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June 2019



Highlights, May 1 Board of Directors Meeting

By Carol Heckert, Reviewed by John Fitzgibbon

Attending: Ray Capuano, Maureen Emmons, John Fitzgibbon, Larry Dobias, Beth Miller (Lighthouse)

Manager's Report: (Beth Miller)

- Audit completed.
- New contact forms forwarded to website.

Treasurer's Report: (Larry Dobias)

- \$34,000 spent in April. \$123,000 spent year to date, out of \$140,000 budgeted.

Maintenance Committee: (Larry Dobias)

- Down payment made on fountain near the bridge.
- Pump house removed; area will be landscaped.
- 12 poles installed near ponds to hold No Fishing for Non-Residents' signs. If non-residents are seen fishing, homeowners urged to take a photo of the car's license plate and call the sheriff. The sheriff will issue a citation.
- Pool filters have been replaced. Pool temperature being maintained at 85–87 degrees.
- Approval sought and granted for:
 - 1 Forestry at Rivendell Lake, \$2,000
 - 2 Landscaping pump house area, \$1,800
 - 3 Trimming at Village, Butterfly, Clear Creek, and Crescent Parks plus The Cottages, \$17,700 by Green Topps

Communications Committee: (John Fitzgibbon)

- Directories delivered by Block Captains; document sections eliminated this year. Notify Cindy Schmidl if you did not receive your directory.
- Cindy Schmidl has resigned as Block Captain Coordinator; expanded role of Block Captains under consideration.
- Cottages' issues and an Events Calendar will be in the Woodlands Word each month.
- Template created for Rivendell logo by Sue and Paul Remy.

Ponds & Preserves: (Frank Freestone)

- ASI will install aquatic plants at Egret and Bobcat Ponds.
- Low maintenance zone around Egret Pond was trimmed to community standard height.
- Wildfire risk mitigation being planned with Scherer State Park.
- Question as to whether low maintenance zones should be maintained by homeowners or the community.

Social Committee: (Carolyn Kenney)

- Ice cream social at Crescent Park on May 20. Approved.
- Social Committee will submit a budget for 2020.

New Business:

- Paint palette and ARC Guidelines will be updated.
- Next Board meeting on June 5, 2019.

Special Meeting on Funding of Alleys

Richard Weller, an attorney with Najmy Thomson, gave his opinion as to who should fund the repaving of the alleys behind some 55 homes in Rivendell. Most of the houses own 50% of the alley behind their homes, but some own 100% and some own none. Although these houses are mostly located in The Villas, some of them are not. About 20% of the alleys are on community property, which includes the area behind the pool.

After conducting a great deal of research into the history and geography of our community, as well as our documents, Mr. Weller came to the conclusion that the community association should pay for the repaving of the alleys. He gave the following reasons:

- 1 The alleys function as part of our storm water drainage system and as such, the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) will hold the community, and not the individual homeowners, responsible if there is any flooding or other drainage problems in the alleys.
- 2 It would be unmanageable to hold each homeowner responsible for his/her portion of an alley. Upkeep and repairs might be inconsistent and thereby cause problems resulting in penalties to the community association.

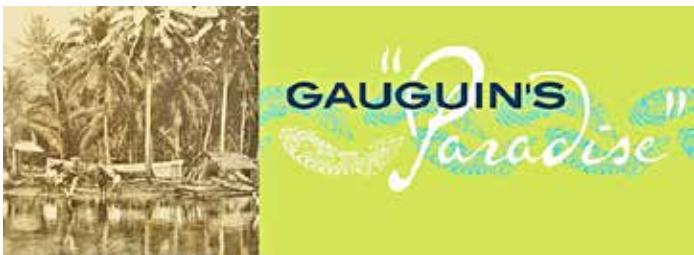
In answer to homeowner questions, Mr. Weller stated that the builder should have addressed the maintenance of the alleys in our documents, but this was not done. He will submit a formal report to the Board, after which it will be posted to our website.

