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On the Ranch Newsletter November 2026

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Palmer Ranch Master Association Notices Sign-up Form

If you aren't currently receiving the Palmer Ranch Master Association Newsletter and Notices directly to your in box and would like to, click **Here** for our Sign-up Form.

News You Can Use

Communication from the Master Association to our Members



Honoring All Veterans on Veteran's Day

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, on **Wednesday, November 11th**, we would like to honor our Palmer Ranch neighbors who are serving or have served in the armed forces.

From all of us at the Master Association office, we thank you for your service and sacrifice. We are forever grateful!

Holiday Hours for the Master Association



The Master Association office will be closed on **Thursday & Friday, November 26th & 27th** in observance of Thanksgiving.

We will reopen at 8:00 am on Monday, November 30th.



Strengthening Stormwater Resilience in Palmer Ranch - Findings of the Palmer Ranch Stormwater Management Ad Hoc Committee

The 2024 hurricane season brought an unusually high rainfall amount in a short period of time throughout Sarasota County. Several Palmer Ranch communities experienced elevated water levels in streets and driveways, stormwater ponds, and adjacent low areas. In response, the Palmer Ranch Master Association (PRMA) chartered a Palmer Ranch Stormwater Management Ad Hoc Committee (Committee), comprised of residential volunteers, to examine how water moves through Palmer Ranch, review waterway drainage performance, and advocate for better stormwater criteria throughout Sarasota County and Palmer Ranch.

The Report of the Palmer Ranch Stormwater Management Ad Hoc Committee can be found **Here**.

Also see the PRMA website, **www.PalmerRanch.net**, for resources pertaining to the management of your community's stormwater system and many other topics.

Notice of Public Hearings

Date: **Wednesday, November 18, 2026**
Time: **9:00 am** or as soon thereafter as possible
Place: **Robert L. Anderson Administration Center, Commission Chamber, 4000 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice, FL**

This project is not located on Palmer Ranch but will impact our members.

Click Here to view the Project Information as provided by Sarasota County.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE SARASOTA COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Sarasota Board of County Commissioners, at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 18, 2026, at the Robert L. Anderson Administration Center, Commission Chamber, 4000 South Tamiami Trail, Venice, Florida, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible, will consider adoption of proposed CPA No. 2024-D, a privately initiated Comprehensive Plan text Amendment to Chapter 8 – Sarasota 2050 RMA, amending VOS Policies 1.2.A, 2.1, 2.3 and 2.5 and Plan Definitions to include an optional Town Center concept for Village Planned Development and to expand the qualifying criteria for requesting exceptions to the Greenbelt requirements.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment Accela Record No. PLN-AMEND-24-000009
The petition relates to the property located east of the intersection of I-75 and S.R. 681, Sarasota, and generally shown on the map below:



Natural Assets

Managing Nutrient Pollution on Your Property



What's the problem?

- Fertilizer, grass clippings and other landscape debris add nutrient pollution to stormwater ponds and can also block the proper flow of stormwater.
- Stormwater ponds flow to creeks which flow to Little Sarasota Bay and Sarasota Bay which flows to the Gulf.
- Nutrient pollution is a primary cause of excessive algae growth in stormwater ponds and can make a red tide bloom in the Gulf much larger and last much longer.

What can homeowners do?

- Follow the Sarasota County fertilizer restrictions. Click **here** to view information from the County website. Note: Sarasota County prohibits the use of any fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorus from June 1 through Sept. 30.
- When you do fertilize don't allow any fertilizer to go into stormwater ponds and clean up any fertilizer that ends up on sidewalks, driveways or streets to prevent it from being washed into stormwater ponds and/or staining these surfaces. The easiest way to do this is to sweep or blow it back into lawns or planting beds.
- Use an appropriate type and amount of fertilizer for the needs of your lawn and plants and always choose fertilizers with at least 50% slow-release to minimize the likelihood of plant burn and leaching into runoff. A soil test can help determine your fertilization needs. Click **here** to view information from the IFAS website.
- If you use reclaimed water, you may be able to reduce or eliminate the amount of fertilizer you need to apply based on the nitrogen and phosphorous content of the reclaimed water.
- Water in fertilizer immediately after applying it with a minimal amount of water – typically ¼" or less is enough to move fertilizer to the roots for best uptake.
- Organic products that build soil health, such as compost, can help minimize the need for fertilizer.
- Use Florida-friendly plants. Plants adapted to Florida need less fertilizer, water, pesticides and overall care.
- When mowing and edging ensure that grass clippings don't end up in ponds by directing output of lawn equipment away from nearby stormwater ponds and cleaning up any grass clippings that end up on sidewalks, driveways or streets to prevent it from being washed into stormwater ponds. The easiest way to do this is to sweep or blow it back into lawns or planting beds.
- Do not apply fertilizer within 10' of a waterway.
- Regularly clean up fallen leaves and other tree, bush and flower debris to prevent it from washing into stormwater ponds or blocking the proper flow of stormwater.

