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SANDHILL PRESERVE COMMUNITY YARD SALE – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

Stop by Sandhill Preserve, 11140 Sandhill Preserve Dr. on **Saturday, November 6th from 8:00am to 2:00pm**. Stop by and spend your morning browsing through treasures at multiple family homes in one community. Kitchen items, mirrors, frames, paintings, lamps, auto supplies, kid's stuff, garden supplies, handbags, accessories and more!



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS THIS SUNDAY MORNING – NOVEMBER 7TH

Just a Reminder - Change the batteries in your smoke detectors when you turn the clock back one hour this weekend! Yes, it is hard to believe, but it is already time to Fall Back!

PALMER RANCH MAH JONGG GROUP

Palmer Ranch Mah Jongg Group welcomes all Mah Jongg players to join them **every Monday and Friday from 1pm-4pm**, at Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Rd., for some lively games of Mah Jongg. Bring your sets, bring your cards, and bring your enthusiasm! If you have questions, please call Barbara at (941) 346-1114.

TRI-COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE ON PALMER RANCH - POSTPONED

Due to continued health and safety concerns of Covid-19, Stonebridge, Wellington Chase and The Hamptons have postponed the 2021 Annual Tri-Community Garage Sale, with the hope to reschedule the 1st Saturday in November 2022.

SHOPPES AT PALMER RANCH GROUNDBREAKING

Wednesday, October 27th brought forth a picture-perfect Florida morning with lower humidity and a beautiful sunrise. It was the ideal morning to hold a groundbreaking ceremony for The Shoppes at Palmer Ranch, located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Honore Avenue & Central Sarasota Parkway. When complete, the Shoppes at Palmer Ranch will encompass 65,848 square feet of grocery, retail, medical and restaurants and will have two additional outparcels for lease.

Publix will occupy approximately 48,000 square feet of the development and is scheduled to open September of 2022.





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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 **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!



CONDO DIRECTORS' CERTIFICATION COURSE – BEING HELD VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM

Your Community Partners is offering a Condo Director Certification Course featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells Esq. via Zoom meetings on **Wednesday, November 10th from 8:30am to 11:30am**. Please RSVP to boardcertclass@gmail.com by noon the Monday before the event as space is limited.

HOA DIRECTORS' CERTIFICATION COURSE – BEING HELD VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM

Your Community Partners is offering a HOA Director Certification Course featuring guest speaker Kevin T. Wells Esq. via Zoom meetings on **Wednesday, November 17th from 8:30am to 11:30am**. Please RSVP to boardcertclass@gmail.com by noon the Monday before the event as space is limited.

STONEYBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB HOLIDAY BAZAAR - FLYER ATTACHED

Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club, located at 8801 Stoneybrook Blvd. is hosting a Holiday Bazaar on **Monday, November 15th from 10:00am to 2:30pm**. For more information call (941) 918-9595.

COVENANT LIFE CHURCH PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Samaritan's Purse has collected shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children around the world. Since 1993, more than 178 million children in more than 150 countries have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Contact Covenant Life Church at (941) 926-4777 for more information.



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

We wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving! The Palmer Ranch Master Association office will be closed on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day and Friday, to reopen on **Monday, November 29th at 8am**.

FRIENDS OF OSPREY JUNCTION TRAILHEAD RECYCLE-A-BICYCLE PROGRAM – FLYER ATTACHED



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Opportunity to Monitor Bald Eagle Nests and Assist in Park Maintenance

One of the attractions of living in Palmer Ranch is the opportunity to view wildlife, both native and migratory. Here's an opportunity to participate in a continuing project through the Palmer Ranch Natural Assets Committee to monitor nesting bald eagles and possibly also to assist in light maintenance at two Sarasota County parks within Palmer Ranch.

Culverhouse Nature Park off McIntosh Road is situated on 82 acres. It includes a community garden, picnic areas, hiking trails and parking. A pair of eagles have nested in the park for several years. The nest is easily visible from a well-mown trail. The adult eagles usually return in October or November to renovate their nest and copulate. Eaglets appear in late December or early January and usually fledge in March or April. In addition to eagle watching, the county needs assistance in removal of invasive vegetation and bushes in the park.

Scherer-Thaxton Preserve consists of 287 acres on both sides of Honoré Avenue just north of the junction with Highway 681. The area near the parking lot on the west side of Honoré includes a fitness trail and hiking/biking trails that in the dry season connect to the Legacy Trail and Oscar Scherer State Park. The park also includes an active eagle nest, which is easily visible from one of the trails. Last year the eaglet appeared and fledged a month or so later than the eaglet in Culverhouse Nature Park.

The eagle nests in both parks are included in the Audubon Society's EagleWatch Program. The county's park manager of both parks has been a monitor of the two nests. The county has posted notices for a volunteer to assist the park manager with monitoring the nests and invasive vegetation management throughout areas of each of the parks.

The project instituted last year permits interested residents of Palmer Ranch to fill jointly the position of volunteer for Culverhouse Park or for Scherer Thaxton Preserve. Participants will take turns monitoring the eagle nest for at least 15-20 minutes once a week and write a report of the viewing to the park manager. The parks' manager will include the information in his reports to the EagleWatch Program of the Audubon Society. Participants may also assist the parks' manager in maintaining the hiking trails. This involves working closely with parks staff to implement invasive plant control projects, removal of trash and debris as necessary and reporting of safety issues and damage to the appropriate county agencies.

