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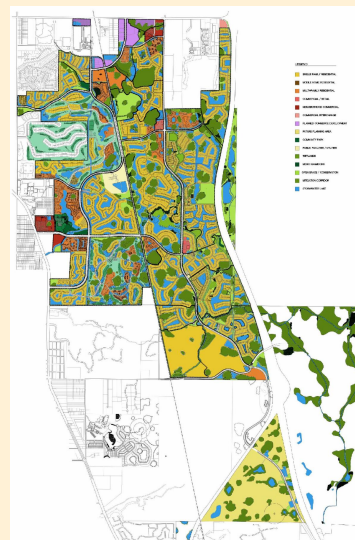
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Click [Here](#) for a Palmer Ranch Community Map.

Click [Here](#) to read all about Palmer Ranch.



Communication from the Master Association to our Members

Turn Clocks Back This Sunday

This is a reminder that daylight saving time comes to an end at 2 am this Sunday, November 3rd when clocks will “fall back” to 1 am.



Hurricane Season 2024

While we were somewhat spoiled by the start of this year's hurricane season, the latter half has proven to be quite stressful. Florida hasn't seen this many storms make landfall in our state, in one season, in 20 years. The latest, Milton, made landfall on October 9th near Siesta Key, not far from Palmer Ranch, with sustained winds of 120 mph. In addition to the strong winds, there were concerns over flooding from storm surge and rain, thankfully neither of which occurred on the Ranch. Palmer Ranch has 3 rain gauges on the property, and we recorded 4" of rain.

While we had minimal damage to signage and fencing throughout the common areas, our greatest loss was to our landscaping. 20 Oak Trees, 5 Ligustrum Trees, 1 Sylvester Palm, and 1 Cabbage Palm were lost due to the high winds.

The Master Association budgets each year for operating contingency for events like hurricanes. Typically, these funds are used for labor to pick up debris and to facilitate repairs to our infrastructure. Given our common areas are County rights-of-way, debris removal is reimbursed to the County by FEMA. The pickup of the debris along the main roadways will take time. When Ian hit here two years ago, it took over 6 weeks for the debris piles to be removed. As an HOA, we weren't eligible for FEMA reimbursement, so the Master Association Board chose to wait until the FEMA contractors picked up the debris instead of passing a special assessment to cover the cost to do it ourselves.

We do not foresee any special assessment in the future; however, we still have another a few weeks of hurricane season, and the meteorologists are indicating we're not 'out of the woods just yet.'

We'll get through this, as we always do; however, it will take time. Just remember – we're FLORIDA STRONG!

Where can I find the governing documents for the Master Association?

Our governing documents can be found on our website www.palmerranch.net.

To view the documents on Palmer Ranch website, click the resources tab on top of the home page, click on documents.

Click [Here](#) for an example of the website steps.



Holiday Hours for the Master Association

The Master Association office will be closed on **Thursday, November 28th** and **Friday November 29th** in observance of Thanksgiving. The office will reopen at 8:00 am on Monday, December 2nd.

Sue's Grounds Corner

What does Deed Restricted mean?

All communities on Palmer Ranch, except for apartments, commercial and recreational entities, are Deed Restricted. Ok, so what is that? Deed Restricted means the community and thereby the home has restrictions in place that prohibit owners from taking certain actions. These actions are detailed in the community covenants and restrictions, which are enforced by the HOA. Routinely the restrictions will apply to exterior architectural changes to your home, maintenance of the common areas, parking, pets, landscaping, etc.. To be more specific and make it easier to understand, you may need approval from the community's Architectural Review Committee (ARC) before you do any/all the following:

- repaint your house
- change your landscape
- change your front doors, windows or reroof your home



These are just a few examples of what may need ARC approval, so be sure to check with the community association first! In most cases you might find this information on the community's website.

The purpose of these restrictions is to maintain a neighborhood's aesthetic and support property values.

