



ON THE RANCH NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2019

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PATRIOT DAY- SEPTEMBER 11

Wednesday, September 11, 2019 will mark the 18th anniversary of the terrorist attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington DC. It is a solemn occasion, and a chance to honor those who died and the heroes that emerged that day. It is customary to observe a moment of silence beginning at 8:46am marking the time the first plane struck the North Tower of the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001. On Tuesday, U.S. flags will be flown at half-staff from sunrise to sunset.

News You Can Use

STONEBROOK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB - FALL SCHEDULE - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC -[FLYER ATTACHED](#)

ARTISTS OF PALMER RANCH MEETING

Do you draw, paint, sculpt or have an interest in any of the visual arts? If so, come join the *Artists of Palmer Ranch* at their next two meetings on **Monday, September 9th** at the Gulf Gate Library, 7112 Curtiss Ave. Any Palmer Ranch resident is welcome. If you like, bring your latest masterpiece!

GREEN TEAM EVENT AT THE GLENRIDGE ON PALMER RANCH

The increase of Red Tide, a naturally occurring algae, has become a significant problem along our beautiful coastline. Join the Green Team at The Glenridge for an enlightening presentation by Sandy Gilbert, Chairman and CEO of START (“Solutions to Avoid Red Tide”), an organization aimed at reducing excess nutrients that feed Red Tide. Sandy will explain what causes Red Tide, what is now being done to combat this scourge, and what we all can do to help.

This free event will take place on **Monday, September 9th at 10:30am** in the theater at The Glenridge on Palmer Ranch, 7333 Scotland Way. The public is welcome. Please contact Susan Button at susanvinalbutton@gmail.com with any questions about this event.

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY EVENT AT OSCAR SCHERER STATE PARK

Oscar Scherer State Park, located at 1843 S. Tamiami Trail, Osprey, is having a National Public Lands Day event with service projects on **Saturday, September 28th from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. Multiple projects include: trail trimming and cleanup, exotic invasive plant removal, cat tail removal for Lake Osprey, and spreading mulch in the playground. There will be live music and free lunch for registered volunteers! For more information click the following link <https://www.floridastateparks.org/events/national-public-lands-day> or email diana.stinson@dep.state.fl.us.



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BIRDIES FOR THE BRAVE – SEE ATTACHED FLYER

TPC Prestancia is hosting a charity golf tournament benefiting Birdies for the Brave® on **Monday, November 4th, 2019.**



Birdies for the Brave was originally created in 2006 by PGA TOUR player, Phil Mickelson, and his wife, Amy, to support combat-wounded veterans. The PGA TOUR subsequently adopted the program, and expanded it to include a wide variety of military outreach and appreciation activities during PGA TOUR events, as well as a series of fundraising events conducted at the PGA TOUR's Tournament Players Clubs (TPCs) and Heritage Golf Group courses across the nation – an effort that has raised more than \$20 million for non-profit military homefront groups that are supported by PGA TOUR players, which provide direct support to military members, veterans, and their families ranging from financial aid, rehabilitation services, counseling and housing to educational scholarships and career development. For more information, please contact Neil Jones via email njones@heritagegolfgroup.com or by phone (941) 924-1331. Be sure to register by the October 1st deadline.

HONORING OUR VETERANS

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, November 11th, we would like to honor our Palmer Ranch neighbors who are serving or have served in the armed forces. For this acknowledgement, we need your help. Please email Carrie (carrie@palmerranch.net) with the name, rank and branch of service of our Palmer Ranch veterans. We will feature their names in our annual Veterans Day Special Edition. Thank you.



SECOND ANNUAL PALMER RANCH ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR

Palmer Ranch will be hosting its Second Annual Palmer Ranch Environmental Fair on **Wednesday, November 6th from 9am to noon.** The event will be held at Covenant Life Church, 8490 McIntosh Road. Stay tuned for more details!

UF/IFAS EXTENSION SARASOTA COUNTY FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES WORKSHOP

The 14th Annual Sustainable Communities Workshop "Growing Greener Generations" will bring together the community to discuss a variety of up-to-date sustainability topics presented by expert speakers. This workshop is taking place on **Thursday, November 14th from 8:00am to 4:30pm.** For more information and to register click the following link <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sustainable-communities-workshop-registration-60752381007>



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FOUND MONEY by Charles Reith, PhD – Member of the Palmer Ranch Watershed / Natural Assets Committee



Floating in the middle of Mira Lago's lakes are vegetated islands that improve water quality and attest to the commitment of community leaders. The four islands have adorned and purified the lakes since mid-2018, when they were purchased from an east coast firm called Beemats and installed by Beautiful Ponds. Beemats were purchased through a \$7,200 grant from the Gulf of Mexico Alliance, based on a proposal by Mira Lago's then-President Carol Auricchio. Carol launched her search for funding at workshop hosted by the Sarasota County Extension Services, where speaker Mollie Holland announced that grants were available for communities that wanted to reduce nutrients in their lakes and, by extension, protect Sarasota Bay. Carol wrote a proposal to the County that was not approved, but many months later, after Hurricane Irma, read an email from Tracy Smith of the Palmer Ranch Master Association that the Gulf of Mexico Alliance was offering grant funds. Not one to give up easily, Carol put pen to paper and authored a successful proposal. Carol says the grant itself was not hard to write but that supporting paperwork – budgets, outreach plans, and all – required some pulling together. Further, the Gulf of Mexico

Alliance required more information as part of a final report with receipts, photographs, and community involvement. Carol's hard work paid off, not just landing the grant and overseeing the installation but also motivating Mira Lago to get more involved in the environmental health of its lakes, which are now managed by a Lakes Committee that Carol chairs.