If you are interested in participating in this project or would like additional information, please contact Oliver Janney at ojjanney@outlook.com or (941) 922-8766.



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Sue's Grounds Corner

New Legacy Trail Crossing on Palmer Ranch

For our returning residents, please be aware that there is a new SAWYER LOOP ROAD crossing for Legacy Trail. I've noticed that our seasoned cyclists are NOT "pushing the button". I have asked Friends of Legacy Trail to please remind their users that we have returning residents who are not aware of this crossing. Hopefully this request will get down to the cyclists and they will "PUSH THE BUTTON". This particular crossing has a set of red lights that tells traffic to STOP, but only if the button is pushed!

NAVIGATING THE LEGACY TRAIL
Steps for a Safe Crossing



HOW TO USE THE PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACON



DRIVERS

SEE THIS	DO THIS
	GO!
FLASHING 	SLOW DOWN (Pedestrian has activated the push button)
	Prepare to STOP
	STOP! For Pedestrian
FLASHING 	STOP! Proceed with Caution if Clear

HOW TO USE THE PEDESTRIAN HYBRID BEACON



PEDESTRIANS

SEE THIS	DO THIS
	PUSH THE BUTTON STOP & WAIT for "WALK" signal
	START CROSSING WATCH FOR CARS!
FLASHING 	FINISH CROSSING



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SARASOTA COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING – PALMER RANCH PARCEL B2B (NORTHWEST CORNER – HONORE AVENUE & NORTHRIDGE ROAD)

Notice of Public Hearings

Sarasota County Planning and Development Services Department wants you to know that a property owner near you has applied for the following petitions to develop an approximately 13.15 acre property located at the northwest quadrant of Honore Avenue and Northridge Road: **Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) No. 2021-C**, to revise the Future Land Use Map designation from **Village II Commercial Center and Major Employment Center to High Density Residential**; **Critical Area Plan No. 91-02-SP Amendment** to change the land use from **Commercial to Residential**; **Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Notice of Proposed Change (NOPC) No. 1** to change the land use designation for Parcel Bb2-East in Palmer Ranch DRI Increment XIV from **Commercial to Residential**; and **Rezone Petition No. 21-10** to rezone approximately 13.15 acres from **CSC/PID (Commercial Shopping Center/Planned Industrial Development) to RMF-3/PUD (Residential, Multi-Family, 13 units/acre/Planned Unit Development)** zone district to develop a 221-unit multi-family residential development.

The Sarasota County Commission will hold **Public Hearings** beginning at **9:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, on **November 15, 2021**, at the **Sarasota County Administration Center, Commission Chamber, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida.**

All interested parties are invited to appear, be heard, and submit relevant evidence. Copies of the petitions and supporting documents are available during normal business hours in the Planning and Development Services Department at 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, Florida. Supporting documents will be available the Thursday prior to the public hearings at www.scgov.net, Meetings and Agendas (Meetings on Demand), to view or download.

You are invited to comment on the request by attending the public hearing or submitting your written comments to:

Planning and Development Services Department
1660 Ringling Blvd., First Floor
Sarasota, FL 34236
planner@scgov.net
941-861-5000, TTY 7-1-1 or 1-800-955-8771

CPA No. 2021-C
NOPC No. 1
CAP 91-02-SP
RZ 21-10



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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.'



Stoneybrook Holiday Bazaar

Monday, November 15

10:00 am - 2:30 pm



Unique bags, purses

Handmade all occasion greeting cards

Coasters & Ornaments

Woodcraft cutting boards and bowls

One of a kind scarves

Sterling silver jewelry

Beaded Jewelry

Artwork



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Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead Launches a Recycle-a-Bicycle Program

Have a bicycle you would like to donate?

Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead, in partnership with The Bicycle Factory, has announced a Recycle-A-Bicycle Program. The program will give away donated bicycles that have been collected by Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead and refurbished by The Bicycle Factory volunteers.

The Bicycle Factory is an organization composed of volunteer bicycle mechanics and bicycle technicians. Their workshop is located on the premises of the Salvation Army in downtown Sarasota where they refurbish donated bicycles. The recycled bicycles will be given to people in need of alternative transportation, or to children who don't have a bicycle.

Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead has developed a comprehensive outreach program that will solicit unused or malfunctioning bicycles from residents in the Sarasota, Manatee, and other neighboring county communities. The Recycle-A-Bicycle program will be an on-going initiative.

In addition to soliciting individual donations, Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead is also asking organizations and businesses to create bike donation campaigns with their staff and employees. Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead will work with organization leaders in developing the bike donation campaigns.

Individual bike or bicycle parts donations can be arranged to be picked up by calling Ralph Monti, Bicycle Activities Coordinator for Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead. Contact Ralph by phone at 646-705-4148 or email at ralphmonti@gmail.com.

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About Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead

Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead is a Chapter of Friends of Sarasota County Parks, a 501c3 non-profit registered in Florida. Friends of Osprey Junction Trailhead is a volunteer organization that supports, promotes, and enhances Osprey Junction Trailhead, a Sarasota County Park adjacent to The Legacy Trail. Visit their website at ojtfriends.com or by email friends@ojtfriends.com.