Why Do Members Have to Pay An Annual Assessment to Palmer Ranch Master Association?

Beautification ...More than two-thirds of the nominal $175 annual Master Association assessment goes towards upkeep and ongoing beautification of Palmer Ranch; for example:

- Over 220 acres of rights-of-way, trimmed on a schedule
- Major entry features (community signs, flagpole, lush landscape & lighting)
- Directional signs, each beautifully landscaped
- 15 tons of winter rye seed and 6,000 bags of mulch spread annually
- 1,400+ Cabbage Palms trimmed throughout the Ranch, on an annual basis
- 180+ Crape Myrtle Trees trimmed and shaped each winter
- 4,500 annuals at major entrances and directional signs, changed out at least 4 times a year
- Park benches throughout the property, providing for pleasant places for pedestrians to rest
- Substantial funds are budgeted each year, for further beautifications

Palmer Ranch is widely recognized as a model of contemporary planning. It has earned an impeccable reputation and has become a strong brand. Annual Master Association assessments allow it to remain a leader in beautification!





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It's All In The Planning

Intelligent planning—its how Palmer Ranch was created and how it progresses today. A peaceful, desirable community of opportunity. A careful blend of the natural environment with unique and diversified land uses.

Palmer Ranch spent years in planning and became the first development in Florida to be granted a Master Development Order from local, regional and state planners.

Today, the 7,002-acre master planned development includes a mix of residential units, industrial uses, commercial and office uses and recreational areas. With over 90 associations, Palmer Ranch is home to over 30,000 residents.

Grounds

The park-like setting of the community surrounding the association neighborhoods is maintained by the Palmer Ranch Master Property Owners Association. Over the years, millions of dollars has been invested by the Master Association to further enhance the property. From signage to flags, benches to fencing, to flowers and palms, the grounds of Palmer Ranch are what we are best known for.







Fun Fact: Just how large are the grounds on Palmer Ranch?

Over 220 acres!



Wildlife

Native habitat preservation and wildlife corridors are an integral part of the planning process in development on the Ranch.

It's a regular occurrence to see a Bald Eagle soaring overhead, having to slow for a Sandhill Crane to cross the road or witness a Roseate Spoonbill soar across a pond.

One of the reasons many homeowners purchase homes on the ranch is due to the abundant wildlife. Members have witnessed Otters playing rambunctiously in our waterways. Further, nothing gets your attention quicker than hearing alligators practice their mating calls. Palmer Ranch also has Wild Turkey, Bobcat as well as the occasional Florida Panther sighting.



Sandhill Crane



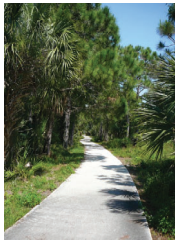
Roseate Spoonbill



Bald Eagle



Great Blue Heron



Stoneybrook Nature Trail

Parks on Palmer Ranch

The local parks, trails and recreational facilities contribute to the active lifestyle and family-friendly communities that make up Palmer Ranch.

The Florida outdoors lifestyle is promoted by a web of sidewalks with park benches woven throughout the ranch, allowing opportunities for walking, running, bicycling, birding and other nature studies. In addition, there are several Sarasota County Parks: Legacy Trail, Potter Park; Stoneybrook Nature Trail; Culverhouse Nature Park Community Garden.



Legacy Trail



Potter Park



Culverhouse Nature Park & Community Garden



Wetlands, Preserves, Drain Basins, etc.

Preserves are areas of natural habitat, where wildlife, plants and local geographic features have been maintained. Protected from encroachment, except for the removal of non-native species such as Brazilian Pepper or Melaleuca, they are to remain in their natural state and are part of the recorded plat for each community.

Drain Basins follow the historic natural south to southwest drainage pattern of our interior and coastline areas. Palmer Ranch is intersected by two major drain basins: Catfish Creek, on the west side of the community, and South Creek, to the east. The south area of the community is also headwater for the North Creek drain basin.

Wetlands are required to be maintained or mitigated, meaning re-established. Attenuation, the loss of land's ability to store excess surface water, is mediated by stormwater ponds, or wetlands.

So why talk about Wetlands, Preserves and Drain Basins? Because they're environmentally related. They preserve the natural order.

Palmer Ranch is one of the most recognized master-planned communities in Florida and has been a showcase for community planners. When we enter our seasonal wet season, we're thankful for the hydrologic planning that is an important part of our community.

So, the next time you walk, bike, or drive……...take pride in that natural areas of your community…… with insight to the land, remembering we are all its stewards.





