



ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2020

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News You Can Use

2021 CALENDAR YEAR – MASTER ASSOCIATION BUDGET APPROVED

In meeting of September 24th, the Master Association 2021 calendar year budget was approved by the Board of Trustees. The Master Association 2021 Assessment for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 will remain unchanged at \$167.00 per assessable unit value. The 2021 calendar year budget is available on the Palmer Ranch website (www.palmer ranch.net), in the *Documents* section, under *Resources*.



ANNUAL NATIONAL FALLEN FIREFIGHTERS DAY

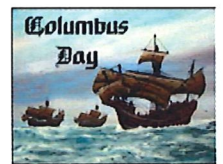
Flags on Palmer Ranch will be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset on **Sunday, October 4th** in honor of firefighters who have died in the line of duty.

FALL MAINTENANCE ON PALMER RANCH

- Cabbage Palm pruning will be taking place **October 12th – October 27th**, weather permitting.
- Mulch installation will take place **October 28th - November 6th**, weather permitting.
- Rye Seed spreading will begin the week of **November 9th**, weather permitting.

HOLIDAY HOURS FOR THE MASTER ASSOCIATION

The Master Association office will be closed on **Monday, October 12th** in observance of Columbus Day, reopening at 8am on **Tuesday, October 13th**.



FRIENDS OF OSPREY JUNCTION TRAILHEAD OCTOBER WEBINAR SERIES – SEE ATTACHED

CONDO DIRECTORS CERTIFICATION COURSE – BEING HELD VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM

Your Community Partners is offering a Condo Director Certification Course featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells Esq. via Zoom meetings on **Wednesday, October 14th from 8:30am to 11:30am**. Please RSVP to boardcertclass@gmail.com by noon the Monday before the event as space is limited.

HOA DIRECTORS CERTIFICATION COURSE – BEING HELD VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM

Your Community Partners is offering a HOA Director Certification Course featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells Esq. via Zoom meetings on **Wednesday, October 21st from 8:30am to 11:30a**. Please RSVP to boardcertclass@gmail.com by noon the Monday before the event as space is limited.



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HONORING OUR VETERANS

Veterans Day is a time to thank those who are serving or have served and are still with us. Memorial Day is to reflect and remember those who lost their lives in service to their country. Confusing the two or combining the two diminishes the importance of both. As we approach the official Veterans Day, November 11th, we would like to honor our Palmer Ranch neighbors who are serving or have served in the armed forces. For this acknowledgement, we need your help. Please email Carrie (carrie@palmerranch.net) with the name, rank and branch of service of our Palmer Ranch veterans. We will feature their names in our annual Veterans Day Special Edition. Thank you.

Everything You Need to Know About Palmer Ranch

Communication from the Master Association to our Members

In our September newsletter, we spoke about community Representatives. The Representative is the one responsible for receiving communiqué from the Master Association office (newsletters/bulletins/special notices) and communicating that information within their community.

To supplement our official notices, we also have our monthly *On the Ranch Newsletter*. You need NOT be a Representative in order to receive our newsletter directly into your email, you can sign up directly. Simply follow the instructions below.

Our website (www.PalmerRanch.net) is full of great information. Need to see the governing documents? Where is a certain community located and how many homes do they have? Have you ever been curious about the plant palette used for our common areas? These items and so much more can be found on our website!



Do you want to hear about the news on Palmer Ranch first hand? If so, simply visit our website: www.PalmerRanch.net. 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!

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.'