Remember…if it goes into a storm sewer it will likely end up in a stormwater pond, then a creek, then Little Sarasota Bay and Sarasota Bay and ultimately the Gulf.

Article by Mike Ansel, Palmer Ranch Watershed & Natural Assets Committee member

Images from Palmer Ranch

Our Palmer Ranch resident, Pat Donnelly, has again been busy taking some amazing photos of the wildlife in Palmer Ranch.















Rich and Barbara Scissors from Sandhill Preserve captured this timely photo of a Sandhill Crane who had just snagged a snake.

Local Happenings

VillageWalk of Sarasota Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair

VillageWalk is hosting their Arts and Crafts Fair on
Saturday, November 7th from **10 am - 2 pm**

For gate entrance during the fair, use verbal code: ***ARTS & CRAFTS 2026***

Click on the flyer below for additional information.



Faith Lutheran Church Presents a "Piano Duo"

You are invited to attend very special "Piano Duo" with renowned Steinway artists Carles Lama & Sofia Cabruja. Carles & Sofia are internationally acclaimed as one of the world's leading piano duos all the way from Spain! Praised for their extraordinary musical understanding, brilliant technique and exceptional artistry, they have been hailed by New York critics as “the kings of the piano four hands.”

This **free** concert will be held on **Saturday, November 7th** at the Faith Lutheran Church located at 7750 Beneva Rd., Sarasota. Doors open at **6:30 pm** with concert beginning at **7:00 pm.**

A reception with light bites will be held after the concert.

Click **Here** to view the evening's program.

Admission is free and donations are appreciated.

Click on the flyer below for additional information.



Glenridge on Palmer Ranch Presentation - Understanding the Palmer Ranch Watershed, Flooding and Water Quality

The members of the Glenridge Green Team invite you to a free presentation on **Tuesday, November 10th** at **10:30 am**.

Stephen M. Suau, PE, who worked on the master plan for the local stormwater system in the 1990's and later served as the Sarasota County Stormwater Director, will discuss how our Glenridge stormwater system helps manage flooding and improves water quality on Palmer Ranch and South Creek.

Attendance is free and open to the public, but attendees are asked to call **941-552-5325** for reservations.

Please call Glenridge gate security at **941-552-5353** for directions to parking and to the theatre.

For additional information, please visit the Green Team website at: **www.glenridgegreenteam.org**.

The Isles on Palmer Ranch is Holding Their Annual Garage Sale

Saturday, November 14th from **8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

All are invited to a community wide garage sale which will be held throughout The Isles of Palmer Ranch (located on the East side of Honore Avenue and Aviano Lane).

Look for the tent at the entrance where you can pick up a map of the participating addresses.

This huge garage sale will feature treasures such as household items, home decor, art pieces, jewelry, clothing and much more!

50th Anniversary CycleFest



Palmer Ranch resident, Eric Puetz, who is a member of the Sarasota Manatee Bicycle Club (SMBC) is sharing the following event information:

Event: SMBC 50th Anniversary CycleFest
Date & Time: **Sunday, November 15th** from **8:00 am** -**2:30 pm**
Location: 8100 Main Street in Lakewood Ranch

Get ready to gear up and ride! The Sarasota Manatee Bicycle Club (SMBC) invites cycling enthusiasts and casual riders of all skill levels to join the annual CycleFest.

Whether you are looking for a casual neighborhood spin or a longer scenic distance ride across Sarasota and Manatee counties, CycleFest is a non-profit community cycling event that offers route options, rest stops, and post-ride festivities for everyone.

For more information and to sign up, visit **smbc.us/CycleFest**

PALMER RANCH SINGERS

Palmer Ranch Singers Announcement - Holiday Concert

Lift your spirits with the Palmer Ranch Singers!

The Palmer Ranch Singers invite you to celebrate the season with an evening of music, memories, and holiday cheer at their annual holiday concert!

Sunday, December 6th at **5:00 pm**
Faith Lutheran Church, 7750 S. Beneva Road, Sarasota
Tickets are $15

Their holiday program will include 10 holiday songs sung by the chorus, accompanied by a pianist and conducted by Jane Hunder.

The song choice will feature classic favorites, including “The Little Drummer Boy”, “Carol of the Bells”, “Sunrise, Sunset”, as well as some unusual and playful melodies sure to bring a smile to your face. Join in for an evening of music and merriment – and you may just find yourself “Pa-rum-pa-pa-pumming” all the way home!

Visit their website for more information: **Palmerranchsingers.org**

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Covenant Life Church Announcement - Christmas on Palmer Ranch Concert

covenantlife CHURCH PCA

You are invited to Covenant Life Church for a wonderful celebration of the season featuring a full choir and orchestra. The Sarasota Jazz Project is featured with special guest vocalist, Art Hallett.

Sunday, December 13th at **3:00 pm** and **6:00 pm**
Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Road, Sarasota

Admission is free, but tickets are required. Click **Here** to reserve your tickets!

Both performances were filled to capacity last year; you are encouraged to reserve your tickets early!

Click on the flyer below for additional information.



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.