Do you want to hear about the news on Palmer Ranch first hand? If so, simply visit our website: 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!

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 Golf and Country Club of Sarasota on Palmer Ranch Open to the Public!



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!

- 18 Hole Golf Course, Restaurant & Bar
- Tee Times and Golf Packages Available
- **Sunday Breakfast Buffet** 9:30am-1:30pm
- **Lunch Service:** Open Daily 11:00am
- **Dinner Service:** 5:00-8:00pm

Wednesday: Pub Night
(Pub Special Menu)

Thursday: Rib Night
(Prime Rib, BBQ Ribs and Full Menu)

Friday: Menu
(Dinner Specials and Full Menu)

Friday

**TRIVIA
NIGHT**

5:30 Buffet

Games Follow Buffet

September 13

19.95++

October 18

New Price 22.95++

BINGO & Buffet

Thursday, September 5th & 19

Thursday, October 3rd

Bingo returns every Tuesday

October 15th

5:30 Buffet

Games Follow Dinner

18.95++



Silver Bells Holiday Bazaar
Monday, November 4, 2019

Open to the Public

Local Artisan's

Shopping 9:30am-3:00pm

Luncheon Served 12:30pm

20.00++

Reservations: 941-918-9595
www.stoneybrook.net

Stoneybrook is a fabulous place for Luncheons,
Dinner Parties, Special Events and Weddings

For Club Events and Entertainment: Check Calendar or Call: 941-918-9595

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TPC PRESTANCIA PHILANTHROPY



TPC Prestancia is Proud to save one day each year where we offer our members and the community the opportunity to give back as they play with our Purple Heart recipients in a national fundraising initiative.

Birdies for the Brave® is a military outreach initiative proudly supported by the PGA TOUR, PGA Charities.

TPC Prestancia and Heritage Golf Group has worked with club members, sponsors and local community leaders, as part of its support for Birdies for the Brave, to raise more than \$3.4 million for military homefront charities since 2008.

Please join TPC Prestancia in giving back to our courageous American heroes and their families by participating in this year's Audi Sarasota Charity Golf Tournament benefitting Birdies for the Brave. [Http://birdiesforthebrave.org/about-us/](http://birdiesforthebrave.org/about-us/)

BIRDIES FOR THE BRAVE

OUR MISSION

Proudly supported by the PGA TOUR, *Birdies for the Brave* is a national military outreach initiative dedicated to honoring and showing appreciation to the courageous men and women of the United States Armed Forces and their families.

OUR STORY

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TPC Prestancia has the honor this year of hosting here in Sarasota the two partner GuideStar Platinum rated Military Homefront Charities. Rated as Excellence in Giving on Transparency and Top Rated in GreatNonprofits.



The Special Operations Warrior Foundation <https://specialops.org/>

Special Operations Warrior Foundation supports America's Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps Special Operations personnel through two programs:

(1) Ensuring full financial assistance for post-secondary education from an accredited two or four-year college, university, technical or trade school, as well as educational counseling, preschool grants, and tutoring to the surviving children of Special Operations personnel who lose their lives in the line-of-duty and;

(2) Providing immediate financial grants to severely combat-wounded and hospitalized Special Operations personnel and their families.





K9 for Warriors

<https://www.k9sforwarriors.org/>

Providing Service Dogs to Military Veterans

K9s For Warriors is the nation's largest provider of service dogs to military veterans suffering from Post-traumatic Stress Disability, traumatic brain injury and/or military sexual trauma as a result of military service post-9/11. Our program is unique, and no other organization operates quite like K9s For Warriors. Every warrior that walks through the door is family. We provide them with a service canine, equipment, training, certification, seminars, legal instruction, vet care, housing, home cooked meals, unconditional love and listening, and life-time of wrap-around services (including available life-long healthcare and food for their dogs).

The K9s program is 100% free for the veteran. We have our warriors' backs



Last year with the generosity of our members and guests playing in the tournament and the support of the Grand Alliance and Sponsors Special Operations Warrior Foundation was able to have 14 local students who had lost a parent in the line of duty attend four year college programs. Thank you.

If you are unable to play we encourage one to make a donation as part of the Grand Alliance for \$1,000 or in any amount to assist in this much needed funding for our military foundations.

The tournament fee goes 100% to the foundations AND covers the ability of our 60+ active military and recent serving veterans to play in the event here in Sarasota. This is a very emotional and special day for our Military Players and we invite you to take the day and play with those who protect us.



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Sarasota
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Audi Charity Golf Tournament benefitting Birdies for the Brave® will be held **Monday, November 4 2019.**

To register to play in this fun golf tournament email njones@heritagegolfgroup.com

Neil Jones, PGA Director of Golf

To donate please contact Bryan Hawn, the Controller

bhawn@heritagegolfgroup.com 941-922-2800 x 5

To sponsor please contact Neil Jones, Tournament Director, njones@heritagegolfgroup.com or 941-924-1331

We invite you to participate in play or in a financial donation.



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SARASOTA'S PRIVATE GOLF & SOCIAL CLUB