# PALMER RANCH

# **ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – JUNE 19, 2015**

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#### FATHERS' DAY – SUNDAY JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>

From the Master Association office, we wish all dads a HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!

A good father is one of the most unsung, unpraised, unnoticed, and yet one of the most valuable assets in our society.

- Billy Graham



# News you can Use

#### FREE MONTHLY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP AT BROOKDALE PALMER RANCH

All family Caregivers are invited to join Julie Cook Downing of Caregivers' Comfort Creations and the staff of Brookdale Palmer Ranch as they begin their ongoing monthly Caregiver Support Group. The first meeting will



be on **Monday, June 22 from 4:30 to 6:00pm** and will continue thereafter on the third Monday of every month. Focus will be on the Caregiver and light refreshments will be served. The location is Brookdale Palmer Ranch at 5111 Palmer Ranch Parkway. To register for this free support program call the receptionist at (941) 926-1966.

#### SARASOTA COUNTY DRINKING WATER REPORT

Sarasota County Public Utilities announced last week that the 2014 Sarasota County Drinking Water Report is now available online. In an effort to save taxpayer's the cost of printing and postage, the Public Utility Department has elected to provide the 2014 Consumer Confidence Report electronically. The report includes information about where our water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to the standards set by regulatory agencies. The report also includes a summary of the quality of water provided to customers. **Sarasota County Public Utilities was recently awarded best tasting drinking water** for consistently meeting or exceeding state and federal standards for drinking water. The 2014 Water Quality Report gives customers the chance to learn more about their local water supply. The report can be viewed online at: www.scgov.net/waterqualityreport. A hard copy of the report can be mailed, per request, by emailing waterquality@scgov.net, or by calling the Water Quality Services at 941-861-5000.

# **Plant of the Month**

#### MINIMA JASMINE (ASIATIC JASMINE)

Minima Jasmine has been used as a ground cover in Florida landscapes for decades. It is not a grass, but a multi-stem, vine-like woody plant. This jasmine is a true ground cover, and its numerous horizontal stems and leaves eventually blanket the ground forming a thick mat. Minima Jasmine is seen throughout the common areas of the ranch, and is considering one of our branding plants.





# **Grounds Corner**

#### BRINGING OUT THE COLORS OF THE RANCH

It is part of what makes Palmer Ranch such an extraordinary community, renowned for its quintessential beauty! At their meeting in May, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to pump up the color along the major roadways in Palmer Ranch. The Project will be done in stages, with work having begun and will continue throughout the summer. In addition to other areas on Palmer Ranch, the enhancement project will include all Cabbage Palm beds in the medians of Honore Avenue, McIntosh Road, Central Sarasota Pkwy, and west side of McIntosh Road from Palmer Ranch Parkway West to Sarasota Square Boulevard.

Work continues this week and next as the first phase of the project progresses with the removal of nonproducing Oleanders within Cabbage Palm beds on Honore Avenue and Central Sarasota Parkway. Ultimately, there will be two serpentine rows of Helen Johnson Bougainvillea, stagger planted 4-feet off-center between the palms. The Cabbage Palm/Little Gem Magnolia beds in the medians on Honore between Palmer Ranch Parkway and Central Sarasota Parkway will also receive Helen Johnson Bougainvillea as they will be planted at each end of the beds. The landscape architect's rendering of the palm beds that was presented to the Board of Trustees is featured below! Please be mindful of the workers as you travel throughout the ranch.

