

## ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – JUNE 21, 2019

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## **News You Can Use**

### **GREEN TEAM EVENT AT THE GLENRIDGE**

This summer, the Glenridge Green Team is presenting the Wild Orchid Man film festival featuring videos that star Stig Dalstrom, the Wild Orchid Man, and that are produced by Darryl Saffer. This month they invite you to view the "Wild Orchid Man in the Mountains of Amazonas", which recounts the search for rare orchids in the beautiful, yet challenging watershed territory in the Andes that feeds the Amazon basin.

This free event will take place on **Saturday**, **June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30am** in the theater at the Glenridge on Palmer Ranch, 7333 Scotland Way. The public is welcome. Please contact Susan Button at <a href="mailto:susanvinalbutton@gmail.com">susanvinalbutton@gmail.com</a> with any questions about this event.

### **LEGACY TRAIL EXTENSION – UPDATE**

Some have inquired about updates on the Legacy Trail Extension. The following update is from our neighbors at the *Friends of Legacy Trail*, showing what has transpired since Sarasota County voters supported the referendum to extend the Legacy Trail in November, 2018:

- The Trust for Public Land (TPL) and Sarasota County completed their due diligence review (environmental assessment, title search, boundary survey, leases and encroachment issues). All concerns were resolved satisfactorily.
- Sarasota County completed its competitive solicitation process and selected Kimley-Horne and Associates for design and engineering support for the extension. Sarasota County is now finalizing the scope of work, which will include cost analysis and design for the North Port connection. The contract is expected to be submitted to the County Commissioners by July 10<sup>th</sup> for approval.
- On June 4<sup>th</sup>, the county sold \$37m in general obligation bonds (of the \$65m authorized in the referendum) to purchase the rail corridor and pay for the initial design and engineering of the trail extension. It also includes \$2m for the North Port connection.
- Sarasota County and Florida Department of Transportation have agreed to align \$8.5m in FL SUN Trail funds provided for the extension to Aston Road. FDOT will retain the funds and now be responsible for the design, bidding and construction of both the Bee Ridge and Clark Road overpasses. This resolves a timing issue (the SUN funds were programmed in 2022/2023), and allows the county to proceed with the immediate design and accelerated construction of the flat trail. The design and construction of the Clark Road trail overpass is particularly complicated: FDOT plans to simultaneously straighten the McIntosh Road intersection so the overpass carries trail users across both Clark and McIntosh Roads.
- FDOT is not engaged in preliminary budgeting and design work and there is no estimated date of completion, at this time, for the straightening of the McIntosh Road intersection.
- As further updates become available, we will post the information in our newsletter.



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## **Save The Date**

#### RACE TO COMPLETION CELEBRATION

Celebrate the kick off of the Legacy Trail extension. **Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to 10am.** The festivities will be held at Payne Park, 2050 Adams Lane, Sarasota. For more information, call Sarasota County at (941) 861-5000 or visit: <a href="www.scgov.net/legacytrail">www.scgov.net/legacytrail</a>.

#### ANSON ON PALMER RANCH EVENT - FLYER ATTACHED

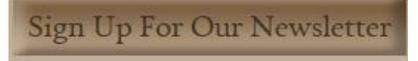
Anson on Palmer Ranch is hosting an event featuring guest speaker Doug Smith from Mote Marine on **Thursday**, **July 18**<sup>th</sup> **from 6pm to 8pm** at Anson on Palmer Ranch, 6251 Sawyer Loop Rd. This event is free and open to all of the Palmer Ranch Residents. The event will be held in their community room, there



will be light snacks and beverages served. Come join in on the discussiona and learn how you can help keep our Gulf shores clean and improve on sustainable ideas and products to help ensure it's future. For more information and to RSVP, call Tanya Gutierrez at (941) 400-3568.

#### **CONDO DIRECTORS CERTIFICATION COURSE**

*Your Community Partners* is offering a Condo Director Certification Course featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells Esq. on **Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30am to 10:30am** at TPC Prestancia, 4409 Tournament Players Club Drive. Registration begins at 8am, please RSVP to <u>boardcertclass@gmail.com</u> by noon the Monday before the event as space is limited.



Do you want to hear about the news on Palmer Ranch first hand? If so, simply visit our website: <a href="https://www.PalmerRanch.net">www.PalmerRanch.net</a>. At the bottom of the home page, simply click on 'Sign Up For Our Newsletter.' You'll then be asked to provide your email address and first name. It's that easy!



Please join us on July 18<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 8pm at Anson on Palmer Ranch. We will be hosting Sustainable Protein Supplies and the role that Aquaculture plays in that system. The event will be held in our community room located at 6251 Sawyer Loop Road, Sarasota Florida 34238.

This is a free event open to all of the Palmer Ranch Residents and Owners. There will be light snacks and beverages served. Come join us on how we can help keep our Gulf shores clean and improve on sustainable ideas and products to help ensure it's future.

Our speaker Doug Smith is from the Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium and is very well versed in marine ecosystems. We hope all can attend.

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Hope to See You There!