Flag Day

June 14th



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Gauguin: Voyage to Paradise Exhibit at Selby Botanical Gardens

Excerpted: selby.org/events/event/gauguin-voyage-to-paradise

Gauguin: Voyage to Paradise Exhibit opened Feb. 10, 2019, at the Selby Gardens and will be on view through June 30, 2019.

This exhibition highlights the essential role of botanicals in achieving Gauguin's vision of the exotic. Together with lush displays of tropical plants in the conservatory and gardens, **Gauguin: Voyage to Paradise** features ten of the artist's original dramatic woodcut prints and wood engravings, photographs showcasing Tahiti during the time of his travels, historic maps as well as visual materials that shaped his work.

Visitors can wander through the conservatory featuring dug-out canoes to complement the imagery of Tahiti. The gardens are in bloom, and the Payne Mansion contains the original woodcut prints. Various cultural performances, special events, classes, and lectures have been part of the exhibition.

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RESTAURANT WEEK
JUNE 1-14, 2019

The Annual Savor Sarasota Restaurant Event will begin on Saturday, June 1 and run through Friday, June 14, 2019. This dining event features multi-course menus at \$16 per person for lunch and/or \$32 per person for dinner.

The website provides a list of participating restaurants and menus. The website allows you to search the list by type of food and also by general location. Do check the website frequently as restaurants are added to the list and to determine if either or both lunch and dinner are available for a particular restaurant.
<https://www.visitsarasota.com/savor-sarasota/restaurants>

A few of the participating restaurants include Alpine Steakhouse, Blue Rooster, Bonefish Grill in Venice, Bravo Coastal Bar & Kitchen, Brio Tuscan Grille, Capital Grille, Captain Brian's Seafood Market and Restaurant, Cassariano Italian Eatery, C'est la Vie, Chaz 51 Bistro, Crab & Fin, Crow's Nest Marina Restaurant, Duval's Fresh Local Seafood, Evoq @ The Westin, Farlow's on the Water in Englewood, Hyde Park Prime Steakhouse, Michael's On East, Paris Bistrot, Pacific Rim Restaurant, Rodizio Grill, Ruth's Chris Steak House, Selva Grill, Shore, The Bistro at The Concessions Golf Club, The Melting Pot, and The Rosemary.



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RIVENDELL EVENTS CALENDAR - JUNE 2019

By Lesley Sterling



June 5. Board of Directors Meeting 4:30 pm at OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH, 2705 N Tamiami Trail, Nokomis.

June 6. Bridge Group meets 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Contact Deb Jones at 517-515-4994 for more information.

June 8. Dining In Group meets the second Saturday of the month. For more information contact Kristin Ellison at kristinelli-son1@gmail.com.

June 10. Rivendell Book Group meets the second Monday of the month at 7:30 pm. This month's event will be held at 1064 Mallard Marsh Drive. Please contact Lesley Sterling at 703-919-0744 or lesley.sterling@yahoo.com to attend. To learn more, please go to page 12 of this newsletter.

June 15. Dining Out Group meets the third Saturday of the month. For more information contact Kristin Ellison at kristinelli-son1@gmail.com.

June 20. Bridge Group meets 1:00 – 4:00 pm. Contact Deb Jones at 517-515-4994 for more information.

June 25. Architectural Review Committee (ARC) meets the last Tuesday of the month at 4:30 pm at the Cottages Clubhouse. Contact Maureen Emmons at maureemmons@ymail.com.

June 26. Maintenance Committee meets the last Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Cottages Clubhouse. Contact Larry Dobias at dobiasle@gmail.com for more information.

June 27. Communications Committee meets the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm at 699 Rivendell Blvd. For more information contact Barb Garhy at 941-586-3936 or barbgarhy@gmail.com.



2019 Atlantic Basin Tropical Storm Names

National Hurricane Center

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/aboutnames.shtml>

The World Meteorological Organization names tropical storms in alphabetical order. Only twenty-one letters of the English alphabet are in use, so none of the names start with less common letters like Q. In the event that more than twenty-one named tropical storms occur in the Atlantic in a season, additional storms will take names from the Greek alphabet (Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, and so on). Storms in another part of the world have different names.

