



ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2023

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HONORE AVENUE ROADWAY RESURFACING UPDATE

Residents have contacted our office regarding the uneven roadways. Be advised this project is not yet complete. Please find the following update from Sarasota County:



Work in this area is ongoing. Structural has been placed on all lanes, however, Friction has only been placed on turn lanes and cross overs. This is leaving a 1.5-inch vertical drop between mainline and side streets. The Contractor has appropriate maintenance of traffic signs (uneven lanes) throughout the project limits to warn of this condition to the motoring public. Temporary paint has been installed per plans on the asphalt surfaces.



Several more night shifts remain before this area is completed with the friction course.

YOUR 2023 MASTER ASSOCIATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There are many property types on Palmer Ranch. For purposes of classification and representation to the Master Association they are: Residential, Commercial/Industrial, and Recreational.

What makes up the Board of Trustees of the Master Association? There are fifteen (15) Board Members; ten are elected from Residential Members, three from Commercial-Industrial and two from Recreational Members. The Declarant has exercised its option by appointing a sixteenth member to the Board.

2023 PALMER RANCH MASTER PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION - BOARD OF TRUSTEES / OFFICERS:

President / Residential Trustee: Leatrice (Lee) Katz – VillageWalk

President Elect / Residential Trustee: Richard (Dick) Beitel – Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club

Vice-President / Residential Trustee: Garry Wharton - Silver Oak

Treasurer / Residential Trustee: G. Christopher Meyer – Huntington Pointe

Secretary / Residential Trustee: Carol Auricchio– Mira Lago

Residential Trustee: Roger Stephenson - VillageWalk

Residential Trustee: Charles Reith – Mira Lago

Residential Trustee: Cynthia Dopjera – Stoneybrook Golf & Country Club

Residential Trustee: Martha Sherman – Sandhill Preserve

Residential Trustee: Nicholas Spina – Wellington Chase

Recreational Trustee: Elizabeth Miller – TPC Prestancia

Recreational Trustee: Lisa Meskil – Core SRQ

Commercial / Industrial Trustee: Vacant

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Declarant Trustee: Tami Lansdell – Palmer Ranch Holdings, LTD.



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EASTER SERVICES AND EVENTS AT COVENANT LIFE CHURCH ON PALMER RANCH

Covenant Life is located at 8490 McIntosh Road, for information please contact them at (941) 926-4777.

Good Friday Service – **Friday, April 7th at 6:30pm**

Easter Egg Hunt – **Saturday, April 8th at 10:00am**

Easter Services – **Sunday, April 9th at 8:30am (Classic Service) & 10:45am (Modern Service)**

CORE SRQ EGGSTRAVANZA – FLYER ATTACHED

Join Core SRQ, located at 8301 Potter Park Dr., on **Saturday, April 8th from 11:00am to 1:00pm** for their Eggstravaganza. There will be an egg scavenger hunt, photo opportunities with the bunny, food, and fun! This event is free to the community. RSVP to save your spot for faster check-in by visiting www.coresrq.org/egg.

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY- FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

The first American Arbor Day was originated in Nebraska City, Nebraska by J. Sterling Morton. On April 10, 1872, an estimated one million trees were planted in Nebraska.



HAPPY ARBOR DAY

Birdsey Northrop of Connecticut was responsible for globalizing the idea when he visited Japan in 1883 and delivered his Arbor Day and Village Improvement message. In that same year, the American Forestry Association made Northrop the Chairman of the committee to campaign for Arbor Day nationwide. He also brought his enthusiasm for Arbor Day to Australia, Canada, and Europe.

Arbor Day is a holiday in which individuals and groups are encouraged to plant trees. Today, many countries observe such a holiday. Though usually observed in the spring, the date varies, depending on climate and suitable planting season.



SANDHILL CRANE COLTS SEASON

Two subspecies of Sandhill Crane occur in Florida. The Florida Sandhill Crane population numbers between four and five thousand, are non-migratory year-round breeding residents, and are state protected. They are joined every winter by 25,000 migratory Greater Sandhill Cranes that nest every spring in the Great Lakes region. The babies are called “colts” because of their long spindly legs. These majestic birds make their home in our freshwater preservation areas. **Please be mindful of these downy Native Floridians as you travel along the picturesque roads of Palmer Ranch!**

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REMINDER TO PUSH THE BUTTON - CENTRAL SARASOTA PARKWAY AT THE LEGACY TRAIL

Many pedestrians and cyclists are **pushing the button** to activate the flashing lights at the Legacy Trail crossing at Central Sarasota Parkway.



1. Push Button to Alert Motorist
2. Wait for Vehicle to Stop
3. Make eye contact with the driver.
4. Cross Carefully



Florida law grants cyclists on a crosswalk the same rights and responsibilities as pedestrians. Drivers are required to yield to pedestrians in the crosswalk. The purpose of the flashing lights is to alert motorists that there is someone entering the crosswalk and they must yield.

USE CAUTION AT CROSSWALKS

With the continued sunny weather, many people are out enjoying the great outdoors, and walking the tree lined sidewalks. Throughout Palmer Ranch, there are designated crosswalks. Some people misunderstand the purpose and meaning of a crosswalk, believing it is the only place pedestrians are *permitted* to cross the street. That is not the case. A crosswalk is where drivers are expected to yield to pedestrians. Drivers approaching crosswalks – either marked or unmarked – must yield to pedestrians who are legally in the crosswalk and approaching closely enough to be in conflict.



Pedestrians cannot enter the crosswalk at any time they wish. One cannot expect a driver to do the impossible, such as coming to a stop from 45 mph in 100 feet. Pedestrians must give drivers adequate time and distance to react and stop.

BEGINNING MAY 1, YARD WASTE MATERIALS IN PLASTIC BAGS AT THE CURB WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED.



Many neighboring communities have eliminated plastic bags from their yard waste collection processes and require residents to use paper bags and/or reusable containers for curbside disposal. The elimination of plastic bags from the yard waste

stream helps support Sarasota County's commitment to environmental stewardship and will help reduce staffing challenges and associated costs.



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Everything You Need to Know About Palmer Ranch

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

Beautification ...More than two-thirds of the nominal \$167 annual Master Association assessment goes towards upkeep and ongoing beautification of Palmer Ranch; for example:

- ❖ 16 miles of grassy rights-of-way, trimmed on a schedule
- ❖ 6 entry features (community signs, flagpole, lush landscape & lighting)
- ❖ 24 way-finding signs, each beautifully landscaped
- ❖ 15 tons of winter rye seed and 6,000 bags of mulch spread annually
- ❖ Over 1,200 Cabbage Palms trimmed throughout the ranch, on an annual basis
- ❖ 180+ Crape Myrtle Trees trimmed and shaped each winter
- ❖ 3,500 annuals at 6 entrances and 24 directional signs, changed out at least 4 times a year
- ❖ 15 park benches throughout the property, providing for pleasant places for pedestrians to rest
- ❖ Substantial funds are budgeted each year, for further beautifications



Your master-planned community is widely recognized as a model of contemporary planning. It has earned an impeccable reputation and has become a strong brand. Your assessments allow it to remain a leader in beautification!





Join us **11AM-1PM** for this **FREE** community event!
RSVP to save your spot for faster check-in by scanning
QR code below or visiting: www.coresrq.org/egg

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