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On the Ranch Newsletter June 2025

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News You Can Use

Communication from the Master Association to our Members



Flag Day – Saturday, June 14th

People across the United States celebrate Flag Day on June 14th each year, to honor the United States flag and to commemorate the flag's adoption. On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress replaced the British symbols of the Grand Union flag with a new design featuring 13 white stars in a circle on a

field of blue and 13 red and white stripes – one for each state. The number of stars increased as the new states entered the Union. The flag of the United States represents freedom and has been an enduring symbol of the country's ideals since its early days. Many people in the United States honor this day by displaying the American flag at homes and public buildings.

Legacy Trail Intersection Reminders

Sarasota County installed a pedestrian crossing warning light system where The Legacy Trail crosses the busy four-lane Central Sarasota Parkway.

Florida law grants cyclists on a crosswalk the same rights and responsibilities as pedestrians.

Vehicles travelling by the Legacy Trail intersection on Central Sarasota Parkway, please be cautious and watch for bicyclists and pedestrians crossing the street whether the cross light is blinking or not.



Cyclists and **Pedestrians** must first heed the stop sign on The Legacy Trail. After stopping, <u>press the button on the side of the trail to activate the flashing lights</u>, alerting drivers that you intend to cross. Make eye contact with drivers to confirm vehicles are slowing or stopping before entering the intersection.

Click Here for additional information concerning Legacy Trail safety.

What is Considered Acceptable Flooding for a 100-Year Storm

Given we're now at the start of the 2025 Hurricane Season, the Master Association wanted all our members to be aware of Sarasota County's Acceptable Flooding for a 100-Year Storm, which is defined as:

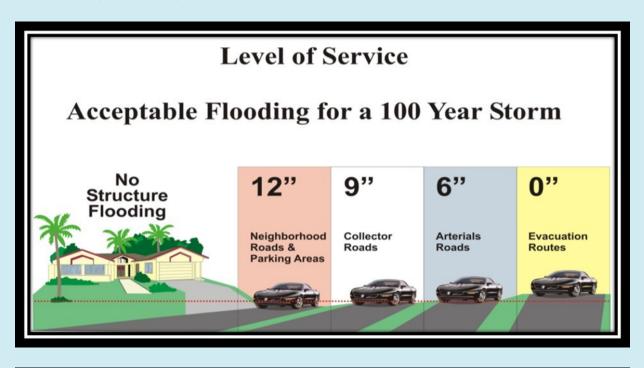
The level of flooding which is considered acceptable for a given rain event. Sarasota County's established level of service prohibits structure flooding and flooding of evacuation routes in a 100-year (10" in a 24-hour period) storm event. Flooding of neighborhood streets to a depth of 12 inches at the centerline of the road is allowed in a 100-year storm event.

What does this information mean to you? It means that you should be prepared to either

evacuate or shelter in place for up to 72 hours after an anticipated rain event where 10+ inches of rain is forecast to fall within a 24-hour period. While evacuation routes in our area, such as Clark Road and/or US41 are expected to be clear of standing water, the County has defined it as acceptable for a certain amount of water to stand along certain roadways.

On Palmer Ranch, our main roadways are defined as follows:

- Honore Avenue Arterial Roadway acceptable for up to 6" of water
- McIntosh Road– Arterial Roadway acceptable for up to 6" of water
- Central Sarasota Parkway Arterial Roadway acceptable for up to 6" of water
- Sawyer Loop Road Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Northridge Road Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Sarasota Square Boulevard Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Palmer Ranch Parkway between Beneva & McIntosh Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Palmer Ranch Parkway between McIntosh & Honore Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Palmer Ranch Parkway east of Honore Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water
- Bay Street Extension (west of Honore Avenue to Legacy Trail) Collector Roadway acceptable for up to 9" of water



Sarasota County Government Announcements

Garbage Cart Size Options Available Soon

Starting June 2, 2025, Sarasota County residents can request a different size green county garbage cart online with deliveries in July.

The form is available at **scgov.net/freshstartwithacart**. Remember: have your cart's serial number handy before starting the form—it's located on the front of the cart.

Residents can also make a cart swap request beyond June, so do not worry if you are a seasonal resident or are still deciding if the garbage cart you were issued is the right fit for you.



Sarasota County to open voluntary self-service sandbags stations

To help the community prepare during the 2025 hurricane season, Sarasota County is introducing free, voluntary, **self-service sandbag locations** to support residents in protecting their homes and property from potential tropical weather.

Each self-service station will have empty bags and sand free of charge at three locations.

The sandbag operations will be held at the following locations on June 14, July 19 and Aug. 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

- Ed Smith Stadium, 2700 12th St., Sarasota.
- Twin Lakes Park, 6700 Clark Road, Sarasota.
- South County Fleet, 4571 SR 776/Englewood Road, Venice.

These monthly opportunities will supplement the county's existing sandbag operations, which are activated prior to the arrival of a storm, to give residents time to prepare.

Residents are encouraged to utilize these free sandbag opportunities to help safeguard their homes from potential flooding and storm impacts.

Residents will be expected to fill and load their own sandbags into their vehicles and should bring their own shovels and gloves. For individuals who do not have shovels at home, there will be limited shovels for use on-site. Each vehicle will be provided 10 empty sandbags to fill.

For more information on Sarasota County's hurricane preparedness programs, visit **scgov.net**.

Sue's Grounds Corner



PRMA CERT Happenings

To date, we have successfully completed two CPR/AED courses and have 15 more people who have been CPR/AED certified on Palmer Ranch. If anyone is interested in having a CPR/AED class, please contact Dr. Censullo (drcensullo@gmail.com)

and/or his wife Kay (KayCensullo@gmail.com), as they do an excellent 3 hour class that is accredited by the American Heart Association. This class offers a two-year CPR/AED certification.

Happy 2025 Hurricane Season (Sue said sarcastically 🙁)

Don't forget our rainy/hurricane season runs until the end of November. I can't stress enough how important it is that if you're leaving to go back north for the summer, please put away your yard decorations/furniture/garden flags, etc. Since we are in hurricane season, it's important to have these items stored inside - preferably your garage. Your flying lounge chair can do a lot of damage to your pool cage as well as your neighbors pool cage. You may also want to consider trimming those low hanging tree branches - as we know they can cause a lot of damage.

Local Happenings

Covenant Life Church

Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Road, Sarasota, is announcing their 2025Summer Schedule.

• Annual Vacation Bible School the week of **June 16th -20th**. This year's theme is: Discovering Jesus from Eternity Past to Eternity Future

Click Here for more information and to register your child for Vacation Bible School.

• Summer Worship Schedule began on **Sunday, May 25th.** Service starts at **10:00 am** with one Discipleship Class starting at **9:00 am**.

All are invited to attend!







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, July 7th** 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: Pamela Olin

Title: Childhood Was Simpler

Medium: Steel on Mahogony

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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