2019 Atlantic Basin Tropical Storm Names

Andrea	Lorenzo
Barry	Melissa
Chantal	Nestor
Dorian	Olga
Erin	Pablo
Fernand	Rebekah
Gabrielle	Sebastien
Humberto	Tanya
Imelda	Van
Jerry	Wendy
Karen	



Volunteer Day at the Cottages: a Huge Success!

On Monday, April 15th, twenty Cottages' residents turned out on "Volunteer Day" to do spring cleanup at the clubhouse, pool and surrounding area. The amount of work accomplished was simply amazing, including power washing and repairing the clubhouse, pool fencing and deck; cleaning and repairing pool furniture and the inside of the clubhouse; cleaning and organizing the kitchen, library and storage areas. The teamwork and community spirit was evident throughout the day as everyone worked together, restoring the beauty of our community center to one we can be proud of and enjoy. Heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped to make this such a huge success!

The Cottages Board

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The Cottages Celebrate the 145th Kentucky Derby in Fashion!

By Pat Southwick



**Rosemary and Joan,
organizers**

Ladies wearing their "Southern belle" inspired hats and gentlemen in their spring-colored suits and ties turned out for The Cottages Third Annual Kentucky Derby party held at the clubhouse on Saturday, May 4th. Everyone brought drinks, an appetizer or dessert to share, so there were plenty of great food choices. Besides watching the race on a large TV screen, there was a Derby Trivia game, a best hat contest for both women and men, 50/50 and, of course, a chance to bet on the race. All winners received special and appropriate prizes. The party was well attended and there was a lot of light-hearted fun, many pictures taken and enjoyable socializing. The outcome of the race also made our evening a bit more interesting!

A special thanks to our neighbors Joan Collins and Rosemary Haley, who planned the successful and special evening, and to Deb Holten-Smith for the beautiful pictures that captured the fashion highlights and excitement of the event.



Deb and Chris



Jim and Julie



John and Jan



Clair and Linda



Hugh and son-in-law

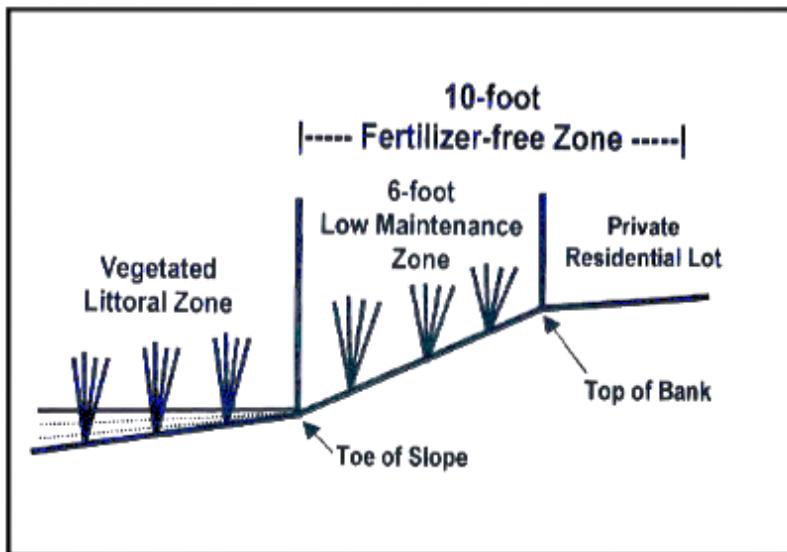




What is a "Littoral Zone," a "Low-Maintenance Zone," and a "Fertilizer-free Zone"?

By the Ponds and Preserves Committee

Are you "Zoned" Out? One of the key roles of the Ponds and Preserves Committee is to inform and educate our community about Rivendell's rich wetlands and the actions being taken to control erosion and keep them vibrant and attractive to wildlife. This article clarifies the roles of the three zones on the shores of our ponds.



Back in the day, before development, Florida was covered with extensive wetlands, including small ponds and areas that we now designate as preserves. Our system of ponds and preserves, including our choices for how they are managed, is intended to replace some of the storm water management functions of the original landscape. These elements also help to compensate for the impervious surfaces (roofs, driveways, roads, etc.) and landscaping practices of our community that change the character and quality of rainfall runoff that moves over the landscape.

