in Sarasota County, Florida, which has rapidly escalated during the period of time it has taken to obtain approval from Sarasota County to construct a community center and has produced a cost of construction far in excess of the cost originally approved by the Board, the Board voted unanimously to discontinue any further efforts to construct a community center.



FROM THE PALMER RANCH MASTER ASSOCIATION STAFF WE WANT TO WISH THE PALMER RANCH COMMUNITY A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!