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# On the Ranch Newsletter May 2025

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Click **Here** to read all about Palmer Ranch.

Click **Here** for a Palmer Ranch Community Map.



#### **Communication from the Master Association to our Members**

# Annual National Fallen Firefighters' Memorial Weekend

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

#### Memorial Day Flags at Half Staff from Sunrise to Noon

On Palmer Ranch, smaller US flags will be set out to mark the Memorial Day period, with the flags lowered to half-staff on **Monday, May 26th** from sunrise to noon.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was first observed on May 30, 1868, when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. It is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service.





#### National Peace Officers Memorial Day and Police Week

In 1962, President Kennedy signed a bill proclaiming **May 15th** as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which **May 15th** falls, as National Police Week. Established by a joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives or became disabled in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others. In 1994 an amendment was made to the bill directing that the United States flag be flown at half-staff on **May 15th**.



#### **Holiday Hours for The Master Association**

The Master Association office will be closed on **Monday, May 26th**, in honor of Memorial Day, reopening Tuesday, May 27th at 8:00 am.



# County to Host Community Workshops on Stormwater Management and Hurricane Preparedness

The Sarasota County Stormwater Division of Public Works is hosting two community workshops and on-site at three hurricane expos in May to provide residents with important information on stormwater management, ongoing projects and hurricane preparedness.

#### **Stormwater Management**

Each workshop will cover similar topics, giving residents in different watersheds an opportunity to learn about stormwater maintenance, current and upcoming projects and best practices for storm season.

Presentations will be provided by the Stormwater Division manager and the Field Services Stormwater Operations manager. Following the presentations, attendees can take part in a breakout session with professionals specializing in the Community Rating System, stormwater projects, water quality, stormwater engineering and field services to answer any questions.

**Little Sarasota Bay Watershed** 

Where: Gulf Gate Library, 7112 Curtiss Ave., Sarasota.

When: Monday, May 5th from 5 - 7 p.m.

**Lemon Bay Watershed** 

Where: Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Road, Englewood.

When: Monday, May 12th from 5 - 7 p.m.

For more information, call 311 or 941-861-5000. You can also click **Here** to visit Sarasota County's Stormwater webpage.



#### **Hurricane Preparedness**

Sarasota County will be hosting a Hurricane Expo and will be available at the City of Venice and City of North Port Hurricane Expos to share stormwater and hurricane preparedness information with residents.

Click **Here** for more details and the registration link. This event is free, but registration is encouraged.

**Community Conversations: Hurricane Preparedness** 

(Sarasota Bay Watershed)

Where: Riverview High School, 1 Ram Way, Sarasota.

When: Thursday, May 8th from 5 - 8 pm

**City of Venice Hurricane Expo** (Dona/Roberts Bay Watershed) **Where:** Venice Community Center, 326 S. Nokomis Ave., Venice.

When: Friday, May 30th from 9 am - 2 pm

**City of North Port Hurricane Expo** (Myakka Watershed)

Where: George Mullen Activity Center, 1602 Kramer Way, North Port.

When: Saturday, May 31st from 10 am - 2 pm

These workshops and expos are part of Sarasota County's commitment to ensuring residents have access to vital stormwater and hurricane preparedness information ahead of storm season.

Hear from county departments, municipalities and environmental experts about personal and home preparation, evacuation procedures, shelter options and special needs, as well as vital resources and what to expect from national forecasting models in 2025.

Questions for event panelists will be collected as part of the registration process.

For more information, call 311 or 941-861-5000. For hurricane preparedness, click Here to visit Sarasota County's Emergency Services webpage.

### **Notice of Public Hearing**

Date: Thursday, May 15th

Time: 5:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as possible

Location: Sarasota County Administration Center, Commission Chamber,

1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida

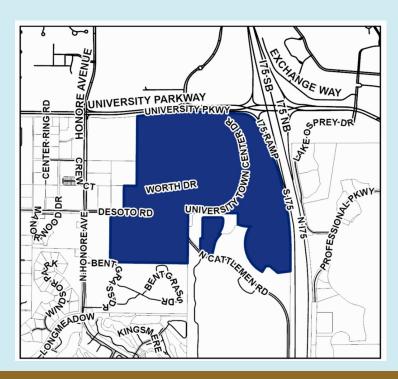
This project is not on Palmer Ranch but may be of interest to Palmer Ranch residents.

Notice of Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Special Exception – SE 1892

Click Here to read the notice as listed on the Sarasota County website.

The Sarasota County Planning Commission will hold a **Public Hearing** on **May 15, 2025** at the Sarasota County Administration Center, Commission Chamber, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida at **5:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, to consider the proposed **Special Exception Petition No. 1892** to allow free-standing multi-family residential in a mixed-use development and to increase the maximum height from **35** feet to **110** feet in the **CG** (Commercial General) zone district.

This petition relates to the property located in the southwest quadrant of I-75 and University Parkway and generally shown on the map below:



### Sue's Grounds Corner



#### **ATTENTION: ALL Palmer Ranch CERT Captains**

Hurricane Season is quickly approaching. Will all Palmer Ranch CERT Captains please identify yourselves either by emailing Sue Ambrecht at **sue@palmerranch.net** or by calling us at **941-922-3866**.

We would like to have an updated list of all CERT Captains and where each of you are located. Thank you!

#### **CERT Basic Training Skills Demonstration Course**

On **Friday, May 16th** and **Saturday, May 17th**, the SRQ CERT Consortium will host a FREE CERT Basic Training Skills Session at the American Red Cross Building located at 2001 Cantu Court, Sarasota, FL 34232.

These sessions are for those CERT members that have taken the online hybrid part of the CERT Basic Training Course and need the skills session to complete their course and become fully certified.

Please respond to Mike Nepi at **EsplanadeCERTCommander@gmail.com** to confirm your intent to take these sessions.

### Images From Our Palmer Ranch Members

This photo of a backyard mocking bird nest was taken on Palmer Ranch by Bill Sullivan.







Photos of a local resident of Potter Park taken by Bill Sullivan.

## Local Happenings



#### **Artists of Palmer Ranch Monthly Meeting**

If you draw, paint, sculpt, or simply have an interest in the visual arts, please join the *Artists of Palmer Ranch* at their next meeting on **Monday, May 5th** at **10:30 am** at Gulf Gate Library, 7112 Curtiss Ave., Sarasota.

Any Palmer Ranch resident is very welcome. If you like, bring your latest masterpiece! They'd love to see it!

Featured Artist: Fanny Rodriguez

**Title:** Fragmented Desire **Medium:** Coffee On Paper

# Palmer Ranch Master Association Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm



Would you like to submit an article for consideration in a future newsletter?

Click **Here** for our article submission guidelines and form.

Email completed form to: **Info@palmerranch.net** 

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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