Recent *Woodlands Word* articles have explored how our ponds are integrated into a storm water system and have shown that what we put on our lawns can end up in our ponds. All three zones work together to play a critical role in controlling both nutrient runoff and pond shoreline erosion. (*Image adapted from Sarasota County's fertilizer ordinance brochure.*)

What is this Zone?	What role does it play?
Littoral Zone This is the shallow area or shelf in the water around the edge of the pond. This zone is most effective when covered with specific aquatic plants.	The littoral zone's depth is shallow, allowing the growth of rooted, emergent aquatic plants that support immature animals, providing a food source and breeding habitat for fish. Taller aquatic plants with deeper root systems also contribute to control of both nutrient runoff and erosion.
Low-Maintenance Zone (LMZ) It's a six-foot no-mow area from the water-line up the pond bank. Heavy machinery used for mowing and pond maintenance is excluded from the LMZ to reduce shoreline damage leading to erosion.	In a Low-Maintenance Zone (LMZ), grasses and plants are allowed to grow taller and have longer root systems to absorb excess nutrients from runoff, stabilize the bank and reduce shoreline erosion.
Fertilizer-free Zone This area is on the pond bank within ten feet of the shoreline - on which application of fertilizer is prohibited by Sarasota County Ordinance.	Sarasota County's fertilizer ordinance specifies that application of fertilizer containing nitrogen or phosphorous is prohibited between June 1 and September 30. For more information see: "What you need to know about Sarasota County's Fertilizer and Landscape Management Code"

Have You Checked out Your New Website?



The Ponds and Preserves Committee has created the go-to place for news, information and updates about their activities and how they benefit our community.

- ✓ Visit www.rivendellcommunity.com
- ✓ On the home page, scroll down and click on the **Ponds and Preserves** program logo.
- ✓ Review the articles and click on the one you desire. You can also print any article.

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Did You Know...?

DS Franks

By Larry Dobias

The ponds of Rivendell are a highly engineered system of ponds and drains designed to control storm water flow and prevent flooding. The ponds were established by the developer under permit from the South West Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD). Under this permit, the pond system has to be inspected every five years by an independent engineering firm with history and experience in flood control. The firm hired for the inspection this year, as in the past, was DS Franks. Their charge is to inspect the weirs and flow-through structures, found in the ponds and at the edge of preserves, for structural integrity and obstructions that would alter or prevent the flow of water. The ponds are inter-connected and the ability to move water out of the community during the rainy season is critical to flood prevention. The inspection of the Rivendell ponds was conducted on March 26th and the system was judged to meet all the criteria established by SWFWMD. A report has been sent to the community and to SWFWMD indicating the flood control system in Rivendell passed inspection and is good for another five years.

Maintenance Committee Meeting, April 24th

By Larry Dobias, Board Liaison

1. The engineering firm, DG Franks, finalized the inspection of the Ponds and sent the report to the community and Southwest Florida Water Management District, SWFWMD. Rivendell meets all the requirements within the SWFWMD permit and has passed this inspection.
2. No trespassing signs have been installed in pond areas that have been subject to non-residents fishing.
3. The Greentopps proposal for Park cleanup was approved.
4. Quotes have been obtained from Healthy Pools on re-configuring the pool chemical storage and quotes have been solicited for a protective fence.
5. West Bay submitted a quote for a landscaping proposal at the irrigation station at the Cottages and quotes requested for a security fence.
6. Dead plants at the islands and entrance to the community have been removed and replaced.

Pump House Gone! By Larry Dobias



Old Pump House ~ photo by Nancy Dobias

For years the pump house near the Cottages has been a subject of discussion and a bit of an eyesore for some in the community. Most had no idea what the structure was all about and many probably never noticed. The shed was built originally to house an irrigation pump that took water from Rivendell Pond to irrigate common ground from the Old Venice Road entrance to Rainbow Point Park. Nearly ten years ago, the pump was replaced with a submersible pump placed in the lake. When that happened, the pump house and all the original equipment became obsolete.

