

ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 14, 2015

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PALMER RANCH TRIMMING SCHEDULED

Trimming of the Brazilian Pepper in the county rights of way, along McIntosh Road, Sawyer Loop, Honore Avenue, and Palmer Ranch Parkways East and West, has been scheduled for the **week of August 17**th, weather permitting.

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 at their ongoing monthly Caregiver Support Group. The next meeting will be on **Monday**, **August 17 from 4:30pm to 6:00pm.** Light refreshments will be served. Brookdale Palmer Ranch is located at 5111 Palmer Ranch Parkway, Sarasota. To register for this free support program call the receptionist at (941) 926-1966.



SARASOTA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE CONTINUES



The third cycle of the Comprehensive Plan Update is on the subject of *Economic Development*, which from July 1st thru August 31st. In the Sarasota County Comprehensive Plan, the Economic Development chapter is policy driven with goals of economic and social well-being for all residents. The county is holding a series of community workshops to gather public feedback on potential changes. The remaining Economic Development Workshops will be held on the following date:

• Tuesday, August 18th from 6:00pm - 7:30pm Sarasota County Administration Building, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota,

SPLASH BASH EVENT AT THE YMCA ON PALMER RANCH IS FREE TO THE PUBLIC

The Evalyn Sadlier Jones YMCA at 8301 Potter Park Drive is hosting a Splash Bash on **Friday, August 21 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.** What a great way to wrap up the summer!! Come and join in the fun!

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!

NO JOINERS FEE!

- Water Park!
- Face painting!
- Entertainment!
- Food available to purchase!





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Palm of the Month

ALEXANDER PALM (ARCHONTOPHOENIX ALEXANDRAE)

This beautiful and elegant native of Queensland, Australia has a solitary, tall, smooth, light gray trunk ringed with leaf scars that is often enlarged at the base. The Alexander Palm has a beautiful crown of long self-cleaning pinnate, feather-like, fronds with leaves that are bright green on top and silver-white on the bottom. These leaves can grow up to 7 feet long and arch vertically giving the tree its graceful, elegant appearance. This beautiful ornamental palm enjoys humidity and plenty of water, but is also cold hardy.

This beauty is found on Palmer Ranch Parkway and Honore Avenue.

Grounds Corner

UPDATES FROM THE RANCH

Enhancements continue as we begin to see the sunshine again. Currently, the shell path is being installed on Tract 605 along McIntosh Road at the intersection with Palmer Ranch Parkway West. This little jewel that features two benches beneath shady towering oaks will furnish a place to take a stroll just a few short minutes from Culverhouse Nature Park.

Special Meeting Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Date: Monday, August 24, 2015

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Sarasota County Administration Center, County Commission Chamber

1660 Ringling Boulevard, Sarasota, FL

Sarasota County Planning and Development Services has informed property owners of Notification of Proposed Change (NOPC) No. 3 to Palmer Ranch Increment IV. A.G. Spanos is proposing to rezone approximately 20 acres from PCD (Planned Commerce Development) to PCD zone district, with amended stipulations in order to construct 260 residential multi-family units on Parcel A-7 (southeast corner of Sawyer Loop and Northridge Roads).

You are invited to appear, be heard, and submit relevant evidence. A complete draft of the proposed ordinances are available during normal business hours at the Sarasota County Planning and Development Services Department located at 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota. Supporting documents will be available the Thursday prior to the public hearing at www.scgov.net, Meetings and Agendas (Meetings on Demand) to view or download.

You are invited to comment on the request by attending the public hearing or submitting your written comments to: planner@scgov.net 941-861-5000, TTY 7-1-1 or 1-800-955-8771