Where are my property boundaries?

The Sarasota County Property Appraiser's website has a wealth of information, including a way to see your property's boundaries via Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software. While a survey is always the most reliable option, this website is nearly as accurate.

- Visit: <https://www.sc-pa.com/home>
- Click on PROPERTY SEARCH
- Begin entering the address of the property and look for it to appear on the list below. Once located, select the address and press SEARCH.
- You'll see the details of the property, including the sales history.
- To view the property boundaries, click on MAP. (This is especially helpful as many homeowners believe they've a large yard with their property, only to find out that large area may be a Preservation Area belonging to the community.)

Click **Here** for an example of a Map search.

Sue Ambrecht - *First in a Series of "WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW"*

Local Happenings

Multi Community, Multi Family Yard / Garage Sale

The following communities located off of Honore Ave. will be hosting yard/garage sales on **Saturday, November 9th**.

- Hammock Preserve and Sandhill Preserve
Saturday, November 9th from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Talon Preserve
Saturday, November 9th from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Items include furniture, housewares, clothing, tools, jewelry, plants, toys, sports equipment and more.

The gates to these communities will remain open during this sale.

Inviting ALL readers to come by and see what treasures you can find!



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 our next meeting on **Wednesday, November 13 at 1:30 pm*** at **Gulf Gate Library, 7112 Curtiss Ave., Sarasota**.

(*Note: The Group normally meets the first Monday of month at 10:30 am. This is a one-time change because the library is an Election Polling Place.)

Any Palmer Ranch resident is very welcome.

If you like, bring your latest masterpiece! We'd love to see it!

Featured Artist: Ricky Stephens **Title:** Sails In Motion



Do you hear what I hear?

You're cordially invited to join the Palmer Ranch Singers for their holiday concert on

Sunday, December 8th at 4 pm at **St. Andrew United Church of Christ, 6908 Beneva Road,**

Sarasota (Gulf Gate area). Doors open at 3:30 p.m. Artistic Director Jane Hunder and Musical Director Linda Lee Miller have put together a wonderful program for all to enjoy as a festive start to this holiday season.

Tickets are \$15 per person at the door on the day of the concert. Ticket sales, along with group dues and donations, cover music purchases, use of the facility, and a professional director and musicians. The Palmer Ranch Singers are now a 501(c)3; donations are tax deductible and may be sent to Palmer Ranch Singers, PO Box 52013, Sarasota, FL, 34232. Patronage is always welcomed and appreciated.

We sincerely hope you will join the Singers, as they look forward to entertaining you with a delightful program of holiday music. Bring the whole family and your neighbors. Check out our new website - palmerranchsingers.com - for schedules and information about the group.

Happy Thanksgiving from the Palmer Ranch Singers!

Service Dogs Saving Lives Event

The mission of Service Dogs Saving Lives is to educate and provide service dogs to veterans, first responders, and others with prior self-harming tendencies. Please join this team for their second annual **A Night of Hope** event taking place on **Saturday, January 25th from 5:30-10:00 pm** at **Stoneybrook Golf and Country Club**. Stoneybrook is located at **8801 Stoneybrook Blvd., Sarasota**.

In 2023, thanks to the generosity of our donors, Service Dogs Saving Lives gave two scholarships and two service dogs away. One to a first responder and one to a veteran.

Register at SDSLHope.org or scan the QR code on the flyer.

A Night of Hope

DINNER & DANCE
TO SAVE LIVES

**SATURDAY
JANUARY 25, 2025
5:30-10:00 PM**

Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club
8801 Stoneybrook Boulevard
Sarasota, FL 34238

— **\$120 a person** —

Guest Speaker: Michael H.
Music by David Turner
Silent Auction

Attire Business Casual
(Men, collared shirts required)

**Sponsorship
Opportunities Available**

Register at
SDSLHope.org or
scan the QR code

Questions?
Contact Linda or
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**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:
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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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