Recently, Water Technologies was contracted to remove the shed, the old pump and pressure tanks, and any associated hardware. The irrigation plumbing was dug up and new lines were installed with industrial grade transition valves. The pump was taken out of the lake for maintenance and the lines feeding the irrigation were replaced with high-density polyethylene. The palms and shrubs surrounding the pump house were removed to eliminate the impact that root systems have on the piping. The wiring in the breaker box was reviewed and simplified. The cost of this project was \$14,140 taken from reserves.

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Rivendell Residents

Please send your name, phone number, and a description of the service you can provide to other Rivendell residents.
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Common Names: lion's tail, lion's ear, wild dagga,
Family: Lamiaceae/Labiatae (mint Family);
Leonotis ocymifolia

Description: This South African shrub is so named because the tufts of bloom resemble the tip of a lion's tail. Bees and butterflies love it and once established it is easy care and needs only good balanced fertilizer in the spring.

Lion's tail is a semi-woody shrub that grows to 5 feet tall and almost as wide. Lion's tail has straight stems that bear clusters of orange-red, tubular flowers from summer until early winter. Each flower is about 2 inches long and the rounded clusters about 4 inches across. The clusters are arranged on the stems one above another. The flowers are fuzzy on the outside of the tube. Like most mints, lion's tail has opposite leaves and the non-woody new growth has stems that are square in cross section.

Culture: Light: Full sun. Moisture: Once established, it is drought and salt tolerant. Do not over-water. Hardiness: USDA Zones 9 - 11. Do prune to encourage more flowering stems. It can be pruned back heavily if needed. It occurs in subtropical areas world wide, including most of Florida.



Lion's tail makes a striking addition to the garden that is appreciated by hummingbirds and butterflies.

Propagation: Often grown from seed, but can be started from softwood cuttings in spring or summer.

Usage: Use in a mixed shrub border or butterfly garden. It is a striking plant in bloom, and looks good in a mass or grouped with other butterfly-attracting shrubs like bottle-brushes and butterfly bush.

Features: A hard freeze will upset it, but it comes back easily. Lion's tail will bloom off and on all year. The best time to prune is after stems of blooms have turned brown. Cut back that stem to the crown of plant or a little less. When trimming, notice the seeds in the tiny bloom cups - turn them upside down and shake out the seeds. Just plant them directly in the soil - moist soil and in the sun and several feet

away from the original plant. This shrub does not like to be crowded and it looks its best when not crowded. When cutting this shrub and handling seeds, wear gloves. Nothing is poisonous, but skin may be irritated, and the stems have sharp edges.



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A special "Thank You" to Cindy Schmidl. Cindy is stepping down as block captain leader after many years of dedication and hard work.



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WWW.RIVENDELLCOMMUNITY.COM

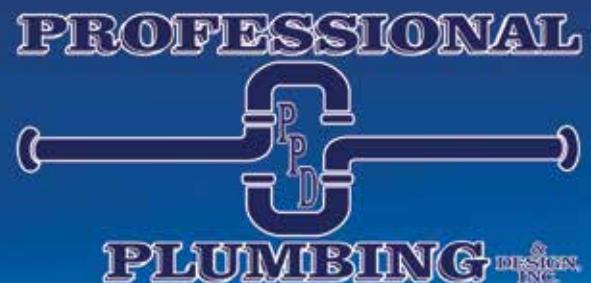
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The Communications Committee is seeking volunteers to help write content for the Woodlands Word newsletter.

Articles on restaurant reviews, neighborhood news, resident interviews and places of interest in the area are a few examples.

If you are interested in joining the Communications Committee contact Barb Gahry at barbgahry@gmail.com



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Book Group Schedule by Pam Babbitt

The Book Group will meet June 10, at Lesley Sterling's home, 1064 Mallard Marsh Drive. Please call Lesley at 703-919-0744 if you plan to attend. The book selection is *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate.