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Sue's Grounds Corner

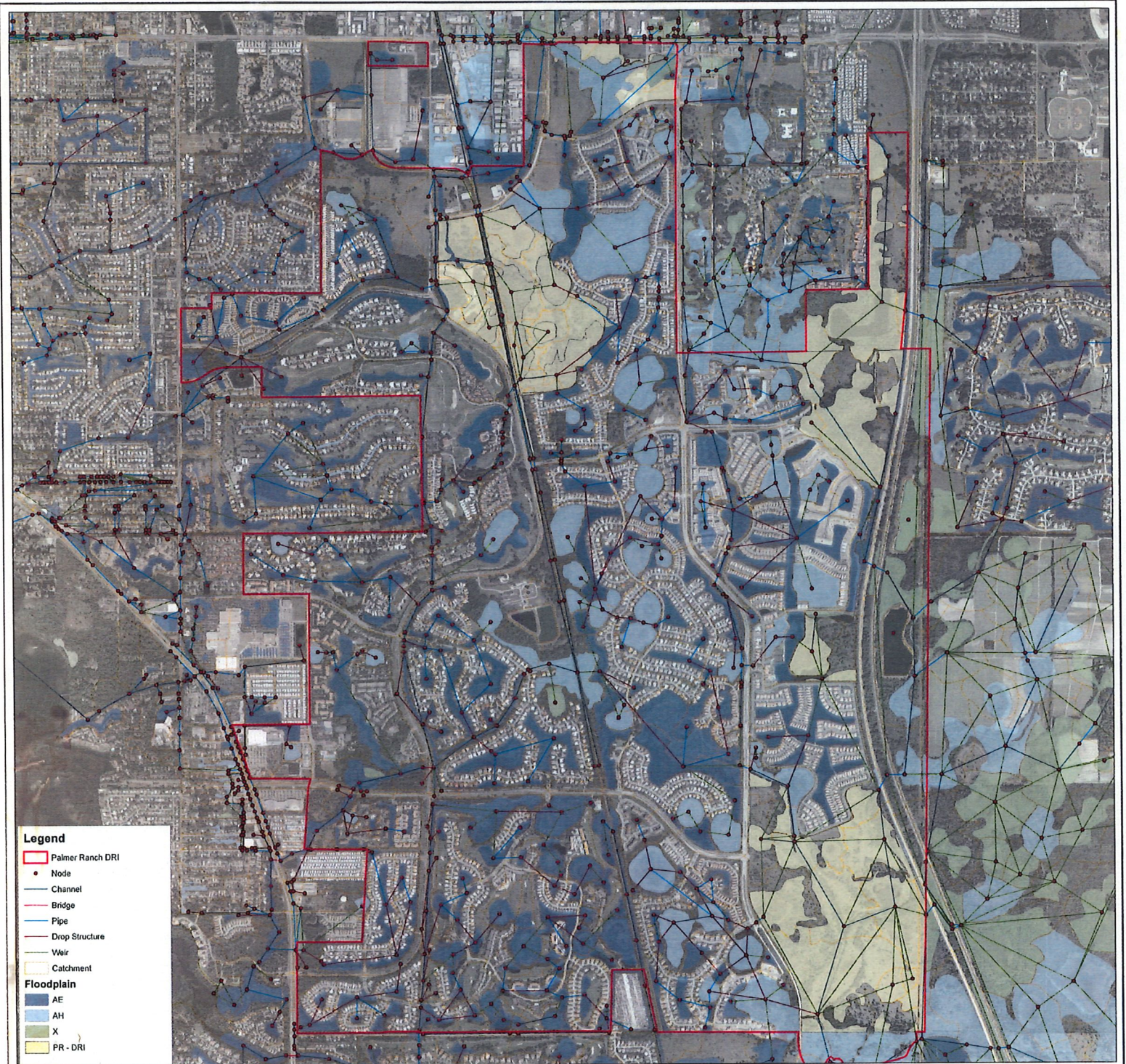
Palmer Ranch 100-Year Floodplain Map

Question: "What are our abilities to control, in any way, the volume of water flow should a major storm loose torrents of water upon us?"

Answer: Way back in 1988 when Palmer Ranch was being subdivided and platted, the forefathers created a detailed, digital hydrodynamic flood model. Stephen Suau, at the time was running the Sarasota County Stormwater Department and was one of those forefathers. He was one of the design team for Palmer Ranch. Mr. Suau oversaw the development and continued application of detailed hydraulic system models that accurately predicted existing and on-going system (water) changes. Sarasota County, Florida State and Federal Government all later followed the lead of Palmer Ranch's progressive design.

The system is simple in that each community is charged with holding their own stormwater runoff in ponds and/or lakes. The ponds were designed to hold water long enough so that a certain amount can percolate and filter itself back through the layers of soil and ultimately recharge our aquifers. When the amount of water coming from the sky exceeds the amount percolating, then we rely on the stormwater outflow control structures that are in your ponds to regulate the water discharge. Most often these structures are also outfitted with aluminum skimmers which hold back the floating contaminants (greases, oil and litter). The outflow structures allow water to drain down into one of Palmer Ranch's 4 water basins that ultimately wind up in Little Sarasota Bay. The water basins that lead to Little Sarasota Bay are Catfish Creek and Elligraw Bayou that both run on the west side of Palmer Ranch, South Creek that runs along the east side of the Ranch and North Creek that runs along the southern border of Palmer Ranch. All these water basins then drain into the Gulf of Mexico.

In order to understand this better, I'm attaching the Palmer Ranch 100-year Floodplain map. It is very difficult to read, so I suggest you keep enlarging until you find your community on Palmer Ranch. The map distinctly shows how each of your ponds flows into the other and then eventually into neighboring communities and then finally downstream.

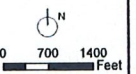


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- Palmer Ranch DRI
 - Node
 - Channel
 - Bridge
 - Pipe
 - Drop Structure
 - Weir
 - Catchment
- Floodplain**
- AE
 - AH
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 - PR - DRI

Palmer Ranch DRI
(Sarasota County 100-Year Floodplain)



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Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead Announces an October Webinar Series

Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead is presenting four exciting webinars starting in October. A grant from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation is underwriting the series. Each webinar will be one hour and be comprised of a 45-50-minute presentation, followed by a 10-15-minute audience Q+A.

Admission is free, but you must register to receive an invitation for each webinar. Click on the registration link below each webinar or copy and paste the link into your browser window to access the registration page. Space is limited, so sign-up today!

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Time: 11:00 am to Noon

Program: Landscaping for Wildlife

Host: Rebecca Tasetano, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Co-host: Pamela Callender, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Presenter: Tom Heitzman, Owner, Sweet Bay Native Plant Nursery

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_0-1mGg7GQuKuv_NIQ7TZJw

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Time: 11 am to noon

Program: Smart Bicycling 101: Tips on Being Safe on Your Bicycle

Host: Rebecca Tasetano, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Presenter: Ralph Monti, Certified Bicycle Safety Instructor; Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Co-presenter: Cathy Duff, Law Enforcement Deputy, Sarasota County Sheriff's Office

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HTLcGDhzTL-K2Ym_O6pjDw

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

Time: 11 am to Noon

Program: An FOJT Plein Air Painter Art Exhibit/Critique

Host: Rebecca Tasetano, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Presenter: Augusto Argandona, SRQ Plein Air Painters

Co-presenter: Pamela Callender, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_v6iGjbCSS565sbNWIt8cjQ

Wednesday, November 4, 2020

Time: 11 am to noon

Program: Birds of Three Sarasota Habitats

Host: Rebecca Tasetano, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Presenter: Jeanne Dubi, Acting President of Sarasota Audubon

Registration Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YUUakaU-R_qa5-eLk6ur9Q

For more information or to register for a webinar, visit <https://ojtfriends.com/webinars/>.