



## ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 1, 2019

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### News You Can Use

#### CRAPE MYRTLE TRIM SCHEDULED

The Master Association contractor will be conducting the annual trim and shaping of the Crape Myrtle Trees on Palmer Ranch starting the week of **February 4<sup>th</sup>**. **The project will take approximately two weeks to complete, weather permitting.** Workers will be trimming in the areas of: Northridge Road, Palmer Ranch Parkway East, Sarasota Square Boulevard, Honore Avenue, McIntosh Road and Central Sarasota Parkway. *Please use caution when driving in active work zones.*



#### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR THE PALMER RANCH BUTTERFLY GARDEN! - FLYER ATTACHED

Volunteers are needed in several categories to help Palmer Ranch Master Association get our Butterfly/Pollinator/Wildlife Garden off the ground. See attached flyer for details!

#### BROOKDALE PALMER RANCH EVENT – FLYER ATTACHED

Brookdale Palmer Ranch located at 5111 Palmer Ranch Pkwy., is hosting a *Dessert Tasting Event* on **Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm**. See attached flyer for details! For reservations or more information, call (941) 926-1966.

#### 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STONEYBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB 5K WALK AND TALK – FLYER ATTACHED

Stoneybrook Golf & Country club, located at 8801 Stoneybrook Blvd., is holding their 16<sup>th</sup> annual 5K Walk & Talk on **Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**. See attached flyer for details!

#### TURTLE ROCK COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE - NOW ON FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>!

Turtle Rock located at 8500 Turtle Rock Blvd., will be having its annual “Trash to Treasure” sale on **Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** Be sure to stop by for some great finds!



#### PALMER RANCH IS HOSTING A MANAGER’S CEU CLASS

Palmer Ranch is hosting Sarasota County's *Neighborhood-level Stormwater Management* class on **Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am - 10:30am** at Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Rd. Community Association Managers are invited to earn 1.0 OPP or ELE credit hour. Grounds managers, board members, and committee members are also welcome. Click the link for more information and to register for this event.

<http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07eg01dk4njqo0d9n0/a00hjr0scjp6/questions>.

A Sarasota County staff member with specialized knowledge of local water infrastructure and resources, will provide an overview of stormwater impacts, methods of stormwater collection & drainage, and opportunities to enhance stormwater functions. Learner outcomes include an awareness of potential neighborhood-level stormwater concerns, the ability to identify neighborhood-level stormwater features, and knowledge of modern technologies and best practices.



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### SURREY RIDES ON THE LEGACY TRAIL RETURNING



Ready to travel the Legacy Trail? The Surrey Ride Program offers a way for residents and visitors the chance to enjoy Sarasota County's award winning and highly popular Legacy Trail. The program, which is a partnership between Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources and the Friends of the Legacy Trail (FLT) runs on **Tuesdays and Wednesdays, now through April 17<sup>th</sup>**. Riders can sit back and enjoy the ride on a four-passenger, four-wheeled canopy covered surrey type bicycle while FLT volunteers provide the 45 minute pedal-powered trips. The ride includes information and history of the Legacy Trail

and its surroundings. To pre-register for your free surrey ride, call (941) 486-2757. For more information visit <https://www.friendsofthelegacytrail.org/the-surrey-program/>.

### On The Grounds

#### SLASH PINES (PINUS ELLIOTTII)

The Slash Pine Tree is a hardy native conifer that creates a natural bird sanctuary. These trees that grow as tall as 80 feet shelter birds from predators, with owls, woodpeckers, eagles and egrets all making their homes amid the branches. With luxurious long soft needles, these shade trees provide more open foliage than a broadleaf tree, so light can filter down to nearby plants making it ideal for many shrubs and groundcovers. The Slash Pine is happy in low hammocks, sloughs, along streams and in preserve areas where its Pine seeds are a great food source for squirrels and other animals.



Sign Up For Our Newsletter

Do you want to hear about the news on Palmer Ranch first hand? If so, simply visit our website: [www.PalmerRanch.net](http://www.PalmerRanch.net). At the bottom of the home page, simply click on 'Sign Up For Our Newsletter.'

You'll then be asked to provide your email address and first name. It's that easy!

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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.'*



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!!

To help Palmer Ranch Master Association get our Butterfly/Pollinator/  
Wildlife Garden off the ground!!

**Volunteers needed for the following categories:**

- Removing previously mulched Brazilian pepper/Trim overhanging growth/pulling weeds
- Helping to install irrigation drip line
- Painting/sectioning out areas for planting beds
- Preparing soil for planting/tilling/hydrating/adding supplements as may be needed
- Start planting and mulching

If you are interested in helping us, please indicate what task you'd be willing to do, what days are best for you and, of course, what time of day is better. My plan is to get all plants in the ground by end of April at the latest. Please email [sue@palmerranch.net](mailto:sue@palmerranch.net), or write me (Sue Ambrecht) at 6142 Clark Center Ave., Sarasota, FL 34238.





# Dessert Tasting Event

Tired of turning down dessert?

Come to our dessert tasting event. Here you'll sample some of our guiltless pleasures and learn ways you can feel good about eating sweets on occasion.

February 12th at 2:00 p.m.

Eat Right for Life - Dessert Tasting


Hosted by Seth Gwaltney, Executive Chef

## CALL TODAY!

### Brookdale Palmer Ranch

Assisted Living | Alzheimer's & Dementia Care  
Rehabilitation & Skilled Nursing  
5111 Palmer Ranch Parkway  
Sarasota, FL 34238  
24309

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# 16th Annual Stoneybrook G C C 5k - Walk and Talk

## Saturday, February 16, 2019

Starting Point: 9:30am at the Club Pro Shop, located in rear (Sign In 8:30—9:30am)  
8801 Stoneybrook Blvd

Donations of \$20.00 per person include: Continental Breakfast (Donuts, Coffee, Juice)

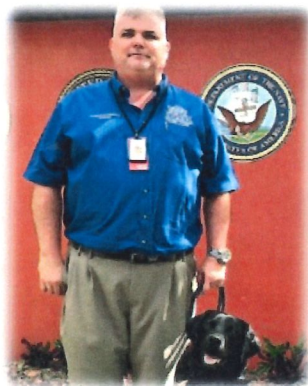
Lunch (Hot Dog with all the fixins, beans and chips).

Bottled water at the start and along the walk.

Cash or Checks payable to Southeastern Guide Dogs.

Raffle tickets (3 for \$5) for sponsor gifts will be sold at Pub Nights and on day of event.

This event benefits the Paws for Patriots program at Southeastern Guide Dogs.



*Special guest speaker, Ret. U.S. Marine Robert Lynch, and his  
very special companion, Hercules, will be at this years walk.*

Robert Lynch, a disabled Veteran, is now The Veterans Experience Officer at Haley V.A., Tampa, FL.

Every morning, Robert and Hercules visit the hospital's outpatient clinics engaging with

75 to 100 patients a day.

"Eye contact, a warm greeting, and a smile on your face mean so much to someone coming to a hospital  
and costs absolutely nothing. Hercules connects with every  
generation, gender and race. He is the common denominator."

Hercules was named by the 2016 Stoneybrook Walk N Talk participants.

Please contact Dave Scruggs (716-983-9098) or Shelby Colston (941-400-4435) for further  
information. If you are unable to attend this year's walk and would like to donate  
please send your donation to:

Southeastern Guide Dogs, 8782 Merion Avenue, Sarasota, Florida 34238

Looking forward to seeing you at this year's walk.

Come out and support our future heroes that one day will change a life!