This Book Group meets on the second Monday of the month at 7:30pm. All Rivendell residents are welcome; please notify the month's hostess if you plan to participate. Following is the future schedule:

July 8: *A Paris Apartment* by Michelle Gable

August 12: *A Woman in the Window* by A J Finn

September 9: *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah

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Architectural Review Committee Report, April 30, 2019

NEW TIME: 4:30 PM

Meeting called to order 4:35 PM

Quorum present: Neil Agruss, John Greco, Susan Lanza, Richard Jurick, Alex Castro, 4:50pm- Ray Capuano

Board Member: Maureen Emmons, Acting Chair

	Request	Address	Assigned To	Second	Status
1	Repair pool cage	745 Fordingbridge Way	Susan Lanza	Richard Jurick	Approved a
2	House paint – palette	1026 Scherer Way	Richard Jurick	Alex Castro	Approved
3	Pavers to pool bath	1046 Scherer Way	John Greco	Alex Castro	Approved
4	Garage lights	1046 Scherer Way	John Greco	Susan Lanza	Approved
5	Storm shutters	1046 Scherer Way	John Greco	Neil Agruss	Approved
6	Add sod to plant beds	1010 Oak Preserve	Alex Castro	Susan Lanza	Approved
7	House paint - palette	638 Rivendell Blvd	Richard Jurick	Alex Castro	Approved
8	Remove windows and block	1185 Lost Creek	Neil Agruss	Richard Jurick	Approved
9	Paint front door	1185 Lost Creek	Neil Agruss	Susan Lanza	Approved
10	Roof	807 Shadow Bay Way	Richard Jurick	Alex Castro	Approved
11	House paint	819 Golden Pond	Richard Jurick	John Greco	Approved
12	House paint	1065 Mallard Marsh	John Greco	Alex Castro	Approved
13	House paint	965 Scherer Way	Susan Lanza	Richard Jurick	Approved
14	Remove tree	965 Scherer Way	Susan Lanza	Richard Jurick	Approved
15	Pool screen	753 Placid Lake	John Greco	Susan Lanza	Approved
16	Storm door	540 Meadow Sweet	Alex Castro	John Greco	Approved
17	Lanai cage	1184 Mallard Marsh			b

**Paint Palette additions

- a. Pool cage must be repainted bronze
- b. Maureen Emmons Contacting Absolute Aluminum for plans

Board of Directors to discuss Paint Palette at meeting on May 1st. Maureen Emmons to contact Sherwin Williams to suggest color combinations that comply with original color requirements. Meeting adjourned 5:25 PM.

Adult Learning Opportunities

Adult and Community Education Center: The Adult and Community Education Center provides classes in Art Appreciation, Crafts, Dance, Drawing, Sports, Picture Matting & Framing, Music Appreciation, Painting, Photography, Sculpture, Theater, Literature, Environmental, Self-Improvement, Cuisine, History, Foreign Language, Digital Photo, Smart Phones, and Computers. www.sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/ace

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Pierian Spring Academy: Pierian Spring Academy has merged with the Ringling College of Continuing Studies and will be incorporated into the department called the Ringling College Lifelong Learning Academy (RCLLA).

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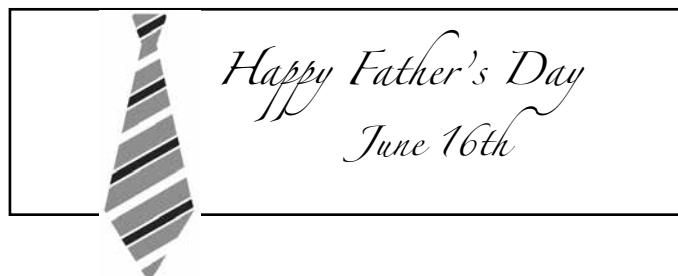
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Sarasota County Parks and Recreation: www.scgov.net/government/parks-recreation-natural-resources/things-to-do Sarasota County Parks & Recreation offers a wide range of educational and leisure activities at our many recreation centers and parks for all ages ranging from informational to fitness to music to nature activities.

State College of Florida Venice: Corporate and Community Development (CCD), provides quality learning through noncredit continuing education, community services and credit-related activities. Course offerings and Online opportunities are based upon the interests and needs of the community. Schedules and locations vary each term. www.scf.edu/AboutSCF/Locations/SCFVenice/default.asp

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